

SAINT THOMAS CHURCH FIFTH AVENUE
in the
CITY OF NEW YORK



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SUNDAY, JULY 30, 2023 AT 3 P.M.
THE NINTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

FESTAL EVENSONG

SUNG BY THE SAINT THOMAS GIRL CHORISTER COURSE
AND THE GENTLEMEN OF THE CHOIR

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.

Contact us: welcome@saintthomaschurch.org

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ORDER OF SERVICE

PRELUDE

Variations on Jesu, Dulcis Memoria

Jessica French
(b. 1984)

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

INTROIT

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. Amen.

Habakkuk 2:20; Psalm 121:8

VERSICLES AND RESPONSES

Jessica French

The Officiant and Choir sing the opening responses.

- ℣. O Lord, open thou our lips.
℟. *And our mouth shall show forth thy praise.*
- ℣. O God, make speed to save us.
℟. *O Lord, make haste to help us.*
- ℣. 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.*
- ℣. Praise ye the Lord.
℟. *The Lord's Name be praised.*

The People sit.

WELCOME

PSALM 148

Sung by the Choir

Anglican Chant (*Ives*)

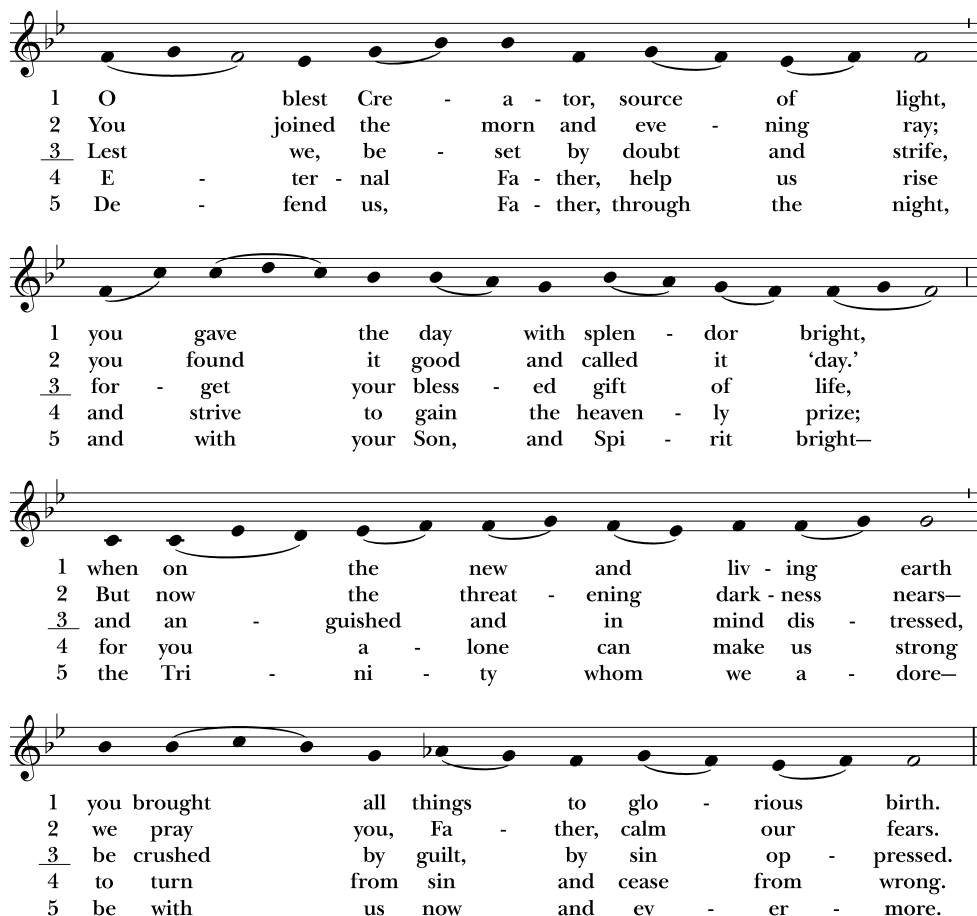
LAUDATE DOMINUM

O PRAISE the Lord of heaven : praise him in the height.
Praise him, all ye angels of his : praise him, all his host.
Praise him, sun and moon : praise him, all ye stars and light.
Praise him, all ye heavens : and ye waters that are above the heavens.
Let them praise the Name of the Lord : for he spake the word, and they were made;
he commanded, and they were created.
He hath made them fast for ever and ever : he hath given them a law which shall not be broken.
Praise the Lord upon earth : ye dragons, and all deeps;
Fire and hail, snow and vapours : wind and storm, fulfilling his word;
Mountains and all hills : fruitful trees and all cedars;
Beasts and all cattle : worms and feathered fowls;
Kings of the earth and all people : princes and all judges of the world;
Young men and maidens, old men and children, praise the Name of the Lord :
for his Name only is excellent, and his praise above heaven and earth.
He shall exalt the horn of his people; all his saints shall praise him :
even the children of Israel, even the people that serveth him.
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 Magnificat.

