

The Holy Eucharist

February 18, 2024

The First Sunday in Lent

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.

Our community shares a progressive faith, opens our arms to all seekers, and works to make the world more just.

On Ash Wednesday, the Church began its journey toward baptismal immersion in the death and resurrection of Christ. This year, the Sundays in Lent lead us to focus on five covenants God makes in the Hebrew Scriptures and use them as lenses through which to view baptism. First, Peter connects the way God saved Noah's family in the flood with the way God saves us through the water of baptism. The baptismal covenant is made with us individually, but the new life we are given in baptism is for the sake of the whole world.

A bell tolls.

THE GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

We invite you to quiet your hearts and minds as we prepare for worship.

THE PRELUDE

Herzlich tut mich erfreuen die liebe Sommerzeit Johannes Brahms

The Liturgy of Gathering

Please stand in body or spirit.

THE GATHERING HYMN*

Christ, When for us You Were Baptized H-121



THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

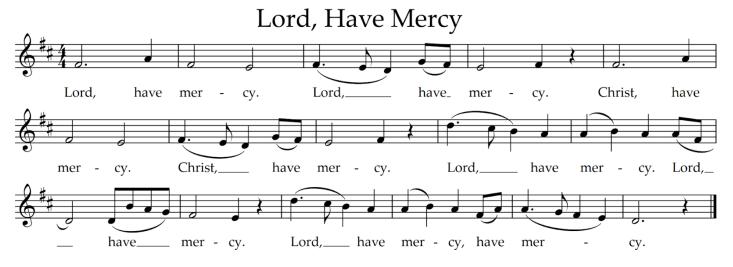
+Blessed be the God of our salvation:

Who bears our burdens and forgives our sins.

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*



THE SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

God be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray...Almighty God, whose blessed One was led by the Spirit to be tempted by Satan: Come quickly to help us who are assaulted by many temptations; and, as you know the weaknesses of each of us, let each one find you mighty to save; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for 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 Genesis 9:8–17

Today's reading is the conclusion to the flood story. Because of human sin, God destroys the earth by flood, saving only Noah, his family, and the animals on the ark. Yet divine destruction gives way to divine commitment. As in the first creation, God blesses humanity and establishes a covenant with all creatures.

The reading is introduced. A reading from the book of Genesis.

God then said to Noah and his family, "I hereby establish my covenant with you and with your descendants after you, and with every living creature that is with you—birds, cattle, and the earth's wildlife—everything that came out of the ark, everything that lives on the earth. I hereby establish my covenant with you: All flesh will never again be swept away by the waters of the flood; never again will a flood destroy all the earth."

God said, "Here is the sign of the covenant between me and you and every living creature for ageless generations: I set my bow in the clouds, and it will be a sign of the covenant between me and the earth. When I bring clouds over the earth, my bow will appear in the clouds. Then I will remember the covenant that is between me and you and every kind of living creature, and never again will the waters become a flood to destroy all flesh. Whenever my bow appears in the clouds I will see it, and remember the everlasting covenant between God and every living creature on the earth." God said to Noah, "This is the sign of the covenant that I have established between me and all living things on the earth."

A brief silence, then:

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

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 25:1–9 Ad te, Domine, levavi

The psalm is prayed in unison.

To you O God, I lift up my soul; my God, I put my trust in you; * let me not be humiliated, nor let my enemies triumph over me.

Let none who look to you be put to shame; * let the treacherous be disappointed in their schemes.

Show me your ways, O God, * and teach me your paths.

Lead me in your truth and teach me, * for you are the God of my salvation; in you have I trusted all the day long.

Remember, O God, your compassion and love, * for they are from everlasting.

Remember not the sins of my youth and my transgressions; * remember me according to your love and for the sake of your goodness, O God.

Gracious and upright are you; * therefore you teach sinners in your way.

You guide the humble in doing right * and teach your way to the lowly.

All your paths are love and faithfulness * to those who keep your covenant and your testimonies.

