

**SAINT THOMAS CHURCH FIFTH AVENUE**  
in the  
**CITY OF NEW YORK**



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**SUNDAY, JANUARY 15, 2023 AT 11 A.M.**  
**THE SECOND SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY**  
**AND COMMEMORATION OF DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING JR.**

**FESTAL EUCHARIST**

SUNG BY THE SAINT THOMAS CHOIR OF MEN AND BOYS

# ORDER OF SERVICE

THE ORDINARY OF THE MASS Communion Services in B-flat and F

*Sir Charles Villiers Stanford*  
(1852-1924)

PRELUDE

Impromptu No. 2

*Samuel Coleridge-Taylor*  
(1875-1912)


*The People stand at the entry of the Choir and Ministers.*

HYMN

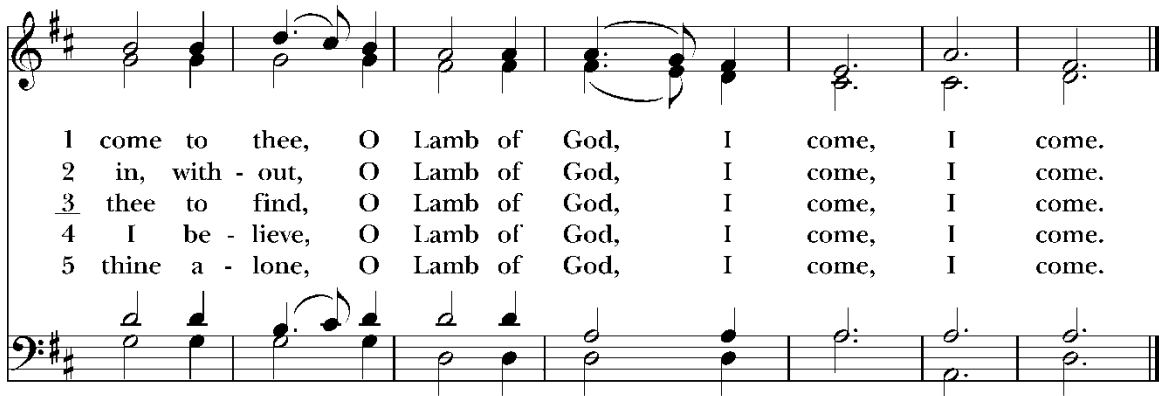
WOODWORTH



1 Just as I am, with - out one plea, but that thy  
2 Just as I am, though tossed a - bout with man - ya  
\* 3 Just as I am, poor, wretch - ed, blind; sight, rich - es,  
4 Just as I am: thou wilt re - ceive; wilt wel - come,  
5 Just as I am, thy love un - known has bro - ken



1 blood was shed for me, and that thou bidd'st me  
2 con - flict, man - ya doubt; fight - ings and fears with -  
3 heal - ing of the mind, yea, all I need, in  
4 par - don, cleanse, re - lieve, be - cause thy prom - ise  
5 ev - ery bar - rier down; now to be thine, yea,



1 come to thee, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.  
2 in, with - out, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.  
3 thee to find, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.  
4 I be - lieve, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.  
5 thine a - lone, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

6 Just as I am, of thy great love  
the breadth, length, depth, and height to prove,  
here for a season, then above:  
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

## THE OPENING ACCLAMATION AND COLLECT FOR PURITY

*Celebrant* Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit  
*People* **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

**A**LMIGHTY God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known,  
and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts  
by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee,  
and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

*Sung by the Choir*

**G**lory be to God on high,  
and in earth peace,  
good will towards men.  
We praise thee, we bless thee,  
we worship thee, we glorify thee.  
We give thanks to thee for thy great glory,  
O Lord God, heavenly King,  
God the Father almighty.  
O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ;  
O Lord God, Lamb of God,  
Son of the Father, that takest away the sins of the world,  
have mercy upon us.  
Thou that takest away the sins of the world,  
have mercy upon us.  
Thou that takest away the sins of the world,  
receive our prayer.  
Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father,  
have mercy upon us.  
For thou only art holy;  
thou only art the Lord;  
thou only, O Christ.  
With the Holy Ghost, art most high  
in the glory of God the Father.  
Amen.

## THE SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.  
*People* **And with thy spirit.**  
*Celebrant* Let us pray.

