



**Washington Street near Broadway**

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**THE EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**  
**8:00 am—Holy Eucharist**

**18 September 2016**  
**10:00 am—Sung Eucharist**

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*Please switch off all cellular telephones, 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** - *Reflections on Draw Nigh*

David White (b.1944)

**THE ENTRANCE RITE**

**HYMN 155** – *Melcombe*

**COLLECT FOR PURITY**

*Prayer Book, page 323*

**GLORIA IN EXCELSIS** (*Hymnal 713*)

*Prayer Book, page 324*

**THE COLLECT OF THE DAY**

Grant us, O Lord, not to mind earthly things, but to love things heavenly; and even now, while we are placed among things that are passing away, to cleave to those that shall abide; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

## THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

### THE FIRST LESSON — *A Reading from the Book of Amos*

Hear this, you that trample on the needy, and bring to ruin the poor of the land, saying, "When will the new moon be over so that we may sell grain; and the sabbath, so that we may offer wheat for sale? We will make the ephah small and the shekel great, and practice deceit with false balances, buying the poor for silver and the needy for a pair of sandals, and selling the sweepings of the wheat." The Lord has sworn by the pride of Jacob: Surely I will never forget any of their deeds. (8:4-7)

*Lector* The Word of the Lord.

*People* Thanks be to God.

### GRADUAL - *Laudate, pueri*

1 Hallelujah!

Give praise, you servants of the Lord; \*  
praise the Name of the Lord.

2 Let the Name of the Lord be blessed, \*  
from this time forth for evermore.

3 From the rising of the sun to its going down \*  
let the Name of the Lord be praised.

4 The Lord is high above all nations, \*  
and his glory above the heavens.

5 Who is like the Lord our God, who sits enthroned on high \*  
but stoops to behold the heavens and the earth?

6 He takes up the weak out of the dust \*  
and lifts up the poor from the ashes.

7 He sets them with the princes, \*  
with the princes of his people.

8 He makes the woman of a childless house \*  
to be a joyful mother of children.

Words: *Psalm 113*

Music: James Turle (1802-1882)

### THE SECOND LESSON — *A Reading from the First Letter of Paul to Timothy*

First of all, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for everyone, for kings and all who are in high positions, so that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and dignity. This is right and is acceptable in the sight of God our Savior, who desires everyone to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. For there is one God; there is also one mediator between God and humankind,

Christ Jesus, himself human, who gave himself a ransom for all — this was attested at the right time. For this I was appointed a herald and an apostle (I am telling the truth, I am not lying), a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth. (2:1-7)

*Lector* The Word of the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

**SEQUENCE, HYMN 535** — *Festal Song*

*The people stand and turn to face the Book of Gospels*

**THE HOLY GOSPEL** *of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke*

*People* **Glory be to thee, O Lord.**

Jesus said to the disciples, "There was a rich man who had a manager, and charges were brought to him that this man was squandering his property. So he summoned him and said to him, 'What is this that I hear about you? Give me an accounting of your management, because you cannot be my manager any longer.' Then the manager said to himself, 'What will I do, now that my master is taking the position away from me? I am not strong enough to dig, and I am ashamed to beg. I have decided what to do so that, when I am dismissed as manager, people may welcome me into their homes.' So, summoning his master's debtors one by one, he asked the first, 'How much do you owe my master?' He answered, 'A hundred jugs of olive oil.' He said to him, 'Take your bill, sit down quickly, and make it fifty.' Then he asked another, 'And how much do you owe?' He replied, 'A hundred containers of wheat.' He said to him, 'Take your bill and make it eighty.' And his master commended the dishonest manager because he had acted shrewdly; for the children of this age are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than are the children of light. And I tell you, make friends for yourselves by means of dishonest wealth so that when it is gone, they may welcome you into the eternal homes. Whoever is faithful in a very little is faithful also in much; and whoever is dishonest in a very little is dishonest also in much. If then you have not been faithful with the dishonest wealth, who will entrust to you the true riches? And if you have not been faithful with what belongs to another, who will give you what is your own? No slave can serve two masters; for a slave will either hate the one and love the other, or be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and wealth." (16:1-13)

*Celebrant* The Gospel of the Lord.

*People* **Praise be to thee, O Christ.**

**THE SERMON**

Dean Vang

**THE NICENE CREED**

*Prayer Book, page 327*

## THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*Celebrant* The Lord Jesus presents our needs to God and protects those who dwell in him. Let us ask him to unite us in his peace as we pray in his name.

