

The Holy Eucharist

August 27, 2023

The Thirteenth 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.

In Isaiah the people are advised to look to their spiritual ancestors as the rock from which they were hewn. Jesus declares that the Church will be built on the rock of Peter's bold confession of faith. God's word of reconciliation and God's mercy are keys to the Church's mission. Paul urges us to not be conformed to this world but to offer our bodies as a living sacrifice, using our individual gifts to build up the Body of Christ. From the Table we go forth to offer our spiritual worship through word and deed.

A bell tolls.

#### THE WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### THE PRAYERS FOR BIRTHDAYS, ANNIVERSARIES, AND TRAVELERS

For our St. Barnabas family, here and elsewhere.

#### **Birthday Prayer**

Watch over your children, O God, as their days increase; bless and guide them wherever they may be, strengthen them when they stand; comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful; raise them up if they fall; and in their hearts may your peace which passes understanding abide all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### **Anniversary Prayer**

Send, O God, your blessing upon these your servants, that they may so love, honor, and cherish each other in faithfulness and patience, in wisdom and true godliness, that their homes may be havens of blessing and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

#### A Prayer for Travelers

Almighty God, whose glory fills the whole creation, and whose presence we find wherever we go: Preserve those who travel; surround them with your loving care; protect them from every danger; and bring them to their journey's end; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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

#### THE PRELUDE

Quietude

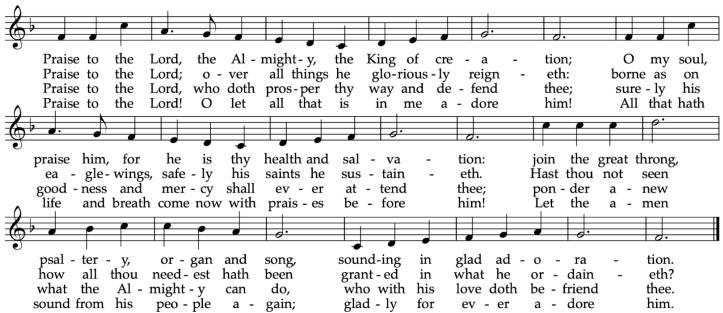
Felix Mendelssohn

## The Liturgy of Gathering

Please stand in body or spirit.

#### THE GATHERING HYMN (9:30)\*





#### 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 TRISAGION (7:45)

The Trisagion is prayed three times. Holy God, holy and mighty, holy immortal One **Have mercy on us.** 

#### THE HYMN OF PRAISE (9:30)\*



#### THE SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

God be with you.

#### And also with you.

Let us pray...Grant, O merciful God, that your Church, being gathered together in unity by your Holy Spirit, may show forth your power among all peoples, to the glory of your Name; 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.

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*The reading is introduced.* 

A reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah.

Listen closely to what I say, you who pursue justice, you who seek YHWH, consider the rock from which you were hewn, the quarry from which you were cut:
Look to Abraham, your father, and Sarah, your mother who bore you.
They were but one couple when I called them, but I blessed them and made them many.
Indeed, YHWH will comfort Zion, will give comfort to all its ruins—will turn its desert into an Eden; its desert will be like the garden of YHWH.
Joy and happiness will be found there, thanksgiving and the sound of music.

"Hear me, my people! Listen to me, my nation! for instruction comes from me. and my justice will be a beacon to the peoples. My vindication draws near, my deliverance approaches; my arm will bring justice to the people and the islands will put their hope in me. They will put their future in my hands. Lift your eyes and look up to the heavens, then look to the earth below: for the heavens will vanish like smoke: the earth will wear out like a coat. and those who live on it will die like flies. But my liberation will last forever, my vindication will never fail.

A brief silence, then:

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

Thanks be to God.

#### PSALM 138 Confitebor tibi

The psalm is prayed responsively whole verse on whole verse.

I will give thanks to you, O God, with my whole heart; \* before the gods I will sing your praise.

#### I will bow down toward your holy temple and praise your Name, \* because of your love and faithfulness;

For you have glorified your Name \* and your word above all things.

### When I called, you answered me, \* you increased my strength within me.

All the rulers of the earth will praise you, O God, \* when they have heard the words of your mouth.

They will sing of the ways of God, \* that great is the glory of God.

Although on high, God cares for the lowly \* and perceives the haughty from afar.

Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you keep me safe; \* you stretch forth your hand against the fury of my enemies; your right hand shall save me.

You will make good your purpose for me; \* O God your love endures for ever; do not abandon the works of your hands.

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 12:1–8

The reading is introduced. A reading from Paul's letter to the Romans.

My dear friends, I beg you through the mercy of God to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God—this is your spiritual act of worship. Don't conform yourselves to this age, but be transformed by the renewal of your minds, so that you can judge what God's will is—what is good, pleasing and perfect.

In light of the grace I have from God, I urge each of you not to exaggerate your own importance. Each of you must judge yourself soberly by the standard of faith God has given you. Just as each of us has one body with many members—and these members don't have the same function—so all of us, in union with Christ, form one body. And as members of that one body, we belong to each other.

We have gifts that differ according to the grace given to each of us. If your gift is prophecy, use it in proportion to your faith. If your gift is a ministry, use it for service. If you are a teacher, use your gift for teaching. If you are good at preaching, then preach boldly. If you give to charity, do so generously; if you are a leader, exercise your authority with care; if you help others, do so cheerfully.

A brief silence, then:

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*Please stand in body or spirit.* 

THE GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (9:30)\*



Cantor: You are the Messiah, the Beloved One of the living God.\*\*

#### THE HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 16:13-20

The Holy Gospel is announced.