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 1 Peter 3:18–22

As God acted through Christ's suffering and death to bring us to God, so God acts through baptism to save us from a sinful existence. This spiritual cleansing marks our new life in Christ.

The reading is introduced.

A reading from the first letter of Peter.

The reason Christ died for sins once for everyone—the just for the sake of the unjust—was in order to lead you to God. Jesus was put to death in the flesh but was given life in the spirit. And in the spirit, Jesus went and preached to the imprisoned spirits. They had refused obedience long ago, while God waited patiently in the days of Noah and the building of the ark, in which a few persons, eight in all, were brought to safety through the water. That water prefigured the water of baptism through which you are now brought to safety. Baptism is not the washing away of physical dirt, but the appeal made to God by a good conscience: it brings salvation through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, who entered heaven and is now at the right hand of God, having dominion over angelic authorities and powers.

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THE GOSPEL ACCLAMATION*



THE HOLY GOSPEL Mark 1:9–15

The Spirit that comes upon Jesus at his baptism sustains him when he is tested by Satan so that he might proclaim the Good News of God's reign.

The Holy Gospel is announced.

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

Glory to you, O Christ.

It was then that Jesus came from Nazareth in Galilee and was baptized in the Jordan River by John. Immediately upon coming out of the water, Jesus saw the heavens opening and the Spirit descending on him like a dove. Then a voice came from the heavens: "You are my Beloved, my Wwn. On you my favor rests."

Immediately the Spirit drove Jesus out into the wilderness, and he remained there for forty days, and was tempted by Satan. He was with the wild beasts, and the angels looked after him. After John's arrest, Jesus appeared in Galilee proclaiming the Good News of God: "This is the time of fulfillment. The reign of God is at hand! Change your hearts and minds, and believe this Good News!"

A brief silence, then:

The Gospel of Christ.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Please sit.

The Homily Bishop Kym Lucas

THE COMMISSIONING OF THE OFFICERS AND VESTRY

Those to be commissioned please stand. The candidates are presented.

Jeffrey: Bishop, I present to you Jolene Whitney and Jim Hayes to be admitted to the ministry of Warden, Jamie Henderson to be admitted to the ministry of Treasurer, David Ford to be admitted to the ministry of Clerk of Vestry, and Becky Sanders, Carolyn Wolfrum, Andrea Crary, Barb Mattison, Carrie Corrigan, and Bill Lundgren to be admitted to the ministry of the Vestry in this congregation.

Bishop Kym: Are these persons prepared by a commitment to Christ as Lord, by regular attendance at worship, and by the knowledge of their duties, to exercise their ministry to the honor of God, and the well-being of the Church?

Jeffrey: I believe they are.

The Bishop addresses the congregation.

My dear friends in Christ Jesus, we are all baptized by the one Spirit into one Body and given gifts for a variety of ministries for the common good. Our purpose is to commission these persons in the Name of God and of this congregation to the special ministries to which they are called.

The Bishop addresses the candidates.

You have been called to a ministry of leadership in this congregation. Will you, as long as you are engaged in this work, perform it with diligence?

I will, with God's help.

Will you faithfully and reverently execute the duties of your ministry to the honor of God, and the benefit of the members of this congregation?

I will, with God's help.

Please stand in body or spirit. The Bishop addresses the congregation.

People of God, will you do all in your power to uphold these siblings in Christ in the work to which they are called? Will you pray for them, encourage them, and work with them to bring the vision of God for the creation to life in this congregation?

We will, with God's help.

Jeffrey: God gives wisdom; from God's mouth come knowledge and understanding;

God stores up sound wisdom for the upright; God is a shield to those who walk in integrity.

Jeffrey: I am your servant; grant me understanding:

that I may know your decrees.

Bishop Kym: Let us pray...O Eternal God, the fountain of all wisdom and the source of all courage: Enlighten with your grace the Officers and Vestry Members of this congregation, and so rule their minds and guide their counsels that in all things they may seek your glory and promote the mission of your Church; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**.

