



Washington Street near Broadway

THE SOLEMNITY OF CORPUS CHRISTI

3 June 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 Lord, We Adore Thee*

Heinrich Scheidemann (1595-1663)

THE ENTRANCE RITE

HYMN 307 – *Bryn Calfaria*

COLLECT FOR PURITY

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GLORIA IN EXCELSIS (*Hymnal S202*), *sung by all*

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THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

God our Father, whose Son our Lord Jesus Christ in a wonderful Sacrament hath left unto us a memorial of his passion; Grant us so to venerate the sacred mysteries of his Body and Blood, that we may ever perceive within ourselves the fruit of his redemption; 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 Exodus*

Moses came and told the people all the words of the Lord and all the ordinances; and all the people answered with one voice, and said, 'All the words that the Lord has spoken we will do.' And Moses wrote down all the words of the Lord. He rose early in the morning, and built an altar at the foot of the mountain, and set up twelve pillars, corresponding to the twelve tribes of Israel. He sent young men of the people of Israel, who offered burnt-offerings and sacrificed oxen as offerings of well-being to the Lord. Moses took half of the blood and put it in basins, and half of the blood he dashed against the altar. Then he took the book of the covenant, and read it in the hearing of the people; and they said, 'All that the Lord has spoken we will do, and we will be obedient.' Moses took the blood and dashed it on the people, and said, 'See the blood of the covenant that the Lord has made with you in accordance with all these words.' (24:3-8)

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL - *Dilexi, quoniam*

- 10 How shall I repay the Lord*
for all the good things he has done for me?
- 11 I will lift up the cup of salvation *
and call upon the Name of the Lord.
- 12 I will fulfill my vows to the Lord *
in the presence of all his people.
- 13 Precious in the sight of the Lord *
is the death of his servants.
- 14 O Lord, I am your servant; *
I am your servant and the child of your handmaid;
you have freed me from my bonds.
- 15 I will offer you the sacrifice of thanksgiving *
and call upon the Name of the Lord.
- 16 I will fulfill my vows to the Lord *
in the presence of all his people,
- 17 In the courts of the Lord's house, *
in the midst of you, O Jerusalem.
Hallelujah!

Words: *Psalm 116, 10-17*

Music: Percy Buck (1871-1947)

THE SECOND LESSON - *A Reading from the Letter to the Hebrews*

But when Christ came as a high priest of the good things that have come, then through the greater and perfect tent (not made with hands, that is, not of this creation), he entered once for all into the Holy Place, not with the blood of goats and calves, but with his own blood, thus obtaining eternal redemption. For if the blood of goats and bulls, with the sprinkling of the ashes of a heifer, sanctifies those who have been defiled so that their flesh is purified, how much more will the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself without blemish to God, purify our conscience from dead works to worship the living God! For this reason he is the mediator of a new covenant, so that those who are called may receive the promised eternal inheritance, because a death has occurred that redeems them from the transgressions under the first covenant. (9:11-15)

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

SEQUENCE: HYMN 324 - *Picardy*

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

People Glory be to thee, O Lord.

On the first day of Unleavened Bread, when the Passover lamb is sacrificed, his disciples said to him, ‘Where do you want us to go and make the preparations for you to eat the Passover?’ So he sent two of his disciples, saying to them, ‘Go into the city, and a man carrying a jar of water will meet you; follow him, and wherever he enters, say to the owner of the house, “The Teacher asks, Where is my guest room where I may eat the Passover with my disciples?” He will show you a large room upstairs, furnished and ready. Make preparations for us there.’ So the disciples set out and went to the city, and found everything as he had told them; and they prepared the Passover meal. While they were eating, he took a loaf of bread, and after blessing it he broke it, gave it to them, and said, ‘Take; this is my body.’ Then he took a cup, and after giving thanks he gave it to them, and all of them drank from it. He said to them, ‘This is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many. Truly I tell you, I will never again drink of the fruit of the vine until that day when I drink it new in the kingdom of God.’ When they had sung the hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives. (14:12-16, 22-26)

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 In peace let us pray to the Lord.

Deacon Lord, listen to the prayers of your people, gathered at your table.
Lord, hear us.

Lord, graciously hear us.

That all who minister to the members of the Church 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 rejoice in the Real Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist..

Lord, hear us.

Lord, graciously hear us.

That national and local government officials will satisfy the human hunger for peace and justice,

Lord, hear us.

