

SAINT THOMAS CHURCH FIFTH AVENUE
in the
CITY OF NEW YORK



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SUNDAY, JULY 27, 2025 AT 3 P.M.
THE SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

FESTAL EVENSONG

SUNG BY THE SAINT THOMAS GIRL CHORISTER COURSE
AND THE GENTLEMEN OF THE CHOIR
MAXINE THÉVENOT, COURSE DIRECTOR



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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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PRELUDE

Bryn Calfaria

Ralph Vaughan Williams
(1872-1958)

VERSICLES AND RESPONSES

Maxine Thévenot
(b. 1969)

The Officiant and Choir sing the opening responses.

V. O Lord, open thou our lips.

R. 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.

R. The Lord's Name be praised.

The People sit.

WELCOME

PSALM 88:1-9

Sung by the Choir

Anglican Chant (*Skeats*)

DOMINE DEUS

O LORD God of my salvation, I have cried day and night before thee :

O let my prayer enter into thy presence, incline thine ear unto my calling.

For my soul is full of trouble : and my life draweth nigh unto hell.

I am counted as one of them that go down into the pit :

and I have been even as a man that hath no strength.

Free among the dead, like unto them that are wounded, and lie in the grave :

who are out of remembrance, and are cut away from thy hand.

Thou hast laid me in the lowest pit : in a place of darkness, and in the deep.

Thine indignation lieth hard upon me : and thou hast vexed me with all thy storms.

Thou hast put away mine acquaintance far from me : and made me to be abhorred of them.

I am so fast in prison : that I cannot get forth.

My sight faileth for very trouble :

Lord, I have called daily upon thee, I have stretched forth my hands unto thee.

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

Genesis 42:1-25

The People stand for the Office Hymn and Magnificat.



OFFICE HYMN

THE EIGHTH TUNE

1 O gra - cious Light, Lord Je - sus Christ, in
2 Now sun - set comes, but light shines forth, the
3 Wor - thy are you of end - less praise, O

you the Fa - ther's glo - ry shone. Im - mor - tal, ho - ly,
lamps are lit to pierce the night. Praise Fa - ther, Son, and
Son of God, Life - giv - ing Lord; where - fore you are through
blest is he, and blest are you, his ho - ly Son.
Spi - rit: God who dwells in the e - ter - nal light.
all the earth and in the high - est heaven a - dored.

O gracious light, #25 from *The Hymnal 1982* – Words: Greek, 3rd cent.; tr. F. Bland Tucker (1895-1984); para. of *O Gracious Light*.
Music: *The Eighth Tune*, Thomas Tallis (c. 1505-1585).

MAGNIFICAT IN G

Sung by the Choir

Sir Charles Villiers Stanford
(1852-1924)

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.

SECOND LESSON

Matthew 13:24-35

The People stand for the Nunc dimittis and the Creed.



NUNC DIMITTIS IN G

Sung by the Choir

Sir Charles Villiers Stanford

LORD, 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

I 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

V. The Lord be with you.

R. And with thy spirit.

The People kneel.

Let us pray.

R. 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.
R. 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

O GOD, the protector of all that trust in thee, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy: Increase and multiply upon us thy mercy, that, thou being our ruler and guide, we may so pass through things temporal, that we finally lose not the things eternal; 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

O 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

Sarah Quartel
(b. 1982)

DENSITY of light
that could shatter the cold rock of the moon,
compacted flame
that only the face of holy love could withstand,
may Christ reflect your blaze
to the distant satellite of my heart
and melt the fear
that from the orbit of my days
you would scatter
my dim shards to darkness.

Density of light,
compacted flame,
sudden lightning,
draw me onward through thick darkness
trusting
that light shall spring from the grave
and the coldest rock in space
shall join me in a blaze of song:
glory, glory, glory,
glory be to you O God.

Thomas Troeger (1945-2022)



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PRAYERS AND INTERCESSIONS

The Prayers end with the Grace, said by all

**The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God,
and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost, be with us all evermore. Amen.**



HYMN

ST. CLEMENT

1 The day thou gav - est, Lord, is end - ed, the dark - ness
2 We thank thee that thy Church, un - sleep - ing while earth rolls
3 As o'er each con - ti - nent and is - land the dawn leads
4 So be it, Lord; thy throne shall nev - er, like earth's proud

falls at thy be - hest; to thee our morn - ing hymns a -
on - ward in - to light, through all the world her watch is
on an - oth - er day, the voice of prayer is nev - er
em - pires, pass a - way; thy king - dom stands, and grows for

scend - ed, thy praise shall sanc - ti - fy our rest.
keep - ing, and rests not now by day or night.
si - lent, nor dies the strain of praise a - way.
ev - er, till all thy crea - tures own thy sway.

The day thou gavest, Lord, is ended, #24 from *The Hymnal 1982* – Words: John Ellerton (1826-1893).
Music: St. Clement, Clement Cottevill Scholefield (1839-1904).

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.**

VOLUNTARY

Postlude in D minor, Op. 105, No. 6

Sir Charles Villiers Stanford



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God's Love at the Heart of New York



The flowers today are offered to the glory of God and in memory of the following:

Margaret Crane Hurlbut



NEIGHBOR TO NEIGHBOR

The Saint Thomas Community Outreach Program



The Saint Thomas Social Outreach program **Neighbor to Neighbor** provides coffee, tea, croissants, and fresh fruit to community members in need. The program serves guests between 9am and 10am every Saturday, with volunteers arriving at the cloisters of the church on 53rd Street around 8:30am. Please note there is a signup form for interested volunteers to ensure we do not have too many or too few present. If you are interested in knowing more about the program and getting involved, **please register to the mailing list for this group using the QR code below.**





WORSHIP THIS WEEK

* indicates livestreamed.

