

SAINT THOMAS CHURCH FIFTH AVENUE  
in the  
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SUNDAY, JANUARY 26, 2025 AT 11 A.M.  
THE THIRD SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

**FESTAL EUCHARIST**  
SUNG BY THE SAINT THOMAS CHOIR OF MEN AND BOYS



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*Our mission is to worship, love, and serve Our Lord Jesus Christ  
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*God's Love at the Heart of New York*

THE ORDINARY OF THE MASS

The Saint Thomas Mass

Stephen Gauster-Filek  
(b. 1970)

PRELUDE

Air

Gerre Hancock  
(1934-2012)

THE GREETINGS

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

HYMN

ES FLOG EIN KLEINS WALDVÖGELEIN

1 Hail to the Lord's A - noint - ed, great Da - vid's great - er Son!  
2 He comes with suc - cor speed - y to those who suf - fer wrong,  
3 He shall come down like show - ers up - on the fruit - ful earth,  
4 Kings shall bow down be - fore him, and gold and in - cense bring;  
5 O'er ev - ery foe vic - to - rious, he on his throne shall rest;

1 Hail, in the time ap - point - ed, his reign on earth be - gun!  
2 to help the poor and need - y, and bid the weak be strong;  
3 and love, joy, hope, like flow - ers, spring in his path to birth;  
4 all na - tions shall a - dore him, his praise all peo - ple sing;  
5 from age to age more glo - rious, all bless - ing and all - blest:

1 He comes to break op - pres - sion, to set the cap - tive free;  
2 to give them songs for sigh - ing, their dark - ness turn to light,  
3 be - fore him on the moun - tains shall peace, the her - ald, go;  
4 to him shall prayer un - ceas - ing and dai - ly vows a - scend;  
5 the tide of time shall nev - er his cov - e - nant re - move;



1 to take a - way trans - gres - sion, and rule in eq - ui - ty.  
2 whose souls, con - demned and dy - ing, were pre - cious in his sight.  
3 and right - eous - ness in foun - tains from hill to val - ley flow.  
4 his king - dom still in - creas - ing, a king - dom with - out end.  
5 his Name shall stand for ev - er, his change - less Name of Love.

*Hail to the Lord's anointed*, #616 from *The Hymnal 1982* – Words: James Montgomery (1771-1854); para. of Psalm 72.  
Music: *Es flog ein kleins Waldvögelein*, German folk song; adapt. and harm. *A Student's Hymnal*, 1923, after Henry Walford Davies (1869-1941).

## 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 says*

THE grace of God has dawned upon the world through our Savior Jesus Christ,  
who sacrificed himself for us to purify a people as his own. Let us, therefore,  
confess our sins in penitence and faith. (Cf. *Titus* 2:11-14)

*The People kneel. Silence is kept.*

*Celebrant and People*

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

*The Celebrant says*

THE Almighty and merciful Lord grant you absolution and remission of all your sins,  
true repentance, amendment of life, and the grace and consolation of his Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

*The People stand.*



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, Jesu 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.

**G**IVE us grace, O Lord, to answer readily the call of our Savior Jesus Christ and proclaim to all people the Good News of his salvation, that we and all the whole world may perceive the glory of his marvelous works; who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

*The People sit.*

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

THE LESSON

Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10

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



PSALM 19

*Sung by the Choir*

Anglican Chant (*Darlington*)

CAELI ENARRANT

THE heavens declare the glory of God : and the firmament sheweth his handywork.  
One day telleth another : and one night certifieth another.  
There is neither speech nor language : but their voices are heard among them.  
Their sound is gone out into all lands : and their words into the ends of the world.  
In them hath he set a tabernacle for the sun :  
    which cometh forth as a bridegroom out of his chamber,  
    and rejoiceth as a giant to run his course.  
It goeth forth from the uttermost part of the heaven, and runneth about unto the end of it again :  
    and there is nothing hid from the heat thereof.  
The law of the Lord is an undefiled law, converting the soul :  
    the testimony of the Lord is sure, and giveth wisdom unto the simple.  
The statutes of the Lord are right, and rejoice the heart :  
    the commandment of the Lord is pure, and giveth light unto the eyes.  
The fear of the Lord is clean, and endureth for ever :  
    the judgements of the Lord are true, and righteous altogether.  
More to be desired are they than gold, yea, than much fine gold :  
    sweeter also than honey, and the honey-comb.  
Moreover, by them is thy servant taught : and in keeping of them there is great reward.  
Who can tell how oft he offendeth : O cleanse thou me from my secret faults.  
Keep thy servant also from presumptuous sins, lest they get the dominion over me :  
    so shall I be undefiled, and innocent from the great offence.  
Let the words of my mouth, and the meditation of my heart : be alway acceptable in thy sight,  
    O Lord : my strength, and my redeemer.  
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 12:12-31a

