

Season of Gratitude

November 17, 2024, 9:30 am

St. Bartholomew's Episcopal Church Yarmouth, ME

Prelude "Chacone" by J.K.F. Fischer

Welcome & Announcements Gary Sylvester

Opening Hymn, #51 We the Lord's people The Hymnal 1982

Opening Acclamation

Celebrant Blessed be God: most holy, glorious, and undivided Trinity.

People **And blessed be God's reign, now and for ever. Amen.**

Celebrant 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.

People **Amen.**

Intern This is the day that our God has made;

People **Let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

Gloria, #900 *Wonder, Love, and Praise*

Glo-ry to God in the high-est, —
— and peace to his peo-ple on earth. — Lord God,
heav'n-ly King, al - migh - ty God and Fa - ther, — we wor - ship
you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo-ry. —

Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther,
 Lord God, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
 world: have mer - cy on us; you are seat - ed at the right
 hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer. For
 you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the
 Lord, you a - lone are the Most High,
 Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit,
 in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant God be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Celebrant Let us pray.

Blessed Lord, who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning: Grant us so to hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

THE LESSONS

The First Lesson, Daniel 12:1-3

John Perkins

The Lord spoke to Daniel in a vision and said, "At that time Michael, the great prince, the protector of your people, shall arise. There shall be a time of anguish, such as has never occurred since nations first came into existence. But at that time your people shall be delivered, everyone who is found written in the book. Many of those who sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt. Those who are wise shall shine like the brightness of the sky, and those who lead many to righteousness, like the stars forever and ever."

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

Psalm 16

Carla Hunt

- 1 Protect me, O God, for I take refuge in you; *
I have said to the LORD, "You are my Lord,
my good above all other."
- 2 All my delight is upon the godly that are in the land, *
upon those who are noble among the people.
- 3 But those who run after other gods *
shall have their troubles multiplied.
- 4 Their libations of blood I will not offer, *
nor take the names of their gods upon my lips.
- 5 O LORD, you are my portion and my cup; *
it is you who uphold my lot.
- 6 My boundaries enclose a pleasant land; *
indeed, I have a goodly heritage.
- 7 I will bless the LORD who gives me counsel; *
my heart teaches me, night after night.
- 8 I have set the LORD always before me; *
because he is at my right hand I shall not fall.
- 9 My heart, therefore, is glad, and my spirit rejoices; *
my body also shall rest in hope.
- 10 For you will not abandon me to the grave, *
nor let your holy one see the Pit.
- 11 You will show me the path of life; *
in your presence there is fullness of joy,
and in your right hand are pleasures for evermore.

The Second Lesson, Hebrews 10:11-14 (15-18) 19-25

John Perkins

Every priest stands day after day at his service, offering again and again the same sacrifices that can never take away sins. But when Christ had offered for all time a single sacrifice for sins, “he sat down at the right hand of God,” and since then has been waiting “until his enemies would be made a footstool for his feet.” For by a single offering he has perfected for all time those who are sanctified. [And the Holy Spirit also testifies to us, for after saying,

“This is the covenant that I will make with them
after those days, says the Lord:

I will put my laws in their hearts,
and I will write them on their minds,”

he also adds,

“I will remember their sins and their lawless deeds no more.”

Where there is forgiveness of these, there is no longer any offering for sin.]

Therefore, my friends, since we have confidence to enter the sanctuary by the blood of Jesus, by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain (that is, through his flesh), and since we have a great priest over the house of God, let us approach with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. Let us hold fast to the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who has promised is faithful. And let us consider how to provoke one another to love and good deeds, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

Lector Hear what the Spirit is saying to God’s churches.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Hymn, #607

O God of every nation

The Hymnal 1982

The Gospel, Mark 13:1-8

The Rev. Amanda Gerken-Nelson

Celebrant The Holy Gospel, according to Mark.

People **Glory to you, O God.**

As Jesus came out of the temple, one of his disciples said to him, “Look, Teacher, what large stones and what large buildings!” Then Jesus asked him, “Do you see these great buildings? Not one stone will be left here upon another; all will be thrown down.”

When he was sitting on the Mount of Olives opposite the temple, Peter, James, John, and Andrew asked him privately, “Tell us, when will this be, and what will be the sign that all these things are about to be accomplished?” Then Jesus began to say to them, “Beware that no one leads you astray. Many will come in my name and say, ‘I am he!’ and they will lead many astray. When you hear of wars and rumors of wars, do not be alarmed; this must take place, but the end is still to come. For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be earthquakes in various places; there will be famines. This is but the beginning of the birthpangs.”

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

Sermon

The Rev. Amanda Gerken-Nelson

Hymn, #686

Come thou fount of every blessing

The Hymnal 1982

HOLY BAPTISM

Presentation and Examination of the Candidates

Celebrant The Candidate for Holy Baptism will now be presented.

Parents & Sponsors We present Walker Ripley Jones to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.

Celebrant Will you be responsible for seeing that Walker is brought up in the Christian faith and life?

