

SAINT THOMAS CHURCH FIFTH AVENUE
in the
CITY OF NEW YORK



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THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 23, 2023 AT 11:00 A.M.
THANKSGIVING DAY

SOLEMN EUCHARIST
SUNG BY THE SAINT THOMAS CHOIR OF MEN AND BOYS



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*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 ORDINARY OF THE MASS

Missa Brevis Collegii Keblensis

Jeremy Filsell
(b. 1964)

PRELUDE

Matines (from Triptique pour Grand Orgue, Op. 58)

Louis Vierne
(1870-1937)

THE GREETINGS

HYMN

ST. GEORGE'S, WINDSOR

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

Come, ye thank - ful peo - ple, come, raise the song of har - vest - home;
 All the world is God's own field, fruit un - to his praise to yield;
 For the Lord our God shall come, and shall take his har - vest home;
 E - ven so, Lord, quick - ly come to thy fi - nal har - vest - home;

all is safe - ly gath - ered in, ere the win - ter storms be - gin;
 wheat and tares to - geth - er sown, un - to joy or sor - row grown;
 from his field shall in that day all of - fen - ses purge a - way;
 gath - er thou thy peo - ple in, free from sor - row, free from sin;

God, our Ma - ker, doth pro - vide for our wants to be sup - plied;
 first the blade, and then the ear, then the full corn shall ap - pear:
 give his an - gels charge at last in the fire the tares to cast,
 there, for ev - er pur - i - fied, in thy pres - ence to a - bide;



come to God's own tem - ple, come, raise the song of har - vest - home.
 grant, O har - vest Lord, that we whole - some grain and pure may be.
 but the fruit - ful ears to store in his gar - ner ev - er - more.
 come, with all thine an - gels come, raise the glo - rious har - vest - home.

Come, ye thankful people, come, #290 from *The Hymnal 1982* – Words: Henry Alford (1810-1871), alt.
 Music: St. George's, Windsor, George Job Elvey (1816-1893).

THE PENITENTIAL ORDER

Celebrant Bless-ed be God: Father, Son, and Ho - ly Spi - rit.

People And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ev - er. A - men.

The Celebrant says

HEAR what our Lord Jesus saith:
 Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart,
 and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment.
 And the second is like unto it: Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself.
 On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets. *Matthew 22:37-40*

Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

The People kneel. Silence is kept.

Celebrant and People

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



The Celebrant says

THE Almighty and merciful Lord grant you absolution and remission of all your sins, true repentance, amendment of life, and the grace and consolation of his Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

The People stand.

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

Sung by the Choir

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,
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.

ALmighty and gracious Father, we give thee thanks for the fruits of the earth in their season and for the labors of those who harvest them. Make us, we beseech thee, faithful stewards of thy great bounty, for the provision of our necessities and the relief of all who are in need, to the glory of thy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The People sit.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

THE LESSON

Deuteronomy 8:7-18

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



PSALM 65

Sung by the Choir

Anglican Chant (*Taylor*)

TE DECET HYMNUS

THOU, O God, art praised in Sion : and unto thee shall the vow be performed in Jerusalem.
Thou that hearest the prayer : unto thee shall all flesh come.
My misdeeds prevail against me : O be thou merciful unto our sins.
Blessed is the man whom thou choosest, and receivest unto thee : he shall dwell in thy court,
and shall be satisfied with the pleasures of thy house, even of thy holy temple.
Thou shalt shew us wonderful things in thy righteousness, O God of our salvation :
thou that art the hope of all the ends of the earth, and of them that remain in the broad sea.
Who in his strength setteth fast the mountains: and is girded about with power.
Who stilleth the raging of the sea : and the noise of his waves, and the madness of the people.
They also that dwell in the uttermost parts of the earth shall be afraid at thy tokens :
thou that makest the outgoings of the morning and evening to praise thee.
Thou visitest the earth, and blessest it : thou makest it very plenteous.
The river of God is full of water : thou preparest their corn, for so thou providest for the earth.
Thou waterest her furrows, thou sendest rain into the little valleys thereof :
thou makest it soft with the drops of rain, and blessest the increase of it.
Thou crownest the year with thy goodness : and thy clouds drop fatness.
They shall drop upon the dwellings of the wilderness : and the little hills shall rejoice on every side.
The folds shall be full of sheep : the valleys also shall stand so thick with corn,
that they shall laugh and sing.
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

2 Corinthians 9:6-15

The Subdeacon concludes The Word of the Lord.

