SAINT THOMAS CHURCH FIFTH AVENUE

in the

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SUNDAY, OCTOBER 25, 2026 AT 4 P.M.

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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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Please do not take photographs or videos, or make recordings during the service.

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PRELUDE Adagio espressivo — *Sir William Henry Harris*
Organ Sonata in A-minor — (1883-1973)

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

HYMN WOLVERCOTE





Our Father, by whose servants, #289 from *The Hymnal 1982* — Words: George Wallace Briggs (1875-1959)
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VERSICLES AND RESPONSES *Philip Radcliffe* (1905-1986)

The Officiant and Choir sing the opening responses.

℣. O Lord, open thou our lips.
℟. *And our mouth shall show forth thy praise.*

℣. O God, make speed to save us.
℟. *O Lord, make haste to help us.*

℣. 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.*

℣. Praise ye the Lord.
℟. *The Lord's Name be praised.*

The People sit.

WELCOME

PSALM 132 *Sung by the Choir* Anglican Chant *(Garrett)*

MEMENTO, DOMINE

LORD, remember David : and all his trouble;
How he sware unto the Lord : and vowed a vow unto the Almighty God of Jacob;
I will not come within the tabernacle of mine house : nor climb up into my bed;
I will not suffer mine eyes to sleep, nor mine eye-lids to slumber : neither the temples of my head to take any rest;
Until I find out a place for the temple of the Lord : an habitation for the mighty God of Jacob.
Lo, we heard of the same at Ephrata : and found it in the wood.
We will go into his tabernacle : and fall low on our knees before his footstool.
Arise, O Lord, into thy resting-place : thou, and the ark of thy strength.
Let thy priests be clothed with righteousness : and let thy saints sing with joyfulness.
For thy servant David's sake : turn not away the presence of thine Anointed.
The Lord hath made a faithful oath unto David : and he shall not shrink from it;
Of the fruit of thy body : shall I set upon thy seat.
If thy children will keep my covenant, and my testimonies that I shall learn them : their children also shall sit upon thy seat for evermore.
For the Lord hath chosen Sion to be an habitation for himself : he hath longed for her.
This shall be my rest for ever : here will I dwell, for I have a delight therein.
I will bless her victuals with increase : and will satisfy her poor with bread.
I will deck her priests with health : and her saints shall rejoice and sing.
There shall I make the horn of David to flourish : I have ordained a lantern for mine Anointed.
As for his enemies, I shall clothe them with shame : but upon himself shall his crown flourish.
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 Jeremiah 7:1-11

The People stand for the Office Hymn and Magnificat.

OFFICE HYMN HAREWOOD



Christ is our corner-stone, #206 from *The New English Hymnal* — Words: Latin c. 7th century; tr. John Chandler (1806-1876)
Music: *Harewood*, S.S. Wesley (1810-1876)

MAGNIFICAT *Collegium Regale* *Charles Wood* (1866-1926)

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 1 Corinthians 3:9-17

The People stand for the Nunc dimittis and the Creed.

NUNC DIMITTIS *Collegium Regale* *Charles Wood*

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

℣. The Lord be with you.
℟. *And with thy spirit.*

The People kneel.

℣. Let us pray.

℟. *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.

℣. O Lord, shew thy mercy upon us.
℟. *And grant us thy salvation.*

℣. O Lord, save the State.
℟. *And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.*

℣. Endue thy Ministers with righteousness.
℟. *And make thy chosen people joyful.*

℣. O Lord, save thy people.
℟. *And bless thine inheritance.*

℣. Give peace in our time, O Lord.
℟. *Because there is none other that fighteth for us, but only thou, O God.*

℣. O God, make clean our hearts within us.
℟. *And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.*

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

O **ALMIGHTY** God, to whose glory we celebrate the dedication of this house of prayer: We give thee thanks for the fellowship of those who have worshiped in this place; and we pray that all who seek thee here may find thee, and be filled with thy joy and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *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

L **IGHTEN** 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 C. Bairstow* (1874-1946)

BLESSED city, heavenly Salem,
Vision dear of peace and love,
Who, of living stones art builded,
In the height of heaven above,
And by angel hands apparelled,
As a bride doth earthward move.

Out of heaven from God descending,
New and ready to be wed
To thy Lord, whose love espoused thee,
Fair adorned shalt thou be led,
All thy gates and all thy bulwarks
Of pure gold are fashioned.

Bright thy gates of pearl are shining,
They are open ever more;
And, their well earned rest attaining
Thither faithful souls do soar,
Who for Christ's dear name in this world
Pain and tribulation bore.

Many a blow and biting sculpture
Polished well those stones elect,
In their places now compacted,
By the heavenly architect.
Nevermore to leave the temple
Which with them the Lord hath decked.

To this temple, where we call thee,
Come, O Lord of hosts, today;
With thy wonted loving kindness,
Hear thy servants as they pray;
And thy fullest benediction
Shed within its walls always. Amen.

