



Washington Street near Broadway

THE TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

27 August 2017

10:00 am - Sung Eucharist with Holy Baptism

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 - *Prelude*

Craig Lang (1891-1971)

THE ENTRANCE RITE

HYMN 433 - *Kremser*

COLLECT FOR PURITY

Prayer Book, page 323

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS (*Hymnal S202*)

Prayer Book, page 324

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Grant, we beseech thee, merciful God, that thy Church, being gathered together in unity by thy Holy Spirit, may manifest thy power among all peoples, to the glory of thy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the same Spirit, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

THE FIRST LESSON - *A Reading from Book of Isaiah*

Listen to me, you that pursue righteousness, you that seek the Lord. Look to the rock from which you were hewn, and to the quarry from which you were dug. Look to Abraham your father and to Sarah who bore you; for he was but one when I called him, but I blessed him and made him many. For the Lord will comfort Zion; he will comfort all her waste places, and will make her wilderness like Eden, her desert like the garden of the Lord; joy and gladness will be found in her, thanksgiving and the voice of song. Listen to me, my people, and give heed to me, my nation; for a teaching will go out from me, and my justice for a light to the peoples. I will bring near my deliverance swiftly, my salvation has gone out and my arms will rule the peoples; the coastlands wait for me, and for my arm they hope. Lift up your eyes to the heavens, and look at the earth beneath; for the heavens will vanish like smoke, the earth will wear out like a garment, and those who live on it will die like gnats; but my salvation will be for ever, and my deliverance will never be ended. (51: 1-6)

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL - *Confitebor tibi*



- 1 I will give thanks to you, O Lord, with my whole / heart; *
before the gods I will sing your / praise.
- 2 I will bow down toward your holy temple
and praise your / Name, *
because of your love and / faithfulness;
- 2nd half*
- 3 For you have glorified your / Name *
and your word above all / things.
- 4 When I called, you / answered me; *
you increased my strength with - / in me.
- 5 All the kings of the earth will praise you, O / Lord, *
when they have heard the words of your / mouth.
- 6 They will sing of the ways of the / Lord, *
that great is the glory of the / Lord.
- 7 Though the Lord be high, he cares for the / lowly; *
he perceives the haughty from a - / far.
- 8 Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you keep me / safe; *
you stretch forth your hand against the fury of my enemies;
your right hand shall / save me.

9 The Lord will make good his purpose for / me; *
O Lord, your love endures for ever;
do not abandon the works of your / hands.

Psalm 138

Music: Robert Knox Kennedy (b. 1945)

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

I appeal to you therefore, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your minds, so that you may discern what is the will of God-- what is good and acceptable and perfect. For by the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think of yourself more highly than you ought to think, but to think with sober judgment, each according to the measure of faith that God has assigned. For as in one body we have many members, and not all the members have the same function, so we, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually we are members one of another. We have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us: prophecy, in proportion to faith; ministry, in ministering; the teacher, in teaching; the exhorter, in exhortation; the giver, in generosity; the leader, in diligence; the compassionate, in cheerfulness. (12:1-8)

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God

SEQUENCE: HYMN 518 - *Westminster Abbey*

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

People Glory be to thee, O Lord.

Now when Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that the Son of Man is?" And they said, "Some say John the Baptist, but others Elijah, and still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets." He said to them, "But who do you say that I am?" Simon Peter answered, "You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God." And Jesus answered him, "Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father in heaven. And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not prevail against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven." Then he sternly ordered the disciples not to tell anyone that he was the Messiah. (16:13-20)

Assisting Priest The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise be to thee, O Christ.

THE SERMON

Dean Vang

THE BAPTISMAL LITURGY

HYMN 295 (verse 1) *Christus, der ist mein Leben*

PRESENTATION AND EXAMINATION OF THE CANDIDATE

The Celebrant says

The Candidate for Holy Baptism will now be presented.

The candidate is presented by their Parents and Godparents, as follows

Parents and Godparents I present Leo Emrys Griffin Snyder to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.

Celebrant Will you be responsible for seeing that the child you present is brought up in the Christian faith and life?

Parents and Godparents I will, with God's help.

Celebrant Will you by your prayers and witness help this child to grow into the full stature of Christ?

Parents and Godparents I will, with God's help.

