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'FROM GLORY TO GLORY'
A PROCESSION AND SEQUENCE OF
READINGS AND MUSIC FOR EPIPHANY
SUNG BY THE SAINT THOMAS CHOIR OF MEN AND BOYS



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INTRODUCTION

THE Hebrew Scriptures contain many examples of the revelation of God's glory: the burning bush, the pillar of fire, the cloud filling the Temple, and more.

In the New Testament, the glory of God is ultimately fully revealed in the person of Jesus Christ, the Son of God, the Word made flesh. For Christians, the word 'Epiphany' describes a revelation or *manifestation* of God's glory in Jesus Christ. Saint John's Gospel reminds us that through signs and wonders, Jesus revealed his glory to the disciples. Like the Hebrew Scriptures, there are many moments when God's glory is revealed in Jesus and when his glory is manifested to others: the visit of the Magi with their symbolic gifts of Gold, Frankincense and Myrrh; the Baptism of Jesus, with the affirmation of the Father's voice from heaven and the descent of the Holy Spirit in the form of a dove; and the changing of water into wine at Cana in Galilee. In addition to these specific events that are traditionally remembered by Orthodox Churches on January 6, the New Testament also contains other revelations of Christ's glory, such as the Transfiguration of Jesus on the Mountain and, ultimately, his Resurrection and Ascension.

In John's Gospel, Jesus prays to his heavenly Father that his disciples and those who follow them might also see his glory and *share* in that glory:

"The glory that you have given me I have given them, so that they may be one, as we are one, I in them and you in me, that they may become completely one, so that the world may know that you have sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me." *John 17:22-23*

Our service ends with the vision of Christ's glory abiding in each one of us. As Christians who celebrate the revelation of God's glory in Christ, we are also called to see that glory in one another, building a community of love and trust.

'May the light of Christ, rising in glory, dispel the darkness of our hearts and minds.'

from the Easter Vigil

ORDER OF SERVICE

PRELUDE

Prélude sur l'Introït de l'Épiphanie (1961)

Maurice Duruflé
(1902-1986)

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

INTROIT

Sung by the Choir

John Bradley
(1930-2009)

THE Christ-child lay on Mary's lap,
his hair was like a light.
(O weary, weary were the world,
but here is all aright.)

The Christ-child lay on Mary's heart,
his hair was like a fire.
(O weary, weary is the world,
but here the world's desire.)

The Christ-child lay on Mary's breast,
his hair was like a star.
(O stern and cunning Kings,
but here the true hearts are.)

The Christ-child stood at Mary's knees,
his hair was like a crown,
and all the flowers looked up at him
and all the stars looked down.

Words by Gilbert Keith Chesterton (1874-1936)



PROCESSIONAL HYMN

SALZBURG

1 Songs of thank-ful - ness and praise, Jes - us, Lord, to thee we raise,
2 Man - i - fest at Jor - dan's stream, Pro-phet, Priest, and King su - preme;
3 Man - i - fest in mak - ing whole pal - sied limbs and faint - ing soul;
4 Man - i - fest on moun - tain height, shin - ing in re - splen - dent light,
man - i - fest - ed by the star to the sa - ges from a - far;
and at Ca - na, wed - ding - guest, in thy God - head man - i - fest;
man - i - fest in val - iant fight, quell - ing all the dev - il's might;
where dis - ci - ples filled with awe thy trans - fi - gured glo - ry saw.
branch of roy - al Da - vid's stem in thy birth at Beth - le - hem;
man - i - fest in power di - vine, chang - ing wa - ter in - to wine;
man - i - fest in gra - cious will, ev - er bring - ing good from ill;
When from there thou led - dest them stead - fast to Je - ru - sa - lem,
an - thems be to thee ad - dressed, God in man made man - i - fest.
an - thems be to thee ad - dressed, God in man made man - i - fest.
an - thems be to thee ad - dressed, God in man made man - i - fest.
cross and Eas - ter Day at - test God in man made man - i - fest.

