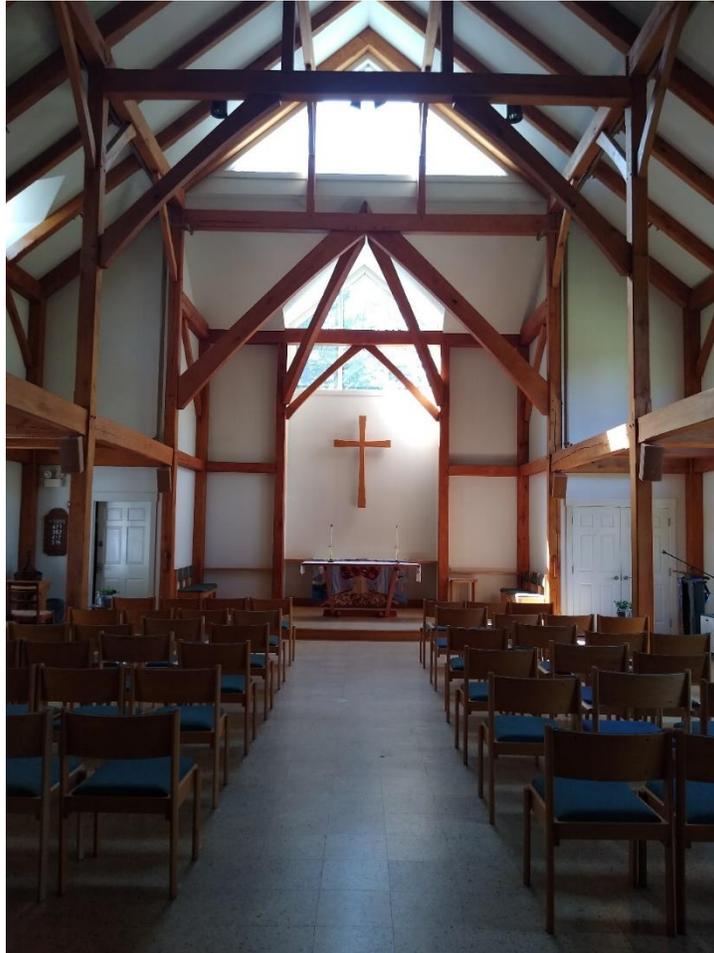


# *Choral Evensong*



*St. Bartholomew's Episcopal Church*

*October 23, 2022, 4 pm*

*Let my prayer be set forth in thy sight as incense,  
and let the lifting up of my hands be an evening sacrifice.*

*~ Psalm 141:2*

*Please silence all cell phones to enjoy the serenity of this evening's Evensong without distraction.*

Prelude: "Toccata" by J.P Sweelinck

Opening Hymn: #31, Most Holy God

*The Hymnal 1982*

Opening Sentence

*Deacon* Light and peace, in Jesus Christ our Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

Confession of Sin

*Deacon* Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

*Silence may be kept.*

*Deacon* Almighty and most merciful God,

*People* **we have erred and strayed from thy ways like lost sheep,  
we have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts  
we have offended against thy holy laws,  
we have left undone those things which we ought to have done,  
and we have done those things which we ought not to have done.  
But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us,  
spare thou those who confess their faults,  
restore thou those who are penitent,  
according to thy promises declared unto mankind  
in Christ Jesus our Lord;  
and grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake,  
that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life,  
to the glory of thy holy Name. Amen.**

*Deacon* The Almighty and merciful Lord grant us absolution and remission of all our sins,  
true repentance, amendment of life, and the grace and consolation of the Holy  
Spirit.

*People* **Amen.**

*Preces, sung by the Deacon and the Choir*

*by Thomas Tallis*

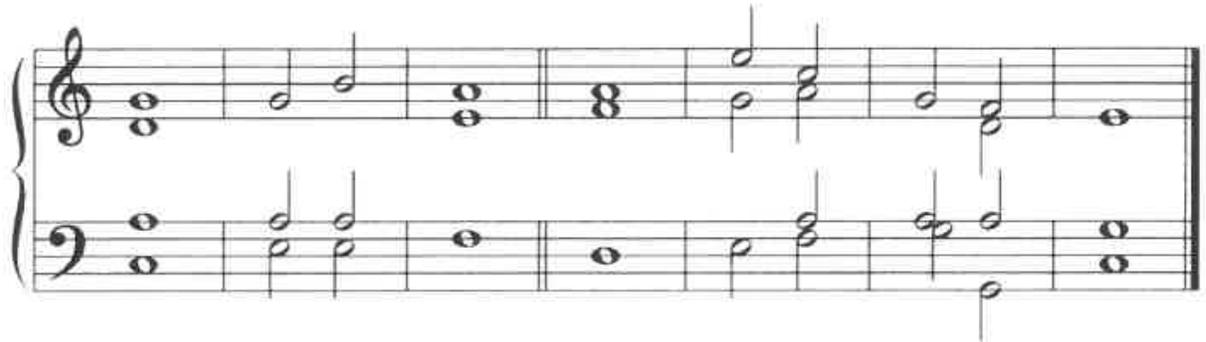
*Deacon* O God, make speed to save us.

