SAINT THOMAS CHURCH FIFTH AVENUE

in the CITY OF NEW YORK



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SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 2024 AT 4 P.M. THE EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

FESTAL EVENSONG

SUNG BY THE SAINT THOMAS CHOIR OF MEN AND BOYS



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.

contact us: welcome@saintthomaschurch.org

Please do not take photographs or videos, or make recordings during the service.

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You may contact the Wardens using this address: Wardens@SaintThomasChurch.org.



PRELUDE A Fancy D-final William Byrd (c. 1540-1623)

INTROIT

David Hill
(b. 1957)

Praise our God, all you his servants.
You who fear him, both small and great.

Jesus Christ came and preached to us.

Peace to you who were far off, and peace to those who were near.

The kingdom of this world is become the kingdom of our Lord and of his Christ.

And he shall reign for ever and ever. Alleluia.

Revelation 19:5; Mark 1:15; Ephesians 2:17; Revelation 11:15

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

VERSICLES AND RESPONSES

Martin How (1931-2022)

The Officiant and Choir sing the opening responses.

- V. O Lord, open thou our lips.
- K. And our mouth shall show forth thy praise.
- V. O God, make speed to save us.
- R. O Lord, make haste to help us.
- V. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.
- R. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.
- V. Praise ye the Lord.
- K. The Lord's Name be praised.

The People sit.

WELCOME

PSALM 109:1-4, 20-30

Sung by the Choir

Anglican Chant (Goss, Stewart)

DEUS, LAUDEM

HOLD not thy tongue, O God of my praise : for the mouth of the ungodly, yea, the mouth of the deceitful is opened upon me.

And they have spoken against me with false tongues:

they compassed me about also with words of hatred, and fought against me without a cause.

For the love that I had unto them, lo, they take now my contrary part:

but I give myself unto prayer.

Thus have they rewarded me evil for good: and hatred for my good will.

But deal thou with me, O Lord God, according unto thy Name: for sweet is thy mercy.

O deliver me, for I am helpless and poor : and my heart is wounded within me.

I go hence like the shadow that departeth: and am driven away as the grasshopper.

My knees are weak through fasting: my flesh is dried up for want of fatness.

I became also a reproach unto them: they that looked upon me shaked their heads.

Help me, O Lord my God: O save me according to thy mercy.



And they shall know, how that this is thy hand: and that thou, Lord, hast done it.

Though they curse, yet bless thou: and let them be confounded that rise up against me; but let thy servant rejoice.

Let mine adversaries be clothed with shame:

and let them cover themselves with their own confusion, as with a cloke.

As for me, I will give great thanks unto the Lord with my mouth: and praise him among the multitude.

For he shall stand at the right hand of the poor: to save his soul from unrighteous judges.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost;

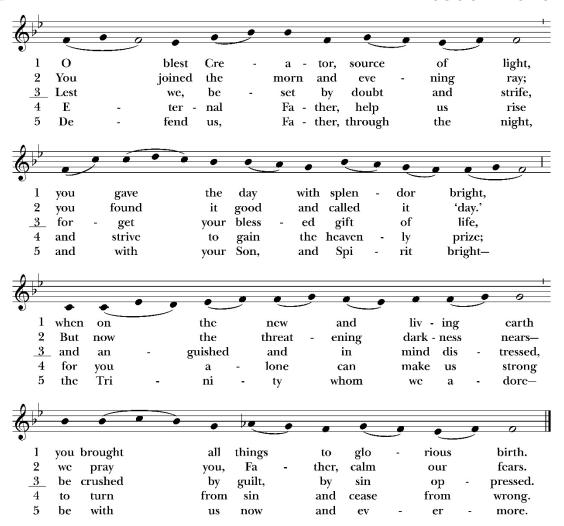
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.

FIRST LESSON Exodus 19:10-25

The People stand for the Office Hymn and Magnificat.

HYMN

LUCIS CREATOR OPTIME



O blest Creator, source of light, #27 from The Hymnal 1982 – Words: Latin, 6th cent.; tr. Anne K. LeCroy (b. 1930), alt. Music: Lucis creator optime, plainsong, Mode 8, Verona, MS., 11th cent.



