



Washington Street near Broadway

THE FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

14 July 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 - Prelude

Gordon Young (1919-1978)

THE ENTRANCE RITE

AT THE PROCESSION: HYMN 372 - Leoni

OPENING ACCLAMATION:

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People ***And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.***

COLLECT FOR PURITY

Prayer Book, page 323

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS (*Hymnal S202*)

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THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

O Lord, we beseech thee mercifully to receive the prayers of thy people who call upon thee, and grant that they may both perceive and know what things they ought to do, and also may have grace and power faithfully to fulfill the same; through Jesus Christ our Lord, 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 Deuteronomy*

Moses said to the people of Israel, "The Lord your God will make you abundantly prosperous in all your undertakings, in the fruit of your body, in the fruit of your livestock, and in the fruit of your soil. For the Lord will again take delight in prospering you, just as he delighted in prospering your ancestors, when you obey the Lord your God by observing his commandments and decrees that are written in this book of the law, because you turn to the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul. Surely, this commandment that I am commanding you today is not too hard for you, nor is it too far away. It is not in heaven, that you should say, 'Who will go up to heaven for us, and get it for us so that we may hear it and observe it?' Neither is it beyond the sea, that you should say, 'Who will cross to the other side of the sea for us, and get it for us so that we may hear it and observe it?' No, the word is very near to you; it is in your mouth and in your heart for you to observe." (30:9-14)

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL - *Ad te, Domine, levavi, sung by all*



- 1 To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul;
my God, I put my trust in / you; *
let me not be humiliated,
nor let my enemies triumph / over me.
- 2 Let none who look to you be put to / shame; *
let the treacherous be disappointed in their / schemes.
- 3 Show me your ways, O / Lord, *
and teach me your / paths.
- 4 Lead me in your truth and / teach me, *
for you are the God of my salvation;
in you have I trusted all the day / long.
- 5 Remember, O Lord, your compassion and / love, *
for they are from ever - / lasting.
- 6 Remember not the sins of my youth and my trans - / gressions; *
remember me according to your love
and for the sake of your goodness, O / Lord.
- 7 Gracious and upright is the / Lord; *
therefore he teaches sinners in his / way.
- 8 He guides the humble in doing / right *
and teaches his way to the / lowly.

★ *2nd half*

- 9 All the paths of the Lord are love and / faithfulness *
to those who keep his covenant and his / testimonies.

Words: *Psalm 25: 1-9*

Music: Jerome Webster Meachen (b. 1930)

THE SECOND LESSON - *A Reading from the Letter of Paul to the Colossians*

Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and Timothy our brother, To the saints and faithful brothers and sisters in Christ in Colossae: Grace to you and peace from God our Father. In our prayers for you we always thank God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, for we have heard of your faith in Christ Jesus and of the love that you have for all the saints, because of the hope laid up for you in heaven. You have heard of this hope before in the word of the truth, the gospel that has come to you. Just as it is bearing fruit and growing in the whole world, so it has been bearing fruit among yourselves from the day you heard it and truly comprehended the grace of God. This you learned from Epaphras, our beloved fellow servant. He is a faithful minister of Christ on your behalf, and he has made known to us your love in the Spirit. For this reason, since the day we heard it, we have not ceased praying for you and asking that you may be filled with the knowledge of God's will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding, so that you may lead lives worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing to him, as you bear fruit in every good work and as you grow in the knowledge of God. May you be made strong with all the strength that comes from his glorious power, and may you be prepared to endure everything with patience, while joyfully giving thanks to the Father, who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light. He has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins. (1:1-14)

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

SEQUENCE, HYMN 518 - *Westminster Abbey*

The people stand and turn to face the Book of Gospels

THE HOLY GOSPEL of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke

People Glory be to thee, O Lord.

Just then a lawyer stood up to test Jesus. "Teacher," he said, "what must I do to inherit eternal life?" He said to him, "What is written in the law? What do you read there?" He answered, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind; and your neighbor as yourself." And he said to him, "You have given the right answer; do this, and you will live." But wanting to justify himself, he asked Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?" Jesus replied, "A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and fell into the hands of robbers, who stripped him, beat him, and went away, leaving him half dead. Now by chance a priest was going down that road; and when he saw him, he passed by on the other side. So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. But a Samaritan while traveling came near him; and when he saw him, he was moved with pity. He went to him and bandaged his wounds, having poured oil and wine on them. Then he put him on his own animal, brought him to an inn, and took care of him. The next day he took out two denarii, gave them to the innkeeper, and said, 'Take care of him; and when I come back, I will repay you whatever more you spend.' Which of these three, do you think, was a neighbor to the man who fell into the hands of the robbers?" He said, "The one who showed him mercy." Jesus said to him, "Go and do likewise." (10:25-37)

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 turn to the Lord with fervent prayer, asking that the Lord's voice will renew in us our love for God and neighbor.

For the leaders 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 will heed the Lord's voice calling Christians to unity,

Let us pray to the Lord,

Lord, hear our prayer.

For those who seek solutions to global economic problems, that they will obey the Lord's voice calling them to promote justice and peace,

Let us pray to the Lord,

Lord, hear our prayer.

For those who suffer from illness and violence, that they will hear the Lord's voice calling them to wholeness,

Let us pray to the Lord,

Lord, hear our prayer.

For members of the Vestry, that they will welcome the Lord's voice calling them to grace and truth, as they discern candidates to serve as Bethesda's next Rector.

Let us pray to the Lord,

Lord, hear our prayer.

For us who celebrate the Eucharist this day, that we will respond to the Lord's voice calling us to mutual love,

Let us pray to the Lord,

Lord, hear our prayer.

