

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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THE SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

MAY 21, 2023

SUNG EUCHARIST – 9 a.m. Cantor: Rebecca Kellerman-Filsell Sung by The Noble Singers

The Ordinary of the Mass

St. James Mass

Stephen Buzard (b. 1989)

The People stand for the entry of the Ministers.

Hymn DIADEMATA





The Penitential Order

Celebrant People Alleluia. Christ is risen.

The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

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.**

Gloria in Excelsis Stephen Buzard





The Collect of the Day

The Celebrant says

The Lord be with you.

People Celebrant And also with you.

Let us pray.

Silence is kept. The Celebrant says the Collect.

O God, the King of glory, you have exalted your only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph to your kingdom in heaven: Do not leave us comfortless, but send us your Holy Spirit to strengthen us, and exalt us to that place where our Savior Christ has gone before; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, in glory everlasting. **Amen.**

The People sit.

The Liturgy of the Word

The Lesson Acts 1:6-14

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 68:1-4 DUKE STREET

The Choir sings the refrain and all repeat.



Let God arise, and let his enemies be scattered;

let those who hate him flee before him.

Let them vanish like smoke when the wind drives it away;

as the wax melts at the fire, so let the wicked perish at the presence of God. Refrain

But let the righteous be glad and rejoice before God;

let them also be merry and joyful.

Sing to God, sing praises to his name; exalt him who rides upon the heavens;

Yahweh is his name, rejoice before him. Refrain

Gospel Acclamation Plainsong (Mode V)

The People stand. The Cantor sings the refrain and all repeat.



Cantor Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful people and kindle in them the fire of your love.

All repeat the Alleluia.

The Holy Gospel

John 17:1-11

The Priest reads the Gospel, first saying

★ The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Saint John.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

At the end

The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Homily The Rector

The People stand for the Nicene Creed and the Prayers.

The Nicene Creed

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 IV)

The Leader says

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

The People remain standing. This response is used after each petition

Lord, in your mercy.

People Hear our prayer.

After the prayers, silence is kept, then the Celebrant adds a concluding 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.

People Amen.

The Peace

The Celebrant introduces the Peace with these words

The risen Christ came and stood among his disciples and said, 'Peace be with you.' Then were they glad when they saw the Lord. Alleluia. (*John 20:19-20*)

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

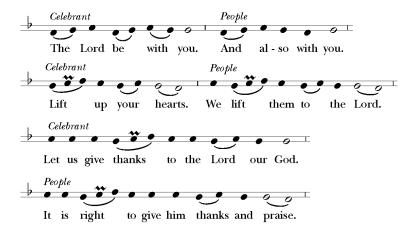
People And also with you.

The Greetings

Offertory Hymn CORONATION



6. Let every kindred, every tribe, on this terrestrial ball, to him all majesty ascribe, and crown him Lord of all!



The Celebrant sings the Preface

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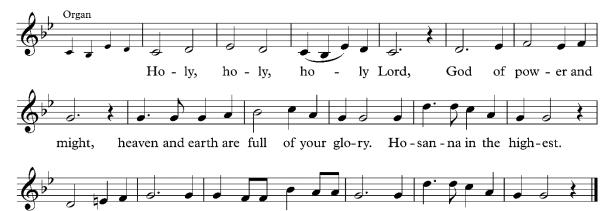
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It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Through your dearly beloved Son Jesus Christ our Lord. After his glorious resurrection he openly appeared to his disciples, and in their sight ascended into heaven, to prepare a place for us; that where he is, there we might also be, and reign with him in glory.

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:

Sanctus & Benedictus Stephen Buzard



who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -san -na in the high -est.

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

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

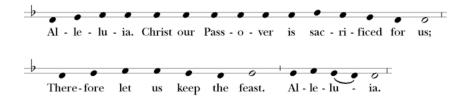
Celebrant and People

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.