Parents & Sponsors I will, with God's help.

Celebrant Will you by your prayers and witness help Walker to grow into the full stature of Christ?

Parents & Sponsors I will, with God's help.

Celebrant Do you renounce Satan and all the spiritual forces of wickedness that rebel against God?

Parents & Sponsors I renounce them.

Celebrant Do you renounce the evil powers of this world which corrupt and destroy the creatures of God?

Parents & Sponsors I renounce them.

Celebrant Do you renounce all sinful desires that draw you from the love of God?

Parents & Sponsors I renounce them.

Celebrant Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Savior?

Parents & Sponsors I do.

Celebrant Do you put your whole trust in God's grace and love?

Parents & Sponsors I do.

Celebrant Do you promise to follow and obey Jesus Christ as your Sovereign?

Parents & Sponsors I do.

Celebrant People of God, will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support these persons in their life in Christ?

People **We will.**

Celebrant Let us join, now, with Walker's parents and sponsor who are committing themselves to Christ, and renew our own baptismal covenant.

The Baptismal Covenant

Celebrant Do you believe in God the Father?

People **I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

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.

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

**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.**

Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?

I will, with God's help.

Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

I will, with God's help.

Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?
I will, with God's help.

Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?
I will, with God's help.

Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?
I will, with God's help.

Will you cherish the wondrous works of God, and protect the beauty and integrity of all creation?
I will, with God's help.

Prayers for the Candidates

Carla Hunt

Celebrant Let us now pray for Walker who is to receive the Sacrament of new birth.

Leader Deliver him, O God, from the way of sin and death.
People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Open his heart to your grace and truth.
People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Fill him with your holy and life-giving Spirit.
People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Keep him in the faith and communion of your holy Church.
People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Teach him to love others in the power of the Spirit.
People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Send him into the world in witness to your love.
People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Bring him to the fullness of your peace and glory.
People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Celebrant Grant, O God, that all who are baptized into the death of Jesus Christ your Son may live in the power of his resurrection and look for him to come again in glory; who lives and reigns now and for ever.
People **Amen.**

Thanksgiving over the Water

Celebrant God be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Holy One.
People **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

Celebrant We thank you, Almighty God, for the gift of water. Over it the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation. Through it you led the children of Israel out of their bondage in Egypt into the land of promise. In it your Son Jesus received the baptism of John and was anointed by the Holy Spirit as the Messiah, the Christ, to lead us, through his death and resurrection, from the bondage of sin into everlasting life.

We thank you, O God, for the water of Baptism. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in his resurrection. Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit. Therefore, in joyful obedience to your Son, we bring into his fellowship those who come to him in faith, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Now sanctify this water, we pray you, by the power of your Holy Spirit, that those who here are cleansed from sin and born again may continue for ever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Savior.

To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and for ever.

People **Amen.**

The Baptism

Celebrant Walker Ripley, I baptize you in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
People **Amen.**

Celebrant Let us pray.
Heavenly God, we thank you that by water and the Holy Spirit you have bestowed upon your servant the forgiveness of sin, and have raised him to the new life of grace. Sustain him, O God, in your Holy Spirit. Give him an inquiring and discerning heart, the courage to will and to persevere, a spirit to know and to love you, and the gift of joy and wonder in all your works.

People **Amen.**

The candidate is then anointed with Chrism

Celebrant Walker Ripley, you are sealed by the Holy Spirit in Baptism and marked as Christ's own for ever.
People **Amen.**

The family is presented with a Baptismal Candle

Intern Let your light so shine before others that they may see your good works and glorify our God in heaven.

Celebrant Let us welcome the newly baptized.
People **We receive you into the household of God. Confess the faith of Christ crucified, proclaim his resurrection, and share with us in his eternal priesthood.**

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of Christ be always with you.
People **And also with you.**

You are invited to greet one another sharing God's peace!

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory Sentence

Celebrant In gratitude for all the blessings God has bestowed upon us, let us with gladness present the offerings and oblations of our life and labor to God.

Bread and wine are brought forward while the ushers pass the offering plates.

Offertory Anthem

"Sing My Soul His Wondrous Love" by Ned Rorem

*Sing, my soul, his wondrous love,
who, from yon bright throne above,
ever watchful o'er our race,
still to us extends his grace.
2 Heaven and earth by him were made;
all is by his scepter swayed;
what are we that he should show
so much love to us below?
3 God, the merciful and good,
bought us with the Savior's blood,
and, to make salvation sure,
guides us by his Spirit pure.
4 Sing, my soul, adore his Name!
Let his glory be thy theme:
praise him till he calls thee home;
trust his love for all to come.*

Ushers bring the offering plates forward as the congregation sings

The Doxology, sung

tune: Old Hundredth

Praise God from whom all blessings flow
Sing praise all creatures here below
Praise God above ye heavenly hosts
Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Offertory Prayer

Celebrant
People

Let us pray,
Blessed are you, O God, maker of all things.
Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts:
our selves, our time, and our possessions.
Use us, and what we have gathered,
in feeding the world with your love,
through the one who gave himself for us,
Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving

Celebrant
People
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Celebrant
People

God be with you.
And also with you.
Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to our God.
Let us give thanks to the Holy One.
It is right to give God thanks and praise.