Bishop Kym: In the name of God and of this congregation, I commission you as Officers and Vestry Members of St. Barnabas Parish.

The people may applaud as a sign of their approval and support.

Please stand in body or spirit.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

It is our custom to light candles for those who are sick or distressed and to remember those who have died. The prayer stations are on either side of the Altar. The refrain* is sung twice.



As we travel on our Lenten journey toward Easter, and work to shed impediments to this journey, we offer these intercessions. May we stay open to the ways that God might surprise us.

Silence

For the Universal Church, the Anglican Communion, including the Episcopal Church and the Episcopal Church in Colorado, that our leaders may illumine the opportunities of the present moment. We offer this prayer in silence.

Silence

For the leaders of the nations of the world, that they may use their power and wisdom, coupled with compassion, to bring justice and peace to our world. We offer this prayer in silence.

Silence

For the St. Barnabas community as Jeffrey accepts a new call, and we work with our leaders to make this transition a rich time of renewal. We offer this prayer in silence.

Silence

For our beautiful Earth, that we may find the wisdom to repair what is broken, cherish its wonders and diversity, and share its abundance. We offer this prayer in silence.

Silence

For those whose lives are pierced with pain whether physical, emotional, or spiritual, and those for whom we have been invited to pray. We hold up to you, our God including John and Patrice, Mark, Tim, Tracy, Don, Andrea, Nicolle, Carolyn, Jim, Bill, the people of Ukraine, Israelis and Palestinians, those who suffer from conflict and natural and human disaster, and those we name aloud or in silence. We offer this prayer in silence.

Silence

For those we love but see no more, held now completely by you, and those we name aloud or in silence. We offer this prayer in silence.

Silence

Accompany us on our journey, God of grace, and receive the prayers of our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The refrain is sung once more.*



THE CONFESSION OF SIN

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence for reflection.

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, the light of the world, 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

The Last Journey Brock W. Downward; Miriam Kapner, oboe

Please stand in body or spirit.

The Presentation of the Gifts

Offertory Acclamation

All things come of thee, O Lord,

and of thine own have we given thee.

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. You bid your faithful people cleanse their hearts, and prepare with joy for the Paschal feast; that, fervent in prayer and in works of mercy, and renewed by your Word and Sacraments, they may come to the fullness of grace which you have prepared for those who love you.

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*



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 all 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.

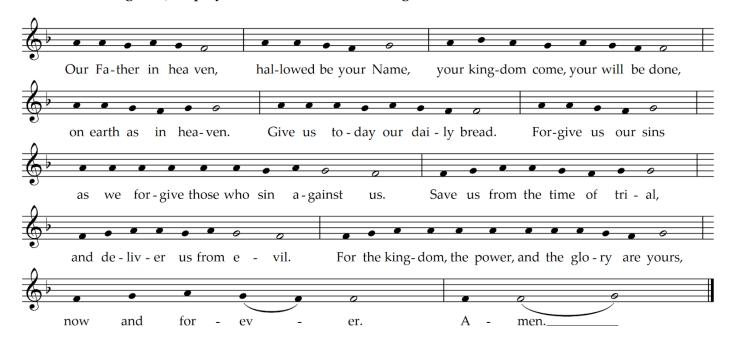
+Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in Christ. +Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with the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

All this we ask through you Beloved One Jesus Christ. 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:



THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD AND FRACTION ANTHEM*



THE INVITATION TO COMMUNION**

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.

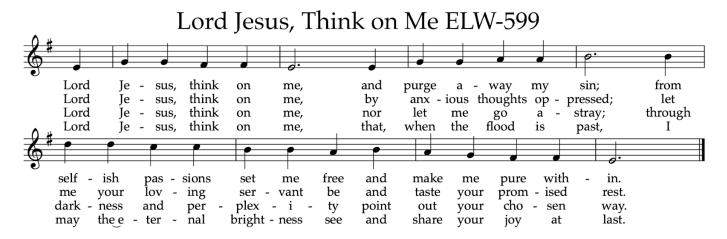
Please sit. Jesus welcomed everyone to his table, and so we at St. Barnabas welcome everyone to this table. Gather around the Altar as you are directed. You may stand or kneel as is your custom. The Celebrant will place the gluten-free bread into your hand. You have two options to receive the wine. A 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.

