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The Holy Eucharist

August 13, 2023

The Eleventh Sunday After Pentecost

St. Barnabas Mission Statement

We experience God’s redeeming love in all and through all and respond to love through faithful worship, life-long spiritual growth, and committed outreach.

Elijah finds the presence of God not in earthquake, wind, or fire, but in the sound of sheer silence. When the disciples face a great storm on the sea, they cry out with fear. Jesus says, “Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid.” Amid the storms of life, we gather to seek the calm presence of Christ that soothes our fears. In comforting words of scripture and in the refreshing Bread and Cup of the Eucharist, God grants us peace and sends us forth to be a sign of God’s presence to others.

A bell tolls.

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

We invite you to quiet your heart and mind as we prepare for worship.

THE PRELUDE

It Is Well with My Soul

Horation Stafford, Phillip Bliss; Tom Potter, vocalist, Janet Frazier, piano

The Liturgy of Gathering

Please stand in body or spirit.

THE GATHERING HYMN*

Be Still, My Soul TMH-73

Be still, my soul: the Lord is on thy side; Bear pa - tient - ly the
 Be still, my soul: thy God doth un - der - take To guide the fu - ture
 Be still, my soul: the hour is has - tening on When we shall be for
 cross of grief or pain; Leave to thy God to or - der and pro - vide;
 as He has the past. Thy hope, thy con - fi - dence let noth - ing shake;
 ev - er with the Lord, When dis - ap - point - ment, grief, and fear are gone,
 — In ev - ery change He faith - ful will re - main. Be still, my soul: thy
 — All now mys - te - rious shall be bright at last. Be still, my soul: the
 — Sor - row for - got, love's pur - est joys re - stored. Be still, my soul: when
 best, thy heaven - ly Friend Thro' thorn - y ways leads to a joy - ful end.
 waves and winds still know His voice who ruled them while He dwelt be - low.
 change and tears are past, All safe and bless - ed we shall meet at last.

THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

+Blessed be the one, holy, and living God:
Glory to God for ever and ever.

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

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.

THE KYRIE

Lord, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.

THE SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

God be with you.
And also with you.
Let us pray...Grant to us we pray, O God, the spirit to think and do always those things that are right, that we, who cannot exist without you, may by you be enabled to live according to your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

THE PRAYER OF DISCERNMENT FOR THE ELECTION OF THE PRESIDING BISHOP

Almighty God, source of all wisdom and understanding: Look graciously on your Church, and so guide the hearts and minds of those who will choose our next presiding bishop, that we may receive a faithful pastor who will care for all of your people, equip us for our ministries, and proclaim your word to us and to the world; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Liturgy of the Word

Please sit.

THE HEBREW SCRIPTURES *1 Kings 19:9–18*

The reading is introduced.

A reading from the first book of Kings.

Elijah went into a cave and spent the night.

And the word of YHWH came to him: “What are you doing here, Elijah?”

Elijah replied, “I have been very zealous for YHWH God Omnipotent. The people of Israel have abandoned your covenant, broken down your altars, and put your prophets to death by the sword. I am the only one left, and now they’re trying to kill me, too.”

God said, “Go out and stand on the mountain in the presence of YHWH, for YHWH is about to pass by.”

Then a great and powerful wind tore the mountain apart and shattered the rocks by YHWH’s power—but YHWH was not in the whirlwind. After the wind there was an earthquake—but YHWH was not in the earthquake. After the earthquake came a fire—but YHWH was not in the fire. And after the fire came a gentle whisper.

When Elijah heard it, he pulled his cloak over his face and went out and stood at the mouth of the cave.

Then a voice said to him, “What are you doing here, Elijah?”

He replied, “Elijah replied, “I have been very zealous for YHWH God Omnipotent. The people of Israel have abandoned your covenant, broken down your altars, and put your prophets to death by the sword. I am the only one left, and now they’re trying to kill me, too.”