*Choir* *O Lord, make haste to help us.*

*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 Psalm, Psalm 84: 1-4,10-12 (sung)

Tune by Christina Edelen



1 How dear to me is your dwelling O ' Lord of ' hosts! \*  
My soul has a desire and longing for the courts of the Lord;  
my heart and my flesh re- ' joice in the ' living ' God.

2 The sparrow has found her a house, and the swallow a nest where she may ' lay her ' young;\*  
by the side of your altars, O Lord of hosts, my ' King ' and my ' God.

3 Happy are they who ' dwell in your ' house!\*  
they will ' always be ' praising ' you.

4 Happy are the people whose ' strength is in ' you!\*  
whose hearts are ' set on the ' pilgrims' ' way.

10 For the Lord is both ' sun and ' shield;\*  
he ' will give ' grace and ' glory;

11 No good thing will the ' Lord with-' hold\*  
from ' those who ' walk with in- ' tegrity.

12 O ' Lord of ' hosts,\*  
happy are they who ' put their ' trust in ' you!

Glory to the Father, and ' to the ' Son,\*  
and ' to the ' Holy ' Spirit:

as it was in ' the be- 'ginning,\*  
is now and ' will be for ' ever. A-' men.

## A Lesson – Joel 2:23-32

Mary Curlew

O children of Zion, be glad and rejoice in the Lord your God; for he has given the early rain for your vindication, he has poured down for you abundant rain, the early and the later rain, as before. The threshing floors shall be full of grain, the vats shall overflow with wine and oil. I will repay you for the years that the swarming locust has eaten, the hopper, the destroyer, and the cutter, my great army, which I sent against you. You shall eat in plenty and be satisfied, and praise the name of the Lord your God, who has dealt wondrously with you. And my people shall never again be put to shame. You shall know that I am in the midst of Israel, and that I, the Lord, am your God and there is no other. And my people shall never again be put to shame.

Then afterward I will pour out my spirit on all flesh; your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, your old men shall dream dreams, and your young men shall see visions. Even on the male and female slaves, in those days, I will pour out my spirit. I will show portents in the heavens and on the earth, blood and fire and columns of smoke. The sun shall be turned to darkness, and the moon to blood, before the great and terrible day of the Lord comes. Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved; for in Mount Zion and in Jerusalem there shall be those who escape, as the Lord has said, and among the survivors shall be those whom the Lord calls.

*Lector*            The Word of the Lord.

*People*            **Thanks be to God.**

## The Magnificat, *sung by the Choir*

*setting by Thomas Morley*

*My soul doth magnify the Lord, \*  
and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Savior.  
For he hath regarded \*  
the lowliness of his handmaiden.  
For behold from henceforth \*  
all generations shall call me blessed.  
For he that is mighty hath magnified me, \*  
and holy is his Name.  
And his mercy is on them that fear him \*  
throughout all generations.  
He hath showed strength with his arm; \*  
he hath scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts.  
He hath put down the mighty from their seat, \*  
and hath exalted the humble and meek.  
He hath filled the hungry with good things, \*  
and the rich he hath sent empty away.  
He remembering his mercy hath holpen his servant Israel, \*  
as he promised to our forefathers,  
Abraham and his seed for ever.  
  
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.*

## A Lesson – 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18

Mary Curlew

As for me, I am already being poured out as a libation, and the time of my departure has come. I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. From now on there is reserved for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give me on that day, and not only to me but also to all who have longed for his appearing.

At my first defense no one came to my support, but all deserted me. May it not be counted against them! But the Lord stood by me and gave me strength, so that through me the message might be fully proclaimed and all the Gentiles might hear it. So I was rescued from the lion's mouth. The Lord will rescue me from every evil attack and save me for his heavenly kingdom. To him be the glory forever and ever. Amen.

*Lector*            The Word of the Lord.

*People*            **Thanks be to God.**

## Nunc Dimittis, *sung by the Choir*

*setting by Thomas Morley*

*Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace, \*  
according to thy word;  
For mine eyes have seen thy salvation, \*  
which thou hast prepared before the face of all people,  
To be a light to lighten the Gentiles, \*  
and to be the glory of thy people Israel.*

*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.*

## The Apostles' Creed

*Deacon*            Let us pray together the words of the Apostle's Creed.

