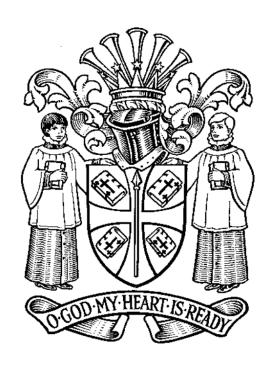
SAINT THOMAS CHURCH FIFTH AVENUE

in the CITY OF NEW YORK



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Tuesday, January 16, 2024 at 5:30 p.m.

'FROM GLORY TO GLORY' A PROCESSION AND SEQUENCE OF READINGS AND MUSIC FOR EPIPHANY

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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Introduction

The Hebrew Scriptures contain many examples of the revelation of God's glory: the burning bush, the pillar of fire, the cloud filling the Temple, and more. In the New Testament, the glory of God is ultimately fully revealed in the person of Jesus Christ, the Son of God, the Word made flesh. For Christians, the word 'Epiphany' describes a revelation or manifestation of God's glory in Jesus Christ. Saint John's Gospel reminds us that through signs and wonders, Jesus revealed his glory to the disciples. Like the Hebrew Scriptures, there are many moments when God's glory is revealed in Jesus and when his glory is manifested to others: the visit of the Magi with their symbolic gifts of Gold, Frankincense and Myrrh; the Baptism of Jesus, with the affirmation of the Father's voice from heaven and the descent of the Holy Spirit in the form of a dove; and the changing of water into wine at Cana in Galilee. In addition to these specific events that are traditionally remembered by Orthodox Churches on January 6, the New Testament also contains other revelations of Christ's glory, such as the Transfiguration of Jesus on the Mountain and, ultimately, his Resurrection and Ascension.

In John's Gospel, Jesus prays to his heavenly Father that his disciples and those who follow them might also see his glory and *share* in that glory:

"The glory that you have given me I have given them, so that they may be one, as we are one, I in them and you in me, that they may become completely one, so that the world may know that you have sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me." *John* 17:22-23

Our service ends with the vision of Christ's glory abiding in each one of us. As Christians who celebrate the revelation of God's glory in Christ, we are also called to see that glory in one another, building a community of love and trust.

'May the light of Christ, rising in glory, dispel the darkness of our hearts and minds.'

from the Easter Vigil

ORDER OF SERVICE

PRELUDE Wie schön leuchet der Morgernstern, P. 46

Johann Pachelbel (1653-1706)

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

INTROIT Sung by the Choir Herbert Howells (1892-1983)

Sing lullaby, sing lullaby, While snow doth gently fall, Sing lullaby to Jesus Born in an oxen-stall.

Sing lullaby, sing lullaby While thickly snow doth fall, Sing lullaby to Jesus The Saviour of all.

Sing lullaby to Jesus, Born now in Bethlehem, The naked blackthorn's growing To weave His diadem.



PROCESSIONAL HYMN SALZBURG



Songs of thankfulness and praise, #135 from The Hymnal 1982 – Words: Sts. 1-3, Christopher Wordsworth (1807-1885); st. 4, F. Bland Tucker (1895-1984). St. 4, Copyright © The Church Pension Fund. Music: Salzburg, melody Jakob Hintze (1622-1702); harm. Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750).

BIDDING PRAYER

EARLY Beloved, we are gathered to celebrate with joy the appearance of God's glory in the world through the birth of Jesus, who is Emmanuel, God with us; to reflect upon that glory manifested in many ways; the visit of the magi bringing homage to their King at his birth; the wonder at his Baptism in the River Jordan; and to hear of his first miracle at a wedding at Cana in Galilee by which he revealed his glory to his disciples. We celebrate Christ's glory, and recall the prayer of Jesus to his heavenly Father that we, too, might share in that same glory and become one with him as a Beloved Community, formed in his love.