Lord, graciously hear us.

That the sick and the hospitalized will receive many signs of divine and human love for them,
Lord, hear us.

Lord, graciously hear us.

That this assembly will delight in Christ's gift of himself in the Eucharist,
Lord, hear us.

Lord, graciously hear us.

That the Vestry will be faithful to the Lord in seeking to identify Bethesda's next Rector,
Lord, hear us.

Lord, graciously hear us.

That those who have died will share Christ's eternal banquet in heaven,
Lord, hear us.

Lord, graciously hear us.

Celebrant God of the covenant, you accepted the sacrifice of your beloved Son, who entered the heavenly sanctuary with his precious Blood. Answer our prayers, and give us hearts as generous and loving as his, so that we may share the bread of life and the cup of salvation with thanksgiving. 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

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

AT THE OFFERTORY: ANTHEM - *O Sacrum Convivium*

O sacrum convivium,
in quo Christus sumitur;
recolitur memoria passionis ejus;
mens impletur gratia;
et futurae gloriae nobis pignus datur.
Alleluia

*O sacred banquet,
wherein Christ is received;
the memorial of his passion is renewed;
the soul is filled with grace;
and a pledge of future glory is given to us.
Alleluia*

Words: *1 Corinthians 11:26*

Music: Brian Hoffman

HYMN 174 - *Salzburg*

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING, *Eucharistic Prayer II*

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PROPER PREFACE OF THE EPIPHANY

Because in the mystery of the Word made flesh, thou hast caused a new light to shine in our hearts, to give the knowledge of the glory in the face of thy son Jesus Christ our Lord.

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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MINISTRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION

AGNUS DEI *from Missa Brevis*

Nicola Montani (1880-1948)

MOTET - Oculi Omnium

Oculi omnium in te sperant Domine:
et tu das illis escam in tempore opportuno.
Aperis tu manum tuam:
et imples omne animal benedictione.
Alleluia.

*The eyes of all wait upon thee, O Lord;
and thou givest them their meat in due season.
Thou openest thine hand,
and satisfiest the desire of every living thing.
Alleluia.*

Caro mea vere est cibus:
et sanguis meus vere est potus:
qui manducat meam carnem,
et bibit meum sanguinem,
in me manet, et ego in eo.
Alleluia.

*For my flesh is meat indeed,
and my blood is drink indeed.
He that eateth my flesh,
and drinketh my blood,
dwelleth in me, and I in him.
Alleluia.*

Music: *Psalm 145 v.15*
Music William Byrd (1538-1623)

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

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BENEDICTION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT *at 10:00 a.m. only*

All kneel.

HYMN 310 - *Herr Jesu Christ*

HYMN 330 - *Tantem ergo Sacramentum*

Celebrant Thou didst give them bread from heaven. Alleluia.
People **Containing within itself all sweetness. Alleluia.**

Celebrant Let us pray:
O God, who in this wonderful Sacrament hast left unto us a memorial of thy Passion: grant us, beseech thee, so to venerate the sacred mysteries of thy Body and Blood, that we may ever perceive within ourselves the fruit of thy redemption; who livest and reignest, world without end.
Amen.

Benediction is now given.

*The **DIVINE PRAISES** are said by the Celebrant, the people repeating:*

Blessed be God.
Blessed be His Holy Name.
Blessed be Jesus Christ, true God and true Man.
Blessed be the Name of Jesus.
Blessed be His Most Sacred Heart.
Blessed be His Most Precious Blood.
Blessed be Jesus in the Most Holy Sacrament of the Altar.
Blessed be the Holy Spirit, the Paraclete.
Blessed be the great Mother of God, Mary most Holy.
Blessed be the Name of Mary, Virgin and Mother.
Blessed be Saint Joseph, her most chaste spouse.
Blessed be God in His Angels and in His Saints.

