



## Washington Street near Broadway

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THE TWENTY FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

19 November 2017

7:30 am - Morning Prayer

8:00 am - Holy Eucharist

10:00 am - Sung Eucharist

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*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** - *Pastorale*

César Franck (1822-1890)

### THE ENTRANCE RITE

**AT THE PROCESSION: HYMN 410**— *Lauda anima*

**COLLECT FOR PURITY**

*Prayer Book, page 323*

**GLORIA IN EXCELSIS** (*Hymnal S202*)

*Prayer Book, page 324*

### THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Blessed Lord, who hast caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning: Grant that we may in such wise hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them; that, by patience and comfort of thy holy Word, we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, which thou hast given us in our Savior Jesus Christ; 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 Zephaniah*

Be silent before the Lord God! For the day of the Lord is at hand; the Lord has prepared a sacrifice, he has consecrated his guests. At that time I will search Jerusalem with lamps, and I will punish the people who rest complacently on their dregs, those who say in their hearts, "The Lord will not do good, nor will he do harm." Their wealth shall be plundered, and their houses laid waste. Though they build houses, they shall not inhabit them; though they plant vineyards, they shall not drink wine from them. The great day of the Lord is near, near and hastening fast; the sound of the day of the Lord is bitter, the warrior cries aloud there. That day will be a day of wrath, a day of distress and anguish, a day of ruin and devastation, a day of darkness and gloom, a day of clouds and thick darkness, a day of trumpet blast and battle cry against the fortified cities and against the lofty battlements. I will bring such distress upon people that they shall walk like the blind; because they have sinned against the Lord, their blood shall be poured out like dust, and their flesh like dung. Neither their silver nor their gold will be able to save them on the day of the Lord's wrath; in the fire of his passion the whole earth shall be consumed; for a full, a terrible end he will make of all the inhabitants of the earth. (1:7,12-18)

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

### GRADUAL - *Domine, refugium*

- 1 Lord, you have been our refuge \*  
from one generation to another.
- 2 Before the mountains were brought forth,  
or the land and the earth were born, \*  
from age to age you are God.
- 3 You turn us back to the dust and say, \*  
"Go back, O child of earth."
- 4 For a thousand years in your sight are like yesterday when it is past \*  
and like a watch in the night.
- 5 You sweep us away like a dream; \*  
we fade away suddenly like the grass.
- 6 In the morning it is green and flourishes; \*  
in the evening it is dried up and withered.
- 7 For we consume away in your displeasure; \*  
we are afraid because of your wrathful indignation.
- 8 Our iniquities you have set before you, \*  
and our secret sins in the light of your countenance.
- 12 So teach us to number our days \*  
that we may apply our hearts to wisdom.

Words: *Psalms 90:1-8, 12*

Music: John Bertalot (b. 1931)

**THE SECOND LESSON - *A Reading from the First letter of Paul to the Thessalonians***

Now concerning the times and the seasons, brothers and sisters, you do not need to have anything written to you. For you yourselves know very well that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night. When they say, "There is peace and security," then sudden destruction will come upon them, as labor pains come upon a pregnant woman, and there will be no escape! But you, beloved, are not in darkness, for that day to surprise you like a thief; for you are all children of light and children of the day; we are not of the night or of darkness. So then let us not fall asleep as others do, but let us keep awake and be sober; for those who sleep at night, and those who are drunk get drunk at night. But since we belong to the day, let us be sober, and put on the breastplate of faith and love, and for a helmet the hope of salvation. For God has destined us not for wrath but for obtaining salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, who died for us, so that whether we are awake or asleep we may live with him. Therefore encourage one another and build up each other, as indeed you are doing. (5:1-11)

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

**SEQUENCE: HYMN 462 – York**

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

***People Glory be to thee, O Lord.***

Jesus said, "It is as if a man, going on a journey, summoned his slaves and entrusted his property to them; to one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away. The one who had received the five talents went off at once and traded with them, and made five more talents. In the same way, the one who had the two talents made two more talents. But the one who had received the one talent went off and dug a hole in the ground and hid his master's money. After a long time the master of those slaves came and settled accounts with them. Then the one who had received the five talents came forward, bringing five more talents, saying, 'Master, you handed over to me five talents; see, I have made five more talents.' His master said to him, 'Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.' And the one with the two talents also came forward, saying, 'Master, you handed over to me two talents; see, I have made two more talents.' His master said to him, 'Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.' Then the one who had received the one talent also came forward, saying, 'Master, I knew that you were a harsh man, reaping where you did not sow, and gathering where you did not scatter seed; so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here you have what is yours.' But his master replied, 'You wicked and lazy slave! You knew, did you, that I reap where I did not sow, and gather where I did not scatter? Then you ought to have invested my money with the bankers, and on my return I would have received what was my own with interest. So take the talent from him, and give it to the one with the ten talents. For to all those who have, more will be given, and they will have an abundance; but from those who have nothing, even what they have will be taken away. As for this worthless slave, throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.'" (25:14-30)

*Celebrant* 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* As children of the day, who face life with hope, let us pray to God with confidence.

