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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 SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

SEPTEMBER 8, 2024

SUNG EUCHARIST - 9 a.m.

Cantor: Rebecca Kellerman-Filsell

The Ordinary of the Mass

Saint Thomas Mass

Jeremy Filsell
(b. 1964)

The People stand for the entry of the Ministers.

Hymn

AZMON

1 O for a thou - sand tongues to sing my dear Re - deem - er's praise,
2 My gra - cious Mas - ter and my God, as - sist me to pro - claim
3 Je - sus! the Name that charms our fears and bids our sor - rows cease;
4 He speaks; and, lis - tening to his voice, new life the dead re - ceive,
5 Hear him, ye deaf; ye voice - less ones, your loos - ened tongues em - ploy;

1 the glo - ries of my God and King, the tri - umphs of his grace!
2 and spread through all the earth a - broad the hon - ors of thy Name.
3 'tis mu - sic in the sin - ner's ears, 'tis life and health and peace.
4 the mourn - ful bro - ken hearts re - joice, the hum - ble poor be - lieve.
5 ye blind, be - hold, your Sa - vior comes; and leap, ye lame, for joy!

6 Glory to God and praise and love
be now and ever given
by saints below and saints above,
the Church in earth and heavn.

O for a thousand tongues to sing, #493 from *The Hymnal 1982* – Words: Charles Wesley (1707-1788), alt.
Music: Azmon, Carl Gotthilf Gläser (1784-1829); adapt. and arr. Lowell Mason (1792-1872).

us, you are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther, re-ceive our prayer,
 For you a-lone are the Ho-ly One, you a-lone are the
 Lord, you a-lone are the Most High, Je-sus Christ with the Ho-ly
 spi-rit, in the glo-ry of God the
 Fa-ther, A-men, A-
 men, A-men.

The Collect of the Day

The Celebrant says

The Lord be with you.

People

And also with you.

Celebrant

Let us pray.

Silence is kept. The Celebrant says the Collect.

Grant us, O Lord, to trust in you with all our hearts; for, as you always resist the proud who confide in their own strength, so you never forsake those who make their boast of your mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The People sit.

The Liturgy of the Word

The Lesson

Isaiah 35:4-7a

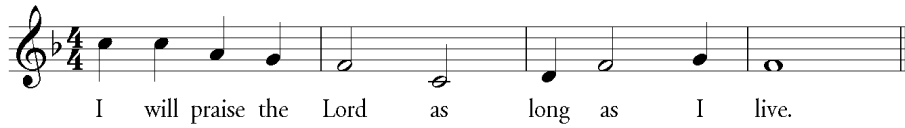
Lector

The Word of the Lord.

People

Thanks be to God.

The Cantor sings the refrain and all repeat.



Hallelujah! Praise the Lord O my soul!
 I will praise the Lord as long as I live; I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.
 Put not your trust in rulers, nor in any child of earth,
 for there is no help in them.
 When they breathe their last, they return to earth,
 and in that day their thoughts perish. *Refrain*

Happy are they who have the God of Jacob for their help,
 whose hope is in the Lord their God;
 who made heaven and earth, the seas and all that is in them;
 who keeps his promise for-ever;
 who gives justice to those who are oppressed,
 and food to those who hunger. *Refrain*

Gospel Acclamation

Plainsong (Mode VI)

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



Cantor We do not live by bread alone,
 but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.

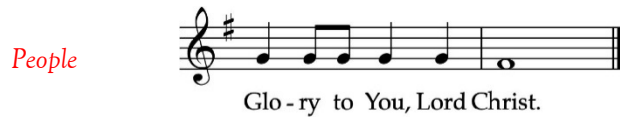
The People repeat the Alleluia.

The Holy Gospel

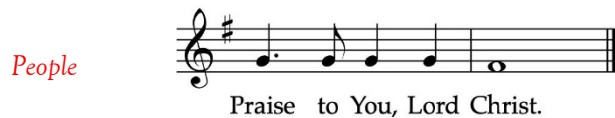
Mark 7:24-37

The Priest reads the Gospel, first saying

✠ The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Saint Mark.



At the end The Gospel of the Lord.



The Homily

Fr. Moretz

The Nicene Creed

The People stand.

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 says

Almighty and eternal God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth:
Mercifully accept the prayers of your people, and strengthen us to do your will;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People **Amen.**

Sanctus & Benedictus

Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and
might, Heav'n and earth are full of thy glo - ry,
Ho - san - na, in the high - est.
Bless - ed is he 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 The Blessed Virgin Mary, St. Thomas our patron, and 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

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


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.

Agnus Dei


Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins_ of the world, have

mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins_ of the

world, have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you

take a - way the sins_ of the world, grant us_____ your peace.

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 Hymn

CHEREPONI [JESU, JESU]

Chorus

Je - su, Je - su, fill us with your love, show
us how to serve the neigh - bors we have from you.