As the Blessed Sacrament is reposed, the following Hymn is sung, all standing

HYMN 366 [v. 1-5] - Grosser Gott

ORGAN - *Jesus Christ, Our Blessed Savior*

Franz Tunder (1614-1667)

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
<i>Lay Eucharistic Minister[s]</i>	Sean Byrnes Robert Bullock	Robert Bullock Sean Byrnes
<i>Lay Eucharistic Visitor</i>		Laurie Brenenstuhl
<i>Altar Guild</i>		Pamela Houde Christine Miller
<i>Bell Ringers</i>		Kathleen Anspach Steven Rucker
<i>Lectors</i>	John Huppuch	Betsy Cummins Robert Bullock
<i>Ushers</i>		Craig Walton Karen Walton Mark Anspach Kathleen Anspach
<i>Hospitality Host</i>		Tim & Jack Connors

NOTICES

The FLOWERS AT THE HIGH ALTAR are given to the Glory of Almighty God in loving memory of Virginia & David Danforth Wilder by Nancy & David Wilder.

Eucharist Elements are given are given to the Glory of Almighty God in loving memory of Joh and Emily Capano by Laurie Brenenstuhl

In our INTERCESSIONS FOR THE CHURCH today, we pray for

Anglican Communion

The Church of Melanesia

Diocese of Albany

Saint John's, Massena

Our Parish

In Thanksgiving for the Blessed Sacrament

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.

CHORAL EVENSONG - THE SOLEMNITY OF CORPUS CHRISTI

Today, 3:00 p.m.

Please plan to attend a CHORAL SERVICE OF EVENSONG for Corpus Christi, Sunday afternoon, June 3 at 3:00 PM. The Schola Cantorum of Bethesda under the direction of Dr. Kathleen Slezak and Organist, Farrell Goehring will be offering a program of pieces all composed by local organist and composer, Brian Hoffman. A reception will follow with an opportunity to meet the composer.

VOLUNTEER LECTORS FOR THE SUMMER: If you would like to read a Lesson at the Sunday Eucharist, please sign the designated lists in the Narthex. Thank you.

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 in gratefully appreciated.

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.

The Vestry this week unanimously agreed to apply to the City of Saratoga Springs for an amendment to the parish's SPECIAL USE PERMIT to allow for housing and/or overnight accommodation in the New Parish House. This use was not requested when we received our original approval in 2015. In the weeks since our housing initiative regarding Code Blue was communicated, we have learned of additional housing needs in the community that Bethesda could help to meet. Numerous groups and advocates have voiced support for Bethesda's direction, including those working with race course backstretch workers, victims of domestic violence, homeless military veterans and others. Receiving approval for this amendment from the city will allow our discussions with these groups to move forward in a businesslike manner.

PARISH WORK DAY JUNE 16: Mark your calendar! Your help is needed. No special skills required. We plan to focus on cleaning/removal of allergens from the basement, clean up of the back courtyard as well as some painting and general cleaning in the nave. Perhaps there is some other maintenance project that you have been itching to work on? Bring your suggestions. Consider bringing cleaning, yardwork equipment, buckets for hauling debris from the basement and yourself. Also looking for some folks willing to help feed the hungry workers.

Mark your calendars for our next POT-LUCK SUPPER on June 22 at 6:00p.m. in the hall of the First Baptist Church. This will indeed be a special occasion as we honor the 50th anniversary of Father Evans becoming a priest. Look for the sign-up sheet in the Narthex today.

OUR COLLECTIVE HISTORY is on the threshold of publication, after nearly five years of work by a team of writers, editors and designers dedicated to bringing Bethesda's long history to life for the parish and for the community. *A History of Bethesda Episcopal Church, Worship and Healing in Saratoga Springs, New York*, will be available to the public starting with an open house at 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday June 23 in the church. Books will be available for purchase and signing, along with opportunities to meet the authors, whose professionalism and creativity have given life to this project. Order forms to reserve your copy are available in the back of the church and on the church web site.

FYI: Our property to the west of the church is being used temporarily as a staging site for contracted work at Druthers' Restaurant on Broadway. At its conclusion, the area will be returned in a much improved condition.

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SEARCH COMMITTEE UPDATE

In our May 24, 2018, meeting, the SEARCH COMMITTEE agreed to have three informational meetings with the congregation to take place in September. The importance of confidentiality during the search process was discussed. Based on the parish survey results, agreement was reached on listing effective preaching, pastoral care, attracting members, and empowering lay leadership as the four most important gifts and skills. The search committee decided to ask Mary Withington and Matt Veitch to serve as the Parish Leader and Local Community Leader references respectively. The components of the compensation package for the next rector were also discussed.