Then the Celebrant asks the following questions of the parents and godparents who speak on behalf of the infant

Celebrant Do you renounce Satan and all the spiritual forces of wickedness that rebel against God?

Answer I renounce them.

Celebrant Do you renounce the evil powers of this world which corrupt and destroy the creatures of God?

Answer I renounce them.

Celebrant Do you renounce all sinful desires that draw you from the love of God?

Answer I renounce them.

Celebrant Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Savior?

Answer I do.

Celebrant Do you put your whole trust in his grace and love?

Answer I do.

Celebrant Do you promise to follow and obey him as your Lord?

Answer I do.

The congregation stands.

The Celebrant addresses the congregation, saying

Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support this person in his life in Christ?

People We will.

Celebrant Let us join with this child, who is being committed to Christ and renew our own baptismal covenant.

THE BAPTISMAL COVENANT

Celebrant Do you believe in God the Father?

People I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

Celebrant Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

People I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

Celebrant Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

People I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.

Celebrant Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?

People I will, with God's help.

Celebrant Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

People I will, with God's help.

Celebrant Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

People I will, with God's help.

Celebrant Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

People I will, with God's help.

Celebrant Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?

People I will, with God's help.

The Celebrant concludes the Renewal of Vows as follows

May Almighty God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has given us a new birth by water and the Holy Spirit, and bestowed upon us the forgiveness of sins, keep us in eternal life by his grace, in Christ Jesus our Lord. *Amen.*

PRAYERS FOR THE CANDIDATE

The Celebrant then says to the congregation

Let us now pray for this child who is to receive the Sacrament of new birth.

Assisting Priest Deliver him, O Lord, from the way of sin and death.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Assisting Priest Open his heart to your grace and truth.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Assisting Priest Fill him with your holy and life-giving Spirit.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Assisting Priest Keep him in the faith and communion of your holy Church.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Assisting Priest Teach him to love others in the power of the Spirit.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Assisting Priest Send him into the world in witness to your love.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Assisting Priest Bring him to the fullness of your peace and glory.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

The Celebrant says

Grant, O Lord, that all who are baptized into the death of Jesus Christ your Son may live in the power of his resurrection and look for him to come again in glory; who lives and reigns now and forever. *Amen.*

AT THE PROCESSION: HYMN 295 (verses 2 & 3)

THANKSGIVING OVER THE WATER

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And with thy spirit**

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is meet and right so to do.**

Celebrant We thank you, Almighty God, for the gift of water. Over it the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation. Through it you led the children of Israel out of their bondage in Egypt into the land of promise. In it your Son Jesus received the baptism of John and was anointed by the Holy Spirit as the Messiah, the Christ, to lead us, through his death and resurrection, from the bondage of sin into everlasting life.

We thank you, Father, for the water of Baptism. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in his resurrection. Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit. Therefore in joyful obedience to your Son, we bring into his fellowship those who come to him in faith, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Now sanctify this water, we pray you, by the power of your Holy Spirit, that those who here are cleansed from sin and born again may continue for ever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Savior.

To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and for ever. *Amen.*

THE BAPTISM

The candidate is presented by name to the Celebrant who then pours water upon, the candidate, saying

Leo, I baptize you in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**
Then the Celebrant places his right hand on the person's head, marking on the forehead the sign of the cross, using Chrism, and saying to him

Leo, you are sealed by the Holy Spirit in Baptism and marked as Christ's own for ever. **Amen.**

The Celebrant now presents a baptismal candle, lighted from the Paschal Candle, saying

Receive the Light of Christ, then when the Bridegroom comes, you may go forth with all the saints to meet him; and see that you keep the grace of your baptism.

The Celebrant, at a place in full sight of the congregation, prays over him, saying Let us pray.

Heavenly Father, we thank you that by water and the Holy Spirit you have bestowed upon this your servant the forgiveness of sin, and have raised him to the new life of grace. Sustain him, O Lord, in your Holy Spirit. Give him an inquiring and discerning heart, the courage to will and to persevere, a spirit to know and to love you, and the gift of joy and wonder in all your works. **Amen.**

Celebrant Let us welcome the newly baptized.

Celebrant and People We receive you into the household of God. Confess the faith of Christ crucified, proclaim his resurrection, and share with us in his eternal priesthood.

