SAINT THOMAS CHURCH FIFTH AVENUE

in the CITY OF NEW YORK



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SUNDAY, OCTOBER 29, 2023 AT 11 A.M. THE TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

FESTAL EUCHARIST

SUNG BY THE SAINT THOMAS CHOIR OF MEN AND BOYS



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 ORDINARY OF THE MASS

The Truro Eucharist

Maurice Duruflé (1902-1986)

PRELUDE

Méditation (1964)

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

THE GREETINGS

HYMN NICAEA

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

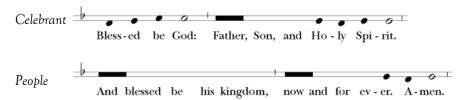


Holy, holy! Lord God Almighty, #362 from The Hymnal 1982 – Words: Reginald Heber (1783-1826), alt.

Music: Nicaea, John Bacchus Dykes (1823-1876).



THE PENITENTIAL ACCLAMATION



The Celebrant says

HEAR what our Lord Jesus saith:
Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it: Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets.

Matthew 22:37-40

Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

The People kneel. Silence is kept.

Celebrant and People

M OST merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against thee
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved thee with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of thy Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in thy will,
and walk in thy ways,
to the glory of thy Name. Amen.

The Celebrant says

THE Almighty and merciful Lord grant you absolution and remission of all your sins, true repentance, amendment of life, and the grace and consolution of his Holy Spirit. Amen.

The People stand.



GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

Sung by the Choir

CLORY be to God on high, and in earth peace, good will towards men.

We praise thee, we bless thee, we worship thee, we glorify thee.

We give thanks to thee for thy great glory,

O Lord God, heavenly King,

God the Father almighty.

O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesu Christ;

O Lord God, Lamb of God,

Son of the Father, that takest away the sins of the world,

have mercy upon us.

Thou that takest away the sins of the world,

have mercy upon us.

Thou that takest away the sins of the world,

receive our prayer.

Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father,

have mercy upon us.

For thou only art holy; thou only art the Lord; thou only, O Christ.

With the Holy Ghost, art most high

in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

THE SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you. People And with thy spirit.

Celebrant Let us pray.

A LMIGHTY and everlasting God, give unto us the increase of faith, hope, and charity; and, that we may obtain that which thou dost promise, make us to love that which thou dost command; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

The People sit.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

THE LESSON Leviticus 19:1-2, 15-18

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.



PSALM 1

Sung by the Choir

Anglican Chant (Hancock)

BEATUS VIR QUI NON ABIIT

BLESSED is the man that hath not walked in the counsel of the ungodly, nor stood in the way of sinners : and hath not sat in the seat of the scornful.

But his delight is in the law of the Lord: and in his law will he exercise himself day and night.

And he shall be like a tree planted by the water-side: that will bring forth his fruit in due season.

His leaf also shall not wither: and look, whatsoever he doeth, it shall prosper.

As for the ungodly, it is not so with them: but they are like the chaff,

which the wind scattereth away from the face of the earth.

Therefore the ungodly shall not be able to stand in the judgement:

neither the sinners in the congregation of the righteous.

But the Lord knoweth the way of the righteous: and the way of the ungodly shall perish.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost;

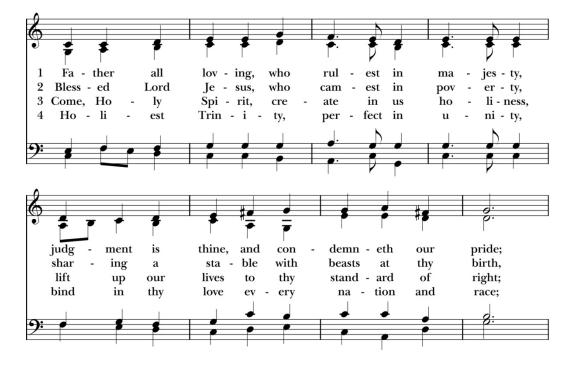
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be : world without end. Amen.