YHWH told Elijah, “Go back the way you came, to the Desert of Damascus. When you get there, anoint Hazael as ruler of Aram. Also anoint Jehu ben-Nimshi as ruler over Israel, and anoint Elisha ben-Shaphat, from Abel Meholah, to succeed you as prophet. Jehu will put to death any who escape the sword of Hazael, and Elisha will put to death any who escape the sword of Jehu. Yet, I reserve seven thousand in Israel—all whose knees have not bowed down to Ba’al and all whose mouths have not kissed his images.”

A brief silence, then:

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God’s people.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 85:8–13 *Benedixisti, Domine*

The psalm is prayed responsively whole verse on whole verse.

I will listen to what you are saying, *
for you are speaking peace to your faithful people
and to those who turn their hearts to you.

**Truly, your salvation is very near to those who fear you, *
that your glory may dwell in our land.**

Mercy and truth have met together; *
righteousness and peace have kissed each other.

**Truth shall spring up from the earth, *
and righteousness shall look down from heaven.**

You, O God, will indeed grant prosperity, *
and our land will yield its increase.

**Righteousness shall go before you, *
and peace shall be a pathway for your feet.**

**Glory to God, Source of All Being, Incarnate
Word and Holy Spirit; *
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be
for ever. Amen.**

THE CHRISTIAN SCRIPTURES *Romans 10:5–15*

The reading is introduced.

A reading from Paul’s letter to the Romans.

Moses writes about the righteousness that comes from the Law: “Those who do these things will live by them.” But the righteousness that comes from faith says, “Don’t say in your heart, ‘Who will ascend to heaven?’”—that is, to bring Christ down—“or ‘Who will descend into the underworld?’”—that is, to bring Christ up from the dead. But what does it say? “The word is near you, on your lips and in your heart.” This is the Word of faith. For if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Sovereign and believe in your heart that God raised Jesus from the dead, you will be saved. Faith in the heart leads to being put right with God, confession on the lips to our deliverance.

Scripture says, “No one who believes in God will be put to shame.” Here there is no difference between Jew and Greek; all have the same Creator, rich in mercy toward those who call: “Everyone who calls on the name of the Most High will be saved.”

How then can they call on the One in whom they have not believed? And how can they believe in the One about whom they have not heard? And how can they hear if no one preaches to them? And how can they preach unless they are sent? As scripture says, “How beautiful are the feet of those who bring the Good News!”

A brief silence, then:

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

Thanks be to God.

Please stand in body or spirit.

THE GOSPEL ACCLAMATION*

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia



Cantor: I wait for you, O God; in your word is my hope. **

THE HOLY GOSPEL *Matthew 14:22–33*

The reading is announced.

The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

Glory to you, O Christ.

Jesus insisted that the disciples get into the boat and precede him to the other side. Having sent the crowds away, he went up on the mountain by himself to pray, remaining there alone as night fell. Meanwhile the boat, already a thousand yards from shore, was being tossed about in the waves which had been raised by the fierce winds.

At about three in the morning, Jesus came walking toward them on the lake. When the disciples saw Jesus walking on the water, they were terrified. "It is a ghost!" they said, and in their fear they began to cry out.

Jesus hastened to reassure them: "Don't worry, it's me! Don't be afraid!"

Peter spoke up and said, "If it is really you, tell me to come to you across the water." "Come!" Jesus said.

So Peter got out of the boat and began to walk on the water toward Jesus. But when he saw how strong the wind he became frightened. He began to sink, and cried out, "Save me!"

Jesus immediately stretched out his hand and caught Peter. "You have so little faith!" Jesus said to him. "Why did you doubt?"

Once they had climbed into the boat, the wind died down. Those who were in the boat showed great reverence, declaring to Jesus, "You are indeed God's Own!"

A brief silence, then:

The Gospel of Christ.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Please sit.