Songs of thankfulness and praise, #135 from *The Hymnal* 1982 – Words: Sts. 1-3, Christopher Wordsworth (1807-1885); st. 4, F. Bland Tucker (1895-1984).
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BIDDING PRAYER

DEARLY Beloved, we are gathered to celebrate with joy the appearance of God's glory in the world through the birth of Jesus, who is Emmanuel, God with us; to reflect upon that glory manifested in many ways; the visit of the magi bringing homage to their King at his birth; the wonder at his Baptism in the River Jordan; and to hear of his first miracle at a wedding at Cana in Galilee by which he revealed his glory to his disciples. We celebrate Christ's glory, and recall the prayer of Jesus to his heavenly Father that we, too, might share in that same glory and become one with him as a Beloved Community, formed in his love.



As we rejoice in the Word made flesh, who has called us out of darkness into light, so we pray that his love and faithfulness may be known in all the world:

We pray for the unity and mission of Christ's Church, and for all who minister the gospel of Christ; we pray for the world, that we may have reverence for the natural order and respect for every person, made in the image and likeness of God; we pray for an end to all that mars the image of God in others through prejudice or discrimination; we also pray for those who stand in need, for the lonely, the fearful, the sick and the bereaved, and for all who have no-one to pray for them.

May God our Father take us and use us in his service; may he open our eyes to see his glory, and equip us to bless his people, now and at all times. **Amen.**

Believing the promises of God, let us pray with confidence as our Savior has taught us:

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 People sit.

I: THE GLORY OF THE LORD SHALL BE REVEALED

LESSON

Isaiah 60:1-7

The glory of the Lord has risen upon you.

ARISE, shine; for your light has come,
and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you.
For behold, darkness shall cover the earth,
and thick darkness the peoples;
but the Lord will arise upon you,
and his glory will be seen upon you.
And nations shall come to your light,
and kings to the brightness of your rising.
Lift up your eyes round about, and see;
they all gather together, they come to you;
your sons shall come from far,
and your daughters shall be carried in the arms.
Then you shall see and be radiant,
your heart shall thrill and rejoice;
because the abundance of the sea shall be turned to you,
the wealth of the nations shall come to you.
A multitude of camels shall cover you,



the young camels of Mid'ian and Ephah;
all those from Sheba shall come.
They shall bring gold and frankincense,
and shall proclaim the praise of the Lord.
All the flocks of Kedar shall be gathered to you,
the rams of Nebai'oth shall minister to you;
they shall come up with acceptance on my altar,
and I will glorify my glorious house.

ANTHEM

Sung by the Choir

*Jacob Handl
(1550-1591)*

OMNES de Saba venient: aurum et thus deferentes;
et laudem Domino annuntiantes. Alleluia.

*All they from Sheba shall come: they shall bring gold and incense;
and they shall shew forth the praises of the Lord. Alleluia.*

Isaiah 60:6

COLLECT

Let us pray.

The People stand.

O GOD, whose blessed Son was manifested that he might destroy the works of the devil and make us the children of God and heirs of eternal life: Grant us, we beseech thee, that, having this hope, we may purify ourselves even as he is pure; that, when he shall appear again with power and great glory, we may be made like unto him in his eternal and glorious kingdom; where with thee, O Father, and thee, O Holy Ghost, he liveth and reigneth ever, one God, world without end. **Amen.**

The People sit.

II: THE GLORY REVEALED TO THE GENTILES

LESSON

Matthew 2:1-12

The Wise Men are led by the star to Jesus.

NOW when Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea in the days of Herod the king, behold, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, saying, "Where is he who has been born king of the Jews? For we have seen his star in the East, and have come to worship him." When Herod the king heard this, he was troubled, and all Jerusalem with him; and assembling all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Christ was to be born. They told him, "In Bethlehem of Judea; for so it is written by the prophet:
'And you, O Bethlehem, in the land of Judah,
are by no means least among the rulers of Judah;
for from you shall come a ruler
who will govern my people Israel.'"