MAGNIFICAT OCTAVI TONI David Bevan (1951-2021)

MY SOUL doth magnify the Lord, and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Savior.

For he hath regarded the lowliness of his handmaiden.

For behold from henceforth all generations shall call me blessed.

For he that is mighty hath magnified me, and holy is his Name.

And his mercy is on them that fear him throughout all generations.

He hath showed strength with his arm;

he hath scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts.

He hath put down the mighty from their seat, and hath exalted the humble and meek.

He hath filled the hungry with good things, and the rich he hath sent empty away.

He remembering his mercy hath holpen his servant Israel,

as he promised to our forefathers, Abraham and his seed for ever.

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 People sit.

Matthew 8:23-34 SECOND LESSON

The People stand for the Nunc dimittis and the Creed.

NUNC DIMITTIS TERTII TONI

George Malcolm (1917-1997)

ORD, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace according to thy word. For mine eyes have seen thy salvation;

Which thou hast prepared before the face of all people;

To be a light to lighten the Gentiles, and to be the glory of thy people Israel.

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 APOSTLES' CREED

BELIEVE in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth:

And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord:

who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,

born of the Virgin Mary,

suffered under Pontius Pilate,

was crucified, dead, and buried.

He descended into hell.

The third day he rose again from the dead.

He ascended into heaven,

and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father almighty.

From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost,

the holy Catholick Church, the communion of saints,

the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body,

and the life everlasting. Amen.



THE PRAYERS

Sung by the Choir

- R. And with thy spirit.

The People kneel.

Let us pray.

K. Lord, have mercy upon us.
Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.

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. Amen.

- V. O Lord, shew thy mercy upon us.
- R. And grant us thy salvation.
- V. O Lord, save the State.
- K. And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.
- V. Endue thy Ministers with righteousness.
- R. And make thy chosen people joyful.
- V. O Lord, save thy people.
- R. And bless thine inheritance.
- V. Give peace in our time, O Lord.
- R. Because there is none other that fighteth for us, but only thou, O God.
- V. O God, make clean our hearts within us.
- R. And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

GRANT us, O Lord, not to mind earthly things, but to love things heavenly; and even now, while we are placed among things that are passing away, to cleave to those that shall abide; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.



THE COLLECT FOR PEACE

GOD, from whom all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works do proceed: Give unto thy servants that peace which the world cannot give, that both our hearts may be set to obey thy commandments, and also that by thee, we, being defended from the fear of our enemies, may pass our time in rest and quietness; through the merits of Jesus Christ our Savior. *Amen*.

THE COLLECT FOR AID AGAINST ALL PERILS

LIGHTEN our darkness, we beseech thee, O Lord; and by thy great mercy defend us from all perils and dangers of this night; for the love of thy only Son, our Savior Jesus Christ. Amen.

The People sit.

ANTHEM AT THE OFFERTORY

Sung by the choir

Henry Charles Rosenthal (1990-2017)

HOLD not thy peace, O God of my praise;
For the mouth of the wicked and the mouth of the deceitful are opened against me:
They have spoken against me with a lying tongue.

Psalm 109:1-2



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SERMON

The Rev. Prisca Lee-Pae Associate for Pan-Asian Ministry





Christ for the world we sing, #537 from The Hymnal 1982 – Words: Samuel Wolcott (1813-1886). Music: Moscow, melody Felice de Giardini (1716-1796); harm. The New Hymnal, 1916, based on Hymns Ancient and Modern, 1875, and Lowell Mason (1792-1872).



THE BLESSING

THE peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you, and remain with you always. Amen.

PSALM 150 Sung by the Choir Anglican Chant (Talbot)

LAUDATE DOMINUM

Praise God in his holiness: praise him in the firmament of his power. Praise him in his noble acts: praise him according to his excellent greatness. Praise him in the sound of the trumpet: praise him upon the lute and harp. Praise him in the cymbals and dances: praise him upon the strings and pipe. Praise him upon the well-tuned cymbals: praise him upon the loud cymbals. Let every thing that hath breath: praise the Lord. 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.

