



Washington Street near Broadway

THE FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT

2 April 2017

7:30 am - Morning Prayer

8:00 am - Holy Eucharist

10:00 am - Sung Eucharist

Please switch off all cellular telephones, Blackberries, and other electronic devices before the Liturgy begins. Also, kindly refrain from audible conversation to respect those wishing to pray and listen to the organ prelude. Thank you.

ORGAN - *A Solemn Prelude*

J. S. Bach (1685-1750)

THE ENTRANCE RITE

HYMN 71, 1st Tune – *Herzliebster Jesu*

KYRIE ELEISON *from Mass for Four Voices, sung by the choir*

William Byrd (1543-1623)

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

O Almighty God, who alone canst order the unruly wills and affections of sinful men: Grant unto thy people that they may love the thing which thou commandest, and desire that which thou doest promise; that so, among the sundry and manifold changes of the world, our hearts may surely there be fixed where true joys are to be found; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. ***Amen.***

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

THE FIRST LESSON - *A Reading from the Book of Ezekiel*

The hand of the Lord came upon me, and he brought me out by the spirit of the Lord and set me down in the middle of a valley; it was full of bones. He led me all around them; there were very many lying in the valley, and they were very dry. He said to me, "Mortal, can these bones live?" I answered, "O Lord God, you know." Then he said to me, "Prophesy to these bones, and say to them: O dry bones, hear the word of the Lord. Thus says the Lord God to these bones: I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live. I will lay sinews on you, and will cause flesh to come upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and you shall live; and you shall know that I am the Lord." So I prophesied as I had been commanded; and as I prophesied, suddenly there was a noise, a rattling, and the bones came together, bone to its bone. I looked, and there were sinews on them, and flesh had come upon them, and skin had covered them; but there was no breath in them. Then he said to me, "Prophesy to the breath, prophesy, mortal, and say to the breath: Thus says the Lord God: Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe upon these slain, that they may live." I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived, and stood on their feet, a vast multitude. Then he said to me, "Mortal, these bones are the whole house of Israel. They say, 'Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are cut off completely.' Therefore prophesy, and say to them, Thus says the Lord God: I am going to open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people; and I will bring you back to the land of Israel. And you shall know that I am the Lord, when I open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people. I will put my spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you on your own soil; then you shall know that I, the Lord, have spoken and will act," says the Lord. (37:1-14)

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL - *De profundis*

- 1 Out of the depths have I called to you, O Lord;
Lord, hear my voice; *
let your ears consider well the voice of my supplication.
- 2 If you, Lord, were to note what is done amiss, *
O Lord, who could stand?
- 3 For there is forgiveness with you; *
therefore you shall be feared.
- 4 I wait for the Lord; my soul waits for him; *
in his word is my hope.

- 5 My soul waits for the Lord,
 more than watchmen for the morning, *
 more than watchmen for the morning.
- 6 O Israel, wait for the Lord, *
 for with the Lord there is mercy;
- 7 With him there is plenteous redemption, *
 and he shall redeem Israel from all their sins.

Text: *Psalm 130*

Music: Anglican Chant, C. Hylton Stewart (1884-1932)

THE SECOND LESSON - *A Reading from the Letter of Paul to the Romans*

To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. For this reason the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law — indeed it cannot, and those who are in the flesh cannot please God. But you are not in the flesh; you are in the Spirit, since the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. But if Christ is in you, though the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also through his Spirit that dwells in you. (8:6-11)

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

TRACT: HYMN 323 – *Holy Name*

The people stand and turn to face the Book of Gospels

THE HOLY GOSPEL of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John

People Glory be to thee, O Lord.

Now a certain man was ill, Lazarus of Bethany, the village of Mary and her sister Martha. Mary was the one who anointed the Lord with perfume and wiped his feet with her hair; her brother Lazarus was ill. So the sisters sent a message to Jesus, “Lord, he whom you love is ill.” But when Jesus heard it, he said, “This illness does not lead to death; rather it is for God’s glory, so that the Son of God may be glorified through it.” Accordingly, though Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus, after having heard that Lazarus was ill, he stayed two days longer in the place where he was. Then after this he said to the disciples, “Let us go to Jude again.” The disciples said to him, “Rabbi, the Jews were just now trying to stone you, and are you going there again?” Jesus answered, “Are there not twelve hours of daylight? Those who walk during the day do not stumble, because they see the light of this world. But those who walk at night stumble, because the light is not in

