

The Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

Holy Eucharist

July 17, 2022



 NATIONAL GALLERIES SCOTLAND

Christ in the House of Martha and Mary, 1654, Johannes Vermeer
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St. Bartholomew's Church Yarmouth, Maine

ORGAN PRELUDE

Prelude in G

William H. Harris

WELCOME

GATHERING

OPENING HYMN #398

"I sing the almighty power of God"

The Hymnal 1982

Please stand if it is comfortable to do so.

THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

Leader: Blessed are you, our Holy and Living God.

All: Eagerly we seek you.

Leader: Your loving kindness is better than life itself;

All: Our lips shall give you praise.

Leader: So will we bless you as long as we live;

All: And lift up our hands in your Name. *cf. Psalm 63*

Leader: Jesus said, "The first commandment is this: Hear, O Israel:

The Lord your God is the only Lord.

Love the Lord your God with all your heart,

with all your soul, with all your mind,

and with all your strength.

The second is this: Love your neighbor as yourself.

There is no commandment greater than these." *Mark 12:29-31*

SONG OF PRAISE

A Canticle from Julian

adapted from Julian of Norwich

All: You, O Christ, are the One:
the might and goodness of fatherhood.

You, O Christ, are the One:
the wisdom and kindness of motherhood.

You, O Christ, are the One:
the light and grace of all blessed love;
you are Trinity; you are Unity.

You, O Christ, are the One:
the high sovereign goodness of all manner of things.

You are the One who makes us to love;
you are the One who makes us to long.

You, O Christ, are the One:
the endless fulfilling of all our true desires.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant: God be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Almighty God, the fountain of all wisdom, you know our necessities before we ask and our ignorance in asking: Have compassion on our weakness, and mercifully give us those things which for our unworthiness we dare not, and for our blindness we cannot ask; through the worthiness of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen. **Amen.**

THE WORD

THE FIRST LESSON: Colossians 1:15-28

Susannah White

Christ Jesus is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers-- all things have been created through him and for him. He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross.

And you who were once estranged and hostile in mind, doing evil deeds, he has now reconciled in his fleshly body through death, so as to present you holy and blameless and irreproachable before him-- provided that you continue securely established and steadfast in the faith, without shifting from the hope promised by the gospel that you heard, which has been proclaimed to every creature under heaven. I, Paul, became a servant of this gospel.

I am now rejoicing in my sufferings for your sake, and in my flesh I am completing what is lacking in Christ's afflictions for the sake of his body, that is, the church. I became its servant according to God's commission that was given to me for you, to make the word of God fully known, the mystery that has been hidden throughout the ages and generations but has now been revealed to his saints. To them God chose to make known how great among the Gentiles are the riches of the glory of this mystery, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory. It is he whom we proclaim, warning everyone and teaching everyone in all wisdom, so that we may present everyone mature in Christ.

Reader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Churches.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM: 52

Dennis Fitzgibbons

- 1 You tyrant, why do you boast of wickedness *
against the godly all day long?
- 2 You plot ruin;
your tongue is like a sharpened razor, *
O worker of deception.
- 3 You love evil more than good *
and lying more than speaking the truth.
- 4 You love all words that hurt, *
O you deceitful tongue.
- 5 Oh, that God would demolish you utterly, *
topple you, and snatch you from your dwelling,
and root you out of the land of the living!
- 6 The righteous shall see and tremble, *
and they shall laugh at him, saying,
- 7 "This is the one who did not take God for a refuge, *
but trusted in great wealth
and relied upon wickedness."
- 8 But I am like a green olive tree in the house of God; *
I trust in the mercy of God for ever and ever.
- 9 I will give you thanks for what you have done *
and declare the goodness of your Name in the presence of the godly.

THE GOSPEL LESSON: Luke 10:38-42

Celebrant: The Holy Gospel of our Savior, Jesus Christ, according to Luke.