As we rejoice in the Word made flesh, who has called us out of darkness into light, so we pray that his love and faithfulness may be known in all the world:

We pray for the unity and mission of Christ's Church, and for all who minister the gospel of Christ; we pray for the world, that we may have reverence for the natural order and respect for every person, made in the image and likeness of God; we pray for an end to all that mars the image of God in others through prejudice or discrimination; we also pray for those who stand in need, for the lonely, the fearful, the sick and the bereaved, and for all who have no-one to pray for them.

May God our Father take us and use us in his service; may he open our eyes to see his glory, and equip us to bless his people, now and at all times. **Amen**.

Believing the promises of God, let us pray with confidence as our Savior has taught us:

Celebrant and People

UR 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 People sit.

I: THE GLORY OF THE LORD SHALL BE REVEALED

LESSON

Isaiah 60:1-7 The glory of the Lord has risen upon you.

RISE, shine; for your light has come, and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you. For behold, darkness shall cover the earth, and thick darkness the peoples; but the Lord will arise upon you, and his glory will be seen upon you. And nations shall come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your rising. Lift up your eyes round about, and see; they all gather together, they come to you; your sons shall come from far, and your daughters shall be carried in the arms. Then you shall see and be radiant, your heart shall thrill and rejoice; because the abundance of the sea shall be turned to you, the wealth of the nations shall come to you. A multitude of camels shall cover you,



the young camels of Mid'ian and Ephah; all those from Sheba shall come.
They shall bring gold and frankincense, and shall proclaim the praise of the Lord.
All the flocks of Kedar shall be gathered to you, the rams of Nebai'oth shall minister to you; they shall come up with acceptance on my altar, and I will glorify my glorious house.

ANTHEM Carol of the Rose Randall Thompson (1899-1984)

O, pretty child, and bear this flower, Unto thy little Saviour; And tell him, by that bud now blown, He is the Rose of Sharon known:

When thou hast said so, stick it there Upon his bib, or stomacher: And tell him (for good handsel too) That thou hast brought a whistle new, Made of a clean straight oaten reed, To charm his cries (at time of need): Tell him for coral, thou hast none; But if thou hadst, he should have one; But poor thou art, and known to be Even as moniless as he.

Lastly, if thou canst win a kiss From those mellifluous lips of his, Then never take a second one To spoil the first impression.

Robert Herrick (1591-1674)

COLLECT

Let us pray.

The People stand.

GOD, whose blessed Son was manifested that he might destroy the works of the devil and make us the children of God and heirs of eternal life: Grant us, we beseech thee, that, having this hope, we may purify ourselves even as he is pure; that, when he shall appear again with power and great glory, we may be made like unto him in his eternal and glorious kingdom; where with thee, O Father, and thee, O Holy Ghost, he liveth and reigneth ever, one God, world without end. Amen.

The People sit.

II: THE GLORY REVEALED TO THE GENTILES

LESSON

Matthew 2:1-12 The Wise Men are led by the star to Jesus.

Ow when Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea in the days of Herod the king, behold, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, saying, "Where is he who has been born king of the Jews? For we have seen his star in the East, and have come to worship him." When Herod the king heard this, he was troubled, and all Jerusalem with him; and assembling all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Christ was to be born. They told him, "In Bethlehem of Judea; for so it is written by the prophet:

'And you, O Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah;



for from you shall come a ruler who will govern my people Israel."

Then Herod summoned the wise men secretly and ascertained from them what time the star appeared; and he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, "Go and search diligently for the child, and when you have found him bring me word, that I too may come and worship him." When they had heard the king they went their way; and lo, the star which they had seen in the East went before them, till it came to rest over the place where the child was. When they saw the star, they rejoiced exceedingly with great joy; and going into the house they saw the child with Mary his mother, and they fell down and worshiped him. Then, opening their treasures, they offered him gifts, gold and frankincense and myrrh. And being warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they departed to their own country by another way.