The People respond **Thanks be to God.**

The people stand.



HYMN

AMERICA

1 God bless our na - tive land; firm may she
2 For her our prayers shall rise to God, a -
ev - er stand through storm and night: when the wild
bove the skies; on him we wait; thou who art
tem - pests rave, ru - ler of wind and wave,
ev - er nigh, guard - ing with watch - ful eye,
do thou our coun - try save by thy great might.
to thee a - loud we cry, God save the state!

God bless our native land, #716 from *The Hymnal 1982* – Words: Siegfried August Mahlmann (1771-1826);
tr. Charles Timothy Brooks (1813-1883) and John Sullivan Dwight (1812-1893), alt. Music: *America*, from *Thesaurus Musicus*, 1745.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Plainsong (Mode VI)

Cantor *People*
Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

Cantor The folds shall be full of sheep: the valleys also shall stand so thick with corn,
that they shall laugh and sing.



THE HOLY GOSPEL

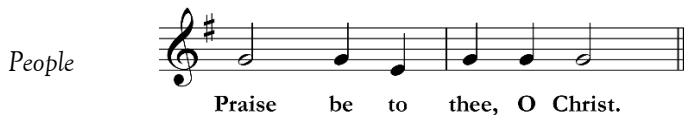
Luke 17:11-19

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



After the Gospel, the Deacon says

The Gospel of the Lord.



THE SERMON

The Rector

A period of silent reflection may follow the sermon.

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.

A LITANY OF THANKSGIVING

The people remain standing for the Litany.

Let us give thanks to God our Father for all his gifts so freely bestowed upon us.

For the beauty and wonder of thy creation, in earth and sky and sea,
We thank thee, O Lord.

For all that is gracious in the lives of men and women, revealing the image of Christ,
We thank thee, O Lord.

For our daily food and drink, our homes and families, and our friends,
We thank thee, O Lord.

For minds to think, and hearts to love, and hands to serve,
We thank thee, O Lord.

For health and strength to work, and leisure to rest and play,
We thank thee, O Lord.

For the brave and courageous, who are patient in suffering and faithful in adversity,
We thank thee, O Lord.

For all front-line workers, medical researchers, and for all who have inspired us through the Pandemic,
We thank thee, O Lord.

For all valiant seekers after truth, liberty, and justice,
We thank thee, O Lord.

For the communion of saints, in all times and places,
We thank thee, O Lord.

Above all, we give thee thanks for the great mercies and promises given to us in Christ Jesus our Lord;
To him be praise and glory, with thee, O Father, and the Holy Spirit, now and for ever. Amen.

THE PEACE

Celebrant The harvest of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience,
kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control.

Galatians 5:22, 23

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



The People offer one another a sign of peace.

The Celebrant says the Offertory Sentence, and the People sit.

THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

AT THE OFFERTORY, ANTHEM

Sung by the Choir

*Maurice Bevan
(1921-2006)*

THERE'S a wideness in God's mercy
Like the wideness of the sea;
There's a kindness in his justice
Which is more than liberty.

There is no place where earth's sorrows
Are more felt than up in heaven;
There is no place where earth's failings
Have such kindly judgment given.

For the love of God is broader
Than the measure of man's mind;
And the heart of the Eternal
Is most wonderfully kind.

But we make his love too narrow
By false limits of our own;
And we magnify his strictness
With a zeal he will not own.

There is plentiful redemption
In the blood that has been shed;
There is joy for all the members
In the sorrows of the Head.

There is grace enough for thousands
Of new worlds as great as this;
There is room for fresh creations
In that upper home of bliss.

