



26 Washington Street

THE TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

27 October 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 - *Andante Sostenuto*

Josef Rheinberger (1839-1901)

THE ENTRANCE RITE

AT THE PROCESSION: HYMN 665 - *Michael*

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*), sung by all

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THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Almighty and everlasting God, give unto us the increase of faith, hope, and charity; and, that we may obtain that which thou dost promise, make us to love that which thou dost command; 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 Sirach*

Give to the Most High as he has given to you, and as generously as you can afford. For the Lord is the one who repays, and he will repay you sevenfold. Do not offer him a bribe, for he will not accept it; and do not rely on a dishonest sacrifice; for the Lord I the judge, and with him there is not partiality. He will not show partiality to the poor; but he will listen to the prayer of one who is wronged. He will not ignore the supplication if the orphan, or the widow when she pours out her complaint. (35:12-17)

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL - *Quam dilecta!*

- 1 How dear to me is your dwelling, O Lord of hosts! *
My soul has a desire and longing for the courts of the Lord;
my heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God.
- 2 The sparrow has found her a house
and the swallow a nest where she may lay her young; *
by the side of your altars, O Lord of hosts,
my King and my God.
- 3 Happy are they who dwell in your house! *
they will always be praising you.
- 4 Happy are the people whose strength is in you! *
whose hearts are set on the pilgrims' way.
- 5 Those who go through the desolate valley will find it a place of springs, *
for the early rains have covered it with pools of water.
- 6 They will climb from height to height, *
and the God of gods will reveal himself in Zion.

Words: *Psalm 84:1-6*

Music: Edward Bairstow (1874-1946)

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

I am already being poured out as a libation, and the time of my departure has come. I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. From now on there is reserved for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give me on that day, and not only to me but also to all who have longed for his appearing. At my first defense no one came to my support, but all deserted me. May it not be counted against them! But the Lord stood by me and gave me strength, so that through me the message might be fully proclaimed and all the Gentiles might hear it. So I was rescued from the lion's mouth. The Lord will rescue me from every evil attack and save me for his heavenly kingdom. To him be the glory forever and ever. Amen. (4:6-8,16-18)

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

SEQUENCE, HYMN 601 - *St. Michael*

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 told this parable to some who trusted in themselves that they were righteous and regarded others with contempt: "Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. The Pharisee, standing by himself, was praying thus, 'God, I thank you that I am not like other people: thieves, rogues, adulterers, or even like this tax collector. I fast twice a week; I give a tenth of all my income.' But the tax collector, standing far off, would not even look up to heaven, but was beating his breast and saying, 'God, be merciful to me, a sinner!' I tell you, this man went down to his home justified rather than the other; for all who exalt themselves will be humbled, but all who humble themselves will be exalted." (18:9-14)

Assisting Priest The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise be to thee, O Christ.

THE SERMON

Dean Vang

THE NICENE CREED

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THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Celebrant Let us call upon the Lord, who is always close to those who seek mercy. For the holy church of God, that it will have unity and peace throughout the world.

Assisting Priest

We pray for 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,

Let us pray to the Lord,

Lord, hear our prayer.

For civil authorities, that God will direct their hearts and minds for our well-being,

Let us pray to the Lord,

Lord, hear our prayer.

For the sick, the hungry, and the homeless, that God working through us will speedily answer their cries for help,

Let us pray to the Lord,

Lord, hear our prayer.

For this assembly of God's people, that we will grow in the humility of Jesus Christ,

Let us pray to the Lord,

Lord, hear our prayer.

For the Vestry, that members will identify suitable candidates to serve as Bethesda's next Rector,

Let us pray to the Lord,

Lord, hear our prayer.

For all who have died, that they will celebrate Christ's victory over sin and death in his heavenly kingdom, together with the ever-blessed Virgin Mary and all the saints,
Let us pray to the Lord,
Lord, hear our prayer.

Celebrant Lord our God, your mercy toward the humble is measureless, and your love is beyond words to describe. Look upon us in your great kindness, and grant us the riches of your favor, through Jesus 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 - How Lovely Are Thy Dwellings

O Lord of Hosts, How lovely are Thy dwellings.

My soul longs for Thy courts, O Lord.

How lovely are Thy dwellings, O Lord of Hosts.

My heart and my flesh cry out.

O blest are they whose hope is forever in Thee;

Who praise Thy name, who sing their songs within Thy holy house.

O Lord incline Thine ear; Look down, my spirit longs for Thee.

A Sun and Shield is the Lord of Hosts.

My soul, it longs for Thee. O Lord of Hosts.

O Lord for Thee my heart and my flesh cry out.

In Thee I trust; Look down and hear my prayer.

O Hear my prayer. O Lord, hear my prayer.

