

SAINT THOMAS CHURCH FIFTH AVENUE

in the CITY OF NEW YORK

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The Reverend Canon Carl F. Turner, Rector

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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Optional Liturgical Guide:

+ = Make the sign of the Cross from head to heart, then shoulder to shoulder

₩ at Gospel Acclamation =

Make small Crosses on forehead, lips, and heart

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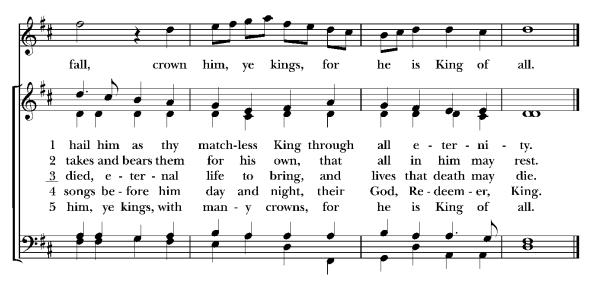
Organ Prelude

The People stand for the entry of the Ministers.

Opening Hymn (verses)

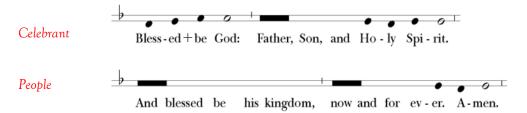
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The Penitential Order



The Celebrant welcomes the people and introduces the celebration. Then, the Celebrant says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

The People remain standing. Silence is kept.

Celebrant and People

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

The Celebrant says

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive + you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**



The Collect of the Day

The Celebrant says

The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Let us pray.

Silence is kept. The Celebrant says the Collect.

Almighty and everlasting God, whose will it is to restore all things in your well-beloved Son, the King of kings and Lord of lords: Mercifully grant that the peoples of the earth, divided and enslaved by sin, may be freed and brought together under his most gracious rule; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The People sit.

The Liturgy of the Word

The Lesson Jeremiah 23:1-6

"Woe to the shepherds who are destroying and scattering the sheep of my pasture!" declares the Lord. Therefore this is what the Lord, the God of Israel, says to the shepherds who tend my people: "Because you have scattered my flock and driven them away and have not bestowed care on them, I will bestow punishment on you for the evil you have done," declares the Lord. "I myself will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the countries where I have driven them and will bring them back to their pasture, where they will be fruitful and increase in number. I will place shepherds over them who will tend them, and they will no longer be afraid or terrified, nor will any be missing," declares the Lord. "The days are coming," declares the Lord, "when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, a King who will reign wisely and do what is just and right in the land. In his days Judah will be saved and Israel will live in safety. This is the name by which he will be called: The Lord Our Righteous Savior."

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Sung by the Choir.

God is our refuge and strength,

a very present help in trouble.

Therefore we will not fear, though the earth be moved,

and though the mountains be toppled into the depths of the sea;

Though its waters rage and foam,

and though the mountains tremble at its tumult.

The Lord of hosts is with us;

the God of Jacob is our stronghold.

There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God,

the holy habitation of the Most High.

God is in the midst of her;

she shall not be overthrown;

God shall help her at the break of day.

The nations make much ado, and the kingdoms are shaken;

God has spoken, and the earth shall melt away.

The Lord of hosts is with us;

the God of Jacob is our stronghold.

Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit:

As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

The People stand.

Gospel Acclamation

Plainsong (Mode VI)

The Choir sings the refrain and all repeat.



Choir

Speak, Lord, your servant is list'ning, Speak your words of wisdom, For the words you speak are everlasting life.

All repeat the refrain.



The Holy Gospel Luke 23:33-43

The Priest reads the Gospel, first saying

₹ The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

When they came to the place called the Skull, they crucified him there, along with the criminals—one on his right, the other on his left. Jesus said, "Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they are doing." And they divided up his clothes by casting lots. The people stood watching, and the rulers even sneered at him. They said, "He saved others; let him save himself if he is God's Messiah, the Chosen One." The soldiers also came up and mocked him. They offered him wine vinegar and said, "If you are the king of the Jews, save yourself." There was a written notice above him, which read: this is the king of the jews. One of the criminals who hung there hurled insults at him: "Aren't you the Messiah? Save yourself and us!" But the other criminal rebuked him. "Don't you fear God," he said, "since you are under the same sentence? We are punished justly, for we are getting what our deeds deserve. But this man has done nothing wrong." Then he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom." Jesus answered him, "Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in paradise."

