



## Washington Street near Broadway

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**THE SOLEMNITY OF CHRIST THE KING**

**25 November 2018**

**7:30 am - Morning Prayer**

**8:00 am - Holy Eucharist**

**10:00 am - Solemn 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 - *Before Thy Throne, O Christ***

J.S. Bach (1685-1750)

## THE ENTRANCE RITE

**AT THE PROCESSION: HYMN 616**— *Es flog ein kleins Waldvögelein*

**COLLECT FOR PURITY**

*Prayer Book, page 323*

**GLORIA IN EXCELSIS** *from Communion Service in F*

Harold Darke (1888-1976)

## THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Almighty and everlasting God, whose will it is to restore all things in thy well-beloved Son, the King of kings and Lord of lords: Mercifully grant that the peoples of the earth, divided and enslaved by sin, may be freed and brought together under his most gracious rule; who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. ***Amen.***

## THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

### THE FIRST LESSON - *A Reading from the Book of Daniel*

As I watched, thrones were set in place, and an Ancient One took his throne, his clothing was white as snow, and the hair of his head like pure wool; his throne was fiery flames, and its wheels were burning fire. A stream of fire issued and flowed out from his presence. A thousand thousands served him, and ten thousand times ten thousand stood attending him. The court sat in judgment, and the books were opened. As I watched in the night visions, I saw one like a human being coming with the clouds of heaven. And he came to the Ancient One and was presented before him. To him was given dominion and glory and kingship, that all peoples, nations, and languages should serve him. His dominion is an everlasting dominion that shall not pass away, and his kingship is one that shall never be destroyed.

(7:9-10, 13-14)

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

### GRADUAL - *Dominus regnavit*

- 1 The Lord is King;  
he has put on splendid apparel; \*  
the Lord has put on his apparel  
and girded himself with strength.
  - 2 He has made the whole world so sure \*  
that it cannot be moved;
  - 3 Ever since the world began, your throne has been established; \*  
you are from everlasting.
  - 4 The waters have lifted up, O Lord,  
the waters have lifted up their voice; \*  
the waters have lifted up their pounding waves.
  - 5 Mightier than the sound of many waters,  
mightier than the breakers of the sea, \*  
mightier is the Lord who dwells on high.
- Your testimonies are very sure, \*  
and holiness adorns your house, O Lord,  
for ever and for evermore.

Words: *Psalm 93*

Music: Farrell Goehring (b. 1957)

### THE SECOND LESSON - *A Reading from the Revelation to John*

Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth. To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood, and made us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen. Look! He is coming with the clouds; every eye will see him, even those who pierced him; and on his account all the tribes of the earth will wail. So it is to be. Amen. "I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty. (1:4b-8)

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

**SEQUENCE: HYMN 483—*St. Magnus***

**THE HOLY GOSPEL** *of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John*  
**People Glory be to thee, O Lord.**

Pilate entered the headquarters again, summoned Jesus, and asked him, "Are you the King of the Jews?" Jesus answered, "Do you ask this on your own, or did others tell you about me?" Pilate replied, "I am not a Jew, am I? Your own nation and the chief priests have handed you over to me. What have you done?" Jesus answered, "My kingdom is not from this world. If my kingdom were from this world, my followers would be fighting to keep me from being handed over to the Jews. But as it is, my kingdom is not from here." Pilate asked him, "So you are a king?" Jesus answered, "You say that I am a king. For this I was born, and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice."

*(18:33-37)*

*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 crucified Lord is the faithful witness to the reign of God in this world. In his most sacred Name, let us offer our prayers to the God of majesty.

