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SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2024 AT 4 P.M.  
HOLY CROSS DAY (TR.)

**SOLEMN EVENSONG AND BENEDICTION**  
SUNG BY THE SAINT THOMAS CHOIR OF MEN AND BOYS



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PRELUDE

Jésus accepte la souffrance from La Nativité du Seigneur

Olivier Messiaen  
(1908-1992)

'Wherefore when He cometh into the world, Christ saith to his Father:  
In burnt offerings and sacrifices for sin Thou hast had no pleasure,  
but a body hast Thou prepared me. Lo, I come.'

Letter of St. Paul to the Hebrews 10:5, 7

INTROIT

David Hill  
(b. 1957)

**P**RAISE our God, all you his servants.  
You who fear him, both small and great.  
Jesus Christ came and preached to us.  
Peace to you who were far off, and peace to those who were near.  
The kingdom of this world is become the kingdom of our Lord and of his Christ.  
And he shall reign for ever and ever. Alleluia.

Revelation 19:5; Mark 1:15; Ephesians 2:17; Revelation 11:15

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

HYMN

ENGELBERG

1 All praise to thee, for thou, O King di - vine,  
2 Thou cam'st to us in low - li - ness of thought;  
3 Let this mind be in us which was in thee,  
4 Where - fore, by God's e - ter - nal pur - pose, thou  
5 Let ev - ery tongue con - fess with one ac - cord

1 didst yield the glo - ry that of right was thine,  
2 by thee the out - cast and the poor were sought;  
3 who wast a ser - vant that we might be free,  
4 art high ex - alt - ed o'er all crea - tures now,  
5 in heaven and earth that Je - sus Christ is Lord;

1 that in our dark - ened hearts thy grace might shine.  
2 and by thy death was God's sal - va - tion wrought.  
3 hum - bling thy - self to death on Cal - va - ry.  
4 and given the Name to which all knees shall bow.  
5 and God the Fa - ther be by all a - dored.

Al - le - lu - ia! A - men.

All praise to thee, for thou, O King divine, #477 from The Hymnal 1982 – Words: F. Bland Tucker (1895-1984). Copyright © The Church Pension Fund.  
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VERSICLES AND RESPONSES

*Arthur Li  
(b. 2011)*

*The Officiant and Choir sing the opening responses.*

V. O Lord, open thou our lips.  
R. *And our mouth shall show forth thy praise.*

V. O God, make speed to save us.  
R. *O Lord, make haste to help us.*

V. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.  
R. *As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.*

V. Praise ye the Lord.  
R. *The Lord's Name be praised.*

*The People sit.*

WELCOME

PSALM 110

*Anglican Chant (Cutler)*

DIXIT DOMINUS

THE Lord said unto my Lord : Sit thou on my right hand,  
until I make thine enemies thy footstool.  
The Lord shall send the rod of thy power out of Sion :  
be thou ruler, even in the midst among thine enemies.  
In the day of thy power shall the people offer thee free-will offerings with an holy worship :  
the dew of thy birth is of the womb of the morning.  
The Lord sware, and will not repent : Thou art a priest for ever after the order of Melchisedech.  
The Lord upon thy right hand : shall wound even kings in the day of his wrath.  
He shall judge among the heathen; he shall fill the places with the dead bodies :  
and smite in sunder the heads over divers countries.  
He shall drink of the brook in the way : therefore shall he lift up his head.  
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.

PSALM 150

*Anglican Chant (Talbot)*

LAUDATE DOMINUM

O PRAISE God in his holiness : praise him in the firmament of his power.  
Praise him in his noble acts : praise him according to his excellent greatness.  
Praise him in the sound of the trumpet : praise him upon the lute and harp.  
Praise him in the cymbals and dances : praise him upon the strings and pipe.  
Praise him upon the well-tuned cymbals : praise him upon the loud cymbals.  
Let every thing that hath breath : praise the Lord.  
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.

FIRST LESSON

Isaiah 63:1-16

*The People stand for the Office Hymn and Magnificat.*



HYMN

O LUX BEATA TRINITAS

We sing the praise of him who died, Of him who  
 In - scribed up - on the Cross we see In shi - ning  
 The Cross! it takes our guilt a - way; It holds the  
 It makes the cow - ard spi - rit brave, And nerves the  
 The balm of life, the cure of woe, The mea - sure

died up - on the Cross; The sin - ner's hope let  
 let - ters, 'God is Love'; He bears our sins up -  
 faint - ing spi - rit up; It cheers with hope the  
 fee - ble arm for fight; It takes its ter - ror  
 and the pledge of love, The sin - ner's ref - uge

men de - ride, For this we count the world but loss.  
 - on the Tree; He brings us mer - cy from a - bove.  
 gloom - y day, And sweet - ens ev' - ry bit - ter cup.  
 from the grave, And gilds the bed of death with light;  
 here be - low, The ang - els' theme in heav'n a - bove.