At the end The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to You, Lord Christ

The Homily Mo. Turner

The Nicene Creed

The People stand. It is customary to bow at the underlined words.

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father.

Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son.

With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection + of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

The Prayers of the People (Form III)

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Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;

People That we all may be one.

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

People That your Name may be glorified by all people.

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;

People That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

People That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

People That our works may find favor in your sight.

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;

People That they may be delivered from their distress.

Give to the departed eternal rest.

People Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

People May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others in a moment of silence.

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

Almighty and eternal God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth: Mercifully accept the prayers of your people, and strengthen us to do your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Peace

The Celebrant says

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

The Greetings

The Liturgy of the Eucharist

Anthem Sung by the Choir.

George Dyson (1883-1964)

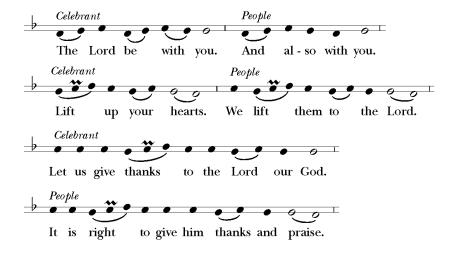
Let all the world in every corner sing, my God and King!
The heavens are not too high, his praise may thither fly:
The earth is not too low, his praises there may grow
Let all the world in every corner sing, my God and King!
The Church with Psalms must shout, no door can keep them out!
But above all the heart must bear the longest part.
Let all the world in every corner sing, my God and King!

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The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer A

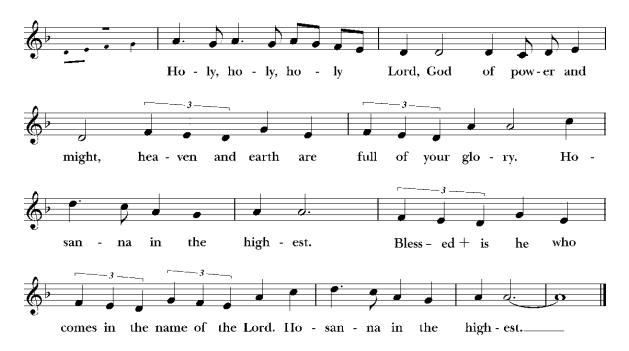


The Celebrant continues

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Who by water and the Holy Spirit hast made us a new people in Jesus Christ our Lord, to show forth thy glory in all the world.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name.



The People remain standing or kneel. The Celebrant continues the Eucharistic Prayer.

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." +

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me." +

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify + us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever.

People AMEN.

The Lord's Prayer

We invite you to pray the Lord's Prayer in the language of your choice. The Celebrant says

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

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.

Padre nuestro, que estás en el cielo 하늘에 계신 우리 아버지
Notre Père qui es aux cieux
Πατερ ημων ο εν τοισ ουρανοισ
Pai nosso, que estais nos Céus,
Οτче наш, що єси на небесах
أَبُانًا الذِي فِي السَّمَاوُاتِ

Vater unser, der du bist im Himmel
我們在天上的父
Pater noster, qui es in caelis
हे हमारे स्वर्गवासी पिता,
Baba Yetu uliye mbinguni,
天におられる私たちの父よ

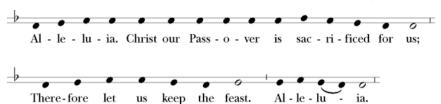




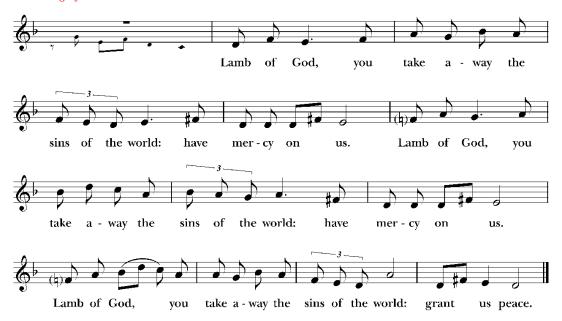
Father

The Breaking of the Bread

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.