THE SEARCH COMMITTEE Has Begun Meeting to Fill Out the Office for Transition Ministry Community Profile Information Form

The Search Committee consists of the Vestry, and as Junior Warden, I am chairing it. I will be making regular reports on our progress in the bulletins. Even if you aren't in church on Sunday, you can find the bulletins online at our website and read the notices. Here's the website address: <http://bethesdachurch.org/ministries/services/sermons-service-sheets/>

And now to remind you of the Search Committee's work prior to this month: We have had two meetings with the Diocesan Transition Minister, Beth Strickland, one last November and one in April and one with her and the Bishop in January. Darren Miller reported on the first two meetings when he held parish meetings in January. I intend to hold another round of meetings in September, but I am happy to talk to anyone prior to that time if you have any questions. I will be at Evensong this afternoon and will stay for the reception if you want to discuss the search process.

To report on our more recent activities, the search committee met on May 24 and again on May 30 to work on filling out the National Office for Transition Ministry's Community Profile Information Form. This information will be posted on the national Episcopal Church's database so that clergy can access it and apply for the open rector's position at Bethesda.

The profile asks for very specific information—what is our average attendance, what will the stipend be, and even who were the last three incumbents in this position. I doubt there are very many churches where those three names take you back to 1953! If we hadn't included Dean Vang as the most recent one, we would have gone back even further.

The portfolio also asks a dozen questions that require a written narrative of no more than 1200 characters including spaces. That is a very stringent limit with which to describe our liturgical style, our involvement in the wider community, our stewardship, etc. But we are almost done thanks to the hard work of the other members of the vestry. Once we are done, I will check with the Diocesan Transition Minister and she will then post our rector position in the Office of Transition Ministry's database. I will let you know when our position announcement goes live. If you have any possible candidates in mind, you can direct them to the announcement and they can apply through the regular process.

A special thank you to those of you who completed the survey by the deadline. Your answers were critical to filling out the parish profile. For example, the last question was "If you were to identify the gifts and skills you need in your next priest as you move into the future, which words would you use to best describe these gifts and skills? (Enter no more than four descriptions made up of *one or two-words each*. For example: administration, asset management, preaching, pastoral care.)" We answered that question with the following four gifts and talents

because they were the answers you gave us on the survey (see table below): Effective Preaching, Pastoral Care, Attracting Members, Empowering Lay Leadership.

Skill	Mean (1=Very important; 6=Very Unimportant)	Most Important for a New Rector (Number)
Minister to sick, etc.	1.29	67
Parish growth	1.36	100
Works well with vestry	1.41	100
Effective preaching	1.44	67
Program to visit sick	1.46	51
Support all backgrounds	1.47	47
Administer office	1.56	98
Incorporate youth	1.58	35
Counsel people	1.58	50
Sunday School	1.62	20
Empowers laity	1.65	0
Impart revelation	1.74	27
Involve laity in outreach	1.76	39
Promote leadership	1.78	0
Stewardship	1.79	0
Local outreach	1.81	33
Spiritual development	2.02	21
Assist victims	2.08	22
Manage finances	2.16	0
Trains laity to proclaim	2.23	0
Interfaith	2.32	0
Visit disaffected	2.33	11
Teach adults	2.43	3
Other outreach	2.81	5
Chant	3.26	3

As the table above indicates, every single one of the 100 parishioners who answered the survey by the deadline said that providing effective leadership for parish growth and working well with the vestry were the most important skills for a new rector in the areas of parish

growth and lay leadership respectively. Sixty-seven said effectively delivering sermons that tie the scripture readings to life and world issues as well as personally ministering to the sick, dying, and bereaved were the most important gifts for the new rector in terms of worship and pastoral care.

Please contact me if you have any questions about the search process.

God be with you,

Catherine W. Berheide
Junior Warden
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THIS WEEK AT BETHESDA
June 4 - June 11

Monday <i>Feria</i>		
Tuesday <i>Boniface</i>	6:30 p.m.	Holy Eucharist, <i>High Altar</i>
Wednesday <i>Feria</i>	12:10 p.m. 2:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Holy Eucharist with Healing, <i>Transept Altar</i> Holy Eucharist, <i>Home of the Good Shepherd, Wilton</i> Saratoga High School Choraliers
Thursday <i>Feria</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>Feria</i>		Diocesan Convention
Saturday <i>Columba</i>		Diocesan Convention
Sunday <i>THE THIRD SUNDAY OF PENTECOST</i>	7:30 a.m. 8:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m.	Morning Prayer, <i>Transept 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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