THE HOMILY Ms. Patti Walter with our Youth Ministry, Aaron Sefton, Lily Sefton, and Theresa Dupuis-Spiva

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

As we experience the Season of Pentecost, we offer our prayers that all people may make themselves available to receive the power of the Holy Spirit that Jesus intends for all.

Silence for reflection.

For all who seek Love, wherever they are in their quest, that they may realize the power of the Holy Spirit at work in their lives.

We offer this prayer.

For the Anglican Communion, its members, and those who guide us, especially Justin, the Archbishop of Canterbury, Michael, our Presiding Bishop, Kym, our own Bishop, and Jeffrey, our Rector, that they may be sustained by the power of the Holy Spirit in all they do.

We offer this prayer.

For all who have heard the cry of the planet, that they may be empowered to continue in their quest to bring healing and wholeness to the earth.

We offer this prayer.

For all in leadership at the national, state, and local levels that they may govern with wisdom and justice in the interest of all.

We offer this prayer.

For those with the luxury to enjoy this season, and for those for whom summer brings additional stress, unmitigated heat, and the task of finding childcare—or even enough for their children to eat—that we may discover better ways to share what we have.

We offer this prayer.

For those who endure any unwellness of mind, body, or spirit, especially Dave, the Shable family, the Wier family, Bob, Faith, Jeanne, John and Patrice, Mark, Nicolle, Tim, James, Jeneal and those we name aloud or in silence (*pause*) that they may be healed by your loving Spirit.

We offer this prayer.

For those we love but see no more, especially Kathy Stevens, Jim Gartland, Aaron Schmidt, Kate Easton, and those we name aloud or in silence (*pause*) for they now belong completely to you, O God.

We offer this prayer.

Receive our prayers and answer us, O God, in the Name of Jesus. **Amen.**

THE CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

A brief silence is kept.

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 Beloved One 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.

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

THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be always with you.

And also with you.

All share a greeting of peace.

The Liturgy of the Meal

THE OFFERTORY

The Offertory Sentence

Please sit.

The Presentation of the Bread and Wine

The Offertory Music

His Eye Is On the Sparrow Civilla D. Martin, Charles H. Gabriel; Tom Potter, vocalist, Janet Frazier, piano

Please stand in body or spirit.

The Offertory Hymn*

Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow H-380

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here be - low; praise
God a -bove, ye heaven-ly host: praise Fa-ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. A - men.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Preface and Proper Preface

God be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to God.

Let us give thanks to our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

The Celebrant continues

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Almighty God, Creator of heaven and earth. Because in Jesus Christ our Lord you have received us as your children, made us citizens of your realm, and given us the Holy Spirit to guide us into all truth.

Therefore, we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

The Sanctus*

Sanctus S-125

Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might, heaven_ and earth_ are full_ of your
glo-ry. Ho - san - na in the high-est. Ho - san-na in the high-est. Blessed is he who comes in the
name_ of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high-est. Ho - san-na in the high- est._____

The Celebrant continues

Holy and gracious God: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only-begotten One, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Maker of all. Jesus stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, 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 Jesus took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, 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."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, Almighty God, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling Christ's death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Beloved One, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in Christ. +Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with the blessed Virgin Mary, blessed Barnabas, blessed Kathy, blessed Jim, blessed Aaron, blessed Kate and all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through Jesus Christ our Lord. By Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

