



Washington Street near Broadway

THE SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

2 June 2019

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 - *Song of Praise*

Searle Wright (1918-2004)

THE ENTRANCE RITE

AT THE PROCESSION: HYMN 450 - *Coronation*

EASTER ACCLAMATION:

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ is risen.

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

COLLECT FOR PURITY

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GLORIA IN EXCELSIS (*Hymnal S202*)

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THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

O God, the King of glory, who hast exalted thine only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph unto thy kingdom in heaven: We beseech thee, leave us not comfortless, but send to us thine Holy Ghost to comfort us, and exalt us unto the same place whither our Savior Christ is gone before; who liveth and reigneth with thee and the same Holy Ghost, one God, world without end.

Amen.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

THE FIRST LESSON - *A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles*

With Paul and Silas, we came to Philippi in Macedonia, a Roman colony, and, as we were going to the place of prayer, we met a slave girl who had a spirit of divination and brought her owners a great deal of money by fortune-telling. While she followed Paul and us, she would cry out, "These men are slaves of the Most High God, who proclaim to you a way of salvation." She kept doing this for many days. But Paul, very much annoyed, turned and said to the spirit, "I order you in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her." And it came out that very hour. But when her owners saw that their hope of making money was gone, they seized Paul and Silas and dragged them into the marketplace before the authorities. When they had brought them before the magistrates, they said, "These men are disturbing our city; they are Jews and are advocating customs that are not lawful for us as Romans to adopt or observe." The crowd joined in attacking them, and the magistrates had them stripped of their clothing and ordered them to be beaten with rods. After they had given them a severe flogging, they threw them into prison and ordered the jailer to keep them securely. Following these instructions, he put them in the innermost cell and fastened their feet in the stocks. About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the prisoners were listening to them. Suddenly there was an earthquake, so violent that the foundations of the prison were shaken; and immediately all the doors were opened and everyone's chains were unfastened. When the jailer woke up and saw the prison doors wide open, he drew his sword and was about to kill himself, since he supposed that the prisoners had escaped. But Paul shouted in a loud voice, "Do not harm yourself, for we are all here." The jailer called for lights, and rushing in, he fell down trembling before Paul and Silas. Then he brought them outside and said, "Sirs, what must I do to be saved?" They answered, "Believe on the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your household." They spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all who were in his house. At the same hour of the night he took them and washed their wounds; then he and his entire family were baptized without delay. He brought them up into the house and set food before them; and he and his entire household rejoiced that he had become a believer in God. (16:16-34)

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL - *Dominus regnavit*

- 1 The Lord is King;
let the earth rejoice; *
let the multitude of the isles be glad.
- 2 Clouds and darkness are round about him, *
righteousness and justice are the foundations of his throne.
- 3 A fire goes before him *
and burns up his enemies on every side.
- 4 His lightnings light up the world; *
the earth sees it and is afraid.
- 5 The mountains melt like wax at the presence of the Lord, *
at the presence of the Lord of the whole earth.
- 6 The heavens declare his righteousness, *
and all the peoples see his glory.
- 7 Confounded be all who worship carved images
and delight in false gods! *
Bow down before him, all you gods.

- 8 Zion hears and is glad, and the cities of Judah rejoice, *
because of your judgments, O Lord.
- 9 For you are the Lord,
most high over all the earth; *
you are exalted far above all gods.
- 10 The Lord loves those who hate evil; *
he preserves the lives of his saints
and delivers them from the hand of the wicked.
- 11 Light has sprung up for the righteous, *
and joyful gladness for those who are truehearted.
- 12 Rejoice in the Lord, you righteous, *
and give thanks to his holy Name.

Words: *Psalm 97*

Music: Anglican Chant, Henry Smart (1813-1879)

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

"See, I am coming soon; my reward is with me, to repay according to everyone's work. I am the Alpha and the Omega, the first and the last, the Beginning and the end." Blessed are those who wash their robes, so that they will have the right to the tree of life and may enter the city by the gates. "It is I, Jesus, who sent my angel to you with this testimony for the churches. I am the root and the descendant of David, the bright morning star." The Spirit and the bride say, "Come." And let everyone who hears say, "Come." And let everyone who is thirsty come. Let anyone who wishes take the water of life as a gift. The one who testifies to these things says, "Surely I am coming soon." Amen. Come, Lord Jesus! The grace of the Lord Jesus be with all the saints. Amen. (22:12-14,16-17,20-21)

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

SEQUENCE HYMN 214 - *Llanfair*

THE HOLY GOSPEL of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John

People Glory be to thee, O Lord.

Jesus prayed for his disciples, and then he said. "I ask not only on behalf of these, but also on behalf of those who will believe in me through their word, that they may all be one. As you, Father, are in me and I am in you, may they also be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. The glory that you have given me I have given them, so that they may be one, as we are one, I in them and you in me, that they may become completely one, so that the world may know that you have sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me. Father, I desire that those also, whom you have given me, may be with me where I am, to see my glory, which you have given me because you loved me before the foundation of the world. "Righteous Father, the world does not know you, but I know you; and these know that you have sent me. I made your name known to them, and I will make it known, so that the love with which you have loved me may be in them, and I in them." (17:20-26)

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise be to thee, O Christ.

