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The Reverend Canon Carl F. Turner, Rector

Welcome to Saint Thomas Church, a parish of the Episcopal Diocese of New York.
Our mission is to worship, love, and serve Our Lord Jesus Christ
through the Anglican tradition and our unique choral heritage.

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THE LAST SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY (QUINQUAGESIMA)

FEBRUARY 11, 2024

SUNG EUCHARIST - 9 a.m.

Sung by The Noble Singers

The Ordinary of the Mass

Coventry Acclamations

Peter Jones/Paul Inwood

The People stand for the entry of the Ministers.

Hymn (omit verse 4)

WAREHAM

1 O won - drous type! O vi - sion fair of glo - ry
2 With Mo - ses and E - li - jah nigh the in - car - nate
3 With shin - ing face and bright ar - ray, Christ deigns to
4 And faith - ful hearts are raised on high by this great
5 O Fa - ther, with the e - ter - nal Son, and Ho - ly

1 that the Church may share, which Christ up - on the
2 Lord holds con - verse high; and from the cloud, the
3 man - i - fest to - day what glo - ry shall be
4 vi - sion's mys - ter - y; for which in joy - ful
5 Spi - rit, ev - er One, vouch - safe to bring us

1 moun - tain shows, where bright - er than the sun he glows!
 2 Ho - ly One bears re - cord to the on - ly Son.
 3 theirs a - bove who joy in God with per - fect love.
 4 strains we raise the voice of prayer, the hymn of praise.
 5 by thy grace to see thy glo - ry face to face.

O wondrous type! O vision fair, #137 from *The Hymnal 1982* – Words: Latin, 15th cent.; tr. *Hymns Ancient and Modern*, 1861, after John Mason Neale (1848-1866), alt. Music: Wareham, melody William Knapp (1698-1768); alt.; harm. *Hymns Ancient and Modern*, 1875, after James Turler (1802-1882).

The Penitential Order

Celebrant

Bless - ed be God: Father, Son, and Ho - ly Spi - rit.

People

And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ev - er. A - men.

The Celebrant welcomes the people and introduces the celebration. Then, the Celebrant says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

The People remain standing. Silence is kept.

Celebrant and People

Most merciful God,
 we confess that we have sinned against you
 in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done,
 and by what we have left undone.
 We have not loved you with our whole heart;
 we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
 We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
 For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
 have mercy on us and forgive us;
 that we may delight in your will,
 and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

The Celebrant says

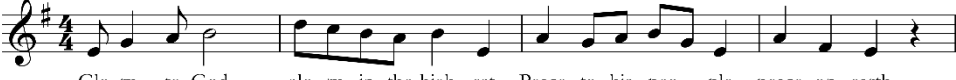
Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ,
 strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

Gloria in Excelsis

Cantor Glory to God, glory in the highest, Peace to his people, peace on earth;

People 
Glo-ry to God, glo-ry in the high-est, Peace to his peo - ple, peace on earth.

Cantor Lord God, Heavenly King, almighty God and Father,

People 
Glo-ry to God, glo-ry in the high-est, Peace to his peo - ple, peace on earth.

Cantor We worship you,

People 
glo - ry in the high - est,

Cantor Give you thanks,

People 
glo - ry in the high - est,

Cantor Praise you for your glory;

People 
Glo-ry to God, glo-ry in the high-est, Peace to his peo - ple, peace on earth.


Cantor Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God Lamb of God;
you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us,

People 
have mer - cy on us,


Cantor You are seated at the right hand of the Father; receive our prayer,

People 
re - ceive our prayer,

Cantor Glory to God, glory in the highest, Peace to his people, peace on earth

People 
Glo-ry to God, glo-ry in the high-est, Peace to his peo - ple, peace on earth.

Cantor For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God - the glory of God the Father,

People 
Glo-ry to God, glo-ry in the high-est, Peace to his peo - ple, peace on earth.

Cantor Amen.

People 
A - men.

The Collect of the Day

The Celebrant says

The Lord be with you.