THE MUSIC DURING COMMUNION*

Instrumental Music

Psalm 23 Leonard Bernstein; Miriam Kapner, oboe

Hymn



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 our Savior 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)

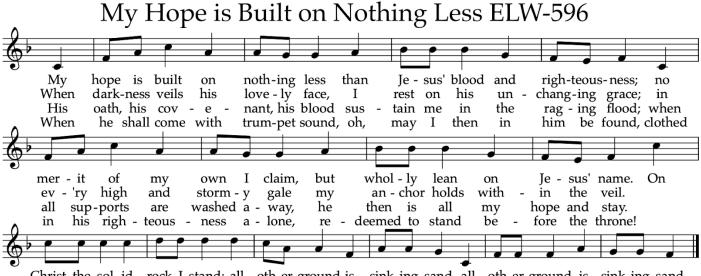
N., in the name of this congregation, I send you forth bearing these holy gifts that those to whom you go may share with us the communion of Christ's Body and Blood.

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

THE SOLEMN PRAYER OVER THE PEOPLE

Bow your hearts before God...Grant, Almighty God, that your people may recognize their weakness and put their whole trust in your strength, so that they may rejoice forever in the protection of your loving providence; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE SENDING HYMN*



Christ, the sol-id rock, I stand; all oth-er ground is sink-ing sand, all oth-er ground is sink-ing sand.

THE DISMISSAL

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Kristina Langlois Agincourt Hymn

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Parish Office Hours: Tuesday through Friday, 9:00 am to Noon.

Rector
Pastoral Associate
Music Director
Organist
Parish Administrator
Bookkeeper

Those In Need of Prayer

Kathy Miles, Sarah Freed and family, the Holbrook family, Carol Schmidt, the Hayes family, Carol Wier, Dennis Kennedy, Bill Miles, Marty and Diana Flahive, Larry Volmert, Madie Gustafson, Larry Konkel, Joe Miles, Kathy Miles, Ann Kohl-Re, the Wier family, Faith Codd, John and Patrice Hayes, Mark Kohl, Tim Kohl, Tracy Spiva, Don Horizon Abons, Andrea, Nicolle, Selah Kay, Janet Manning, Jessica Sweet, the Mattison family, Ryan and family, Sue Gallanter, Viola-Cleo Bradshaw, Cordelia Vogel, Verlin Jakober, Jim Sawtelle, Claire Hayes, Barbie Henry, Tom H., Marlis Sneed and family, Derek Lewis, Jim and Diana Burgwin, the Long family, Doug Dalglish, Robin Atiyeh, Bill Erickson, Atlee Witt, Carolyn Wolfrum, Presiding Bishop Michael Curry, Holly Graves, the Calabro family, Jim Hostler, Bill Lundgren, the people of Ukraine, Israelis and Palestinians, those who suffer from conflict and natural and human disaster.

New to the prayer list

Bill Lundgren

Those who have died

Rest eternal grant them, O Lord, and let light perpetual shine upon them.

Fr. Jeffrey Nelson (he/him)
Ms. Patti Walter (she/her)
Ms. Misty Dupuis (she/her)
Ms. Ronda Hilton (she/her)
Ms. Julia Wade (she/her)
Ms. Lexi Jones (she/her)

This Week's Parish Scheoule

Sunday, February 18, The First Sunday in Lent

- 8:30 am: Vestry meeting with Bishop Lucas...
- 9:20 am: Children's Spiritual Formation in the Godly Play room.
- 9:30 am: The Holy Eucharist (Sung) in the Sanctuary.
- 11:00 am: Youth Group in the Youth Room.
- 11:00 am: The Barnabas Forum in Grant Hall.