THE SERMON

Deacon Moore

THE NICENE CREED

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THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Celebrant Let us ask God to hear these petitions, so that the life-giving water of saving grace may be ours in abundance.

Deacon For those who lead 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 proclaim God's merciful love in their service of all,

Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

For those who govern nations and peoples, that they reflect God's universal love in words and works of justice,

Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

For those who suffer from poverty and disease, that they know God's bountiful love in our care and compassion,

Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

For members of the Vestry, that they rely on the guidance of the Holy Spirit in identifying suitable candidates to serve as Bethesda's next Rector.

Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

For us who worship here, that we welcome God's abundant love in oneness of heart,

Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

For those who have died, that they receive God's everlasting love in the glory of heaven, together with the ever-blessed Virgin Mary and all the Saints,

Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

Celebrant Lord Most High, as Jesus, your Son, prayed for us, so we pray for one another. Let your love sustain us this day and every day, so that we will be one with you and your beloved Son, and rejoice in you 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.

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

AT THE OFFERTORY: 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.

Words: *Psalm 47*

Music: Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958)

HYMN 435 – *King's Weston*

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING, *Eucharistic Prayer II*

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PROPER PREFACE OF THE ASCENSION

Through thy dearly beloved Son Jesus Christ our Lord; who after his glorious resurrection manifestly appeared to his disciples; and in their sight ascended into heaven, to prepare a place for us: that where he is, there we might also be, and reign with him in glory.

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

OUR FATHER

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THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD: PASCHA NOSTRUM

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PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS

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MINISTRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION

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

AGNUS DEI - *Mass for Four Voices*

William Byrd (1539-1623)

MOTET - *O Lord, Give Thy Holy Spirit*

O Lord, give thy Holy Spirit into our hearts,
and lighten our understanding,
that we may dwell in the fear of Thy Name
all the days of our life;
that we may know thee,
the only true God,
and Jesus Christ whom thou hast sent.

Words: Lidley's Prayers, 1566

Music: Thomas Tallis (1505-1585)

THE CONCLUDING RITE

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

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ASCENSION BLESSING

May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, through the power of the Holy Spirit; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. ***Amen.***

DISMISSAL

Deacon Go in peace to love and serve the Lord, Alleluia, alleluia.

People ***Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.***

HYMN 410 - *Lauda anima*

ORGAN - *Break Forth Into Joy*

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.

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>Deacon</i>		Deacon Moore
<i>Lay Eucharistic Minister[s]</i>	Robert Bullock	Robert Bullock Catherine Berheide
<i>Lay Eucharistic Visitor</i>		David Wilder
<i>Lectors</i>	Mary Withington	Anne Bullock Mark Claverie
<i>Altar Guild</i>	Pamela Houde	Christine Miller Kathleen Anspach
<i>Bell Ringers</i>		Steven Rucker Mark Anspach Kathleen Anspach Craig Walton Karen Walton
<i>Ushers</i>		

NOTICES

The FLOWERS AT THE HIGH ALTAR are given to the Glory of Almighty God in loving memory of Denton Winslow Crocker by Jean Marie Crocker.

In our INTERCESSIONS FOR THE CHURCH today, we pray for

<i>Anglican Communion</i>	La Iglesia Anglicana de Mexico
<i>Diocese of Albany</i>	Diocesan Convention
<i>Our Parish</i>	All doctors and nurses

ALTAR FLOWERS are needed for Sunday, June 30, and all Sundays in August, either as a memorial or thank offering. Please telephone the Parish Office at 518-584-5980.

Our Senior Warden, Darren Miller, will present THE VESTRY REPORTS at each liturgy this morning.

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.

You are cordially invited to attend DEACON MOORE'S GRADUATION PARTY immediately 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.

A HISTORY OF BETHESDA EPISCOPAL CHURCH: WORSHIP AND HEALING IN SARATOGA SPRINGS, NEW YORK, a beautiful hardcover book, traces the fascinating history of Bethesda and its significance to Saratoga Springs and New York from its founding in 1830 to the present. To order your own copy or a gift, go to <http://bethesdachurch.org/order-a-history-of-bethesda> or call 518-584-5980.

THIS WEEK AT BETHESDA

June 3—9

Monday <i>The Martyrs of Uganda</i>		
Tuesday <i>Easter Weekday</i>	6:30 p.m.	Holy Eucharist, <i>High Altar</i>
Wednesday <i>Boniface</i>	10:00 a.m. 12:10 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Holy Eucharist, <i>Home of the Good Shepherd, Wilton</i> Holy Eucharist, <i>Transept Altar</i> Saratoga Springs High School Choraliers, <i>The Nave</i>
Thursday <i>Easter Weekday</i>	10:30 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 7:00 p.m.	Holy Eucharist, <i>Home of the Good Shepherd, Memory Care, Saratoga</i> Holy Eucharist, <i>Home of the Good Shepherd, Saratoga</i> Holy Eucharist, <i>High Altar</i>
Friday <i>Easter Weekday</i>	5:00 p.m.	
Saturday <i>Easter Weekday</i>	9:00 a.m.	Church Work Day Diocesan Convention, <i>Speculator</i>
Sunday <i>THE DAY OF PENTECOST: WHITSUNDAY</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> Solemn 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, *Deacon*
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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