

SAINT THOMAS CHURCH FIFTH AVENUE
in the
CITY OF NEW YORK



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SUNDAY, APRIL 7, 2024 AT 4 P.M.
THE SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

FESTAL EVENSONG

SUNG BY THE RSCM AMERICA NATIONAL CHOIR
Robert Nicholls, Director



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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

Impromptu No. 1, Op. 78.i

Samuel Coleridge-Taylor
(1875-1912)

INTROIT

Sung by the Choir

Katherine Webb
(b. 1990)

O GRACIOUS Light, pure brightness of the everliving Father in heaven.
O Jesus Christ, holy and blessed!

Now as we come to the setting of the sun, and our eyes behold the vesper light,
we sing thy praises, O God, Father Son, and Holy Spirit.

Thou art worthy at all times to be praised by happy voices,
O Son of God, O giver of life, and to be glorified, through all the worlds.

Book of Common Prayer (1979)

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

VERSICLES AND RESPONSES

Joanna Forbes L'Estrange
(b. 1971)

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 111

Sung by the Choir

Anglican Chant (Freudenburg)

CONFITEBOR TIBI

I WILL give thanks unto the Lord with my whole heart :
secretly among the faithful, and in the congregation.

The works of the Lord are great : sought out of all them that have pleasure therein.

His work is worthy to be praised and had in honour : and his righteousness endureth for ever.

The merciful and gracious Lord hath so done his marvellous works :

that they ought to be had in remembrance.

He hath given meat unto them that fear him : he shall ever be mindful of his covenant.

He hath shewed his people the power of his works :

that he may give them the heritage of the heathen.

The works of his hands are verity and judgement : all his commandments are true.

They stand fast for ever and ever : and are done in truth and equity.



He sent redemption unto his people : he hath commanded his covenant for ever;
holy and reverend is his Name.
The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom :
a good understanding have all they that do thereafter; the praise of it endureth 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.

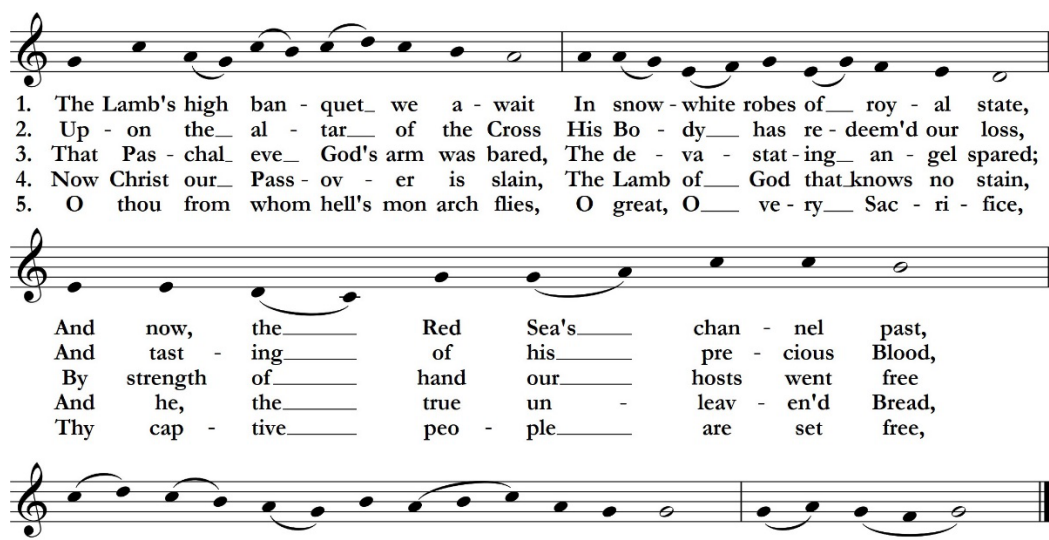
FIRST LESSON

Isaiah 26:1-9, 19

The People stand for the Office Hymn and Magnificat.

OFFICE HYMN

AD CENAM AGNI



1. The Lamb's high ban - quet we a - wait In snow - white robes of roy - al state,
2. Up - on the al - tar of the Cross His Bo - dy has re - deem'd our loss,
3. That Pas - chal eve God's arm was bared, The de - va - stat - ing an - gel spared;
4. Now Christ our Pass - ov - er is slain, The Lamb of God that knows no stain,
5. O thou from whom hell's mon arch flies, O great, O ve - ry Sac - ri - fice,

And now, the Red Sea's chan - nel past,
And tast - ing of his pre - cious Blood,
By strength of hand our hosts went free
And he, the true un - leav - en'd Bread,
Thy cap - tive peo - ple are set free,

To Christ our Prince we sing at last. (A - men.)
Our life is hid with Christ in God.
From Pha - roah's ruth - less ty - ran - ny.
Is tru - ly our ob - la - tion made.
And end - less life re - stor'd in thee.

6. For Christ, arising from the dead,
From conquer'd hell victorious sped,
He thrusts the tyrant down to chains,
And Paradise for man regains.

7. Maker of all, to thee we pray,
Fulfil in us thy joy today;
When death assails, grant, Lord, that we
May share thy Pascal victory.

8. To thee who, dead, again dost live,
All glory, Lord, thy people give,
All glory to the Father be
And Spirit blest, eternaly. Amen.

The Lamb's high banquet we await, #101 from *The New English Hymnal* – Words: 7th century Latin, tr. J. M. Neale (1818-1866).
Music: *Ad cenam Agni*, plainsong, Mode viii.



MAGNIFICAT IN E

Sydney Watson
(1903-1991)

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

Luke 24:1-12

The People stand for the Nunc dimittis and the Creed.

