



Washington Street near Broadway

THE THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

15 April 2018

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 - *Prelude*

Dietrich Buxtehude (1637-1707)

THE ENTRANCE RITE

HYMN 194 – *St. Albinus*

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

Prayer Book, page 324

mf
all

Celebrant
Glo-ry be to God on high and on earth peace, good will to-wards men. We

f

praise thee, we bless thee, we wor-ship thee we glo-ri-fy thee, we give thanks to thee for thy great

mf

glo - ry, O Lord God, heav-en-ly King, God the Fa-ther Al - migh - ty. O Lord the on-ly be-

The musical score is written on three staves in G major and 4/4 time. The tempo is marked with a quarter note equal to 100 (♩=100). The first staff begins with a *Celebrant* marking and includes dynamics *mf* and *all*. The lyrics are: "Glo-ry be to God on high and on earth peace, good will to-wards men. We". The second staff includes a *f* dynamic and the lyrics: "praise thee, we bless thee, we wor-ship thee we glo-ri-fy thee, we give thanks to thee for thy great". The third staff includes a *mf* dynamic and the lyrics: "glo - ry, O Lord God, heav-en-ly King, God the Fa-ther Al - migh - ty. O Lord the on-ly be-". There is a triplet of eighth notes in the third staff.

- got-ten Son, Je - sus Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of
 God, Son of the Fa - ther, that ta - kest a - way *dim.* the sins of the
 world: have mer - cy up - on us. Thou that ta - kest a - way the sins of the
 world, re - ceive our prayer. Thou that sit - test at the right hand of God the
 Fa - ther, have mer - cy up - on us. For thou on-ly art ho - ly; thou on-ly art the
 Lord, thou on-ly, O Christ, with the Ho - ly Ghost, *mf* art most
 high in the glo-ry of God, of God the Fa - ther, A - men.

Words: Traditional

Music: *Missa ad Sanitatem*, Farrell Goehring, 2018

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

O God, whose blessed Son did manifest himself to his disciples in the breaking of bread: Open, we pray thee, the eyes of our faith, that we may behold him in all his redeeming work; through the same thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

THE FIRST LESSON - *A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles*

Peter addressed the people, "You Israelites, why do you wonder at this, or why do you stare at us, as though by our own power or piety we had made this man walk? The God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, the God of our ancestors has glorified his servant Jesus, whom you handed over and rejected in the presence of Pilate, though he had decided to release him. But you rejected the Holy and Righteous One and asked to have a murderer given to you, and you killed the Author of life, whom God raised from the dead. To this we are witnesses. And by faith in his name, his name itself has made this man strong, whom you see and know; and the faith that is through Jesus has given him this perfect health in the presence of all of you. And now, friends, I know that you acted in ignorance, as did also your rulers. In this way God fulfilled what he had foretold through all the prophets, that his Messiah would suffer. Repent therefore, and turn to God so that your sins may be wiped out." (3:12-19)

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL - *Cum invocarem*

- 1 Answer me when I call, O God, defender of my cause; *
you set me free when I am hard-pressed;
have mercy on me and hear my prayer.
- 2 "You mortals, how long will you dishonor my glory; *
how long will you worship dumb idols
and run after false gods?"
- 3 Know that the Lord does wonders for the faithful; *
when I call upon the Lord, he will hear me.
- 4 Tremble, then, and do not sin; *
speak to your heart in silence upon your bed.
- 5 Offer the appointed sacrifices *
and put your trust in the Lord.
- 6 Many are saying, "Oh, that we might see better times!" *
Lift up the light of your countenance upon us, O Lord.
- 7 You have put gladness in my heart, *
more than when grain and wine and oil increase.
- 8 I lie down in peace; at once I fall asleep; *
for only you, Lord, make me dwell in safety.

