



REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

13 November 2022

8:00 am - Holy Communion

10:00 am - Sung Eucharist and Sermon

Prelude Aria, from *Concerto Grosso No. 12* *George Frederic Handel (1685-1759)*

The service begins in silence. In procession the celebrant says these sentences of scripture.

I AM the resurrection and the life, saith the Lord: he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live: and whosoever liveth and believeth in me shall never die.

LET not your heart be troubled: ye believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father's house are many mansions: if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you.

I KNOW that my Redeemer liveth, and that he shall stand at the latter day upon the earth.

WHETHER we live, we live unto the Lord; or whether we die, we die unto the Lord: whether we live therefore or die, we are the Lord's. For to this end Christ died, and lived again, that he might be Lord of both the dead and the living.

I AM persuaded, that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor height, nor depth, nor any other created thing, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

BLESSED be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who according to his abundant mercy hath begotten us again unto a living hope by the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, to an inheritance incorruptible, and undefiled, and that fadeth not away, reserved in heaven for you.

The Collect of The Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People **And with thy spirit.**
Celebrant Let us pray.

Father of all, we pray to thee for those we love, but see no longer: Grant them thy peace; let light perpetual shine upon them; and in thy loving wisdom and almighty power, work in them the good purpose of thy perfect will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

All sit.

The Lesson (read at 8am and 10am)

2 Corinthians 4:16, 5:9

We do not lose heart. Even though our outer nature is wasting away, our inner nature is being renewed day by day. For this slight momentary affliction is preparing us for an eternal weight of glory beyond all measure, because we look not at what can be seen but at what cannot be seen; for what can be seen is temporary, but what cannot be seen is eternal. For we know that if the earthly tent we live in is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens. For in this tent we groan, longing to be clothed with our heavenly dwelling - if indeed, when we have taken it off we will not be found naked. For while we are still in this tent, we groan under our burden, because we wish not to be unclothed but to be further clothed, so that what is mortal may be swallowed up by life. He who has prepared us for this very thing is God, who has given us the Spirit as a guarantee. So we are always confident; even though we know that while we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord-- for we walk by faith, not by sight. Yes, we do have confidence, and we would rather be away from the body and at home with the Lord. So whether we are at home or away, we make it our aim to please him.

The Lector concludes
The People respond

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

All stand.

The Hymn #526

from the Hymnal 1982

All remain standing.

The Holy Gospel

John 20:11-18

People

The Holy Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ according to St John.
Glory be to thee, O Lord.

But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb; and she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had been lying, one at the head and the other at the feet. They said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping?" She said to them, "They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him." When she had said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping? Whom are you looking for?" Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, "Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away." Jesus said to her, "Mary!" She turned and said to him in Hebrew, "Rabbouni!" (which means Teacher). Jesus said to her, "Do not hold on to me, because I have not yet ascended to the Father. But go to my brothers and say to them, 'I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.'" Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, "I have seen the Lord"; and she told them that he had said these things to her.

People

The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise be to thee, O Christ.

All sit.

The Address

Robert E. Bullock

After the address, all stand and say together,

The Nicene Creed

I believe in one God,
the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
and of all things visible and invisible;
And in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of his Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light,
very God of very God;
begotten, not made;
being of one substance with the Father;
by whom all things were made;
who for us men and for our salvation
came down from heaven,
and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary,
and was made man;
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered and was buried:
and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures,
and ascended into heaven,
and sitteth on the right hand of the Father;
and he shall come again, with glory,
to judge both the quick and the dead;
whose kingdom shall have no end.
And I believe in the Holy Ghost, The Lord, and Giver of Life,
who proceedeth from the Father and the Son;
who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified;
who spake by the Prophets.
And I believe one holy Catholic and Apostolic Church;
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins;
and I look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

All kneel.

The Prayers

In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

Almighty God, who hast knit together thine elect in one communion and fellowship, in the mystical body of thy Son Christ our Lord: Grant, we beseech thee, to thy whole Church in paradise and on earth, thy light and thy peace.