NUNC DIMITTIS IN E

Sydney Watson

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 the Paschal mystery hast established the new covenant of reconciliation: Grant that all who have been reborn into the fellowship of Christ's Body may show forth in their lives what they profess by their faith; 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

Sung by the Choir

Margaret Burk
(b. 1990)

PILGRIMS on the highway, gathering in silent pews.
Saint Paul, barefoot among hosts;
Saint Cecilia, patron of music, portatif in hand,
face lit in quiet illumination.
Saints Hilda and Margaret, aid to poets and mothers.
The hour chimes as a voice rings out,
O Lord, open thou our lips.
A tone so pure, you can see it rising into the rafters,
ribbed like a ship's hull, setting out to sea.
Up front, the organ's burnished glow,
shuttered trumpets and stately reeds waiting with bated breath.
Our mouth shall shew forth thy praise.
Our voices swell as one—baritone, bass, and treble, a many-tongued instrument.
From the body's fluted hollows and hidden sorrows—
all that emptiness, stirred into song.
O Lord, make haste to help us.
Broaden the resonance of your grace in our hearts.
As much in the silence as in the sound,
in the yearning between notes,
itches not close enough to touch, but almost.
In the reaching and, at last, the breaching,
as the chord resolves, we come together, alive.

Mia Ayumi Malhotra

SERMON

The Rev. Mark Schultz
Associate for Pastoral Care



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HYMN AT THE OFFERTORY

EASTER HYMN

1 Je - sus Christ is risen to - day, Al - le - lu - ia!
2 Hymns of praise then let us sing, Al - le - lu - ia!
3 But the pains which he en-dured, Al - le - lu - ia!
4 Sing we to our God a - bove Al - le - lu - ia!

our tri - um - phant ho - ly day, Al - le - lu - ia!
un - to Christ, our heav - en - ly King, Al - le - lu - ia!
our sal - va - tion have pro - cured; Al - le - lu - ia!
praise e - ter - nal as his love; Al - le - lu - ia!

who did once up - on the cross, Al - le - lu - ia!
who en - dured the cross and grave, Al - le - lu - ia!
now a - bove the sky he's King, Al - le - lu - ia!
praise him, all ye heav - en - ly host, Al - le - lu - ia!

suf - fer to re - deem our loss. Al - le - lu - ia!
sin - ners to re - deem and save. Al - le - lu - ia!
where the an - gels ev - er sing, Al - le - lu - ia!
Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. Al - le - lu - ia!

Jesus Christ is risen today, Alleluia!, #207 from *The Hymnal 1982* – Words: Latin, 14th cent.; tr. *Lyra Davidica*, 1708, alt. St. 4, Charles Wesley (1707-1788). Music: Easter Hymn, from *Lyra Davidica*, 1708; adapt. *The Compleat Psalmist*, 1749, alt.

THE EASTERTIDE BLESSING

THE God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always.
Amen.

VOLUNTARY

Impromptu No. 3, Op. 78.iii

Samuel Coleridge-Taylor



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

George Arents, Margaret Crane Hurlbut, William Henry Hurlbut, Arthur James Manice, Mr. & Mrs. Eugene Munsell, Rhoda D. Newman, Elizabeth van Bokkelen Nichols, Eliza J. Watson, and John J. Watson



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, April 10. The subject of the week's class will be *An Introduction to the Sacramental Life of the Church: Baptism and Confirmation*. 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

WORSHIP THIS WEEK

* indicates livestreamed.

Monday – Saturday

12 p.m. Shrine Prayers and Holy Eucharist*

Monday – The Annunciation of our Lord (tr.)

5:30 p.m. Solemn Eucharist*

sung by the Gentlemen of the Choir

Wednesday

5:30 p.m. Choral Evensong*

sung by the Gentlemen of the Choir

Thursday – Martin Luther King, Jr.

5:30 p.m. Choral Evensong*

sung by the Gentlemen of the Choir

Saturday

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

Confessor: Fr. Morris

Next Sunday: April 14,

The Third Sunday of Easter

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. Festal Evensong*

sung by the Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys

Sermon by Fr. Gonzalez-Grissom

5:15 p.m. Sunday Recital Series

From Galant to Classical: Chamber Music of the late Eighteenth Century – featuring Chamber Ensembles from the Historical Performance Program at The Juilliard School, New York, NY

PARISH NOTICES

Children and Family Ministries is on Easter break this week, but will reconvene with an Eastertide Family Feast next Sunday, April 14 at 10am. Sunday School and Faith Alive resume Sunday, April 21. 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.

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.

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.

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

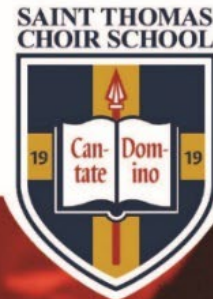
Contemplative Prayer takes place on Fridays at 3pm in the Resurrection Chapel. You are welcome to join this sacred time of silent prayer and quiet praise in the presence of God. The service includes Taize Songs, Centering Prayer, and Lectio-Divina, and is led by Mo. Prisca Lee-Pae. For more information,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

Friday 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 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.

A Small School in a Great City



Saint Thomas Choir School educates the treble choristers of the Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys. The boys are nurtured and educated in grades three through eight and live together in the heart of Manhattan at the only boarding choir school in the U.S.

Life at the Choir School extends far beyond the choir stalls and classroom—boys enjoy animated conversations at the dinner table with resident faculty, quiet stories read before bed, outings to shows, and Central Park as their backyard. These formative experiences inspire many graduates to recall their time at the Choir School as the "privilege of a lifetime."

The Choir School invites you to visit and learn more about this distinctive educational opportunity. Tuition is modest and generous scholarships are available.

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