Then Herod summoned the wise men secretly and ascertained from them what time the star appeared; and he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, "Go and search diligently for the child, and when you have found him bring me word, that I too may come and worship him."



When they had heard the king they went their way; and lo, the star which they had seen in the East went before them, till it came to rest over the place where the child was. When they saw the star, they rejoiced exceedingly with great joy; and going into the house they saw the child with Mary his mother, and they fell down and worshiped him. Then, opening their treasures, they offered him gifts, gold and frankincense and myrrh. And being warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they departed to their own country by another way.

The People stand.

During the singing of the hymn, the 'Magi' present their gifts.

HYMN

DIX

1 As with glad - ness men of old did the guid - ing star be - hold;
 2 As with joy - ful steps they sped to that low - ly man - ger - bed;
 3 As they of - fered gifts most rare at that man - ger rude and bare;
 4 Ho - ly Je - sus! ev - ery day keep us in the nar - row way;
 5 In the heaven - ly coun - try bright, need they no cre - a - ted light;

1 as with joy they hailed its light, lead - ing on - ward, beam - ing bright;
 2 there to bend the knee be - fore him whom heaven and earth a - dore;
 3 so may we with ho - ly joy, pure and free from sin's al - loy,
 4 and, when earth - ly things are past, bring our ran - sored souls at last
 5 thou its light, its joy, its crown, thou its sun which goes not down:

1 so, most gra - cious Lord, may we ev - er - more be led to thee.
 2 so may we with will - ing feet ev - er seek the mer - cy - seat.
 3 all our cost - liest trea - sures bring, Christ! to thee, our heaven - ly King.
 4 where they need no star to guide, where no clouds thy glo - ry hide.
 5 there for ev - er may we sing al - le - lu - ias to our King.

As with gladness men of old, #119 from *The Hymnal 1982* – Words: William Chatterton Dix (1837-1898).
 Music: Dix, melody Conrad Kocher (1786-1872); arr. William Henry Monk (1823-1889); harm. *The English Hymnal*, 1906.



COLLECT

Let us pray.

O GOD, who by the leading of a star didst manifest thy only-begotten Son to the peoples of the earth: Lead us, who know thee now by faith, to thy presence, where we may behold thy glory face to face; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The People sit.

ANTHEM

Bethlehem Down

*Peter Warlock
(1894-1930)*

“WHEN He is King we will give him the Kings’ gifts,
Myrrh for its sweetness, and gold for a crown,
Beautiful robes,” said the young girl to Joseph,
Fair with her first-born on Bethlehem Down.

Bethlehem Down is full of the starlight,
Winds for the spices, and stars for the gold,
Mary for sleep, and for lullaby music
Songs of a shepherd by Bethlehem fold.

When he is King they will clothe him in grave-sheets,
Myrrh for embalming and wood for a crown,
He that lies now in the white arms of Mary
Sleeping so lightly on Bethlehem Down.

Here he has peace and a short while for dreaming,
Close-huddled oxen to keep him from cold,
Mary for love, and for lullaby music
Songs of a shepherd by Bethlehem fold.

Bruce Blunt (1899-1957)

III: THE GLORY REVEALED AT JORDAN’S STREAM

LESSON

Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

Saint Luke tells of the Baptism of Jesus.

AS the people were in expectation, and all men questioned in their hearts concerning John, whether perhaps he were the Christ, John answered them all, “I baptize you with water; but he who is mightier than I is coming, the thong of whose sandals I am not worthy to untie; he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and with fire. His winnowing fork is in his hand, to clear his threshing floor, and to gather the wheat into his granary, but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire.” Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heaven was opened, and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form, as a dove, and a voice came from heaven, “Thou art my beloved Son; with thee I am well pleased.”



ANTHEM

Sung by the Choir

Michael McCarthy
(b. 1966)

VIDI aquam egredientem de templo, a latere dextro, alleluia:
Et omnes ad quos pervenit aqua ista, salvi facti sunt.
Confitemini Domino quoniam bonus, alleluia.

