



Washington Street near Broadway

THE SOLEMNITY OF CHRIST THE KING

26 November 2017

7:30 am - Morning Prayer

8:00 am - Holy Eucharist

10:00 am - Solemn Eucharist

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 - *O Jesus, King Most Wonderful*

Dale Wood (1934-2003)

THE ENTRANCE RITE

AT THE PROCESSION: HYMN 616– *Es flog ein kleins Waldvögelein*

COLLECT FOR PURITY

Prayer Book, page 323

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS (*Hymnal S202*)

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THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Almighty and everlasting God, whose will it is to restore all things in thy well-beloved Son, the King of kings and Lord of lords: Mercifully grant that the peoples of the earth, divided and enslaved by sin, may be freed and brought together under his most gracious rule; 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*

Thus says the Lord God: I myself will search for my sheep, and will seek them out. As shepherds seek out their flocks when they are among their scattered sheep, so I will seek out my sheep. I will rescue them from all the places to which they have been scattered on a day of clouds and thick darkness. I will bring them out from the peoples and gather them from the countries, and will bring them into their own land; and I will feed them on the mountains of Israel, by the watercourses, and in all the inhabited parts of the land. I will feed them with good pasture, and the mountain heights of Israel shall be their pasture; there they shall lie down in good grazing land, and they shall feed on rich pasture on the mountains of Israel. I myself will be the shepherd of my sheep, and I will make them lie down, says the Lord God. I will seek the lost, and I will bring back the strayed, and I will bind up the injured, and I will strengthen the weak, but the fat and the strong I will destroy. I will feed them with justice. Therefore, thus says the Lord God to them: I myself will judge between the fat sheep and the lean sheep. Because you pushed with flank and shoulder, and butted at all the weak animals with your horns until you scattered them far and wide, I will save my flock, and they shall no longer be ravaged; and I will judge between sheep and sheep. I will set up over them one shepherd, my servant David, and he shall feed them: he shall feed them and be their shepherd. And I, the Lord, will be their God, and my servant David shall be prince among them; I, the Lord, have spoken.

(34:11-16, 20-24)

Lector The Word of the Lord. *People* Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL - *Renite, exultemus*

- 1 Come, let us sing to the Lord; *
let us shout for joy to the Rock of our salvation.
- 2 Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving *
and raise a loud shout to him with psalms.
- 3 For the Lord is a great God, *
and a great King above all gods.
- 4 In his hand are the caverns of the earth, *
and the heights of the hills are his also.
- 5 The sea is his, for he made it, *
and his hands have molded the dry land.
- 6 Come, let us bow down, and bend the knee, *
and kneel before the Lord our Maker.
- 7 For he is our God,
and we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand.

Words: *Psalms 95: 1-7a*

Music: Richard Wayne Dirksen (1921-2003)

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

I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all. (1:15-23)

Lector The Word of the Lord. ***People Thanks be to God***

SEQUENCE: HYMN 478 – Monk’s Gate

THE HOLY GOSPEL of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew

People Glory be to thee, O Lord.

Jesus said, "When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on the throne of his glory. All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, and he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left. Then the king will say to those at his right hand, 'Come, you that are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me.' Then the righteous will answer him, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to drink? And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing? And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?' And the king will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me.' Then he will say to those at his left hand, 'You that are accursed, depart from me into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels; for I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not give me clothing, sick and in prison and you did not visit me.' Then they also will answer, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not take care of you?' Then he will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me.' And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life." (25:31-46)

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord. ***People Praise be to thee, O Christ.***

THE SERMON

Dean Vang

THE NICENE CREED

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THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Celebrant Let us ask God to hear and answer our prayers, which we offer in union with Christ our King.

Deacon That God's people will serve Christ the King by caring for the spiritual and physical needs of his least ones,

Let us pray to the Lord:

Lord, hear our prayer.

That leaders of governments, especially Donald, our President, will recognize the rights of the oppressed and honor the dignity of all,

Let us pray to the Lord:

Lord, hear our prayer.

That Jesus will come quickly to save those who wait in suffering, pain, and despair,

Let us pray to the Lord:

Lord, hear our prayer.

That we who worship here will know the goodness and kindness of the Lord at this table,

Let us pray to the Lord:

Lord, hear our prayer.