The People stand.

During the singing of the hymn, the 'Magi' present their gifts.

HYMN DIX





COLLECT

Let us pray.

GOD, who by the leading of a star didst manifest thy only-begotten Son to the peoples of the earth: Lead us, who know thee now by faith, to thy presence, where we may behold thy glory face to face; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

The People sit.

MOTET Gold and Spices Alison Willis
(b. 1971)

THEY have brought gold and spices to my King, Incense and precious gifts and ivory;
Oh holy Mother mine, what can I bring
So that my Lord may deign to look on me?
They sing a sweeter song than I can sing,
I, bound on earth, weep for my trespassing.
They sing the song of love in heaven, set free.
Then answered me my mother, and her voice
Spake to my heart and answered in my heart.
Sing, saith he to the heavens, to earth, rejoice!

Christina Rossetti (1830-1894)

III: THE GLORY REVEALED AT JORDAN'S STREAM

LESSON

Luke 3:15-17, 21-22 Saint Luke tells of the Baptism of Jesus.

As the people were in expectation, and all men questioned in their hearts concerning John, whether perhaps he were the Christ, John answered them all, "I baptize you with water; but he who is mightier than I is coming, the thong of whose sandals I am not worthy to untie; he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and with fire. His winnowing fork is in his hand, to clear his threshing floor, and to gather the wheat into his granary, but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire." Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heaven was opened, and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form, as a dove, and a voice came from heaven, "Thou art my beloved Son; with thee I am well pleased."

MOTET Sung by the Choir Pierre Villette (1926-1998)

JESU dulcis memoria Dans vera cordis gaudia: Sed super mel et omnia Ejus dulcis praesentia.

O nil canitur suavius, Nil auditur jucundius, Nil cogitatur dulcius, Quam Jesu Dei filius. The sweet memory of Jesus Giving true joy to the heart: But more than honey and all things His sweet presence.

O nothing more delightful is sung, Nothing more pleasing heard, Nothing sweeter thought, Than Jesus, the Son of God.



Sis Jesu nostrum gaudium, Qui es futurus praemium: Sit nostra in te gloria, Per cuncta semper saecula. Amen O Jesus, may you be our joy, You who are our future reward. May our glory be in you Throughout all eternity. Amen.

12th-century Latin hymn

The People stand.

HYMN **CAITHNESS** Christ, when for you were bap - tized, God's Spi - rit us on you called you his be - lov - ed Son, called you his ser - vant true, 3 Straight - way and stead-fast un - til death you then o-beyed his call Bap - tize us with your Spi - rit, Lord, your cross on us be signed, as peace - ful a dove and yet as ur - gent as flame. you his king - dom pro-claim, his ho - ly will to do. sent to ly Son of Man to give your life for all. as serve and like - wise in God's ser - vice per-fect free-dom find. may

Christ, when for us you were baptized, #121 from The Hymnal 1982 – Words: F. Bland Tucker (1895-1984), rev. Copyright © The Church Pension Fund.

Music: Caithness, melody from The Psalmes of David in Prose and Meeter, 1635; harm. The English Hymnal, 1906.

COLLECT

Let us pray.

FATHER in heaven, who at the baptism of Jesus in the River Jordan didst proclaim him thy beloved Son and anoint him with the Holy Spirit: Grant that all who are baptized into his Name may keep the covenant they have made, and boldly confess him as Lord and Savior; who with thee and the same Spirit liveth and reigneth, one God, in glory everlasting. Amen.

The People sit.



IV: THE GLORY REVEALED AT THE WEDDING AT CANA IN GALILEE

LESSON

John 2:1-11 Saint John tells of Jesus' first miracle at Cana in Galilee.

