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**THE HOLY NAME OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST**                      **1 January 2017**  
**9:00 am—Holy Eucharist with Hymns**

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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 - *Lo! We Have Seen His Star***    John M. Rasley (b.1913)

**THE ENTRANCE RITE**

**HYMN 356, 1<sup>st</sup> Tune - *King's Weston***

**COLLECT FOR PURITY**    *Prayer Book, page 323*

**GLORIA IN EXCELSIS**    *Prayer Book, page 324*

**THE COLLECT OF THE DAY**

Eternal Father, who didst give to thine incarnate Son the holy name of Jesus to be the sign of our salvation: Plant in every heart, we beseech thee, the love of him who is the Savior of the world, even our Lord Jesus Christ; who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, in glory everlasting. *Amen.*

## THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

### THE FIRST LESSON - *A Reading from the Book of Numbers*

The Lord spoke to Moses, saying: Speak to Aaron and his sons, saying, Thus you shall bless the Israelites: You shall say to them, The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make his face to shine upon you, and be gracious to you; the Lord lift up his countenance upon you, and give you peace. So they shall put my name on the Israelites, and I will bless them. (6:22-27)

*Lector* The Word of the Lord.

*People Thanks be to God.*

### GRADUAL — *Domine, Dominus noster*

- 1 O Lord our Governor, \*  
how exalted is your Name in all the world!
- 2 Out of the mouths of infants and children \*  
your majesty is praised above the heavens.
- 3 You have set up a stronghold against your adversaries, \*  
to quell the enemy and the avenger.
- 4 When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers, \*  
the moon and the stars you have set in their courses,
- 5 What is man that you should be mindful of him? \*  
the son of man that you should seek him out?
- 6 You have made him but little lower than the angels; \*  
you adorn him with glory and honor;
- 7 You give him mastery over the works of your hands; \*  
you put all things under his feet:
- 8 All sheep and oxen, \*  
even the wild beasts of the field,
- 9 The birds of the air, the fish of the sea, \*  
and whatsoever walks in the paths of the sea.
- 10 O Lord our Governor, \*  
how exalted is your Name in all the world!

Words: *Psalm 8*

**THE SECOND LESSON** — *A Reading from the Letter of Paul to the Galatians*

When the fullness of time had come, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under the law, in order to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as children. And because you are children, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, "Abba! Father!" So you are no longer a slave but a child, and if a child then also an heir, through God. (4:4-7)

*Lector* The Word of the Lord.

*People Thanks be to God.*

**SEQUENCE: HYMN 326 - Oriel**

*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.*

When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, "Let us go now to Bethlehem and see this thing that has taken place, which the Lord has made known to us." So they went with haste and found Mary and Joseph, and the child lying in the manger. When they saw this, they made known what had been told them about this child; and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds told them. But Mary treasured all these words and pondered them in her heart. The shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen, as it had been told them. After eight days had passed, it was time to circumcise the child; and he was called Jesus, the name given by the angel before he was conceived in the womb. (2:15-21)

*Celebrant* The Gospel of the Lord.

*People Praise be to thee, O Christ.*

**THE SERMON**

Canon King

**THE NICENE CREED**

*Prayer Book, page 327*

**THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

*Celebrant* In peace let us pray to the Incarnate Lord. [*Please kneel.*]

Jesus Savior, at your Name every knee shall bow and every tongue confess that you are Lord. At the beginning of a New Year, we dedicate afresh our lives in your service. We place before you our hopes and dreams, our regrets and resolutions. Keep us faithful to the covenant of your grace.

Jesus, Name above all names,  
***Incline your ear to our prayer.***

Jesus, through your victory on the cross we are adopted as heirs of your glory. We pray for the Church, for Justin, the Archbishop of Canterbury; Michael, our Presiding Bishop; William, our Diocesan; Daniel and David, our Assisting Bishops, and Marshall and Paul, our Priests; and all who rejoice in your Name. Refresh all who are baptized in your Name to proclaim your love and announce your salvation.

Jesus, Name above all names,  
***Incline your ear to our prayer.***

Jesus, as you were circumcised into the covenant with Abraham, we pray for all who share a spiritual ancestry with Abraham and Sarah. Unite the peoples of the earth in a common humanity and keep before us the path of justice and peace.

Jesus, Name above all names,  
***Incline your ear to our prayer.***

Jesus, Redeemer and Lord of all, we pray for all who suffer in any way, especially the sick, the hungry, and the homeless. We pray for children struggling for breath in the first days of their lives; for all who are anxious and fearful. Give us confidence to trust in you and your bountiful providence.

Jesus, Name above all names,  
***Incline your ear to our prayer.***

Jesus, whose blood was shed in circumcision in accordance with the Law and on the cross for our redemption, we pray for all who have died. Bring us at last to rise with you in glory, together with the ever-blessed Virgin Mary and all the Saints.

Jesus, Name above all names,  
***Incline your ear to our prayer.***

O God, who didst wonderfully create, and yet more wonderfully restore the dignity of human nature: Grant that we may share in 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.*

## 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

**HYMN 36 - Greensleeves**

**THE GREAT THANKSGIVING, *Eucharistic Prayer II***

***Prayer Book, page 340***

## PROPER PREFACE OF THE INCARNATION

Because thou didst give Jesus Christ, thine only Son, to be born for us; who, by the mighty power of the Holy Ghost, was made very Man of the substance of the Virgin Mary his mother; that we might be delivered from the bondage of sin, and receive power to become thy children.

**SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS QUI VENIT** *Prayer Book, page 341*

**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**

**THE CONCLUDING RITE**

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

**CHRISTMAS BLESSING**

May Christ, who by his Incarnation gathered into one things earthly and heavenly, fill you with his joy and peace; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. Amen.

**DISMISSAL**

*Celebrant* Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

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

**HYMN 31 - *In Dulci Jubilo***

**ORGAN - *Postlude on Lourdes Hymn***

Han Van Koert (b.1913)

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## 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.

## ASSISTING AT OUR LITURGY TODAY

*9:00 am*

*Celebrant*

*Assisting Priest*

*Lay Eucharistic Minister*

*Lay Eucharistic Visitor*

*Bell Ringers*

*Lectors*

*Ushers & Greeters*

Canon King

Father Evans

David Wilder

David Wilder

Kathleen Anspach

Steve Rucker

John Van der Veer

Robert Bullock

Diane Robinson

Mark Claverie

Thomas Moeller

Richard Wissler

## NOTICES

During the month of January, the EUCHARISTIC ELEMENTS of bread and wine are given to the Glory of Almighty God by Lynne Priestley in loving memory of Ray Priestley. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

In our INTERCESSIONS FOR THE CHURCH today, we pray for

<i>Anglican Communion</i>	The Church in North India
<i>Diocese of Albany</i>	God's Blessing upon the New Year
<i>Our Parish</i>	Children and Young People

We welcome back to Bethesda this morning as Celebrant and Preacher THE REVEREND CANON CHARLES B. KING.

There will be no CHURCH SCHOOL or COFFEE HOUR today. Our regular Sunday schedule resumes on January eighth.

THE FEAST OF EPIPHANY is celebrated on Friday, January sixth, at 12:10pm.

## SUGGESTIONS FOR TREASURER & TWO NEW MEMBERS OF THE VESTRY

Bethesda Church needs two new vestry members, one for a three-year term and the other for a two-year term. Vestry members are now term-limited to a maximum of two three-year terms. According to canon law, a vestry member must be a communicant in good standing, someone who attends church regularly and pledges to support the mission and ministry of the church. The vestry meets once a month, usually on the third Wednesday of the month, from 7-8:30.

Are you interested in serving on the vestry? If so, please write your name below and put it in the collection plate. Or let Dean Vang or a member of the nominating committee know.

Do you have suggestions of people you think would make good members of the vestry. If so, please write their names below and put them in the collection plate. Or let Dean Vang or a member of the nominating committee know.

In addition, Anne Van Acker is stepping down from her role as Treasurer of Bethesda Episcopal Church after five years of service. We are looking for someone to take her place. We are looking for volunteers or suggestions of people who can become our next Treasurer. We have a bookkeeper and we use a CPA to audit our books, so the Treasurer's job is one of presenting the financial records they provide to the vestry and helping to set the budget. Anne will work with the new Treasurer until he or she is comfortable with the position. We would like the new Treasurer to serve for three years if possible.

Are you interested in serving as treasurer or do you have suggestions of people who might make a good treasurer? If so, please write your name or their names below and put them in the collection plate. Or let Dean Vang or a member of the nominating committee know.

Suggestions: \_\_\_\_\_

Thank you for your help with the important process of identifying parishioners to serve the parish in these important roles.

### Nominating Committee

Catherine White Berheide, *Junior Warden, Chair*  
Geneva Henderson, *Clerk of the Vestry*  
Mary Withington, *Outgoing Vestry Member*

Mark Griffin, *Vestry Member*  
Virginia McMorris, *Communicant*



## THIS WEEK AT BETHESDA

*January 2 - 8*

Monday <i>Christmas Weekday</i>	<i>Parish Offices will be closed.</i>
Tuesday <i>Christmas Weekday</i>	6:30 p.m. - Evening Prayer <i>Transcept Altar</i>
Wednesday <i>Christmas Weekday</i>	12:10 p.m. - Holy Eucharist with Healing <i>Transcept Altar</i>
Thursday <i>Christmas Weekday</i>	
Friday <i>THE EPIPHANY OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST CHRIST</i>	12:10 p.m. - Holy Eucharist <i>Transcept Altar</i>
Saturday <i>Epiphany Weekday</i>	
Sunday <i>FIRST SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY: THE BAPTISM OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST</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> Church School <i>rear of nave</i> Coffee Hour <i>Empire Room,</i> <i>former Van Dam Hotel</i>



## THE PARISH VESTRY

### Churchwardens

*Class of 2016*

Darren Miller, *Senior Churchwarden*

*Class of 2017*

Catherine Berheide, *Junior Churchwarden*

### Vestry

*Class of 2016*

Denise Limoli

Sara Manny

Mary Withington

*Class of 2017*

Jane Agee

Gordon Boyd

Mark Griffin

Anne Van Acker, *Treasurer*

*Class of 2018*

Mark Claverie

Geneva Henderson

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

The Reverend Paul F. Evans, *Assisting Priest*

Mr. Landon M. Moore, *Postulant for Holy Orders*

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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