

Morning Prayer
July 16, 2023, 9:30 am



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St. Bartholomew's Episcopal Church Yarmouth, Maine

Prelude "Sinfonia #2 in C minor" by JS Bach

Welcome & Announcements *Anne Jacobs*

Opening Hymn, #48 O Day of Radiant Gladness *The Hymnal 1982*

Opening Acclamation

Officiant God be with you.
People **And also with you.**

Officiant O Lord, mercifully receive the prayers of your people who call upon you, and grant that they may know and understand what things they ought to do, and also may have grace and power faithfully to accomplish them; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Confession of Sin

Officiant Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

Officiant and People together, all kneeling

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.

Officiant 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.

Officiant Lord, open our lips.

People **And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.**

All **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.

The Lessons

First Lesson: Isaiah 55:10-13

John Perkins

As the rain and the snow come down from heaven,
and do not return there until they have watered the earth,
making it bring forth and sprout,
giving seed to the sower and bread to the eater,
so shall my word be that goes out from my mouth;
it shall not return to me empty,
but it shall accomplish that which I purpose,
and succeed in the thing for which I sent it.
For you shall go out in joy,
and be led back in peace;
the mountains and the hills before you
shall burst into song,
and all the trees of the field shall clap their hands.
Instead of the thorn shall come up the cypress;
instead of the brier shall come up the myrtle;
and it shall be to the LORD for a memorial,
for an everlasting sign that shall not be cut off.

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

Psalm 65: 1-8, 9-14

Barbara Barhydt

- 1 You are to be praised, O God, in Zion; *
to you shall vows be performed in Jerusalem.
- 2 To you that hear prayer shall all flesh come, *
because of their transgressions.
- 3 Our sins are stronger than we are, *
but you will blot them out.
- 4 Happy are they whom you choose
and draw to your courts to dwell there! *
they will be satisfied by the beauty of your house,
by the holiness of your temple.
- 5 Awesome things will you show us in your righteousness,
O God of our salvation, *
O Hope of all the ends of the earth
and of the seas that are far away.
- 6 You make fast the mountains by your power; *
they are girded about with might.
- 7 You still the roaring of the seas, *
the roaring of their waves,
and the clamor of the peoples.
- 8 Those who dwell at the ends of the earth will tremble at your marvelous signs; *
you make the dawn and the dusk to sing for joy.

- 9 You visit the earth and water it abundantly;
you make it very plenteous; *
the river of God is full of water.
- 10 You prepare the grain, *
for so you provide for the earth.
- 11 You drench the furrows and smooth out the ridges; *
with heavy rain you soften the ground and bless its increase.
- 12 You crown the year with your goodness, *
and your paths overflow with plenty.
- 13 May the fields of the wilderness be rich for grazing, *
and the hills be clothed with joy.
- 14 May the meadows cover themselves with flocks,
and the valleys cloak themselves with grain; *
let them shout for joy and sing.

Second Lesson: Romans 8:1-11

John Perkins

There is no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has set you free from the law of sin and of death. For God has done what the law, weakened by the flesh, could not do: by sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, and to deal with sin, he condemned sin in the flesh, so that the just requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not according to the flesh but according to the Spirit. For those who live according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who live according to the Spirit set their minds on the things of the Spirit. To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. For this reason the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law-- indeed it cannot, and those who are in the flesh cannot please God.

But you are not in the flesh; you are in the Spirit, since the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. But if Christ is in you, though the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also through his Spirit that dwells in you.

Lector Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's churches

People **Thanks be to God**

Hymn: Spirit of the Living God
(see next page)

Lift Every Voice and Sing II

Spirit of the Living God

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Spir - it of the Liv - ing God, Fall fresh on me,

The first system of music features a treble and bass staff in 4/4 time with a key signature of one flat. The melody in the treble staff begins with a quarter rest, followed by quarter notes G4, A4, Bb4, and C5. The bass staff provides a harmonic accompaniment with chords: G2-Bb2-D2, A2-Bb2-C3, Bb2-C3-D3, and C3-Bb2-A2.

Spir - it of the Liv - ing God, Fall fresh on me.

The second system continues the melody and accompaniment from the first system, ending with a quarter rest in the treble staff.

Melt me, mold me, Fill me, use me.

The third system continues the melody and accompaniment. The treble staff melody consists of quarter notes G4, A4, Bb4, and C5, with a slur over the last two notes. The bass staff accompaniment consists of chords: G2-Bb2-D2, A2-Bb2-C3, Bb2-C3-D3, and C3-Bb2-A2.

Spir - it of the Liv - ing God, Fall fresh on me.

The fourth system concludes the piece with a double bar line. The melody and accompaniment are identical to the second system.

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Gospel: Matthew 13:1-9,18-23

The Rev. Deacon Corey Walmer

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

Jesus went out of the house and sat beside the sea. Such great crowds gathered around him that he got into a boat and sat there, while the whole crowd stood on the beach. And he told them many things in parables, saying: "Listen! A sower went out to sow. And as he sowed, some seeds fell on the path, and the birds came and ate them up. Other seeds fell on rocky ground, where they did not have much soil, and they sprang up quickly, since they had no depth of soil. But when the sun rose, they were scorched; and since they had no root, they withered away. Other seeds fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked them. Other seeds fell on good soil and brought forth grain, some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty. Let anyone with ears listen!"

"Hear then the parable of the sower. When anyone hears the word of the kingdom and does not understand it, the evil one comes and snatches away what is sown in the heart; this is what was sown on the path. As for what was sown on rocky ground, this is the one who hears the word and immediately receives it with joy; yet such a person has no root, but endures only for a while, and when trouble or persecution arises on account of the word, that person immediately falls away. As for what was sown among thorns, this is the one who hears the word, but the cares of the world and the lure of wealth choke the word, and it yields nothing. But as for what was sown on good soil, this is the one who hears the word and understands it, who indeed bears fruit and yields, in one case a hundredfold, in another sixty, and in another thirty."

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.
People **Praise to you Lord Christ!**

Sermon

The Rev. Deacon Corey Walmer

Hymn, #593

Lord, make us servants of your peace

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 The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**

Officiant Let us pray.
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 for ever. Amen.

Reader Show us your mercy, O Lord;
People And grant us your salvation.

Barbara Barhydt

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.

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 (Reader)

Barbara Barhydt

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

Charles; Pat; Marcella; Tim; Sam; Matthew; Antonia; Al; Alex; Virginia & Jamil; Ed; Hannah; Mike; David; Sarah; Jenny & Matt; Rich, Nancy & Jonathan; Perry; Jim; Matt & Shannon; Elaine; Sasha; Paige; Anne & Richard; Courtney; Dianne; Diane; Karl; Sudon, Aunt Niki; Ron; Nathaniel; Boyd; Terry; Will; Tom & Laurel; Caia; Ramsey; Nancy A.; Dennis; Robert & Mary; Karen; Marshall; and Samantha.

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 (Reader)

Barbara Barhydt

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. 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.

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)

The Dismissal

Officiant Go in peace; bear good fruit, Alleluia, alleluia!
People **Thanks be to God, Alleluia, alleluia!**

Postlude

“Sinfonia #1 in C Major” by JS Bach

SERVING IN WORSHIP TODAY

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Flower Arranger	Susannah White
A/V	Peter Sillin
Bread Baker	Nancy Gunzelmann
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