**A**LMIGHTY God, whose Son our Savior Jesus Christ is the light of the world:  
Grant that thy people, illumined by thy Word and Sacraments, may shine with the radiance of  
Christ's glory, that he may be known, worshiped, and obeyed to the ends of the earth; through the  
same Jesus Christ our Lord, who with thee and the Holy Spirit liveth and reigneth, one God,  
now and for ever. **Amen.**

## THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

### THE LESSON

Isaiah 49:1-7

*Lector* The Word of the Lord.  
*People* **Thanks be to God.**

EXPECTANS EXPECTAVI

**I** WAITED patiently for the Lord : and he inclined unto me, and heard my calling.  
 He brought me also out of the horrible pit, out of the mire and clay :  
 and set my feet upon the rock, and ordered my goings.  
 And he hath put a new song in my mouth : even a thanksgiving unto our God.  
 Many shall see it, and fear : and shall put their trust in the Lord.  
 Blessed is the man that hath set his hope in the Lord : and turned not unto the proud,  
 and to such as go about with lies.  
 O Lord my God, great are the wondrous works which thou hast done,  
 like as be also thy thoughts which are to us-ward :  
 and yet there is no man that ordereth them unto thee.  
 If I should declare them, and speak of them : they should be more than I am able to express.  
 Sacrifice and meat-offering thou wouldest not: but mine ears hast thou opened.  
 Burnt-offerings, and sacrifice for sin, hast thou not required : then said I, Lo, I come,  
 In the volume of the book it is written of me, that I should fulfil thy will, O my God :  
 I am content to do it; yea, thy law is within my heart.  
 I have declared thy righteousness in the great congregation :  
 lo, I will not refrain my lips, O Lord, and that thou knowest.  
 I have not hid thy righteousness within my heart : my talk hath been of thy truth and of thy salvation.  
 I have not kept back thy loving mercy and truth : from the great congregation.  
 Withdraw not thou thy mercy from me, O Lord:  
 let thy loving-kindness and thy truth always preserve me.  
 Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;  
 as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

THE EPISTLE

1 Corinthians 1:1-9

*Subdeacon* The Word of the Lord.  
*People* **Thanks be to God.**

*The People stand.*

HYMN

AMERICAN MELODY

The musical score is written in 4/4 time with a key signature of one flat (B-flat). It consists of two systems of music, each with a treble clef staff and a bass clef staff. The lyrics are: "There is a balm in Gil-e-ad to make the wound-ed whole; There is a balm in Gil-e-ad to heal the sin-sick soul. Fine". The melody is primarily in the treble clef, with the bass clef providing harmonic support. The piece concludes with a double bar line and the word "Fine".

1. Some - times I feel dis - cour-aged, And\_ think my work's in vain, \_ But\_

2. If you can - not preach like Pet - er, If you can - not preach like Paul, \_ You can

3. Don't\_ ev - er be dis - cour-aged For\_ Je - sus is your friend, \_ And\_

1. then the ho - ly spir - it Re - vives my soul a - gain. \_\_\_\_\_

2. tell the love of Je - sus, And say He died for all. \_\_\_\_\_

3. if you lack for know - ledge, He'll ne'er re - fuse to lend. \_\_\_\_\_

*D.C.*

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

Jeremy Filsell (b. 1964)

*The People stand. This acclamation heralds the Gospel reading.*

Al-le-lu-ia, Al-le-lu-ia, Al- le-lu - ia.

*People* **Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

*Choir* Remember that thou in my lifetime receivedst thy good things,  
And likewise Lazarus evil things: but now he is comforted.

*People* **Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

**THE HOLY GOSPEL**

John 1:29-42

*Deacon* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Saint John.

*People* Glo - ry be to thee, \_\_\_\_\_ O Lord.

*After the Gospel, the Deacon says*

The Gospel of the Lord

*People* Praise\_ be to thee, Praise\_ be to thee, O Christ.

