

SAINT THOMAS CHURCH FIFTH AVENUE
in the
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SUNDAY, MAY 18, 2025 AT 4 P.M.
THE FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER EASTER

SOLEMN EVENSONG AND BENEDICTION
SUNG BY THE SAINT THOMAS CHOIR OF MEN AND BOYS



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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

Andantino

Harold Darke
(1888-1976)

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

INTROIT

Sung by the Choir

Gerre Hancock
(1934-2012)

THE Lord is in his holy temple: let all the earth keep silence before him.
The Lord preserve thy going out and thy coming in:
from this time forth for evermore.

Be present, O merciful God, and protect us through the silent hours of this night, so that we who are wearied by the changes and chances of this fleeting world, may rest upon your eternal changelessness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Habakkuk 2:20; Psalm 121:8; Collect for Compline

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

VERSICLES AND RESPONSES

Arthur Li
(b. 2011)

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 98

Sung by the Choir

Anglican Chant (Suter)

CANTATE DOMINO

OSING unto the Lord a new song : for he hath done marvellous things.
With his own right hand, and with his holy arm : hath he gotten himself the victory.

The Lord declared his salvation :

his righteousness hath he openly shewed in the sight of the heathen.

He hath remembered his mercy and truth toward the house of Israel :

and all the ends of the world have seen the salvation of our God.

Shew yourselves joyful unto the Lord, all ye lands : sing, rejoice, and give thanks.

Praise the Lord upon the harp : sing to the harp with a psalm of thanksgiving.

With trumpets also and shawms : O shew yourselves joyful before the Lord the King.

Let the sea make a noise, and all that therein is: the round world, and they that dwell therein.



Let the floods clap their hands, and let the hills be joyful together before the Lord :
for he is come to judge the earth.

With righteousness shall he judge the world : and the people with equity.

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 24:9-18

The People stand for the Office Hymn and Magnificat.

OFFICE HYMN

UNSER HERRSCHER

1 He is ris - en, he is ris - en! Tell it out with
2 Come, ye sad and fear - ful - heart - ed, with glad smile and
*3 Come, with high and ho - ly hymn - ing, hail our Lord's tri -
4 He is ris - en, he is ris - en! He hath o - pened

joy - ful voice: he has burst his three days' pris - on;
ra - dant brow! Death's long sha - dows have de - part - ed;
um - phant day; not one dark - some cloud is dim - ming
hea - ven's gate: we are free from sin's dark pris - on,

let the whole wide earth re - joice: death is con - quered,
Je - sus' woes are o - ver now, and the pas - sion
yon - der glo - rious morn - ing ray, break - ing o'er the
ris - en to a ho - lier state; and a bright - er

we are free, Christ has won the vic - to - ry.
that he bore— sin and pain can vex no more.
pur - ple east, sym - bol of our Eas - ter feast.
Eas - ter beam on our long - ing eyes shall stream.



MAGNIFICAT

The Windsor Service

Stanley "Spike" Glasser
(1926-2018)

MAGNIFICAT anima mea, Dominum
et exultavit spiritus meus
in Deo, salutari meo.
Quia respexit humilitatem ancillæ suæ:
ecce enim ex hoc beatam me dicent
omnes generationes.
Quia fecit mihi magna, qui potens est,
et sanctum nomen eius,
et misericordia eius
a progenie in progenies timentibus eum.
Fecit potentiam in brachio suo,
dispersit superbos
mente cordis sui.
Deposuit potentes de sede
et exaltavit humiles;
esurientes implevit bonis
et divites dimisit inanes.
Suscepit Israel puerum suum
recordatus misericordiæ suæ,
sicut locutus est ad patres nostros,
Abraham et semini eius in sæcula.
Gloria Patri, et Filio,
et Spiritui Sancto:
Sicut erat in principio, et nunc, et semper,
et in sæcula sæculorum. Amen.

The People sit.

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.

SECOND LESSON

Luke 24:28-36

The People stand for the Nunc Dimittis and the Creed.