*Lord in thy mercy, **hear our prayer.***

Grant that all who have been baptized into Christ's death and resurrection may die to sin and rise to newness of life, and that through the grave and gate of death we may pass with him to our joyful resurrection.

*Lord in thy mercy, **hear our prayer.***

Grant to us who are still in our pilgrimage, and who walk as yet by faith, that thy Holy Spirit may lead us in holiness and righteousness all our days.

*Lord in thy mercy, **hear our prayer.***

Grant to thy faithful people pardon and peace, that we may be cleansed from all our sins, and serve thee with a quiet mind.

*Lord in thy mercy, **hear our prayer.***

Grant to all who mourn a sure confidence in thy fatherly care, that, casting all their grief on thee, they may know the consolation of thy love.

*Lord in thy mercy, **hear our prayer.***

Give courage and faith to those who are bereaved, that they may have strength to meet the days ahead in the comfort of a reasonable and holy hope, in the joyful expectation of eternal life with those they love.

*Lord in thy mercy, **hear our prayer.***

Help us, we pray, in the midst of things we cannot understand, to believe and trust in the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, and the resurrection to life everlasting.

*Lord in thy mercy, **hear our prayer.***

Grant us grace to entrust all the faithful departed to thy never failing love; receive them into the arms of thy mercy, and remember them according to the favor which thou bearest unto thy people.

*Lord in thy mercy, **hear our prayer.***

Grant that, increasing in knowledge and love of thee, they may go from strength to strength in the life of perfect service in thy heavenly kingdom.

*Lord in thy mercy, **hear our prayer.***

The Celebrant concludes with a prayer.

The Confession and Absolution

Celebrant: Let us humbly confess our sins to Almighty God.

**Almighty God,
Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
maker of all things, judge of all men:
We acknowledge and bewail our manifold sins
and wickedness,
which we from time to time most grievously have committed,
by thought, word, and deed, against thy divine Majesty,
provoking most justly thy wrath and indignation against us.
We do earnestly repent,
and are heartily sorry for these our misdoings;
the remembrance of them is grievous unto us,
the burden of them is intolerable.
Have mercy upon us,
have mercy upon us, most merciful Father;
for thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake,
forgive us all that is past;
and grant that we may ever hereafter
serve and please thee in newness of life,
to the honor and glory of thy Name;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

The Celebrant says the Absolution.

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all those who with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

All stand. At the exchange of the Peace, please remain in your pew.

The Peace

*Celebrant
People*

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

At The Offertory: Hymn #623

From The Hymnal 1982

Remain standing.

The Great Thanksgiving

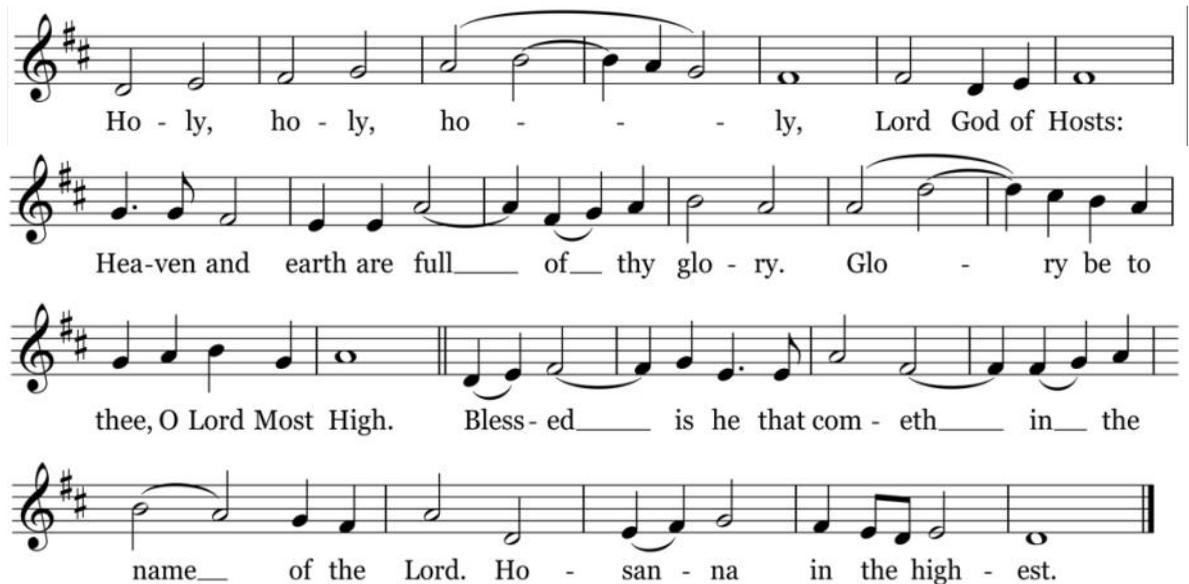
*Celebrant
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The Lord be with you.
And with thy spirit.
Lift up your hearts.
We lift them up unto the Lord.
Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.
It is meet and right so to do.

