SAINT THOMAS CHURCH FIFTH AVENUE

in the CITY OF NEW YORK



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SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 2024 AT 4 P.M. The Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany (Sexagesima)

FESTAL EVENSONG

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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Please do not take photographs or videos, or make recordings during the service.

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PRELUDE

St. Columba - Erin (from Six Fantasies on Hymn Tunes)

Kenneth Leighton (1929-1988)

INTROIT

Reginald Alwyn Surplice (1906-1977)

PRAISE the Lord of heaven: praise him in the height.

Praise him, sun and moon: praise him, all ye stars and light.

Let every thing that hath breath: praise the Lord.

Psalm 148:1, 3; Psalm 150:6

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

VERSICLES AND RESPONSES

Matthew Martin (b. 1976)

The Officiant and Choir sing the opening responses.

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

The People sit.

WELCOME

PSALM 23

Sung by the Choir

Anglican Chant (Walford Davies)

DOMINUS REGIT ME

THE LORD is my shepherd: therefore can I lack nothing.

He shall feed me in a green pasture : and lead me forth beside the waters of comfort.

He shall convert my soul: and bring me forth in the paths of righteousness, for his Name's sake.

Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil:

for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff comfort me.

Thou shalt prepare a table before me against them that trouble me:

thou hast anointed my head with oil, and my cup shall be full.

Surely thy loving-kindness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life:

and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

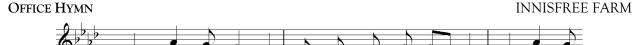
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son : and to the Holy Ghost;

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



FIRST LESSON Genesis 2:4b-25

The People stand for the Office Hymn and Magnificat.



- 1 Christ, might y Sa vior, Light of all cre a tion, you make the
- 2 mir - ror Now comes the day's end as the sun is set - ting: 3 There - fore we come now eve - ning rites to of - fer, joy - ful - ly
- 4 Give heed, we pray you, to our sup pli ca tion: that you may 5 Though bo dies slum ber, hearts shall keep their vi gil, for ev er



- day time ra - diant with the sun - light and to the night give 2 day - break, pledge of re sur - rec - tion; while in the hea vens
- 3 chant ing ho ly hymns to praise you, with all cre a tion
- 4 grant us par don for of fens es, strength for our weak hearts, 5 rest - ing in the peace of Je - sus, in light or dark - ness



- 2 choirs of stars ap pear ing hal low the night fall.
- 3 join ing hearts and voic es sing ing your glo ry. 4 rest for ach - ing bo - dies, sooth - ing the wear - y.
- 5 wor ship ing our Sa vior now and for ev er

Christ, mighty Savior, Light of all creation, #34 from The Hymnal 1982 — Words: Mozarabic, 10th cent.; tr. Alan G. McDougall (1895-1964); rev. Anne K. LeCroy (b. 1930). Copyright © 1982, Anne LeCroy. Music: Innisfree Farm, Richard Wayne Dirksen (b. 1921). Copyright © 1984, Richard W. Dirksen.

MAGNIFICAT Westminster Service Herbert Howells (1892-1983)

Y 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 Luke 8:22-35

The People stand for the Nunc Dimittis and the Creed.

NUNC DIMITTIS Westminster Service Herbert Howells

ORD, 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

BELIEVE in God, the American maker of heaven and earth: BELIEVE in God, the Father almighty, 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 catholick 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

V. The Lord be with you.

R. And with thy spirit.

The People kneel.

Let us pray.



K. 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.

- V. O Lord, shew thy mercy upon us.
- K. And grant us thy salvation.
- V. O Lord, save the State.
- R. 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.
- K. And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

SET us free, O God, from the bondage of our sins and give us, we beseech thee, the liberty of that abundant life which thou hast manifested to us in thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

THE COLLECT FOR PEACE

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 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 Credo in unum Deum Kenneth Leighton

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 from 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 worshiped and glorified,

who spake by the prophets.

And I believe in one Catholick and Apostolick 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 Nicene Creed

SERMON The Rector





HYMN AT THE OFFERTORY EDMONTON



O Zion, open wide thy gates, #257 from The Hymnal 1982 – Words: Jean Baptiste de Santeüil (1630-1697); tr. Edward Caswall (1814-1878), alt. Music: Edmonton, from Hamonia Sacra, ca. 1760; harm. Hymnal 1982; alt. melody and bass from Hamonia Sacra, ca. 1760.

THE BLESSING

HRIST the Sun of righteousness shine upon you and scatter the darkness from before your path: and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit be amongst you and remain with you always. Amen.