THE EPISTLE 1 Thessalonians 2:1-8

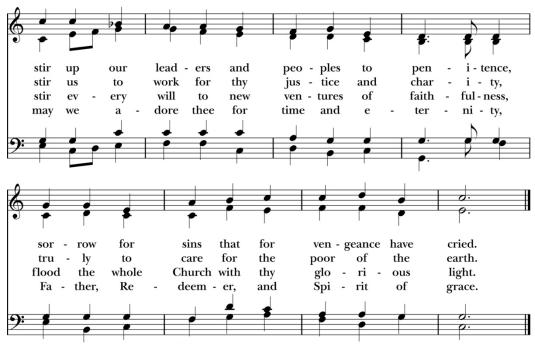
Subdeacon The Word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

The People stand.

HYMN WAS LEBET







Father all loving, who rulest in majesty, #568 from The Hymnal 1982 — Words: Patrick Robert Norman Appleford (b. 1925), alt.
By permission of The United Society for the Propagation of the Gospel. Music: Was lebet, melody from Choral-Buch vor Johann Heinrich Reinhardt, 1754; harm. Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958).

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



People Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Cantor Welcome with meekness the implanted word

that has the power to save your souls.

People Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

THE HOLY GOSPEL Matthew 22:34-46

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



After the Gospel, the Deacon says

The Gospel of the Lord.





THE SERMON

The Rev. Dr. Luigi Gioia Theologian in Residence

A period of silent reflection may follow the sermon.

THE NICENE CREED

Said by all, standing. It is customary to bow at the underlined words.

BELIEVE in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible;

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father; by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven. and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; he suffered and was buried; and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures, and ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of the Father; and he shall come again, with glory, to judge both the quick and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Ghost, the Lord, and Giver of Life, who proceedeth from the Father and the Son; who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified; who spake by the Prophets.

And I believe one holy Catholic and Apostolic Church; I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins; and I look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

The Celebrant says

Let us pray for the whole state of Christ's Church and the world.

The People kneel.



A LMIGHTY and everliving God, who in thy holy Word hast taught us to make prayers, and supplications, and to give thanks for all men: Receive these our prayers which we offer unto thy divine Majesty, beseeching thee to inspire continually the Universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord; and grant that all those who do confess thy holy Name may agree in the truth of thy holy Word, and live in unity and godly love.

Give grace, O heavenly Father, to all bishops and other ministers especially Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury, Michael, The Presiding Bishop, Andrew, our bishop [Allen, his Suffragan, Mary, his Assistant, and Matthew, Bishop Coadjutor] that they may, both by their life and doctrine, set forth thy true and lively Word, and rightly and duly administer thy holy Sacraments.

And to all thy people give thy heavenly grace, and especially to this congregation here present; that, with meek heart and due reverence, they may hear and receive thy holy Word, truly serving thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of their life.

We beseech thee also so to rule the hearts of those who bear the authority of government in this and every land especially the President of the United States, the Governor of the State of New York, and the Mayor of the City of New York, that they may be led to wise decisions and right actions for the welfare and peace of the world.

Open, O Lord, the eyes of all people to behold thy gracious hand in all thy works, that, rejoicing in thy whole creation, they may honor thee with their substance, and be faithful stewards of thy bounty.

And we most humbly beseech thee, of thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succor ... all those who in this transitory life, are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity.

And we also bless thy holy Name for all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear especially our own loved ones, and those whom we wish to remember today ... beseeching thee to grant them continual growth in thy love and service; and to grant us grace so to follow the good examples of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of God, Saint Thomas our patron, and all thy saints, that with them we may be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom.

Grant these our prayers, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate. Amen.

The People stand.

THE PEACE

The Celebrant says

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And with thy spirit.

The People offer one another a sign of peace.

The Celebrant says the Offertory Sentence, and the People sit.



THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

AT THE OFFERTORY, ANTHEM

Sung by the Choir

Herbert Howells (1892-1983)

LOVE divine, all loves excelling,
Joy of heaven, to earth come down,
Fix in us thy humble dwelling,
All thy faithful mercies crown.
Jesu, thou art all compassion,
Pure unbounded love thou art;
Visit us with thy salvation,
Enter every trembling heart.

Come, Almighty to deliver, Let us all thy life receive; Suddenly return and never, Never more thy temples leave. Thee we would be always blessing, Serve thee as thy hosts above; Pray, and praise thee without ceasing, Glory in thy perfect love.

