



**26 Washington Street**

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**THE FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

**22 September 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 - Prière**

Ambroise Thomas (1811-1896)

**THE ENTRANCE RITE**

**AT THE PROCESSION: HYMN 596 - *Komm, o komm, du Geist des Lebens***

**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*), sung by all**

*Prayer Book, page 324*

**THE COLLECT OF THE DAY**

Grant us, O Lord, not to mind earthly things, but to love things heavenly; and even now, while we are placed among things that are passing away, to cleave to those that shall abide; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

## THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

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

Hear this, you that trample on the needy, and bring to ruin the poor of the land, saying, "When will the new moon be over so that we may sell grain; and the sabbath, so that we may offer wheat for sale? We will make the ephah small and the shekel great, and practice deceit with false balances, buying the poor for silver and the needy for a pair of sandals, and selling the sweepings of the wheat." The Lord has sworn by the pride of Jacob: Surely I will never forget any of their deeds. (8:4-7)

*Lector* The Word of the Lord.

*People Thanks be to God.*

### GRADUAL - *Laudate, pueri, sung by the choir.*

1 Hallelujah!

Give praise, you servants of the Lord; \*  
praise the Name of the Lord.

2 Let the Name of the Lord be blessed, \*  
from this time forth for evermore.

3 From the rising of the sun to its going down \*  
let the Name of the Lord be praised.

4 The Lord is high above all nations, \*  
and his glory above the heavens.

5 Who is like the Lord our God, who sits enthroned on high \*  
but stoops to behold the heavens and the earth?

6 He takes up the weak out of the dust \*  
and lifts up the poor from the ashes.

7 He sets them with the princes, \*  
with the princes of his people.

8 He makes the woman of a childless house \*  
to be a joyful mother of children.

Words: *Psalm 113*

Music: James Turl (1802-1882)

### THE SECOND LESSON - *A Reading from the First Letter of Paul to Timothy*

First of all, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for everyone, for kings and all who are in high positions, so that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and dignity. This is right and is acceptable in the sight of God our Savior, who desires everyone to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. For there is one God; there is also one mediator between God and humankind, Christ Jesus, himself human, who gave himself a ransom for all - this was attested at the right time. For this I was appointed a herald and an apostle (I am telling the truth, I am not lying), a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth. (2:1-7)

*Lector* The Word of the Lord.

*People Thanks be to God.*

SEQUENCE: HYMN 368 - *Regent Square*

*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.*

Jesus said to the disciples, "There was a rich man who had a manager, and charges were brought to him that this man was squandering his property. So he summoned him and said to him, 'What is this that I hear about you? Give me an accounting of your management, because you cannot be my manager any longer.' Then the manager said to himself, 'What will I do, now that my master is taking the position away from me? I am not strong enough to dig, and I am ashamed to beg. I have decided what to do so that, when I am dismissed as manager, people may welcome me into their homes.' So, summoning his master's debtors one by one, he asked the first, 'How much do you owe my master?' He answered, 'A hundred jugs of olive oil.' He said to him, 'Take your bill, sit down quickly, and make it fifty.' Then he asked another, 'And how much do you owe?' He replied, 'A hundred containers of wheat.' He said to him, 'Take your bill and make it eighty.' And his master commended the dishonest manager because he had acted shrewdly; for the children of this age are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than are the children of light. And I tell you, make friends for yourselves by means of dishonest wealth so that when it is gone, they may welcome you into the eternal homes. Whoever is faithful in a very little is faithful also in much; and whoever is dishonest in a very little is dishonest also in much. If then you have not been faithful with the dishonest wealth, who will entrust to you the true riches? And if you have not been faithful with what belongs to another, who will give you what is your own? No slave can serve two masters; for a slave will either hate the one and love the other, or be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and wealth." (16:1-13)

*Celebrant* 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 Lord Jesus presents our needs to God and protects those who dwell in him. Let us ask him to unite us in his peace as we pray in his name.

*Assisting Priest* That 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; will receive the Lord's guidance in their ministry,  
Let us pray to the Lord,  
**Lord, hear our prayer.**

That leaders of governments and those in authority, especially Donald, our President, will imitate the Lord's love for justice in their words and deeds,  
Let us pray to the Lord,  
**Lord, hear our prayer.**

That victims of domestic and gang violence will enjoy the Lord's healing in their need,  
Let us pray to the Lord,  
**Lord, hear our prayer.**

That the hearts of Vestry members will be blessed as they seek to identify Bethesda's next Rector,  
Let us pray to the Lord,  
**Lord, hear our prayer.**

That we who worship here will live in the power of the Lord's truth,  
Let us pray to the Lord,  
**Lord, hear our prayer.**