*O Trinity of blessed light*, #30 from *The Hymnal 1982* – Words: Latin, 6<sup>th</sup> cent.; tr. John Mason Neale (1818-1866);  
 St. 3, Charles Coffin (1676-1749); tr. John Chandler (1806-1876). Music: *O lux beata Trinitas*, plainsong, Mode 8.

MAGNIFICAT IN B MINOR

Hugh Blair  
(1864-1932)

**M**Y SOUL doth magnify the Lord,  
 and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Savior.  
 For he hath regarded the lowliness of his handmaiden.  
 For behold from henceforth all generations shall call me blessed.  
 For he that is mighty hath magnified me, and holy is his Name.  
 And his mercy is on them that fear him throughout all generations.  
 He hath showed strength with his arm;  
 he hath scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts.  
 He hath put down the mighty from their seat, and hath exalted the humble and meek.  
 He hath filled the hungry with good things, and the rich he hath sent empty away.  
 He remembering his mercy hath holpen his servant Israel,  
 as he promised to our forefathers, Abraham and his seed for ever.



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 People sit.*

SECOND LESSON

1 Corinthians 1:18-25

*The People stand for the Nunc dimittis and the Creed.*

NUNC DIMITTIS IN B MINOR

*Hugh Blair*

**L**ORD, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace according to thy word.  
For mine eyes have seen thy salvation;  
Which thou hast prepared before the face of all people;  
To be a light to lighten the Gentiles, and to be the glory of thy people Israel.  
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 APOSTLES' CREED

**I** BELIEVE in God, the Father almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth:  
And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord:  
who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,  
born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, dead, and buried.  
He descended into hell.  
The third day he rose again from the dead.  
He ascended into heaven,  
and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father almighty.  
From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Ghost,  
the holy Catholick Church, the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.

THE PRAYERS

*Sung by the Choir*

℣. The Lord be with you.

℞. *And with thy spirit.*

*The People kneel.*

Let us pray.

℞. *Lord, have mercy upon us.*  
*Christ, have mercy upon us.*  
*Lord, have mercy upon us.*



*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. Amen.*

*℣. O Lord, shew thy mercy upon us.*

*℟. And grant us thy salvation.*

*℣. O Lord, save the State.*

*℟. And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.*

*℣. Endue thy Ministers with righteousness.*

*℟. And make thy chosen people joyful.*

*℣. O Lord, save thy people.*

*℟. And bless thine inheritance.*

*℣. Give peace in our time, O Lord.*

*℟. Because there is none other that fighteth for us, but only thou, O God.*

*℣. O God, make clean our hearts within us.*

*℟. And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.*

#### THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

**A**LMIGHTY God, whose Son our Savior Jesus Christ was lifted high upon the cross that he might draw the whole world unto himself: Mercifully grant that we, who glory in the mystery of our redemption, may have grace to take up our cross and follow him; who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, in glory everlasting. *Amen.*

#### THE COLLECT FOR PEACE

**O** GOD, from whom all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works do proceed: Give unto thy servants that peace which the world cannot give, that both our hearts may be set to obey thy commandments, and also that by thee, we, being defended from the fear of our enemies, may pass our time in rest and quietness; through the merits of Jesus Christ our Savior. *Amen.*

#### THE COLLECT FOR AID AGAINST ALL PERILS

**L**IGHTEN our darkness, we beseech thee, O Lord; and by thy great mercy defend us from all perils and dangers of this night; for the love of thy only Son, our Savior Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

*The People sit.*





ANTHEM AT THE OFFERTORY

*Sung by the choir*

*Sir Edward Elgar  
(1857-1934)*

**G**REAT is the Lord and greatly to be praised in the city of our God,  
in the mountain of his holiness. Beautiful in elevation, the joy of the whole earth,  
is mount Zion, on the sides of the north, the city of the great King.  
God hath made himself known in her palaces for a refuge.

For lo! the kings assembled themselves, they passed by together; they saw, then were they amazed;  
they were dismayed, they hastened away; trembling took hold of them there, pain as of a woman in  
travail, as with the east wind that breaketh the ships of Tarshish. As we have heard, so have we seen  
in the city of the Lord of hosts, in the city of our God: God will establish it for ever.