### *Assisting Priest*

That leaders of the Church, especially Justin, the Archbishop of Canterbury; Michael, our Presiding Bishop; William, our Diocesan; Daniel and David, our Assisting Bishops; and Marshall and Paul, our Priests; will receive the Lord's guidance in their ministry,

Let us pray to the Lord,

***Lord, hear our prayer.***

That leaders of governments and those in authority will imitate the Lord's love for justice in their words and deeds,

Let us pray to the Lord,

***Lord, hear our prayer.***

That victims of domestic and gang violence will enjoy the Lord's healing in their need,

Let us pray to the Lord,

***Lord, hear our prayer.***

That we who worship here will live in the power of the Lord's truth,

Let us pray to the Lord,

***Lord, hear our prayer.***

That those who have died will rejoice in the Lord's salvation in heaven, together with the ever-blessed Virgin Mary and all the saints,

Let us pray to the Lord,

***Lord, hear our prayer.***

Lord God, maker of heaven and earth, we raise our hands and hearts to you in fervent prayer. In your love, guard us from every danger and grant us your salvation. 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. Continue to 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**

*Celebrant* 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**

Henry Purcell (1659-1695)

Remember, not, Lord, our offences, nor the offences of our forefathers;  
spare Thy people, whom Thou hast redeemed with Thy precious blood,  
and be not angry with us for ever. Spare us, good Lord

Words: Thomas Cranmer (1489-1556)

**HYMN 267** — *Regent Square*

**THE GREAT THANKSGIVING**, *Eucharistic Prayer II* ***Prayer Book*, page 340**

### **PROPER PREFACE OF THE LORD'S DAY**

Through Jesus Christ our Lord; who on the first day of the week overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.

**SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS QUI VENIT** (*Hymnal 797*)      *Prayer Book, page 334*

**OUR FATHER**      *Prayer Book, page 336*

**THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD: PASCHA NOSTRUM**  
*Prayer Book, page 337*

**PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS**      *Prayer Book, page 337*

**MINISTRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION**

**AGNUS DEI** *from Missa Brevis*      Lennox Berkley (1903-1989)

**MOTET**      William Byrd (1540-1623)

Ave verum corpus,  
natum de Maria Virgine;  
vere passum immolatum  
in cruce pro homine;  
cujus latus perforatum  
cum sanguine;  
esto nobis praegustatum in mortis examine.  
O dulcis, O pie, O Jesu Fili Mariae;  
miserere mei. Amen

*Hail, true Body,  
born of the Virgin Mary  
thou who truly suffered,  
sacrificed on the cross for mankind  
from whose pierced side unda fluxit  
flowed water with blood.  
Be to us a foretaste in the trial of death.  
O Jesus, Son O Mary,  
Have mercy on me. Amen.*

Words: Pope Innocent VI

**THE CONCLUDING RITE**

**POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER**      *Prayer Book, page 339*

**BLESSING**      *Prayer Book, page 339*

**DISMISSAL**

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

**HYMN 393** — *St. Catherine*

**ORGAN - Fuge**      Max Reger (1873-1916)

## 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 at the Empire Room, 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
<i>Lay Eucharistic Visitor[s]</i>		Virgina McMorris
<i>Altar Guild</i>	Pam Houde	Christine Miller
<i>Bell Ringers</i>		Denise Limoli Mayumi Kato
<i>Lectors</i>	Lynne Priestley	Genna Henderson Ed Peticolas
<i>Ushers &amp; Greeters</i>		Thomas Moeller Richard Wissler Mark Claverie
<i>Hospitality Host[s]</i>		Diane Robinson Emily & Tom Pick

## NOTICES

In our INTERCESSIONS FOR THE CHURCH today, we pray for  
*Anglican Communion*    The Episcopal Church  
*Diocese of Albany*      For a blessing on our youth  
*Our Parish*                The Vestry

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 in gratefully appreciated.

Office Hours: The PARISH OFFICES are open from 9 a.m. until 1 p.m., *Monday through Thursday*, and 9 a.m. until noon on *Friday*.

The DEADLINE for submitting notices for each Sunday's bulletin is noon on Wednesday. Your cooperation will be gratefully appreciated.

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

FORWARD DAY BY DAY for August through October is available in the back of the Church.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PREPARATION begins this Wednesday at 4:30pm in the Parish House. A parent must accompany a child.

The VESTRY of the Parish meets on Wednesday, September 21, at 7 p.m. in the Parish House.

THANK OFFERING OPPORTUNITY: Did you know you have the opportunity weekly to have flowers placed on the Altar in Memory or in Honor of someone? If you would like to make such an offering, please contact the Parish Office by phone (584-5980) or email ([barbara@bethesdachurch.org](mailto:barbara@bethesdachurch.org)). Your gift is appreciated by all. The following Sundays remain available: 9-25.

EUCCHARISTIC ELEMENTS: Memorial or thank offerings for bread and altar wine are usually given on a monthly basis and cover such expenses both at Bethesda as well as the Homes of the Good Shepherd in Saratoga Springs and Wilton. A gift of \$25 is requested. Please notify the parish office no later than one week before the end of each month. A gift of elements is needed for September.



Anyone interested in being a COFFEE HOUR HOST can either email Sara Manny (saramanny@gmail.com) or call the church office. Thank you in advance to all who can help!

