

Morning Prayer
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Prelude	“Prelude on Old Hundredth” by H. Willan			
Welcome & Announcements		Deborah Wathen Finn		
Opening Hymn, #7	Christ whose glory fills the skies	<i>The Hymnal 1982</i>		
Opening Acclamation				
<i>Officiant</i>	God be with you.			
<i>People</i>	And also with you.			
<i>Officiant</i>	Almighty God, whose Son our Savior Jesus Christ is the light of the world: Grant that your people, illumined by your Word and Sacraments, may shine with the radiance of Christ's glory, that he may be known, worshipped, and obeyed to the ends of the earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, now and for ever. Amen.			
Confession of Sin				
<i>Officiant</i>	Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.			
<i>Silence may be kept.</i>				
<i>Officiant and People together, all kneeling</i>				
<p>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.</p>				
<i>Officiant</i>	Almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us all our sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen us in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep us in eternal life. Amen.			
<i>Officiant</i>	Lord, open our lips.			
<i>People</i>	And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.			
<i>All</i>	Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen. Alleluia.			

Venite, Psalm 95, 1-7

William Russell
(1777–1813)

Come, let us sing to the Lord; *
let us shout for joy to the Rock of our salvation.
Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving * and
raise a loud shout to him with psalms.

For the Lord is a great God, *
and a great King above all gods.
In his hand are the caverns of the earth, * and
the heights of the hills are his also.
The sea is his, for he made it, *
and his hands have molded the dry land.

Come, let us bow down, and bend the knee, * and
kneel before the Lord our Maker.
For he is our God,
and we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand. *Oh, that
today you would hearken to his voice!

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.

The Lessons

First Lesson: Isaiah 49:1-7

John Perkins

Listen to me, O coastlands,
pay attention, you peoples from far away!
The Lord called me before I was born,
while I was in my mother's womb he named me.
He made my mouth like a sharp sword,
in the shadow of his hand he hid me;
he made me a polished arrow,
in his quiver he hid me away.
And he said to me, "You are my servant,
Israel, in whom I will be glorified."
But I said, "I have labored in vain,
I have spent my strength for nothing and vanity;
yet surely my cause is with the Lord,
and my reward with my God."
And now the Lord says,

who formed me in the womb to be his servant,
to bring Jacob back to him,
and that Israel might be gathered to him,
for I am honored in the sight of the Lord,
and my God has become my strength--
he says,
“It is too light a thing that you should be my servant
to raise up the tribes of Jacob
and to restore the survivors of Israel;
I will give you as a light to the nations,
that my salvation may reach to the end of the earth.”
Thus says the Lord,
the Redeemer of Israel and his Holy One,
to one deeply despised, abhorred by the nations,
the slave of rulers,
“Kings shall see and stand up,
princes, and they shall prostrate themselves,
because of the Lord, who is faithful,
the Holy One of Israel, who has chosen you.”

Lector Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people
People **Thanks be to God**

Psalm **“I waited for the Lord” by Charles Hutchison** (*Anthem sung by choir*)

I waited for the Lord my God, and
patiently did bear;
at length to me he did incline my
voice and cry to hear.

He took me from a fearful pit, and
from the miry clay,
and on a rock he set my feet,
establishing my way.

He put a new song in my mouth, our
God to magnify:

many shall see it, and shall
fear, and on the Lord rely.

To do thy will I take delight, O
thou my God that art;
yea, that most holy law of
thine I have within my heart.

In thee let all be glad, and
joy, who seeking thee abide;
who thy salvation love, say
still, the Lord be magnified.

Second Lesson: 1 Corinthians 1:1-9

John Perkins

Paul, called to be an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and our brother Sosthenes,

To the church of God that is in Corinth, to those who are sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be saints, together with all those who in every place call on the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, both their Lord and ours:

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that has been given you in Christ Jesus, for in every way you have been enriched in him, in speech and knowledge of every kind-- just as the testimony of Christ has been strengthened among you-- so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ. He will also strengthen you to the end, so that you may be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. God is faithful; by him you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Lector Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's churches
People **Thanks be to God**

Jubilate Deo: #377 All people that on earth do dwell *The Hymnal 1982*

Gospel: John 1:29-42 *The Rev. Deacon Corey Walmer*

John saw Jesus coming toward him and declared, "Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world! This is he of whom I said, 'After me comes a man who ranks ahead of me because he was before me.' I myself did not know him; but I came baptizing with water for this reason, that he might be revealed to Israel." And John testified, "I saw the Spirit descending from heaven like a dove, and it remained on him. I myself did not know him, but the one who sent me to baptize with water said to me, 'He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain is the one who baptizes with the Holy Spirit.' And I myself have seen and have testified that this is the Son of God."

The next day John again was standing with two of his disciples, and as he watched Jesus walk by, he exclaimed, "Look, here is the Lamb of God!" The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus. When Jesus turned and saw them following, he said to them, "What are you looking for?" They said to him, "Rabbi" (which translated means Teacher), "where are you staying?" He said to them, "Come and see." They came and saw where he was staying, and they remained with him that day. It was about four o'clock in the afternoon. One of the two who heard John speak and followed him was Andrew, Simon Peter's brother. He first found his brother Simon and said to him, "We have found the Messiah" (which is translated Anointed). He brought Simon to Jesus, who looked at him and said, "You are Simon son of John. You are to be called Cephas" (which is translated Peter).