*The Subdeacon concludes*   The Word of the Lord.

*The People respond*       **Thanks be to God.**

*The People stand.*



HYMN

NETTLETON

1 Come, thou fount of ev - ery bless - ing, tune my  
2 Here I find my great - est trea - sure; hith - er,  
3 Oh, to grace how great a debt - or dai - ly

heart to sing thy grace! Streams of mer - cy nev - er  
by thy help, I've come; and I hope, by thy good  
I'm con - strained to be! Let thy good - ness, like a

ceas - ing, call for songs of loud - est praise.  
plea - sure, safe - ly to ar - rive at home.  
fet - ter, bind my wan - dering heart to thee:

Teach me some me - lo - dious son - net, sung by  
Je - sus sought me when a stran - ger wan - dering  
prone to wan - der, Lord, I feel it, prone to

flam - ing tongues a - bove. Praise the mount! Oh, fix me  
from the fold of God; he, to res - cue me from  
leave the God I love; here's my heart, oh, take and

on it, mount of God's un - chang - ing love.  
dan - ger, in - ter - posed his pre - cious blood.  
seal it, seal it for thy courts a - bove.

*Come, thou fount of every blessing.* #686 from *The Hymnal 1982* – Words: Robert Robinson (1735-1790), alt.  
Music: Nettleton, melody from *A Repository of Sacred Music, Part II*, 1813

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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

People Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Cantor The word of the Lord endureth for ever.

This is the word which by the gospel is preached unto you.

People Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.





THE HOLY GOSPEL

Luke 4:14-21

Deacon The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to Saint Luke.



After the Gospel, the Deacon says

The Gospel of the Lord.



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.

#### THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE (FORM IV)

*The Intercessor says*

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

*The People kneel. After each petition*

<i>Intercessor</i>	Lord, in thy mercy
<i>People</i>	<b>Hear our prayer.</b>

*After a period of silence, the Celebrant concludes with this collect*

**H**ASTEN, O Father, the coming of thy kingdom; and grant that we thy servants,  
who now live by faith, may with joy behold thy Son at his coming in glorious majesty;  
even Jesus Christ, our only Mediator and Advocate. **Amen.**

*The People stand.*

#### THE PEACE

*The Celebrant says*

**O**UR Savior Christ is the Prince of Peace.  
Of the increase of his government and of peace there shall be no end.

	The peace of the Lord be always with you.
<i>People</i>	<b>And with thy spirit.</b>

*The People offer one another a sign of peace.*

*The Celebrant says the Offertory Sentence, and the People sit.*



## THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

### ANTHEM AT THE OFFERTORY

*Sung by the Choir*

*Jessica French*  
(b. 1984)

**S**TRENGTHEN for service, O Lord,  
Hands that holy things have taken;  
And let ears that heard your most holy word  
To lesser things never awaken.

Lord, may tongues which "Holy" sang  
Be free from all deceiving,  
May eyes which saw your love be bright,  
Heavenly hope perceiving;

And may feet that walked along hallowed courts  
From your true light never be banished.  
May bodies by your body fed  
Be with your new life replenished. Amen.

*From the Syro-Malabar Liturgy (5th century)*



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*The People stand.*

### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

<i>Celebrant</i>	<i>People</i>
The Lord be with you.	And with thy spi - rit.
<i>Celebrant</i>	<i>People</i>
Lift up your hearts.	We lift them up un - to the Lord.
<i>Celebrant</i>	
Let us give thanks un - to our Lord God.	
<i>People</i>	
It is meet and right so to do.	

*The Celebrant continues*

**I**T is very meet, right and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places,  
give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God.