If our love were but more simple,
We should take him at his word;
And our lives would be all gladness
In the joy of Christ our Lord.

F. W. Faber (1814-1863)



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The People stand.

HYMN

MATERNA

1 O beau - ti - ful for spa - ci - ous skies, for am - ber waves of grain,
 2 O beau - ti - ful for he - roes proved in lib - er - at - ing strife,
 3 O beau - ti - ful for pa - triot dream that sees be - yond the years

for pur - ple moun - tain ma - jes - ties a - bove the fruit - ed plain!
 who more than self their coun - try loved, and mer - cy more than life!
 thine al - a - bas - ter ci - ties gleam, un - dimmed by hu - man tears!

A - mer - i - ca! A - mer - i - ca! God shed his grace on thee,
 A - mer - i - ca! A - mer - i - ca! God mend thine ev - ery flaw,
 A - mer - i - ca! A - mer - i - ca! God shed his grace on thee,

and crown thy good with bro - ther - hood from sea to shin - ing sea.
 con - firm thy soul in self - con - trol, thy lib - er - ty in law.
 and crown thy good with bro - ther - hood from sea to shin - ing sea.

O beautiful for spacious skies, #719 from *The Hymnal 1982* – Words: Katherine Lee Bates (1859-1929).
 Music: Materna, Samuel Augustus Ward (1848-1903).



THE LORD'S PRAYER

The Celebrant says

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

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

Al - le - lu - ia. Christ our Pass - o - ver is sac - ri - ficed for us;

People

There - fore let us keep the feast. Al - le - lu - ia.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

The Celebrant says

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 shouldst come under my roof,
but speak the word only and my soul shall be healed.**

The People remain kneeling until the bell rings.

AN ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

I BELIEVE 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.

HOLY COMMUNION

*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.*

AGNUS DEI

Sung by the Choir

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.*

ANTHEM

*Harold Friedell
(1905-1958)*

DRAW us in the Spirit's tether; for when humbly, in thy name,
two or three are met together, thou art in the midst of them:
Alleluya! Alleluya! Touch we now thy garment's hem.

As the brethren used to gather in the name of Christ to sup,
then with thanks to God the Father break the bread and bless the cup,
Alleluya! Alleluya! So knit thou our friendship up.

All our meals and all our living make as sacraments of thee,
that by caring, helping, giving, we may true disciples be.
Alleluya! Alleluya! We will serve thee faithfully.

Percy Dearmer (1867-1936)

After Communion, silence is kept for a while.



THE PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

The Celebrant says

Let us pray.

The People kneel and silence is kept.

Celebrant and People

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 People stand.

THE NATIONAL ANTHEM

NATIONAL ANTHEM

O say can you see, by the dawn's ear - ly light,
 what so proud - ly we hailed at the twi - light's last gleam - ing,
 whose broad stripes and bright stars, through the per - i - lous fight,
 o'er the ram - parts we watched, were so gal - lant - ly stream - ing?
 And the rock - ets' red glare, the bombs burst - ing in air,
 gave proof through the night that our flag was still there.
 O say does that star - span - gled ban - ner yet wave
 o'er the land of the free and the home of the brave?

O say can you see, by the dawn's early light, #720 from *The Hymnal 1982* – Words: Francis Scott Key (1779-1843).
 Music: *National Anthem*, source unknown, ca. 18th cent.



THE BLESSING

The People stand. The Celebrant says

MAY God our creator, who clothes the lilies and feeds the birds of the air, bestow on you his care and increase the harvest of your righteousness; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be amongst you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

HYMN

WIR PFLÜGEN

1 We plow the fields, and scat - ter the good seed on the land,
 2 He on - ly is the Ma - ker of all things near and far;
 3 We thank thee, then, O Fa - ther, for all things bright and good,

but it is fed and wa - tered by God's al - might - y hand;
 he paints the way - side flow - er, he lights the eve - ning star;
 the seed - time and the har - vest, our life, our health, our food:

he sends the snow in win - ter, the warmth to swell the grain,
 the winds and waves o - bey him, by him the birds are fed;
 the gifts we have to of - fer are what thy love im - parts,

the breez - es and the sun - shine, and soft re - fresh - ing rain.
 much more to us, his chil - dren, he gives our dai - ly bread.
 but chief - ly thou de - sir - est our hum - ble thank - ful hearts.



