



Washington Street near Broadway

THE SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER (Rogation Sunday)

6 May 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 - *Be Glad and Joyful*

George Böhm (1661-1733)

THE ENTRANCE RITE

HYMN 292 – *Kingsfold*

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS, *sung by all*

Prayer Book, page 324

The musical score is written on three staves in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The tempo is marked $\text{♩} = 100$. The first staff begins with a *Celebrant* part 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 continues the melody with dynamics *f* and *mf*, with 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 concludes with a triplet of eighth notes and lyrics: "glo - ry, O Lord God, heav-en-ly King, God the Fa-ther Al - migh - ty. O Lord the on-ly be-".

- 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, who hast prepared for those who love thee such good things as pass man's understanding: Pour into our hearts such love toward thee, that we, loving thee in all things and above all things, may obtain thy promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through 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 Acts of the Apostles*

While Peter was still speaking, the Holy Spirit fell upon all who heard the word. The circumcised believers who had come with Peter were astounded that the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out even on the Gentiles, for they heard them speaking in tongues and extolling God. Then Peter said, "Can anyone withhold the water for baptizing these people who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?" So he ordered them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they invited him to stay for several days. (10:44:48)

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL - *Cantate Domino*

- 1 Sing to the Lord a new song, *
for he has done marvelous things.
- 2 With his right hand and his holy arm *
has he won for himself the victory.
- 3 The Lord has made known his victory; *
his righteousness has he openly shown in the sight of the nations.
- 4 He remembers his mercy and faithfulness to
the house of Israel, *
and all the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our God.
- 5 Shout with joy to the Lord, all you lands; *
lift up your voice, rejoice, and sing.
- 6 Sing to the Lord with the harp, *
with the harp and the voice of song.
- 7 With trumpets and the sound of the horn *
shout with joy before the King, the Lord.
- 8 Let the sea make a noise and all that is in it, *
the lands and those who dwell therein.
- 9 Let the rivers clap their hands, *
and let the hills ring out with joy before the Lord,
when he comes to judge the earth.
- 10 In righteousness shall he judge the world *
and the peoples with equity.

Words: *Psalm 98*

Music: William Crotch (1775-1847)

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

Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ has been born of God, and everyone who loves the parent loves the child. By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and obey his commandments. For the love of God is this, that we obey his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome, for whatever is born of God conquers the world. And this is the victory that conquers the world, our faith. Who is it that conquers the world but the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God? This is the one who came by water and blood, Jesus Christ, not with the water only but with the water and the blood. And the Spirit is the one that testifies, for the Spirit is the truth. (5:1-6)

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

SEQUENCE: HYMN 531— Melcombe

The people stand and turn to face the Book of Gospels

THE HOLY GOSPEL of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John

People Glory be to thee, O Lord.

Jesus said to his disciples, "As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete. This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another." (15:9-17)

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

THE SERMON

Mr. Landon Moore

THE NICENE CREED

Prayer Book, page 327

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Celebrant With all who revere the living God, let us pray that the salvation which is ours in the risen Christ will reach the ends of the earth.

Assisting Priest For missionaries in this and every land, that they live in Christ's love through their proclamation of God's wondrous deeds,

Lord, hear us,

Lord, graciously hear us.

That the ministers of the Church will live in Christ by the fruit of their generous service, 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.

Lord, hear us:

Lord, graciously hear us.

For those baptized at Easter, that they live in Christ's love through their baptismal share of the Spirit,

Lord, hear us,

Lord, graciously hear us.

For the sick, that they live in Christ's love through their restoration to health,

Lord, hear us,

Lord, graciously hear us.

For those soon to graduate, that they live in Christ's love through their service to the human family,

Lord, hear us,

Lord, graciously hear us.

For our Vestry, that each member will live in Christ through love of the one, holy, catholic, and apostolic church, as they seek to identify Bethesda's next Rector.

Lord, hear us:

Lord, graciously hear us.

For those who have died, that they live for ever in Christ's love through their salvation in his death and resurrection,

Lord, hear us,

Lord, graciously hear us.