1 Kneels at the feet of his friends, si - lent - ly wash - es their
2 Neigh - bors are rich and poor, neigh - bors are black and
3 These are the ones we should serve, these are the ones we should
4 Lov - ing puts us on our knees, serv - ing as though we were

Repeat Chorus

feet, Mas - ter who acts as a slave to them.
white, neigh - bors are near - by and far a - way.
love. All are neigh - bors to us and you.
slaves; this is the way we should live with you.

Kneels at the feet of his friends, #602 from *The Hymnal 1982* – Words: Ghanaian; tr. Thomas Colvin (b. 1925), alt. Copyright © 1969 by Hope Publishing Company, Carol Stream, IL 60188. All Rights Reserved. Used by permission. Music: *Chereponi [Jesu, Jesu]*, Ghanaian folk song, adapt. Thomas Colvin (b. 1925). Copyright © 1969 by Hope Publishing Company, Carol Stream, IL 60188. All Rights Reserved. Used by permission.

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 peace of God, which passes 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 Ghost, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Celebrant Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

People Thanks be to God.

Hymn

ST. MATTHEW

1 Thine arm, O Lord, in days of old was strong to
2 And lo! thy touch brought life and health, gave hear - ing,
3 Be thou our great de - liv - erer still, thou Lord of

heal and save; it tri - umphed o'er dis - ease and death,
strength, and sight; and youth re - newed and fren - zy calmed
life and death; re - store and quick - en, soothe and bless,

o'er dark - ness and the grave. To thee they went, the
owned thee, the Lord of light: and now, O Lord, be
with thine al - might - y breath: to hands that work and

blind, the deaf, the pal - sied, and the lame, the lep - er
near to bless, al - might - y as of yore, in crowd - ed
eyes that see, give wis - dom's heaven - ly lore, that whole and



Thine arm, O Lord, in days of old, #567 from *The Hymnal 1982* – Words: Edward Hayes Plumptre (1821-1891).
Music: St. Matthew, from *Supplement to the New Version of Psalms* by Dr. Brady and Mr. Tate, 1708.

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:

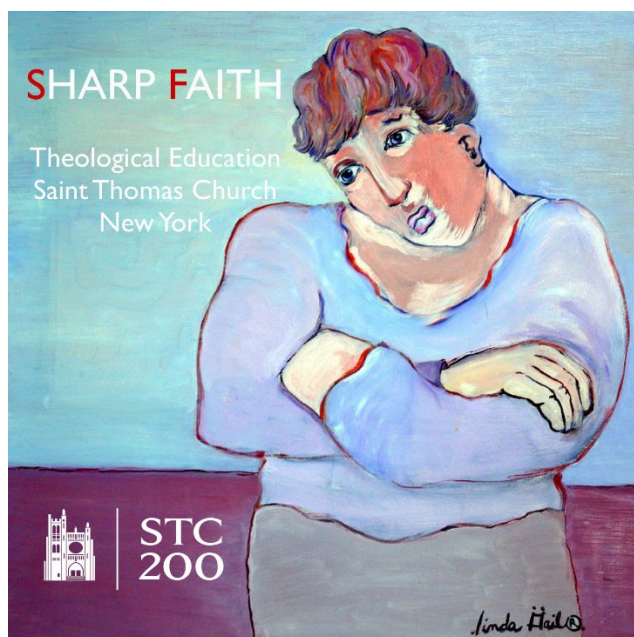
Margaret Crane Hurlbut

and in loving memory of Warren David Johnson who passed away September 5, 2009

The Saint Thomas Theological Education Program 2024-25 resumes on September 15 with a series of talks on The Question of Evil and Suffering and The Theology of Healing by our Theologian In Residence, Fr. Luigi Gioia.

The lectures will be livestreamed on YouTube and video-recorded.

If you want to receive weekly updates about the program, or to access the dates and titles of the talks, please register at this link:
<https://saintthomaschurch.tpsdb.com/OnePageReg/282>





PILGRIMS' II COURSE FALL 2024



*Want to know more about the Christian Faith?
Want to be baptized or confirmed?
Want to become a member of Saint Thomas Church?*

A Follow-Up to the Pilgrims' course will take place in the Fall on **October 22, 29** and **November 5, 12, and 19**.

Among the topics there will be two highly appreciated talks by the Rector:

- “**Divine Design**: a guided exploration of Saint Thomas Church and of the liturgical signification of its architecture with the Rector”
- “**Unpacking the Sunday High Mass**: A step-by-step explanation of what happens and why”

A poll will be sent to the participants of the Pilgrims' course of the past few years to ask them which topics they would like to revisit or deepen. If you wish to be kept informed about the Pilgrims' Follow Up Course, please register at <https://saintthomaschurch.tpsdb.com/OnePageReg/307>

You are invited!

Tickets are on sale now for a parish-wide event on Saturday October 5th, 6-8 p.m. Please plan to join this Bicentennial Closing Celebration in Bonnell Hall at Fifth Avenue Presbyterian. We'll have cocktails, hors d'oeuvres and live music as we toast the end of this 200th jubilee and look ahead to the coming year!