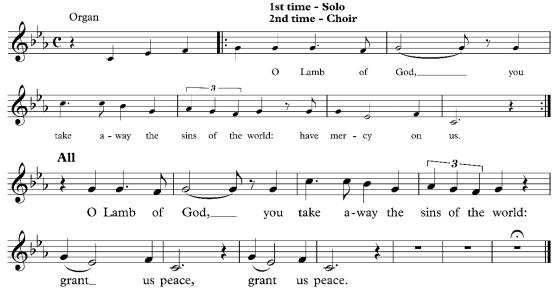
The Breaking of the Bread

People

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



Agnus Dei Stephen Buzard



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.

All baptized Christians are invited to receive Holy Communion.

The Sacrament is distributed at the Crossing. Intinction (dipping the host in the chalice) is not permitted.

You are welcome to receive in one kind only. Gluten free hosts are available - please ask the priest.

Communion Anthem Robert Lowry

My life flows on in endless song, above earth's lamentation. I hear the real though far-off hymn that hails a new creation.

Through all the tumult and the strife, I hear the music ringing.
It sounds an echo in my soul.
How can I keep from singing?

What if my joys and comforts die, I know that truth is living. What though the darkness 'round me close? Still truth its light is giving.

No storm can shake my inmost calm while to that Rock I'm clinging. Since Love is lord of heav'n and earth, how can I keep from singing?

I lift my eyes unto the hills From whence my help doth come; I lift my eyes unto the hills From whence my help comes.

I lift my eyes, the cloud grows thin, I see the blue above it, And day by day this pathway smooths, Since first I learned to love it.

The peace from Love makes fresh my heart, A song of hope is springing.
All things are mine since truth I've found.
How can I keep from singing?

Communion Taize Jacques Berthier



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.

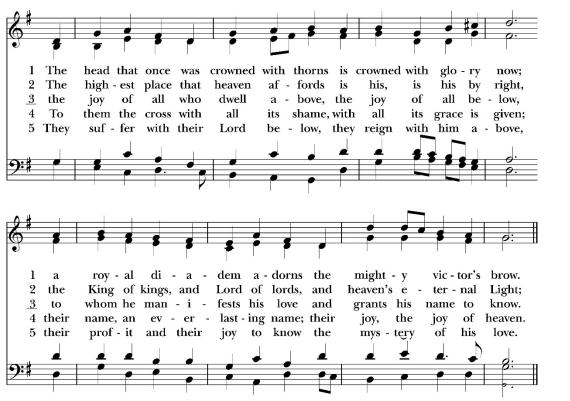
The Blessing and Dismissal

The Celebrant says

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 amongst you, and remain with you always. **Amen**.



Hymn ST. MAGNUS



6 The cross he bore is life and health, though shame and death to him: his people's hope, his people's wealth, their everlasting theme.

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



The flowers today are offered to the glory of God and in memory of the following: Thomas Albert Bain, Charles V alentine Faile, Sarah Crane Faile, Margaret Crane Hurlbut, Ida May Ives, and The Rev. Leslie John Alden Lang

WORSHIP THIS WEEK

* indicates livestreamed.

Today

11 a.m. Festal Eucharist*

sung by the Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys Sermon by The Very Rev. David Monteith, Dean of Canterbury

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. Moretz

Evensong will be followed by an organ recital featuring Seung Hee Cho, New Brunswick, NJ

Monday - Saturday 12 p.m. Shrine Prayers and Holy Eucharist*

Tuesday 5:30 p.m. Choral Evensong* sung by the Gentlemen of the Choir

Wednesday – Jackson Kemper 5:30 p.m. Choral Evensong* sung by the Gentlemen of the Choir

Thursday – The Venerable Bede 5:30 p.m. Choral Evensong* sung by the Gentlemen of the Choir

Friday

3 p.m. Contemplative Prayer

In the Chantry Chapel

Saturday

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

Next Sunday: May 28, The Day of Pentecost

7:45 a.m. Said Mass

9 a.m. Sung Mass

sung by the Noble Singers especially suitable for Children and Families followed by Coffee Hour in the Parish House