You have filled us and all creation with your blessing
and fed us with your constant love;
you have redeemed us in Jesus Christ
and knit us into one body.
Through your Spirit you replenish us
and call us to fullness of life.

Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels
and with the faithful of every generation,
we lift our voices with all creation as we sing:

Sanctus, #851

Wonder, Love, and Praise

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,
heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na

in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the
 Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Eucharistic Prayer

Celebrant

Blessed are you, gracious God,
 creator of the universe and giver of life.
 You formed us in your own image
 and called us to dwell in your infinite love.

You gave the world into our care
 that we might be your faithful stewards
 and show forth your bountiful grace.
 But we failed to honor your image
 in one another and in ourselves;
 we would not see your goodness in the world around us;
 and so we violated your creation,
 abused one another,
 and rejected your love.
 Yet you never ceased to care for us,
 and prepared the way of salvation for all people.

Through Abraham and Sarah
 you called us into covenant with you.
 You delivered us from slavery,
 sustained us in the wilderness,
 and raised up prophets
 to renew your promise of salvation.
 Then, in the fullness of time,
 you sent your eternal Word,
 made mortal flesh in Jesus.
 Born into the human family,
 and dwelling among us,
 he revealed your glory.
 Giving himself freely to death on the cross,
 he triumphed over evil,
 opening the way of freedom and life.

On the night before he died for us,
 Our Savior 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."

As supper was ending, 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 poured out for you and for all
for the forgiveness of sins.
Whenever you drink it,
do this for the remembrance of me."

People Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:
Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.

Celebrant Remembering his death and resurrection,
we now present to you from your creation
this bread and this wine.
By your Holy Spirit may they be for us
the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ.
Grant that we who share these gifts
may be filled with the Holy Spirit
and live as Christ's Body in the world.
Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your children,
that with all your saints,
past, present, and yet to come,
we may praise your Name for ever.
Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
to you be honor, glory, and praise,
for ever and ever.
Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

Celebrant As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now 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.

Fraction Anthem, #S169

My flesh is food indeed

The Hymnal 1982 Service Music

Cantor or Choir

My flesh is food in - deed, and my blood is drink in -

deed, says the Lord. *1 All* My Lord. *2 Cantor or Choir* Those who eat my

flesh and drink my blood dwell in me and I in them. *All* My

flesh is food in - deed, and my blood is drink in - deed, says the Lord.

The Invitation

Celebrant 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.

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 Bearers will follow the Priest with the chalice of wine. You are invited to sip from the cup but not to dip. 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.

Post-Communion Prayer

Intern

Let us pray:

People

**God of abundance,
you have fed us
with the bread of life and cup of salvation;
you have united us
with Christ and one another;
and you have made us one
with all your people in heaven and on earth.
Now send us forth
in the power of your Spirit,
that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world
and continue for ever
in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen**

The Blessing

Celebrant

The Wisdom of God
the Love of God
and the Grace of God
strengthen you
to be Christ's hands and heart in this world,
in the name of the Holy Trinity.

People

Amen.

Testimony of Gratitude

Penni Groves

Closing Hymn, #665

All my hope on God is founded

The Hymnal 1982

The Dismissal

Intern

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

People

Thanks be to God.

Postlude

"Fantasia" by J.K. F. Fischer

WORSHIP RESOURCES

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The values that guide our Worship & Music Committee's process for creating our liturgies are inclusive, grounded, challenging, and creative. At St. Bart's, we strive to use language and imagery that is both inclusive and expansive for God and humanity.

SERVING IN WORSHIP TODAY

Celebrant The Rev. Amanda Gerken-Nelson

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Pastoral Intern Mary Curlew

Musicians The St. Bart's Choir

Chalice Bearer Carla Hunt

Lector John Perkins

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Altar Guild Jan Burson, Mary Louise Chin

Flower Arranger Joyce Cassidy

A/V Dan Hudkins

Bread Baker Barbara Barhydt

Counters Pamela Trudo, Pal Covie

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VPOW Gary Sylvester

Coffee Hour The Gillans and The Michauds

ST BART'S VISION STATEMENT

St. Bartholomew's Episcopal Church in Yarmouth, Maine is a place to explore and deepen one's faith through worship, music, education, and open dialogue to help each of us and our community faithfully navigate today's ever-changing world. We are an open, inclusive, creative, and welcoming community. Building on the vision of those who established St. Bart's 50 years ago, we continue to strengthen and grow our community by grounding our ministries in the love of Jesus Christ, telling our story joyfully, and caring for the needs of our congregation and the greater Yarmouth and surrounding communities. St. Bart's is a great landing place for those seeking a welcoming and inclusive faith experience.



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