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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.*

The Reverend Canon Carl F. Turner, *Rector*

THE LAST SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

FEBRUARY 14, 2021

SOLEMN EVENSONG — 3 p.m.
sung by the Gentlemen of the Choir

PRELUDE

Petite Pièce

Jehan Alain
(1911-1940)

At the entry of the Ministers, the People stand.

VERSICLES AND RESPONSES

Erik Suter
(b. 1973)

<i>Priest</i>	O Lord, open thou our lips.
<i>Choir</i>	And our mouth shall show forth thy praise.
<i>Priest</i>	O God, make speed to save us.
<i>Choir</i>	O Lord, make haste to help us.
<i>Priest</i>	Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
<i>Choir</i>	as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.
<i>Priest</i>	Praise ye the Lord.
<i>Choir</i>	The Lord's Name be praised.

PSALM 99

Sung by the Choir.

Plainsong (Tone IV⁴)

THE Lord is King, be the people never so impatient; * he sitteth between the Cherubim,
be the earth never so unquiet.

2 The Lord is great in Sion, * and high above all people.

3 They shall give thanks unto thy Name, * which is great, wonderful, and holy.

4 The King's power loveth judgment; thou hast prepared equity, *
thou hast executed judgment and righteousness in Jacob.

5 O magnify the Lord our God, and fall down before his footstool; * for he is holy.

6 Moses and Aaron among his priests, and Samuel among such as call upon his Name: *
these called upon the Lord, and he heard them.

7 He spake unto them out of the cloudy pillar; * for they kept his testimonies,
and the law that he gave them.

8 Thou heardest them, O Lord our God; * thou forgavest them, O God,
though thou didst punish their wicked doings.

9 O magnify the LORD our God, and worship him upon his holy hill; *
for the LORD our God is holy.

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

Ecclesiasticus 48:1-11

The People stand for the Office Hymn and the Magnificat.

OFFICE HYMN

JESU DULCIS MEMORIA

Plainsong, Mode 2

1 O Light of Light, Love giv - en birth;
2 Two pro - phets, who had faith to see,
3 May all who seek to praise a - right.

Je - sus, Re - deem - er of the earth:
with your e - lect found com - pan - y;
through pur - er lives show forth your light.

more bright than day your face did show,
the heavens a - bove your glo - ry named,
To you, the King of glo - ry, now

your rai - ment whit - er than the snow.
your Fa - ther's voice his Son pro - claimed.
all faith - ful hearts a - dor - ing bow.

Words: Latin, 10th cent.; tr. Laurence Housman (1865-1959), alt.

Music: *Jesu dulcis memoria*, plainsong, Mode 2, acc. James McGregor (b. 1930) Copyright ©1984, James McGregor. All rights reserved. Used with permission.

MAGNIFICAT

Michael Gilbertson

(b. 1987)

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

John 12:24-32

The People stand for the Nunc Dimittis and the Creed

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.

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.

Priest The Lord be with you.
Choir And with thy spirit.

The People kneel.

Priest Let us pray.
Choir Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

OUR FATHER, which 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 that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. Amen.

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

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

O GOD, who before the passion of thy only-begotten Son didst reveal his glory upon the holy mount: Grant unto us that we, beholding by faith the light of his countenance, may be strengthened to bear our cross, and be changed into his likeness from glory to glory; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

THE SECOND COLLECT

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 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 THIRD 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

Sung by the Choir.

Andrew Millington
(b. 1952)

O 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.

