



Welcome to the Church of Bethesda-by-the-Sea.

We encourage everyone to wear a mask; we require those who are not vaccinated to wear a mask.

Hymn numbers refer to The Hymnal 1982 (blue).

Child care is available for children up to three years of age. Please ask an usher for details.

## Holy Eucharist † 11:00 a.m.

### Commissioning of Bethesda's Lay Ministers

Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost | Proper 20 | September 19, 2021

PRELUDE Scherzo in g minor Marco Enrico Bossi (1861–1925)

HYMN 390 Praise to the Lord, the Almighty [arr. Forster] *Lobe den Herren*

### THE WORD OF GOD

CELEBRANT Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

PEOPLE *And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.*

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

GLORIA Hymnal 1982 S-278 William Mathias (1934–1992)

Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and

peace to his peo-ple on earth. Lord God, heaven-ly King, al-might-y God, and

Fa-ther, we wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo-ry.

Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, you

take a-way the sin of the world: have mer-cy on us; you are seat-ed at the

right hand of the Fa-ther: re-ceive our prayer.

For you a-lone are the Ho-ly One, you a-lone are the Lord,

you a-lone are the Most High, Je-sus Christ, with the Ho-ly Spi-rit,

in the glo-ry of God the Fa-ther. A - - men.

### THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

CELEBRANT The Lord be with you.

PEOPLE *And also with you.*

CELEBRANT Let us pray.

Grant us, Lord, not to be anxious about earthly things, but to love things heavenly; and even now, while we are placed among things that are passing away, to hold fast to those that shall endure; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

*The congregation is seated.*

LESSON Jeremiah 11:18–20

It was the Lord who made it known to me, and I knew; then you showed me their evil deeds. But I was like a gentle lamb led to the slaughter. And I did not know it was against me that they devised schemes, saying, "Let us destroy the tree with its fruit, let us cut him off from the land of the living, so that his name will no longer be remembered!" But you, O Lord of hosts, who judge righteously, who try the heart and the mind, let me see your retribution upon them, for to you I have committed my cause.

READER The Word of the Lord.

PEOPLE *Thanks be to God.*

PSALM 54

Edwin Edwards (1853–1909)

*The choir sings the antiphon first; the congregation then sings the antiphon immediately and at the end. The choir sings the verses to Anglican chant.*



Save me, O God, by your Name; in your might, de-fend my cause.

- 1 Save me, O God, by your Name; \*  
in your might, defend my cause.
- 2 Hear my prayer, O God; \*  
give ear to the words of my mouth.
- 3 For the arrogant have risen up against me,  
and the ruthless have sought my life, \*  
those who have no regard for God.
- 4 Behold, God is my helper; \*  
it is the Lord who sustains my life.
- 5 Render evil to those who spy on me; \*  
in your faithfulness, destroy them.
- 6 I will offer you a freewill sacrifice \*  
and praise your Name, O LORD, for it is good.
- 7 For you have rescued me from every trouble, \*  
and my eye has seen the ruin of my foes.

EPISTLE James 3:13-4:3, 7–8a

Who is wise and understanding among you? Show by your good life that your works are done with gentleness born of wisdom. But if you have bitter envy and selfish ambition in your hearts, do not be boastful and false to the truth. Such wisdom does not come down from above, but is earthly, unspiritual, devilish. For where there is envy and selfish ambition, there will also be disorder and wickedness of every kind. But the wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, willing to yield, full of mercy and good fruits, without a trace of partiality or hypocrisy. And a harvest of righteousness is sown in peace for those who make peace. Those conflicts and disputes among you, where do they come from? Do they not come from your cravings that are at war within you? You want something and do not have it; so you commit murder. And you covet something and cannot obtain it; so you engage in disputes and conflicts. You do not have, because you do not ask. You ask and do not receive, because you ask wrongly, in order to spend what you get on your pleasures. Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you.

READER The Word of the Lord.

PEOPLE *Thanks be to God.*

*The congregation stands when the hymn is introduced.*

HYMN 653 Dear Lord and Father of mankind

*Repton*

GOSPEL

Mark 9:30–37

DEACON The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

PEOPLE *Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

Jesus and his disciples passed through Galilee. He did not want anyone to know it; for he was teaching his disciples, saying to them, "The Son of Man is to be betrayed into human hands, and they will kill him, and three days after being killed, he will rise again." But they did not understand what he was saying and were afraid to ask him. Then they came to Capernaum; and when he was in the house he asked them, "What were you arguing about on the way?" But they were silent, for on the way they had argued with one another who was the greatest. He sat down, called the twelve, and said to them, "Whoever wants to be first must be last of all and servant of all." Then he took a little child and put it among them;

and taking it in his arms, he said to them, "Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me."

DEACON

The Gospel of the Lord.

PEOPLE

*Praise to you, Lord Christ.*

THE SERMON

The Rev. Dr. Bob Dannels

*A brief period of silence follows the Homily. Please stand when the Celebrant stands for the Creed.*

THE NICENE CREED

*We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.*

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE: FORM IV

*The Leader and People pray responsively.*

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

We pray for Justin, the Archbishop of Canterbury, Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Peter, our Bishop; and the clergy of this parish. Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy *Hear our prayer.*

We pray for Joe, our President; Ron, our Governor; and the Mayor and members of the Town Council. Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy *Hear our prayer.*

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy *Hear our prayer.*

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy *Hear our prayer.*

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles and bring them the joy of your salvation.

