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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 FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

MAY 2, 2021

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

COVID-19. Please note that **only the choir and ministers will sing the hymns – the congregation must not join in the singing.** We apologize for any disappointment this may cause and encourage you to join your prayers with those of the choir and ministers who will sing on your behalf. Responses and acclamations should be sung or spoken **very quietly.** *The Rector and Wardens*

PRELUDE

Sehr langsam, from Sonate I

Paul Hindemith
(1895-1963)

At the entry of the Ministers, the People stand.

VERSICLES AND RESPONSES

John Scott
(1956-2015)

<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 96

Sung by the Choir

Plainsong (Tone VII²)

O SING unto the Lord a new song: sing unto the Lord, all the whole earth.
Sing unto the Lord, and praise his Name: be telling of his salvation from day to day.
Declare his honour unto the heathen: and his wonders unto all people.
For the Lord is great, and cannot worthily be praised: he is more to be feared than all gods.
As for all the gods of the heathen, they are but idols: but it is the Lord that made the heavens.
Glory and worship are before him: power and honour are in his sanctuary.
Ascribe unto the Lord, O ye kindreds of the people: ascribe unto the Lord worship and power.
Ascribe unto the Lord the honour due unto his Name: bring presents, and come into his courts.
O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness: let the whole earth stand in awe of him.
Tell it out among the heathen that the Lord is King: and that it is he who hath made the round world
so fast that it cannot be moved; and how that he shall judge the people righteously.
Let the heavens rejoice, and let the earth be glad: let the sea make a noise, and all that therein is.
Let the field be joyful, and all that is in it: then shall all the trees of the wood rejoice before the Lord.
For he cometh, for he cometh to judge the earth: and with righteousness to judge the world, and the
people with his truth.
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 stand for the Office Hymn and the Magnificat.

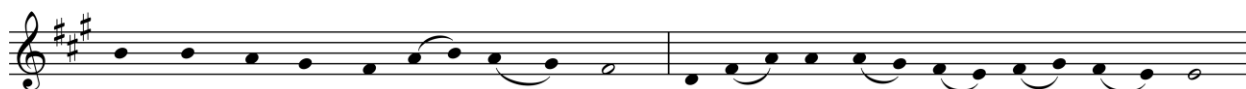
OFFICE HYMN

Sung by the Choir

AURORA LUCIS



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| 1. The day draws on with gold - en light, | Glad songs go echo - ing through the height, |
| 2. For lo, he comes, the might - y King, | To take from death his power and sting, |
| 3. En-closed he lay in rock - y cell, | With guard of arm - ed sen - ti - nel; |
| 4. The sad A - pos - tles mourn him slain. | Nor hope to see their Lord a - gain, |
| 5. Mak - er of all, to thee we pray, | Ful - fil in us thy joy to - day; |



The broad earth lifts an an - swering cheer,	And hell makes moan with wail - ing fear.
To tram - ple down his gloom - y reign,	And break the wear - y pris - oner's chain.
But thence re - turn - ing strong and free,	He comes in might of vic - to - ry.
When, to their ver - y eyes re - stored.	They look up - on the ris - en Lord.
When death as - sails, grant, Lord, that we	May share thy Pas - chal vic - to - ry.



(6.) A - men.

6. To thee who, dead, again dost live,
All glory, Lord, thy people give,
All glory to the Father be
And Spirit blest, eternally. Amen.

MAGNIFICAT

Virgo Parens Christi Service

Simon Niemiński
(b. 1969)

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 7:7-14

The People stand for the Nunc Dimittis and the Creed.

NUNC DIMITTIS

Virgo Parens Christi Service

Simon Niemiński

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.

O UR 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 them 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 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 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

L IGHTE N 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.

FOR God, who said: "Let light shine out of darkness"
has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in Jesus Christ.
There will be no more night;
the servants of God need no lamp or sun, for God will be their light.
Your word is truth; your word is light.