All: **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

As Jesus and his disciples went on their way, Jesus entered a certain village, where a woman named Martha welcomed him into her home. She had a sister named Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet and listened to what he was saying. But Martha was distracted by her many tasks; so she came to him and asked, "Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to do all the work by myself? Tell her then to help me." But the Lord answered her, "Martha, Martha, you are worried and distracted by many things; there is need of only one thing. Mary has chosen the better part, which will not be taken away from her."

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.

All: **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

GOSPEL RESPONSE *see insert*

The Rev. Amanda Gerken-Nelson

HYMN: #649

"O Jesus, joy of loving hearts"

The Hymnal 1982

THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Leader: Let us declare our faith in God:

All: As children of God, we affirm:

That God, who is Love,
created all and called it good,
that God is present with all of creation,
and that, in darkness and in light, God is faithful;
therefore we, too, seek to be faithful.
That Jesus came to show us Love with a human face,
that he taught justice and reconciliation and suffered
on our behalf, and that through his faithful example,
he embodies hope; therefore we, too, seek to be
people of justice, reconciliation, and hope.

That the Holy Spirit guides and accompanies us,
that this same Spirit offers wisdom and discernment,
and that, when we are open,
the Spirit can always find a way;
therefore, we seek to be people filled with God's Spirit:
discerning, loving and transforming our world.
Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Dennis Fitzgibbons

Leader: In faith and hope we pray:

For the Church of God, that She may be filled with truth and love,
and work for justice and mercy for all of your Creation.

For all bishops and other ministers; and for all people of God.

In our Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we pray for North Haven Summer Services and St.
Philip's by the Sea, Fortunes Rocks, and for parishes in transition.

In our Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we pray for the Episcopal Church.
God of mercy,

All: **Make us instruments of your justice and peace.**

Leader: For the peace of the world,
that a spirit of respect may grow among nations.

For those in positions of public trust that they may serve justice,
and promote the dignity of every person.

For those who suffer due to violence, poverty, or natural disaster;
may all in need of refuge find relief and safety,
God of compassion,

All: Make us instruments of your justice and peace.

Leader: For this congregation
that we may be attentive to one another,
and responsive to the needs of the world.

For our friends and families, those we love;
for our enemies and those who wish us harm.
For any whom we have injured or offended,
that with civility and compassion,
we might restore mutual respect in our communities.
God of reconciliation,

All: Make us instruments of your justice and peace.

Leader: For ourselves; by the grace of the Holy Spirit
may we reflect your love to the world.
For all that is graceful in our lives, and of those we love.
(Please add your thanksgivings here.)
God of joy,

All: Make us instruments of your justice and peace.

Leader: For those whom you have entrusted to our prayers,
may they live in joy, peace, and health:

We pray especially for Bobby; Charles; Kellan; Pat; Mackenzie; Scott; Marcella;
Tim; Sam; Matthew; Sally; Antonia; Al; Alex; Olga; Virginia & Jamil; Ed; Cora; Peter;
Hannah; Paul & Faith; Mike; David; Sarah; Will; Erin; Michael; Roger, Dan &
Maureen; Sher; Jennifer & Matthew; Adam; Eric; Rich, Nancy & Jonathan; Celeste;
Mary; and Joan.
God of love,

All: Make us part of your healing.

Leader: For all who have died
that they may know God's love and life eternal.
As we commend ourselves and one another
to God's love and mercy;
God of grace,

All: Make us now your faithful people.

CONCLUDING COLLECT

Celebrant: God of peace, let your people know that at the heart of turbulence there is an inner calm that comes from faith in you. Keep us from being content with things as they are, that from this central peace there may come a creative compassion, a thirst for justice, and a willingness to give of ourselves in the spirit of Christ.

All: **Amen.**

THE CONFESSION

Celebrant: God is love and we are God's children.
There is no room for fear in love.
We love because God loved us first.
Let us confess our sins in penitence and faith.

Silence is kept.