Deacon The holy gospel according to John.
People **Glory to you Lord Christ!**

Sermon *The Rev. Deacon Corey Walmer*

Hymn, #132 When Christ's appearing was made known (vs 1,3,5) *The Hymnal 1982*

The Apostles' Creed

Officiant and People together, all standing

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
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

People

Officiant

All

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.
Let us pray.
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.

Lector
People

Show us your mercy, O Lord;
And grant us your salvation.
Clothe your ministers with righteousness;
Let your people sing with joy.
Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;
For only in you can we live in safety.
Lord, keep this nation under your care;
And guide us in the way of justice and truth.
Let your way be known upon earth;
Your saving health among all nations.
Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;
Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.
Create in us clean hearts, O God;
And sustain us with your Holy Spirit.

John Perkins

A Collect for the Renewal of Life (said together)

O God, the King eternal, whose light divides the day from the night and turns the shadow of death into the morning: Drive far from us all wrong desires, incline our hearts to keep your law, and guide our feet into the way of peace; that, having done your will with cheerfulness during the day, we may, when night comes, rejoice to give you thanks; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

A Collect for Grace (Officiant)

Lord God, almighty and everlasting Father, you have brought us in safety to this new day: Preserve us with your mighty power, that we may not fall into sin, nor be overcome by adversity; and in all we do, direct us to the fulfilling of your purpose; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

A Collect for Guidance (said together)

Heavenly Father, in you we live and move and have our being: We humbly pray you so to guide and govern us by your Holy Spirit, that in all the cares and occupations of our life we may not forget you, but may remember that we are ever walking in your sight; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Prayers for the Sick (Lector)

John Perkins

Gracious Lord; we commend those on our St. Bart's prayer list who are in need of healing, strength or comfort:

Bobby, Charles, Kellan, Pat, Marcella, Tim, Sam, Matthew, Antonia, Al, Alex, Virginina & Jamil, Ed, Hannah, Mike, David, Sarah, Erin, Jenny & Matt, Adam, Rich, Nancy & Jonathan, Joan L and Elizabeth, Perry, Jim, Matt & Shannon, Elaine, Sasha, Katie, Paige, Dale, Dave K and family, Anne and Richard and family, Courtney, Dianne, Diane, Karl, Sudon, Aunt Niki, and the Mayone family.

Please add your own intercessions, either silently or aloud. (pause for congregational intercessions). May they find holy consolation through your abiding presence. Amen.

Prayers for Those who have Died (Lector)

John Perkins

Father of all, we pray to you for those we love, but see no longer: Grant them your peace; let light perpetual shine upon them; and, in your loving wisdom and almighty power, work in them the good purpose of your perfect will, remembering especially Evan Mayone. I invite your intercessions for those who have died, either silently or aloud. (pause for intercessions). We pray in the name of Jesus, our light. Amen.

Prayer for Mission (Officiant)

Lord Jesus Christ, you stretched out your arms of love on the hard wood of the cross that everyone might come within the reach of your saving embrace: So clothe us in your Spirit that we, reaching forth our hands in love, may bring those who do not know you to the knowledge and love of you; for the honor of your Name. Amen.

The Peace

Officiant Let us show to each other a sign of Christ's Peace.
 The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People And also with you.

The people are seated

Offertory Sentence

Officiant "Let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works, and give glory to your Father in heaven." (Matthew 5:16)
 Let us with gladness present the offerings and oblations of our life and labor to the Lord.

At this time, the ushers will collect the offering.

Offertory Hymn: #549

Jesus calls us

The Hymnal 1982

Officiant All things come of thee, O Lord;
People And of thine own have we given thee. Amen.

The General Thanksgiving

All Almighty God, Father of all mercies,
 we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks for all your goodness and
 loving-kindness to us and to all whom you have made.
 We bless you for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life;
 but above all for your immeasurable love
 in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ; for the means of grace,
 and for the hope of glory.
 And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies,
 that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise,
 not only with our lips, but in our lives,
 by giving up our selves to your service, and by walking before you
 in holiness and righteousness all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord,
 to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,
 be honor and glory throughout all ages. Amen.

Officiant Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our
 common supplication to you; and you have promised through your well-beloved
 Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name you will be in the
 midst of them: Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us;
 granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come life
 everlasting. Amen.

Officiant Let us bless the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

Officiant May the God of hope fill us with all joy and peace in believing through the power
 of the Holy Spirit. Amen. (Romans 15:13)

Closing Hymn, #535

Ye servants of God

*The Hymnal 1982***The Dismissal**

Officiant Go in peace; be a light in the world this week.

Alleluia, alleluia.

People **Thanks be to God, Alleluia, alleluia!**

Postlude

“Old Hundredth” by J.G. Walther

S E R V I N G I N W O R S H I P T O D A Y

Celebrant	The Rev. Deacon Corey Walmer	A/V	Laurie Hyndman
Music Director	Dr. Christina Edelen	Bread Baker	Susannah White
Lector	John Perkins	Counters	Dennis Fitzgibbons, Susie Soule
Ushers	Dennis & Lisa Fitzgibbons	Snow Removal	Peter Chandler
Altar Guild	Linda Perkins, Jennifer Willard	VPOW	Deborah Wathen Finn
Flower Arranger	Imelda Schaefer	Coffee Hour	Kathy Abernathy & Nancy Gunzelmann