*I saw water flowing out of the Temple, from its right side, alleluia:
And all to whom this water came were saved,
O give thanks unto the Lord, for he is gracious, alleluia.*

Ezekiel 47:2, 9; Psalm 117:1

The People stand.

HYMN

CAITHNESS

1 Christ, when for us you were bap - tized, God's Spi - rit on you came,
2 God called you his be - lov - ed Son, called you his ser - vant true,
3 Straight - way and stead-fast un - til death you then o - beyed his call
4 Bap - tize us with your Spi - rit, Lord, your cross on us be signed,

as peace - ful as a dove and yet as ur - gent as a flame.
sent you his king - dom to pro - claim, his ho - ly will to do.
free - ly as Son of Man to serve and give your life for all.
that, like - wise in God's ser - vice we may per - fect free - dom find.

Christ, when for us you were baptized, #121 from *The Hymnal 1982* – Words: F. Bland Tucker (1895-1984), rev. Copyright © The Church Pension Fund.
Music: Caithness, melody from *The Psalmes of David in Prose and Meeter*, 1635; harm. *The English Hymnal*, 1906.

COLLECT

Let us pray.

FATHER in heaven, who at the baptism of Jesus in the River Jordan didst proclaim him thy beloved Son and anoint him with the Holy Spirit: Grant that all who are baptized into his Name may keep the covenant they have made, and boldly confess him as Lord and Savior; who with thee and the same Spirit liveth and reigneth, one God, in glory everlasting. **Amen.**

The People sit.



IV: THE GLORY REVEALED AT THE WEDDING AT CANA IN GALILEE

LESSON

John 2:1-11

Saint John tells of Jesus' first miracle at Cana in Galilee.

ON the third day there was a marriage at Cana in Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there; Jesus also was invited to the marriage, with his disciples. When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." And Jesus said to her, "O woman, what have you to do with me? My hour has not yet come." His mother said to the servants, "Do whatever he tells you." Now six stone jars were standing there, for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. Jesus said to them, "Fill the jars with water." And they filled them up to the brim. He said to them, "Now draw some out, and take it to the steward of the feast." So they took it. When the steward of the feast tasted the water now become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward of the feast called the bridegroom and said to him, "Every man serves the good wine first; and when men have drunk freely, then the poor wine; but you have kept the good wine until now." This, the first of his signs, Jesus did at Cana in Galilee, and manifested his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

ANTHEM

Sung by the Choir

*William Mathias
(1934-1992)*

WASSAIL, sing we
In worship of Christ's nativity.

Now joy be to the Trinity,
Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,
That one God is in Trinity,
Father of heaven, of mightès most.

And joy to the Virgin pure
That ever kept her undefiled
Grounded in grace, in heart full sure,
And bare a child as maiden mild.

Bethlehem and the star so shen,
That shone three kingès for to guide,
Bear witness of this maiden clean;
The kingès three offered that tide.

And shepherds heard, as written is,
The joyful song that there was sung:
Gloria in excelsis!
With angel's voice it was out rung.

Now joy be to the blessedful child,
And joy be to his mother dear;
Joy we all of that maiden mild,
And joy have they that make good cheer.

Wassail, sing we
In worship of Christ's nativity.

Anonymous 16th century

The People stand.



HYMN

CARLISLE

1 All praise to you, O Lord, who by your might - y power did
 2 You speak, and it is done; o - be-dient to your word, the
 3 Oh, may this grace be ours: in you al - ways to live and
 4 So, led from strength to strength, grant us, O Lord, to see the

man - i - fest your glo - ry forth in Ca - na's mar - riage hour.
 wa - ter red - dening in - to wine pro - claims the pres - ent Lord.
 drink of those re - fresh - ing streams which you a - lone can give.
 mar - riage sup - per of the Lamb, the great e - piph - a - ny.

All praise to you, O Lord, #138 from *The Hymnal 1982* – Words: Hyde W. Beadon (1812-1891), alt.
 Music: Carlisle, Charles Lockhart (1745-1815).