Celebrant: Most merciful God,
All: **we confess that we have sinned
in thought, word, and deed.
We have not loved you with our whole heart.
We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.**

**In your mercy,
forgive what we have been,
help us to amend what we are,
and direct what we shall be;
that we may act justly,
love mercy, and walk humbly with you,
O God of our salvation
Amen.**

THE ABSOLUTION

Celebrant: Almighty God have mercy on us
forgive us all our sins
through the grace of Jesus Christ,
strengthen us in all goodness,
and by the power of the Holy Spirit
keep us in eternal life.

All: **Amen.**

THE PEACE

Jesus said to the disciples: "Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Do not let your hearts be troubled, neither let them be afraid." ~ *John 14:27*

Celebrant: The peace of Christ be always with you.

All: **And also with you.**

Let us greet one another with the sign of peace, remaining at our seats.

THE MEAL

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

Celebrant: Alleluia. See what love has been given to us, that we should be called children of God; for indeed so we are. Alleluia.

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

MUSIC AT OFFERING

improvised by Dr. John Schuder

Ushers bring the offering plates forward.

OFFERING PRAYER

Celebrant: Let us pray,

**All: All things come of Thee, O Lord, and of Thine own have we given Thee.
Amen.**

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Celebrant: God be with you.

All: And also with you.

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them to our God.

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Holy One.

All: It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Celebrant: All thanks and praise are yours, our true and loving God:
you are the strength and goodness of fatherhood, you are the wisdom
and love of motherhood; you are light and grace and blessed love.
You are Trinity, you are Unity.

With so much of this life beyond our control, often overwhelmed by
anxiety and grief, we gather around your table to remember that there
is nothing the powers of the world can bring, nothing in our present
lives, nor in whatever the future may hold, there is nothing in all
creation that can separate us from your love.

You, O God, are nearer to us than our own soul, for you are the ground
in whom our soul stands. So will we bless you as long as we live, and
lift our voices in praise as we sing:

SANCTUS: S125, *SUNG*

The Hymnal 1982

**All: Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Hosanna in the highest.**

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.
Hosanna in the highest.

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

Celebrant: Gracious One, before you made us, you loved us. And when our sin turns us away from you and causes us pain, in your love and mercy you assure us that all shall be well, all shall be well, and all manner of thing shall be well.

Out of love for us you sent your Son, Jesus, to live and die as one of us, to teach and heal, to feed those who were hungry, to embrace the outcasts. Through his life you showed us the depth of your reconciling love for the world. Through his death and resurrection, you overcame death forever and gave to us everlasting life.

On their last night together, Jesus gathered his friends around the table. He took the bread, gave you thanks, broke it and gave it to them, saying "Take, eat. This is my body, given for you."

After the meal, Jesus took the cup of wine, gave thanks, offered it to them, saying, "Drink this all of you. This is my blood, the cup of God's new covenant with you and with all, the promise of life everlasting. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

The love of Christ restores and transforms us; and we rejoice in our salvation:

All: **We open our hearts to love one another as he loved us;
We remember how he died and rose again to live now in us.**

Celebrant: Together with him, we offer you these gifts, and ourselves, our souls and bodies. Send your Holy Spirit upon us, and upon this bread and this wine, that they may be the Body and Blood of Christ. Empowered by your Spirit, may we do justice and love kindness and walk with you all our days; until at the last, we are gathered home, and our hearts may rest in you.

With all your people, past, present and yet to come, we give you thanks and praise, through the Son and in the Spirit, in every moment of our lives, now and forever.

All: **Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Celebrant: As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

All: 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: Come, we break this bread to share in the Body of Christ.

All: We who are many are one body,
for we all share in the one bread.

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 — with some space between families — 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. At this time, 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 and abstain from sipping. 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.

MUSIC AT COMMUNION

Larghetto

G.F. Handel

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Leader: Let us pray:
All: 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 forever in the risen life
of Christ our Savior. Amen.