That those who have died will rejoice in the Lord's salvation in heaven, together with the ever-blessed Virgin Mary and all the saints,  
Let us pray to the Lord,  
**Lord, hear our prayer.**

*Celebrant* Lord God, maker of heaven and earth, we raise our hands and hearts to you in fervent prayer. In your love, guard us from every danger and grant us your salvation. We ask this through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

*Celebrant and People*

**Everliving God, whose Son Jesus Christ is the door of mercy through which we pass day by day. Bless this parish and its leaders as we expand to become a compassionate community among our neighbors. May the words of our mouths, the thoughts of our hearts, and the work of our hands enable Mercy House to be a home where those in need may live together in the bond of peace and love; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, for ever and ever. 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 - *O Sacrum Convivium*

O sacrum convivium,  
in quo Christus sumitur;  
recolitur memoria passionis ejus;  
mens impletur gratia;  
et futurae gloriae nobis pignus datur.  
Alleluia.

*O sacred banquet,  
wherein Christ is received;  
the memory of his passion is renewed;  
the mind is filled with grace;  
and a pledge of future glory is given to us.  
Alleluia.*

Words: St. Thomas Aquinas (1225-1274)

Music: Giovanni Croce (1557-1609)

### HYMN 397 - *Nun danket alle Gott*

### 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 336*

### 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 - *Service in B Flat*

C.V. Stanford (1852-1924)

### MOTET - *Tantum Ergo*

Tantum ergo Sacramentum  
Veneremur cernui:  
Et antiquum documentum  
Novo cedat ritui:  
Praestet fides supplementum  
Sensum defectui.

*Therefore we, before him bending,  
This great Sacrament revere;  
Types and shadows have their ending,  
For the newer rite is here;  
Faith, our outward sense befriending,  
Makes our inward vision clear.*

Genitori, Genitoque  
Laus et jubilatio,  
Salus, honor, virtus quoque  
Sit et benedictio:  
Procedenti ab utroque  
Compar sit laudatio. Amen.

*Glory let us give and blessing  
To the Father and the Son,  
Honor, thanks, and praise addressing,  
While eternal ages run;  
Ever too his love confessing  
Who from both with both is One. Amen.*

Words: St. Thomas Aquinas (1225-1274)  
Music: Anton Bruckner (1824-1896)

## 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 551** - *Festal Song*

**ORGAN** - *Fanfare*

Jacques Lemmens (1823-1881)

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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.

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

## ASSISTING AT OUR LITURGIES TODAY

	<u>8:00am</u>	<u>10:00am</u>
<i>Celebrant</i>	Dean Vang	Dean Vang
<i>Assisting Priest</i>		Father Evans
<i>Lay Eucharistic Minister[s]</i>	Darren Miller	Catherine Berheide
<i>Lay Eucharistic Visitor</i>		Virginia McMorris
<i>Altar Guild</i>	Pamela Houde	Anne Van Acker
<i>Bell Ringers</i>		Beth Moeller
		Tom Moeller
<i>Lectors</i>	Michael Penfold	Katie Hooper
		John Van der Veer
<i>Ushers</i>		Richard Wissler
		Christopher Lyons
		John Van der Veer
		Fred Scheidt
<i>Hospitality</i>		Ed Peticolas

## 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  
*Anglican Communion* Church of the Province of Uganda  
*Diocese of Albany* For Biblical tithing to become the norm in our parishes  
*Our Parish* Board of Mercy House

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

COFFEE HOUR help is needed. If you would like to be a part of this much enjoyed hospitality, please call the church 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 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

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### THE ANNUAL BLESSING OF PETS

*Saturday, October 5*  
*11:00 a.m.*  
**Bethesda Churchyard**  
*Invite your friends!*



**CHORAL EVENSONG for  
THE FEAST OF THE DEDICATION OF THE CHURCH**

Sunday, October 6, at 3 o'clock, sung by the  
Schola Cantorum of Bethesda Church.

*A reception will follow in the narthex.*

**THIS WEEK AT BETHESDA  
September 23 -29**

Monday <i>Feria</i>		
Tuesday <i>Feria</i>	11:00a.m. 6:30p.m.	Clergy Meeting: Shelters of Saratoga, <i>New England Congregational Presbyterian Church</i> Holy Eucharist, <i>High Altar</i>
Wednesday <i>Sergius</i>	12:10 p.m. 4:00 p.m.	Holy Eucharist, <i>Transept Altar</i> First Holy Communion Preparation, <i>The Church</i>
Thursday <i>Lancelot Andrewes</i>		
Friday <i>Vincent de Paul</i>		
Saturday <i>Feria</i>		
Sunday <i>THE SOLEMNITY OF MICHAELMAS</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 Terrace</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* and 9 a.m. until 1 p.m. on *Friday*.

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