Today

3 p.m. Festal Evensong*

*sung by the Saint Thomas Girl Chorister Course and the
Gentlemen of the Choir*

Monday – Friday

12 p.m. Shrine Prayers*

12:05 p.m. Holy Eucharist*

Saturday

**11 a.m. Confessions, Spiritual Advice,
Ministry of Healing in the Resurrection Chapel**
Confessor: Fr. Mark Brown

11:30 a.m. The Rosary and Shrine Prayers *

12:05 p.m. Holy Eucharist *

Next Sunday: August 3

The Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

7:45 a.m. Said Mass

9 a.m. Sung Mass

followed by Coffee Hour in the Parish House

11 a.m. Festal Eucharist *

Sermon by Mo. Lee-Pae

Sung by the Saint Thomas Consort

SUMMER FEASTS at 5:30PM
sung by the Saint Thomas Consort

Wednesday, August 6 – The Transfiguration

followed by cheese, wine, and soft drinks in the Lady Chapel

Friday, August 15 – The Assumption of the BVM

*Celebrant, The Rt. Rev. Allen Shin, Bishop Suffragan of New
York in the presence of the Most Rev. Jeremy Greaves, Archbishop
of Brisbane, Australia*

*followed by cheese, wine, soft drinks, and dessert in the Lady
Chapel*



PARISH NOTICES

Children and Family Ministries: Sunday School (ages 3-10) and Faith Alive (ages 10-14) and Noble Singers (5-14+) are now on summer recess and will resume at the beginning of September. The Children's area (near the icon of Saint Thomas) is available for families during all services, with quiet activities for young children. The Nursery also 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 Summer CFM newsletter, contact childrenandfamilies@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.

The Noble Singers, our children's parish choir for singers (ages 5-14+) return with Choir Camp on Saturday, September 6th and returns to singing in the 9am Mass Sunday, September 7th. New singers are always welcome. No audition is necessary, just enthusiasm and a love of music! For more information, and to register your singer, contact childrenandfamilies@saintthomaschurch.org

Friday Zoom Bible Study is on Break and will resume on August 29! Contact Fr. Schultz with any questions and for the Zoom link: MSchultz@SaintThomasChurch.org.

Do you know a boy who loves to sing? On **Saturday, November 8**, Saint Thomas Choir School will hold a **Chorister Experience Day**. Open to boys in Grades 3-6, this day will be an opportunity to experience life in the choir school community with fun activities, choir rehearsal with the choristers, tours of the Church and School, and Evensong with the **Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys**. For more information contact **Margaret White, Director of Admissions and Administration:** admissions@choirschool.org

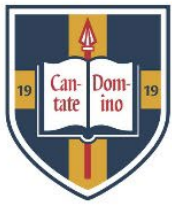
You are cordially invited to the **Holy Eucharist in the Korean language** every second Sunday of the month at 1:30 pm. It is preceded by brunch at 12:45 pm in the Dining Room of the Parish House.

매달 둘째 주일 오후 1:30에 본당에서 올리는 한국어 감사 성찬례에 여러분을 초대합니다. 오후 12:45에 2층 식당에서 브런치를 함께 나누니 조금 일찍 오셔서 친교도 나누세요.

Contemplative Prayer will resume on September 12 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.

Saint Thomas Choir School is home to the boy choristers of the Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys. Beginning in September 2025, the choristers (grades 4-8) will partner with Professional Children's School for their academic education, while continuing to live and train at STCS in a close-knit, music-centered environment. They sing five weekly services at Saint Thomas Church and perform in the Concerts at Saint Thomas series. If you know a boy who loves to sing and may thrive in this unique setting, please contact Margaret White at mwhite@choirschool.org.

Volunteer with Neighbor to Neighbor and help address the pressing needs of those experiencing hunger, homelessness, isolation, and hardship right here in Midtown. This ministry of Saint Thomas Church, in partnership with St. Patrick's Cathedral and Fifth Avenue Presbyterian, is part of the *Ecumenical Outreach Partnership* (EOP), which provides professional social work support to ensure compassionate, safe, and effective outreach. Volunteers gather each Saturday from 8:30 to 10:30am at the Parish House to welcome our neighbors in need with breakfast and hospitality. Additional opportunities to serve include assisting with meal distribution on 55th Street, Mondays and Wednesdays from 1 to 2pm. To learn more or to volunteer, please contact Fr. Luigi Gioia at lgioia@saintthomaschurch.org.



SAINT THOMAS CHOIR SCHOOL



The Opportunity of a Lifetime

*A Residential Program for Boys
in Grades 4-8 Who Love to Sing*

Saint Thomas Choir School is the home away from home to the boy choristers of the Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys. At STCS, boys in grades 4-8 live in community with full-time staff, sharing in the many routines of daily life: family-style meals, afternoon sports and recreation, bedtime snacks and books. Residential staff nurture and guide the students, helping them grow into young men who exhibit poise, presence, and a profound sense of service, all while immersing themselves in a shared passion for music.

Beginning in September 2025, Saint Thomas Choir School will partner with Professional Children's School to offer an unparalleled, music-centered education in the heart of Manhattan. While continuing to live at STCS, the boy choristers will be formally enrolled at PCS, an institution with a longstanding tradition of academic excellence and a deep commitment to supporting the performing arts. An average day will include several hours at PCS for core academics, with remaining time based at STCS for studies in Latin, theology, and music theory, as well as weekly private music lessons, sports, and recreational activities.

If you know a boy who loves to sing and would thrive within this extraordinary musical and educational environment, please contact us at admissions@choirschool.org.



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