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The Confession & Absolution

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

Silence for reflection

Celebrant O God, you search us out and know us,
and all that we are is open to you.
We confess that we are entangled in sin.

People **Be merciful, O Lord, for we have sinned.**

When we avoid examining ourselves
but jump to examine our neighbors:
Be merciful, O Lord, for we have sinned.

When we show great discipline in pursuit of worldly wealth,
but invest neither energy nor enthusiasm in the treasures of the Spirit:
Be merciful, O Lord, for we have sinned.

When we clamor for your crown,
but refuse to shoulder your cross:
Be merciful, O Lord, for we have sinned.

When we confess you amongst your friends
but deny you when your enemies close in:
Be merciful, O Lord, for we have sinned.

When we build our comforts and pleasures on the sacrifice of others,
instead of sacrificing our privileges to build a world that all can share:
Be merciful, O Lord, for we have sinned.

When we would rather crucify the prophets
than unweave the web of injustice.
Be merciful, O Lord, for we have sinned.

When we demand instant results
and scorn those who find value in waiting,
in yearning, even in suffering, even in dying:
Be merciful, O Lord, for we have sinned.

When we look for
an easier gospel;
a lighter cross;
a less demanding savior:
Be merciful, O Lord, for we have sinned.

Celebrant The Lord our God is kind and full of mercy,
always ready to forgive and not punish.
Christ, by uniting with us and sharing in our sin,
has enabled us to share in the righteousness of God.

People Beloveds of God, your sins are forgiven;
be at peace.
Amen.

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant God be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Almighty God, you know that we have no power in ourselves to help ourselves:
Keep us both outwardly in our bodies and inwardly in our souls, that we may be
defended from all adversities which may happen to the body, and from all evil
thoughts which may assault and hurt the soul; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who
lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

People **Amen.**

Children's Message "All that we have is yours oh God, give us also grateful hearts."

THE LESSONS

First Lesson: Exodus 17:1-7

Jennifer Willard

From the wilderness of Sin the whole congregation of the Israelites journeyed by stages, as the Lord commanded. They camped at Rephidim, but there was no water for the people to drink. The people quarreled with Moses, and said, "Give us water to drink." Moses said to them, "Why do you quarrel with me? Why do you test the Lord?" But the people thirsted there for water; and the people complained against Moses and said, "Why did you bring us out of Egypt, to kill us and our children and livestock with thirst?" So Moses cried out to the Lord, "What shall I do with this people? They are almost ready to stone me." The Lord said to Moses, "Go on ahead of the people, and take some of the elders of Israel with you; take in your hand the staff with which you struck the Nile, and go. I will be standing there in front of you on the rock at Horeb. Strike the rock, and water will come out of it, so that the people may drink." Moses did so, in the sight of the elders of Israel. He called the place Massah and Meribah, because the Israelites quarreled and tested the Lord, saying, "Is the Lord among us or not?"

Lector Holy wisdom, holy word.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm, 95 (sung)

Setting by C. Edelen



1 Come, let us sing to the Holy 'One; *
let us shout for joy to the Rock of our sal- ' vation.
2 Let us come before God's presence with thanks- ' giving *
and raise a loud shout with ' psalms.

3 For you, O God, are a great ' God; *
you are great above all ' gods.
4 In your hand are the caverns of the ' earth, *
and the heights of the hills are yours ' also.

5 The sea is yours, for you ' made it, *
and your hands have molded the ' dry land.

6 Come, let us bow down and bend the ' knee, *
and kneel before God, our ' Maker,

7 For you are our God,
and we are the people of your pasture and the sheep
of your ' hand. *

Oh, that today we would hearken to your ' voice!

8 Harden not your hearts,
as your forebears did in the ' wilderness, *

at Meribah, and on that day at Massah,
when they ' tempted me;

9 They put me to the ' test, *
though they had seen my ' works.

10 Forty years long I detested that generation and ' said, *
"This people are wayward in their hearts;
they do not know my ' ways."

11 So I swore in my wrath, *
"They shall not enter into my rest."

Second Lesson: Romans 5:1-11

Jennifer Willard

Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.

For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. Indeed, rarely will anyone die for a righteous person-- though perhaps for a good person someone might actually dare to die. But God proves his love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us. Much more surely then, now that we have been justified by his blood, will we be saved through him from the wrath of God. For if while we were enemies, we were reconciled to God through the death of his Son, much more surely, having been reconciled, will we be saved by his life. But more than that, we even boast in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.

