



SAINT THOMAS CHURCH FIFTH AVENUE

in the
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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.

The Reverend Canon Carl F. Turner, *Rector*

PATRONAL FEAST OF SAINT THOMAS

SEPTEMBER 13, 2020

SOLEMN EUCHARIST — 11 a.m.

Organist for the Liturgy: Dr. Jeremy Filsell, *Organist and Director of Music*
Cantor: Mr. Charles Perry Sprawls, *Gentleman of the Choir*

GREETINGS

The Rector

PRELUDE

The Cloud of Unknowing (Transfiguration)

Nico Mubly
(b. 1981)

THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit
People And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

ALMIGHTY God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known,
and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts
by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee,
and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

Gloria, from 'Bright Mass with Canons'
(*Archival Recording from November 3, 2019*)

Nico Mubly

GLORIA in excelsis Deo,
et in terra pax
hominibus bonæ voluntatis.
Laudamus te, benedicimus te,
adoramus te, glorificamus te.
Gratias agimus tibi
propter magnam gloriam tuam.
Domine Deus, Rex coelestis,
Deus Pater omnipotens.
Domine Fili unigenite Jesu Christe.
Domine Deus, Agnus Dei,
Filius Patris.
Qui tollis peccata mundi,
miserere nobis.
Qui tollis peccata mundi,
suscipe deprecationem nostram.
Qui sedes ad dexteram Patris,
miserere nobis.
Quoniam tu solus Sanctus,
tu solus Dominus,
tu solus altissimus Jesu Christe.
Cum Sancto Spiritu
in Gloria Dei Patris.
Amen.

*Glory be to God on high,
and on earth peace,
good will towards men.
We praise thee, we bless thee,
we worship thee, we glorify thee.
We give thanks to thee for thy great glory,
O Lord God, heavenly King,
God the Father almighty.
O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ;
O Lord God, Lamb of God,
Son of the Father, that takest away the sins of the world,
have mercy upon us.
Thou that takest away the sins of the world,
have mercy upon us.
Thou that takest away the sins of the world,
receive our prayer.
Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father,
have mercy upon us.
For thou only art holy;
thou only art the Lord;
thou only, O Christ.
With the Holy Ghost, art most high
in the glory of God the Father.
Amen.*

THE SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People And with thy spirit.
Celebrant Let us pray.

EVERLIVING God, who didst strengthen thine apostle Thomas with sure and certain faith in thy Son's resurrection: Grant us so perfectly and without doubt to believe in Jesus Christ, our Lord and our God, that our faith may never be found wanting in thy sight; through him who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

THE LESSON

Habakkuk 2:1-4

The Lector concludes The Word of the Lord.
The People respond Thanks be to God.

PSALM 126

Plainsong (Tone IV⁶)

The cantor sings the odd numbered verses. All sing the even verses and the Gloria Patri.

WHEN the Lord turned again the captivity of Sion,* then were we like unto them that dream.
2 Then was our mouth filled with laughter,* and our tongue with joy.
3 Then said they among the heathen,* The Lord hath done great things for them.
4 Yea, the Lord hath done great things for us already;* whereof we rejoice.
5 Turn our captivity, O Lord,* as the rivers in the south.
6 They that sow in tears* shall reap in joy.
7 He that now goeth on his way weeping, and beareth forth good seed,* shall doubtless come again with joy, and bring his sheaves with him.
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 EPISTLE

Hebrews 10:35-11:1

The Subdeacon concludes The Word of the Lord.
The People respond Thanks be to God.

HYMN

O FILII ET FILIAE



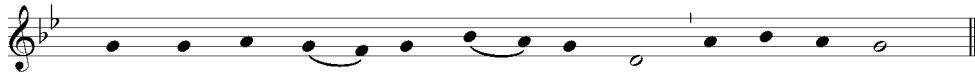
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!



1 O sons and daught - ers, let us sing!
2 That night the a - pos - tles met in fear;
3 When Thom - as first the tid - ings heard,
4 "My pierc - ed side, O Thom - as, see;
5 No long - er Thom - as then de - nied,
6 How blest are they who have not seen,



1 The King of heaven, the glo - rious King,
2 a - midst them came their Lord most dear,
3 how they had seen the ris - en Lord,
4 my hands, my feet, I show to thee;
5 he saw the feet, the hands, the side;
6 and yet whose faith has con - stant been,



1 o'er death and hell rose tri - umph - ing. Al - le - lu - ia!
 2 and said, "My peace be on all here." Al - le - lu - ia!
 3 he doubt - ed the dis - ci - ples' word. Al - le - lu - ia!
 4 not faith - less, but be - liev - ing be." Al - le - lu - ia!
 5 "Thou art my Lord and God," he cried. Al - le - lu - ia!
 6 for they e - ter - nal life shall win. Al - le - lu - ia! [Ant.]