That those who have died, will find everlasting joy around God's throne, together with the ever-blessed Virgin Mary and all the saints,

Let us pray to the Lord:

Lord, hear our prayer.

Celebrant Almighty and eternal God, you willed to restore all things in your beloved Son, Jesus Christ. Help us to live the truth of his kingship by serving our sisters and brothers with our whole heart. 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

Deacon Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God

Deacon and People **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 - *Let all the World*

Let all the world in every corner sing, my God and King!

The heavens are not too high, His praise may thither fly, The earth is not too low, His praises there may grow.

Let all the world in every corner sing, my God and King!

Let all the world in every corner sing, my God and King!

The church with psalms must shout, no door can keep them out; But, above all, the heart must bear the longest part.

Let all the world in every corner sing, my God and King .

Words: George Herbert (1593-1633)

Music: Norman Gilbert (1912-1975)

OFFERTORY HYMN 324- *Picardy*

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING, *Eucharistic Prayer II*

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PROPER PREFACE OF BAPTISM

Because in Jesus Christ our Lord thou hast received us as thy sons and daughters, made us citizens of thy kingdom, and given us the Holy Spirit to guide us into all truth.

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

OUR FATHER

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THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD: PASCHA NOSTRUM

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PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS

Prayer Book, page 337

MINISTRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION

AGNUS DEI - *from Misa Brevis*

Lenox Berkley (1903-1989)

MOTET *Let All Mortal Flesh*

Let all mortal flesh keep silence, and stand with fear and trembling, and lift itself above all earthly thought. For the King of Kings and Lord of Lords, Christ our God, cometh forth to be our oblation, and to be given for food to the faithful. Before him come the choirs of angels, with every principality and power; the Cherubim with many eyes, and winged Seraphim, who veil their faces as they shout exultingly the hymn, Alleluia.

Words: *The Liturgy of Saint James*

Music: Edward Bairstow (1874-1946)

THE CONCLUDING RITE

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

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THE BLESSING

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DISMISSAL

Deacon Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

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

HYMN 494 - *Diademata*

ORGAN - *Our Father, Who Art in Heaven*

J.S. Bach (1685-1750)

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 in the Narthex, immediately following the ten o'clock liturgy.

ASSISTING AT OUR LITURGIES TODAY

	<u>8:00am</u>	<u>10:00am</u>
<i>Celebrant</i>	Dean Vang	Dean Vang
<i>Assisting Priest</i>	Father Evans	Father Evans
<i>Lay Eucharistic Minister[s]</i>	Sean Byrnes Robert Bullock	Landon Moore Robert Bullock
<i>Lay Eucharistic Visitor</i>		John Van der Veer
<i>Altar Guild</i>		Sherryl Moore Anne Van Acker
<i>Bell Ringers</i>		Beth Moeller Tom Moeller
<i>Lectors</i>	Mark Claverie	Mary Shartle Landon Moore
<i>Ushers</i>		Kathleen Anspach Mark Anspach Karen Walton Craig Walton

NOTICES

During the month of November, the EUCHARISTIC ELEMENTS of bread and wine are given to the Glory of Almighty God by Anne Ryan in Honor of Marion Stiasney, and by Karen Brown in loving memory of Eunice Mitchell.

The FLOWERS AT THE HIGH ALTAR are given to the Glory of Almighty God by Kathleen & Mark Anspach in thanksgiving of loved ones.

The gift of EUCHARISTIC ELEMENTS of bread and wine are needed for the month of December. Please contact the Parish Office (518-584-5980) or (barbara@bethesdachurch.org). Your gift is appreciated by all.

In our INTERCESSIONS FOR THE CHURCH today, we pray for

<i>Anglican Communion</i>	Wad Medani - (Sudan)
<i>Diocese of Albany</i>	Non-parochial Clergy
<i>Our Parish</i>	Acolytes, Altar Guild, Bell Ringers, Choir, Lectors, Greeters, Lay Eucharist Ministers, Lay Eucharist Visitors, Ushers

This morning's STEWARDSHIP Presentation will be given by Vestry member Mark Claverie.

COFFEE HOUR HOSTS are needed for December. Please email Sara Manny saramanny@gmail.com, or call the church office at 518-584-5980.