For the church, that God may protect and prosper it throughout the world. We pray for Justin, the Archbishop of Canterbury, Michael, our Presiding Bishop, William, our Diocesan Bishop, Daniel and David, our Assisting Bishops, Marshall and Paul, our Priests, and all ministers of your Church, that by faithful proclamation of your word we may be build upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets into a holy temple in the Lord,

Let us pray to the Lord:

***Hear our prayer***

For civil authorities, especially Donald, our President, that God may direct them along the ways of all that is good,

Let us pray to the Lord:

***Hear our prayer.***

For those among us who are suffering in mind or body, that God may deliver them from pain and distress,

Let us pray to the Lord:

***Hear our prayer.***

For this assembly, that God may empower us to build a more humane world,

Let us pray to the Lord:

***Hear our prayer.***

For those who have gone before us in the discipleship of Christ, that God may grant them refreshment, light, and peace, together with the ever-blessed Virgin Mary and all the saints.

Let us pray to the Lord:

***Hear our prayer.***

*Celebrant* Gracious God, giver of all good gifts, hear our prayers, so that we may rejoice in the breadth of your kindness and the depth of your mercy. 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. Continue to 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**

*Celebrant* 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 - *I Sat Down***

I sat down under His shadow with great delight,  
and His fruit was sweet to my taste.  
He brought me to the banqueting house,  
and His banner over me was love.

Words: *Song of Solomon 2, 3-4*  
Music: Edward C. Bairstow (1874-1946)

### **OFFERTORY HYMN 292- *Kingsfold***

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

### **PROPER PREFACE OF THE LORD'S DAY *of God the Father***

Creator of the light and source of life, who hast made us in thine image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord.

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

**OUR FATHER**

*Prayer Book, page 336*

**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 Communion Service in F*

Harold Darke (1888-1976)

**MOTET** *Hear the Voice and Prayer*

Hear the voice and prayer of thy servants,  
that they may make before thee this day.  
That thine eyes may be open  
toward this house night and day,  
ever toward this place of which thou hast said,  
"My name shall be there."  
And when thou hear'st have mercy on them.

Words: *1 Kings 8: 28-30*

Music: Thomas Tallis (1505-1585)

## **THE CONCLUDING RITE**

**POST COMMUNION PRAYER**

*Prayer Book, page 339*

**THE BLESSING**

*Prayer Book, page 339*

**DISMISSAL**

*Celebrant*

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

*People*

*Thanks be to God.*

**HYMN 551** - *Festal Song*

**ORGAN** - *Finale*

César Franck (1822-1890)

## 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>Lay Eucharistic Minister[s]</i>	Sean Byrnes Robert Bullock	Robert Bullock David Wilder
<i>Lay Eucharistic Visitor</i>		Mark Griffin
<i>Altar Guild</i>		Gail Remington Christine Miller
<i>Bell Ringers</i>		Mayumi Kato Emily Pick
<i>Lectors</i>	Mary Withington	Sara Manny Lynda Redman
<i>Ushers</i>		Doug Huston Chris Lyons John Van der Veer Fred Scheidt

## NOTICES

Today's STEWARDSHIP Presentation will be given by Vestry member Sara Manny.

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.

In our INTERCESSIONS FOR THE CHURCH today, we pray for  
*Anglican Communion*      Uyo - (Niger Delta, Nigeria)  
*Diocese of Albany*      The work of the Salvation Army  
*Our Parish*                Homes of the Good Shepherd

The THANKSGIVING DAY EUCHARIST will be celebrated on Thursday at 9 a.m.

COFFEE HOUR HOSTS are needed for November. Please call the church office at 518-584-5980. or email Sara Manny [saramanny@gmail.com](mailto:saramanny@gmail.com).

The annual BETHESDA CHRISTMAS PAGEANT will be presented in the church after the 10:00 am service on December 17<sup>th</sup>. Rehearsal is on December 16<sup>th</sup> 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 10<sup>th</sup>. *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 in gratefully appreciated.

EMAIL NOTICES FOR BULLETIN: Please send all notices for the church bulletin to [office@bethesdachurch.org](mailto: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.



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!

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### 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

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Please recommend below Bethesda communicants to serve on the Vestry.



## THIS WEEK AT BETHESDA

*November 20–November 26*

Monday <i>Edmund of East Anglia</i>	
Tuesday <i>Feria</i>	6:30 p.m. - Holy Eucharist <i>High Altar</i>
Wednesday <i>Cecilia</i>	12:10 p.m. - Holy Eucharist with Healing <i>Transcept Altar</i>
Thursday <i>THANKSGIVING DAY</i>	9:00 a.m. - Holy Eucharist, <i>High Altar</i> <i>The parish office is closed.</i>
Friday <i>Feria</i>	<i>The parish office is closed.</i>
Saturday <i>Feria</i>	
Sunday <i>THE SOLEMNITY OF CHRIST THE KING</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. - Solemn Eucharist <i>High Altar</i> Refreshments <i>The Narthex</i>



## THE PARISH VESTRY

### Churchwardens

*Class of 2018*

Darren Miller, *Senior Churchwarden*

*Class of 2017*

Catherine Berheide, *Junior Churchwarden*

### Vestry

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Steven Rucker

John Van der Veer, *Treasurer*

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, *Vergger*

Mr. Sean Byrnes, *Sacristan*

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