COLLECT

Let us pray.

ALmighty God, whose Son our Savior Jesus Christ is the light of the world:
 Grant that thy people, illumined by thy Word and Sacraments, may shine with the radiance
 of Christ's glory, that he may be known, worshiped, and obeyed to the ends of the earth;
 through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who with thee and the Holy Spirit liveth and reigneth,
 one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The People sit.

V: THE PROMISE OF A SHARE IN CHRIST'S GLORY

LESSON

John 17:1-7, 20-26

'Those whom he justified he also glorified'

WHEN Jesus had spoken these words, he lifted up his eyes to heaven and said, "Father, the
 hour has come; glorify thy Son that the Son may glorify thee, since thou hast given him
 power over all flesh, to give eternal life to all whom thou hast given him. And this is eternal life,
 that they know thee the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom thou hast sent. I glorified thee on
 earth, having accomplished the work which thou gavest me to do; and now, Father, glorify thou me
 in thy own presence with the glory which I had with thee before the world was made."

"I do not pray for these only, but also for those who believe in me through their word, that they
 may all be one; even as thou, Father, art in me, and I in thee, that they also may be in us, so that
 the world may believe that thou hast sent me. The glory which thou hast given me I have given to
 them, that they may be one even as we are one, I in them and thou in me, that they may become



perfectly one, so that the world may know that thou hast sent me and hast loved them even as thou hast loved me. Father, I desire that they also, whom thou hast given me, may be with me where I am, to behold my glory which thou hast given me in thy love for me before the foundation of the world. O righteous Father, the world has not known thee, but I have known thee; and these know that thou hast sent me. I made known to them thy name, and I will make it known, that the love with which thou hast loved me may be in them, and I in them.”

ANTHEM AT THE OFFERTORY

Matthew Martin
(b. 1976)

CHRISTE redemptor omnium,
ex Patre, Patris unice,
solus ante principium
natus ineffabiliter,

*Jesu, the Father's only Son,
whose death for all redemption won,
before the worlds, of God most high,
begotten all ineffably.*

Tu lumen, tu splendor Patris,
tu spes perennis omnium,
intende quas fundunt preces
tui per orbem servuli.

*The Father's light and splendour thou
their endless hope to thee that bow:
accept the prayers and praise today
that through the world thy servants pay.*

Salutis auctor, recole
quod nostri quondam corporis,
ex illibata Virgine
nascendo, formam sumpseris.

*Salvation's author, call to mind
how, taking the form of humankind,
born of a Virgin undefiled,
Thou in man's flesh becamest a child.*

Hic praesens testatur dies,
currens per anni circulum,
quod solus a sede Patris
mundi salus adveneris.

*Thus testifies the present day
through every year in long array,
that Thou, salvation's source alone
proceedest from the Father's throne.*

Hunc caelum, terra, hunc mare,
hunc omne quod in eis est,
auctorem adventus tui
laudat exultans cantico.

*Whence sky, and stars, and sea's abyss,
and earth, and all that therein is,
shall still, with laud and carol meet,
the author of thine Advent greet.*

Nos quoque, qui sancto tuo
redempti sumus sanguine,
ob diem natalis tui
hymnum novum concinimus.

*And we who, by thy precious blood
from sin redeemed, are marked for God,
on this, the day that saw thy birth,
sing the new song of ransomed earth.*

Iesu, tibi sit gloria,
qui natus es de Virgine,
cum Patre et almo Spiritu,
in sempiterna saecula. Amen.

*All honour, laud, and glory be,
O Jesu, Virgin-born, to thee;
whom with the Father we adore,
and Holy Ghost forevermore. Amen.*

Rabanus Maurus (776-856), rev. Pope Urban VIII (1568-1644), tr. John Mason Neale (1818-1866)

The People stand.