Celebrant God of love, you have revealed your saving power to all nations by showing us your kindness and faithfulness in the risen Lord. Grant us what we need to know you and love you. Help us love one another as Christ loved us, so that keeping his commandments may be our joy. 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

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 - Greater Love Hath No Man

Many waters cannot quench Love,
neither can the floods drown it. Love is strong as death.
Greater Love hath no man than this,
that a man lay down his life for his friends
Who His own Self bare our sins in His own Body on the tree,
that we being dead to sins, should live unto righteousness,
Ye are washed, ye are sanctified,
ye are justified, in the Name of the Lord Jesus;
Ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation,
That ye show forth the praises of Him
Who hath called you out of darkness into His marvelous light.
I beseech you, brethren, by the mercies of God
that ye present your bodies, a living sacrifice,
holy, holy acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service

Words: *Canticles 8, St John 15, I Peter 2, I Corinthians 6; Romans 12*
Music: John Ireland (1879-1962)

HYMN 387– *Magdalen College*

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, *sung by all*

The musical score is written on three staves in G major and 4/4 time. The first staff begins with a forte (f) dynamic and includes markings for *cresc.*, *rall.*, *ff*, and *f*. The lyrics are: "Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho-ly Lord, God of hosts, heav-en and earth are full of thy". The second staff continues with lyrics: "glo - ry. Glo-ry be to thee, O Lord most High. Bless-ed is he that". The third staff concludes with lyrics: "com-eth in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high-est." The score ends with a double bar line.

Words: Traditional

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

OUR FATHER

Prayer Book, page 334

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD: PASCHA NOSTRUM

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PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS

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MINISTRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION

AGNUS DEI - *from Missa Simile Est Regnum Coelorum*

Tomas Victoria (1548-1611)

MOTET - *Ave Verum*

Ave verum corpus,
natum de Maria Virgine;
vere passum immolatum
in cruce pro homine;
cujus latus perforatum

*Hail, true Body,
born of the Virgin Mary
thou who truly suffered,
sacrificed on the cross for mankind
from whose pierced side*

unda fluxit cum sanguine;
esto nobis praegustatum in mortis examine.
O dulcis, O pie, O Jesu Fili Mariae;
miserere mei. Amen

*flowed water with blood.
Be to us a foretaste in the trial of death.
O Jesus, Son O Mary,
Have mercy on me. Amen.*

Words: Pope Innocent VI
Music: William Byrd (1539-1623)

THE CONCLUDING RITE

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

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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 389 *Monkland*

ORGAN - *Capriccio*

George Böhm (1661-1733)

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 in 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	Landon Moore David Wilder
<i>Lay Eucharistic Visitor</i>		Laurie Brenenstuhl
<i>Altar Guild</i>		Mary Withington Anne Van Acker
<i>Bell Ringers</i>		Kathleen Anspach Steven Rucker
<i>Lectors</i>	Michael Penfold	Denise Limoli John Van der Veer
<i>Ushers</i>		Richard Wissler Christopher Lyons John Van der Veer Fred Scheidt
<i>Hospitality Host</i>		

NOTICES

The FLOWERS AT THE HIGH ALTAR are given to the Glory of Almighty God by Mary Withington in loving memory of Diana Mobley and in honor of Finula Reynolds-Kautzman., and in thanksgiving for the birthday of Ralph Andrew Crocker by Jean Marie Crocker.

In our INTERCESSIONS FOR THE CHURCH today, we pray for

Anglican Communion

Diocese of Albany

Our Parish

The Anglican Church of Kenya

Diocesan Youth Ministry Bible Studies

Berkeley Divinity School at Yale

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.

This afternoon 6:00 St. Stephens Episcopal Church is presenting a SPRING CONCERT celebrating the 150th anniversary of St. Stevens Parish. There will be a pre-concert reception in the Parish Hall at 4:00 p.m. St. Stevens Episcopal Church is located at 4 Grove Street, Schuylerville NY 12871. Please consider supporting a sister congregation in our geographic area.

PRE-ORDERS FOR A HISTORY OF BETHESDA EPISCOPAL CHURCH: Worship and Healing in Saratoga Springs, New York. Be sure to order soon to reserve your copy of this beautiful, limited edition book. If you submit your order by May 31st, 2018, you will pay a discounted price of \$50 per copy. After this date, the retail price will be \$60 per copy. Order forms can be found in the back of the church. You may also order a copy on the church web site.

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.

Have you joined SMILE.AMAZON.COM? Mark Griffin has and he has generated \$9.02 in donations from Amazon to Bethesda. His purchases and that of other members of the congregation resulted in Amazon sending Bethesda over \$63 since February, 2018. 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

WARMER MONTHS, CHANGING NEEDS The protocols for emergency winter shelter have closed the doors of the Code Blue shelter for the foreseeable future. However the nicer weather means the needs of the people we assist change. Can you help us provide critically needed supplies for those living in encampments? Some of the most needed items such as tents, sleeping bags and tarps are a few of the most requested items in the spring. We've setup an [Amazon Wishlist](#) of the most needed supplies as a convenient way of donating these items. We also accept donations of good condition used items from this list as well. Please deliver to: Shelters of Saratoga, 14 Walworth Street, Saratoga Springs and mark them for "Outreach".

Thank you for your support!

