

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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THE NINTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

JULY 30, 2023

SUNG EUCHARIST – 9 a.m. Cantor: Alex Longnecker

The Ordinary of the Mass

Coventry Acclamations

Peter Jones/Paul Inwood

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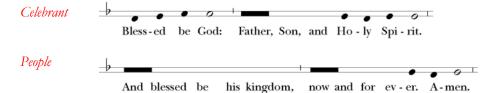
Hymn

LANGHAM



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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.**

Gloria in Excelsis

Cantor Glory to God, glory in the highest, Peace to his people, peace on earth;



Cantor Lord God, Heavenly King, almighty God and Father,



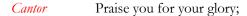
Cantor We worship you,

People

glo - ry in the high - est,

Cantor Give you thanks,

People glo - ry in the high - est,





Cantor Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God Lamb of God; you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us,



Cantor You are seated at the right hand of the Father; receive our prayer,



Cantor Glory to God, glory in the highest, Peace to his people, peace on earth



Cantor For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God – the glory of God the Father



Cantor Amen.



The Collect of the Day

The Celebrant says

The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.
Celebrant Let us pray.

Silence is kept. The Celebrant says the Collect.

O God, the protector of all who trust in you, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy: Increase and multiply upon us your mercy; that, with you as our ruler and guide, we may so pass through things temporal, that we lose not the things eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The People sit.

The Lesson 1 Kings 3:5-12

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 119:129-136 EVENTIDE



Your decrees are wonderful; therefore I obey them with all my heart. When your word goes forth it gives light; it gives understanding to the simple. I open my mouth and pant; I long for your commandments. *Refrain*

Turn to me in mercy, as you always do to those who love your name. Steady my footsteps in your word; let no iniquity have dominion over me. Rescue me from those who oppress me, and I will keep your commandments. Let your countenance shine upon your servant and teach me your statutes. My eyes shed streams of tears, because people do not keep your law. Refrain

Gospel Acclamation Plainsong (Mode VI)

The People stand. The Cantor sings the refrain and all repeat.



Cantor I am the way, the truth, and the life, says the Lord.
No one comes to the Father except through me. (John 14:6)

All repeat the Alleluia.

The Holy Gospel Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52

The Priest reads the Gospel, first saying

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

At the end

The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Homily Mo. Turner

The Nicene Creed

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. 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 I)

The Leader says

With all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord, saying "Lord, have mercy."

The People remain standing. This response is used after each petition

Let us pray to the Lord.

People Lord have mercy.

At the end of the Litany,

Defend us, deliver us, and in your compassion protect us, O Lord, by your grace.

People Lord have mercy.

After the last petition

...let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life, to Christ our God.

People To thee, O Lord our God.

After the prayers, silence is kept, then the Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

Lord, hear the prayers of your people; and what we have asked faithfully, grant that we may obtain effectually, to the glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People Amen.

The Peace

The Celebrant says

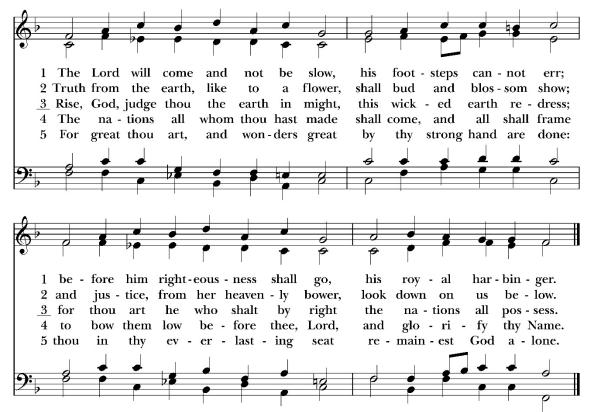
The peace of the Lord be always with you.

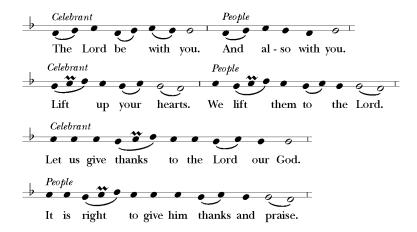
People And also with you.

The Greetings

The Liturgy of the Eucharist

Offertory Hymn YORK





The Celebrant sings the Preface

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 Jesus Christ our Lord; who on the first day of the week overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.

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:

Cantor and People



ho - san - na__ in the high - est.

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

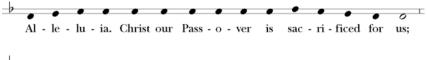
Celebrant And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

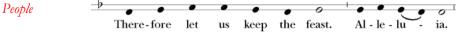
Celebrant and People

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.

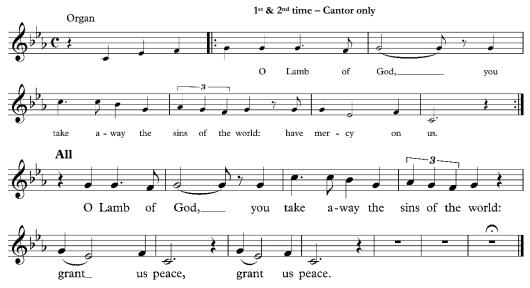
The Breaking of the Bread

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





Agnus Dei Stephen Buzard (b. 1989)



The Invitation to Communion

The Celebrant says

Behold the Lamb of God.

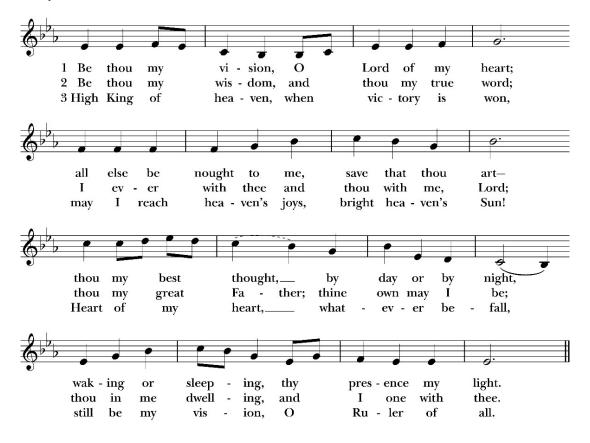
Behold him who takes away the sins of the world.

Blessed are those who are called to his supper.

Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, People but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

> All baptized Christians are invited to receive Holy Communion. The Sacrament is distributed at the Crossing. Intinction (dipping the host in the chalice) is not permitted. You are welcome to receive in one kind only. Gluten free hosts are available - please ask the priest.

Communion Hymn SLANE



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 and Dismissal

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 upon you and remain with you for ever. **Amen**.

The Deacon says

Go in the Peace of Christ.

People Thanks be to God.



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

Margaret Crane Hurlbut

WORSHIP THIS WEEK

* indicates livestreamed.

Today

11 a.m. Festal Eucharist*

sung by the Saint Thomas Girl Chorister Course and the Gentlemen of the Choir Sermon by Mo. Turner

3 p.m. Festal Evensong*

sung by the Saint Thomas Girl Chorister Course and the Gentlemen of the Choir

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: Children and families@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.



ASSISTING CLERGY

The Reverend Matthew Moretz

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Associate for Children & Family Ministry and School Chaplain

The Reverend Mark Schultz

Associate for Pastoral Care

The Reverend Prisca Lee-Pae

Associate for Pan-Asian Ministry

The Reverend Dr. Luigi Gioia

Theologian in Residence

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The Reverend David F. Mc Neeley, Honorary Assistant
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You may contact the Wardens using this address: Wardens@SaintThomasChurch.org.



Do you know a boy who loves to sing?

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



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.