them.” After saying this, he told them, “Our friend Lazarus has fallen asleep, but I am going there to awaken him.” The disciples said to him, “Lord, if he has fallen asleep, he will be all right.” Jesus, however, had been speaking about his death, but they thought that he was referring merely to sleep. Then Jesus told them plainly, “Lazarus is dead. For your sake I am glad I was not there, so that you may believe. But let us go to him.” Thomas, who was called the Twin, said to his fellow disciples, “Let us also go, that we may die with him.” When Jesus arrived, he found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb four days. Now Bethany was near Jerusalem, some two miles away, and many of the Jews had come to Martha and Mary to console them about their brother. When Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went and met him, while Mary stayed at home. Martha said to Jesus, “Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. But even now I know that God will give you whatever you ask of him.” Jesus said to her, “Your brother will rise again.” Martha said to him, “I know that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day.” Jesus said to her, “I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?” She said to him, “Yes, Lord, I believe that you are the Messiah, the Son of God, the one coming into the world.” When she had said this, she went back and called her sister Mary, and told her privately, “The Teacher is here and is calling for you.” And when she heard it, she got up quickly and went to him. Now Jesus had not yet come to the village, but was still at the place where Martha had met him. The Jews who were with her in the house, consoling her, saw Mary get up quickly and go out. They followed her because they thought that she was going to the tomb to weep there. When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him, “Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died.” When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. He said, “Where have you laid him?” They said to him, “Lord, come and see.” Jesus began to weep. So the Jews said, “See how he loved him!” But some of them said, “Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?” Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. Jesus said, “Take away the stone.” Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, “Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead four days.” Jesus said to her, “Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?” So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upward and said, “Father, I thank you for having heard me. I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me.” When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, “Lazarus, come out!” The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth, and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, “Unbind him, and let him go.” Many of the Jews therefore, who had come with Mary and had seen what Jesus did, believed in him.

(11:1-45)

Assisting Priest The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise be to thee, O Christ.

THE SERMON

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Prayer Book, page 327

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Celebrant Let us offer our fervent prayers to the living God, who makes us fully alive in Christ Jesus.

Assisting Priest That the ministers of the Church, especially Justin, the Archbishop of Canterbury; Francis, the Bishop of Rome; Bartholomew, the Ecumenical Patriarch; Michael, our Presiding Bishop; William, our Diocesan; Daniel and David, our Assisting Bishops; and Marshall and Paul, our Priests, will know the Spirit's power in their self-sacrifice,

let us pray to the Lord:

Lord, hear our prayer.

That those who are preparing for baptism will know the Spirit's faithfulness in their commitment to Christ,

let us pray to the Lord:

Lord, hear our prayer.

That the citizens of this and every land will know the Spirit's peace in their pursuit of justice,

let us pray to the Lord:

Lord, hear our prayer.

That we will know the Spirit's goodness in our prayer, fasting, and works of charity,

let us pray to the Lord:

Lord, hear our prayer.

That those who have died, will know the Spirit's joy in eternal life,

let us pray to the Lord:

Lord, hear our prayer.

Celebrant God of the living, your Son raised Lazarus from death as a sign that he came to give us life in fullest measure. By your Holy Spirit, fill us with life. Renew our faith, hope, and love, so that we may live with you always, and come to share the glory of the resurrection. We ask this through Christ our Lord. ***Amen.***

Celebrant and People

Lord Jesus Christ, when you come among us, you proclaim the Kingdom of God in this and every place: Grant that your presence and power will make this parish church a home of spiritual refreshment and healing. We acknowledge our thankfulness to you for the generosity of those who have and continue to support our Capital Campaign. Open our loving hearts so that our mission may prosper and your Name be glorified. This we ask through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

CONFESSION OF SIN

Assisting Priest Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God

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 concludes with an Absolution.

THE PEACE

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And with thy spirit.**

THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

ANTHEM - *Christus factus est*

Christus factus est pro nobis
obediens usque ad mortem,
mortem autem crucis.
Propter quod et Deus
exaltavit illum,
et dedit illi nomen,
quod est super omne nomen.

*Christ became for us
obedient unto death,
even the death of the cross.
Wherefore God also hath highly
exalted him,
and hath given him a name
which is above every name.*

Words: *Philippians 2:8,9*

Music: Anton Bruckner (1824-1896)

HYMN - *St. Fulbert*

1 I love thee, Lord, but not be-cause I hope for heaven there - by,
2 but for that thou didst all the world up - on the cross em - brace;
3 and griefs and tor - ments num - ber - less, and sweat of a - gon - y;
4 Then why, most lov - ing Je - sus Christ, should I not love thee well,
5 not with the hope of gain - ing aught, not seek - ing a re - ward;

1 nor yet for fear that lov - ing not I might for ev - er die;
2 for us didst bear the nails and spear, and man - i - fold dis - grace,
3 e'en death it - self; and all for one who was thine en - e - my.
4 not for the sake of win - ning heaven, nor an - y fear of hell;
5 but as thy - self hast lov - ed me, O ev - er - lov - ing Lord!