VOLUNTARY

Praeludium in e minor [little]

Nicolaus Bruhns (1665-1697)

5:15 P.M. ORGAN RECITAL

Immediately following the service, we invite you to stay for the Sunday Recital Series featuring Clara Gerdes, organ, New York, NY



The flowers today are offered to the glory of God and in memory of the following: Peter Lever A. Aideyan, Margaret Crane Hurlbut, Ida Spear O'Neill, and Herbert Asher Metzger



In Memoriam Henry Rosenthal (1990-2017)
Saint Thomas Chorister 2000-2005 (pictured upper R) with his graduating class

PILGRIMS' II COURSE FALL 2024



Want to know more about the Christian Faith?
Want to be baptized or confirmed?
Want to become a member of Saint Thomas Church?

A Follow-Up to the Pilgrims' course will take place in the Fall on October 22, 29 and November 5, 12, and 19. Among the topics there will be two highly appreciated talks by the Rector:

*Divine Design: a guided exploration of Saint Thomas Church and of the liturgical signification of its architecture with the Rector"

"Unpacking the Sunday High Mass: A step-by-step explanation of what happens and why"

A poll will be sent to the participants of the Pilgrims' course of the past few years to ask them which topics they would like to revisit or deepen. If you wish to be kept informed about the Pilgrims' Follow Up Course, please register here:



WORSHIP THIS WEEK

* indicates livestreamed.

Today 5:15 p.m. Sunday Recital Series Clara Gerdes, New York, NY

Monday - Friday 12 p.m. Shrine Prayers* 12:05 p.m. Holy Eucharist*

Tuesday – Our Lady of Walsingham **5:30 p.m. Choral Evensong*** Followed by a short, said Mass sung by the Gentlemen of the Choir

Wednesday
5:30 p.m. Choral Evensong*
Followed by a short, said Mass
sung by the Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys

Thursday - Lancelot Andrewes
5:30 p.m. Choral Evensong*
Followed by a short, said Mass
sung by the Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys

Friday 3 p.m. Contemplative Prayer In the Resurrection Chapel

Saturday - Requiem (Edward Kreutz)
11-11:45 a.m. Confessions, Spiritual Advice, Ministry of Healing in the Resurrection Chapel
Confessor: Fr. Schultz

12 p.m. Shrine Prayers*
12:05 p.m. Holy Eucharist*

Next Sunday: September 29, Saint Michael and All Angels (Michaelmas)

7:45 a.m. Said Mass

9 a.m. Sung Mass followed by Coffee Hour in the Parish House

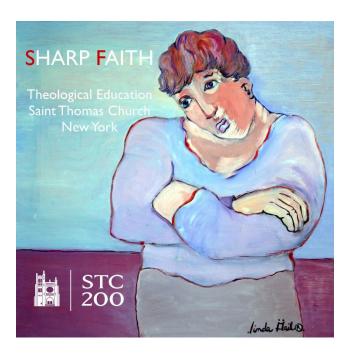
11 a.m. Solemn Eucharist*
sung by the Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys
Sermon by The Very Rev. Dominic Barrington,
Dean of York

4 p.m. Festal Evensong*sung by the Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys
Sermon by The Rev. Landon Moore,
Vicar for Vocations, Diocese of Long Island

The Saint Thomas Theological Education Program 2024-25 continues Sundays at 10 a.m. with a series of talks on *The Question of Evil and Suffering and The Theology of Healing* by our Theologian In Residence, Fr. Luigi Gioia.

The lectures will be livestreamed on YouTube and video-recorded. If you want to receive weekly updates about the program, or to access the dates and titles of the talks, please register at this link:





The Saint Thomas Theological Education Program is at the service of those who seek a deeper understanding of faith and want to nourish their worship and their prayer. The teaching is rooted in Scripture, Christian tradition and spirituality. The lecturers are The Rev. Dr. Luigi Gioia, Theologian in Residence, and internationally renowned guest speakers who are committed to making theology accessible to non-specialists. The classes are held on Sundays at 10 AM on the Fifth Floor of the Parish House and are streamed online. Additionally, recordings and handouts are made available for those who cannot attend the live sessions. For the registration and the Program of Talks 2024-25 you can write to Fr. Luigi Gioia at Igioia@SaintThomasChurch.org.

