

SAINT THOMAS CHURCH FIFTH AVENUE

in the CITY OF NEW YORK

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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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Optional Liturgical Guide:

+ = Make the sign of the Cross from head to heart, then shoulder to shoulder

★ at Gospel Acclamation =

Make small Crosses on forehead, lips, and heart

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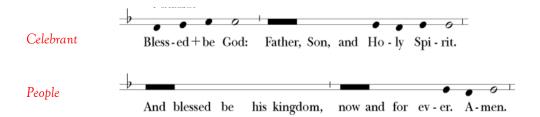
Organ Prelude

The People stand for the entry of the Ministers.



Words: Theobald Heinrich Schenck (1656-1727); tr. Frances Elizabeth Cox (1812-1897), alt. Music: Zeuch mich, melody from Geistreiches Gesang-buch, 1698; harm. William Henry Monk (1823-1889).

The Penitential Order



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.**



The Collect of the Day

The Celebrant says

The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Let us pray.

Silence is kept. The Celebrant says the Collect.

We thank you, heavenly Father, for the witness of your apostle and evangelist Matthew to the Gospel of your Son our Savior; and we pray that, after his example, we may with ready wills and hearts obey the calling of our Lord to follow him; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**.

The People sit.

The Liturgy of the Word

The Lesson Proverbs 3:1-6

A Reading from the Book of Proverbs.

My child, do not forget my teaching, but let your heart keep my commandments; for length of days and years of life and abundant welfare they will give you.

Do not let loyalty and faithfulness forsake you; bind them round your neck, write them on the tablet of your heart. So you will find favor and good repute in the sight of God and of people.

Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and do not rely on your own insight. In all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make straight your paths.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 119: 33-40 Anglican Chant (Monk)

Sung by the Choir.

Teach me, O Lord, the way of your statutes, and I shall keep it to the end.

Give me understanding, and I shall keep your law;
 I shall keep it with all my heart.

Make me go in the path of your commandments, for that is my desire.

Incline my heart to your decrees and not to unjust gain.

Turn my eyes from watching what is worthless;

give me life in your ways.

Fulfill your promise to your servant,

which you make to those who fear you.

Turn away the reproach which I dread,

because your judgements are good.

Behold, I long for your commandments;

in your righteousness preserve my life.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.

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

The People stand.

Gospel Acclamation

Plainsong (Mode VI)

The Choir sings the refrain and all repeat.



Choir

The word of God became flesh and came to dwell among us. All accepting him will become children of God.

All repeat the refrain.



The Holy Gospel Matthew 9:9-13

The Priest reads the Gospel, first saying

⚠ The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Saint Matthew.

People



As Jesus was walking along, he saw a man called Matthew sitting at the tax booth; and he said to him, 'Follow me.' And he got up and followed him. And as he sat at dinner in the house, many tax-collectors and sinners came and were sitting with him and his disciples. When the Pharisees saw this, they said to his disciples, 'Why does your teacher eat with tax-collectors and sinners?' But when he heard this, he said, 'Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. Go and learn what this means, "I desire mercy, not sacrifice." For I have come to call not the righteous but sinners.

At the end The Gospel of the Lord.



The Homily Father Preston

The Nicene Creed

The People stand. It is customary to bow at the underlined words.

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father.

Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.

and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
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

Lord, in your mercy.

People Hear our prayer.

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

Lord Jesus Christ, you said to your apostles, "Peace I give to you; my own peace I leave with you:" Regard not our sins, but the faith of your Church, and give to us the peace and unity of that heavenly City, where with the Father and the Holy Spirit you live and reign, now and for ever. **Amen**.

The Peace

The Celebrant says

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

The Greetings

The Liturgy of the Eucharist

Anthem Sung by the Choir.

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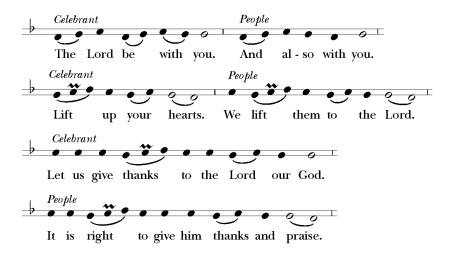
God be in my head, And in my understanding; God be in mine eyes, And in my looking; God be in my mouth, And in my speaking; God be in my heart, And in my thinking; God be at mine end, And at my departing.

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The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer A



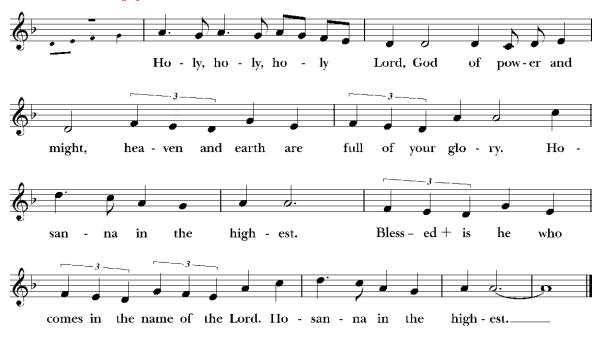
The Celebrant continues

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Through the great shepherd of your flock, Jesus Christ our Lord; who after his resurrection sent forth his apostles to preach the Gospel and to teach all nations; and promised to be with them always, even to the end of the ages.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name

Sanctus & Benedictus Sung by all.



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

We invite you to pray the Lord's Prayer in the language of your choice. The Celebrant says

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.

