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MUSIC FOR THE CHURCH

The 51th Annual Conference for Choirmasters and Organists

April 29 – May 1, 2026

with Guest Clinician

CHRISTOPHER GRAY

Director of Music, St. John's College, Cambridge University

THE SAINT THOMAS CHOIR OF MEN AND BOYS

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Wednesday, April 29

4:30 PM – 5:00 PM Registration	<i>Parish House, 1 West 53rd Street</i>
5:30 PM Choral Evensong with the Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys	<i>Saint Thomas Church</i>
6:30 PM – 8:00 PM Informal Opening Night Gathering	<i>Andrew Hall</i>

Thursday, April 30

8:30 AM Registration	<i>Saint Thomas Choir School</i>
9:00 AM Open Rehearsal with the Choristers	<i>Saint Thomas Choir School</i>
10:15 AM Coffee break	
10:45 AM Lecture: “The Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols” <i>Christopher Gray</i>	<i>Andrew Hall</i>
11:45 PM Tour of the Saint Thomas Church Organs <i>Lawrence Trupiano</i>	<i>Saint Thomas Church</i>
Tour of Saint Thomas Church Audio System <i>Avery Griffin</i>	
12:30 PM Lunch	
1:15 PM Miller-Scott Organ Informal Performance by Conference Attendees <i>This event requires pre-registration</i>	<i>Saint Thomas Church</i>
2:30 PM Expanding to Preserve: A Fireside Chat <i>Christopher Gray and Richard Tanner</i>	<i>Andrew Hall</i>
3:45 PM Tea	
4:15 PM Open Rehearsal with the Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys	<i>Quire</i>
5:30 PM Choral Evensong with the Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys	<i>Saint Thomas Church</i>
7:30 PM Organ Recital: Jeremiah Stephenson	<i>Saint Thomas Church</i>

Friday, May 1

8:30 AM Registration	<i>Saint Thomas Choir School</i>
9:00 AM Open Rehearsal with the Choristers	<i>Saint Thomas Choir School</i>
9:50 AM School Tour	<i>Saint Thomas Choir School</i>
10:45 AM Coffee Break	

11:15 AM Lecture: Digital Communications for the 21 st Century Parish <i>Blake Martin</i>	<i>Andrew Hall</i>
12:00 PM Lunch	
1:00 PM Lecture: Orchestral Mass Settings: Mozart, Haydn, and Schubert <i>Jeremiah Stephenson</i>	<i>Andrew Hall</i>
2:00 PM Lecture: (En)counter the Point: An Examination of the Life and Sacred Choral Music of Kenneth Leighton (1929-1988) <i>Maks Adach</i>	<i>Andrew Hall</i>
3:00 PM Lecture: Effective Mission Depends on Inspired Worship <i>The Rector</i>	<i>Andrew Hall</i>
3:45 PM Tea	
4:15 PM Open Rehearsal with the Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys	<i>Quire</i>
5:30 PM Solemn Eucharist with the Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys	<i>Saint Thomas Church</i>
6:30 – 8:00 PM Reception	<i>Andrew Hall</i>