



26 Washington Street

THE SECOND SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

19 January 2020

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: *Meditation*

Frank Bridge (1879-1941)

THE ENTRANCE RITE

AT THE PROCESSION: *HYMN 7 - Ratisbon*

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, whose Son our Savior Jesus Christ is the light of the world: Grant that thy people, illumined by thy Word and Sacraments, may shine with the radiance of Christ's glory, that he may be known, worshiped, and obeyed to the ends of the earth; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who with thee and the Holy Spirit liveth and reigneth, one God, now and for ever.
Amen.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

THE FIRST LESSON - *A Reading from the Book of Isaiah*

Listen to me, O coastlands, pay attention, you peoples from far away! The Lord called me before I was born, while I was in my mother's womb he named me. He made my mouth like a sharp sword, in the shadow of his hand he hid me; he made me a polished arrow, in his quiver he hid me away. And he said to me, "You are my servant, Israel, in whom I will be glorified." But I said, "I have labored in vain, I have spent my strength for nothing and vanity; yet surely my cause is with the Lord, and my reward with my God." And now the Lord says, who formed me in the womb to be his servant, to bring Jacob back to him, and that Israel might be gathered to him, for I am honored in the sight of the Lord, and my God has become my strength — he says, "It is too light a thing that you should be my servant to raise up the tribes of Jacob and to restore the survivors of Israel; I will give you as a light to the nations, that my salvation may reach to the end of the earth." Thus says the Lord, the Redeemer of Israel and his Holy One, to one deeply despised, abhorred by the nations, the slave of rulers, "Kings shall see and stand up, princes, and they shall prostrate themselves, because of the Lord, who is faithful, the Holy One of Israel, who has chosen you." (49:1-7)

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL - *Expectans, expectavi*

- 1 I waited patiently upon the Lord; *
he stooped to me and heard my cry.
- 2 He lifted me out of the desolate pit, out of the mire and clay; *
he set my feet upon a high cliff and made my footing sure.
- 3 He put a new song in my mouth,
a song of praise to our God; *
many shall see, and stand in awe,
and put their trust in the Lord.
- 4 Happy are they who trust in the Lord! *
they do not resort to evil spirits or turn to false gods.
- 5 Great things are they that you have done, O Lord my God!
how great your wonders and your plans for us! *
there is none who can be compared with you.
- 6 Oh, that I could make them known and tell them! *
but they are more than I can count.
- 7 In sacrifice and offering you take no pleasure *
(you have given me ears to hear you);
- 8 Burnt-offering and sin-offering you have not required, *
and so I said, "Behold, I come.
- 9 In the roll of the book it is written concerning me: *
'I love to do your will, O my God;
your law is deep in my heart.'
- 10 I proclaimed righteousness in the great congregation; *
behold, I did not restrain my lips;
and that, O Lord, you know.
- 11 Your righteousness have I not hidden in my heart;
I have spoken of your faithfulness and your deliverance;*

I have not concealed your love and faithfulness from the great congregation.

- 12 You are the Lord;
do not withhold your compassion from me;*
let your love and your faithfulness keep me safe for ever.

Words: *Psalm 40:1-12*

Music: Daniel Pinkham (1923-2006)

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

Paul, called to be an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and our brother Sosthenes, To the church of God that is in Corinth, to those who are sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be saints, together with all those who in every place call on the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, both their Lord and ours: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that has been given you in Christ Jesus, for in every way you have been enriched in him, in speech and knowledge of every kind just as the testimony of Christ has been strengthened among you so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ. He will also strengthen you to the end, so that you may be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. God is faithful; by him you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. (1:1-9)

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

SEQUENCE HYMN 529 - *McKee*

The people stand & turn to face the Book of Gospels

THE HOLY GOSPEL of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John

People Glory be to thee, O Lord.

John saw Jesus coming toward him and declared, "Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world! This is he of whom I said, 'After me comes a man who ranks ahead of me because he was before me.' I myself did not know him; but I came baptizing with water for this reason, that he might be revealed to Israel." And John testified, "I saw the Spirit descending from heaven like a dove, and it remained on him. I myself did not know him, but the one who sent me to baptize with water said to me, 'He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain is the one who baptizes with the Holy Spirit.' And I myself have seen and have testified that this is the Son of God." The next day John again was standing with two of his disciples, and as he watched Jesus walk by, he exclaimed, "Look, here is the Lamb of God!" The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus. When Jesus turned and saw them following, he said to them, "What are you looking for?" They said to him, "Rabbi" (which translated means Teacher), "where are you staying?" He said to them, "Come and see." They came and saw where he was staying, and they remained with him that day. It was about four o'clock in the afternoon. One of the two who heard John speak and followed him was Andrew, Simon Peter's brother. He first found his brother Simon and said to him, "We have found the Messiah" (which is translated Anointed). He brought Simon to Jesus, who looked at him and said, "You are Simon son of John. You are to be called Cephas" (which is translated Peter). (1:29-42)

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 The love of God embraces all peoples; God's kindness knows no limit. Let us place our hope in God as we offer these petitions.

Assisting Priest For the shepherds and guardians of the Church, especially Justin, the Archbishop of Canterbury; Francis, the Bishop of Rome; Bartholomew, 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 those who work for the unity of all Christians,
let us pray to the Lord:

Lord, hear our prayer.

