



## Washington Street near Broadway

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**THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

**19 May 2019**

**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 - Largo**

Samuel Wesley (1766-1837)

### THE ENTRANCE RITE

**HYMN 48 - *Es flog ein kleins Waldvoegelein***

#### **EASTER ACCLAMATION:**

*Celebrant* Alleluia. Christ is risen.

*People* ***The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.***

**COLLECT FOR PURITY**

*Prayer Book, page 323*

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

*Prayer Book, page 324*

#### **THE COLLECT OF THE DAY**

O Almighty God, whom truly to know is everlasting life: Grant us so perfectly to know thy Son Jesus Christ to be the way, the truth, and the life, that we may steadfastly follow his steps in the way that leadeth to eternal life; through the same thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of 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*

Now the apostles and the believers who were in Judea heard that the Gentiles had also accepted the word of God. So when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcised believers criticized him, saying, "Why did you go to uncircumcised men and eat with them?" Then Peter began to explain it to them, step by step, saying, "I was in the city of Joppa praying, and in a trance I saw a vision. There was something like a large sheet coming down from heaven, being lowered by its four corners; and it came close to me. As I looked at it closely I saw four-footed animals, beasts of prey, reptiles, and birds of the air. I also heard a voice saying to me, 'Get up, Peter; kill and eat.' But I replied, 'By no means, Lord; for nothing profane or unclean has ever entered my mouth.' But a second time the voice answered from heaven, 'What God has made clean, you must not call profane.' This happened three times; then everything was pulled up again to heaven. At that very moment three men, sent to me from Caesarea, arrived at the house where we were. The Spirit told me to go with them and not to make a distinction between them and us. These six brothers also accompanied me, and we entered the man's house. He told us how he had seen the angel standing in his house and saying, 'Send to Joppa and bring Simon, who is called Peter; he will give you a message by which you and your entire household will be saved.' And as I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell upon them just as it had upon us at the beginning. And I remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said, 'John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.' If then God gave them the same gift that he gave us when we believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I that I could hinder God?" When they heard this, they were silenced. And they praised God, saying, "Then God has given even to the Gentiles the repentance that leads to life."

(11:1-18)

*Lector* The Word of the Lord.

*People* Thanks be to God.

### GRADUAL - *Laudate Dominum*

- 1 Hallelujah!  
Praise the Lord from the heavens; \*  
praise him in the heights.
- 2 Praise him, all you angels of his; \*  
praise him, all his host.
- 3 Praise him, sun and moon; \*  
praise him, all you shining stars.
- 4 Praise him, heaven of heavens, \*  
and you waters above the heavens.
- 5 Let them praise the Name of the Lord; \*  
for he commanded, and they were created.
- 6 He made them stand fast for ever and ever; \*  
he gave them a law which shall not pass away.
- 7 Praise the Lord from the earth, \*  
you sea-monsters and all deeps;
- 8 Fire and hail, snow and fog, \*  
tempestuous wind, doing his will;
- 9 Mountains and all hills, \*  
fruit trees and all cedars;

10 Wild beasts and all cattle, \*  
 creeping things and winged birds;  
 11 Kings of the earth and all peoples, \*  
 princes and all rulers of the world;  
 12 Young men and maidens, \*  
 old and young together.  
 13 Let them praise the Name of the Lord, \*  
 for his Name only is exalted,  
 his splendor is over earth and heaven.  
 14 He has raised up strength for his people  
 and praise for all his loyal servants, \*  
 the children of Israel, a people who are near him.  
 Hallelujah!

Words: *Psalm 148*

Music: Anglican Chant, Thomas Attwood Walmisley (1814 -1856)

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

I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "See, the home of God is among mortals. He will dwell with them; they will be his peoples, and God himself will be with them; he will wipe every tear from their eyes. Death will be no more; mourning and crying and pain will be no more, for the first things have passed away." And the one who was seated on the throne said, "See, I am making all things new." Also he said, "Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true." Then he said to me, "It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give water as a gift from the spring of the water of life." (21:1-6)

*Lector* The Word of the Lord.

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

**SEQUENCE HYMN 457** - *St. James*

*The people 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.***

At the last supper, when Judas had gone out, Jesus said, "Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, 'Where I am going, you cannot come.' I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another." (13:31-35)

*Assisting Priest* The Gospel of the Lord.

***People Praise be to thee, O Christ.***

**THE SERMON**

Dean Vang

**THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

*Celebrant* Let us pray that the salvation won by Jesus Christ will bear fruit in our world in answer to these prayers.

*Assisting Priest* For ministers 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 Bishop retired, and Marshall and Paul, our Priests, that they live in Christ's love through the strength of God.

Lord, in your mercy,

***Hear our prayer.***

For those baptized at Easter, that they live in Christ's love through the favor of God.

Lord, in your mercy,

***Hear our prayer.***

For those who lack food, housing, and employment, that they live in Christ's love through the generosity of God at our hands.

Lord, in your mercy,

***Hear our prayer.***

For those who suffer from illness of mind or body, especially children who are abused, that they live in Christ's love through the healing of God.

Lord, in your mercy,

***Hear our prayer.***

For the Vestry as its members seek to identify Bethesda's next Rector.

Lord, in your mercy,

***Hear our prayer.***

For us who worship here, that we live in Christ's love through the kindness of God.

Lord, in your mercy,

***Hear our prayer.***

For those who have died, that they live for ever in Christ's love through the mercy of God.