Then, facing the Altar, the Celebrant continues

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God. Through Jesus Christ our Lord; who rose victorious from the dead, and doth comfort us with the blessed hope of everlasting life; for to thy faithful people, O Lord, life is changed, not ended; and when our mortal body doth lie in death, there is prepared for us a dwelling place in the heavens. Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name, evermore praising thee, and saying,

Sanctus and Benedictus Qui Venit *Sung by all, standing*



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - - - ly, Lord God of Hosts:
Hea-ven and earth are full of thy glo - ry. Glo - ry be to
thee, O Lord Most High. Bless - ed is he that com - eth in the
name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

All kneel.

The Eucharistic Prayer

All glory be to thee, Almighty God, our heavenly Father, for that thou of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption; who made there, by his one oblation of himself once offered, a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks, he brake it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat, this is my Body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me. "

Likewise, after supper, he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink ye all of this; for this is my Blood of the New Testament, which is shed for you and for many, for the remission of sins. Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me. "

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, according to the institution of thy dearly beloved Son our Savior Jesus Christ, we, thy humble servants, do celebrate and make here before thy divine Majesty, with these thy holy gifts, which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; rendering unto thee most hearty thanks for the innumerable benefits procured unto us by the same.

And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us; and of thy almighty goodness, vouchsafe to bless and sanctify, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, these thy gifts and creatures of bread and wine; that we, receiving them according to thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed Body and Blood.

And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness mercifully to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; most humbly beseeching thee to grant that, by the merits and death of thy Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his blood, we, and all thy whole Church, may obtain remission of our sins, and all other benefits of his passion.

And here we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy, and living sacrifice unto thee; humbly beseeching thee that we, and all others who shall be partakers of this Holy Communion, may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction, and made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him.

Remember, Lord, also the souls of thy servants which are gone before us with the mark of faith, and rest in the sleep of peace... (*Names of the departed are read aloud*) We beseech thee, O Lord, that unto them, and unto all such as rest in Christ, thou wilt grant a place of refreshing, of light, and of peace. And vouchsafe to give unto us some portion and fellowship with thy holy Apostles and Martyrs and with all thy Saints; within whose fellowship we beseech thee to admit us.

And although we are unworthy, through our manifold sins, to offer unto thee any sacrifice, yet we beseech thee to accept this our bounden duty and service, not weighing our merits, but pardoning our offenses, through Jesus Christ our Lord; By whom, and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. **Amen**

And now, as our Savior Christ hath taught us, we are bold to say,

**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy Name,
thy kingdom come,**

**thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

The Breaking of The Bread

Celebrant Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
People **Therefore let us keep the feast.**

Said by all, kneeling

The Prayer of Humble Access

We do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord whose property is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

All kneel while the Choir sings

The Agnus Dei from the Missa pro defunctis

Plainsong

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi: dona eis requiem
Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi: dona eis requiem sempiternam.