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

This hymn is for the Second Sunday of Easter and St. Thomas' Day.

Words: Att. Jean Tisserand (15th cent.); tr. John Mason Neale (1818-1866) Music: *O filii et filiae*, melody from *Airs sur les hymnes sacrez, odes et noëls*, 1623; acc. Richard Proulx (b. 1937) Copyright ©1975, G.I.A. Publications, Inc. All rights reserved. Used with permission.

THE HOLY GOSPEL

John 20:24-29

Deacon The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to Saint John.
People Glory be to thee, O Lord.

After the Gospel, the Deacon says

The Gospel of the Lord.
People Praise be to thee, O Christ.

AFTER THE GOSPEL

Improvisation

SERMON

The Rt. Rev. Andrew St. John
Bishop in Residence

THE NICENE CREED

Said by all, standing. It is customary to bow at the underlined words.

I BELIEVE in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, And of all things visible and invisible: And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God; Begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, Very God of very God; Begotten, not made; Being of one substance with the Father; By whom all things were made: Who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven, And was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, And was made man: And was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; He suffered and was buried: And the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures: And ascended into heaven, And sitteth on the right hand of the Father: And he shall come again, with glory, to judge both the quick and the dead; Whose kingdom shall have no end. And I believe in the Holy Ghost, The Lord, and Giver of Life, Who proceedeth from the Father and the Son; Who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified; Who spake by the Prophets: And I believe one holy Catholic and Apostolic Church: I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins: And I look for the Resurrection of the dead: And the life of the world to come. Amen.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Encouraged by our fellowship with the Holy Apostles, and especially on this day with Saint Thomas, our Patron, let us make our prayers to the Father through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Heavenly Father, thy Son Jesus Christ called men and women to leave the past behind them and to follow him as his disciples in the way of the cross. Look with mercy upon those whom he calls today, marks with the cross and makes his disciples within the Church.

Leader: Lord, in thy mercy.

People: Hear our prayer.

Thomas encouraged his the Twelve to be faithful to Jesus when he said, *"Let us also go, that we may die with him."* Father, protect all who will bear witness to thy love and mercy through acts of selfless love, and strengthen all who will resist evil in our world this day.

Leader: Lord, in thy mercy.

People: Hear our prayer.

Thomas said to Jesus, *"Lord, we know not whither thou goest; and how can we know the way?"* Jesus saith unto him, *"I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me."* Reveal thy presence in our community today and always.

Leader: Lord, in thy mercy.

People: Hear our prayer.

The apostles rejoiced when they saw the Risen Lord, and at Easter he breathed on them his gift of peace. Look with mercy upon the world into which he sent them out, and give it that peace for passeth all understanding.

Leader: Lord, in thy mercy.

People: Hear our prayer.

Thomas beheld the wounds of love in the hands and the side of the Risen Lord. Grant us the faith to recognize Jesus in his Eucharistic presence and with Thomas proclaim *"My Lord and my God."*

Leader: Lord, in thy mercy.

People: Hear our prayer.

Thy Son sent out disciples to preach and heal the sick. Look with mercy on all those who yearn to hear the good news of salvation, and renew among thy people the gifts of healing.

Leader: Lord, in thy mercy.

People: Hear our prayer.

Thy Son promised to those who followed him that they would sit on thrones judging the twelve tribes of Israel and would share the banquet of the kingdom. According to thy promise, look with mercy on those who have walked with Christ in this life and now have passed through death

Leader: Lord, in thy mercy.

People: Hear our prayer.

After a period of silence, the Celebrant concludes with this collect

O ALMIGHTY God, who by thy Holy Spirit hast made us one with thy saints in heaven and on earth: Grant that in our earthly pilgrimage we may ever be supported by this fellowship of love and prayer, and may know ourselves to be surrounded by their witness to thy power and mercy. We ask this for the sake of Jesus Christ, in whom all our intercessions are acceptable through the Spirit, and who liveth and reigneth for ever and ever. *Amen.*

CONFESSION OF SIN

The Celebrant says

Let us humbly confess our sins to Almighty God.