OFFICE HYMN

LUCIS CREATOR OPTIME



1 O blest Cre - a - tor, source of light,
 2 You joined the morn and eve - ning ray;
 3 Lest we, be - set by doubt and strife,
 4 E - ter - nal Fa - ther, help us rise
 5 De - fend us, Fa - ther, through the night,

1 you gave the day with splen - dor bright,
 2 you found it good and called it 'day.'
 3 for - get your bless - ed gift of life,
 4 and strive to gain the heaven - ly prize;
 5 and with your Son, and Spi - rit bright—

1 when on the new and liv - ing earth
 2 But now the threat - ening dark - ness nears—
 3 and an - guished and in mind dis - tressed,
 4 for you a - lone can make us strong
 5 the Tri - ni - ty whom we a - dore—

1 you brought all things to glo - rious birth.
 2 we pray you, Fa - ther, calm our fears.
 3 be crushed by guilt, by sin op - pressed.
 4 to turn from sin and cease from wrong.
 5 be with us now and ev - er - more.

MAGNIFICAT

Collegium Regale

Herbert Howells
 (1892-1983)

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

Acts 12:1-17

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.

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

℣. The Lord be with you.

℟. And with thy spirit.

The People kneel.

Let us pray.

℟. 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.

℣. O Lord, shew thy mercy upon us.

℟. And grant us thy salvation.

℣. O Lord, save the State.

℟. 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 GOD, the protector of all that trust in thee, without whom nothing is strong,
 nothing is holy: Increase and multiply upon us thy mercy; that, thou being our ruler and guide,
 we may so pass through things temporal, that we finally lose not the things eternal;
 through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit,
 one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

THE SECOND 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 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

At Heaven's Proclamation

Jessica French

O ARDENS mons,	<i>O burning mountain,</i>
O electe sol,	<i>O chosen sun,</i>
O perfecta luna,	<i>O perfect moon,</i>
O inestimabilis fons,	<i>O fathomless well,</i>
O claritas immodica,	<i>O clearness beyond all measure,</i>
O sapientia aeterna,	<i>O wisdom without end,</i>
O misericordia infinita,	<i>O mercy without all limit,</i>
O virtus ultra resistentiam,	<i>O strength beyond resistance,</i>
O excelsum ineffabilis,	<i>O unattainable height,</i>
O lux inaccessabilis,	<i>O unattainable light,</i>
O corona omnis majestatis.	<i>O crown of all majesty.</i>

All creation humbly sings your praise:
 Bright stars, high mountains,
 depths of the seas, rushing waters,
 All these break into song
 at heaven's proclamation:
 This is my Son, my beloved,
 My chosen One.
 Alleluia!

Mechtild of Magdeburg (1207-1294)
Latin trans. by Margaret White and Jessica French

The people kneel or remain seated.

PRAYERS AND INTERCESSIONS

The prayers end with these words, said by all

**The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God,
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with us all, evermore. Amen.**

The people stand.

HYMN

ST. CLEMENT

1 The day thou gav - est, Lord, is end - ed, the dark - ness
2 We thank thee that thy Church, un - sleep - ing while earth rolls
3 As o'er each con - ti - nent and is - land the dawn leads
4 So be it, Lord; thy throne shall nev - er, like earth's proud

falls at thy be - hest; to thee our morn - ing hymns a -
on - ward in - to light, through all the world her watch is
on an - oth - er day, the voice of prayer is nev - er
em - pires, pass a - way; thy king - dom stands, and grows for

scend - ed, thy praise shall sanc - ti - fy our rest.
keep - ing, and rests not now by day or night.
si - lent, nor dies the strain of praise a - way.
ev - er, till all thy crea - tures own thy sway.

THE BLESSING

The Priest says

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

VOLUNTARY

Toccata

*Nancy Plummer Faxon
(1914-2005)*



The flowers today are offered to the glory of God and in memory of the following:

Margaret Crane Hurlbut

WORSHIP THIS WEEK

* indicates livestreamed.

Monday - Saturday

12 p.m. Shrine Prayers and Holy Eucharist*

Location TBD due to ongoing construction in the Chantry Chapel. Check with the security desk in the Narthex.

Saturday

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

11:30 a.m.-12 p.m. The Rosary at the Shrine of Our Lady of Fifth Avenue

Next Sunday: August 6,

The Feast of the Transfiguration of our Lord

7:45 a.m. Said Mass

9 a.m. Sung Mass

followed by Coffee Hour in the Parish House

11 a.m. Solemn Eucharist*

sung by the Choir of Saint Luke's, Chelsea, UK
Sermon by Fr. Gioia

4 p.m. Festal Evensong*

sung by the Choir of Saint Luke's, Chelsea, UK

SUMMER FEASTS 2023

5:30 p.m. SOLEMN EUCHARIST

with the Gentlemen of the Choir

followed by cheese, wine, and soft drinks

Tuesday, August 15 – The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Thursday, August 24 – St. Bartholomew the Apostle

Friday, September 8 – The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

PARISH NOTICES

Saint Thomas Church Tours are available on Sundays after the 11 am 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.