THE PEACE

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And with thy spirit.**

THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

AT THE OFFERTORY: HYMN 304 - *Land of Rest*

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING, *Eucharistic Prayer II*

Prayer Book, page 340

PROPER PREFACE OF THE LORD'S DAY *of God the Holy Spirit*

Who by water and the Holy Spirit hast made us a new people in Jesus Christ our Lord, to show forth thy glory in all the world.

SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS QUI VENIT (*Hymnal S114*), *sung by all*

OUR FATHER

Prayer Book, page 336

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD: AGNUS DEI (*Hymnal S158*) *sung by all*
Prayer Book, page 337
MINISTRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION

THE CONCLUDING RITE

POST COMMUNION PRAYER *Prayer Book, page 339*

THE BLESSING *Prayer Book, page 339*

DISMISSAL

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

HYMN 561 - *Morning Light*

ORGAN - *Tiento Llano* José Serrano (1873-1941)

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 REFRESHMENTS on the Terrace, immediately following the ten o'clock liturgy.

ASSISTING AT OUR LITURGIES TODAY

| | <u>8:00am</u> | <u>10:00am</u> |
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| <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 Landon Moore |
| <i>Lay Eucharistic Visitor</i> | | Sean Byrnes |
| <i>Altar Guild</i> | | Sherryl Moore |

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John Van der Veer
Fred Scheidt

NOTICES

The FLOWERS AT THE HIGH ALTAR are given to the Glory of Almighty God by Nancy & John Gilliland in loving memory of Eleanor Gilliland Zinck.

In our INTERCESSIONS FOR THE CHURCH today, we pray for

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| <i>Anglican Communion</i> | The Church on Ruvuma - (Tanzania) |
| <i>Diocese of Albany</i> | The Community of Saint Mary |
| <i>Our Parish</i> | Homes of the Good Shepherd |

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.

WE WELCOME into the Body of Christ, through the Sacrament of Holy Baptism, LEO EMRYS GRIFFIN SNYDER, son of Kalle and Amanda Snyder, and grandson of Mark and Cheryl Griffin.

We invite those who wish to share a MINISTRY OF HOSPITALITY [beverages and snacks] after the ten o'clock liturgy to sign the designated list, at the narthex lectern. Please email Sara Manny, saramanny@gmail.com

IS YOUR PLEDGE UP TO DATE: The ministers of Bethesda do not take vacation during the summer. It is important that we honor our commitments in a timely manner. Thank you.

PLANNING AHEAD: FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PREPARATION: Dean Vang will once again offer classes to prepare young children to receive the Blessed Sacrament for the first time. An orientation will be offered on Sunday, September 10, immediately following the 10 am Eucharist. Parents and children should plan to attend.

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.

NEW EMAIL: Please send all notices for the church bulletin to office@bethesdachurch.org

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*.

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

SHAWL MINISTRY will return from summer break on September 14th. Please join us at the Home of the Good Shepherd, 400 Church Street, at 1:00 p.m. for fellowship with our Shawl Ministry Ladies, as well as some residents from Home of the Good Shepherd. Please call Suzanne Bishop at 518-587-3822 or Sherryl Moore at 518-583-1215 for information.

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THIS WEEK AT BETHESDA

August 28–September 3

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| Monday <i>Augustine of Hippo</i> | |
| Tuesday <i>Feria</i> | 6:30 p.m. - Holy Eucharist <i>High Altar</i> |
| Wednesday <i>Feria</i> | 12:10 p.m. - Holy Eucharist with Healing <i>Transcept Altar</i> |
| Thursday <i>Aidan</i> | 9:30 a.m. - Holy Eucharist <i>Home of the Good Shepherd, Saratoga</i> 10:15 a.m. Holy Eucharist <i>Alzheimer's Unit, Home of the Good Shepherd, Saratoga</i> |
| Friday <i>Feria</i> | |
| Saturday <i>The Martyrs of New Guinea</i> | |
| Sunday <i>THE THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST</i> | 7:30 a.m. - Morning Prayer <i>Transcept Altar</i> 8:00 a.m. - Holy Eucharist <i>High Altar</i> 10:00 a.m. - Sung Eucharist <i>High Altar</i> Refreshments <i>The Courtyard</i> |

You are most cordially invited to attend the BLESSING & DEDICATION of the Alzheimer's Facility at THE HOME OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD, 390 Church Street in Saratoga Springs, on Sunday, September 10, at two o'clock in the afternoon. A reception will follow.



THE PARISH VESTRY

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