RESPONSORY

The Officiant says

I SAW the holy city, new Jerusalem,
coming down out of heaven from God,
People **prepared as a bride adorned for her husband.**

And I heard a great voice from the throne, saying,
People **'Behold, the dwelling of God is among mortals.**

He will dwell with them and they shall be his peoples,
People **and God himself will be with them.**

Behold, I make all things new:
People **I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end.**

To the thirsty I will give water as a gift
People **from the spring of the water of life.'**

COLLECT

Let us pray.

O GOD, who didst wonderfully create, and yet more wonderfully restore,
the dignity of human nature: Grant that we may share the divine life of him
who humbled himself to share our humanity, thy Son Jesus Christ; who liveth and
reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

THE BLESSING

MAY Christ, the Son of God, be manifest in you, that your lives may be a light to the world;
and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be upon you and remain with you for ever. **Amen.**



HYMN

ES FLOG EIN KLEINS WALDVÖGELEIN

1 Hail to the Lord's A - noint - ed, great Da - vid's great - er Son!
 2 He comes with suc - cor speed - y to those who suf - fer wrong,
 3 He shall come down like show - ers up - on the fruit - ful earth,
 4 Kings shall bow down be - fore him, and gold and in - cense bring;
 5 O'er ev - ery foe vic - to - rious, he on his throne shall rest;

1 Hail, in the time ap - point - ed, his reign on earth be - gun!
 2 to help the poor and need - y, and bid the weak be strong;
 3 and love, joy, hope, like flow - ers, spring in his path to birth:
 4 all na - tions shall a - dore him, his praise all peo - ple sing;
 5 from age to age more glo - rious, all bless - ing and all - blest:

1 He comes to break op - pres - sion, to set the cap - tive free;
 2 to give them songs for sigh - ing, their dark - ness turn to light,
 3 be - fore him on the moun - tains shall peace, the her - ald, go;
 4 to him shall prayer un - ceas - ing and dai - ly vows a - scend;
 5 the tide of time shall nev - er his cov - e - nant re - move;

1 to take a - way trans - gres - sion, and rule in eq - ui - ty.
 2 whose souls, con - demned and dy - ing, were pre - cious in his sight.
 3 and right - eous - ness in foun - tains from hill to val - ley flow.
 4 his king - dom still in - creas - ing, a king - dom with - out end.
 5 his Name shall stand for ev - er, his change - less Name of Love.

Hail to the Lord's Anointed, #616 from *The Hymnal* 1982 – Words: James Montgomery (1771-1854), para of Psalm 72.
 Music: *Es flog ein kleins Waldvögelein*, German folk song; adapt. and harm. *A Student's Hymnal*, 1923, after Henry Walford Davies (1869-1941).

VOLUNTARY

A Flurry of Christmas Angels

Martyn Lane
(b. 1940)



Saint Thomas gives thanks for those who have given endowed funds to provide flowers to beautify the church in perpetuity. This week, we give thanks for the memory of *Margaret Crane Hurlbut, Mary Jane Little, and George Stevens Schermerhorn,* and pray for the repose of their souls.

May the glory of the LORD endure for ever, may the LORD rejoice in his works. (Psalm 104:31)



PILGRIMS' COURSE 2025



*It's not the destination,
but the journey that matters*

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 first class will commence on Tuesday, January 14. The subject of the week's class will be *God the Father: Creation, the Fall, and What It Means to Be "Made in God's Image."* 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 scan this code:



The Grand Organ Series returns on Saturday, January 18 at 3 pm ET with **Kimberly Marshall: Cycles Through Time**. This concert will feature organist Kimberly Marshall playing music of Dietrich Buxtehude, Margaret Sandresky, Félix-Alexandre Guilmant, William Grant Still, and César Franck. Join us in-person or online via YouTube Livestream. Tickets for both are available on our website: For in-person or livestream tickets and for information about future concerts, please email us at concerts@saintthomaschurch.org or visit us online at <https://www.saintthomaschurch.org/music/concerts/>. Support Concerts at Saint Thomas by becoming a *Friend of Music*. To make your donation with our team call [212-664-9360](tel:212-664-9360).

WORSHIP THIS WEEK

* indicates livestreamed.