Words: *Psalm 4*

Music: Richard Wayne Dirksen (1921-2003)

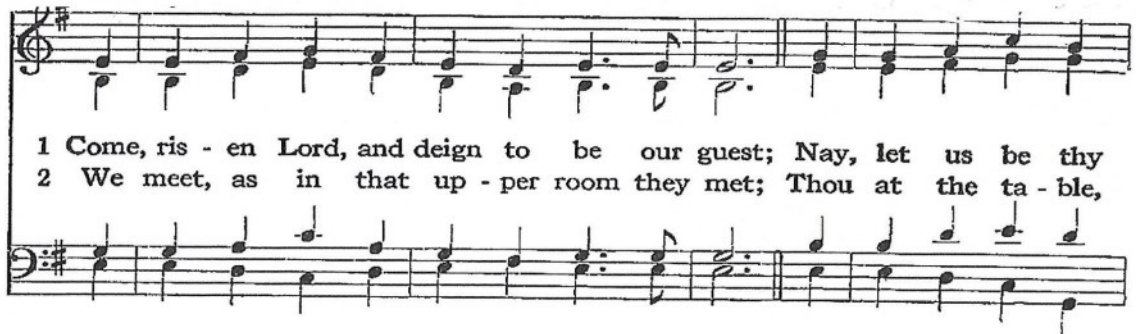
THE SECOND LESSON - *A Reading from the First Letter of John*

See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure. Everyone who commits sin is guilty of lawlessness; sin is lawlessness. You know that he was revealed to take away sins, and in him there is no sin. No one who abides in him sins; no one who sins has either seen him or known him. Little children, let no one deceive you. Everyone who does what is right is righteous, just as he is righteous. (1:3:1-7)

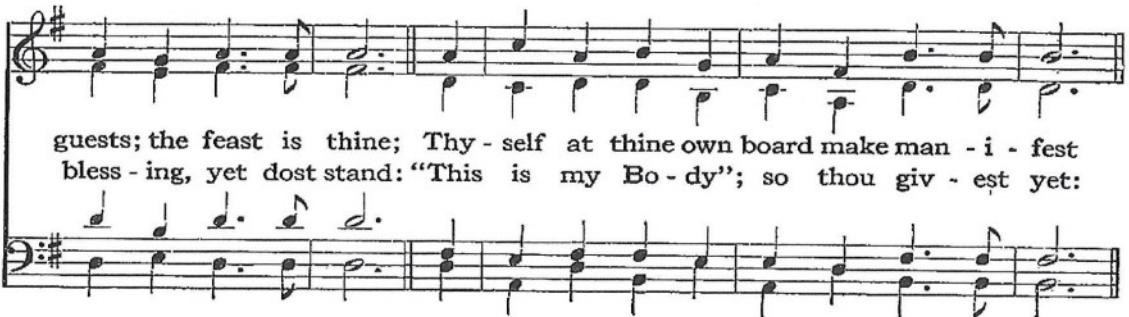
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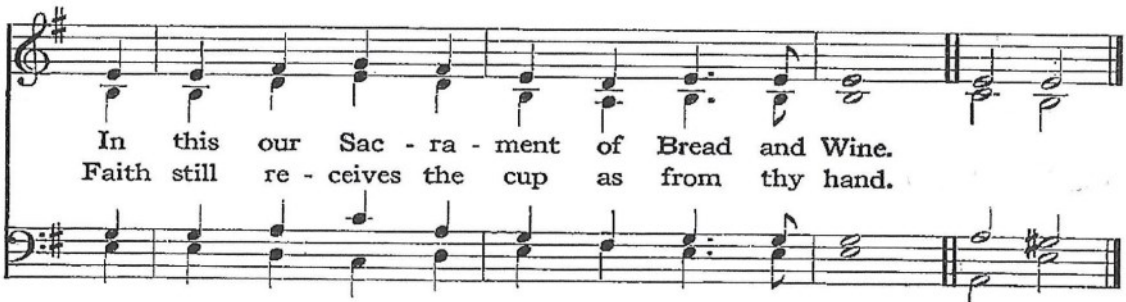
SEQUENCE: HYMN - *Edsall*



1 Come, ris - en Lord, and deign to be our guest; Nay, let us be thy
2 We meet, as in that up - per room they met; Thou at the ta - ble,



guests; the feast is thine; Thy - self at thine own board make man - i - fest
bless - ing, yet dost stand: "This is my Bo - dy"; so thou giv - est yet:



In this our Sac - ra - ment of Bread and Wine.
Faith still re - ceives the cup as from thy hand.

