

26 Washington Street

THE FIRST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST: TRINITY SUNDAY 7 JUNE 2020 7:30 AM - MORNING PRAYER 8:00 AM - HOLY EUCHARIST 10:00 am - Solemn 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 - Alleluia

Colin Mawby (b. 1936)

THE ENTRANCE RITE

HYMN 370 – St. Patrick's Breastplate

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen. People

COLLECT FOR PURITY

Praver Book, page 323

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS (Hymnal 713)

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Almighty and everlasting God, who hast given unto us thy servants grace, by the confession of a true faith, to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity, and in the power of the Divine Majesty to worship the Unity: We beseech thee that thou wouldest keep us steadfast in this faith and worship, and bring us at last to see thee in thy one and eternal glory, O Father; who with the Son and the Holy Spirit livest and reignest, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

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THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

THE FIRST LESSON - A Reading from the Book of Genesis

In the beginning when God created the heavens and the earth, the earth was a formless void and darkness covered the face of the deep, while a wind from God swept over the face of the waters. Then God said, "Let there be light"; and there was light. And God saw that the light was good; and God separated the light from the darkness. God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day. And God said, "Let there be a dome in the midst of the waters, and let it separate the waters from the waters." So God made the dome and separated the waters that were under the dome from the waters that were above the dome. And it was so. God called the dome Sky. And there was evening and there was morning, the second day. And God said, "Let the waters under the sky be gathered together into one place, and let the dry land appear." And it was so. God called the dry land Earth, and the waters that were gathered together he called Seas. And God saw that it was good. Then God said, "Let the earth put forth vegetation: plants yielding seed, and fruit trees of every kind on earth that bear fruit with the seed in it." And it was so. The earth brought forth vegetation: plants yielding seed of every kind, and trees of every kind bearing fruit with the seed in it. And God saw that it was good. And there was evening and there was morning, the third day. And God said, "Let there be lights in the dome of the sky to separate the day from the night; and let them be for signs and for seasons and for days and years, and let them be lights in the dome of the sky to give light upon the earth." And it was so. God made the two great lights—the greater light to rule the day and the lesser light to rule the night—and the stars. God set them in the dome of the sky to give light upon the earth, to rule over the day and over the night, and to separate the light from the darkness. And God saw that it was good. And there was evening and there was morning, the fourth day. And God said, "Let the waters bring forth swarms of living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth across the dome of the sky." So God created the great sea monsters and every living creature that moves, of every kind, with which the waters swarm, and every winged bird of every kind. And God saw that it was good. God blessed them, saying, "Be fruitful and multiply and fill the waters in the seas, and let birds multiply on the earth." And there was evening and there was morning, the fifth day. And God said, "Let the earth bring forth living creatures of every kind: cattle and creeping things and wild animals of the earth of every kind." And it was so. God made the wild animals of the earth of every kind, and the cattle of every kind, and everything that creeps upon the ground of every kind. And God saw that it was good. Then God said, "Let us make humankind in our image, according to our likeness; and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the wild animals of the earth, and over every creeping thing that creeps upon the earth." So God created humankind in his image, in the image of God he created them; male and female he created them. God blessed them, and God said to them, "Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth and subdue it; and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the air and over every living thing that moves upon the earth." God said, "See, I have given you every plant yielding seed that is upon the face of all the earth, and every tree with seed in its fruit; you shall have them for food. And to every beast of the earth, and to every bird of the air, and to everything that creeps on the earth, everything that has the breath of life, I have given every green plant for food." And it was so. God saw everything that he had made, and indeed, it was

very good. And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day. Thus the heavens and the earth were finished, and all their multitude. And on the seventh day God finished the work that he had done, and he rested on the seventh day from all the work that he had done. So God blessed the seventh day and hallowed it, because on it God rested from all the work that he had done in creation. These are the generations of the heavens and the earth when they were created. (1:1-2:4a)

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL - Benedictus es. Domine Blessed art thou, O Lord God of our fathers; * praised and exalted above all for ever. Blessed art thou for the Name of thy Majesty: * praised and exalted above all for ever. Blessed art thou in the temple of thy holiness; * praised and exalted above all for ever. Blessed art thou that beholdest the depths, and dwellest between the Cherubim; *praised and exalted above all for ever. Blessed art thou on the glorious throne of thy kingdom; * praised and exalted above all for ever. Blessed art thou in the firmament of heaven; * praised and exalted above all for ever. Blessed art thou, O Father, Son, and Holy Spirit; * praised and exalted above all for ever.

Words: Song of the Three Young Men, 29-34

THE SECOND LESSON - A Reading from the Second Letter of Paul to the Corinthians Finally, brothers and sisters, farewell. Put things in order, listen to my appeal, agree with one another, live in peace; and the God of love and peace will be with you. Greet one another with a holy kiss. All the saints greet you. The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with all of you. (13:11-13)

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

SEQUENCE HYMN 365 - Moscow

The people stand and turn to face the Book of Gospels.

THE HOLY GOSPEL of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew **People** Glory be to thee, O Lord.

Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. When they saw him, they worshiped him; but some doubted. And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age." Assisting Priest The Gospel of the Lord.

THE SERMON

(28:16-20) **People Praise be to thee, O Christ.**

Father Moore

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THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Celebrant Having heard the Word of God, let us now call upon our Father, who made us, the Son, who redeemed us, and the Holy Spirit, who renews us, as we present these petitions.

Deacon That God will guide the Christian churches in their search for unity, especially their leaders, 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, so that their oneness will show forth the unity of Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, let us pray to the Lord:

Lord, hear our prayer.