*Deacon*

For all Church leaders, 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, that they lead all peoples and nations to serve Jesus Christ the King,

Lord, hear us,

**Lord, graciously hear us.**

For the leaders of nations and governments, that God's truth shape their policies and actions for the good of all,

Lord, hear us,

**Lord, graciously hear us.**

For those who suffer illness, poverty and oppression, that the love of God in Jesus Christ rescue them from harm,

Lord, hear us,

**Lord, graciously hear us.**

For us, God's royal and priestly people, that we embrace our baptismal call to holiness,

Lord, hear us,

**Lord, graciously hear us.**

For the Vestry's search for a new Rector, that the truth of Christ will be evident in whomever is called to minister here.

Lord, hear us,

**Lord, graciously hear us.**

For those who have died, especially the victims of terrorism, that Jesus Christ, the firstborn of the dead, welcome them to their eternal home, together with the ever-blessed Virgin Mary and all the saints,  
Lord, hear us,  
**Lord, graciously hear us.**

*Celebrant* Lord our God, by our prayers, establish your rule more fully in our hearts and in our world, and help us to welcome your Son, Jesus Christ, whose glorious kingdom we hope to share, 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**

*Deacon* Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God

*Deacon and People* **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 Clap Your Hands**

O clap your hands, all ye people: shout unto God with voice of triumph.  
For the Lord most high is terrible; He is a great King over all the earth.  
God is gone up with a shout, the Lord with sound of a trumpet.  
Sing praises to God; Sing praises unto our King, Sing praises;  
For God is the King of all the earth; Sing ye praises, every one that hath understanding.  
God reigneth over the heathen, God sitteth upon the throne of His holiness.  
Sing praises unto our King. Sing praises.  
Let all the world in every corner sing, my God and King .

Words: *Psalm 47*

Music: Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958)

**OFFERTORY HYMN 477 - Engleberg**

**THE GREAT THANKSGIVING, *Eucharistic Prayer II***

***Prayer Book, page 340***

**PROPER PREFACE OF BAPTISM**

Because in Jesus Christ our Lord thou hast received us as thy sons and daughters, made us citizens of thy kingdom, and given us the Holy Spirit to guide us into all truth.

**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**

M.A. Carpentier (1636-1704)

**MOTET *Kings of Glory***

King of Glory, King of peace,  
I will love Thee; And that love may never cease.  
I will move Thee. Thou hast granted my request,  
Thou hast heard me; Thou didst note my working breast.  
Thou hast spared me.

Wherefore with my utmost art I will sing Thee,  
And the cream of all my heart I will bring Thee.  
Though my sins against me cried,  
Thou didst clear me, And alone, when they replied,  
Thou didst hear me.

Seven whole days, not one in seven,  
I will praise Thee; In my heart, though not in heaven.  
I can raise Thee. Small it is, in this poor sort  
To enroll Thee; E'en Eternity's too short  
To extol Thee.

Words: George Herbert (1593-1632)

Music: Harold Friedell (1905-1958)

**THE CONCLUDING RITE**

**POST COMMUNION PRAYER**

***Prayer Book, page 339***

**THE BLESSING**

***Prayer Book, page 339***

**DISMISSAL**

*Deacon*            Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.  
*People*            **Thanks be to God.**

**HYMN 494 - Diademata**

**ORGAN - Praise to Thee, O Christ the King**

J.S. Bach (1685-1750)

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### 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.

All Church School Classes will take place on the lower level of the First Baptist Church, at the corner of Washington Street and Railroad Place. Please gather in the Narthex after receiving Holy Communion; a teacher will accompany the children. Classes will be meeting on November 18.