NUNC DIMITTIS

The Windsor Service

Stanley "Spike" Glasser

NUNC dimittis servum tuum, Domine,
secundum verbum tuum in pace:
quia viderunt oculi mei salutare tuum
quod parasti ante faciem
omnium populorum:
lumen ad revelationem gentium,
et gloriam plebis tuæ Israel.
Gloria Patri, et Filio,
et Spiritui Sancto:
Sicut erat in principio, et nunc, et semper,
et in sæcula sæculorum. Amen.

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 catholic 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 ALMIGHTY GOD, whom truly to know is everlasting life: Grant us so perfectly to know thy Son Jesus Christ to be the way, the truth, and the life, that we may steadfastly follow his steps in the way that leadeth to eternal life; through the same thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of 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

*Sir Charles Hubert Hastings Parry
(1848-1918)*

MUSIC, the fiercest grief can charm,
and fate's severest rage disarm;
Music can soften pain to ease,
And make despair and madness please.
Our joys below it can improve,
And antedate our bliss above.

This the divine Cecilia found,
and to her maker's praise confined the sound.
When the full organ joins the tuneful choir,
The immortal powers incline their ear;
Borne on the swelling notes our souls aspire,
While solemn airs improve the sacred fire,
And angels lean from heaven to hear.



Of Orpheus now no more let poets tell,
To bright Cecilia greater power is given,
His numbers raised a shade from hell,
Hers lift the soul to heaven.

Alexander Pope (1688-1744)



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BENEDICTION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

EXPOSITION

The People stand. As the altar is prepared, this hymn is sung

HYMN

SAVANNAH

1 Love's re - deem - ing work is done, fought the fight, the bat - tle won.
2 Lives a - gain our glo - rious King; where, O death, is now thy sting?
3 Soar we now where Christ has led, fol - lowing our ex - alt - ed Head;

Death in vain for - bids him rise; Christ has o - pened par - a - dise.
Once he died our souls to save, where thy vic - to - ry, O grave?
made like him, like him we rise, ours the cross, the grave, the skies.

Love's redeeming work is done, #188 from *The Hymnal 1982* – Words: Charles Wesley (1707-1788).
Music: Savannah, from *Harmonia Sacra*, ca. 1760.

O SALUTARIS HOSTIA

Herbert Howells
(1892-1983)

The people kneel when the bell rings as the Blessed Sacrament is brought to the altar.

O SALUTARIS hostia
quae caeli pandis ostium,
bella premunt hostilia:
da robur, fer auxilium.

Uni trinoque Domino
Sit sempiterna gloria,
Qui vitam sine termino
Nobis donet in patria. Amen.

O saving Victim, opening wide
the gate of heaven to man below,
our foes press on from every side,
thine aid supply, thy strength bestow.

All praise and thanks to thee ascend
for evermore, blest one in Three;
O grant us life that shall not end
in our true native land with thee. Amen.

Thomas Aquinas (1225-1274)



MEDITATION

The People may sit or kneel during this extended period of prayer and devotion.

SILENCE

ORGAN MEDITATION

Pastorale

*Peter Racine Fricker
(1920-1990)*

PRAYERS AND INTERCESSIONS

The Minister says

Let us pray.

The People kneel. This response is used

Lord, in thy mercy.

People **Hear our prayer.**

After a collect, the devotions end with

Blessed, Praised, and Hallowed be Jesus Christ on his Throne of Glory.

People **And in the Most Holy Sacrament of the Altar.**

TANTUM ERGO

*Malcolm Archer
(b. 1952)*

TANTUM ergo sacramentum
Veneremur cernui,
Et antiquum documentum
Novo cedat ritui
Praestet fides supplementum
Sensuum defectui.

Genitori genitoque
Laus et jubilatio,
Salus honor virtus quoque
Sit et benedictio.
Procedenti ab utroque
Compar sit laudatio.
Amen.

*Therefore we, before him bending,
this great Sacrament revere;
types and shadows have their ending,
for the newer rite is here;
faith, our outward sense befriending,
makes our inward vision clear.*

*Glory let us give, and blessing
to the Father and the Son,
honor, thanks, and praise addressing,
while eternal ages run;
ever too his love confessing,
who from both with both is One.
Amen.*

Thomas Aquinas

The Officiant sings

Thou gavest them bread from heaven. Alleluia.