*O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, grant them rest.
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, grant them rest everlasting.*

Communion is distributed at the chancel step.

During The Communion

After Communion, all kneel and say together

The Post Communion Prayer

Almighty God, we thank thee that in thy great love thou hast fed us with the spiritual food and drink of the Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, and hast given unto us a foretaste of thy heavenly banquet. Grant that this Sacrament may be unto us a comfort in affliction, and a pledge of our inheritance in that kingdom where there is no death, neither sorrow nor crying, but the fullness of joy with all thy saints; through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

The Dismissal

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People **And with thy spirit.**
Celebrant May they rest in peace.
People **Amen.**

All stand.

Closing Hymn: #624

From The Hymnal 1982

All remain standing as the ministers depart.

There is no Organ Voluntary today.

Today at Bethesda

Thank you for worshipping with us this morning. If you are a newcomer to Bethesda, or just visiting for the day, please introduce yourself to Fr Wallace at the end of the service.

Donations. The ministry of Bethesda Church relies completely on the generosity of parishioners, friends and visitors. All contributions are gratefully received. If you wish to make a tax-deductible gift to Bethesda, envelopes are available at the back of the church. Please make sure to include your name and address.

Bible Study. Today at 9.20am, we continue our study of the Book of **Genesis**. This course is led by Dr Blaine Edele. All welcome and no registration required.

November's Special Envelope. Our special monthly envelope for November supports the work of Saratoga County Children's Committee *Empty Stocking Project*. The *Empty Stocking Project* is the largest and most widely recognized program of the Saratoga County Children's Committee. There are hundreds of children living within Saratoga County who are in need of assistance yearly, but the holiday season can be the most trying time of for parents and caregivers. Their mission is to embody the holiday spirit by helping to provide these families with a joyous holiday. Each year, they are able to provide over 900 children living in Saratoga County with a wonderful holiday season. Thank you for your generosity.

Parish and Community News

MEMORIAL FOR JOAN BULLOCK For more than 30 years, Joan and Bob Bullock worshiped at Bethesda at the 8am service. On Saturday, November 19th at 10:30, there will be a Memorial Service at Bethesda to celebrate the life of Joan Bullock, who passed away on August 9th in Cape Cod, will be held. Our Verger, Bob Bullock, his wife and children, Ann, Kate, and Emma, long time choristers here, and Bob Bullock Sr., who has returned to the church, cordially invite you to attend this service to honor the memory of a woman who loved this place so much.

Bethesda Book Club will discuss the novel, *Cathedral*, by British film director and author, Ben Hopkins. This epic tale tells the personal stories of the colorful characters involved in the construction an imagined cathedral in 13th-century Germany. We will meet on Thursday, 8 December. Time TBD. **To join the conversation, please call the parish office.**

Bethesda Christmas Pageant Please mark your calendars: Christmas pageant rehearsal will be on Saturday, December 17th at 9:30 am and the pageant will be presented during the 10am service on Sunday, December 18th. We are looking for children to participate; if you know anyone who is interested, please speak to Sara Manny or Diane Robinson.

Parish Retreat in 2023 Following the success of our recent retreat at Holy Cross Monastery, we are reserving a limited number of spaces for a next year from 13 - 15 October. A \$50.00 non-refundable deposit is required to secure your place. For more information, speak to Fr Wallace.