Refrain

All good gifts a - round us are sent from heaven a - bove;
then thank the Lord, O thank the Lord for all his love.

We plow the fields, and scatter, #291 from *The Hymnal 1982* – Words: Matthias Claudius (1740-1815); tr. Jane Montgomery Campbell (1817-1878), alt. Music: *Wir Pflügen*, Johann Abraham Peter Schulz (1747-1800).

THE DISMISSAL

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

VOLUNTARY

Nun Danket alle Gott

Siegfried Karg-Elert
(1877-1933)



The flowers today are offered to the glory of God and in memory of
Amy Mazzola Flynn and John W. Mazzola

WORSHIP THIS SUNDAY

* indicates livestreamed.

**This Sunday: November 26, The Last Sunday
after Pentecost: Christ the King**

7:45 a.m. Said Mass

9 a.m. Sung Mass
followed by Coffee Hour in the Parish House

11 a.m. Festal Eucharist*
sung by the Gentlemen of the Choir
Sermon by Fr. Moretz

4 p.m. Festal Evensong*
sung by the Gentlemen of the Choir
Sermon by Mo. Lee-Pae

5:30 p.m. Organ Recital
Tyrone Whiting, Philadelphia, PA

PARISH NOTICES

Saint Thomas Church Tours are available on Sundays after the 11am service. If you are interested, please meet the Tour Guide on the south side of the Narthex near the "Tour Guide – Meet Here" sign.

Our Parish **Bookstore and Gift Shop** is temporarily closed as it is being relocated to part of the Narthex nearest the Chantry Chapel. If you have any questions, please reach out to giftshop@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: lgioia@SaintThomasChurch.org.

Children and Family Ministries: The Nursery is open Sundays 9am to 1pm for the use of babies and young children with parents/caregivers. Services are streamed into the Nursery during this time. Sunday School meets at 10am on the 3rd floor and in the Dining Room. For more info, contact Childrenandfamilies@saintthomaschurch.org.

Weekly Bible Study on Fridays at 1pm. Fr. Schultz leads a zoom 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 info, contact Fr. Schultz: MSchultz@SaintThomasChurch.org.
Note: We will not meet tomorrow due to the holidays.

Saint Thomas Choir School exists to nurture and educate the boy choristers of the Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys. Talented students in grades 3-8 come from all over the country to sing, study, play, perform, and live together. If you know a boy who loves to sing, encourage his family to contact Nora Thomson: nthomson@choirschool.org.

Preschool Music Circle: Children ages 2-5 and their caregivers are welcome to join us in the Sunday School Room on Saturdays from 10-11am for this new musical offering. Mrs. Kellerman-Filsell will lead children and caregivers in 30 mins of age-appropriate musical activities followed by a light snack and some play-time. Caregivers are strongly encouraged to attend and participate with their child(ren). For more information, and to register your child, contact RKellerman@SaintThomasChurch.org.

The Noble Singers, our children's parish choir for singers ages 5-14, under the Direction of Mrs. Rebecca Kellerman-Filsell, has resumed weekly rehearsals and singing at the 9am Mass. We welcome new singers at any time. No audition is necessary, just enthusiasm and a love of music! For info, contact RKellerman@SaintThomasChurch.org.

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 Sunday, December 11.

Today, our **Angel Tree** is revealed. There will be tags on the tree for children from St. Ann's Episcopal Church and Safe Horizons shelter as well as some of the migrant children known to the Ecumenical Outreach Partnership. We hope you will take a tag, and ask you to bring the requested gift to STC before December 19. Would you like to help wrap gifts, decorate the Angel Tree or make tags for the Angel Tree? Please volunteer by contacting Linda Morfi: lmorfi@SaintThomasChurch.org.