For those who have died, that they will rejoice in the Lord's voice calling them to everlasting life, together with the ever-blessed Virgin Mary and all the saints,

Let us pray to the Lord,

Lord, hear our prayer.

Celebrant Gracious and merciful God, you have given us the fullness of your love in Christ Jesus. May the words of our mouths, the thoughts of our hearts, and the work of our hands, proclaim the holiness we find in your beloved Son. Help us live as members of his Body, one with you and with each other in the bond of love, both now and for 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

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

HYMN 313 - *Jesus, meine Zuversicht*

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

PROPER PREFACE OF THE LORD'S DAY, *Of God the Son*

Through Jesus Christ our Lord; who on the first day of the week overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.

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

OUR FATHER *Prayer Book, page 334*

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD: AGNUS DEI (*Hymnal S158*), *sung by all*

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.

THE CONCLUDING RITE

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Prayer Book, page 339

THE BLESSING

DISMISSAL

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

HYMN 718 - *National Hymn*

ORGAN - *Postlude*

Gordon Young (1919-1978)

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.

ASSISTING AT OUR LITURGIES TODAY

	<i>8:00 am</i>	<i>10:00am</i>
<i>Celebrant</i>	Dean Vang	Dean Vang
<i>Assisting Priest</i>		Father Evans
<i>Lay Eucharistic Minister[s]</i>	Robert Bullock	Robert Bullock
<i>Lay Eucharistic Visitor</i>		Christopher Lyons
<i>Lectors</i>	Robert Bullock	Mark Claverie
		Robert Bullock
<i>Altar Guild</i>	Mary Withington	Christine Miller
<i>Bell Ringers</i>		Diane Robinson
		Mark Claverie
<i>Ushers</i>		Diane Robinson
		Tom Moeller
		Beth Moeller
<i>Hospitality</i>		Diane Robinson
		Mark Claverie

NOTICES

The FLOWERS AT THE HIGH ALTAR are given to the Glory of Almighty God in loving memory of Gary Houde by Pamela Houde.

In our INTERCESSIONS FOR THE CHURCH today, we pray for
Anglican Communion Episcopal Church in the Philippines
Diocese of Albany Church of the Holy Spirit, Schenevus
Our Parish The Building Committee & Mercy House

Please join us for REFRESHMENTS on the Terrace, immediately following the ten o'clock liturgy.

LECTORS are needed for summer Eucharists, July 21, - September 8. A sign up list awaits your signature on the Narthex Lectern.

ALTAR FLOWERS are needed for August 11, 18 & 25, either as a memorial or thank offering. Please telephone the Parish Office at 518-584-5980.

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.

CELEBRATE 30 YEARS OF BEST, *a potential Mercy House partner*, Thursday, July 18, 8 am - 10 am. The Porch at the Saratoga Race Course. Tickets: \$50, Breakfast Buffet, purchase at best-backstretch.brownpapertickets.com or call Kristy @ 516-488-3434 ext. 100.

MERCY HOUSE SUPPORT FROM HORSEMEN'S ASSOCIATION Mercy House of Saratoga, Inc., established in 2018 by direction from the Vestry, will soon receive a pledge of \$25,000 from the New York Thoroughbred Horsemen's Association in support of our accommodations for the Backstretch Employee Service Team (BEST) on the 4th floor of the new parish house. The announcement will be made this coming week. Mercy House is honored to receive such generous support from NYTHA. In appreciation, a dedicatory plaque will be installed in memory of the late distinguished thoroughbred trainer, Rick Violette. Mercy House will be Bethesda's master tenant of the housing resources in the new building, floors 2, 3 and 4. Established by the Vestry in October 2018, Mercy House is a non-profit 501(c3) corporation, set up to effectuate Bethesda's religious mission to meet housing needs in the Saratoga County community. Mercy House has partnerships with BEST, Wellspring, Veterans & Community Housing, and Transitional Services. Its Board of Directors consists of Gordon Boyd, President; Mary Withington, Vice President; Mary Sanders Shartle, Secretary; Mark Claverie, Treasurer; Laura Bradigan, Mark Griffin, Doug Huston, and Howard Nelson.

ANNUAL PARISH GARDEN PARTY

Monday, July 29, 6 pm - 8 pm

at

The Saratoga Golf & Polo Club

Reservation: \$125 per person

The Vestry has designated the profit from this year's annual fund raiser to be used for the REPAIR & RESTORATION OF HISTORIC BRASS FURNISHINGS in the church, which will include the Trask Eagle Lectern with Lantern, four High Altar Candlesticks, and the High Altar Communion Rail.

Deacon Landon Moore will be ordained to the SACRED ORDER OF PRIESTS on the Feast of Saint Bartholomew, August 24, at 11 a.m. If you would be interested in a reservation on a chartered bus to Brooklyn, please sign the designated list in the Narthex.

THIS WEEK AT BETHESDA
July 15-21

Monday <i>Feria</i>		
Tuesday <i>Feria</i>		
Wednesday <i>William White</i>	12:10 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Holy Eucharist, <i>Home of the Good Shepherd, Wilton</i> Holy Eucharist, <i>Transept Altar</i> The Vestry, <i>Skidmore College</i>
Thursday <i>Feria</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>Macrina</i>		
Saturday <i>Feria</i>		
Sunday <i>THE SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST</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 Terrace</i>

The PARISH OFFICES during this week will be open from 9am until 11 am on Monday and Tuesday due to staff vacations.

THE PARISH STAFF

The Very Reverend Marshall J. Vang, *Interim Rector*
The Reverend Paul F. Evans, *Assisting Priest*
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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