PSALM 150 Sung by the Choir Anglican Chant (Talbot)

LAUDATE DOMINUM

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.

VOLUNTARY

Fugue No. 3 (from A Triptych of Fugues)

Gerald Near (b. 1942)

5:15 P.M. CHAMBER RECITAL

Immediately following the service, we invite you to stay for the Sunday Recital Series featuring ensembles from the Historical Performance program at the Juilliard School, New York, NY

PILGRIMS' COURSE 2024



Want to know more about the Christian Faith?

Want to be baptized or confirmed?

Want to become a member of Saint Thomas Church?

The Pilgrims' Course explores the Christian Faith as the Episcopal Church has received it, and as Saint Thomas expresses it through its mission to worship, love, and serve our Lord Jesus Christ through the Anglican Tradition and our unique choral heritage. Classes are open to all and, each year, a number of parishioners attend to refresh their faith and support those who are new to the faith or to our community. The next class will be on Wednesday, February 7. The subject of the week's class will be *The Trinity: The Church Community Reflects Our Belief in God as "Three in One"*. A simple hot meal is available at 6:30pm, and the class runs from 7-8pm. Classes are hybrid, so if you cannot be present in-person, you can join us on-line.

To register please email: pilgrims@saintthomaschurch.org





The flowers today are offered to the glory of God and in memory of the following: George Arents, Mrs. Margaret Adams Bromley, Margaret Crane Hurlbut, and James S. Reilly, Jr.

WORSHIP THIS WEEK

* indicates livestreamed.

Today

5:15 p.m. Chamber Recital

Splendors of the Italian Baroque:

Featuring ensembles from the Historical Performance program at the Juilliard School, New York, NY

Monday - Saturday

12 p.m. Shrine Prayers and Holy Eucharist*

Tuesday

5:30 p.m. Choral Evensong*

sung by the Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys

Friday

3 p.m. Contemplative Prayer

In the Resurrection Chapel

Saturday

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

Confessor: Fr. Brown

Next Sunday: February 11, The Last Sunday after the Epiphany (Quinquagesima)

7:45 a.m. Said Mass

9 a.m. Sung Mass

followed by Coffee Hour in the Parish House

11 a.m. Festal Eucharist*

sung by the Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys Sermon by The Rector

1:30 p.m. Korean Holy Eucharist

Sermon by Mo Lee-Pae

4 p.m. Solemn Evensong and Benediction*

sung by the Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys

PARISH NOTICES

The Installation of the 17th Bishop of New York will take place Saturday, February 10 at 11am (please arrive by 10:30). Join us at the Cathedral of St. John the Divine (1047 Amsterdam Avenue) for the installation of the Rt. Rev. Matthew Heyd as our 17th Bishop. The service will celebrate the life of the Diocese of New York and the church's mission to heal the world. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend. A reception will follow the service. You can indicate that you plan to attend here: dioceseny.org/ednyevent/bishop-installation-2024

The Beloved Community-An Invitation from Pamela Last week's announcements informed us that February is Black History Month, which we will observe through a project organized around the idea of the Beloved Community. Though some of us may feel that Black History Month does not relate to our experience, as a church we can embrace this beautiful idea of Beloved Community, about which Dr. Martin Luther King had spoken powerfully and eloquently. I therefore invite you to reflect on this theme and to send in your reflection on how Saint Thomas Church is a Beloved Community to belovedcommunity@saintthomaschurch.org by February 29. On Saturday, March 2, there will be a discussion group, where we will share those reflections and engage in an open and heartfelt discussion about this beautiful idea as it relates to our parish.

Our Parish Bookstore and Gift Shop is still temporarily closed. However, we will have a table in the Narthex on Sundays after the 11am services from February 4 thru March 17, selling books for Lent and Easter. If you have any questions, please reach out to giftshop@saintthomaschurch.org.

Children and Family Ministries: Sunday School meets weekly at 10am in the Parish House. The Nursery continues to be available for the sole use of babies and toddlers with their parents/caregivers, from 9am-1pm on Sundays in the Parish House, 3rd floor. To receive our CFM newsletter, contact childrenandfamilies@saintthomaschurch.org.

The Saint Thomas Theological Education Program, rooted in Scripture, tradition, and spirituality, is for those who seek a deeper understanding of faith, worship and prayer. Lecturers are The Rev. Dr. Luigi Gioia, Theologian in Residence, and internationally renowned guest speakers committed to making theology accessible to non-specialists. Classes are held Sundays at 10am on the 5th Floor of the Parish House and are streamed online. For more info, contact Fr. Luigi Gioia: lgioia@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.