We have thought on thy loving kindness, O God, in the midst of thy temple: as is thy name, O  
God, so is thy praise unto the ends of the earth; thy right hand is full of righteousness.

Let mount Zion be glad, because of thy judgments, let the daughters of Judah rejoice; walk about  
Zion and go round about her, tell the towers thereof, mark ye well her bulwarks, consider her  
palaces, that ye may tell it to the generation following. For this God is our God for ever and ever;  
he will be our guide even unto death. Amen.

*Psalm 48*



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BENEDICTION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

EXPOSITION

The People stand. As the altar is prepared, this hymn is sung.

HYMN

CROSS OF JESUS

1 Cross of Je - sus, cross of sor - row, where the  
 2 Here the King of all the a - ges, throned in  
 3 O mys - ter - ious con - de - scend - ing! O a -  
 4 Cross of Je - sus, cross of sor - row, where the

blood of Christ was shed, per - fect Man on  
 light ere worlds could be, robed in mor - tal  
 ban - don - ment sub - lime! Ve - ry God him -  
 blood of Christ was shed, per - fect Man on

thee did suf - fer, per - fect God on thee has bled!  
 flesh is dy - ing, cru - ci - fied by sin for me.  
 self is bear - ing all the suf - fer - ings of time!  
 thee did suf - fer, per - fect God on thee has bled!

*Cross of Jesus, cross of sorrow*, #160 from *The Hymnal 1982* – Words: William J. Sparrow-Simpson (1860-1952).  
 Music: *Cross of Jesus*, John Stainer (1840-1901).

O SALUTARIS HOSTIA

Edward Elgar  
(1857-1934)

The People kneel when the bell rings as the Blessed Sacrament is brought to the altar.

**O** SALUTARIS hostia  
 quae caeli pandis ostium,  
 bella premunt hostilia:  
 da robur, fer auxilium.

O saving Victim, opening wide  
 the gate of heaven to man below,  
 our foes press on from every side,  
 thine aid supply, thy strength bestow.



Uni trinoque Domino  
Sit sempiterna gloria,  
Qui vitam sine termino  
Nobis donet in patria.

All praise and thanks to thee ascend  
for evermore, blest one in Three;  
O grant us life that shall not end  
in our true native land with thee.

Thomas Aquinas (1225-1274)

MEDITATION

*The People may sit or kneel during this extended period of prayer and devotion.*

SILENCE

ORGAN MEDITATION IX. Vexilla Regis from Le Tombeau de Titelouze, Op. 38

Marcel Dupré  
(1886-1971)

PRAYERS AND INTERCESSIONS

*The Minister says*

Let us pray.

*The People kneel. This response is used*

Lord, hear us,  
People **Lord, graciously hear us.**

*After a collect, the devotions end with*

Blessed, Praised, and Hallowed be Jesus Christ on his Throne of Glory.  
People **And in the Most Holy Sacrament of the Altar.**

TANTUM ERGO

Plainsong (Mode III)

TANTUM ergo sacramentum  
Veneremur cernui,  
Et antiquum documentum  
Novo cedat ritui  
Praestet fides supplementum  
Sensuum defectui.

Therefore we, before him bending,  
this great Sacrament revere;  
types and shadows have their ending,  
for the newer rite is here;  
faith, our outward sense befriending,  
makes our inward vision clear.

Genitori genitoque  
Laus et jubilatio,  
Salus honor virtus quoque  
Sit et benedictio.  
Precedenti ab utroque  
Compar sit laudatio.  
Amen.

Glory let us give, and blessing  
to the Father and the Son,  
honor, thanks, and praise addressing,  
while eternal ages run;  
ever too his love confessing,  
who from both with both is One.  
Amen.

Thomas Aquinas



*The Officiant sings*

Thou gavest them bread from heaven. Alleluia.

*People* **Containing within itself all sweetness. Alleluia.**

#### COLLECT

Let us pray.

**G**OD our Father, whose Son our Lord Jesus Christ in a wonderful Sacrament hath left unto us a memorial of his passion: Grant us so to venerate the sacred mysteries of his Body and Blood, that we may ever perceive within ourselves the fruit of his redemption; who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

#### BENEDICTION

*The Officiant blesses the People with the Blessed Sacrament.*

#### THE DIVINE PRAISES

*The People repeat each line after the Officiant*

**B**LESSED be God.  
Blessed be his holy Name.  
Blessed be Jesus Christ, true God and true Man.  
Blessed be the Name of Jesus.  
Blessed be his most Sacred Heart.  
Blessed be his most Precious Blood.  
Blessed be Jesus in the Most Holy Sacrament of the Altar.  
Blessed be the Holy Spirit, the Paraclete.  
Blessed be the great Mother of God, Mary most Holy.  
Blessed be the name of Mary, Virgin and Mother.  
Blessed be St. Joseph, her most chaste spouse.  
Blessed be God in his angels and in his saints.  
Blessed be God in the hearts of his faithful people.

