

SAINT THOMAS CHURCH FIFTH AVENUE
in the
CITY OF NEW YORK



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SUNDAY, OCTOBER 19, 2025 AT 4 P.M.
THE NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

FESTAL EVENSONG
SUNG BY THE SAINT THOMAS CHOIR OF MEN AND BOYS



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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.*

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PRELUDE

Master Tallis' Testament

Herbert Howells
(1892-1983)

VERSICLES AND RESPONSES

Bernard Rose
(1916-1996)

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 149

Sung by the Choir

Anglican Chant (Walter G. Alcock)

CANTATE DOMINO

O SING unto the Lord a new song : let the congregation of saints praise him.
Let Israel rejoice in him that made him :

and let the children of Sion be joyful in their King.

Let them praise his Name in the dance : let them sing praises unto him with tabret and harp.

For the Lord hath pleasure in his people : and helpeth the meek-hearted.

Let the saints be joyful with glory : let them rejoice in their beds.

Let the praises of God be in their mouth : and a two-edged sword in their hands;

To be avenged of the heathen : and to rebuke the people;

To bind their kings in chains : and their nobles with links of iron.

That they may be avenged of them, as it is written : Such honour have all his saints.

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

Nehemiah 8:9-end

The People stand for the Office Hymn and Magnificat.



OFFICE HYMN

THE EIGHTH TUNE

1 O gra - cious Light, Lord Je - sus Christ, in
2 Now sun - set comes, but light shines forth, the
3 Wor - thy are you of end - less praise, O

you the Fa - ther's glo - ry shone. Im - mor - tal, ho - ly,
lamps are lit to pierce the night. Praise Fa - ther, Son, and
Son of God, Life - giv - ing Lord; where - fore you are through

blest is he, and blest are you, his ho - ly Son.
Spi - rit: God who dwells in the e - ter - nal light.
all the earth and in the high - est heaven a - dored.

O gracious light, #25 from *The Hymnal 1982* – Words: Greek, 3rd cent.; tr. F. Bland Tucker (1895-1984); para. of *O Gracious Light*.
Music: *The Eighth Tune*, Thomas Tallis (c. 1505-1585).

MAGNIFICAT

St. Paul's Service

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

John 16:1-11

The People stand for the Nunc dimittis and the Creed.

NUNC DIMITTIS

St. Paul's Service

Herbert Howells

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 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.

R. 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.
R. 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.
R. And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.*

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, who in Christ hast revealed thy glory among the nations: Preserve the works of thy mercy, that thy Church throughout the world may persevere with steadfast faith in the confession of thy Name; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

THE 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 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 THE OFFERTORY

Sung by the Choir

Sir Edward Elgar
(1857-1934)

GREAT is the Lord and greatly to be praised in the city of our God, in the mountain of his holiness. Beautiful in elevation, the joy of the whole earth, is mount Zion, on the sides of the north, the city of the great King. God hath made himself known in her palaces for a refuge.

For lo! the kings assembled themselves, they passed by together; they saw, then were they amazed; they were dismayed, they hasted away; trembling took hold of them there, pain as of a woman in travail, as with the east wind that breaketh the ships of Tarshish. As we have heard, so have we seen in the city of the Lord of hosts, in the city of our God: God will establish it for ever.

We have thought on thy loving kindness, O God, in the midst of thy temple: as is thy name, O God, so is thy praise unto the ends of the earth; thy right hand is full of righteousness.

Let mount Zion be glad, because of thy judgments, let the daughters of Judah rejoice; walk about Zion and go round about her, tell the towers thereof, mark ye well her bulwarks, consider her palaces, that ye may tell it to the generation following. For this God is our God for ever and ever; he will be our guide even unto death. Amen.

Psalm 48



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SERMON

Fr. Preston Gonzalez-Grissom

HYMN

OLD 124TH

1 We will ex - tol you, ev - er - bless - ed Lord; your ho - ly
2 Age shall to age pass on the end - less song, tell - ing the
3 You, Lord, are gra - cious, mer - ci - ful to all, close to your

Name for ev - er be a - dored; each day we live our
won - ders which to you be - long, your might - y acts with
chil - dren when on you they call; and slow to an - ger,



psalm to you we raise; you, God and King, are wor - thy of all
joy and fear re - late; praise we your glo - ry while on you we
mer - ci - ful and kind, in your com - pas - sion we your bless - ings

praise, great and un - search - a - ble in all your ways.
wait, glad in the know - ledge of your love so great.
find. We love you with our heart and strength and mind.

We will extol you, ever-blessed Lord, #404 from *The Hymnal 1982* — Words: J. Nichol Grieve, alt.; para. of Psalm 145. Reproduced with the kind permission of T&T Clark Limited, Edinburgh. Music: *Old 124th*, melody from *Pseaumes octante trois de David*, 1551; harm. Charles Winfred Douglas (1867-1944). Harmonization Copyright © by The Church Pension Fund.

THE BLESSING

The Rector 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.**

PSALM 150

Sung by the Choir

Anglican Chant (George S. Talbot)

LAUDATE DOMINUM

O 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

Allegro maestoso from Organ Sonata in G, Op. 28

Sir Edward Elgar
(1857-1934)

5:15 P.M. SUNDAY RECITAL SERIES

*Immediately following the service, we invite you to stay for an Organ Recital
featuring Raphael Vogl, New York, NY*



The flowers today are offered to the glory of God and in memory of the following:
*Mary Anne Carp, William Harris Douglas, Robert Erskine Douglas, James Ross Curran,
Margaret Crane Hurlbut, John J. Hendershot, and Benjamin Cardoza Baron.*

WORSHIP & RECITALS THIS WEEK

* indicates livestreamed.