Hymn for the Dedication of a Church, trans. John Mason Neale (1818-1866)

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SERMON The Very Reverend David Monteith
Dean of Canterbury

HYMN

O QUANTA QUALIA



O what their joy and their glory must be, #623 from *The Hymnal 1982* — Words: Peter Abelard (1079-1142); tr. John Mason Neale (1818-1866), alt.
Music: O *quanta qualia*, melody from *Antiphoner*, 1681; harm. John Bacchus Dykes (1823-1876)

THE BLESSING

The Rector says

CHRIST, whose glory is in the heavens, fill this house and illuminate your hearts; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among 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 Introduction and Passacaglia in D-minor *Max Reger* (1873-1916)

Please join us for a reception in the Lady Chapel with Dean Monteith and Friends of Canterbury Cathedral in the United States.

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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
William Harris and Robert Erskine Douglas, Margaret Crane Hurlbut,
and Natalie Ives Metcalf,
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)

Worship & Recitals this Week

* indicates livestreamed.

The Daily Mass
Monday, October 26th – Friday, October 30th

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

Tuesday 27th
Eve of Saints Simon and Jude
5:30 p.m. Festal Evensong*
sung by the Gentlemen of the Choir
music by Ashfield and Wood

Wednesday 28th
Saints Simon and Jude
5:30 p.m. Solemn Eucharist*
sung by the Gentlemen of the Choir
music by Sheppard

Thursday 29th
James Hannington and Companions
5:30 p.m. Choral Evensong*
sung by the Gentlemen of the Choir
music by Ashfield, Victoria, and Wood

Friday 30th
3 p.m. Contemplative Prayer

Confessions, Spiritual Advice, and the Ministry of Healing

Saturday, October 31st
11 a.m. – 11:45 a.m.
in the Resurrection Chapel
Confessor: Fr. Gioia

11:30 a.m. Rosary at the Shrine of Our Lady of Fifth Avenue*

12:05 p.m. Holy Eucharist*

Next Sunday:
November 1st
All Saints' Day

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. Procession and Solemn Eucharist*
sung by the Choir of Men and Boys
Sermon by Fr. Gonzalez-Grissom
followed by Coffee hour in the Lady Chapel

4 p.m. Solemn Evensong and Benediction*
sung by the Choir of Men and Boys

PARISH NOTICES

For three years, the Annual Appeal is taking up, word by word, our mission to worship, love, and serve our Lord Jesus Christ. The 2027 Appeal is the year of *Love*. We see it in the beauty of our worship, the formation of our choristers, the welcome at coffee hour, and the compassion we offer our community through Neighbor to Neighbor. Your pledge keeps our doors open 365 days a year and puts that care into action every day. We hope you will consider making a pledge by scanning the QR code.

Children and Family Ministries: This Sunday there is Children's Formation for kids between the ages of 2 – High School. The Children's area (near the icon of Saint Thomas) is available for families during all services, with quiet activities for young children. This Sunday, the Nursery is available on the 3rd Floor from 11-1pm and is for the sole use of babies and toddlers with their parents/caregivers. To receive more information, contact childrenandfamilies@saintthomaschurch.org.

The Noble Singers sing every Sunday during the 9am mass. Rehearsals are on Thursdays from 4:15-5:15pm. 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.

You are cordially invited to the Holy Eucharist in the Korean language every Second Sunday of the month at 1:30 pm. The service is preceded by brunch at 12:45 pm in the Dining Room of the Parish House. You can receive the Monday Morning Devotion by email by registering with the email address.

매달 둘째 주일 오후1:30에 본당에서 올리는 한국어 감사 성찬례에 여러분을 초대합니다. 오후12:45에 2층 식당에서 브런치를 함께 나누니 조금 일찍 오셔서 친교도 나누세요. 아래 주소로 등록하시면 월요일 아침묵상글을 이메일로 받아볼 수 있습니다.

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Saint Thomas Choir School is home to the boy choristers of the Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys. The Choir School (grades 4–8) partners 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.

Contemplative Prayer takes place on Fridays at 3pm at the Lady 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.

Every Saturday morning between 8:30-10:30am, a group of volunteers meet in the Cloisters of the Church to provide coffee, tea, pastries, fresh fruit, oatmeal, toiletries, and community to our neighbors in need. Help make these important ministries possible by joining Neighbor to Neighbor: communityoutreachstc@gmail.com

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.

Take a Tour! Explore the beauty and rich history of Saint Thomas Church each Sunday following the main service. The tour offers a unique opportunity to learn about the exquisite architecture of our landmark building as well as the choral tradition of our church. Please meet at the "Tour Guide – Meet Here" sign in the Narthex where you entered the church. All are warmly welcome.

Friday Bible Study is held at 1 p.m. on Zoom with a series called THE VISION OF THE CITY. Join us as we dive into the enigmatic and compelling Revelation of Saint John the Divine. From examining the book's symbolism to exploring what prophetic and apocalyptic literature are for, we'll see how our author understands liturgy and worship as touchstone for understanding everything. Contact Fr. Schultz if you are interested in joining the group: mschultz@saintthomaschurch.org

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