<p>3 One body we, one Body who partake, One Church united in communion blest; One name we bear, one Bread of life we break, With all thy saints on earth and saints at rest.</p>	<p>4 One with each other, Lord, for one on thee, Who art one Saviour and one living Head; Then open thou our eyes, that we may see; Be known to us in breaking of the Bread.</p>
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Words: George Wallace Briggs
 Music: George Henry Day

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 stood among the disciples and said to them, "Peace be with you." They were startled and terrified, and thought that they were seeing a ghost. He said to them, "Why are you frightened, and why do doubts arise in your hearts? Look at my hands and my feet; see that it is I myself. Touch me and see; for a ghost does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have." And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. While in their joy they were unbelieving and still wondering, he said to them, "Have you anything here to eat?" They gave him a piece of broiled fish, and he took it and ate in their presence. Then he said to them, "These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you — that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled." Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and he said to them, "Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things."
(24:36b-48)

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 In grateful confidence, let us ask the Father to hear our petitions, so that the love of God may come to perfection in us.

Lord, hear us,

Lord, graciously hear us.

Assisting Priest That the Church will powerfully proclaim to all people the salvation which the risen Christ gives them,

Lord, hear us:

Lord, graciously hear us.

That those who preach the risen Christ in word and deed, especially Justin, the Archbishop of Canterbury; Francis, the Bishop of Rome; Bartholomew, the Ecumenical Patriarch; Michael, our Presiding Bishop; William, our Diocesan; Daniel our Assisting Bishop; and Marshall and Paul, our Priests, will be faithful witnesses of Jesus' Resurrection.

Lord, hear us:

Lord, graciously hear us.

That Christ's message of peace to his disciples will remove the pain of war and violence from human hearts,

Lord, hear us:

Lord, graciously hear us.

That people everywhere will use God's gifts of soil and water according to God's plan, for the good of all,

Lord, hear us:

Lord, graciously hear us.

That we will recognize the risen Lord in the breaking of the bread and wherever he reveals his presence,

Lord, hear us:

Lord, graciously hear us.

That the Vestry will place its trust in Jesus, the Bread of Life, as the process to identify Bethesda's next Rector continues.

Lord, hear us:

Lord, graciously hear us.

That those who have died, will rejoice for ever in their risen Savior, together with the ever-blessed Virgin Mary and all Saints,

Lord, hear us:

Lord, graciously hear us.

Celebrant God of our ancestors, truly your voice speaks of peace: peace for us, your people, and for all who turn to you in their hearts. By this Eucharist, strengthen us to be more zealous messengers of your peace. We ask this in the Name of Jesus the 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 - *O For a Closer Walk*

O for a closer walk with God,
A calm and heavn'ly frame;
A light to shine upon the road mourn,
That leads me to the Lamb!

Return, O holy Dove, return!
Sweet messenger of rest;
I hate the sins that made thee
And drove thee from by breast.

So shall my walk be close with God,
Calm and serene my frame;
So purer light shall mark the road
That leads me to the Lamb.

Words: William Cowper (1731-1800)

Music: C.V. Stanford (1852-1924)

HYMN 208 – *Victory*

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING, *Eucharistic Prayer II*

Prayer Book, page 340

PROPER PREFACE OF EASTER

But chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has won for us everlasting life.

SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS QUI VENIT (*Hymnal 797*), sung by all

Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho-ly Lord, God of hosts, heav-en 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.

The musical score is written on three staves in 2/4 time. The first staff begins with a treble clef, a key signature of one flat (B-flat), and a dynamic marking of *f*. The lyrics are placed below the notes. The second staff continues the melody with a *rall.* marking and a *mp* marking. The third staff concludes the piece with a *f* marking and a fermata over the final note.

Words: Traditional

Music: *Missa ad Sanitatem*, Farrell Goehring, 2018

OUR FATHER

Prayer Book, page 334

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*

Franz Joseph Haydn (1732-1809)

MOTET - *Ego Sum Panis Vivus*

Ego sum panis vivus,
qui de caelo descendi:
si quis manducaverit ex hoc pane,
vivet in aeternum.
Alleluia.