P.S. -- The Giving Circle Outreach Team will begin serving 40 hungry people starting this Thursday at Presbyterian New England Congregational Church. If you are interested in providing a meal for this weekly dinner, please [email](mailto:Rachael.dwyer@yahoo.com) Rachael.dwyer@yahoo.com

THE SEARCH FOR OUR NEXT RECTOR

The Rector Search Survey Is Live.

As I indicated last week, one of the first steps in the search for a new rector is to survey the parish. Every member of the parish who is 16 or over is welcomed to complete the survey. We prefer that everyone complete the survey online but have provided the option of doing so on paper for those who prefer to fill it out that way.

We sent the link to take the survey online out by email last Sunday (April 20). If we don't have your email address or if you have unsubscribed from Bethesda's email list, you will not have received the link to the survey. If you want to receive the online survey link, please contact the office and give Barbara Latzko, Bethesda's administrative assistant, your email address and ask to be sent the survey link via email. You can email her at barbara@bethesdachurch.org or call the church office (518) 584-5980.

If you prefer to answer the survey on paper, it will be enclosed with the parish newsletter, which is already in the mail. It is being sent by bulk mail so it may be awhile before it reaches your mailbox. If you don't receive it by May 8, please contact Barbara Latzko (see contact information above) and ask to her to send you one. I will bring printed copies to church, so you can get one from me too.

To return a printed copy of the survey, your best option is to bring it to church and put it in the offering plate (or hand it to me or an usher). Your second option is to put it in an envelope and mail it to Bethesda Episcopal Church at 43 Washington Street, Saratoga Springs, NY 12866. Finally, you can remove the survey from the newsletter, fold it in half so that the address on the last page is on the outside, tape it on the three open sides, put \$.70 worth of postage on the survey, and drop it in the mailbox.

We ask that you consider all the questions prayerfully. For your answers to have the greatest effect on writing the job description and parish profile, please submit your online or paper survey by May 15. As a member of the Bethesda family, we need to hear from you, so please take the time to respond as soon as you can.

Please contact me if you have any questions about the survey or any other aspect of the search for a new rector.

God be with you,

Catherine W. Berheide
Junior Warden
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OUR PARISH'S COMMUNITY OUTREACH

Bethesda Church of Saratoga Springs, New York, has a history of providing resources to a community in need. The suggestion that Bethesda consider providing facilities for the Code Blue program is not a new idea nor out of line with the church's history. The following is a brief listing of some of the events Bethesda Church resources have been offered and provided to the community. Nearly a century ago during the influenza epidemic of 1918, The Reverend Irving Granville Rouillard wrote a letter to the Editor of the Saratogian: "I am intensely interested in the suggestion made through the column of the Saratogian, that Bethesda parish house be used as a sick relief station and the kitchen for making soups, broths and delicacies for the acutely ill, a committee stands ready to initiate it, if doctors of the city recommend that it be done and urge its necessity." Saratoga Chapter of the American Red Cross, Red Cross members and volunteers, were given access to a large Sunday School room two afternoons a week where garments for women and children were made. During the economic hard times of the late twenties and early thirties, Bethesda played a leadership role in bring comfort and aid to individuals and families in desperate need. Additionally three rooms in Bethesda parish house were furnished with beds to accommodate transients. and wives of Lion Club members used the kitchen facilities to prepare and serve a hot lunch to needy children. In more recent times Bethesda has hosted a one evening city wide form on the prevalence and problems related to Drugs and Drug Addiction in our community. We have had a long association with Alcoholics Anonymous, providing AA meeting space for more than sixty years. Bethesda has had a much longer commitment to the community, a commitment made over a century ago. The Home of the Good Shepherd had a sparse beginning but today occupies four top of the line assisted living facilities and two memory units. The Home(s) provide essential services to several hundred residents.

THIS WEEK AT BETHESDA
May 7– May 14

Monday <i>Rogation Day</i>		
Tuesday <i>Dame Julian of Norwich Rogation Day</i>	6:30 p.m.	Holy Eucharist, <i>High Altar</i>
Wednesday <i>Gregory of Nanzianzus Rogation Day</i>	12:10 p.m.	Holy Eucharist with Healing, <i>Transcept Altar</i>
Thursday <i>ASCENSION DAY</i>	9:30 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 1:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Holy Eucharist, <i>Home of the Good Shepherd, Saratoga</i> Holy Eucharist, <i>Home of the Good Shepherd Memory Care, Saratoga</i> Prayer Shawl Ministry, <i>Home of the Good Shepherd, Saratoga</i> Holy Eucharist, <i>High Altar</i>
Friday <i>Easter Weekday</i>		
Saturday <i>Easter Weekday</i>		
Sunday <i>THE SEVENTH SUN-DAY 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, Church School, The Nave</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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