6 E'en so I love thee, and will love,
and in thy praise will sing,
solely because thou art my God
and my eternal King.

Words: Spanish, 17th cent.; tr. Edward Caswall (1814-1878)

Music: Henry John Gauntlett (1805-1876)

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THE GREAT THANKSGIVING, *Eucharistic Prayer I*

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PROPER PREFACE OF LENT

Who dost bid thy faithful people cleanse their hearts, and prepare with joy for the Paschal feast; that, fervent in prayer and in works of mercy, and renewed by the Word and Sacraments, they may come to the fullness of grace which thou hast prepared for those who love thee.

SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS QUI VENIT, *sung by all*



Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord God of hosts,
Hea-ven and earth are full of thy glo-ry: Glo-ry be to thee, O Lord Most High.
Bless-ed is he that com-eth in the Name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the High-est.

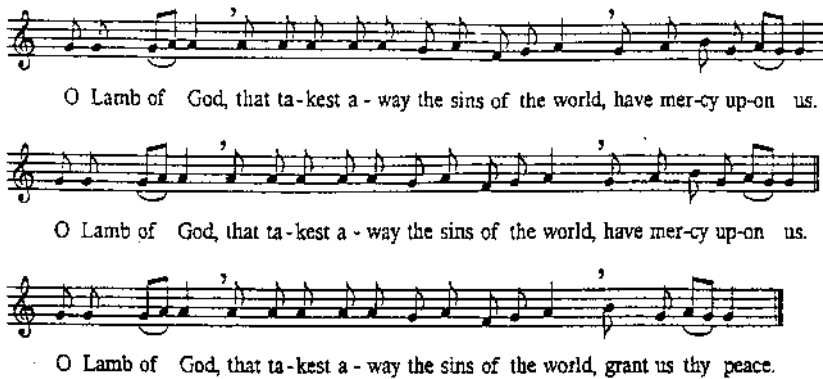
OUR FATHER

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THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

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AGNUS DEI, *sung by all*



O Lamb of God, that ta-kest a - way the sins of the world, have mer-cy up-on us.
O Lamb of God, that ta-kest a - way the sins of the world, have mer-cy up-on us.
O Lamb of God, that ta-kest a - way the sins of the world, grant us thy peace.

PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS, *said by all*

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MINISTRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION

MOTET - *A Litany*

Drop slow tears and bathe those beauteous feet
which brought from heaven the news and Prince of Peace,
Cease not wet eyes His mercy to entreat
To cry for vengeance, sin doth never cease.
Drop slow tears in your deep flood
Drown all my faults and fears
Nor let His eye see sin,
But through my tears.

Words: Phineas Fletcher (1582-1650)
Music: William Walton (1902-1983)

THE CONCLUDING RITE

POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

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PRAYER OVER THE PEOPLE

Assisting Priest Bow down before the Lord.

The people kneel and the Celebrant says

Look with compassion, O Lord, upon this thy people; that, rightly observing this holy season, they may learn to know thee more fully, and to serve thee with a more perfect will; through Christ our Lord. ***Amen.***

DISMISSAL

Assisting Priest

Let us bless the Lord.

People

Thanks be to God.

HYMN 522 - *Bohemian Brethren*

ORGAN - *Postlude*

Johannes Brahms (1833-1897)

WORSHIPING THIS MORNING

We welcome all visitors to Bethesda. Please identify yourself to the clergy and sign the Register in the narthex, located next to the vestibule door.

Large print copies of the service leaflet are available. An usher would be happy to assist you.

A wheelchair, located near the handicap lift in the vestibule, is available to those who require it.

Please join us for COFFEE HOUR in the Narthex, of the former Van Dam Hotel, immediately following the ten o'clock liturgy.