For God, who said: "Let light shine out of darkness"
has shone in our hearts to give the light,
and they will reign for ever and ever.
For God has shone Light; there will be no more night in our hearts.

from Evangelical Lutheran Worship 'Night Prayer'

SERMON

The Rev. Mark Brown
Assiting Priest

HYMN

Sung by the Choir

MIT FREUDEN ZART

1. Lord Christ, when first thou cam'st to earth, up - on a cross they___
2. O awe - ful Love, which found no room in___ life where sin de -
3. New ad - vent of the love of Christ, shall___ we a - gain re -
4. O wound - ed hands of Je - sus, build in___ us thy new cre -

bound thee, and mocked thy sav - ing king - ship then
nied thee, and, doomed to death, must bring to doom
fuse thee, till in the night of hate and war
- a - tion; our pride is dust, our vaunt is stilled,

by___ thorns with which they___ crowned thee: and still our wrongs
the___ powers which cru - ci - fied thee, till not a stone
we___ per - ish as we___ lose thee? From old un - faith
we___ wait thy rev - e - la - tion: O love that tri -

may weave thee now new thorns to pierce that
was left on stone, and all those na - tions?
our souls re - lease, to seek the king - dom
umphs o - ver loss, we bring our hearts be -

stead - y brow, and robe of sor - row___ round thee.
pride, o'er - thrown, went down to dust be - side thee!
of thy peace, by which a - lone we___ choose thee.
fore thy cross, to fi - nish thy sal - va - tion.

THE BLESSING

THE God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. *Amen.*

POSTLUDE

Phantasie, from Sonate I

Paul Hindemith

PARISH NOTICES

Adult Education welcomes back Fr. Mark Brown today at 10 a.m. with his online series of monthly classes on “The Practice of Prayer.” This Sunday will “Contemplative Prayer: Silence, Centering, Unknowing.” [Click here](#) to RSVP for the online class or contact Fr. Brown at MBrown@SaintThomasChurch.org.

Children and Families’ Gatherings

All families are welcome to join **Sunday Zoom!** at 10:15 a.m. today as we focus on further I AM sayings of Jesus. 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 continues this Tuesday, May 4. The course is a comprehensive introduction to the Christian faith as received and understood by the Episcopal Church. The course is taught by the Rector and Fr. Cheng over Zoom, and meets most Tuesdays until May. This week’s topic is: **Mission and Ministry: Vocation, Ordination, and the Mission of the Church**. Please [Click here](#) to RSVP for the online class or contact Fr. Cheng at PCcheng@SaintThomasChurch.org.

Concerts at Saint Thomas invites you to view our latest on-demand concert: [Dupré: The Complete Works for Organ V](#), featuring Organist and Director of Music, Jeremy Filsell. Our next concert on Saturday, May 22, at 3 p.m. is the seventh concert in the **32@32: The Complete Beethoven Piano Sonatas** series which features pianist Adam Golka. For in-person or digital tickets and more information, please visit us [HERE](#). 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.

The Bookstore and Gift Shop is selling an inscribed Saint Thomas Church, 3-Ply Face Mask with removal PM 2.5 filter 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 Eastertide Bible Study continues at 1:30 p.m. over Zoom, and runs for about an hour. The class is currently studying Dr. Amy-Jill Levine’s book, **Sermon on the Mount: A Beginner's Guide to the Kingdom of Heaven**. For more information, contact Fr. Bennett at RBennett@SaintThomasChurch.org.

SERVICES THIS WEEK AND BEYOND

The Church is open Monday through Saturday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

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 – Saturday at 12 p.m.

Open to the Public, live audio stream and then on-demand.

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

✠ **WEEKDAY CHORAL EVENSONG**

(NOTE: this service will be video livestreamed, and, thereafter, available on-demand)

Thursday, May 6 at 5:30 p.m.

sung by the Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys

Rosary Group

Saturday at 10 a.m. via Zoom. (email MBrown@SaintThomasChurch.org for more information)

Confessions, Spiritual Advice and Healing Ministry in the Resurrection Chapel

Saturday 11 to 11:45 a.m. in the Church. Confessor: Mo. Turner

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

Young Adult Group Compline:

Tuesday evenings (email YoungAdults@SaintThomasChurch.org for more information)

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, MAY 9**

Sixth Sunday of Easter

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

Services open to the public – please pre-register for 11 a.m. and 3 p.m.

9 a.m. Said Mass

11 a.m. Festal Eucharist

sung by the Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys

Preacher: Fr. Bennett

3 p.m. Festal Evensong

sung by the Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys

Preacher: Fr. Moretz

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,
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The Reverend Canon Anne Mallonee, *Honorary Assistant*
The Reverend David F. Mc Neeley, *Honorary Assistant*
The Reverend William A. Norgren, *Honorary Assistant*
The Reverend Thomas F. Pike, *Honorary Assistant*
The Rev. Canon Prof. J. Robert Wright, *Honorary Assistant*

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