That God will strengthen civil authorities in their efforts to establish justice and peace, let us pray to the Lord: *Lord, hear our prayer.*

That God will remove every fear from human hearts and fill them with that perfect love which comes from God alone, especially those affected by the Covid-19 virus, let us pray to the Lord: *Lord, hear our prayer.*

That God will build up this community for service, let us pray to the Lord: *Lord, hear our prayer.*

That God will help us who have gathered here to grow in the life of the Holy Trinity by our celebration of this Eucharist, let us pray to the Lord: *Lord, hear our prayer.*

That God will bring those who have died, to share an eternal communion of love, together with the ever-blessed Virgin Mary and all the saints, let us pray to the Lord: *Lord, hear our prayer.*

Celebrant Lord God, have mercy on us and hear our prayers. Let the love which unites the Persons of the Trinity shape our lives and the lives of all people. We ask this in the name of Jesus, your Son, who celebrates life with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *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

Deacon 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 368 - Regent Square

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING, Eucharistic Prayer II

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PROPER PREFACE OF TRINITY SUNDAY

For with thy co-eternal Son and Holy Spirit, thou art one God, one Lord, in Trinity of Persons and in Unity of Substance; and we celebrate the one and equal glory of thee, O Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS QUI VENIT (Hymnal 797), 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 and Blood of Christ.

THE CONCLUDING RITE

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

BLESSING

May God the Holy Trinity make you strong in faith and love, defend you on every side, and guide you in truth and peace; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. *Amen.*

DISMISSAL

Deacon	Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
People	Thanks be to God.

HYMN 362 – Nicaea

Organ - Carillon

Jonathan Bielby (b.1944)

NOTICES

In our <i>Intercessions for our Church</i> today, we pray for		
Anglican Communion	La Iglesia Anglicana de Mexico	
Diocese of Albany	In Thanksgiving for the Holy Trinity	
Our Parish	Those who teach theology in the seminaries of our church	

Diocesan Guidelines for Parishes during the Coronavirus Pandemic. On Tuesday, June 2, Darren Miller, the Senior Warden, received the "Diocesan Guidelines for Parishes during the Coronavirus Pandemic." The Bishop has authorized the reopening of church buildings for services for no more than 10 persons provided the diocesan guidelines are followed. There are over 30 guidelines and so it will take time for the vestry to develop a plan to meet them all. We have already begun to address some of them, for example by ordering hand sanitizing stations and masks. We will continue to work on all the guidelines so we can hold services in person as soon as the Bishop lifts the 10 person restriction. We hope that he will do so by the time Father Wallace begins his ministry with us on August 1. In the meantime, we will continue to post the Sunday videos.

Sunday Videos: Dean Vang's videos, now with guest appearances by Father Moore, continue to be very well received. Even though Sunday May 31 was his last official day with us, Dean Vang along with Father Moore has made two June videos—one for June 7 and one for June 14. Father Moore has just made six more videos with guest appearances by the wardens and two choir members. These videos cover the last two Sundays in June and all the Sundays in July, thereby taking us up to the point where Father Wallace begins his ministry with us. The videos will be available on our website (https://bethesdachurch.org/) and on Facebook (www.facebook.com/bethesdaepiscopalchurch).

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Sunday Virtual Coffee Hour: It was great to see those who attended our virtual Coffee Hour celebration of Dean Vang's ministry last Sunday. We would love to see you at virtual coffee hour this Sunday. To participate please send an email to <u>gather@bethesdachurch.org</u> to request the Zoom link if you have not done so previously. Unfortunately, we cannot post the Zoom link on our website or social media given the well-publicized issues with 'open' meetings, so you need to request the link from us. If you want technical help with Zoom, please put that request in your note. We plan to have a virtual coffee hour each Sunday at 10:00am.

New Parish House & Community Center Update: On May 13, Bethesda received final approval in a 6-1 vote from the City's Design Review Commission for exterior materials and fenestration of the New Parish House. Previously, on April 29, the DRC approved the mass, scale and general building design, allowing us to proceed to final permitting with the City. The return meeting May 13 was to review the West- and South-facing facades regarding building materials and fenestration. The parish architects prepared and showed new representations of these features for DRC, including one additional window and several "soldier courses" of brick. These changes met with overwhelming acceptance by DRC. The DRC has asked to review and approve our selection of brick and limestone, which the architects are presently reviewing from multiple vendors for color and quality.

Update on Bishop Love: Bishop Love sent a letter on May 31 indicating that the Hearing / Trial: The Episcopal Church vs. The Rt. Rev. William H. Love is scheduled for Friday, June 12. The hearing will be conducted over Zoom and is open. Please email the office (<u>office@bethesdachurch.org</u>) if you are interesting in watching the hearing and we will give you the log on information when we receive it.

You may mail your *Contributions to the Church* office at 96 Ballston Avenue, Saratoga Springs NY 12866. or by using PayPal. You can make your gift to Bethesda by going to paypal.com and choosing <u>bethesdaepiscopalchurch@gmail.com</u> as the payee.

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Even though the church is closed for worship in person, our *Parish Administrative Assistant*, Barbara Latzko, is working from home and is available for calls (518-584-5980) and emails (<u>office@bethesdachurch.org</u>) from 9am until 2pm Monday and Thursday; 9am until 3pm Tuesday and Wednesday; and 9am until 12:30pm on Friday.

In this interim period between rectors, you can *contact the office* by phone (518-584-5980) or email (<u>office@bethesdachurch.org</u>) or you can email the wardens (Darren Miller and Kate Berheide) at <u>wardens@bethesdachurch.org</u> with questions or concerns.



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