Padre nuestro, que estás en el cielo 하늘에 계신 우리 아버지
Notre Père qui es aux cieux
Πατερ ημων ο εν τοισ ουρανοισ
Pai nosso, que estais nos Céus,
Οτче наш, що єси на небесах
أَبُنَا الذِي فِي السَّمَاوُاتِ

Vater unser, der du bist im Himmel
我們在天上的父
Pater noster, qui es in caelis
ह हमारे स्वर्गवासी पिता,
Padre nostro, che sei nei cieli
天におられる私たちの父よ

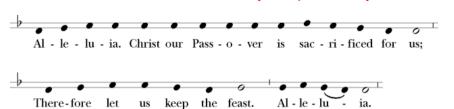




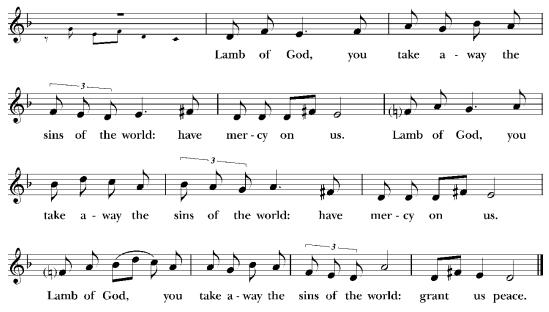
Father

The Breaking of the Bread

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



Agnus Dei Sung by all.



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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.

The Choir receives at the Altar, the people receiving at the Crossing below.

Anthem Sung by the choir

WESLEY

Lead me, Lord, lead me in thy righteousness, Make Thy way plain before my face. For it is Thou, Lord, only, that maketh me dwell in safety.

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

The Celebrant says

The peace of God, which passes 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 Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Closing Hymn CWM RHONDDA



Williams, W. (1773). *Guide me, O thou great Jehovah* [Hymn]. In P. Williams (Trans.), *A Collection of Hymns* (pp. xx–xx). Tune: *CWM RHONDDA* by John Hughes, 1907.

Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Please join us for Coffee Hour in the Living Room after the service.

10am Children's Formation

Early Childhood | Pre-K-1st Grade | Nursery Room, 3rd Floor

Intermediate | Grades 2-5 | Sunday School Room, 3rd Floor

Faith Alive | Grades 6-10+ | Andrew Hall, 3rd Floor



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 and pray for the repose of their souls.

Florence D. Hafer, Kathleen J. Williams, Margaret Crane Hurlbut, Peter Lever A. Aideyan and in thanksgiving for the marriage of Claire Reeves Hayes and Jackson Ryan Irby

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:



WORSHIP & RECITALS THIS WEEK

* indicates livestreamed.

Today

4 p.m. Festal Evensong*

sung by the Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys

5:15 p.m. Sunday Organ Recital Series

Sebastian Thomson, Oxford, United Kingdom

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 music by Sasha Manning, Tomkins, and Jonathan Bolena

Wednesday - Our Lady of Walsingham

5:30 p.m. Choral Evensong*

Followed by a short, said Mass sung by the Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys Music by Sasha Manning, Joanna Forbes-L'Estrange, and Grieg

Thursday

5:30 p.m. Choral Evensong*

Followed by a short, said Mass sung by the Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys Music by Saha Manning, Brewer, and Joanna Marsh

Saturday

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

Confessor: The Rector

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

3:00 p.m. Grand Organ Series I *

Stylus Fantasticus: Organ Music of Bruhns & Lübeck Nicolas Haigh

Next Sunday: September 28 St. Michael and All Angels (*tr.*)

7:45 a.m. Said Mass

9 a.m. Sung Mass

Sung by the Noble Singers 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 Fr. Gonzalez-Grissom

4 p.m. Solemn Evensong & Benediction*

sung by the Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys

PARISH NOTICES

Chorister for a Day: Find your voice. Find yourself. On Saturday, November 8, Saint Thomas Choir School will hold its annual Chorister for a 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

The 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

Children and Family Ministries: All CFM programming has returned! Please register your child for the 2025-2026 program year on the website. 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

Explore the Beauty and History of Saint Thomas Church each Sunday following the 11am service with a **guided tour.** These tours offer a unique opportunity to delve into the rich history, sacred art, and exquisite architectural details of our landmark building. To take part, please meet the Tour Guide at the "Tour Guide – Meet Here" sign on the south side of the Narthex. All are warmly welcome.

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+) have returned to sing in the 9am mass. Rehearsals are on Thursdays from 415-515pm, and 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 Jennifer Lane at Jlane@Saintthomaschurch.org

Concerts at Saint Thomas kicks off the 2025-2026 season with a Grand Organ Series recital of Baroque organ music. On Saturday, September 27th at 3pm, Associate Organist Nicolas Haigh plays the music of Nicolaus Bruhns, Vincent Lübeck, and Johann Sebastian Bach on the Taylor & Boody Loening-Hancock Gallery Organ. This performance also marks the release of a new album by Nicolas Haigh of the complete works of Bruhns, which will be available for purchase following the performance. For tickets or more information about the performance, visit www.saintthomaschurch.org/music/concerts.

You are cordially invited to the Holy Eucharist in the Korean language every second Sunday of the month, It is preceded by brunch at 12:45 pm in 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 1:30 에 본당에서 올리는 한국어 감사 성찬례에 여러분을 초대합니다. 오후 12:45 에 2 층 식당에서 브런치를 함께 나누니 조금 일찍 오셔서 친교도 나누세요.

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 Taizé 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 has resumed! We continue our study of the Epistle to the Hebrews. Contact Fr. Schultz with any questions and for the Zoom link: MSchultz@SaintThomasChurch.org

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