Lector Holy wisdom, holy word.
People **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Hymn, #658

As longs the deer for cooling streams

The Hymnal 1982

Holy Gospel: John 4:5-42

The Rev. Amanda Gerken-Nelson

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to John.
People **Glory to you, O God.**

Jesus came to a Samaritan city called Sychar, near the plot of ground that Jacob had given to his son Joseph. Jacob's well was there, and Jesus, tired out by his journey, was sitting by the well. It was about noon.

A Samaritan woman came to draw water, and Jesus said to her, "Give me a drink." (His disciples had gone to the city to buy food.) The Samaritan woman said to him, "How is it that you, a Jew, ask a drink of me, a woman of Samaria?" (Jews do not share things in common with Samaritans.)

Jesus answered her, "If you knew the gift of God, and who it is that is saying to you, 'Give me a drink,' you would have asked him, and he would have given you living water." The woman said to him, "Sir, you have no bucket, and the well is deep. Where do you get that living water? Are you greater than our ancestor Jacob, who gave us the well, and with his sons and his flocks drank from it?" Jesus said to her, "Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again, but those who drink of the water that I will give them will never be thirsty. The water that I will give will become in them a spring of water gushing up to eternal life." The woman said to him, "Sir, give me this water, so that I may never be thirsty or have to keep coming here to draw water."

Jesus said to her, "Go, call your husband, and come back." The woman answered him, "I have no husband." Jesus said to her, "You are right in saying, 'I have no husband'; for you have had five husbands, and the one you have now is not your husband. What you have said is true!" The woman said to him, "Sir, I see that you are a prophet. Our ancestors worshiped on this mountain, but you say that the place where people must worship is in Jerusalem." Jesus said to her, "Woman, believe me, the hour is coming when you will worship the Father neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem. You worship what you do not know; we worship what we know, for salvation is from the Jews. But the hour is coming, and is now here, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for the Father seeks such as these to worship him. God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth." The woman said to him, "I know that Messiah is coming" (who is called Christ). "When he comes, he will proclaim all things to us." Jesus said to her, "I am he, the one who is speaking to you."

Just then his disciples came. They were astonished that he was speaking with a woman, but no one said, "What do you want?" or, "Why are you speaking with her?" Then the woman left her water jar and went back to the city. She said to the people, "Come and see a man who told me everything I have ever done! He cannot be the Messiah, can he?" They left the city and were on their way to him.

Meanwhile the disciples were urging him, "Rabbi, eat something." But he said to them, "I have food to eat that you do not know about." So the disciples said to one another, "Surely no one has brought him something to eat?" Jesus said to them, "My food is to do the will of him who sent me and to complete his work. Do you not say, 'Four months more, then comes the harvest'? But I tell you, look around you, and see how the fields are ripe for harvesting. The reaper is already receiving wages and is gathering fruit for eternal life, so that sower and reaper may rejoice together. For here the saying holds true, 'One sows and another reaps.' I sent you to reap that for which you did not labor. Others have labored, and you have entered into their labor."

Many Samaritans from that city believed in him because of the woman's testimony, "He told me everything I have ever done." So when the Samaritans came to him, they asked him to stay with them; and he stayed there two days. And many more believed because of his word. They said to the woman, "It is no longer because of what you said that we believe, for we have heard for ourselves, and we know that this is truly the Savior of the world."

Celebrant The Gospel of our Lord.
People Praise to you, O Christ.

Affirmation of Faith

Celebrant
People

Let us affirm our faith:
We believe in God
 whose love is the source of all life
 and the desire of our lives,
 whose love was given a human face
 in Jesus of Nazareth,
 whose love was crucified by the evil
 that waits to enslave us all
 and whose love, defeating even death,
 is our glorious promise of freedom.
 Therefore, though we are sometimes fearful
 and full of doubt,
 in God we trust;
 and, in the name of Jesus Christ, we commit ourselves
 in the service of others,
 to seek justice and to live in peace,
 to care for the earth
 and to share the commonwealth of God's goodness,
 to live in the freedom of forgiveness,
 and the power of the spirit of love,
 and in the company of the faithful
 so to be the church,
 for the glory of God.
 Amen.

Prayers of the People

Laurie Hyndman

Leader As we approach our prayer today, may we come both in spirit and in truth,
 seeking the One who promises the gift of living water.

Brief silence for reflection.

People O gracious God;
Hear us as you know our needs.

We pray today for each one who thirsts for God and for an authentic sense of
 God's presence in their lives, that we may come to a greater knowledge and
 awareness of God.