Because in the mystery of the Word made flesh, thou hast caused a new light to shine in our hearts,  
to give the knowledge of thy glory in the face of thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven,  
we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying

#### SANCTUS AND BENEDICTUS

**H**OLY, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts.  
Heaven and earth are full of thy glory.  
Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High.

Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.

*The People kneel or stand.*

#### THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

*The Celebrant continues the Eucharistic Prayer, which concludes*

By whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost,  
all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end.

*The People respond*                      **AMEN.**

#### THE LORD'S PRAYER

*The Celebrant says*

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

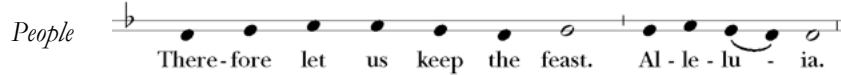
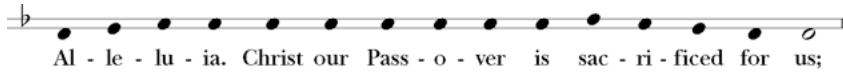
*Celebrant and People*

**O**UR 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. Then is said*



## 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 shouldest 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

**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 (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.*

## MIDDLE VOLUNTARY

Offrande

Pierre Cogen  
(b. 1931)

## 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.



ANTHEM

You are one in Christ Jesus

*Gerre Hancock*

**A**LLELUIA. For as many of you as were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ. There is no longer Jew or Greek; there is no longer slave or free; there is no longer male, there is no longer female. For all of you are one, you are one in Christ Jesus. Alleluia.

*Galatians 3:27-28*

*After Communion, silence is kept for a while.*

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

GOTT SEI DANK

1 Spread, O spread, thou might - y word, spread the king - dom of the Lord,  
2 word of how the Fa - ther's will made the world, and keeps it, still;  
3 word of how the Sa - vior's love earth's sore bur - den doth re - move;  
4 word of how the Spi - rit came bring - ing peace in Je - sus' name;  
5 Word of life, most pure and strong, word for which the na - tions long,

1 that to earth's re - mot - est bound all may heed the joy - ful sound;  
2 how his on - ly Son he gave, earth from sin and death to save;  
3 how for - ev - er, in its need, through his death the world is freed;  
4 how his nev - er - fail - ing love guides us on to heaven a - bove.  
5 spread a - broad, un - til from night all the world a - wakes to light.

*Spread, O spread, thou mighty word.* #530 from *The Hymnal 1982* – Words: Jonathan Friedrich Bahnmaier (1774-1841); tr. Arthur William Farlander (1898-1952) and Charles Winfred Douglas (1867-1944), alt. St. 4, F. Bland Tucker (1895-1984). Music: *Gott sei Dank*, melody from *Geistreiches Gesangbuch*, 1704; adapt. and harm. William Henry Havergal (1793-1870).

THE DISMISSAL

Deacon Go in the light and peace of Christ.  
People Thanks be to God.

VOLUNTARY

Trumpet Flourishes (1978)

Gerre Hancock

Please join us for Coffee Hour in the Narthex after the service.



Saint Thomas gives thanks for those who have given endowed funds to provide flowers to beautify the church in perpetuity. This week, we give thanks for the memory of Margaret Crane Hurlbut, Mrs. James H. Ottley, and Mrs. Charles W. Sanders, and pray for the repose of their souls.

May the glory of the LORD endure for ever, may the LORD rejoice in his works. (Psalm 104:31)

Today's flowers are donated in honor of Catherine Carver Dunn  
by Madeline Wilder Donovan and James Willis Kennedy, Jr.