People

And also with you.

Celebrant

Let us pray.

Silence is kept. The Celebrant says the Collect.

O God, who before the passion of your only-begotten Son revealed his glory upon the holy mountain: Grant to us that we, beholding by faith the light of his countenance, may be strengthened to bear our cross, and be changed into his likeness from glory to glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The People sit.

The Liturgy of the Word

The Lesson

2 Kings 2:1-12

Lector

The Word of the Lord.

People

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 50:1-6

NUN DANKET ALLE GOTT

The choir sings the refrain and all repeat.



The Lord, the God of gods has spoken;
he has called the earth from the rising of the sun to its setting.
Out of Zion perfect in its beauty,
God reveals himself in glory.
Our God will come and will not keep silence;
before him there is a consuming flame, and round about him a raging storm. *Refrain*

He calls the heavens and the earth from above
to witness the judgment of his people.
“Gather before me my loyal followers,
those who have made a covenant with me, and sealed it with sacrifice.”
Let the heavens declare the rightness of his cause;
for God himself is judge. *Refrain*

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He has spoken through the Prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

The Prayers of the People (Form IV)

The Leader says

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

The People remain standing. This response is used after each petition

People Lord, in your mercy.
Hear our prayer.

After the prayers, silence is kept, then the Celebrant says

People Lord, hear the prayers of thy people; and what we have asked faithfully,
grant that we may obtain effectually, to the glory of thy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

The Peace

The Celebrant says

People The peace of the Lord be always with you.
And also with you.

The Greetings

The Liturgy of the Eucharist

Hymn

MOWSLEY

1 Christ up - on the moun - tain peak stands a - lone in
2 Trem - bling at his feet we saw Mo - ses and E -
3 Swift the cloud of glo - ry came. God pro - claim - ing
4 This is God's be - lov - ed Son! Law and pro - phets

glo - ry blaz - ing; let us, if we dare to speak,
li - jah speak - ing. All the pro - phets and the Law
in its thun - der Je - sus as his Son by name!
fade be - fore him; first and last and on - ly One,

with the saints and an - gels praise him. Al - le - lu - ia!
shout through them their joy - ful greet - ing. Al - le - lu - ia!
Na - tions cry a - loud in won - der! Al - le - lu - ia!
let cre - a - tion now a - dore him! Al - le - lu - ia!

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Christ upon the mountain peak, #129 from *The Hymnal 1982* – Words: Brian A. Wren (b. 1936), © 1977, 1985 by Hope Publishing Company.
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The People remain standing or kneel. The Celebrant continues the Eucharistic Prayer.

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever.

People **AMEN.**

The Lord's Prayer

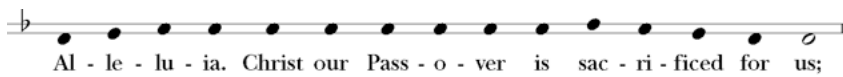
Celebrant And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

Celebrant and People

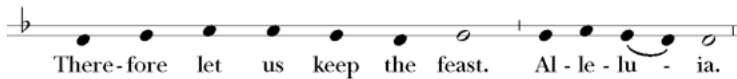
Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy Name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those
who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.



People



Agnus Dei

Stephen Buzard

Organ

1st time - Solo
2nd time - Choir

O Lamb of God, _____ you
take a-way the sins of the world: have mer - cy on us.

All

O Lamb of God, _____ you take a-way the sins of the world:
grant_ us peace, grant us peace.

The Invitation to Communion

The Celebrant says

Behold the Lamb of God.
Behold him who takes away the sins of the world.
Blessed are those who are called to his supper.

People Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof,
but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

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

Communion Anthem

Kaye Saunders

You are sealed with the Spirit. You have put on Christ.
Sing alleluia, alleluia, sing alleluia, sing!

After Communion, silence is kept. The Celebrant says

Let us pray.

The People stand.