People and Celebrant

ALMIGHTY God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, maker of all things, judge of all men: We acknowledge and bewail our manifold sins and wickedness, which we, from time to time, most grievously have committed, by thought, word, and deed, against thy divine Majesty, provoking most justly thy wrath and indignation against us. We do earnestly repent, and are heartily sorry for these our misdoings; the remembrance of them is grievous unto us; the burden of them is intolerable. Have mercy upon us, have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; for thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, forgive us all that is past; and grant that we may ever hereafter serve and please thee in newness of life, to the honor and glory of thy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Celebrant says

ALMIGHTY God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all those who with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE PEACE

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People And with thy spirit.

THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

AT THE OFFERTORY

Chorale Prelude on 'St. Thomas'

C.H.H. Parry
(1848-1918)

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People And with thy spirit.
Celebrant Lift up your hearts.
People We lift them up unto the Lord.
Celebrant Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.
People It is meet and right so to do.

The Celebrant sings the Preface

SANCTUS AND BENEDICTUS

Mass XI 'Orbis Factor'

Plainsong

S ANCTUS, Sanctus, Sanctus Dominus Deus Sabaoth. Pleni sunt caeli et terra Gloria tua. Hosanna in excelsis.	<i>Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts. Heaven and earth are full of thy glory. Hosanna in the highest.</i>
Benedictus qui venit in nomine Domini. Hosanna in excelsis.	<i>Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.</i>

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

The Celebrant continues the Eucharistic Prayer, which concludes

By whom, and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, all honor and glory be unto thee,
O Father Almighty, world without end.

The People respond AMEN.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

The Celebrant sings

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

Celebrant and People

Our_ Fa-ther, who art in hea - ven, hal - low - ed_ be thy_ Name,
thy king - dom come, - thy will be done, - on earth as it_ is_ in hea - ven.
Give us this day our dai - ly bread... and for - give us our tres - pas - ses,
as we for - give those who tres - pass a - gainst us. And lead us not in - to temp - ta - tion,
but de - liv - er us from e - vil. For thine is the king - dom,
and the power and the glo - ry, for ev - er and ev - er. A - men._

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

AGNUS DEI

Mass XI 'Orbis Factor'

Plainsong

AGNUS Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi,
miserere nobis.

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi,
dona nobis pacem.

*O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us.*

*O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,
grant us peace.*

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

BEHOLD the Lamb of God: behold him that taketh away the sins of the world.
Blessed are those who are called to his supper.

People Lord, I am not worthy that thou shouldest come under my roof,
but speak the word only and my soul shall be healed.

AN ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

IBELIEVE in thee, O my Jesus, present in the most holy Sacrament of the Altar;
I love thee above all things, and I desire to receive thee into my soul.
Since I cannot at this moment receive thee sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart.
I embrace thee, and I unite myself to thee as if thou wast already there.
Never permit me to be separated from thee!
O Lord Jesus Christ, let the sweet and consuming force of thy love absorb my whole soul, that I may die for the love of thee, who wast pleased to die for the love of me. Amen.

COME, my Way, my Truth, my Life:
Such a Way, as gives us breath:
Such a Truth, as ends all strife:
Such a Life, as killeth death.

Come, My Light, my Feast, my Strength:
Such a Light, as shows a feast:
Such a Feast, as mends in length:
Such a Strength, as makes his guest.

Come, my Joy, my Love, my Heart:
Such a Joy, as none can move:
Such a Love, as none can part:
Such a Heart, as joys in love.

George Herbert

THE POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

Said by all, kneeling

ALmighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

THE BLESSING

The Celebrant says

THE peace of God, which passeth 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 amongst you, and remain with you always. *Amen.*

HYMN

ST. BOTOLPH

1 We walk by faith, and not by sight; no
2 We may not touch his hands and side, nor
3 Help then, O Lord, our unbelief; and
4 that, when our life of faith is done, in

gra-cious words we hear from him who spoke as
fol-low where he trod; but in his prom-ise
may our faith a-bound, to call on you when
realms of clear-er light we may be-hold you

none e'er spoke; but we be - lieve him near.
 we re - jice, and cry, "My Lord and God!"
 you are near, and seek where you are found:
 as you are, with full and end - less sight.