### ASSISTING AT OUR LITURGIES TODAY

	8:00am	10:00am
<i>Celebrant</i>	Dean Vang	Dean Vang
<i>Assisting Priest</i>		Father Evans
<i>Lay Eucharistic Minister[s]</i>	Sean Byrnes	Darren Miller
	Robert Bullock	Robert Bullock
<i>Lay Eucharistic Visitor</i>		David Wider
<i>Lectors</i>	Lynne Priestley	Sharon Boyd.
		John Van der Veer
<i>Altar Guild</i>	Mary Withington	Anne Van Acker
<i>Bell Ringers</i>		Beth Moeller
		Thomas Moeller
<i>Ushers</i>		Thomas Moeller
		David Harper
		Mark Claverie
		Diane Robinson

### NOTICES

In our INTERCESSIONS FOR THE CHURCH today, we pray for  
Anglican Communion            The Lusitanian Church - (Portugal)  
Diocese of Albany                Rural Parishes  
Our Parish                          Preparation for Advent

The Vestry's presentation regarding STEWARDSHIP will take place at both Eucharists today. We welcome as our speaker Mary Withington.

An opening exists for a parishioner to make the gift of this year's ADVENT WREATH as either a memorial or thank offering. Please speak with Dean Vang or Barbara in the Parish Office.

We invite those who wish to share a MINISTRY OF HOSPITALITY [beverages and snacks] after the ten o'clock liturgy to sign the designated list, at the narthex lectern. Please email Sara Manny [saramanny@gmail.com](mailto:saramanny@gmail.com) Hosts are needed for refreshments for the month of October. A sign-up list awaits your signature in the narthex. Your assistance with Bethesda's hospitality is very much appreciated.

After the tragic shooting at the TREE OF LIFE SYNAGOGUE in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, we are reaching out to their congregation with a card and messages from our congregation. There are sheets available today at the back of the church for you to write a personal note. Please leave a short message, signing your name after the message.

HELP THE HOMELESS THIS CHRISTMAS: On December 2 at 3 pm, during the Advent Lessons and Carols service, Bethesda will again collect donated gift cards and the following other items for Wellspring and Transitional Services Association (TSA) for distribution to local homeless families for the Christmas holiday: Gift certificates for local activities and restaurants, art supplies, CDs/DVDs, music players/headphones, winter hats, gloves, scarves for adults and children, sweatshirts and sweatpants, pajamas of all sizes, hygiene supplies, undergarments, and clothing of all sizes. "No one is useless in this world who lightens the burdens of another." (Charles Dickens).

A SERVICE OF LESSONS & CAROLS FOR ADVENT  
The First Sunday of Advent, 2 December 2018  
at three o'clock in the afternoon

*A Reception in the narthex will follow*

A HISTORY OF BETHESDA EPISCOPAL CHURCH: WORSHIP AND HEALING IN SARATOGA SPRINGS, New York will be available for purchase for Christmas gifts after the 8am and 10am services today, December 2 and 9. If you want to send copies to someone who does not live in this area, you may use the order form on the Bethesda web site ([bethesdachurch.org](http://bethesdachurch.org)).

The annual CHRISTMAS PAGEANT will be presented in the First Baptist Church after the 10:00 am service on December 16th. Rehearsal is on December 15th from 9:00 am – 11:30 am in the First Baptist Church. Participants: Please complete a sign-up form (available from church school teacher) and return by December 9th. 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 speak to a church school teacher.

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.

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**THIS WEEK AT BETHESDA**  
*November 26 - December 2*

Monday <i>Feria</i>		
Tuesday <i>Feria</i>	6:30 p.m.	Holy Eucharist, <i>High Altar</i>
Wednesday <i>SAINT ANDREW THE APOSTLE</i>	12:10 p.m. 4:00 p.m.	Holy Eucharist with Healing, <i>Transept Altar</i> Confirmation Class, <i>Church Office</i>
Thursday <i>Feria</i>	9:30 a.m. 10:15 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>		
Saturday <i>Nicholas Ferrar</i>		
Sunday <i>THE FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT</i>	7:30 a.m. 8:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m.  3:00 p.m.	Morning Prayer, <i>Transept Altar</i> Holy Eucharist, <i>High Altar</i> Sung Eucharist, <i>High Altar</i> Church School, <i>First Baptist Church</i> Refreshments, <i>The Narthex</i> A Service of Lessons & Carols for Advent, <i>High Altar</i>

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