**THE SERMON**

The Rector

*A period of silent reflection may follow the sermon.*

## THE NICENE CREED

*Said by all, standing. It is customary to bow at the underlined words.*

**I BELIEVE** in one God,  
the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
and of all things visible and invisible;

And in one Lord Jesus Christ,  
the only-begotten Son of God,  
begotten of his Father before all worlds,  
God of God, Light of Light,  
very God of very God,  
begotten, not made,  
being of one substance with the Father;  
by whom all things were made;  
who for us men and for our salvation  
came down from heaven,  
and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary,  
and was made man;  
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered and was buried;  
and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures,  
and ascended into heaven,  
and sitteth on the right hand of the Father;  
and he shall come again, with glory,  
to judge both the quick and the dead;  
whose kingdom shall have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Ghost, the Lord, and Giver of Life,  
who proceedeth from the Father and the Son;  
who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped  
and glorified;  
who spake by the Prophets.  
And I believe one holy Catholic and Apostolic Church;  
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins;  
and I look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

## A LITANY FOR THE MISSION OF THE CHURCH

*The Leader says*

Let us pray for the mission of the Church in the world.

*The People kneel. The Litany is interspersed with words of Martin Luther King Jr.*

Holy God, in whom all things in heaven and earth have their being,  
**Have mercy on us.**

Jesus the Christ, through whom the world is reconciled to the Father,  
**Have mercy on us.**

Holy Spirit, whose glory fills the world and searches the depths of God,  
**Have mercy on us.**

Blessed Trinity, source of both unity and diversity,  
**Have mercy on us.**

*'We must learn to live together as brothers or perish together as fools.'*

From blind hearts and petty spirits, that refuse to see the need of all humankind  
for your love,  
**Savior, deliver us.**

From pride, self-sufficiency and the unwillingness to admit our own need  
of your compassion,  
**Savior, deliver us.**

From discouragement in the face of pain and disappointment,  
and from lack of persistence and thoroughness,  
**Savior, deliver us.**

From ignorance, apathy, and complacency that prevent us  
from spreading the Gospel,  
**Savior, deliver us.**

*'Life's most persistent and urgent question is, "What are you doing for others?"'*

O God, we pray for the gifts of ministry.  
Inspire our minds with a vision of your kingdom in this time and place.  
**Hear us, O Christ.**

Touch our eyes, that we may see your glory in all creation.  
**Hear us, O Christ.**

Touch our ears, that we may hear from every mouth the hunger for hope  
and stories of refreshment.  
**Hear us, O Christ.**

Touch our lips, that we may tell in every tongue and dialect  
the wonderful works of God.  
**Hear us, O Christ.**

*'Our loyalties must transcend our race, our tribe, our class, and our nation; and this means we must develop a world perspective.'*

Touch our hearts, that we may discern the mission to which you call us.  
**Hear us, O Christ.**

Touch our feet, that we may take your Good News into our neighborhoods, communities, and all  
parts of the world.  
**Hear us, O Christ.**

Touch our hands, that we may each accomplish the work you give us to do.  
**Hear us, O Christ.**

Strengthen and encourage all who minister in your name in  
lonely, dangerous and unresponsive places.  
**Hear us, O Christ.**

Open the hearts and hands of many to support your Church in this and every place.  
**Hear us, O Christ.**

*'Everybody can be great...because anybody can serve. You don't have to have a college degree to serve. You don't have to make your subject and verb agree to serve. You need only a heart full of grace. A soul generated by love.'*

Let us bring our prayers and thanksgivings to God in a moment of silence.

*The Celebrant concludes with this collect*

**A**LMIGHTY God, who by the hand of Moses thy servant didst lead thy people out of slavery, and didst make them free at last: Grant that thy Church, following the example of thy prophet Martin Luther King, may resist oppression in the name of thy love, and may strive to secure for all thy children the blessed liberty of the Gospel of Jesus Christ; who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## CONFESSION OF SIN

*The Celebrant says*

Let us humbly confess our sins to Almighty God.

*Celebrant and People*

**A**LMIGHTY God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, maker of all things, judge of all men: We acknowledge and bewail our manifold sins and wickedness, which we, from time to time, most grievously have committed, by thought, word, and deed, against thy divine Majesty, provoking most justly thy wrath and indignation against us. We do earnestly repent, and are heartily sorry for these our misdoings; the remembrance of them is grievous unto us; the burden of them is intolerable. Have mercy upon us, have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; for thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, forgive us all that is past; and grant that we may ever hereafter serve and please thee in newness of life, to the honor and glory of thy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

*The Celebrant says*

**A**LMIGHTY God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all those who with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## THE PEACE

*The Celebrant says*

The peace of the Lord be always with you.  
*People* **And with thy spirit.**

## THE GREETINGS

### THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

#### AT THE OFFERTORY, MOTET

*Sung by the Choir*

*Alison Willis*  
(b. 1971)

**T**HEY have brought gold,  
They have brought gold and spices  
to my King, Incense and precious gifts  
and ivory to my King.