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THE DISMISSAL

Deacon Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

VOLUNTARY

Very Fast Music, from 'Patterns'
dedicated to John Scott, Organist and Director of Music at Saint Thomas 2004-2015

Nico Mubly

Coffee Hour

We continue to host our "Virtual Coffee Hour" which will use the ZOOM platform to host a virtual meeting. This meeting will start after the Sunday webcast at 12:30 p.m. and will last no longer than an hour.

It will start with a short prayer and will continue with checking in and conversation, as best we can. The pacing and scope of the online gathering will very much depend on the amount of people who join in. We will continue to experiment with Breakout Rooms, which will allow for smaller groups to talk together. The hour will be moderated by Fr. Moretz, and you can contact him at MMoretz@SaintThomasChurch.org to learn more and receive login credentials. [Please click here to learn more](#) about Zoom, an extraordinary tool for communication and community.



The Church is open on Monday through Saturday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.
 (Face coverings, hand sanitization, health screening, and 6 ft. distancing required for entry)

Shrine Prayers (Intercessions) and Holy Eucharist*
Monday – Saturday at 12 p.m.

(Contact tracing is mandatory to attend Mass)

*Livestream webcast will continue and then be available on-demand

*Please send your requests for prayers via the website [click here](#)
 or emailed to: prayer@saintthomaschurch.org*

Confessions, Spiritual Advice and Healing Ministry (Resurrection Chapel)
Saturday from 11 to 11:45 a.m. in the Church (The Rector)
 (need to wear a mask; chairs will be placed at an appropriate distance)

Young Adult Group Discussion then Compline: Monday evenings
 (see email group or Facebook page for details)

Evening Prayer and Meditation with Fr. Spencer
Thursday at 6:30 p.m. via ZOOM Platform
 (Contact Fr. Spencer at ASpencer@SaintThomasChurch.org for details)



Next Sunday – September 20, The Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Solemn Eucharist (webcast only) at 8 a.m. and, thereafter, on-demand

Celebrant, Father Spencer

Preacher, The Rector

Organist for the Liturgy, David Briggs

Cantor, Eric Brenner

Said Eucharist (Rite II) at 9 a.m. (High Altar)

(Pre-registration preferred to ensure seating and to save time on arrival at Church)

[Register by following this link.](#)

Celebrant, Father Moretz

9:45 a.m. Children and Families' Sunday Zoom!

(see Children & Families notice below for further details)

10 a.m. Adult Education, 12-week course on The Nicene Creed continues this Sunday with Fr. Cheng via the ZOOM Platform

([Click here](#) to RSVP for the online class. You can also contact

Fr. Cheng at PCheng@SaintThomasChurch.org for more information.)

To access **videos from previous classes and other Theology information**, [click here.](#)

Children and Families' Gatherings

Sunday Zoom! will resume (re-Zoom) **TODAY** at 9:45 am. To obtain login information for the Sunday Zoom! class, please contact **Mother Turner** at ATurner@SaintThomasChurch.org. Registration for the fall term is now open.

Friday Online Bible Study

All are welcome to join the parish's ongoing **Friday Online Bible Study** via ZOOM. The class begins at 1:30 p.m. and runs for an hour.

Under the guidance of Fr. Bennett, the class is currently studying the **Gospel According to St. John**. For more information about this group, including the login information, please contact Fr. Bennett at RBennett@SaintThomasChurch.org.

Fall 2020 Digital Concert Season

On Saturday, October 3, at 3:00 p.m., Concerts at Saint Thomas presents American Fulbright Scholar, Joy-Leilani Garbutt in our first digital concert of the Fall 2020 Grand Organ Series. Ms. Garbutt will perform the music of Jeanne Demessieux and *les compositrices françaises* on the Miller-Scott Organ. **On Saturday, October 17, at 3:00 p.m.**, we are pleased to welcome our own Assistant Organist, Nicholas Quardokus, to the series to perform music from the German tradition on both the Loening-Hancock and Miller-Scott Organs. Mr. Quardokus pays homage to the centuries-old organ chorale heritage from Bach to Distler and Buxtehude to Reger, juxtaposing masterworks from the Baroque, late-Romantic, and Neoclassical eras. For tickets and more information, please visit us online at www.saintthomaschurch.org/music/concerts/. All of the concerts on our Fall 2020 Concert Series will be presented online.

ASSISTING CLERGY

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The Reverend Dr. Patrick S. Cheng,
Theologian in Residence
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