People **Containing within itself all sweetness. Alleluia.**



COLLECT

Let us pray.

ALMIGHTY 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.**

BENEDICTION

The Officiant blesses the people with the Blessed Sacrament.

THE DIVINE PRAISES

The people repeat each line after the Officiant

BLESSED be God.
Blessed be his holy Name.
Blessed be Jesus Christ, true God and true Man.
Blessed be the Name of Jesus.
Blessed be his most Sacred Heart.
Blessed be his most Precious Blood.
Blessed be Jesus in the Most Holy Sacrament of the Altar.
Blessed be the Holy Spirit, the Paraclete.
Blessed be the great Mother of God, Mary most Holy.
Blessed be the name of Mary, Virgin and Mother.
Blessed be St. Joseph, her most chaste spouse.
Blessed be God in his angels and in his saints.
Blessed be God in the hearts of his faithful people.

The Choir immediately sings this psalm as the Sacrament is reposed in the tabernacle. The people stand when the bell rings.

PSALM 117

Sung by the Choir

*Jeffrey Smith
(b. 1960)*

LAUDATE DOMINUM

Antiphon Let us adore for ever the Most Holy Sacrament.

OPRAISE the Lord, all ye heathen: praise him, all ye nations.
For his merciful kindness is ever more and more towards us:
and the truth of the Lord endureth for ever. 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.

Antiphon Let us adore for ever the Most Holy Sacrament.

VOLUNTARY

Alleluyas

*Simon Preston
(1938-2022)*

5:15 P.M. ORGAN RECITAL

Immediately following the service, we invite you to stay for the Sunday Recital Series
featuring Jonathan Bolena, 2024-2025 Organ Scholar



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
Charles Valentine Faile, Sarah Crane Faile, Thomas Albert Bain, Margaret Crane Hurlburt,
The Rev. Leslie John Aiden Lang, Ida May Ives
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)

WORSHIP THIS WEEK

* indicates livestreamed.

Today

4 p.m. Solemn Evensong & Benediction *

sung by the Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys

*This is the last evensong with the Choir of Men and Boys
until September. See below for details of Sunday evensong
during the summer months with visiting choirs.*

5:15 p.m. Sunday Recital Series:

*An organ recital featuring Jonathan Bolena, Organ
Scholar*

Monday – Friday

12 p.m. Shrine Prayers*

12:05 p.m. Holy Eucharist*

Tuesday

5:30 p.m. Choral Evensong*

sung by the Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys

Wednesday

5:30 p.m. Choral Evensong*

sung by the Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys

Thursday

5:30 p.m. Choral Evensong*

sung by the Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys

Saturday

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

12 p.m. Shrine Prayers and Holy Eucharist*

Next Sunday: May 25

The Sixth Sunday of Easter

7:45 a.m. Said Mass

9 a.m. Sung Mass

With the Noble Singers

11 a.m. Festal Eucharist

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

3pm Sunday Evensong during the Summer Months

June 29 – Feast of SS. Peter and Paul

Grace Church Cathedral, Charleston, SC

July 27 – Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

The Girl Choristers' Course

PARISH NOTICES

Children and Family Ministries: Sunday School (5-9) and Faith Alive (10-14+) meet at 10am! Faith Alive meets in Andrew Hall (3rd Floor) and Sunday School meets in the Sunday School Room (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.

“Let Mutual Love Continue: An Exhortation to Inhabit the Community of Witness.” **The Zoom Bible Study Group** is currently diving into the Epistle to the Hebrews. Examining the Epistle’s structure, ecclesiology, and Christology, we’ll discover a vision of community that transcends time, space and circumstance, rooted by faith in the never-ending love of God. The Study meets Fridays at 1pm on Zoom. Each session begins with prayer for the needs of the community, and continues with our engagement with scripture, ending at 2:15pm. Contact Fr. Schultz

(Mschultz@saintthomaschurch.org) to join.

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.

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.

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.

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.

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.

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.

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.**