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

#### Glory to you, O Christ.

When Jesus came to the neighborhood of Caesarea Philippi, he asked the disciples this question: "What do people say about who the Chosen One is?" They replied, "Some say John the Baptizer, others say Elijah, still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets."

"And you," he said, "who do you say that I am?"

"You are the Messiah," Simon Peter answered, "the Firstborn of the Living God!"

Jesus replied, "Blessed are you, Simon ben-Jonah! No mere mortal has revealed this to you, but my Abba God in heaven. I also tell you this: your name now is 'Rock,' and on bedrock like this I will build my community, and the jaws of death will not prevail against it.

"Here—I'll give you the keys to the reign of heaven: whatever you declare bound on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you declare loosed on earth will be loosed in heaven."

Then Jesus strictly ordered the disciples not to tell anyone that he was the Messiah.

A brief silence, then:

The Gospel of Christ.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Please sit.

#### **THE HOMILY** Fr. Jeffrey Nelson

Please stand in body or spirit.

#### 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 Ann, Don, Andrea, Gia and Darah, Jordan, Grace, Michael, Selah, Lonnie, the Baylosis family, the Ompoy family, the people of Maui, 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 Bob 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 Choir Anthem

On Eagles Wings arr. Mark Hayes; Michael Jordan, vocalist

*Please stand in body or spirit.* 

The Presentation of the Gifts (7:45)

All things come of thee, O Lord,

and of thine own have we given thee.

#### The Offertory Hymn (9:30)\*



#### 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, through the great shepherd of your flock, Jesus Christ our Lord; who after his resurrection sent forth the apostles to preach the Gospel and to teach all nations; and promised to be with them always, even to the end of the ages.

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 (7:45)

Holy, Holy, God of power and might,

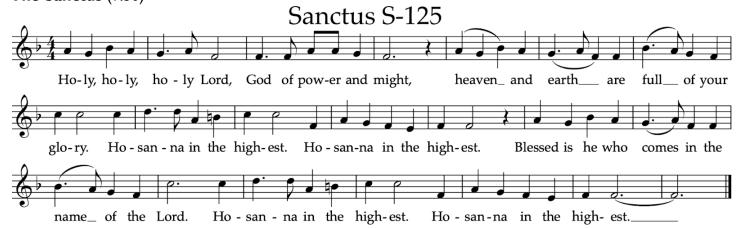
heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

#### **The Sanctus** (9:30)\*



#### *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 Bob, 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 (7:45)

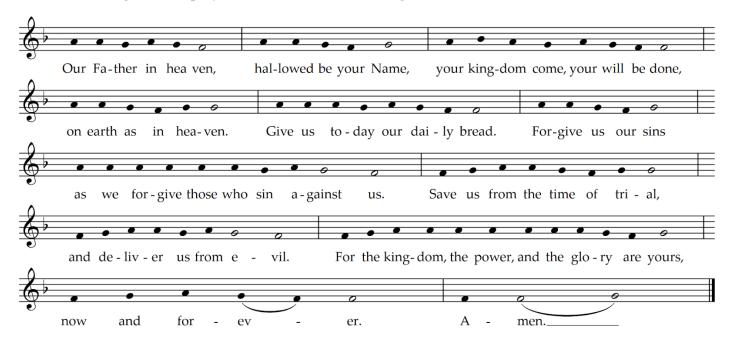
*It is our custom to hold hands during* The Lord's Prayer. As Jesus has taught us, we pray those words that bind us together:

Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your Name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those
who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial,
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and for ever. Amen.

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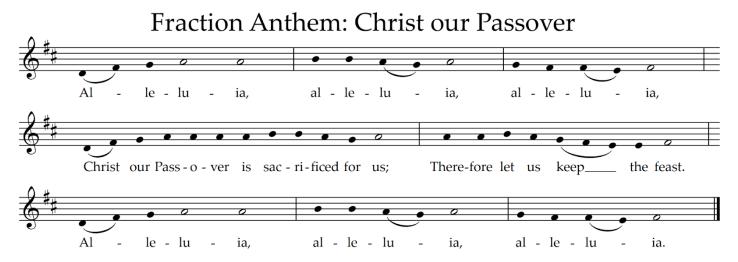


#### The Breaking of the Bread and Fraction Anthem (7:45)

Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!

#### The Breaking of the Bread and Fraction Anthem (9:30)\*



#### 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.

For the summer no hymn will be sung during communion, though occasionally there will be special music. We invite you into the silence to bask in and reflect on Christ's presence with us in the Sacrament.

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)

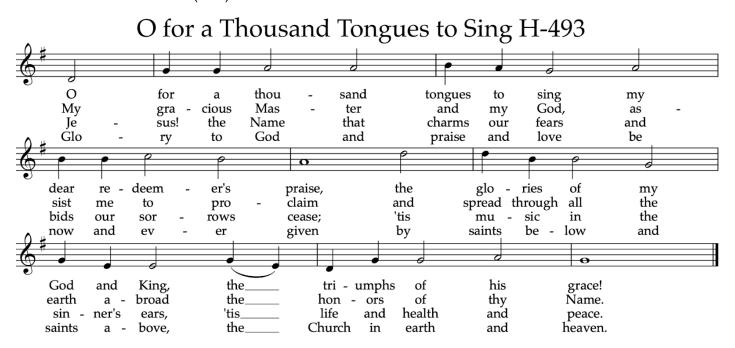
*N.*, in the name of this congregation, I send you forth bearing these holy gifts that those to whom you go may share with us the communion of Christ's Body and Blood.

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 (9:30)\*



#### THE DISMISSAL

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

Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

#### THE POSTLUDE

Look, Ye Saints, the Sight is Glorious

David N. Johnson

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