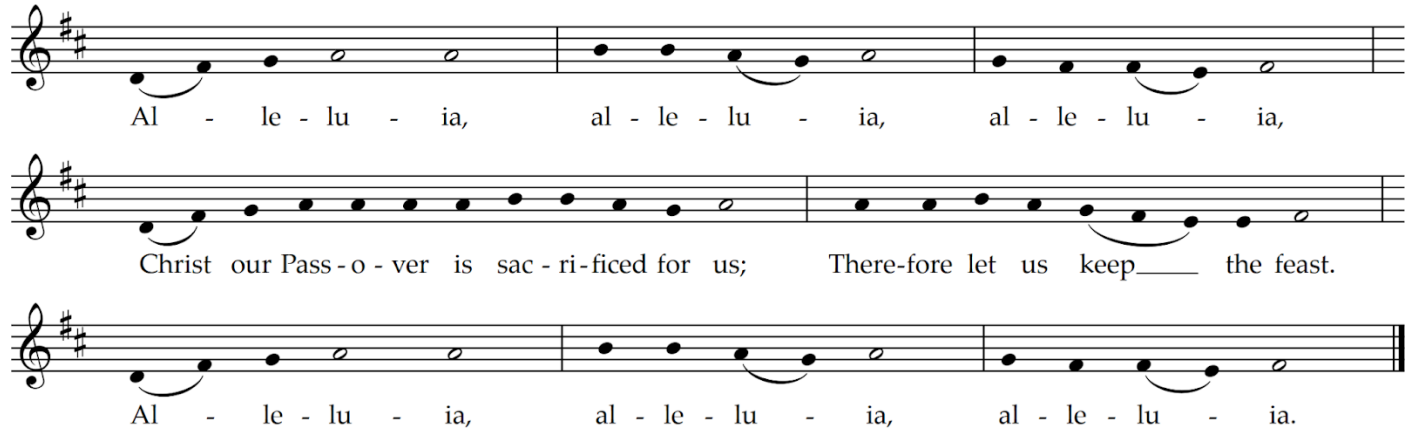
It is our custom to hold hands during The Lord's Prayer.

As Jesus has taught us, we pray those words that bind us together:

Our Fa-ther in hea ven, hal-low-ed be your Name, your king-dom come, your will be done,
on earth as in hea-ven. Give us to-day our dai-ly bread. For-give us our sins
as we for-give those who sin a-gainst us. Save us from the time of tri-al,
and de-liv-er us from e-vil. For the king-dom, the power, and the glo-ry are yours,
now and for - ev - er. A - men.

The Breaking of the Bread and Fraction Anthem*

Fraction Anthem: Christ our Passover



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,
Christ our Pass - o - ver is sac - ri - ficed for us; There - fore let us keep the feast.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

The Invitation to Communion

The gifts of God for the People of God.

Please sit. Jesus welcomed everyone to his table, and so we at St. Barnabas welcome everyone to this table. Gather around the Altar as you are directed. You may stand or kneel as is your custom. The Celebrant will place the gluten-free bread into your hand. You have two options to receive the wine. A Chalice Bearer will offer the Common Cup from which you may drink, or you may dip the bread in the wine when a second chalice comes in turn. You may also choose not to partake of the Cup. When you have received the Sacrament, please return to your seat. If you or your children prefer only to receive a blessing, please indicate this by crossing your hands over your chest.

Please stand in body or spirit.

THE PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray...Eternal God, heavenly Abba,

you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Beloved One Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of Christ's 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.

The Liturgy of Sending

THE SENDING OUT OF EUCHARISTIC VISITORS (Occasional)

N., in the name of this congregation, I send you forth bearing these holy gifts that those to whom you go may share with us the communion of Christ's Body and Blood.

We who are many are one Body, because we all share one Bread, one Cup.

THE BLESSING

Life is short, and we do not have much time to gladden the hearts of those who travel the way with us. So be swift to love, make haste to be kind; and +the blessing of the One who made us, who loves us, and who walks the way with us still be with us this day and remain with us always. **Amen.**

THE SENDING HYMN*

Peace is Flowing Like a River G-728

Peace is flow-ing like a riv - er, Flow - ing out through you and me; _____
Flow - ing out in - to the des - ert, Set - ting all the cap-tives free.

The image shows two staves of musical notation in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The first staff contains the first line of the hymn, and the second staff contains the second line. The lyrics are written below the notes, with hyphens indicating syllables that span across notes. The first line ends with a long horizontal line, suggesting a continuation of the melody.

2. Joy
3. Faith
4. Hope
5. Love

THE DISMISSAL

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

THE POSTLUDE

Postlude Felix Mendelssohn

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