



Washington Street near Broadway

THE SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

21 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 - *Tiento de Falsas*

Sebastian de Heredia (1585-1603)

THE ENTRANCE RITE

AT THE PROCESSION: HYMN 388 - *Hanover*

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

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GLORIA IN EXCELSIS (*Hymnal S202*)

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THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Almighty God, the fountain of all wisdom, who knowest our necessities before we ask and our ignorance in asking: Have compassion, we beseech thee, upon our infirmities, and those things which for our unworthiness we dare not, and for our blindness we cannot ask, mercifully give us for the worthiness of thy Son 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 Genesis*

The Lord appeared to Abraham by the oaks of Mamre, as he sat at the entrance of his tent in the heat of the day. He looked up and saw three men standing near him. When he saw them, he ran from the tent entrance to meet them, and bowed down to the ground. He said, "My lord, if I find favor with you, do not pass by your servant. Let a little water be brought, and wash your feet, and rest yourselves under the tree. Let me bring a little bread, that you may refresh yourselves, and after that you may pass on — since you have come to your servant." So they said, "Do as you have said." And Abraham hastened into the tent to Sarah, and said, "Make ready quickly three measures of choice flour, knead it, and make cakes." Abraham ran to the herd, and took a calf, tender and good, and gave it to the servant, who hastened to prepare it. Then he took curds and milk and the calf that he had prepared, and set it before them; and he stood by them under the tree while they ate. They said to him, "Where is your wife Sarah?" And he said, "There, in the tent." Then one said, "I will surely return to you in due season, and your wife Sarah shall have a son." (18:1-10a)

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL - *Domine, quis habitabit, sung by all*



- 1 Lord, who may dwell in your taber - / nacle? *
- who may abide upon your holy / hill?
- 2 Whoever leads a blameless life and does what is / right, *
- who speaks the truth from his / heart.
- 3 There is no guile upon his tongue;
- he does no evil to his / friend; *
- he does not heap contempt upon his neigh - / bor.
- 4 In his sight the wicked is re - / jected, *
- but he honors those who fear the / Lord.
- 5 He has sworn to do no / wrong *
- and does not take back his / word.
- 6 He does not give his money in hope of / gain, *
- nor does he take a bribe against the / innocent.

★ *2nd half*

- 7 Whoever does these / things *
- shall never be over - / thrown.

Words: *Psalm 15*

Music: Jerome Webster Meachen (b. 1930)

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

Jesus is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; for in him all things in

heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers all things have been created through him and for him. He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross. And you who were once estranged and hostile in mind, doing evil deeds, he has now reconciled in his fleshly body through death, so as to present you holy and blameless and irreproachable before him — provided that you continue securely established and steadfast in the faith, without shifting from the hope promised by the gospel that you heard, which has been proclaimed to every creature under heaven. I, Paul, became a servant of this gospel. I am now rejoicing in my sufferings for your sake, and in my flesh I am completing what is lacking in Christ's afflictions for the sake of his body, that is, the church. I became its servant according to God's commission that was given to me for you, to make the word of God fully known, the mystery that has been hidden throughout the ages and generations but has now been revealed to his saints. To them God chose to make known how great among the Gentiles are the riches of the glory of this mystery, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory. It is he whom we proclaim, warning everyone and teaching everyone in all wisdom, so that we may present everyone mature in Christ. (1:15-28)

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

SEQUENCE, HYMN 642 - Windsor

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.

As Jesus and his disciples went on their way, Jesus entered a village, where a woman named Martha welcomed him into her home. She had a sister named Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet and listened to what he was saying. But Martha was distracted by her many tasks; so she came to him and asked, "Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to do all the work by myself? Tell her then to help me." But the Lord answered her, "Martha, Martha, you are worried and distracted by many things; there is need of only one thing. Mary has chosen the better part, which will not be taken away from her." (10:38-42)

Assisting Priest The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise be to thee, O Christ.

THE SERMON

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THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Celebrant Let us bring our needs to the God of glory, who has come close to us in Jesus Christ.

Assisting Priest That all who serve the community of believers, 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, will live in the Lord's presence through their ministry,
Let us pray to the Lord,
Lord, hear our prayer.

That nations and peoples will live in the Lord's presence through their commitment to peace,
Let us pray to the Lord,
Lord, hear our prayer.

That those who suffer from neglect and abuse will live in the Lord's presence through our words and deeds of compassion,
Let us pray to the Lord,
Lord, hear our prayer.

That members of the Vestry will live in the Lord's presence in identifying suitable candidates to serve s Bethesda's next Rector.
Let us pray to the Lord,
Lord, hear our prayer.

That we will live in the Lord's presence through God's gifts to us in this Eucharist,
Let us pray to the Lord,
Lord, hear our prayer.

That those who have died will live in the Lord's presence through sharing Christ's resurrection, together with the ever-blessed Virgin Mary and all the saints,
Let us pray to the Lord,
Lord, hear our prayer.

Celebrant Lord, with Mary of Bethany we open wide our ears to hear your word; with Martha, we open wide our hands to do your work. Let our prayers today center our lives on your Son, Jesus Christ, who is Lord 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

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

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

	8:00 am	10:00am
<i>Celebrant</i>	Dean Vang	Dean Vang
<i>Assisting Priest</i>		Father Evans
<i>Lay Eucharistic Minister[s]</i>	Robert Bullock	Robert Bullock
		Catherine Berheide
<i>Lay Eucharistic Visitor</i>		Mark Griffin
<i>Lectors</i>	Tom Remington	Robert Bullock
		Catherine Berheide
<i>Altar Guild</i>	Pamela Houde	Anne Van Acker
<i>Bell Ringers</i>		Ed Peticolas
<i>Ushers</i>		John Van der Veer
		Fred Scheidt
		Richard Wissler
<i>Hospitality</i>		Ann & Robert Bullock

NOTICES

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

In our INTERCESSIONS FOR THE CHURCH today, we pray for

<i>Anglican Communion</i>	Province de L'Eglise Anglicane au Rwanda
<i>Diocese of Albany</i>	Programming at the Christ the King Center
<i>Our Parish</i>	Gods Blessing upon our summer recreation

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

LECTORS are needed for summer Eucharists, July 28, - 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 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.

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

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.

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.

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THIS WEEK AT BETHESDA

July 22-28

Monday <i>Feria</i>		
Tuesday <i>SAINT MARY MAGDELENE</i>		
Wednesday <i>Thomas Akempis</i>	12:10 p.m.	Holy Eucharist, <i>Transept Altar</i>
Thursday <i>SAINT JAMES THE APOSTLE</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>Feria</i>		
Saturday <i>Feria</i>		
Sunday <i>THE SEVENTH 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 OFFICE during this week will be open from 9am until 11am on Monday and Tuesday, 9am until 2pm Thursday, and 9 am until 1pm Friday 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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