Lord, in your mercy,

***Hear our prayer.***

*Celebrant* God of love, you have revealed your compassion to us in the risen Lord. Give answer to our prayers, so that we may love one another as Christ has loved us, and praise your name for ever and ever. ***Amen.***

*Celebrant and People*

**Good and Gracious God, you make all things new. Draw near to us as we continue our Capital Campaign to secure Bethesda's ministry and mission for future generations. Bless us with a noble spirit of generosity and gratitude. May the building of a new Parish House**

**and Community Center, together with the renovation and restoration of the Church, extend your compassionate love for the healing and transformation of those who gather there. This we ask in the Name of the Good Shepherd, Jesus 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 - *And I Saw a New Heaven***

And I saw a new heaven and a new earth;  
For the first heaven and the first earth were passed away; and there was no more sea.  
And I John saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven,  
Prepared as a bride adorned for her husband.  
Behold, the tabernacle of God is with men,  
and he will dwell with them and they shall be his people  
and God himself shall be with them and be their God.  
And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes;  
And there shall be no more death, neither sorrow nor crying,  
Neither shall there be anymore pain, for the former things are passed away.

Words: *Revelation 21:1-4*  
Music: Edgar Bainton (1880-1956)

**HYMN 47 – *Gott sei Dank***

**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 (*Hymnal S114*), sung by all**

**OUR FATHER**

*Prayer Book, page 334*

**THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD: PASCHA NOSTRUM**

*Prayer Book, page 337*

**PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS**

*Prayer Book, page 337*

**MINISTRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION**

*All who are baptized are invited to receive the Body & Blood of Christ.*

**AGNUS DEI** - *Communion Service in F*

Harold Darke (1888-1976)

**MOTET** - *Jesu, the Very Thought of Thee*

Jesu, the very thought of Thee, with sweetness fills my breast;  
But sweeter far Thy face to see, and in Thy presence rest.

Words: Latin, 12th cent.

Music: Edward Bairstow (1874-1946)

## **THE CONCLUDING RITE**

**POST COMMUNION PRAYER**

*Prayer Book, page 339*

**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 414** – *Stuttgart*

**ORGAN** - *Sinfonia*

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.

### ASSISTING AT OUR LITURGIES TODAY

	8:00 am	10:00am
<i>Celebrant</i>	Dean Vang	Dean Vang
<i>Assisting Priest</i>		Father Evans
<i>Lay Eucharistic Minister[s]</i>	Darren Miller	Darren Miller
<i>Lay Eucharistic Visitor</i>		Laurie Brenenstuhl
<i>Lectors</i>	Michael Penfold	Mary Sanders Shartle
		Christopher Lyons
<i>Altar Guild</i>	Gail Remington	Anne Van Acker
<i>Bell Ringers</i>		Mayumi Kato
		Ed Peticolas
		Calvin Manny
<i>Ushers</i>		Richard Wissler
		Christopher Lyons
		John Van der Veer
		Fred Scheidt
<i>Hospitality</i>		The Vestry

### NOTICES

The FLOWERS AT THE HIGH ALTAR are given to the Glory of Almighty God in loving memory of Nancy Gilliland, by John Gilliland.

In our INTERCESSIONS FOR THE CHURCH today, we pray for

<i>Anglican Communion</i>	The Church of Melanesia
<i>Diocese of Albany</i>	Christ Church, Greenville
<i>Our Parish</i>	Nashotah House Theological Seminary

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.

Do you know someone who is interested in SERVING ON THE VESTRY? If so, you can write the name on a sheet of paper and put it in the collection plate. Or let Dean Vang or me know. Catherine White Berheide, [Junior Warden, Chair of the Nominating Committee.]

ALTAR FLOWERS are needed for Sunday, May 26, June 23 & 30, either as a memorial or thank offering. Please telephone the Parish Office at 518-584-5980.

You are cordially invited to attend DEACON MOORE'S GRADUATION PARTY on June 2, following the 10 a.m. service. We will gather at 144 Crescent Street, Saratoga Springs, from 12 p.m. to 5 p.m. Food and beverages will be provided, but you are welcome to bring whatever you like.

## THIS WEEK AT BETHESDA

*May 20 –26*

Monday <i>Alcuin</i>		
Tuesday <i>Easter Weekday</i>	6:30 p.m.	Holy Eucharist, <i>High Altar</i>
Wednesday <i>Easter Weekday</i>	12:10 p.m.	Holy Eucharist, <i>Transept Altar</i>
Thursday <i>Easter Weekday</i>	10:30 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist, <i>Home of the Good Shepherd, Memory Care, Saratoga</i> Holy Eucharist, <i>Home of the Good Shepherd, Saratoga</i>
Friday <i>Jackson Kemper</i>		
Saturday <i>Bede the Venerable</i>		
Sunday <i>THE SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER ROGATION SUNDAY</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> Church School, <i>First Baptist Church</i>

The PARISH OFFICES are open from 9 a.m. until 2 p.m. *Monday, Tuesday & Thursday*, 9 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. *Wednesday*, 9 a.m. until 1 p.m. on *Friday*.

### THE PARISH STAFF

The Very Reverend Marshall J. Vang, *Interim Rector*  
The Reverend Paul F. Evans, *Assisting Priest*  
The Reverend Landon M. Moore, III, *Seminarian*  
Mrs. Barbara Latzko, *Parish Administrative Assistant*  
Mr. Farrell Goehring, *Organist/Director of Music*  
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