Psalm 150

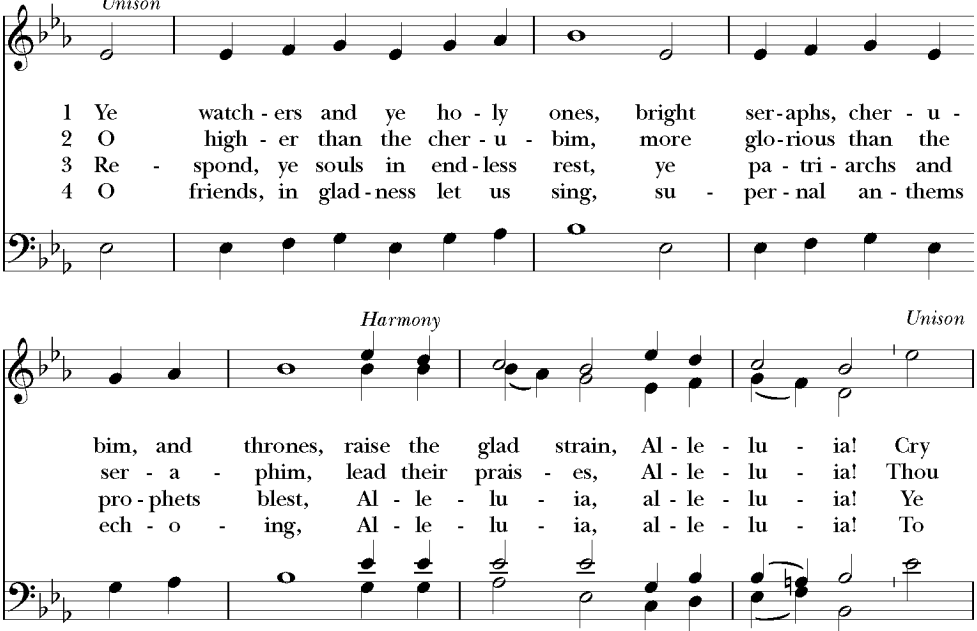
SERMON

The Rev. Mark Brown
Honorary Assistant

HYMN

LAEST UNS ERFREUEN

Unison



1 Ye watch - ers and ye ho - ly ones, bright ser - a - phs, cher - u -
2 O high - er than the cher - u - bim, more glo - rious than the
3 Re - spond, ye souls in end - less rest, ye pa - tri - archs and
4 O friends, in glad - ness let us sing, su - per - nal an - thems

Harmony *Unison*

bim, and thrones, raise the glad strain, Al - le - lu - ia! Cry
ser - a - phim, lead their prais - es, Al - le - lu - ia! Thou
pro - phets blest, Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Ye
ech - o - ing, Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! To

out, do - min - ions, prince-doms, powers, vir - tues, arch - an - gels, an - gels'
 bear - er of the e - ter - nal Word, most gra - cious, mag - ni - fy the
 ho - ly twelve, ye mar - tyrs strong, all saints tri - um - phant, raise the
 God the Fa - ther, God the Son, and God the Spi - rit, Three in

Harmony

choirs, Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le -
 Lord, Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le -
 song, Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le -
 One, Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le -

Unison

lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
 lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
 lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
 lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Words: John Athelstan Laurie Riley (1858-1945) Music: *Lasst uns erfreuen*, melody from *Auserlesene Catholische Geistliche Kirchengeseng*, 1623; adapt. and harm. Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958) Words, Music: Copyright © by permission of Oxford University Press. All rights reserved. Used with permission.

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 Spirit, be amongst you, and remain with you always. *Amen.*

POSTLUDE

Passacaglia on a Theme by Dunstable

John Weaver
 (1937-2021)

PARISH NOTICES

Adult Education series on the **Second Letter of St. Paul to the Corinthians** continues this Sunday at 10 am. We will be studying chapters 2 and 3 of the Greek and English texts of this challenging New Testament book. [Click here](#) to RSVP for the online class or contact Fr. Cheng at PCheng@SaintThomasChurch.org.

Children and Families' Gatherings

All families are welcome to join **Sunday Zoom!** at 10:15 a.m. today for a celebration of **God's Love**. Also, youth in the 6th through 12th grades are invited to a special Annual Diocesan Absalom Jones event at 1 p.m. If you know a family that would like to receive our regular newsletter or to obtain login information for either the Sunday Zoom! or Faith Alive, contact **Mother Turner** at ATurner@SaintThomasChurch.org.

Pilgrims' Course 2021 takes a break this Tuesday as we prepare for the start of Lent the following day. It will resume the following Tuesday, February 23. The course is taught by the Rector and Fr. Cheng over Zoom, and meets most Tuesdays until May. Please [Click here](#) to RSVP for the online class or contact Fr. Cheng at PCheng@SaintThomasChurch.org.

On Saturday, March 6, at 3 p.m., *Concerts at Saint Thomas* presents Organist and Director of Music, Jeremy Filsell, playing [Dupré: The Complete Works for Organ II](#) on the Miller-Scott Organ. This is the second concert in this FREE series of 9 concerts that will be presented from the church via livestream. [Ticket packages](#) for *Concerts at Saint Thomas'* 2021 digital concert presentations are available for both the **Beethoven 32@32 Series** (Recitals VI-VIII) and **Marcel Dupré: The Complete Works for Organ Series** (Recitals II-VI). Support *Concerts at Saint Thomas* by becoming a *Friend of Music*. To make your donation with our team, email concerts@saintthomaschurch.org or call 212-664-9360. For more information about our 2021 offerings, visit www.saintthomaschurch.org/music/concerts.