No the third day there was a marriage at Cana in Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there; Jesus also was invited to the marriage, with his disciples. When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." And Jesus said to her, "O woman, what have you to do with me? My hour has not yet come." His mother said to the servants, "Do whatever he tells you." Now six stone jars were standing there, for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. Jesus said to them, "Fill the jars with water." And they filled them up to the brim. He said to them, "Now draw some out, and take it to the steward of the feast." So they took it. When the steward of the feast tasted the water now become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward of the feast called the bridegroom and said to him, "Every man serves the good wine first; and when men have drunk freely, then the poor wine; but you have kept the good wine until now." This, the first of his signs, Jesus did at Cana in Galilee, and manifested his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

MOTET Sung by the Choir Hans Leo Hassler (1562-1612)

RIBUS miraculis ornatum, diem sanctum colimus:
Hodie stella Magos duxit ad praesepium:
Hodie vinum ex aqua factum est ad nuptias:
Hodie in Jordane a Johanne Christus baptizari voluit,
ut salvaret nos, Alleluia.

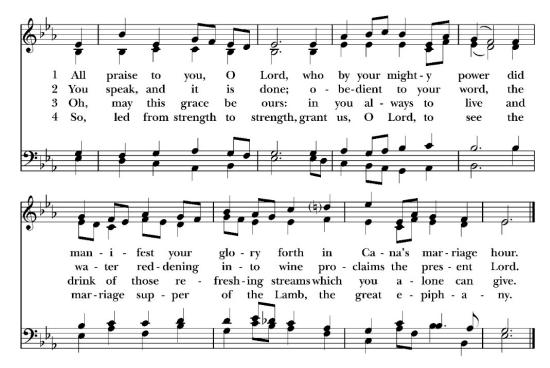
We observe this holy day, ornamented with three miracles: Today a star led the Magi to the manger; Today wine was made from water at the wedding; Today in the Jordan Christ desired to be baptized by John, so that he might save us, Alleluia.

Magnificat antiphon at Second Vespers of the Feast of the Epiphany

The People stand.



HYMN CARLISLE



All praise to you, O Lord, #138 from The Hymnal 1982 – Words: Hyde W. Beadon (1812-1891), alt.

Music: Carlisle, Charles Lockhart (1745-1815).

COLLECT

Let us pray.

A LMIGHTY God, whose Son our Savior Jesus Christ is the light of the world: Grant that thy people, illumined by thy Word and Sacraments, may shine with the radiance of Christ's glory, that he may be known, worshiped, and obeyed to the ends of the earth; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who with thee and the Holy Spirit liveth and reigneth, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

The People sit.

V: THE PROMISE OF A SHARE IN CHRIST'S GLORY

LESSON

John 17:1-7, 20-26 'Those whom he justified he also glorified'

WHEN Jesus had spoken these words, he lifted up his eyes to heaven and said, "Father, the hour has come; glorify thy Son that the Son may glorify thee, since thou hast given him power over all flesh, to give eternal life to all whom thou hast given him. And this is eternal life, that they know thee the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom thou hast sent. I glorified thee on earth, having accomplished the work which thou gavest me to do; and now, Father, glorify thou me in thy own presence with the glory which I had with thee before the world was made."

"I do not pray for these only, but also for those who believe in me through their word, that they may all be one; even as thou, Father, art in me, and I in thee, that they also may be in us, so that the world may believe that thou hast sent me. The glory which thou hast given me I have given to



them, that they may be one even as we are one, I in them and thou in me, that they may become perfectly one, so that the world may know that thou hast sent me and hast loved them even as thou hast loved me. Father, I desire that they also, whom thou hast given me, may be with me where I am, to behold my glory which thou hast given me in thy love for me before the foundation of the world. O righteous Father, the world has not known thee, but I have known thee; and these know that thou hast sent me. I made known to them thy name, and I will make it known, that the love with which thou hast loved me may be in them, and I in them."