You are cordially invited to attend an evening with our Seminarian, LANDON MOORE on December 14th, at 7 p.m. Landon will be presenting a slideshow of pictures and videos of his first-year of seminary, including his travels. This is a great time to ask Landon any questions that you may have about his journey so far. Please sign up in the back of the narthex if you would like to attend. Small refreshments will be served. All are welcome!

The annual BETHESDA CHRISTMAS PAGEANT will be presented in the church after the 10:00 am service on December 17th. Rehearsal is on December 16th from 9:00 am – 11:30 am in the church. *Participants:* Please complete a sign-up form (available from church school teacher) and return by December 10th. *Volunteers:* We are looking for adults to help with costuming (fitting and organization) and for staging, supervising and coaching children. If you are interested, please contact Diane Robinson (584-1921 evenings) for more information.

FROM DEAN VANG: Dean Vang has anointed me, SHANNON HORAN, to be the new youth group leader! I am very excited to take on this new role in our church. I have been a part of Bethesda since I was a little girl. It is where I was raised, baptized, and confirmed. I am currently attending Hudson Valley Community College where I will receive my Associates in Human Services in December. I plan on becoming an Activities Director at the Home Of The

Good Shepherd where I work in Malta. I have a passion for the elderly and am currently doing an internship as well at Peregrine Senior Living Center for Memory Care in Clifton Park. I am looking forward to sharing my faith with the youth of Bethesda and getting some charity projects underway. Such as, Spaghetti Supper, The "Lock In", Mission Trips, and other charity projects! Thank you all for your support. Please feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns.

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.

EMAIL NOTICES FOR BULLETIN: 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*.

IS YOUR PLEDGE UP TO DATE: It is important that we honor our commitments in a timely manner. Our ministries continue, and so do the expenses that support them. Thank you.

Bethesda Episcopal Church is a participant of PAYPAL! You can make your gift to Bethesda by going to [paypal.com](https://www.paypal.com) and choosing bethesdaepiscopalchurch@gmail.com as the payee.

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THE FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

December 3

7:30 A.M. - Morning Prayer

8:00 A.M. - Holy Eucharist

10:00 A.M. - Sung Eucharist with the Great Litany in Procession

3:00 P.M. - A Service of Advent Lessons & Carols

2017 DECEMBER CONCERTS AT BETHESDA

SAINT LUKE'S ORCHESTRA

Friday, December 8, at 7:00 p.m.

DAKOTA CHAMBER ORCHESTRA

Friday, December 15, at 6:30 p.m.

SARATOGA YOUTH ORCHESTRA

Sunday, December 17, at 7:00 p.m.

ANNUAL ELECTION INFORMATION

Churchwardens

Class of 2018

Darren Miller, Senior Churchwarden

Class of 2017

Catherine Berheide, Junior Churchwarden, Eligible for re-election

Vestry Persons

Class of 2017

Jane Agee, Eligible for re-election

Gordon Boyd, Ineligible for re-election

Mark Griffin, Ineligible for re-election

Geneva Henderson, Clerk, Vacancy

Class of 2018

Mark Claverie, Vacancy

Pamela Houde

Mayumi Kato

Class of 2019

Field Horne

Sara Manny

Steven Rucker

John Van der Veer, Treasurer

Please recommend below Bethesda communicants to serve on the Vestry.

THIS WEEK AT BETHESDA

November 27– December 3

Monday <i>Feria</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>SAINT ANDREW</i>	9:30 a.m. - Holy Eucharist <i>Home of the Good Shepherd, Saratoga</i> 10:15 a.m. Holy Eucharist <i>Memory Care Facility, Home of the Good Shepherd, Saratoga</i>
Friday <i>Nicholas Ferrar</i>	
Saturday <i>Feria</i>	
Sunday <i>THE FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT</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. - Great Litany & Sung Eucharist <i>High Altar</i> Refreshments <i>The Narthex</i> 3:00 p.m. - Advent Lessons and Carols



THE PARISH VESTRY

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John Van der Veer, *Treasurer*

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

The Reverend Paul F. Evans, *Assisting Priest*

Mr. Landon M. Moore, *Candidate 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, *Vergger*

Mr. Sean Byrnes, *Sacristan*

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