*The Sacrament is reposed in the tabernacle. The People stand when the bell rings.*

#### PSALM 117

*Sung by the Choir*

*Jeffrey Smith  
(b. 1960)*

#### LAUDATE DOMINUM

*Antiphon* Let us adore for ever the Most Holy Sacrament.

**O** PRAISE the Lord, all ye heathen: praise him, all ye nations.  
For his merciful kindness is ever more and more towards us:  
and the truth of the Lord endureth for ever. Praise the Lord.  
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.

*Antiphon* Let us adore for ever the Most Holy Sacrament.

VOLUNTARY

I. Allegro Maestoso from Organ Sonata in G

*Sir Edward Elgar  
(1857-1934)*

The flowers today are offered to the glory of God and in memory of the following:  
*Florence D. Hafer, Margaret Crane Hurlbut, and Kathleen J. Williams*

## 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>

## WORSHIP THIS WEEK

\* indicates livestreamed.

**Monday – Friday**

12 p.m. Shrine Prayers\*

12:05 p.m. Holy Eucharist\*

**Tuesday – Hildegard of Bingen**

5:30 p.m. Choral Evensong\*

Followed by a short, said Mass

*sung by the Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys*

**Wednesday – Ember Day**

5:30 p.m. Choral Evensong\*

Followed by a short, said Mass

*sung by the Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys*

**Thursday – Theodore of Tarsus**

5:30 p.m. Choral Evensong\*

Followed by a short, said Mass

*sung by the Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys*

**Saturday – Saint Matthew**

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

*Confessor: Mo. Turner*

12 p.m. Shrine Prayers\*

12:05 p.m. Holy Eucharist\*

Next Sunday: September 22, Pentecost 18

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. Schultz

4 p.m. Festal Evensong\*

*sung by the Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys*

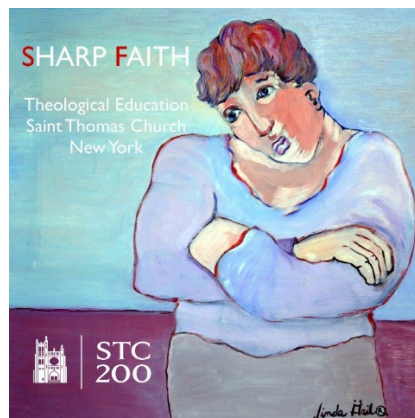
Sermon by Mo. Lee-Pae

5:15 p.m. Sunday Recital Series

*Clara Gerdes, New York, NY*

The Saint Thomas Theological Education Program 2024-25 resumes today at 10 a.m. 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:



## PARISH NOTICES

**Children and Family Ministries:** CFM Registration is now open. Please register your children on the church website for the 2024-2025 CFM Program Year. Sunday School (ages 3-10) and Faith Alive (10-14+) meet 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](mailto:childrenandfamilies@saintthomaschurch.org).

The **Noble Singers**, our parish children's choir for singers ages 5-14+, under the direction of Mrs. Rebecca Kellerman-Filsell, is now accepting new choristers. The choir rehearses weekly on Thursdays and Fridays from 4:15 - 5:15 pm. Choristers select one rehearsal to attend and sing at the 9 am Sung Eucharist on Sundays during the program year. No audition is necessary, just enthusiasm and a love of music! For more information, and to register your singer, contact [Rkellerman@saintthomaschurch.org](mailto:Rkellerman@saintthomaschurch.org).

Join us on Saturday, September 28 at 3 pm 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](mailto:concerts@saintthomaschurch.org) or visit <https://www.saintthomaschurch.org/music/concerts>. Support *Concerts at Saint Thomas* by becoming a *Friend of Music*. To make a donation, please call 212-664-9360.

**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.

**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.

**Contemplative Prayer** takes place on Fridays at 3pm in the Resurrection Chapel. You are welcome to join this sacred time of silent prayer and quiet praise in the presence of God. The service includes Taize Songs, Centering Prayer, and Lectio-Divina, and is led by Mo. Prisca Lee-Pae. For more information, please contact Mo. Lee-Pae at [Pleepae@saintthomaschurch.org](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto:Lgioia@saintthomaschurch.org).