



Washington Street near Broadway

THE FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

2 July 2017

7:30 am - Morning Prayer

8:00 am - Holy Eucharist

10:00 am - Sung 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 - *By Verdant Pastures*

Eric Thiman (1900-1975)

THE ENTRANCE RITE

HYMN 780 - *Westminster Abbey*

COLLECT FOR PURITY

Prayer Book, page 323

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS (Hymnal 713)

Prayer Book, page 324

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

O Almighty God, who hast built thy Church upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief cornerstone: Grant us so to be joined together in unity of spirit by their doctrine, that we may be made a holy temple acceptable unto thee; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

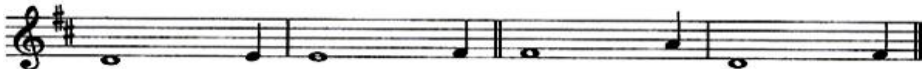
THE FIRST LESSON - *A Reading from the Book of Jeremiah*

Then the prophet Jeremiah spoke to the prophet Hananiah in the presence of the priests and all the people who were standing in the house of the Lord; and the prophet Jeremiah said, "Amen! May the Lord do so; may the Lord fulfill the words that you have prophesied, and bring back to this place from Babylon the vessels of the house of the Lord, and all the exiles. But listen now to this word that I speak in your hearing and in the hearing of all the people. The prophets who preceded you and me from ancient times prophesied war, famine, and pestilence against many countries and great kingdoms. As for the prophet who prophesies peace, when the word of that prophet comes true, then it will be known that the Lord has truly sent the prophet." (28:5-9)

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL - *Misericordias Domini*



- 1 Your love, O Lord, for ever will I / sing; *
from age to age my mouth will proclaim your / faithfulness.
- 2 For I am persuaded that your love is established for / ever; *
you have set your faithfulness firmly in the / heavens.
- 3 "I have made a covenant with my / chosen one; *
I have sworn an oath to David my / servant:
- 4 'I will establish your line for / ever, *
and preserve your throne for all gene - / rations.'"
- 15 Happy are the people who know the festal / shout! *
they walk, O Lord, in the light of your / presence.
- 16 They rejoice daily in your / Name; *
they are jubilant in your / righteousness.
- 17 For you are the glory of their / strength, *
and by your favor our might is ex - / alted.
- 18 Truly, the Lord is our / ruler; *
the Holy One of Israel is our / King.

Psalm 89: 1-4 15-18

Music: Jerome Webster Meachen (b. 1930)

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

Therefore, do not let sin exercise dominion in your mortal bodies, to make you obey their passions. No longer present your members to sin as instruments of wickedness, but present yourselves to God as those who have been brought from death to life, and present your members to

God as instruments of righteousness. For sin will have no dominion over you, since you are not under law but under grace. What then? Should we sin because we are not under law but under grace? By no means! Do you not know that if you present yourselves to anyone as obedient slaves, you are slaves of the one whom you obey, either of sin, which leads to death, or of obedience, which leads to righteousness? But thanks be to God that you, having once been slaves of sin, have become obedient from the heart to the form of teaching to which you were entrusted, and that you, having been set free from sin, have become slaves of righteousness. I am speaking in human terms because of your natural limitations. For just as you once presented your members as slaves to impurity and to greater and greater iniquity, so now present your members as slaves to righteousness for sanctification. When you were slaves of sin, you were free in regard to righteousness. So what advantage did you then get from the things of which you now are ashamed? The end of those things is death. But now that you have been freed from sin and enslaved to God, the advantage you get is sanctification. The end is eternal life. For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord. (6:12-23)

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God

SEQUENCE: HYMN 335 - Caswall

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

People Glory be to thee, O Lord.

Jesus said, "Whoever welcomes you welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes the one who sent me. Whoever welcomes a prophet in the name of a prophet will receive a prophet's reward; and whoever welcomes a righteous person in the name of a righteous person will receive the reward of the righteous; and whoever gives even a cup of cold water to one of these little ones in the name of a disciple-- truly I tell you, none of these will lose their reward."

(10: 40-42)

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise be to thee, O Christ.

THE SERMON

Dean Vang

THE NICENE CREED

Prayer Book, page 327

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Celebrant The Lord's kindness is established for ever. Filled with gratitude, let us ask our faithful God to bless us with every good gift.

Assisting Priest That the leaders of the church will receive the gracious gift of God's wisdom, especially their leaders, Justin, the Archbishop of Canterbury; Frances, 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, so that their one-

ness will show forth the unity of Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,
Let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, hear our prayer.