Celebrant and People

Eternal God, heavenly Father,
you have graciously accepted us as living members
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,
and you have fed us with spiritual food
in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.
Send us now into the world in peace,
and grant us strength and courage
to love and serve you
with gladness and singleness of heart;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Blessing and Dismissal

The Celebrant says

May 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.**

Go in the light and peace of Christ.

People **Thanks be to God.**

1 Sing al - le - lu - ia forth in du - teous praise,
 2 Ye powers who stand be - fore the e - ter - nal Light,
 3 Then let the ho - ly ci - ty raise the strain,
 4 Ye who have fought and joined the star - ry throng,
 5 Your songs of tri - umph shall for ev - er ring,
 6 Such song is rest and food and deep de - light
 7 Al - might - y Christ, to thee our voic - es sing

1 ye ci - ti - zens of heaven, O sweet - ly raise
 2 let all your choirs re - ech - o to the height
 3 and with glad songs re - sound - ing wake a - gain
 4 ye vic - tors, now take up the e - ter - nal song,
 5 the hymns which tell the hon - or of your King,
 6 to saints for - giv - en; let them all u - nite
 7 glo - ry for ev - er - more; to thee we bring

1 an end - less al - le - lu - ia.
 2 an end - less al - le - lu - ia.
 3 an end - less al - le - lu - ia.
 4 an end - less al - le - lu - ia.
 5 an end - less al - le - lu - ia.
 6 in end - less al - le - lu - ia.
 7 an end - less al - le - lu - ia.

Sing alleluia forth in duteous praise. #619 from *The Hymnal 1982* – Words: Latin, 5th-8th cent.; ver. Hymnal 1940.
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Please join us for Coffee Hour in the Living Room after the service.



PILGRIMS' COURSE 2024



Want to know more about the Christian Faith? Want to be baptized or confirmed? Want to become a member of Saint Thomas Church? The Pilgrims' Course 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 next class will be on Wednesday, February 21. The subject of the week's class will be *The Christian Exodus: An Introduction to Lent and Holy Week*. A simple hot meal is available at 6:30pm, and the class runs from 7-8pm. Classes are hybrid, so if you cannot be present in-person, you can join us on-line.

To register please email: pilgrims@saintthomaschurch.org



The flowers today are offered to the glory of God and in memory of the following:
George Arents, Amelia Parsons Ferry, E. Hayward Ferry, Margaret Crane Hurlbut, and Sir George A. Shearing, KBE

ASH WEDNESDAY SCHEDULE

8 a.m. Said Mass

12 p.m. The Solemn Liturgy of Ash Wednesday*

sung by the Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys

Sermon by Fr. Gioia

5:30 p.m. The Solemn Liturgy of Ash Wednesday*

sung by the Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys

Sermon by The Rector

* indicates livestreamed.

*Imposition of ashes will be available at all services,
and in between all the liturgies in the nave.*

Confessions:

9:30-10:30 am

10:30-11:30 am

3-4 pm

4-5 pm

Chantry

The Rector

Mo. Lee-Pae

Mo. Turner

Fr. Gioia

Resurrection Chapel

Fr. Gioia

Fr. Moretz

Fr. Schultz

The Rector

WORSHIP THIS WEEK

* indicates livestreamed.

Today

11 a.m. Festal Eucharist*

sung by the Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys
Sermon by The Rector

1:30 p.m. Korean Holy Eucharist

Sermon by Mo Lee-Pae

4 p.m. Solemn Evensong and Benediction*

sung by the Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys

Monday – Tuesday, Thursday – Saturday

12 p.m. Shrine Prayers and Holy Eucharist*

Tuesday – Absalom Jones, Priest, 1818

5:30 p.m. Choral Evensong*

sung by the Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys

Wednesday – Ash Wednesday

Schedule on previous page

Thursday

5:30 p.m. Choral Evensong*

sung by the Gentlemen of the Choir

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: Mo. Turner

Next Sunday: February 18, The First Sunday in Lent

7:45 a.m. Said Mass

9 a.m. Sung Mass

followed by Coffee Hour in the Parish House

11 a.m. Litany and Solemn Eucharist*

sung by the Gentlemen of the Choir
Sermon by Fr. Gonzalez-Grissom

4 p.m. Solemn Evensong*

sung by the Gentlemen of the Choir
Lenten Sermon Series: “Lord, teach us to pray” – former clergy of Saint Thomas explore patterns of prayer.