*I am the living bread
which came down from heaven:
If any man eat of this bread,
he shall live forever.
Alleluia.*

Words: *John 6:51*

Music: William Byrd (1539-1623)

THE CONCLUDING RITE

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Prayer Book, page 339

PASCHAL BLESSING

The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, make you perfect in every work to do his will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight; and the blessing of God

Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be amongst you, and remain with you always. *Amen.*

DISMISSAL

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

HYMN 210 - *Ellacombe*

ORGAN - *Postlude*

Dietrich Buxtehude (1637-1707)

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. CHURCH SCHOOL also begins at the rear of the Nave.

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
<i>Lay Eucharistic Minister[s]</i>	Sean Byrnes Robert Bullock	Robert Bullock Sean Byrnes
<i>Lay Eucharistic Visitor</i>		Virginia McMorris
<i>Altar Guild</i>		Pamela Houde Christine Miller
<i>Bell Ringers</i>		Mayumi Kato Emily Pick
<i>Lectors</i>	John Huppuch	Ann Bullock
<i>Ushers</i>		Mark Claverie John Van der Veer Fred Scheidt Richard Wissler
<i>Hospitality Host</i>		Christopher Lyons Marcia MacDonald

NOTICES

In our INTERCESSIONS FOR THE CHURCH today, we pray for

<i>Anglican Communion</i>	The Church of Ireland
<i>Diocese of Albany</i>	The Commission on Ministry
<i>Our Parish</i>	The Vestry

HOLY CONFIRMATION: Those seeking Confirmation or Reception into the Episcopal Church are urged to speak with Dean Vang at your earliest convenience.

The VESTRY meets on Wednesday at 7 p.m. at Skidmore College.

Bethesda's proposal to SHELTERS OF SARATOGA (SOS) will be the topic for a "question and answer" session immediately after the 10 a.m. service on Sunday April 22. Bethesda has asked for an opportunity to explore with SOS the feasibility of including in the New Parish House SOS's Code Blue and other programs of service to the less fortunate in our community. Information about our initiative is available at the back of the church and on the parish web site.

THANK OFFERING OPPORTUNITY: Altar flowers are needed for April 29, May 6 and 20. If you would like to make an offering of flowers, please contact the Parish Office by phone (518-584-5980) or email (barbara@bethesdachurch.org). Your gift is appreciated by all.

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

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

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.

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Have you joined SMILE.AMAZON.COM? Mark Griffin has and he has generated \$7.54 in donations from Amazon to Bethesda. His purchases and that of other members of the congregation resulted in Amazon sending Bethesda over \$20 last month. If you haven't joined yet, please do so that the contribution we get from Amazon smile increases. When you are ready to make a purchase use this web address: <https://smile.amazon.com/ch/14-1364477> or see Mark for how to sign up.

THIS WEEK AT BETHESDA
April 16– April 22

Monday <i>Easter Weekday</i>		
Tuesday <i>Easter Weekday</i>	6:30 p.m.	Holy Eucharist, <i>High Altar</i>
Wednesday <i>Easter Weekday</i>	12:10 p.m. 2:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Holy Eucharist with Healing, <i>Transcept Altar</i> Holy Eucharist, <i>Home of the Good Shepherd, Wilton</i> The Church Vestry, <i>Skidmore College</i>
Thursday <i>Alphege</i>	9:30 a.m. 10:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist, <i>Home of the Good Shepherd, Saratoga</i> Holy Eucharist, <i>Home of the Good Shepherd Memory Care, Saratoga</i>
Friday <i>Easter Weekday</i>		
Saturday <i>Easter Weekday</i>		
Sunday <i>THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER</i>	7:30 a.m. 8:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m.	Morning Prayer, <i>Transcept Altar</i> Holy Eucharist, <i>High Altar</i> Sung Eucharist, <i>High Altar</i> Refreshments, <i>The Narthex</i>

Office Hours: The PARISH OFFICES are open from 9 a.m. until 2 p.m. *Monday through Thursday*, and 9 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. on *Friday*.



THE PARISH VESTRY

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Class of 2017

Catherine Berheide, *Junior Churchwarden*

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