Finish then thy new creation,
Pure and spotless let us be;
Let us see thy great salvation,
Perfectly restored in thee.
Changed from glory into glory,
Till in heaven we take our place,
Till we cast our crowns before thee,
Lost in wonder, love and praise.

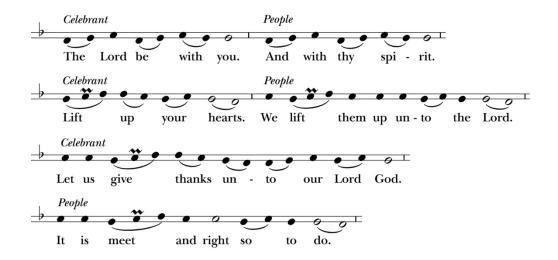
Charles Wesley (1707-1788)

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The People stand.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING





The Celebrant continues

It is very meet, right and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God.

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 with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying

SANCTUS AND BENEDICTUS

Sung by the Choir

HOLY, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts.
Heaven and earth are full of thy glory.
Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High.

Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

The People kneel or stand.

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

The Celebrant continues the Eucharistic Prayer, which concludes

By whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end.

The People respond AMEN.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

The Celebrant says

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

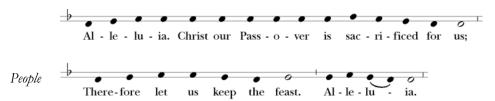
Celebrant and People

UR 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. Then is said



INVITATION TO COMMUNION

The Celebrant says

 $B^{\hbox{\scriptsize EHOLD}}$ the Lamb of God: behold him that taketh away the sins of the world. Blessed are those who are called to his supper.

People Lord, I am not worthy that thou shouldest come under my roof, but speak the word only and my soul shall be healed.

The People remain kneeling until the bell rings.

AN ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION (for those unable to receive Holy Communion)

BELIEVE in thee, O my Jesus, present in the most holy Sacrament of the Altar; I love thee above all things, and I desire to receive thee into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive thee sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace thee, and I unite myself to thee as if thou wast already there.

Never permit me to be separated from thee!

O Lord Jesus Christ, let the sweet and consuming force of thy love absorb my whole soul, that I may die for the love of thee, who wast pleased to die for the love of me. Amen.

HOLY COMMUNION

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.

AGNUS DEI

Sung by the Choir

LAMB of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, grant us thy peace.



ANTHEM Grayston Ives
(b. 1948)

THERE is a land of pure delight where saints immortal reign; infinite day excludes the night and pleasures banish pain.

There everlasting spring abides and never withering flowers;

Death like a narrow sea divides that heavenly land from ours.

Sweet fields beyond the swelling flood stand dressed in living green; so to the Jews old Canaan stood while Jordan rolled between.

But timorous mortals start and shrink to cross the narrow sea, and linger shivering on the brink, and fear to launch away.

O could we make our doubts remove, those gloomy doubts that rise, and see the Canaan that we love with unbeclouded eyes.

Could we but climb where Moses stood and view the landscape o'er; not Jordan's stream, nor death's cold flood should fright us from the shore.

Isaac Watts (1674-1748)

THE PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

The Celebrant says

Let us pray.

The People kneel and silence is kept.

Celebrant and People

A LMIGHTY and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

THE BLESSING

The People stand. The Celebrant 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.



HYMN ST. MATTHEW



Thine arm, O Lord, in days of old, #567 from The Hymnal 1982 — Words: Edward Hayes Plumptre (1821-1891).

Music: St. Matthew, from Supplement to the New Version of Psalms by Dr. Brady and Mr. Tate, 1708.



THE DISMISSAL

Deacon Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

VOLUNTARY Intrata from Partita (1971) Herbert Howells

Please join us for Coffee Hour in the Narthex after the service.



The flowers today are offered to the glory of God and in memory of the following: Robert Erskine Douglas, William Harris Douglas, Margaret Crane Hurlbut, Natalie Ives Metcalf, and Clarissa Martin Metzger

WORSHIP THIS WEEK

* indicates livestreamed.