O gracious God;
Hear us as you know our needs.

We pray for the church, that we may walk the paths of faithfulness and celebrate
 the love that accomplishes more than we can know. We pray in the Anglican
 Communion for The Episcopal Church in Jerusalem & The Middle East, in the

Diocese of Maine for St. Augustine's in Dover-Foxcroft, and for those struggling with addiction, and for this parish community. May we never tire of bearing witness to the God who calls us to journey in newness of life.

O gracious God;

Hear us as you know our needs.

We pray for all who seek the living waters of life, all who struggle in the wilderness of war, poverty, injustice, and prejudice. May we learn to be peacemakers and to uncover the springs of hope and joy for those who thirst. We pray especially for the people of Ukraine, Sudan, Palestine, Israel, Iran, and for all those in the armed services.

O gracious God;

Hear us as you know our needs.

You, O God, are the strong and unmoved rock in whom we put our trust. We pray for those whose lives are unsteady, those who live with uncertainty and fear, and those who are ill or with special needs on our parish prayer list:

Virginia & Jamil; Jenny & Matt; Sasha; Paige; Nathaniel; Haskell; Don; Gregory; Andy; Molly; Nova; Steven; Jenn; Vance; Ted; Matt & Shannon; Lem; Carol; Beverly; Ben; Morgan; Benson; Hana; Celeste; Hans; Pam; Hurshell; Melanie; Susan; Sue; Brooke; Elizabeth; Danny; Peter; and the Gerken family.

And we pray for those we name now, either aloud or silently (*pause for intercessions*).

O gracious God;

Hear us as you know our needs.

We pray for those who have died, those approaching death, those under hospice care, and those who mourn. We especially remember John Gerken, uncle of Tasha Gerken-Nelson, and those we name before you now, aloud or silently (*pause for intercessions*). As we grieve, may we remember that blessed spring of water gushing up to eternal life.

O gracious God;

Hear us as you know our needs.

Celebrant

O God, we claim your promises and seek to open our lives to your love and grace. We pray that your Spirit will support us on our journey, feed us in the wilderness, and nurture us from the deep wells of your love, that we may continue in Christ's work of breaking down the barriers that separate us from one another and from God. We pray in Christ's name.

People

Amen.

The Peace

Celebrant

The peace of Christ be always with you.

People

And also with you.

Let us greet one another with the sign of peace.

HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory Sentence

Celebrant Let us with gladness present the offerings and oblations of our life and labor to God.

Our offerings of bread and wine are brought forward at this time.

Offertory Anthem

"O Lord my God" by S.S. Wesley

*O Lord my God,
Hear thou the prayer thy servant prayeth,
Have thou respect unto his prayer?
Hear thou in heaven thy dwelling place,
And when thou hearest Lord, forgive.*

The offering is now brought forward.

Offertory Prayer

Intern Let us pray,
People All things come of Thee, O God, and of Thine own have we given Thee. Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving

The Great Thanksgiving is presented with four staves of musical notation. Each staff begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The lyrics are as follows:

Celebrant The Lord be with you. *People* And al - so with you.

Celebrant Lift up your hearts. *People* We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Celebrant All thanks and praise are yours at all times and in all places, our true and loving God; through Jesus Christ, your eternal Word, the wisdom from on high by whom you created all things.

You laid the foundations of the world and enclosed the sea when it burst out of the womb; You brought forth all creatures of the earth and gave breath to humankind.

Wondrous are you, Holy One of Blessing, all you create is a sign of hope for our journey; and so as the morning stars sing your praises we join the heavenly beings and all creation as we shout with joy:

Sanctus, #736

Hymnal 1940

Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Lord God of hosts. Heav'n and
earth are full of thy glo-ry: Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High. A - men.

Eucharistic Prayer

Celebrant

Redeeming God, over forty days you flooded the earth, over forty years you led your people through the wilderness, and over forty days your Spirit led Jesus through the desert. Bless us through the sustenance of this food and drink to profess your Son's death and resurrection.

Send down your Holy Spirit, that we may come to resemble and follow our crucified and risen Savior, and that this bread and this cup may become for us our everlasting banquet, the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ.

Who, at supper with his disciples, took bread, gave you thanks, broke the bread, and gave it to them, saying: "Take, eat: this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup. Again, he gave you thanks, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "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. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me."

Celebrant

Great is the mystery of faith.