Oh holy Mother mine,  
What can I bring so that my Lord may  
deign to look on me?

They sing a sweeter song that I can sing,  
Mother mine what can I bring? I, bound  
on earth, weep for my trespassing.

They sing the song of love in heaven, set free.  
Then answered me my mother,  
And her voice spake to my heart and answered  
in my heart.

Sing, saith he to the heavens,  
Sing, saith he to the earth!  
Rejoice!

What can I bring?

*Christina Rossetti (1830-1894)*





Give us this day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those who trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,  
for ever and ever. Amen.

#### THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

*Celebrant* Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;  
*People* **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

#### AGNUS DEI

*Sung by the Choir*

**O** Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.  
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.  
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, grant us thy peace.

#### INVITATION TO COMMUNION

*The Celebrant says*

**B**EHOLD the Lamb of God: behold him that taketh away the sins of the world.  
Blessed are those who are called to his supper.

*People* **Lord, I am not worthy that thou shouldst come under my roof,  
but speak the word only and my soul shall be healed.**

*The People remain kneeling until the bell rings.*

#### AN ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION *(for those unable to receive Holy Communion)*

**I** BELIEVE in thee, O my Jesus, present in the most holy Sacrament of the Altar;  
I love thee above all things, and I desire to receive thee into my soul.  
Since I cannot at this moment receive thee sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart.  
I embrace thee, and I unite myself to thee as if thou wast already there.  
Never permit me to be separated from thee!  
O Lord Jesus Christ, let the sweet and consuming force of thy love absorb my whole soul, that I may  
die for the love of thee, who wast pleased to die for the love of me. Amen.

#### HOLY COMMUNION

*All baptized Christians are invited to receive Holy Communion.  
The Sacrament is distributed at the Crossing. Intinction is not permitted.  
You are welcome to receive in one kind only. Gluten free hosts are available - please ask the priest.*

#### MOTET

*Sung by the Choir*

*Herbert Howells  
(1892-1983)*

**H**ERE is the little door, lift up the latch, oh lift!  
We need not wander more but enter with our gift;  
Our gift of finest gold.  
Gold that was never bought nor sold;  
Myrrh to be strewn about his bed;  
Incense in clouds about his head;  
All for the child that stirs not in his sleep,  
But holy slumber hold with ass and sheep.  
Bend low about his bed, for each he has a gift;

See how his eyes awake, lift up your hands, O lift!  
 For gold, he gives a keen edged sword.  
 (Defend with it thy little Lord!)  
 For incense, smoke of battle red  
 Myrrh for the honoured happy dead;  
 Gifts for his children, terrible and sweet;  
 Touched by such tiny hands and oh such tiny feet.

*Frances Chesterton (1869-1938)*

COMMUNION HYMN

*Sung kneeling or sitting.*

ST. BOTOLPH

1 When Christ was lift - ed from the earth, his  
 2 Still east and west his love ex - tends and  
 3 Where gen - er - a - tion, class, or race di -  
 4 Thus free - ly loved, though ful - ly known, may

arms stretched out a - bove through ev - ery cul - ture,  
 al - ways, near or far, he calls and claims us  
 vide us to our shame, he sees not la - bels  
 I in Christ be free to wel - come and ac -

ev - ery birth, to draw an an - swering love.  
 as his friends and loves us as we are.  
 but a face, a per - son, and a name.  
 cept his own as Christ ac - cept - ed me.

THE PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

*The Celebrant says*

Let us pray.

*The People kneel and silence is kept.*

*Celebrant and People*

**A**Lmighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

# THE BLESSING

*The Celebrant says*

**M**AY Christ, the Son of God, be manifest in you, that your lives may be a light to the world; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