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PILGRIMS' COURSE 2025



*It's not the destination,  
but the journey that matters*

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 subject of the week's class will be "*God the Holy Spirit: Being "Fully Alive" with the Gifts of the Spirit.*"

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 scan this code:



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NEIGHBOR TO NEIGHBOR  
The Saint Thomas Community Outreach Program



On October 26<sup>th</sup> we launched **Neighbor to Neighbor**, a service program which 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 getting involved, **please register to the mailing list for this group using the QR code below.**





## 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

#### 4 p.m. Festal Evensong and Admission of Choristers\*

*sung by the Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys*  
Sermon by Sr. Promise Atelon, Sister Superior,  
Society of St. Margaret

#### 5:15 p.m. Sunday Recital Series

*The AAM Gerre Hancock Memorial Organ Recital,  
featuring Ezechiel Daos, 2024-2025 AAM Gerre Hancock  
Intern, Atlanta, GA*

### Monday – Friday

#### 12 p.m. Shrine Prayers\*

#### 12:05 p.m. Holy Eucharist\*

### Tuesday

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

Followed by a short, said Mass  
*sung by the Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys*

### Wednesday

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

Followed by a short, said Mass  
*sung by the Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys*

### Thursday

#### 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

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

*Confessor: Fr. Schultz*

**11:30 a.m.-12 p.m. The Rosary at the Shrine of Our Lady of Fifth Avenue** *(includes Shrine Prayers)*

#### 12 p.m. Holy Eucharist\*

*(Saturday Mass of Our Lady)*

#### Next Sunday: February 2,

**The Presentation of our Lord (Candlemas)**

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

#### 9 a.m. Sung Mass

*followed by Coffee Hour in the Parish House*

#### 11 a.m. Blessing of Candles, Procession, and Solemn Eucharist\*

*sung by the Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys*  
Sermon by Fr. Gioia

#### 4 p.m. Festal Evensong with the Blessing of Light\*

*sung by the Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys*  
Sermon by Mo. Turner

#### 5:15 p.m. Sunday Recital Series

*Chamber Recital featuring Players from the Historical Performance Program of the Juilliard School, NYC*

February is Black History Month, and as part of its observance, Saint Thomas Church has invited Ms. Dianne Harris to give a talk on Sunday, February 2nd, at 10am for the Sunday Theology Talk series. Ms. Harris, a native of Selma, Alabama, became a committed activist in the Civil Rights Movement at the age of 15. Participating in several pivotal marches, including what came to be known as “Bloody Sunday,” she was arrested twice for her courageous stand against racial injustice. Ms. Harris has been honored with numerous accolades, including the Congressional Foot Soldier Medal and Certificate. She is a passionate public speaker, and is frequently sought after by media outlets. She is also a Selma Historical Tour Guide. As Ms. Harris is unable to give her talk in person, she will speak to us remotely via Zoom in the 5th floor conference room. Light refreshments will be provided.

## PARISH NOTICES

**Children and Family Ministries:** Sunday School (3-9) and Faith Alive (10-14+) meet at 10am! Sunday School meets in the Sunday School Room (3rd Floor) and Faith Alive meets in Andrew Hall (3rd Floor). The Nursery continues to be available for the sole use of babies and toddlers with their parents/caregivers, from 9 am - 1 pm on Sundays in the Parish House, 3rd Floor. To receive our CFM newsletter contact [Childrenandfamilies@saintthomaschurch.org](mailto: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 accepting new choristers for the new year. We rehearse on Thursdays and Fridays from 4:15-5:15pm with choristers selecting one rehearsal to attend each week. The choir sings weekly at the 9am 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](mailto:RKellerman@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.

**Contemplative Prayer** takes place on Fridays at 3pm 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](mailto:Pleepae@saintthomaschurch.org).

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

**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](mailto:Mwhite@choirschool.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 5<sup>th</sup> Floor of the Parish House and are streamed online. For more info, contact Fr. Luigi Gioia: [Lgioia@saintthomaschurch.org](mailto:Lgioia@saintthomaschurch.org).

**Franz Liszt: The Greater Organ and Piano Works** - Saint Thomas Church Organist and Director of Music **Jeremy Filsell** brings the 2024-2025 Grand Organ Series to a close on Saturday, February 22 at 3 pm with a concert of works by Franz Liszt. He will feature on both the Miller-Scott Organ and Saint Thomas Church's Steinway D. For in-person or livestream tickets and for information about future concerts, please email us at [concerts@saintthomaschurch.org](mailto:concerts@saintthomaschurch.org) or visit us online at [www.saintthomaschurch.org/music/concerts](http://www.saintthomaschurch.org/music/concerts). Support *Concerts at Saint Thomas* by becoming a *Friend of Music*. To make your donation with our team call [212-664-9360](tel:212-664-9360).