Agnus Dei Sung by all.



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The Invitation to Communion

The Celebrant says

Behold + the Lamb of God. Behold him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those who are called to his supper.

People Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

The Choir receives at the Altar, the people receiving at the Crossing below.

Anthem Sung by the choir

Daughter of Zion

Daughter of Zion, shout for joy! Shout aloud, Jerusalem! Lo, thy King now comes to thee, Yea, He comes, the Prince of Peace.

Hail Hosanna, David's Son, Be Thou by Thy people blest! Thine eternal kingdom come! Praise be sung to Thee on high!

After Communion, silence is kept. The Celebrant says

Let us pray.

The People stand.

Celebrant and People

Eternal God, heavenly Father,
you have graciously accepted us as living members
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,
and you have fed us with spiritual food
in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.
Send us now into the world in peace,
and grant us strength and courage
to love and serve you
with gladness and singleness of heart;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Blessing

The Celebrant says

The peace of God, which passes 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 Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**



Words: John Henry Newman (1801-1890), alt. Music: Gerontius, John Bacchus Dykes (1823-1876)

Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Please join us for Coffee Hour in the Living Room after the service.

10am Children's Formation

Early Childhood | Pre-K-1st Grade | Nursery Room, 3rd Floor

Intermediate | Grades 2-5 | Sunday School Room, 3rd Floor

Faith Alive | Grades 6-10+ | Andrew Hall, 3rd Floor



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 Marjorie Carr, Sarah Aurelia Brush, Margaret Crane Hurlbut, Alice Mary Hyde, Linda Griffith Vorsanger, and Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Burks Yuille.

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

Neighbor To Neighbor

The Saint Thomas Community Outreach Program



The Saint Thomas Social Outreach program

Neighbor to Neighbor 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. Please note there is a signup form for interested volunteers to ensure we do not have too many or too few present. If you are interested in knowing more about the program and getting involved, please register to the mailing list for this group using the QR code:



WORSHIP & RECITALS THIS WEEK

* indicates livestreamed.

Today

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 Fr. Gonzalez-Grissom

4 p.m. Festal Evensong*

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

5:15 p.m. Sunday Recital Series

Iain Quinn, Organ - Tallahassee, FL

Monday 24th November - Friday 28th November

12 p.m. Shrine Prayers*
12:05 p.m. Holy Eucharist*

Tuesday 25th

5:30 p.m. Choral Evensong*

Followed by a short, said Mass Sung by the Choir of Men and Boys music by Manning, Forbes-L'Estrange, and Vaughan Williams

Wednesday 26th

5:30 p.m. Choral Evensong*

Followed by a short, said Mass Sung by the Gentlemen of the Choir music by Jones, Sharpe, and Davy

Thursday 27th - Thanksgiving Day

10 a.m. Solemn Eucharist*

Sung by the Saint Thomas Consort music by Hancock, Sowerby, and Haydn

Friday 21st

3 p.m. Contemplative Prayer

Saturday 22nd

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

12 p.m. Shrine Prayers*
12:05 p.m. Holy Eucharist*

Next Sunday: November 30th The First Sunday of Advent

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. Solemn 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. The Avent Procession*

sung by the Choir of Men and Boys Music by Castellanos (STCS '09), Rose, Vaughan Williams, Robinson, Sheils, Byrd, MacMillan, Bach, and Simpson.