Tuesday, February 20

- 9:30 am: Covenant Bible Study in the Betty Foster Room.
- 6:30 pm: Leadership meeting via Zoom.

Wednesday, February 21

- 10:00 am: The Holy Eucharist with Bible Study in the Chapel.
- 11:30 am: Caring Ministry in the Better Foster Room.
- 12:00 pm: Outreach Committee via Zoom.
- 7:00 pm: Finance Committee meeting at the church.

Thursday, February 22

- 6:00 pm: The Benedictine Way at the home of Diana Whitley, 4820 Tejon St., Denver.
- 7:00 pm: Choir rehearsal in the Sanctuary.

Friday, February 23

• 9:00 am: Lunch Brigade in front of the Church.

Saturday, February 24

• 9:30-11:00 am: Caregiving Workshop in Grant Hall.

Sunday, February 25, The Second Sunday in Lent

- 7:45 am: The Holy Eucharist (Spoken) in the
- 9:30 am: The Holy Eucharist (Sung) in the Sanctuary.
- 11:00 am: The Barnabas Forum in Grant Hall.

Anniversaries

Jill and Joe Bednarek David Ford and Colby White Anne and Bill Bryan

February 19 February 23 February 26

Birthdays

Celeste Richardson Karen Hoffman **Cherry Barney**

February 15 February 22 February 28

Announcements

Welcome Bishop Kym Lucas, Bishop of the Episcopal Church in Colorado, to St. Barnabas!

CARING FOR A LOVED ONE WORKSHOP Saturday, February 24, 9:30-11:00 am, **Grant Hall**

Whether you are providing care for a loved one now or anticipate doing so in the future, this workshop is for you. We will hear the stories of those who have recently engaged in caring for a loved one. Our presenters, John Kelly, Carrie Corrigan, and Ayn Fox will share some of the challenges as well as the places of new discoveries and deepened love in their changing roles. Cheryl Volmert, retired medical social worker, will wrap up with ways to care for oneself while providing care. This will be an interactive time where participants are encouraged to bring their questions and challenges with them so that we can mutually support one another. A sign up sheet is on the table in Lukens.

CELEBRATION OF MINISTRY BRUNCH Sunday, March 17th at 11:00 in Grant Hall

Come and celebrate Fr. Jeffrey's fruitful ministry among us at a brunch on March 17th at 11:00. There will be good food, lots of stories, and some fun, too, as we honor Fr. Jeffrey and Curt's ministry among us these past five years. We want to send them off in style and with our blessing! A sign up sheet is available in Lukens and in the StB Weekly.

THE ST. FRANCIS CENTER SHARES AN **URGENT NEED**

The St. Francis Center is in need of men's clothing. Their drop-off location is 2323 Curtis St. Denver 80205. For drop-off hours and a list of items, please see the link in the StB Weekly.

GIVING-2-OTHERS FOR FEBRUARY Gift a Gift to Benefit the Youth at Urban Peak

Urban Peak's mission is to ignite the potential in youth to exit homelessness and create self-determined, fulfilled lives. In 1998, Urban Peak opened Colorado's first and only licensed shelter for youth, ages 15 to 24, experiencing homelessness. Since then, Urban Peak has expanded the Shelter, acquired three apartment complexes for transitional youth housing and renovated space downtown for the Drop-In Center and Outreach team. In their last fiscal year, Urban Peak served nearly 1,000 different youth experiencing homelessness in the metro region. Your donation will benefit youth by supporting intensive, strengths-based case management; access to physical, mental, and behavioral health care; education and employment opportunities, and 24/7 crisis support. Please be generous by giving online through the StB Weekly or by earmarking a check in the memo line to "Giving-2-Others".

QUIET BEFORE WORSHIP

The Chapel is open before the 9:30 liturgy for those who benefit from a time of quiet and meditation to prepare for worship. The Foster Chapel is located on the 2nd floor of the educational wing, accessible either by stairs by the Vine Street entrance or by the elevator.