For all who are hungry, homeless, or exploited by the powerful of this world,
let us pray to the Lord:

Lord, hear our prayer.

For our relatives and friends who are ill,
let us pray to the Lord:

Lord, hear our prayer.

For those who are dying with no one to comfort them,
let us pray to the Lord:

Lord, hear our prayer.

For those who have died in the peace of Christ,
let us pray to the Lord:

Lord, hear our prayer.

Celebrant God of our strength, hear our prayers. May our oneness with you and each other be the living sign of your presence in our divided world. 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.

Assisting Priest and People

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 PEACE

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People ***And with thy spirit.***

ANTHEM - Bethlehem Down

When he is King
we will give him the Kings' gifts,
Myrrh for its sweetness, and gold for a crown,
Beautiful robes," said the young girl to Joseph,
Fair with her first-born on Bethlehem Down.

Bethlehem Down is full of the starlight –
Winds for the spices, and stars for the gold,
Mary for sleep, and for lullaby music
Songs of a shepherd by Bethlehem fold.

When he is King
they will clothe him in grave-sheets,
Myrrh for embalming, and wood for a crown,
He that lies now in the white arms of Mary,
Sleeping so lightly on Bethlehem Down.

Here he has peace
and a short while for dreaming,
Close-huddled oxen to keep him from cold,
Mary for love, and for lullaby music
Songs of a shepherd by Bethlehem fold

Words: Bruce Blunt
Music: Peter Warlock (1894-1930)

THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

HYMN 387 - Magdalen College

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING, Eucharistic Prayer II

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PROPER PREFACE OF THE EPIPHANY

Because in the mystery of the Word made flesh, thou hast caused a new light to shine in our hearts, to give the knowledge of thy glory in the face of thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS QUI VENIT (Hymnal S114)

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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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MOTET - Oratorio Patris Condren O Jesus Vivens In Maria

Jesu that dost in Mary dwell, Be in thy servant's heart as well,
In the spirit of thy holiness, In the fulness of thy force and stress,

In the very ways that thy life goes, And virtues that thy pattern shows,
In the sharing of thy mysteries, And every power in us that is
Against thy power put under feet In the Holy Ghost the Paraclete
To the glory of the Father. Amen.

Words: Gerard Manley Hopkins (1844 -1889)
Music: Ned Rorem (b. 1923)

MINISTRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION

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

AGNUS DEI *from Missa Resurrectionis*

Gerre Hancock (1934-2012)

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 542 - *St. Joan*

ORGAN: *Postlude*

Frank Bridge (1879-1941)

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>8:00 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
		Mark Griffin
<i>Lay Eucharist Visitor</i>		David Wilder

Lectors

John Huppuch

Scott Perrin

Bell Ringers

Sara Manny

Ushers

Manny Family

Tom Moeller

David Harper

Mark Claverie

Diane Robinson

NOTICES

In our INTERCESSIONS FOR THE CHURCH today, we pray for

Anglican Communion Anglican

United Church of Bangladesh

Diocese of Albany

Vocations to the Priesthood & Diaconate

Our Parish

Homes of the Good Shepherd

During the month of January, the EUCHARISTIC ELEMENTS of bread and wine are given to the Glory of Almighty God in loving memory of Ray Priestley by Lynne Priestley, and in loving memory of Marcia Taylor Penfold by Michael & Cynthia Penfold.

ALTAR FLOWERS are needed for February 2, 16 & 23. If you would like to make a memorial or thank offering of Altar Flowers, please call the church office.

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.

VESTRY ELECTIONS: At the Annual meeting on January 28, 2020, starting at 6:30 pm, the annual Vestry election will be held. Those standing for election who are currently serving on the Vestry include: Catherine Berheide, for Junior Warden; Sara Manny, for Treasurer; and John Van der Veer, for Vestry member. There are currently two other Vestry vacancies (3-year terms). Nominations to serve on the Vestry should be in writing and will be accepted up to one hour before the election on January 28 (i.e., by appropriately 6:40 pm). Those interested in serving on the Vestry should speak with Fr. Vang or Sr. Warden Darren Miller as soon as possible. Thank you.

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.

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. Remember to place your nametag in the basket in the back of the church as you leave.

THIS WEEK AT BETHESDA

January 20.26

Monday <i>Fabian</i>		<i>The Parish Office is closed today.</i>
Tuesday <i>Agnes</i>	6:30 p.m.	Holy Eucharist, <i>High Altar</i>
Wednesday <i>Vincent</i>	12:10 p.m.	Holy Eucharist, <i>Transept Altar</i>
Thursday <i>Phillips Brooks</i>	10:00 a.m. 10:30 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>Francis deSales</i>		
Saturday <i>CONVERSION OF SAINT PAUL</i>		
Sunday <i>THE THIRD SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY</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 Narthex</i> Church School, <i>The Nave</i>

The PARISH OFFICES are open from 9 a.m. until 2 p.m. Monday, 9 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. Tuesday & Wednesday, 9am until 2pm Thursday, and 9 a.m. until 12:30 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
Mr. Robert E. Bullock, Verger

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