While the event is open to all, space is limited so please scan below to purchase today!



WORSHIP THIS WEEK

* indicates livestreamed.

Today

11 a.m. Festal Eucharist*

sung by the Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys
Sermon by The Rector

1:30 p.m. Korean Holy Eucharist*

Sermon by Mo. Lee-Pae

4 p.m. Festal Evensong with Admission of Choristers

Sermon by the Rector

Monday – Friday

12 p.m. Shrine Prayers*

12:05 p.m. Holy Eucharist*

Saturday

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

Confessor: The Rector

12 p.m. Shrine Prayers*

12:05 p.m. Holy Eucharist*

Next Sunday: September 15, Holy Cross Day (tr.)

7:45 a.m. Said Mass

9 a.m. Sung Mass

followed by Coffee Hour in the Parish House

11 a.m. Solemn Eucharist*

sung by the Gentlemen of the Choir
Sermon by Mo. Turner

4 p.m. Solemn Evensong and Benediction*

sung by the Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys

PARISH NOTICES

Children and Family Ministries: All CFM parents and caregivers are invited to a Parents Meeting in the Dining Room from 10-10:40 a.m. on Sunday, September 15th. CFM Registration is now open! Please register your children on the church website for the 2024-2025 CFM Program Year. Sunday School (3-10) and Faith Alive (10-14+) return next Sunday, September 15th at 10 a.m. Sunday School meets in the Sunday School Room (3rd Floor) and Faith Alive meets in the Dining Room (2nd Floor). The Nursery continues to be available for the sole use of babies and toddlers with their parents/caregivers, from 9am-1pm on Sundays in the Parish House, 3rd Floor. To receive our CFM newsletter contact childrenandfamilies@saintthomaschurch.org.

The **Noble Singers**, our children's parish choir for singers ages 5-14+, under the direction of Mrs. Rebecca Kellerman-Filsell, is now accepting new choristers. Weekly rehearsals resume this Thursday and Friday at 4:15 pm - 5:15 pm in the Sunday School Room and we return to singing and leading worship at the 9 a.m. Sung Mass on Sunday, September 15. No audition is necessary, just enthusiasm and a love of music! For more information, and to register your singer, contact Rkellerman@saintthomaschurch.org.

Join us on Saturday, September 28 at 3:00 p.m. as **Concerts at Saint Thomas** opens the 2024-2025 Concert Season with a Grand Organ Concert featuring organist **Frédéric Blanc** playing **Cochereau and the French Masters**. For in-person or livestream tickets and for information about future concerts, please email us at concerts@saintthomaschurch.org or visit us online at <https://www.saintthomaschurch.org/music/concerts/>. Support Concerts at Saint Thomas by becoming a Friend of Music. To make your donation with our team call 212-664-9360.

New Volunteer Meeting - Save the Date! Safe Church: an introduction to safeguarding training within the Episcopal Church will take place Sunday, September 22 from 1-2:30 p.m. on the fifth floor with lunch. Sign up details to follow in September.

Saint Thomas Church Tours are available on Sundays after the 11am 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.

You are cordially invited to the **Holy Eucharist in the Korean language** every second Sunday of the month at 1:30 p.m. It is preceded by brunch at 12:45 p.m. in the Dining Room of the Parish House.

매달 둘째 주일 오후 1:30에 본당에서 올리는 한국어 감사 성찬례에 여러분을 초대합니다. 오후 12:45에 2층 식당에서 브런치를 함께 나누니 조금 일찍 오셔서 친교도나누세요.

Contemplative Prayer will resume next Friday, September 13. For more information, please contact Mo. Lee-Pae at Pleepae@saintthomaschurch.org.

Friday Zoom Bible Study—Christ and Ekklesia: John's Wondrous Vision of Light. Led by Fr. Schultz Fridays at 1 p.m. via Zoom. We have embarked on the Book of the Glory (John 13-21) in which we will witness Jesus' Passion and Resurrection. Bring your Bible, your questions, and yourself as, together, we deepen our relationship with God through scripture. Contact Fr. Schultz with any questions and for the Zoom link: Mschultz@saintthomaschurch.org.

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 the greater New York City area and beyond to sing, study, play, perform, and live together at the school. If you know a boy who loves to sing, encourage his family to contact Margaret White: Mwhite@choirschool.org.

The Saint Thomas Social Justice Outreach Group gathers volunteers from our community to address the needs of vulnerable people facing special challenges and who struggle to meet basic needs. With St. Patrick's Cathedral and Fifth Avenue Presbyterian, Saint Thomas Church is part of the EOP (Ecumenical Outreach Partnership). The EOP employs two social workers who make sure that volunteer work is done professionally, in compliance with regulations and safeguarding, and in such a way that people in need are helped to improve their life situations. Parishioners from Saint Thomas can join the distribution of meals by the EOP on 55th Street from 1-2 p.m. on Mondays and Wednesdays. Those who would like to join can write to Fr. Luigi Gioia at Lgioia@saintthomaschurch.org.

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