Monday – Friday

12 p.m. Shrine Prayers*

12:05 p.m. Holy Eucharist*

Tuesday

5:30 p.m. Choral Evensong*

Followed by a short, said Mass

sung by the Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys

Wednesday

5:30 p.m. Choral Evensong*

Followed by a short, said Mass

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Thursday

5:30 p.m. Choral Evensong*

Followed by a short, said Mass

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. Morris

12 p.m. Shrine Prayers*

12:05 p.m. Holy Eucharist*

Next Sunday: January 19,

The Second Sunday after the Epiphany

7:45 a.m. Said Mass

9 a.m. Sung Mass

followed by Coffee Hour in the Parish House

11 a.m. Festal Eucharist and Commemoration of Martin Luther King, Jr.*

sung by the Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys

Sermon by Mo. Lee-Pae

4 p.m. A Celebration of Marriage to Include Renewal of Marriage Vows*

sung by the Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys



January 18, 2025 | Saturday at 3 pm

**KIMBERLY MARSHALL
CYCLES THROUGH TIME**

February 22, 2025 | Saturday at 3 pm

**FRANZ LISZT
THE GREATER ORGAN & PIANO WORKS
with Jeremy Filsell, organ**

April 10, 2025 | Thursday at 7:30 pm

**J. S. BACH
MASS IN B MINOR
with Vasari Singers**

April 14 & 15, 2025

Monday and Tuesday at 6:45 pm
**HOLY WEEK
MUSICAL MEDITATIONS**

May 15, 2025 | Thursday at 7:30 pm

AN ODE TO SAINT CECILIA

PARISH NOTICES

Children and Family Ministries: Sunday School (3-9) and Faith Alive (10-14+) meet at 10am! Sunday School meets in the Sunday School Room (3rd Floor) and Faith Alive meets in Andrew Hall (3rd Floor). The Nursery continues to be available for the sole use of babies and toddlers with their parents/caregivers, from 9 am - 1 pm on Sundays in the Parish House, 3rd Floor. To receive our CFM newsletter contact Childrenandfamilies@saintthomaschurch.org.

The Noble Singers, our parish children's choir for singers ages 5-14+, under the direction of Mrs. Rebecca Kellerman-Filsell, is accepting new choristers for the new year. We rehearse on Thursdays and Fridays from 4:15-5:15pm with choristers selecting one rehearsal to attend each week. The choir sings weekly at the 9am Sung Eucharist on Sundays during the program year. No audition is necessary, just enthusiasm and a love of music. For more information, and to register your singer, contact RKellerman@SaintThomasChurch.org.

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.

Contemplative Prayer takes place on Fridays at 3pm 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 Taize 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.

You are cordially invited to the **Holy Eucharist in the Korean language** every second Sunday of the month at 1:30pm. It is preceded by brunch at 12:45pm in the Dining Room of the Parish House.

매달 둘째 주일 오후 1:30에 본당에서 올리는 한국어 감사 성찬례에 여러분을 초대합니다. 오후 12:45에 2층 식당에서 브런치를 함께 나누니 조금 일찍 오셔서 친교도 나누세요.

Friday Zoom Bible Study—Christ and Ekklesia: John's Wondrous Vision of Light. Led by Fr. Schultz Fridays at 1pm via Zoom. We have embarked on the Book of the Glory (John 13-21) in which we will witness Jesus' Passion and Resurrection. Bring your Bible, your questions, and yourself as, together, we deepen our relationship with God through scripture. Contact Fr. Schultz with any questions and for the Zoom link: 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 Margaret White: Mwhite@choirschool.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.
Note: We are on hiatus until February 2.

On **October 26th** we launched **Neighbor to Neighbor**, a service program which provides coffee, tea, croissants, and fresh fruit to community members in need. The program serves guests **between 9am and 10am every Saturday**, with volunteers arriving at the cloisters of the church on 53rd Street around 8:30am. If you are interested in getting involved, please register to the mailing list for this group using this QR code:

