The congregation stands as the hymn is introduced. 

**Hymn 593** Lord, Make Us Servants

- **Dickinson College**
- **The Rector**

**Children’s Homily** A brief period of silence follows the Homily.

**Apostles’ Creed**

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

**The Prayers**

- **Officiant** The Lord be with you.
- **People** And also with you.

- **Officiant** Let us pray.

**Psalm 105:1**

- **Prayer for Animal Companions**

  - You who created them and called them good: bless again these creatures who come to us as a blessing fashioned of fur or feather or fin, formed of flesh that breathes with your own breath, that you have made from sheer delight, that you have given in dazzling variety.

  Bless them who curl themselves around our hearts who twine themselves through our days who companion us in our labor who call us to come and play. Bless them who will never be entirely tamed and so remind us that you love what is wild, that you rejoice in what lives close to the earth, that your heart beats in the heart of these creatures you have entrusted to our care.

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- **The Collect for Francis of Assisi**

  - Said by all following the Psalm

  - The congregation may be seated.

  **Opening Sentences**

  - Thanking the Lord and upon his Name; make known his deeds among the peoples. Psalm 105:1

**Invitatory and Psalter**

- **Officiant** Lord, open our lips.
- **People** And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

**Psalm 148:7-14** Said antiphonally

- Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen. Alleluia.

**Collects**

- **A Collect for Knowledge of God’s Creation**

  - Almighty God, whose loving hand has given us all that we possess: Grant us grace that we may honor you with our substance, and, remembering the account which we must one day give, may be faithful stewards of your bounty, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

- **A Collect for Francis of Assisi**

  - The most high, omnipotent, good Lord, grant your people grace to renounce gladly the vanities of this world; that, following the way of blessed Francis, we may for love of you delight in your whole creation with perfect conscience; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

**A Collect for Welcome**

- **The Lord’s Prayer**

  - 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.

- **TheCongregation kneels.**

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The Grace
The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all evermore. Amen.

Greeting and Announcements
During The Offering
Organ Voluntary

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God all creatures here below; praise God above all hosta, praise God, Amen.

Presentation and Doxology

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Music at Bethesda | Today | 3:30 p.m. | Church

Director of Music and Organist at The Royal Poinciana Chapel, will offer an Organ Voluntary recital at 3:30 p.m.; Evensong led by the Bethesda Choir will follow at 4:00 p.m. A free-will offering will be received in the service, and a reception will follow in the Parish Hall. All are welcome and encouraged to attend.

Trivia Night | Friday, October 18 | 7:00 p.m. | Parish Hall

A Collect for the Beauty of the Earth
We give you thanks, most gracious God, for the beauty of earth and sky and sea; for the richness of mountains, plains, and rivers; for the songs of birds and the loveliness of flowers. We praise you for these good gifts, and pray that we may safeguard them for our posterity. Grant that we may continue to grow in our grateful enjoyment of your abundant creation, to the honor and glory of your Name, now and for ever. Amen.

Blessing
Hymn 405 All Things Bright and Beautiful

For more information about our upcoming events, pick up and read the Bethesda Happenings.

Pet Necrology for October 6, 2019

Blue Peaches
Ella
Cha Cha Flo
Ranger
Chanel Frosty
Ruby
Charlie Jenny
Teddy
Cooper Kipper
Toby
Eli Nikita

We pray for the repose of the soul of

David Ray Evans
Carol Elise Gneser
Kathlyn Swartz Maguire

Announcements for Sunday, October 6

• Music at Bethesda | Today | 3:30 p.m. | Church

Join us for our first Recital and Evensong of the season! Stewart Foster, Director of Music and Organist at The Royal Poinciana Chapel, will offer a recital at 3:30 p.m.; Evensong led by the Bethesda Choir will follow at 4:00 p.m. A free-will offering will be received in the service, and a reception will follow in the Parish Hall. All are welcome and encouraged to attend.

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The Bethesda Youth Mission Group will be hosting a Trivia Night fundraiser. Get a team of eight people together or come on your own and we’ll pair you up with a team. It’s going to be a fun and competitive night of diverse trivia. All profits from the event will go to help the Bethesda Youth Mission Group with costs for their summer trip. For more information, contact Greg Knight at (561) 655-4555 x114 or e-mail him at knight@bbts.org.

• Adult Forum: Art and the Eye—Elliot Bostwick Davis | Sunday, October 13 | 9:50 a.m. | Parish Hall

Elliot Bostwick Davis, art historian and Director and CEO of the Norton Museum of Art in West Palm Beach, joins us for a conversation about the Norton Museum, its collections and activities, as well as about the importance of art as human expression and the necessity of art within the human experience.

PARKING: Persons attending Sunday services and/or events today at Bethesda will be allowed to park on all of Barton Avenue and on South County Road without receiving a ticket until 1:30 p.m.


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Prayers for healing and wholeness have been asked for... Adam, Alice, Andrew, Angela, Anita, Anthony, Arlo, Austin, Beth, Bill Ed, Bob, Bobby, Campbell, Carmen, Chip, Chris, Christine, Chuck, Dalia, Deborah, Desirae, DJ, Donna, Dorothy, Edmund, Edwin, Elena, Ellen, Emmy, Evan, Frank, Fred, Gay, Gerry, Greg, Helen, Holly, Hunter, Jack, James, Jan, Janet, Jerry, Joaquin, John, John Joseph, Jonathan, Judy, Kathyrn, Kar, Kelley, Ken, Kendall, Kenly, Linda, Louise, Lucy, Lynn, Malcolm, Marcia, Mariela, Marge, Mark, Martin, Mary, Mary Ann, Mary Lou, Matthew, Megan, Michael, Miriam, Nancy, Nolan family, Pat, Peggy, Phyllis, Reyessa, Richard, Ricky, Robbie, Robert, Rudy, Sally, Sara, Shan, Sharon, Shawn, Stephen, Sue, Susan, Sweeting Family, Sylvia, Taryn, Ted, Thomas, Vincent, Ward, Willie, and those serving our country... Alex, Adam, Christian, Clara, Eric, George, Harold, Herbert, John, Lorne, Luster Michael, and Tommy.

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