Words: *Psalm 84*
Music: Gabriel Faure (1845-1924)

HYMN 522 - Austria

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING, Eucharistic Prayer II

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PREFACE OF THE LORD'S DAY *Of God the Father*

Creator of the light and source of life, who hast made us in thine image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord.

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 - Missa Brevis

Lennox Berkeley (1903-1989)

MOTET - *Set Me As a Seal*

Set me as a seal upon thine heart,
As a seal upon thine arm:
For love is strong as death;
Many waters cannot quench love,
Neither can the floods drown it;
Set me as a seal upon thine heart,
For is love is strong as death.

Words: *Song of Solomon*
Music: William Walton (1902-1983)

THE CONCLUDING RITE

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

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THE BLESSING

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DISMISSAL

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

HYMN 561 - Morning Light

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 in the Narthex, immediately following the ten o'clock liturgy.

ASSISTING AT OUR LITURGIES TODAY

	<i>8:00am</i>	<i>10:00am</i>
<i>Celebrant</i>	Dean Vang	Dean Vang
<i>Assisting Priest</i>	Father Evans	Father Evans
<i>Lay Eucharistic Minister[s]</i>	Robert Bullock	Robert Bullock
<i>Lay Eucharistic Visitor</i>		David Wilder
<i>Altar Guild</i>	Mary Withington	David Wilder
<i>Bell Ringers</i>		Christine Miller
<i>Lectors</i>	David Reid	Beth & Tom Moeller
<i>Ushers</i>		Mark Claverie
		Lynda Redman
		Tom Moeller
		Beth Moeller
		Mark Claverie
		Diane Robinson
<i>Hospitality</i>		Karen & Craig Walton

NOTICES

During the month of October, the EUCHARISTIC ELEMENTS of bread and wine are given to the Glory of Almighty God by Doug Huston in loving memory of Eleanor Huston.

In our INTERCESSIONS FOR THE CHURCH today, we pray for
Anglican Communion Church of Ceylon
Diocese of Albany Daughters of the King Assembly Fall Retreat
Our Parish The Board of Mercy House

STEWARDSHIP 2020: "Moving forward. in the spirit of faith and trust" Our campaign began with a Stewardship Mission mailing on October 10, ending with a return of pledge cards before November 4. There will be a speaker about our Stewardship Campaign at today's liturgies.

ALL SAINTS' DAY POT LUCK SUPPER: Friday, November 1 at 6 p.m., at the First Baptist Church. Rides available for those who cannot drive at night. There will also be a question and answer forum for Bethesda concerns highlighted at "Vestry Reports" presentations, and Mercy House. Please sign up on the sheet in the Narthex.

Please remember to adjust your clocks BACK ONE HOUR on November 2.

A seminar to honor HOMELESSNESS AWARENESS MONTH will be offered in the church on Friday, November 8, from 10a.m. until 4 p.m. All are invited.

NAMETAG printing is ongoing. This is a way to get to know our fellow parishioners. If you do not have a nametag but would like one, please speak to Pam Houde. We would like to thank Pam for all of her efforts in getting these to those who want them, and also Gordon Boyd for sponsoring this effort. Remember to place your nametag in the basket in the back of the church as you leave.

We invite those who wish to share a MINISTRY OF HOSPITALITY [beverages and snacks] after the ten o'clock liturgy to sign-up on the designated list, at the narthex lectern. Your assistance with Bethesda's hospitality is very much appreciated.

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.

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.

NEW OFFICE ADDRESS: Bethesda Offices are now located at 96 Ballston Avenue, across from the Price Chopper. There is ample parking for staff and visitors.

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THIS WEEK AT BETHESDA
October 28 – November 3

Monday <i>Feria</i>		
Tuesday <i>SAINT SIMON & SAINT JUDE</i>	6:30p.m.	Holy Eucharist, <i>High Altar</i>
Wednesday <i>Feria</i>	12:10 p.m. 4:15 p.m.	Holy Eucharist, <i>Transept Altar</i> First Holy Communion Preparation, <i>The Church</i>
Thursday <i>EVE OF ALL SAINTS' DAY</i>	10:30 a.m. 11:00 p.m.	Holy Eucharist, <i>Home of the Good Shepherd, Memory Care, Saratoga</i> Holy Eucharist, <i>Home of the Good Shepherd Saratoga</i>
Friday <i>ALL SAINTS' DAY</i>	6:00p.m.	Parish Pot Luck Supper, <i>First Baptist Church</i>
Saturday <i>ALL SOULS' DAY</i>		<i>Adjust clocks backward 1 hour</i>
Sunday <i>SOLEMNITY OF ALL SAINTS</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>

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*.

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*
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