We are pleased to announce that The Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boy's newest CD, entitled **'The Music of Gerre Hancock'** is now available to our valued Parishioners and Friends of Music. We are offering this special pre-release of our newest CD for \$15 each plus shipping and taxes, where applicable, or take advantage of our discount pricing of two for \$25.00 or three for \$30. Order yours today by emailing Bookstore@SaintThomasChurch.org and be sure to include the following: full name, address, phone number, CD order request. We will call you at the phone number provided to process your payment.

The Bookstore and Gift Shop is selling an inscribed Saint Thomas Church, 3-Ply Face Mask for \$8 plus shipping and taxes, where applicable. The mask may be purchased by sending an email to the Bookstore@SaintThomasChurch.org. Please be sure to include your full name, address, telephone number and mask request. We will contact you at the number provided to process your payment.

Friday Online Bible Study continues at 1:30 p.m. over Zoom, and runs for about an hour. For more information, contact Fr. Bennett at RBennett@SaintThomasChurch.org.

2021 Annual Appeal – Candlemas Campaign

Thank you to all those who have pledged to the 2021 Annual Campaign!

If you have not yet pledged to the annual campaign, please consider doing so now. Your pledges are crucial for planning purposes. We are grateful for your support. Saint Thomas Church and Choir School have been blessed by the generosity of many people across many generations. Through times of abundance and times of scarcity, through times of growth and times of retrenchment, through fire, pandemic, and war, our beloved Church and Choir School has continued to thrive. Now, in 2021, we need your help more than ever. You may make your pledge on the website [here](#).

If you have any questions or would like a pledge form, please contact:
Adam MacDonald at amacdonald@saintthomaschurch.org or
Bruce Smith at bsmith@saintthomaschurch.org

SERVICES THIS WEEK AND BEYOND

The Church is open Monday through Saturday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. except on Ash Wednesday (see below for full details). *Face masks, hand sanitization, health screening, and 6 ft. distancing required for entry.*

Shrine Prayers (Intercessions) and Holy Eucharist (Contact details are mandatory to attend Mass)
Monday – Friday at 12 p.m. Saturday will be a Funeral Mass (see below for details).
In-person, live audio stream and then on-demand.

Please send your requests for prayers via the website [click here](#) or emailed to: prayer@saintthomaschurch.org

✠ ASH WEDNESDAY

***Church doors open at 9 a.m.**

Confessions: 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. (Resurrection Chapel)

Said Mass: 10:30 a.m. (Chantry Chapel)

In-person, live audio stream and then on-demand.

***Church doors close at 11:30 a.m.**

Solemn Liturgy of Ash Wednesday

sung by the Gentlemen of the Choir

(This service will be video livestreamed, and, thereafter, available on-demand)

***Church doors re-open at 1:30 p.m. (until 4 p.m.)**

Confessions: 2 to 3 p.m. (Resurrection Chapel)

✠ COMPLINE DURING LENT

Friday, February 19 at 5:30 p.m.

sung by the Gentlemen of the Choir

(This service will be video livestreamed, and, thereafter, available on-demand)

✠ SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 20

Funeral Mass for Robert Russell at 12 p.m.

Pre-registration link is being sent from the family to close friends.

Any parishioners who wish to attend, please contact Lizette Hernandez (limited seating).

LHernandez@saintthomaschurch.org

Confessions, Spiritual Advice and Healing Ministry in the Resurrection Chapel

Saturday 11 to 11:45 a.m. in the Church. Confessor: Bishop Andrew St. John

(need to wear a mask; chairs will be placed at an appropriate distance)

Young Adult Group Discussion then Compline:

Monday evenings *(see email group or Facebook page for details)*

Evening Prayer and Meditation with Sister Promise SSM

Thursday at 6:30 p.m. via Zoom Platform

(Contact Sr. Promise: SrPromise@SaintThomasChurch.org for details)

✠ SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 21

The First Sunday in Lent

(NOTE: all service are video livestreamed, and, thereafter, available on-demand)

11 a.m. Litany and Solemn Eucharist

sung by the Gentlemen of the Choir

Preacher: Fr. Bennett

3 p.m. Solemn Evensong

sung by the Gentlemen of the Choir

Lenten Sermon Series – ‘Dreams and Visions’

I: *Jacob’s Ladder*

Preacher: Mo. Turner

ASSISTING CLERGY

The Reverend Matthew Moretz, *Associate Rector
and Interim Director of Administration*
The Reverend Alison J. Turner,
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The Reverend Dr. Patrick S. Cheng,
Theologian in Residence
The Reverend Ryan Bennett, *Assistant Priest*
The Reverend Sr. Marie Promise Atelon SSM, *Deacon*

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