Today

4 p.m. Festal Evensong*

sung by the Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys Sermon by Fr. Schultz

5:30 p.m. Organ Recital

Balint Karosi, New York, NY

Monday - Saturday

12 p.m. Shrine Prayers and Holy Eucharist*

Tuesday - Eve of All Saints' 5:30 p.m. Festal Evensong*

sung by the Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys

Wednesday - All Saints' Day 5:30 p.m. Solemn Eucharist*

sung by the Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys

Thursday - All Souls' Day

5:30 p.m. Solemn Requiem Eucharist*

sung by the Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys

Friday

3 p.m. Contemplative Prayer

In the Resurrection Chapel

Saturday

11-11:30 a.m. Confessions, Spiritual Advice, Ministry of Healing in the Resurrection Chapel

Confessor: Fr. Schultz

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

Lady of Fifth Avenue

Next Sunday: November 5, All Saints' Sunday

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 Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys Sermon by The Very Rev. David Hoyle,

Dean of Westminster

4 p.m. Solemn Evensong and Benediction*

sung by the Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys

5:30 p.m. Organ Recital

Alistair Reid, New York, NY



PARISH NOTICES

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

Our Parish **Bookstore** and **Gift Shop** is temporarily closed as it is being relocated to part of the Narthex. We are excited about making this resource and ministry more available to those who visit our church throughout the week. And we are grateful for Jean Savage and all those who are making this transition possible through their leadership and support. If you have any questions, please reach out to giftshop@saintthomaschurch.org.

The Saint Thomas Theological Education Program is at the service of those who seek a deeper understanding of faith and want to nourish their worship and their prayer. The teaching is firmly rooted in Scripture, Christian tradition, and spirituality. The lecturers are The Rev. Dr. Luigi Gioia, Theologian in Residence, and internationally renowned guest speakers committed to making theology accessible to non-specialists. The classes are held on Sundays at 10am on the Fifth Floor of the Parish House and streamed online. Additionally, recordings and handouts are made available for those who cannot attend the live sessions. For more info, contact Fr. Luigi Gioia at lgioia@SaintThomasChurch.org.

Children and Family Ministries: Sunday School resumes today at 10am on the third floor of the Parish House. The Nursery is open during services for the sole use of babies and young children with their parents/ caregivers. Services are streamed into the Nursery throughout the day. Save the date: 10 am ALL SAINTS FAMILY FEAST on SUNDAY, November 5 in the Dining Room. Children and families are invited to come dressed as their favorite saint and to share a little about their life at this Annual Family Feast. For more information about this celebration and future programs or to sign up for our weekly newsletter please contact 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.

Saint Thomas Choir School exists to nurture and educate the boy choristers of the Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys. Talented students in grades 3-8 come from the greater New York City area and beyond to sing, study, play, perform, and live together at the school. If you know a boy who loves to sing, encourage his family to contact Nora Thomson: nthomson@choirschool.org.

The Noble Singers, our children's parish choir for singers ages 5-14, under the Direction of Mrs. Rebecca Kellerman-Filsell, has resumed weekly rehearsals and singing at the 9am Mass. 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.

Preschool Music Circle: Children ages 2-5 and their caregivers are welcome to join us in the Sunday School Room on Saturdays this Fall from 10-11am for our new musical offering for preschool children. Mrs. Kellerman-Filsell will lead children and caregivers in 30 mins of ageappropriate musical activities exploring rhythm, singing, and movement followed by a light snack and some playtime in the Sunday School Room and Nursery. Join us for this new class! Caregivers are strongly encouraged to attend and participate with their child(ren). For more information, and to child, register vour contact RKellerman@SaintThomasChurch.org.

You are invited to an All Parish Meeting which will be held in the church on Thursday, November 16 from 7-8:30pm. This meeting will include presentations on the life of the parish from our Rector, members of clergy, and staff leadership. There will also be presentations on the current financial status of our parish from our Chief Financial Officer, Jenny Herrera, our auditors, PKR O'Connor Davies, and our investment committee. This in-person meeting will also be live-streamed and remote participants will also be able to participate in the question and answer time via this email address: questions@saintthomaschurch.org. This meeting will be preceded by a service of Choral Evensong, a Said Mass, and a short reception in the Narthex.