## HYMN

## LIFT EVERY VOICE



1 Lift ev-ery voice and sing till earth and hea-ven ring, ring with the  
2 Ston-y the road we trod, bit-ter the chas-tening rod, felt in the  
3 God of our wea-ry years, God of our si-lent tears, thou who hast



har-mo-nies of lib-er-ty. Let our re-joic-ing rise  
days when hope un-born had died; yet, with a stead-y beat,  
brought us thus far on the way; thou who hast by thy might



high as the lis-tening skies; let it re-sound loud as the  
have not our wea-ry feet come to the place for which our  
led us in-to the light; keep us for ev-er in the



roll-ing sea. Sing a song full of the faith that the dark past has  
par-ents sighed? We have come o-ver a way that with tears has been  
path, we pray. Lest our feet stray from the pla-ces, our God, where we





taught us; sing a song full of the hope that the pres - ent has  
wa - tered; we have come, tread - ing our path through the blood of the  
met thee; lest, our hearts drunk with the wine of the world, we for -

brought us; fac - ing the ris - ing sun of our new  
slaugh - tered, out from the gloom - y past, till now we  
get thee; sha-dowed be - neath thy hand may we for

day be - gun, let us march on, till vic - to - ry is won.  
stand at last where the white gleam of our bright star is cast.  
ev - er stand, true to our God, true to our na - tive land.

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## THE DISMISSAL

*Deacon* Let us go forth in the Name of Christ.  
*People* **Thanks be to God.**

## VOLUNTARY

Antiphonal *from* 'Anguished American Easter, 1968'  
*Dedicated to the memory of Dr. Martin Luther King*

*Thomas Kerr, Jr*  
(1915-1988)

**Please join us for Coffee Hour in Andrew Hall after the service.**



The High Altar Flowers are donated by the family of  
*Thomas E. Engel (December 28, 1945 – November 15, 2022)*

The flowers in the rest of the Church are offered to the glory of God and in memory of the following:  
*Godfrey Pierson Connfelt and Margaret Crane Hurlbut*

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## WORSHIP THIS WEEK

\* indicates livestreamed.

### Today

**4 p.m. 'From Glory to Glory' – A Procession and Sequence of Readings and Music for Epiphany\***

*sung by the Choir of Men and Boys*

### Monday - Saturday

**12 p.m. Shrine Prayers and Holy Eucharist\***

### Tuesday – Antony of Egypt

**5:30 p.m. 'From Glory to Glory' – A Procession and Sequence of Readings and Music for Epiphany\***

*sung by the Choir of Men and Boys*

### Wednesday – The Confession of Saint Peter

*The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity begins.*

**5:30 p.m. Solemn Eucharist\***

*sung by the Choir of Men and Boys*

### Thursday – Wulfstan

**5:30 p.m. Choral Evensong\***

*sung by the Choir of Men and Boys*

### Friday

**3 p.m. Contemplative Prayer**

*In the Resurrection Chapel*

### Saturday

**11-11:45 a.m.** Confessions, Spiritual Advice, Ministry of Healing in the Resurrection Chapel  
*Confessor: Father Schultz*

**Next Sunday: January 22, The Third Sunday after the Epiphany**

**7:45 a.m. Said Mass**

**9 a.m. Sung Mass**

*especially suitable for Children and Families  
followed by Coffee Hour in the Parish House*

**11 a.m. Festal Eucharist\***

*sung by the Choir of Men and Boys  
followed by Coffee Hour in Andrew Hall  
Sermon by Mo. Turner*

**4 p.m. Festal Evensong for Christian Unity\***

*sung by the Choir of Men and Boys  
Sermon by The Rev. Jared Stahler, Pastor of St. Peter's Lutheran Church, NYC  
followed by an organ recital by Patrick Scott, Memphis, TN*

## PARISH NOTICES

**The Pilgrims' Course Begins Wednesday, January 18:** The Pilgrims' Course, our annual educational and fellowship series, explores the Christian Faith as the Episcopal Church has received it, and as Saint Thomas expresses it through its mission to worship, love, and serve our Lord Jesus Christ through the Anglican Tradition and our unique choral heritage. Classes are open to all and, each year, a number of parishioners attend to refresh their faith and support those who are new to the faith or to our community. **The course begins Wednesday, January 18, at 6:30 p.m. in the Parish House.** To discover more about the topics, the schedule, and to register, please go to our webpage. Classes are held on most Wednesdays from mid-January to May (with a break for Ash Wednesday, Holy Week, and Easter Week). Before the pandemic, classes began with an optional hot meal which was very popular. At this time, with increasing COVID infections, we are unsure when the meal element will resume; please check back frequently for updates. Classes are hybrid and you can attend in-person or online. Each week, you will be sent an email with the class details, and a link to a recording of last week's class. The Pilgrims' Class is traditionally taught by the Rector of Saint Thomas Church. In 2023, Canon Turner will be assisted by our new Associate for Adult Education and Formation, The Rev. Dr. Luigi Gioia, who has an international reputation as a teacher, author, and spiritual director. Other clergy will also be available to support members of the group.