### **BIBLE SYMPOSIUM**

The Cathedral of All Saints in Albany will present its 2016 Bible Symposium on Saturday, September 24 with the Very Rev. Dr. John Behr, the Dean and Professor of patristics at St. Vladimir's Seminary in the Bronx, teaching on "Finding Christ in the Scriptures". Coffee and danish will be served starting at 8:00 a.m. Fr. Behr's talks are at 9:00 a.m., 10:30 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. Lunch will be served at noon. The cost for the Symposium, snacks, and lunch is \$20. Please purchase your tickets in advance at

<http://biblesymposium.brownpapertickets.com>

Following the Bible Symposium, at 3:00 p.m., there will be an ecumenical service of prayer and healing to celebrate the Feast of Our Lady of Walsingham. Fr. Behr will also be the preacher at this service. All are welcome to attend this service of prayer and healing, for which there is no charge.

### **THE BLESSING OF PETS**

in honor of Saint Francis of Assisi  
Saturday, October 1st, at 11 a.m.  
in the Churchyard.  
All are invited.

### **CHORAL EVENSONG**

on the  
Feast of the Dedication of the Church,  
Sunday, October 2nd, at 3 p.m.,  
Reception following.  
All are invited.

## **CAPITAL CAMPAIGN NEWS**

If you are visiting for the first time, or are new to Bethesda, here is your chance to learn about our building plans and capital campaign.

Child care and community-based services will be the theme of Bethesda's New Parish House and Community Center, planned for the lot adjacent to the church immediately to the west. The services housed will provide early childhood education to children from low income families, day care for working parents (fee based on ability to pay) and other community focused services.

The facility will also include a large fellowship and dining hall, parish offices, and music training center. Seed money from the sale of our old Parish House and Rectory, property near Saratoga Lake, bequests, pledges and donations are making this possible, but pledges and donations from the parish and friends of Bethesda have made the biggest difference.

Architectural renderings are on an easel in the Narthex. Pledge and donation packages are available at the back of the church. Questions may be directed to Dean Vang, or to Mary Withington and Gordon Boyd, co-chairs of the Capital Campaign.

## **MORNING PRAYER RETURNS to Bethesda's Worship Schedule**

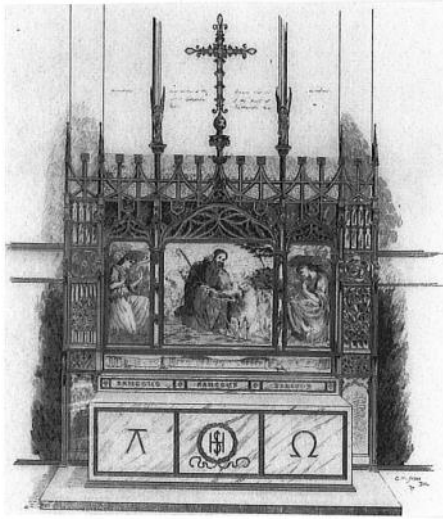
The recitation of the Daily Office, be it Morning Prayer and/or Evening Prayer, remains a hallmark of Anglican worship. Since Bethesda's earliest days, the public offering of these liturgies, highly scriptural in content, brought a monastic tradition to the life of a parish church. This was especially true in the late 1800's and the early decades of the twentieth century. Sunday Evening Prayer, often sung with the choir, attracted large congregations of worshipers during these times. A sermon was also featured, so those who were unable to attend morning liturgies were able to sanctify the Lord's Day in the afternoon. Members of other Saratoga Springs' congregations found a new home here.

The scheduling of the Daily Office will expand over the months ahead. If you would be interested in serving as an Officiant, please contact Dean Vang.

## THIS WEEK AT BETHESDA

*September 19 - 25*

Monday <i>Theodore of Tarsus</i>	
Tuesday <i>John Coleridge Patteson</i>	6:30 p.m. - Holy Eucharist <i>High Altar</i>
Wednesday <i>SAINT MATTHEW, APOSTLE AND EVANGELIST</i>	9:30 a.m. - Holy Eucharist <i>Home of the Good Shepherd, Wilton</i> 12:10 p.m. - Holy Eucharist with Healing <i>Transcept Altar:</i> 4:30p.m. - First Holy Communion Class <i>Parish House</i> 7:00pm - Meeting of the Vestry, <i>Parish House</i>
Thursday <i>Feria</i>	9:30 a.m. - Holy Eucharist <i>Home of the Good Shepherd, Saratoga Springs</i>
Friday <i>Feria</i>	
Saturday <i>Our Lady of Walsingham</i>	9:00 a.m. - Bible Symposium <i>Cathedral of All Saints, Albany</i>
Sunday <i>THE NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST</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. - Sung Eucharist <i>Church School rear of nave</i> Coffee Hour <i>Empire Room, former Van Dam Hotel</i>



## THE PARISH VESTRY

### Churchwardens

*Class of 2016*

Darren Miller, *Senior Churchwarden*

*Class of 2017*

Catherine Berheide, *Junior Churchwarden*

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*Class of 2016*

Denise Limoli

Sara Manny

Mary Withington

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Geneva Henderson

The Very Reverend Marshall J. Vang, *Interim Rector*

The Reverend Paul F. Evans, *Assisting Priest*

Mrs. Barbara Latzko, *Parish Administrative Assistant*

Mr. Farrell Goehring, *Organist/Director of Music*

Dr. Kathleen Slezak, *Choral Director*

Mr. Robert E. Bullock, *Verger*

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