Today

4 p.m. Festal Evensong*

sung by the Choir of Men and Boys

Sermon by the Preston Gonzalez-Grissom

5:15 p.m. Sunday Recital Series

Rafael Vogl, Organ

New York, NY

Monday 20th October – Friday 24th October

12 p.m. Shrine Prayers*

12:05 p.m. Holy Eucharist*

Tuesday 21st

Note: Because of rehearsals for tomorrow's funeral, there will be no evening service on Tuesday.

Wednesday 22nd – Eve of St. James of Jerusalem

11:00 a.m. Solemn Requiem Eucharist for the repose of the soul of Judith Hancock*

sung by the Choir of Men and Boys

5:30 p.m. Choral Evensong*

Followed by a short, said Mass

sung by the Choir of Men and Boys

music by Leighton and Martin

Thursday 23rd – Feast of St. James of Jerusalem

5:30 p.m. Solemn Eucharist*

sung by the Choir of Men and Boys

music by Caesar and Wicks

Friday 24th

3 p.m. Contemplative Prayer

Saturday 25th

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

Confessor: Fr. Brown

12 p.m. Shrine Prayers*

12:05 p.m. Holy Eucharist*

Next Sunday: October 26th

The Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost

7:45 a.m. Said Mass

9 a.m. Sung Mass

Sung by the Noble Singers

followed by Coffee Hour in the Parish House

11 a.m. Festal Eucharist*

sung by the Choir of Men and Boys

followed by Coffee Hour at the back of the Lady Chapel

Sermon by the Rector

4 p.m. Festal Evensong*

sung by the Choir of Men and Boys and the Choir of St.

Matthew, Westminster, UK

Sermon by Fr. Mark Brown

5:15 p.m. Sunday Recital Series

Zac Shurman, Organ

New York, NY



PARISH NOTICES

Names for remembrance for **ALL SOULS**. November is the month when we remember the dead. If you wish to add a name to the list to be placed on the altar on Remembrance Sunday at 11am, please send the names (and dates if possible) to remembrance@saintthomaschurch.org. The names will also be read each Saturday at the 12 p.m. mass during November.

Chorister for a Day: Find your voice. Find yourself. On Saturday, November 8, Saint Thomas Choir School will hold its annual Chorister for a Day. Open to boys in Grades 3-6, this day will be an opportunity to experience life in the choir school community with fun activities, choir rehearsal with the choristers, tours of the Church and School, and Evensong with the Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys. For more information contact Margaret White, Director of Admissions and Administration: admissions@choirschool.org

The Saint Thomas Choir School is home to the boy choristers of the Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys. Since September 2025, the choristers (grades 4-8) has partnered with Professional Children's School for their academic education, while continuing to live and train at STCS in a close-knit, music-centered environment. They sing five weekly services at Saint Thomas Church and perform in the Concerts at Saint Thomas series. If you know a boy who loves to sing and may thrive in this unique setting, please contact Margaret White at mwhite@choirschool.org

Children and Family Ministries: All CFM programming has returned with 10 a.m. Children's Formation for Pre-K - High School from 10-10:45 a.m. following the 9 a.m. Mass. The Children's area (near the icon of Saint Thomas) is available for families during all services, with quiet activities for young children. The Nursery also continues to be available for the sole use of babies and toddlers with their parents/caregivers, from 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. on Sundays in the Parish House, 3rd floor. To receive our Summer CFM newsletter, contact childrenandfamilies@saintthomaschurch.org

Explore the Beauty and History of Saint Thomas Church each Sunday following the 11am service with a guided tour. These tours offer a unique opportunity to delve into the rich history, sacred art, and exquisite architectural details of our landmark building. To take part, please meet the Tour Guide

at the "Tour Guide - Meet Here" sign on the south side of the Narthex. All are warmly welcome.

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

The Noble Singers, our children's parish choir for singers (ages 5-14+) have returned to sing in the 9 a.m. mass. Rehearsals are on Thursdays from 4:15 - 5:15 p.m., and new singers are always welcome. No audition is necessary, just enthusiasm and a love of music! For more information, and to register your singer, contact Mrs. Lane at llane@Saintthomaschurch.org

Concerts at Saint Thomas presents renowned organist Clive Driskill-Smith in *A Stroll through the English Countryside*, exploring the great wealth of works for organ by English composers spanning the centuries, from Gibbons to Bairstow, on November 22nd at 3 p.m. This Grand Organ Series recital will feature both the Taylor & Boody Loening-Hancock Gallery Organ, as well as the Dobson Miller-Scott Organ. Tickets are available online at www.saintthomaschurch.org/music/concerts.

You are cordially invited to the Holy Eucharist in the Korean language every second Sunday of the month. It is preceded by brunch at 12:45 p.m. in the month at 1:30 p.m. It is preceded by brunch at 12:45 p.m. in the Dining Room of the Parish House. 매달 둘째 주일 오후 1:30 에 본당에서 올리는 한국어 감사 성찬례에 여러분을 초대합니다. 오후 12:45 에 2 층 식당에서 브런치를 함께 나누니 조금 일찍 오셔서 친교도 나누세요.

Contemplative Prayer takes place on Fridays at 3 p.m. in the Resurrection Chapel. You are welcome to join this sacred time of silent prayer and quiet praise in the presence of God. The service includes Taizé Songs, Centering Prayer, and Lectio-Divina, and is led by Mo. Prisca Lee-Pae. For more information, please contact Mo. Lee-Pae at pleepae@SaintThomasChurch.org



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