That the leaders of nations will receive the gracious gift of God's guidance,
Let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, hear our prayer.

That those who suffer from poverty, sickness, and oppression will receive the gracious gift of
God's strengthening,

Let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, hear our prayer.

That we will receive the gracious gift of God's hospitality from each other,
Let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, hear our prayer.

That those who have died, will receive the gracious gift of God's salvation,
Let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Celebrant Gracious God, our needs are great, but your love for us is far greater. As we
walk in the light of your face, increase in us your many gifts for our well-being. Let them be-
come our way to eternal life with your risen Son, Jesus Christ, who is Lord for ever and ever.

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 for-**

**give 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: HYMN 385 - Austria

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING, Eucharistic Prayer II *Prayer Book, page 340*

PROPER PREFACE OF THE LORD'S DAY of God The Son

Through Jesus Christ our Lord; who on the first day of the week overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.

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

OUR FATHER *Prayer Book, page 336*

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD: AGNUS DEI (Hymnal 712) sung by all
Prayer Book, page 337

MINISTRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION

THE CONCLUDING RITE

POST COMMUNION PRAYER *Prayer Book, page 339*

THE BLESSING

DISMISSAL

Assisting Priest Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

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

HYMN 143 - National Hymn

ORGAN - Postlude in C 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 on the Terrace, 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>	Robert Bullock	Kate Berheide
	Sean Byrnes	Sean Byrnes
<i>Lay Eucharistic Visitor</i>		Laurie Brenenstuhl
<i>Bell Ringers</i>		Kathleen Anspach
		Steve Rucker
<i>Lectors</i>	Mary Withiington	Sara Manny
		Kim Coughron
<i>Ushers</i>		Craig Walton
		Karen Walton
		Mark Anspach
		Karen Anspach
<i>Hospitality Host[s]</i>		Kathy & Devon Howe

NOTICES

During the month of July, the EUCHARISTIC ELEMENTS of bread and wine are given to the Glory of Almighty God by Bill Read in loving memory of Eda M. Read. The FLOWERS AT THE HIGH ALTAR are given to the Glory of Almighty God by Jean Marie Crocker in loving memory of Denton Winslow Crocker, Jr.

In our INTERCESSIONS FOR THE CHURCH today, we pray for

Anglican Communion

The Church on Nigeria

Diocese of Albany

The Bishop of Albany

Our Parish

In Thanksgiving for our nation's independence

SIGN UP FOR MINISTRY During the summer season, known more commonly as Ordinary Time, we welcome members of the congregation and visitors to read at both the 8 am and 10 am Masses, one for the earlier liturgy, two for the latter. Sign-up lists can be found at the narthex lectern.

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

THE VESTRY REPORTS: On Sunday, July 9, the Senior Warden will update the parish with regard to the New Parish Hall, the Capital Campaign, and other leadership decisions. This will occur at both the 8 and 10 o'clock Eucharists.

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*. *Please note the Parish Office will be closed on Tuesday, July fourth, in observance of Independence Day.*

FORWARD DAY BY DAY for May through July is available in the back of the Church.

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.

Bethesda Episcopal Church is now a participant of **PAYPAL!** You can now make your gift to Bethesda by going to bethesdaepiscopalchurch@gmail.com

THIS WEEK AT BETHESDA

July 3 - July 9

Monday <i>Feria</i>	
Tuesday <i>INDEPENDENCE DAY</i>	<i>The Parish Office is closed today.</i>
Wednesday <i>Feria</i>	12:10 p.m. - Holy Eucharist with Healing <i>Transcept Altar</i> 2:00 p.m.. - Holy Eucharist <i>Home of the Good Shepherd, Wilton</i>
Thursday <i>Feria</i>	9:30 a.m. - Holy Eucharist <i>Home of the Good Shepherd, Saratoga Springs</i>
Friday <i>Feria</i>	
Saturday <i>Feria</i>	
Sunday <i>THE FIFTH 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>

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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THE PARISH VESTRY

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Class of 2018
Darren Miller, *Senior Churchwarden*

Class of 2017
Catherine Berheide, *Junior Churchwarden*

Vestry

<i>Class of 2017</i>	<i>Class of 2018</i>	<i>Class of 2019</i>
Jane Agee	Mark Claverie	Field Horne
Gordon Boyd	Pamela Houde	Denise Limoli
Mark Griffin	Mayumi Kato	Sara Manny
Geneva Henderson, <i>Clerk</i>	John Van der Veer, <i>Treasurer</i>	

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