11 a.m. Procession and Solemn Eucharist*

sung by the Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys Sermon by The Rt. Rev. Andrew M. L. Dietsche

4 p.m. Solemn Evensong and Solemn Te deum* *sung by the Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys* Sermon by The Rev. Landon Moore, Vicar for Vocation, Diocese of Long Island

Evensong will be followed by an organ recital featuring Margaret Helene Harper, Dallas, TX

PARISH NOTICES

Saint Thomas Church Tours are available on Sundays after the 11 a.m. 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 **Bookstore and Giftshop** is open Sundays following the 11 a.m. Mass until 3 p.m. Please access the shop via the Parish House entrance round the corner at 1 West 53rd Street. New in stock: "Mary Magdalene: A Visual History", by Diane Apostolos-Cappadona, Coronation Bible from the King's Printer, Limited Edition, and many more books, devotional items, and beautiful gifts.

The Theology Program at Saint Thomas Church offers sound Christian teaching presented with intellectual vigor; teaching that is grounded in Holy Scripture, mediated by the catholic tradition that is the inheritance of Anglicanism, and set forth in the Book of Common Prayer. Sundays at 10 a.m. on the Fifth Floor of the Parish House and via Zoom. The talks are given by our Theologian in Residence, The Rev. Dr. Luigi Gioia. For information, please register with Fr. Gioia: lgioia@SaintThomasChurch.org.

Weekly Bible Study on Fridays at 1 p.m. Fr. Schultz leads a series of sessions that will serve as a deep dive into the Gospel of John. Join us as we continue our exploration of the Book of Signs (John 1:18 through chapter 12). For more information, please contact Fr. Schultz at MSchultz@SaintThomasChurch.org.

Children and Families: Sunday School and Nursery meet in the Sunday School room after the 9 a.m. service. To learn more or get your children involved, **sign up** for our weekly newsletter, with details of programs and activities: Children and families @saintthomaschurch.org.

The Noble Singers, our children's choir for singers ages 5-12, under the Direction of Mrs. Rebecca Kellerman-Filsell, sings at the 9 a.m. Mass on Sundays during the program year. We welcome new singers at any time! No audition necessary, just enthusiasm and a love of music. We are on hiatus until the fall. For more information, contact RKellerman@SaintThomasChurch.org.

We are pleased to announce that the **Saint Thomas Girl Chorister Course** will return to Saint Thomas Church and Choir School **July 22-30, 2023**. This year's Guest Director, Jared Johnson of Trinity Episcopal Cathedral, Columbia, SC, will lead the choristers in 5 services throughout the week and we will premiere a new piece specially commissioned for the course from our Composer-in-Residence Jessica French.

The Course is an intensive choral experience for girl choristers ages 12-18 at Saint Thomas Church Fifth Avenue, New York City. Throughout the course, choristers and staff live at Saint Thomas Choir School and take part in choral rehearsals and services, music history and theory classes, private vocal coaching, and outings to various sites around the city.

If you would like to provide scholarship support for a girl to attend the course this summer, please visit https://saintthomaschurch.tpsdb.com/Give/one-time-donation and select "Girls Chorister Course" from the drop-down menu. Please contact Rebecca Kellerman-Filsell at rkellerman@saintthomaschurch.org with questions or for more information regarding the Course.

Saint Thomas Choir School is accepting applications from boys currently in grades 2-5 for admission to the 2023-2024 academic year. The school exists to nurture and educate the approximately 30 boy choristers of the Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys. Talented boys come from Michigan to Texas, and Massachusetts to Virginia, and even Manhattan. If you know a boy who loves to sing, encourage his family to contact Ruth Cobb, rcobb@choirschool.org.

For the first part of this year, we continue our **2023 Annual Appeal: Invitation, Community, Discipleship.** You can make a pledge via the QR code below to be taken to the website or email giving@saintthomaschurch.org. Every pledge makes a difference.



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Give him the opportunity of a lifetime.