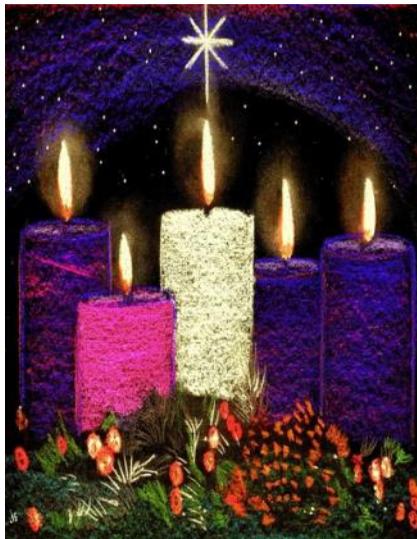
Upcoming Concert. The Choir of Men and Boys of All Saints' Cathedral, Albany will sing George Frederic Handel's oratorio, *Messiah* on Tuesday 6 December at 7.00 pm. The choir and soloists are accompanied by a period instrument ensemble from Boston's Handel and Haydn Society. Tickets may be purchased at www.cathedralofallsaints.org/handels-messiah

Advent & Christmas

Services at Bethesda Church 2022

As the Festive Season approaches, parishioners, friends and visitors are warmly invited to celebrate Advent and Christmas at Bethesda Church:

27 November	Advent Sunday	Services at 8am and 10am
4 December	Advent II	8am Communion 10am A Service of Lessons & Carols for Advent
11 December	Advent III	Services at 8am and 10am
18 December	Advent IV	8am Communion 10am Pageant, Carols and Communion
24 December	Christmas Eve	4pm Eucharist and Carols 10pm Sung Eucharist of the Nativity
25 December	Christmas Day	9am Communion (said)
1 January	Sunday after Christmas	9am Communion (said)



Church Building Update

The roofing project is drawing to a close with the completion of dormer woodwork (which required the interior scaffolding) on Friday, November 4th. Rotted sills (*below*) and some of the window trim have been replaced and painted. The final phase is installation of the clerestory windows by Lamb Studios and will begin on Monday (November 14th). The windows will be installed from the exterior with a lift and should not be as disruptive or messy as the woodwork repairs. The windows installation is expected to take several weeks and if the weather is warm enough, exterior protective glass will be installed. Natural light will be restored to the nave and the windows put back in place just in time as the cold weather arrives.

We are still waiting for the fabrication of the new fire stairs to be completed and we expect installation shortly. The refinished door leading out to the fire stairs has been hung and the restored stained glass will be installed next week. Significant work has taken place in the walled-in area behind the church (*below*) to improve drainage with the removal of the old concrete with stone as well as clearing dirt and debris from a storm drain. New gutters and downspouts will also drain storm water away from the church. The door on the east side of the wall will be replaced with a new door as well.

The wheelchair lift has been out of service for several weeks and replacement parts have been ordered. Repairs to the lift are being scheduled and we expect to have it back in service soon. Next spring our cooling system will be replaced with new air handlers and a new chiller. Thanks to everyone for their patience during these necessary renovations.



Rotted dormer frames



Walled area with stone



Scaffolding West Nave

'Remember'

Remember me when I am gone away,
Gone far away into the silent land;
When you can no more hold me by the hand,
Nor I half turn to go yet turning stay.
Remember me when no more day by day
You tell me of our future that you planned:
Only remember me; you understand
It will be late to counsel then or pray.
Yet if you should forget me for a while
And afterwards remember, do not grieve:
For if the darkness and corruption leave
A vestige of the thoughts that once I had,
Better by far you should forget and smile
Than that you should remember and be sad.

- *Christina Rossetti (1830–1894)*

Fr Charles Wallace, *Priest-in-Charge*

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Christmas Flowers, Greens, Wreaths and Trees

This Christmas Season offers the opportunity to not only purchase flowers for the Altar, but to sponsor other decorations that are used to ready the Sanctuary for this special time of year. If this is something that you would like to do, please complete this form and return it to the church office. You can place the completed form in the offering plate or mail it to:

*Bethesda Church Office
178 Elm Street, Suite 5,
Saratoga Springs, NY 12866*

I would like to purchase:

___ Poinsettia \$25 each. How many? _____

Given By: _____

In Honor of: _____

In Memory of: _____

I would like to contribute towards the following:

___ Greens \$ _____

___ Wreathes \$ _____

___ Trees \$ _____

Given By: _____

In Honor of: _____

In Memory of: _____

Please return to the church office before 5 December.