ANTHEM At heaven's proclamation Jessica French
(b. 1984)

ARDENS mons, O burning mountain, O electe sol, O chosen sun, O perfecta luna, O perfect moon, O inestimabilis fons, O fathomless well, O claritas immodica, O clearness beyond all measure, O sapientia aeterna, O wisdom without end, O misericordia infinita, O mercy without all limit, O virtus ultra resistentiam, O strength beyond resistance, O excelsum ineffabilis, O unattainable height, O lux inaccessabilis, O unattainable light, O corona omnis majestatis. O crown of all majesty.

All creation humbly sings your praise: Bright stars, high mountains, Depths of the seas, rushing waters, All these break into song At heaven's proclamation: This is my son, my beloved, My chosen one. Alleluia!

Mechtild of Magdeburg (1207-1294)

The People stand.

RESPONSORY

The Officiant says

I saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God,

People prepared as a bride adorned for her husband.

And I heard a great voice from the throne, saying,

People 'Behold, the dwelling of God is among mortals.

He will dwell with them and they shall be his peoples,

People and God himself will be with them.

Behold, I make all things new:

People I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end.



To the thirsty I will give water as a gift *People* from the spring of the water of life.'

COLLECT

Let us pray.

GOD, who didst wonderfully create, and yet more wonderfully restore, the dignity of human nature: Grant that we may share the divine life of him who humbled himself to share our humanity, thy Son Jesus Christ; who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

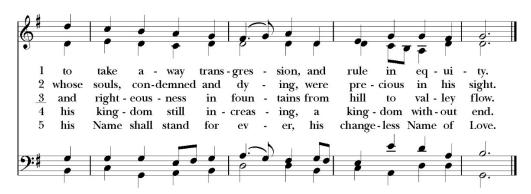
THE BLESSING

May Christ, the Son of God, be manifest in you, that your lives may be a light to the world; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. Amen.

HYMN

ES FLOG EIN KLEINS WALDVÖGELEIN





Hail to the Lord's Anointed, #616 from The Hymnal 1982 – Words: James Montgomery (1771-1854), para of Psalm 72. Music: Es flog ein kleins Waldvögelein, German folk song; adapt. and harm. A Student's Hymnal, 1923, after Henry Walford Davies (1869-1941).

VOLUNTARY

Star Fantasy: Alleluia Vidimus Stellam

Kristina Arakelyan (b. 1994)

90 PILGRIMS' COURSE 2024



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

The Pilgrims' Course explores the Christian Faith as the Episcopal Church has received it, and as Saint Thomas expresses it through its mission to worship, love, and serve our Lord Jesus Christ through the Anglican Tradition and our unique choral heritage. Classes are open to all and, each year, a number of parishioners attend to refresh their faith and support those who are new to the faith or to our community. The first class will commence on Wednesday, January 17 with the following subject:

God the Father: Creation, the Fall, and What It Means to Be "Made in God's Image."

A simple hot meal is available at 6:30pm, and the class runs from 7-8pm. Classes are hybrid, so if you cannot be present in-person, you can join us on-line.

To register please email: pilgrims@saintthomaschurch.org.



WORSHIP THIS WEEK

* indicates livestreamed.

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

Wednesday - Eve of the Confession of St. Peter 5:30 p.m. Festal Evensong* sung by the Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys

Thursday - The Confession of St. Peter 5:30 p.m. Solemn Eucharist* sung by the Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys

Friday 3 p.m. Contemplative Prayer

In the Resurrection Chapel

Saturday

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

Next Sunday: January 21, The Third Sunday after the Epiphany

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 Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys Sermon by Fr. Moretz

4 p.m. Festal Evensong for Christian Unity* sung by the Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys Sermon by The Rev. Richard Mullen, St. Thomas the Apostle Catholic Church, Washington, D.C.

PARISH NOTICES

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.

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 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.

Weekly Bible Study on Fridays at 1pm. 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.

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 Nora Thomson: nthomson@choirschool.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 more information, and to register your singer, contact RKellerman@SaintThomasChurch.org.