Sermon by The Rev. Sean Mullen, Rector, St. Mark’s Church, Philadelphia, PA, on “Prayer – the Heart in Pilgrimage”

5:15 p.m. Sunday Recital Series

Alexander Ffinch, organ - Cheltenham, United Kingdom

PARISH NOTICES

Children and Family Ministries: A pre-Lenten pancake family feast will take place today in the dining room at 10am. Please note that Sunday school will be on winter break next Sunday February 18. The Nursery continues to be available for the sole use of babies and toddlers with their parents/caregivers, from 9am-1pm on Sundays in the Parish House, 3rd floor. To receive our CFM newsletter, contact childrenandfamilies@saintthomaschurch.org.

The Beloved Community—An Invitation from Pamela Lewis: February is Black History Month, which we will observe through a project organized around the idea of the Beloved Community. Though some of us may feel that Black History Month does not relate to our experience, as a church we can embrace this beautiful idea of Beloved Community, about which Dr. Martin Luther King had spoken powerfully and eloquently. I therefore invite you to reflect on this theme and to send in your reflection on how Saint Thomas Church is a Beloved Community to belovedcommunity@saintthomaschurch.org by February 29. On Saturday, March 2, there will be a discussion group, where we will share those reflections and engage in an open and heartfelt discussion about this beautiful idea as it relates to our parish.

Our Parish **Bookstore and Gift Shop** is still temporarily closed. However, we will have a table in the Narthex on Sundays after the 11am services thru March 17, selling books for Lent and Easter. If you have any questions, please reach out to giftshop@saintthomaschurch.org.

Saint Thomas Church Tours are available on Sundays after the 11am service. It is a great way to experience and learn about the church. If you are interested, please meet the Tour Guide on the south side of the Narthex near the "Tour Guide - Meet Here" sign.

The Tree of the Knowledge: Cinematic Visions of Good and Evil – A Lenten Film Series: On Friday evenings in Lent, join us for the return of *Lenten Movie Nights* in which we will explore together the following questions: are innocence and goodness the same? Is evil depicted as a force, a person, an illness, a situation or pattern, an archetype . . . and what do these depictions say about the film-makers' perspectives on evil and on goodness? How does the good show up—what does it look like? And how might the Church respond to or critique these visions? Each session begins at 6pm with a vegetarian meal (for those abstaining from meat on Fridays), followed by the film at 6:30pm, with a discussion afterward. For more information, please contact Fr. Schultz at MSchultz@SaintThomasChurch.org.

The Saint Thomas Theological Education Program, rooted in Scripture, tradition, and spirituality, is for those who seek a deeper understanding of faith, worship and prayer. Lecturers are The Rev. Dr. Luigi Gioia, Theologian in Residence, and internationally renowned guest speakers committed to making theology accessible to non-specialists. Classes are held Sundays at 10am on the 5th Floor of the Parish House and are streamed online. For more info, contact Fr. Luigi Gioia: lgioia@saintthomaschurch.org.

Weekly Bible Study on Fridays at 1pm. 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.

Saint Thomas Choir School exists to nurture and educate the boy choristers of the Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys. Talented students in grades 3-8 come from the greater New York City area and beyond to sing, study, play, perform, and live together at the school. If you know a boy who loves to sing, encourage his family to contact Nora Thomson: nthomson@choirschool.org.

The Noble Singers, our children's parish choir for singers ages 5-14, under the Direction of Mrs. Rebecca Kellerman-Filsell, has resumed weekly rehearsals and singing at the 9am Mass. 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, contact RKellerman@SaintThomasChurch.org.

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