The **Bookstore and Giftshop** is open Sundays following the 11am Mass until 1:30pm. Please access the shop via the Parish House entrance round the corner at 1 West 53rd Street. There is a book sale on a limited number of books for \$5.00 each. All other books and gifts are regular price.

The Theology Program at Saint Thomas Church offers sound Christian teaching presented with intellectual vigor; teaching that is grounded in Holy Scripture, mediated by the catholic tradition that is the inheritance of Anglicanism, and set forth in the Book of Common Prayer. **Sundays at 10am** on the Fifth Floor of the Parish House and via Zoom. The talks are given by our Theologian in Residence, The Rev. Dr. Luigi Gioia. For information, please register with Fr. Gioia: lgioia@SaintThomasChurch.org.

Children and Families: Nursery and Sunday School are now on recess until September 17, however throughout the Summer children continue to be welcome at Saint Thomas Church! Welcome activity packs and Sunday Papers are now available for children in the Narthex. In addition, 9am and 11am services will be streamed into the Nursery which is available for the sole use of babies and toddlers. Families using the Nursery are welcome to return to the Church at any time, especially for Communion or a Blessing. Sign up to receive our weekly newsletter and details of Children and Family plans for the Fall: Childrenandfamilies@saintthomaschurch.org.

Weekly Bible Study on Fridays at 1pm. Fr. Schultz leads a series of sessions that will serve as a deep dive into the Gospel of John. Join us as we continue our exploration of the Book of Signs (John 1:18 through chapter 12). For more information, please contact Fr. Schultz at MSchultz@SaintThomasChurch.org. Note: Bible Study will be on hiatus until August 11.

Saint Thomas Choir School is accepting applications from boys currently in grades 2-5 for admission to the 2023-2024 academic year. The school exists to nurture and educate the approximately 30 boy choristers of the Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys. Talented boys come from Michigan to Texas, and Massachusetts to Virginia, and even Manhattan. If you know a boy who loves to sing, encourage his family to contact Ruth Cobb, rcobb@choirschool.org.

The Noble Singers, our children's parish choir for singers ages 5-14, under the Direction of Mrs. Rebecca Kellerman-Filsell, is now on summer break. We will resume rehearsals on Thursday, September 14 and our first Sunday back will be Sunday, September 17 at the 9am Sung Mass. Watch for news about our September Choir Camp event and other special events such as our Preschool Music Circle. We welcome new singers at any time! No audition is necessary, just enthusiasm and a love of music. For more information, and to register your singer, contact RKellerman@SaintThomasChurch.org.

Throughout the summer, we continue our **2023 Annual Appeal: Invitation, Community, Discipleship**. You can make a pledge via the QR code below to be taken to the website or email giving@saintthomaschurch.org. Every pledge makes a difference.



Saint Thomas Choir School

in the heart of New York City



IRA LIPFKE

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Saint Thomas Choir School nurtures and educates the treble choristers of the renowned Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys. Boys in grades 3–8 from across the country sing, study, play, perform, and live together at the school during the academic year, thriving in a community that shares a passion for music. Singing in a professional choir, the boys grow into young men with poise, presence, and a deep sense of serving the community. Graduates of the choir school are prepared for a rewarding journey through adolescence and beyond, regardless of their professional goals. To learn more, visit www.choirschool.org or contact Ruth Cobb at admissions@choirschool.org or 212.247.3311, ext. 541.

Give him the opportunity of a lifetime.

BICENTENNIAL WEEKEND



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God's Love in the
Heart of New York

Celebrate the 200th Anniversary of Saint Thomas Church October 12 – 15, 2023

Thursday, October 12

3:00 p.m. Opening of the Bicentennial Exhibition

5:30 p.m. Bicentennial Orchestral Eucharist to commemorate the first service in 1823
Preacher: The Right Reverend Mary Glasspool, Assistant Bishop of New York,
followed by a Champagne Reception

Friday, October 13

7:30 p.m. Saint Thomas at 200 : A Musical Legacy
Concert with the Choir of Men and Boys with Saint Thomas Brass
(Free Admission)

Saturday, October 14

6:00 p.m. Bicentennial Black-tie Gala Fundraiser at the University Club

Sunday, October 15

10:00 a.m. Solemn Eucharist

Preacher: The Rev. Andrew Mead, Rector Emeritus, followed by Brunch

2:15 p.m. Organ Recital on the Taylor-Boody Organ (hand-pumped)

3:00 p.m. Solemn Evensong and Te Deum

Preacher: The Sub-Dean of Chapel Royal, The Rev. Canon Paul Wright LVO



BICENTENNIAL GALA

A milestone occasion, celebrating Saint Thomas Church's two-hundred-year history. The evening will serve as an opportunity to share the inspiring story of Saint Thomas Church, reflecting on its rich history, and looking to the future.