People

Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

Celebrant

Sanctifying God, where your children are in the wilderness, lead them to your heart. Where your people are hungry for you, give them practices of fasting and Scripture-reading and alms-giving and repentance and prayer. Where your followers know hardships and sorrow visit them with the comforting power of your presence.

Raise up the glory of your resurrection from the ashes of our pride and sloth and greed, that all your church and the whole creation may celebrate the wonders of your love, until the day when everyone shall perceive you and praise you, you are all in all, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, ever one God, Mother of us all.

People

Amen.

The Lord's Prayer, #864

Wonder, Love, and Praise

Celebrant

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,
(*Congregation and Choir will chant on a monotone G throughout*)

People 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 forever. Amen.

The Fraction

Celebrant We break this bread to share in the Body of Christ.
People We who are many are one body, for we all share in the one bread.

The Invitation

Celebrant Come, for all is now ready. The gifts of God for the people of God.
People Thanks be to God.

The Communion

Everyone is welcome to receive communion at St. Bart's! The ushers will invite you to come forward through the center aisle, individuals and families are invited to stand along the rounded edge of the chancel to receive the bread, hands facing upward for bread with gluten, hands facing down will indicate you'd like gluten free bread. The Chalice Bearer will follow the Priest with the cup of wine. You are invited to sip from the cup. If you would prefer not to sip from the cup, you may place your hands across your chest to receive the blessing of the words. If you would prefer to receive neither the bread nor the wine but would like to come forward for a blessing, please come forward as described above and simply cross your arms at your chest and the Priest will offer a blessing. Hand sanitizer is available in the aisle. Please use the side aisles to return to your seat once you have received.

Communion Hymns

685 Rock of ages / 316 This is the hour

The Hymnal 1982

Post Communion Prayer

Celebrant God of the feast,
we thank you for satisfying us at your table
with the body and blood of our Savior Jesus Christ.
People In the strength of this meal,
refreshed by your Holy Spirit,
send us into a hungry world
with food and love and Good News to share. Amen.

Blessing

Celebrant The God of peace,
who gives food to every living creature,
give you your daily bread,
and make you hungry and thirsty for justice.
People Amen.

Celebrant The Lord Jesus Christ,
who feeds us in this sacrament,
give you strength for work and witness,
and bring you to the wedding banquet of heaven and earth.

People **Amen.**

Celebrant The Spirit of grace,
who nourishes hearts and minds with saving truth,
give you joyful companions at Wisdom's feast,
and send you to feed the hungry and bring good news to the poor.

People **Amen.**

Celebrant And the blessing of God,
holy eternal Majesty,
holy incarnate Word,
holy abiding Spirit,
be upon you and remain with you always.

People **Amen.**

Closing Hymn, #690

Guide me, O thou great Jehovah

The Hymnal 1982

The Dismissal

Celebrant Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude

"Prelude and Fugue in G" by J.S. Bach

SERVING IN WORSHIP TODAY

Celebrant	The Rev. Amanda Gerken-Nelson
Music	Dr. Christina Edelen
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Chalice Bearer	Laurie Hyndman
Nonvested Chalice Bearer	Peter Sillin
Lector	Jennifer Willard
Ushers	Ann Donaghy, Margaret Kimball
Altar Guild	Beth LaSalle
Flower Arranger	Barbara Barhydt (Green Plant)
A/V	Matt Kennedy
Bread Baker	Susannah White
Counters	Jan Burson, Dennis Fitzgibbons
Snow Removal	David Heald
VPOW	Gary Sylvester
Coffee Hour	Michele Johns, Mary Calvin, Marilyn Heinrich

WORSHIP RESOURCES

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Postcommunion Prayer & Blessing: from The Anglican Church of Australia

WEDNESDAYS in LENT – JOIN US!

Lenten Midweek Worship and Adult Formation Offering

Join us on Wednesdays in Lent for a midweek Evening Prayer service (5:30pm) followed by an Adult Formation forum (6:15pm) entitled "Living Water: Baptism as a way of life." This programming started Wednesday, February 25th.

The midweek Evening Prayer service is a contemplative service of prayer, songs, contemplation, and candle lighting. The service starts at 5:30pm.

For the past few years, the Adult Formation Committee has focused our programming in Lent on the foundations of our faith. Lent was historically a time of formation and preparation for those new to the faith and often included classes on the basics of faith. We continue in this way by offering a class this year that looks at our sacrament of baptism and how the covenants made at our baptism actually form the ways we live our lives and not just the ways we think about faith.

Join us and feel free to bring some dinner to munch on while we gather.



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