We remember all those who are or recently have been hospitalized. We pray for all those on our parish prayer list, and for others we name silently or aloud.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy *Hear our prayer.*

We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy *Hear our prayer.*

*The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.*

## CONFESSION OF SIN

*Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.*

*The Bishop, when present, or the Priest, stands and says*

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. *Amen.*

## COMMISSIONING OF BETHESDA'S LAY MINISTERS

*The Rector commissions Bethesda's lay ministers for the 2021-2022 program year. The congregation responds to the following portion of the commissioning:*

INTERIM RECTOR There are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of service, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of working, but it is the same God who inspires them all in everyone. Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly:

PEOPLE *We will do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus.*

*All stand. The Celebrant says to the people*

## THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord be always with you. *And also with you.*

## GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

### THE HOLY COMMUNION

#### OFFERTORY ANTHEM

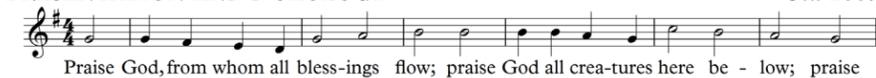
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Charles Wood (1866–1926)

This sanctuary of my soul, unwitting I keep pure and whole, unlatch'd and lit, if Thou should'st care to enter or to tarry there. With parted lips and outstretch'd hands and list'ning ears Thy servant stands. Call Thou early, call Thou late, to Thy great service dedicate. My soul, keep pure, and whole. Charles Hamilton Sorley (1895–1915)

#### PRESENTATION AND DOXOLOGY

*Old 100th*



Praise God, from whom all bless-ings flow; praise God all crea-tures here be - low; praise



God a-bove, ye heav'n - ly host: Cre - a - tor, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. A - men.

#### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING, EUCHARISTIC PRAYER C

CELEBRANT The Lord be with you.

PEOPLE *And also with you.*

CELEBRANT Lift up your hearts.

PEOPLE *We lift them to the Lord.*

CELEBRANT Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

PEOPLE *It is right to give our thanks and praise.*

God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise. *Glory to you for ever and ever.*

At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home. *By your will they were created and have their being.*

From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another *Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.*

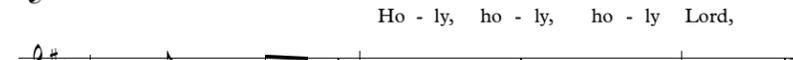
Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace. *By his blood, he reconciled us. By his wounds, we are healed*

And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

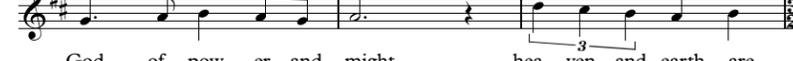
## SANCTUS AND BENEDICTUS WLP 854 Joel Martinson (b. 1960)



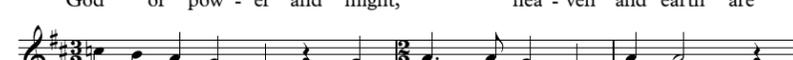
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,



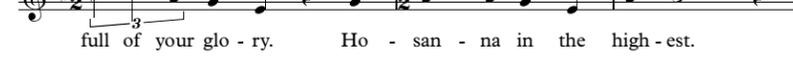
God of pow - er and might, hea - ven and earth are



full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.



San - to, san - to, san - to es el Se - ñor. Ho -



san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na en el cie - lo.



Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -



san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na en el cie - lo.

*Please stand or kneel.*

*The Celebrant continues*

And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

*At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it, or lay a hand upon it, and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing wine to be consecrated.*

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper, he took the cup of wine, gave thanks, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,

*We celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of his coming.*

Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation. *AMEN.*

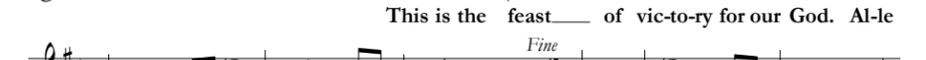
And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

*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.*

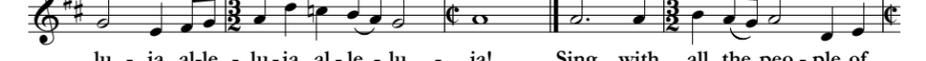
## The Breaking of the Bread Hymnal 1982 417 v3 Richard Hillert (1923-2010)



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le



lu - ia, al-le - lu-ia, al-le - lu - ia! Sing with all the peo - ple of



God, and join in the hymn of all cre - a - - - tion.

CELEBRANT

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

## COMMUNION

*All baptized Christians are invited to receive the sacrament of the Eucharist. This is the Lord's table; it is the Lord who invites you. It is his wish that those who want him should meet him here. Please follow the ushers' direction for communion. If unable to come forward, please signal to an usher for the clergy to bring communion to you. Our custom in the Episcopal Church is to receive the host by putting hands forward, palms crossed and facing upward. Please note that receiving the bread alone is fully receiving communion. If you would like to receive a blessing instead, go to the altar rail and simply cross your arms across your chest.*

During Communion

Hymn 591 O God of earth and altar [descant by Stuart Forster] *King's Lynn*  
Anthem The eyes of all wait upon thee, O Lord Jean Berger (1909–2002)

The eyes of all wait upon thee, O Lord: and thou givest them their meat in due season. Thou openest thine hand: and satisfiest the desire of ev'ry living thing. Psalm 145:15–16

*After Communion, please stand when the Celebrant returns to the altar.*

Let us pray.

## POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

*Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.*

## BLESSING

HYMN 492 Sing, ye faithful, sing with gladness *Finnian*  
[descant by Stuart Forster]

## THE DISMISSAL

DEACON Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

PEOPLE *Thanks be to God.*

POSTLUDE Grand Choeur en ré majeur (alla Handel)  
Alexandre Guilmant (1837–1911)

*We pray for the repose of the soul of*

Richard Joseph Caruso

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