*People*

I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth;  
And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord;  
who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,  
born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, dead, and buried.  
He descended into hell.  
The third day he rose again from the dead.  
He ascended into heaven,

and sitteth on the right hand of God the  
Father almighty.

From thence he shall come to judge the  
quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost,  
the holy catholic Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.

## The Prayers, *sung by the Deacon and the Choir*

*Deacon* The Lord be with you  
*Choir* *and with Thy Spirit.*

*Deacon* Let us pray.  
*Choir* *Lord have mercy upon us.*  
*Christ have mercy upon us.*  
*Lord have mercy upon us.*

*Together* *Our Father, who art in heaven,*  
*hallowed be thy Name,*  
*thy kingdom come,*  
*thy will be done,*  
*on earth as it is in heaven.*  
*Give us this day our daily bread.*  
*And forgive us our trespasses,*  
*as we forgive those who trespass against us.*  
*And lead us not into temptation,*  
*but deliver us from evil.*  
*For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,*  
*for ever and ever. Amen.*

*Deacon* O Lord, show thy mercy upon us.  
*Choir* *And grant us thy salvation.*

*Deacon* O Lord, keep this nation under your care.  
*Choir* *And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.*

*Deacon* Endue thy Ministers with righteousness.  
*Choir* *And make thy chosen people joyful!*

*Deacon* O Lord, save thy people.  
*Choir* *And bless thine inheritance.*

*Deacon* Give peace in our time, O Lord.  
*Choir* *Because there is none other that fighteth for us, but only thou, O God.*

*Deacon* O God, make clean our hearts within us.  
*Choir* *And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.*

## Collects

*Deacon* Lord God, whose Son our Savior Jesus Christ triumphed over the powers of death and prepared for us our place in the new Jerusalem: Grant that we, who have this day given thanks for his resurrection, may praise thee in that City of which he is the light; and where he liveth and reigneth for ever and ever.

*Choir* *Amen.*

*Deacon* O God, from whom all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works do proceed: Give unto thy servants that peace which the world cannot give, that our hearts may be set to obey thy commandments, and also that by thee, we, being

defended from the fear of all enemies, may pass our time in rest and quietness; through the merits of Jesus Christ our Savior.

*Choir* Amen.

*Deacon* O God, who art the life of all who live, the light of the faithful, the strength of those who labor, and the repose of the dead: We thank thee for the timely blessings of the day, and humbly beseech thy merciful protection all the night. Bring us, we pray thee, in safety to the morning hours; through him who died for us and rose again, thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ.

*Choir* Amen.

*Deacon* Keep watch, dear Lord, with those who work, or watch, or weep this night, and give thine angels charge over those who sleep. Tend the sick, Lord Christ; give rest to the weary, bless the dying, soothe the suffering, pity the afflicted, shield the joyous; and all for thy love's sake.

*Choir* Amen.

### **Anthem: "A New Commandment"**

*by William Mundy*

A new commandment give I unto you, saith the Lord,  
that ye love together, as I have loved you, that e'en so ye love one another.  
By this shall ev'ry man know that ye are my disciples,  
if ye have love one to another.

### **The General Thanksgiving**

*Deacon* Let us pray. Almighty God,  
*People* **Father of all mercies,  
we thine unworthy servants  
do give thee most humble and hearty thanks  
for all thy goodness and loving-kindness  
to us and to all men.  
We bless thee for our creation, preservation,  
and all the blessings of this life;  
but above all for thine inestimable 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 beseech thee,  
give us that due sense of all thy mercies,  
that our hearts may be unfeignedly thankful;  
and that we show forth thy praise,  
not only with our lips, but in our lives,  
by giving up our selves to thy service,  
and by walking before thee**

in holiness and righteousness all our days;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost,  
be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

Offertory Hymn: #34, Christ Mighty Savior

*The Hymnal 1982*

### A Prayer of St. Chrysostom

Deacon Almighty God, who hast given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication unto thee, and hast promised through thy well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name thou wilt be in the midst of them: Fulfill now, O Lord, the desires and petitions of thy servants as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of thy truth, and in the world to come life everlasting.

People **Amen.**

Deacon Let us bless the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Closing Hymn: #24, The Day Thou Gavest

*The Hymnal 1982*

### Dismissal

Deacon Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit

People **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude: "Ricerca" by J. P. Sweelinck

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### Serving at Evensong

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Lector: Mary Curlew

Music Director: Dr. Christina Edelen

Choir: Lyn Bickford, Liza Chandler, Peter Chandler, Sarah Covie, Harriet Davis, Linda Draper, John Duncan, Fred Edelen, Paule French, Pamela Higgins, Lauren Liberman, Jamie Michaud, Heather Sylvester