PARISH NOTICES

The Remembrance of All Souls. We continue to pray for all our loved ones who have died at the Saturday 12 PM service. Names will be remembered as follows:

November 29: T-Z

Children and Family Ministries: The Blessing of the Créche Service, a telling of the Nativity Story, is Saturday, December 13th at 4pm. If your child wishes to participate, please email Fr. Preston at pgonzalezgrissom@saintthomaschurch.org. 10am Children's Formation is available for children Pre-K - High School from 10-10:45 following the 9am 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 9am-1pm on Sundays in the Parish House, 3rd floor. To receive more information, contact childrenandfamilies@saintthomaschurch.org.

The Noble Singers, our children's parish choir for singers (ages 5-14+) sing in the 9am Mass. Rehearsals are on Thursdays from 4:15-5:15pm, 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 JLane@saintthomaschurch.org.

Saint Thomas Choir School is home to the boy choristers of the Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys. Since September 2025, the Choir School (grades 4–8) has partnered with Professional Children's School for the boys' academic education, while they continue 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.

Concerts at Saint Thomas presents the Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys in their annual performances of Handel's Messiah, accompanied by the period instrument ensemble New York Baroque Incorporated on December 9 and 11 at 7:30 pm. The Choir is joined by soloists Margaret Carpenter Haigh, Daniel Moody, James Reese, and Paul Max Tipton, led by conductor Richard Tanner. Tickets for in person and livestream are available now at www.saintthomaschurch.org/music/concerts

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 오후1:30에 본당에서 올리는 한국어 감사 성찬례에 여러분을 초대합니다. 오후12:45에 2층 식당에서 브런치를 함께 나누니조금 일찍 오셔서 친교도 나누세요. 아래 주소로 등록하시면 월요일 아침묵상글을 이메일로 받아볼 수 있습니다. https://mailchi.mp/saintthomaschurch/korean

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 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.

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: <u>lgioia@saintthomaschurch.org</u>.

The Book & Gift Store is open for shopping in the Narthex after the 11am Sunday services on November 9 through December 21. Additional hours will be on December 21 and 24, before and after the 4 PM Nine Lessons and Carols services.

Friday Bible Study occurs at 1 p.m. on Zoom, currently focusing on the book of Ecclesiastes. To receive the zoom link, contact Fr. Brown at mbrown@saintthomaschurch.org

The Annual Election for the Vestry of Saint Thomas Church will be held on December 2, 2025. The following parishioners are standing for election: As warden, Lloyd Stanford; and for the vestry, Samyel Lee, John Oghia and Karl Saunders. The by-laws of the parish define those eligible to vote as follows: "Persons of full age belonging to the Parish, who have been baptized and are regular attendants at its worship and contributors to its support for at least twelve months prior to such election or special meeting, shall be qualified voters at any such election or special meeting." Ballots have been e-mailed and mailed if we have no emails on file. If you have not received one and are a qualified voter, please contact Lizette Hernandez at LHernandez@saintthomaschurch.org.

Christmas Candles in Memory of Loved Ones: During Christmastide, the time between Christmas Day and New Year's Day, we will light an eight-day candle for your loved one(s), and place it before the Crèche of Saint Thomas Church. Each candle will be affixed with

the name(s) you submit. The suggested donation for each eight-day candle is \$25. All of these names will be added to the prayer list during Christmastide.

Contributions for Christmas Flower Memorials are now being received in memory of departed loved ones. The names of the faithful departed in whose memory the church will be adorned will be listed in the Christmas service leaflet on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day. In order to cover the cost of Christmas flowers, we suggest a minimum donation of \$25 per name. Please send your check, made payable to Saint Thomas Church, and a printed list of those in whose memory you are making your donation to the parish house receptionist. The deadline is Monday, December 8.

The Saint Thomas Community Outreach Program Neighbor to Neighbor provides coffee, tea, water, muffins, fresh fruit, yogurt and hot oatmeal to neighbors in need. The program serves guests between 9 a.m. - 10 a.m. every Saturday, with volunteers arriving at the Parish House on 53rd Street around 8:15 a.m. Please note

that there is a signup form for interested volunteers. If you are interested in knowing more about the program and getting involved, please register to be on the mailing list for this group using the QR code:



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