PARISH NOTICES

Children and Family Ministries: CFM Registration is now open. Please register your children on the church website for the 2024-2025 CFM Program Year. Sunday School (ages 3-10) and Faith Alive (10-14+) meet at 10 a.m. Sunday School meets in the Sunday School Room (3rd Floor) and Faith Alive meets in the Dining Room (2nd Floor). The Nursery continues to be available for the sole use of babies and toddlers with their parents/caregivers, from 9 a.m. – 1 p.m. on Sundays in the Parish House, 3rd Floor. To receive our CFM newsletter contact childrenandfamilies@saintthomaschurch.org.

The **Noble Singers**, our parish children's choir for singers ages 5-14+, under the direction of Mrs. Rebecca Kellerman-Filsell, is now accepting new choristers. The choir rehearses weekly on Thursdays and Fridays from 4:15 - 5:15 p.m. Choristers select one rehearsal to attend each week and sing weekly at the 9 a.m. Sung Eucharist on Sundays during the program year. No audition is necessary, just enthusiasm and a love of music! For more information, and to register your singer, contact Rkellerman@saintthomaschurch.org.

Join us on Saturday, September 28 at 3 p.m. as Concerts at Saint Thomas opens the 2024-2025 Concert Season with a Grand Organ Concert featuring organist Frédéric Blanc playing Cochereau and the French Masters. For inperson or livestream tickets and for information about future please concerts, email at concerts@saintthomaschurch.org visit or https://www.saintthomaschurch.org/music/concerts. Support Concerts at Saint Thomas by becoming a Friend of Music. To make a donation, please call 212-664-9360.

Saint Thomas Church Tours are available 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.

You are cordially invited to the **Holy Eucharist in the Korean language** every second Sunday of the month at 1:30 p.m. It is preceded by brunch at 12:45 p.m. in the Dining Room of the Parish House.

매달 둘째 주일 오후1:30에 본당에서 올리는 한국어 감사 성찬례에 여러분을 초대합니다. 오후12:45에 2층 식당에서 브런치를 함께 나누니 조금 일찍 오셔서 친교도나누세요. Contemplative Prayer takes place on Fridays at 3 p.m. in the Resurrection Chapel. You are welcome to join this sacred time of silent prayer and quiet praise in the presence of God. The service includes Taize Songs, Centering Prayer, and Lectio-Divina, and is led by Mo. Prisca Lee-Pae. For more information, please contact Mo. Lee-Pae at Pleepae@saintthomaschurch.org.

Friday Zoom Bible Study—Christ and Ekklesia: John's Wondrous Vision of Light. Led by Fr. Schultz Fridays at 1 p.m. via Zoom. We have embarked on the Book of the Glory (John 13-21) in which we will witness Jesus' Passion and Resurrection. Bring your Bible, your questions, and yourself as, together, we deepen our relationship with God through scripture. Contact Fr. Schultz with any questions and for the Zoom link: 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 Margaret White: Mwhite@choirschool.org.

The Saint Thomas Social Justice Outreach Group gathers volunteers from our community to address the needs of vulnerable people facing special challenges and who struggle to meet basic needs. With St. Patrick's Cathedral and Fifth Avenue Presbyterian, Saint Thomas Church is part of the EOP (Ecumenical Outreach Partnership). The EOP employs two social workers who make sure that volunteer work is done professionally, in compliance with regulations and safeguarding, and in such a way that people in need are helped to improve their life situations. Parishioners from Saint Thomas can join the distribution of meals by the EOP on 55th Street from 1-2 p.m. on Mondays and Wednesdays. Those who would like to join can write to Fr. Luigi Gioia at Lgioia@saintthomaschurch.org.