ASSISTING AT OUR LITURGIES TODAY

	<i>8:00 am</i>	<i>10:00 am</i>
<i>Celebrant</i>	Dean Vang	Dean Vang
<i>Assisting Priest</i>		Father Evans
<i>Lay Eucharistic Minister[s]</i>	Sean Byrnes Robert Bullock	Robert Bullock Sean Byrnes
<i>Lay Eucharistic Visitor</i>	Sean Byrnes	
<i>Bell Ringers</i>		Kathleen Anspach Steve Rucker
<i>Lectors</i>	Robert Bullock	Katie Hooper Anne Van Acker
<i>Ushers & Greeters</i>		John Van der Veer Frederick Scheidt Douglas Huston Christopher Lyons

NOTICES

In our INTERCESSIONS FOR THE CHURCH today, we pray for
Anglican Communion The Church in Mityana, Uganda
Diocese of Albany Christ Church, Gilbertsville
Our Parish Building Committee

A basket in the vestibule awaits your contributions of hygiene products to Economic Opportunity Council (EOC). These are taken monthly to assist those in need. Your assistance is gratefully appreciated.

Office Hours: The PARISH OFFICES are open from 9 a.m. until 2 p.m., *Monday through Thursday*, and 9 a.m. until 12:30 p.m. on *Friday*.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION at BETHESDA, 2016-2017, is available at the rear of the nave.

FORWARD DAY BY DAY for February through April is available in the back of the Church.

THANK OFFERING OPPORTUNITY: If you would like to make an offering of flowers or Eucharistic Elements, please contact the Parish Office by phone (584-5980) or email (barbara@bethesdachurch.org). Your gift is appreciated by all.

Anyone interested in being a COFFEE HOUR HOST can either email Sara Manny saramanny@gmail.com or call the church office. In addition, there is a sign-up sheet in the narthex of the church. Thank you in advance to all who can help!

EASTER FLOWER MEMORIAL envelopes are available in the back of the Church. Please return them to the office no later than Wednesday, April 5th.

THE MAUNDY THURSDAY WATCH sign-up sheet awaits your signature in the Narthex. The Watch begins at the conclusion of the 7:00 p.m. Liturgy and concludes before the Solemn Liturgy of Our Lord's Passion and Death on Good Friday.

BUILDING COMMITTEE NEWS

CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS

Bethesda's historic church is receiving renewed recognition, as we prepare to apply for restoration grants. Volunteers are needed to help us make the most of two opportunities. Please sign up in the Narthex and/or contact Sharon Boyd at 518-852-2348 if you are interested in helping on either date.

Saturday, May 13, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saratoga Springs Preservation Foundation's Historic House Tour. Bethesda is not only included this year, but featured. We will be the site of the Tour's special "Lunch and Learn" event, with a talk about the church's history and restoration plans. We need members to help with the event. Docents to guide visitors through the church, minders for the areas near the altar, gallery and bells, a sales table for CDs, set up, tidy up. We expect hundreds of visitors for this day-long event.

Saturday May 20 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Sunday May 21 from 7:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. New York Landmarks Conservancy Sacred Sites Open House. This event is organized by the New York City-based NYLC, and will be a wonderful opportunity for visitors who have never seen Bethesda to do so. Bethesda, quite literally, will be on the map! We are offering guided and self-guided tours, an informal talk, music and CD sales. The theme of this year's NYLC tour is stained glass, so our impending improvements to the North-facing windows will be a feature for the restoration-minded visitors. NYLC funded the condition assessment we commissioned and completed in 2015.

MORE NEWS!! Bethesda has recently corrected an oversight of years of yore. We have now been listed as a contributing element to the Saratoga Springs National Register Historic District. This recognition will greatly assist Bethesda in qualifying for restoration funding from New York State and other sources.

THIS WEEK AT BETHESDA

April 3-9

Monday <i>Lenten Weekday</i> <i>(Richard of Chichester)</i>	
Tuesday <i>Lenten Weekday</i>	6:30 p.m. - Holy Eucharist <i>High Altar</i>
Wednesday <i>Lenten Weekday</i>	12:10 p.m. - Holy Eucharist with Healing <i>Transcept Altar</i>
Thursday <i>Lenten Weekday</i>	9:30 a.m. - Holy Eucharist <i>Home of the Good Shepherd, Saratoga Springs</i>
Friday <i>Lenten Weekday</i>	
Saturday <i>Lenten Weekday</i> <i>(William Augustus Muhlenberg)</i>	
Sunday <i>THE SUNDAY OF THE PASSION: PALM SUNDAY</i>	7:30 a.m. - Morning Prayer <i>Transcept Altar</i> 8:00 a.m. - Holy Eucharist <i>High Altar</i> 9:00 a.m. - Choir Rehearsal <i>Choir Room</i> 10:00 a.m. - Solemn Eucharist <i>High Altar</i> <i>Church School rear of nave</i> <i>Coffee Hour Empire Room, former Van Dam Hotel</i>

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