**Saint Thomas Church Tours** are available on Sundays after the 11 a.m. service. It is a great way to experience and learn about the church. Tours generally last an hour and 15 minutes. If you are interested, please meet the Tour Guide on the south side of the Narthex near the "Tour Guide – Meet Here" sign.

The **Bookstore and Giftshop** is open Sunday following the 11 am Mass until 3 p.m. Please access the shop via the Parish House entrance round the corner at 1 West 53<sup>rd</sup> Street where you will find a wide selection of books, devotional items, and beautiful gifts.

**Weekly Bible Study on Fridays at 1 p.m.** Fr. Schultz leads a series of sessions that will serve as a deep dive into the Gospel of John. Join us as we continue our exploration of the Book of Signs (John 1:18 through chapter 12). For more information, please contact Fr. Schultz at [MSchultz@SaintThomasChurch.org](mailto:MSchultz@SaintThomasChurch.org).

**Children and Families:** Sunday School and Nursery have resumed! We meet in the Sunday School room after the 9 a.m. service. To learn more or get your children involved, **sign up** for our weekly newsletter, with details of programs and activities for 2023: [Childrenandfamilies@saintthomaschurch.org](mailto:Childrenandfamilies@saintthomaschurch.org).

**Theology at Saint Thomas:** Join us Sunday at 10 a.m. for the continuation of a four-week series entitled: **"I have called you friends": Glimpses into God's Ways.** In this series of exercises in Narrative Theology we will learn that the best way to know God is paying attention to his "ways", that is to how he behaves with those whom he calls his friends. God is invisible and mysterious and yet becomes an open book. Tales of encounter, dialogue, intrigue, conflict, and appeasement between God and his friends brim with glimpses into his personality, passion, charm, playfulness, and soft spots. The subject of next week's class is **Abraham: God the Visitor.** You are welcome to join us in person on the Fifth Floor of the Parish House or on Zoom using the link provided in our E-news.

**The Noble Singers**, our children's parish choir for singers ages 5-12, under the Direction of Mrs. Rebecca Kellerman-Filsell, sings at the 9 a.m. Mass on Sundays during the program year. We welcome new singers at any time! No audition is necessary, just enthusiasm and a love of music. For more information, and to register your singer for the Winter Term, contact [RKellerman@SaintThomasChurch.org](mailto:RKellerman@SaintThomasChurch.org).

**Concerts at Saint Thomas** presents *New York Polyphony: From the Gyffard Partbooks* on Thursday, January 26 at 7:30 p.m. We are pleased to welcome the four-part vocal ensemble [New York Polyphony](#) for an evening of antiphons, motets, and responsories taken from the Gyffard Partbooks and the Eton Choirbook. These manuscripts are among the few collections of Latin liturgical music to have survived the Reformation, with much of the music unheard and unrecorded. Please [visit our website](#) for tickets and more information. Support *Concerts at Saint Thomas* by becoming a [Friend of Music](#). To make your donation with our team, email [concerts@saintthomaschurch.org](mailto:concerts@saintthomaschurch.org) or call [212-664-9360](tel:212-664-9360).

**Pan-Asian Ministry:** There will be a Festive Holy Eucharist, refreshments, and games at St. Thomas Church Fifth Avenue on January 21 at 2 p.m. Pan-Asians of the Diocese of New York will gather to celebrate the Lunar New Year. Please RSVP to Mo. Lee-Pae by January 14: [pleepae@saintthomaschurch.org](mailto:pleepae@saintthomaschurch.org).

For the first part of this year, we continue our **2023 Annual Appeal: Invitation, Community, Discipleship.** You can make a pledge via the QR code below to be taken to the website or email [giving@saintthomaschurch.org](mailto:giving@saintthomaschurch.org)



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Our mission is to worship, love and serve Our Lord Jesus Christ  
through the Anglican tradition and our unique choral heritage.

Contact us: [welcome@saintthomaschurch.org](mailto:welcome@saintthomaschurch.org)

*Recording and Photography during the service is not permitted.*

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