SENDING

THE BLESSING

Leader: May God give to us and to all those we love
God's comfort and peace,
God's light and joy,
in this world and the next;
and the grace of our Savior Jesus Christ,
and the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit,
be with us all, now and always.
All: Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Vestry Person of the Week

RECESSIONAL HYMN #656 *"Blest are the pure in heart"*

The Hymnal 1982

THE DISMISSAL

Leader: Go to a waiting world
alive with the hope of Christ.
Go to a troubled world
bearing the peace of Christ.
Go to a searching world
enacting love of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia!
All: Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!

ORGAN POSTLUDE

Maestoso

John Stanley

WORSHIP RESOURCES:

Song of Praise: *The Saint Helena* Breviary. Church Publishing. New York, 2006

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The Collects, Psalms, and Canticles are from the Book of Common Prayer, 1979.

Affirmation of Faith: *Daily Prayers for All Seasons*

Prayers of the All: adapted from *Common Worship*, Church of England.

Concluding Collect: *A New Zealand Prayer Book*.

The Great Thanksgiving: adapted by The Reverend Dr. Nina Pooley

The Confession, The Peace, The Blessing, The Dismissal: *Common Worship*, Church of England.

Post Communion Prayer: *Enriching Our Worship*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Office Hours Change for Rev. Amanda

Amanda's office hours have moved to **Tuesday afternoons from 12 — 3 pm**. During these hours, Amanda will be available at the office. You may also schedule a time to meet with Amanda during her other working days (Wednesdays and Thursdays) by emailing her at amanda@stbartsyarmouth.org

Yarmouth Covid Vaccine Clinic

Sunday, July 24, 3-5 pm

Yarmouth COVID Task Force is hosting a vaccine clinic for everyone, 6 months- adult. Come get your child or yourself vaccinated, or catch up on a booster.

Where: Yarmouth High School Gym, Portland St. entrance

When: Sunday July 24, 3-5 PM

Appointments are encouraged but not required and walk-ins are welcome. To sign up visit:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/yarmouth>

Pop-up Coffee Hour

We noticed how much everyone was enjoying being together outside on 6/5 and 6/12 and wonder if any of you would like to host a pop-up coffee hour over the summer? Pop-up because it will be totally weather dependent and a purposely simple endeavor; just cold drinks, and snacks are optional, pre-packaged, home-made, or none at all. There will be no coffee, as brewing, transporting, serving and cleaning it up bends the simplicity rule. The goal is simplicity and a chance to visit with our parish friends! If there is no host one week, there will be no coffee hour; if it is rainy, there will be no coffee hour.

Please contact Jamie Michaud at jamiemichaud@gmail.com if you are willing and able to volunteer for one of the upcoming summer Sundays! **Coffee hour hosts are needed for Augusta 28, and September 4, 18, and 25.** Thanks!

**Join us for Our Next Spirit Walk to
EVERGREEN CEMETERY!**

Where: Evergreen Cemetery (672 Stevens Ave, Portland, ME 04103) <https://trails.org/our-trails/evergreen-cemetery>

When: Thursday, July 21 Rain Date: Friday, July 22nd

Meeting Time: 9am (walk will start no later than 9:15 am)

Meeting place: Information Center at the main entrance on Stevens Avenue (across from St. Joseph's Catholic Church)

Sign up on the posted sign-up sheet in our Church entry or email cpascarella@maine.rr.com with your name and contact number

Bring: wear sturdy shoes, bug spray, sun block, your own snack and water

No rest rooms at this location

Dogs are welcome on leash

This walk is also suitable for those with mobility challenges (roads are paved) and for taking little tykes in a stroller

Please read the description of the walk to assure is suitable for you.

More information can be found at: <https://mainebyfoot.com/evergreen-cemetery-and-baxter-woods-portland/>

We are looking forward to our walk ...hope you can join us!

Knowing that we all have varied schedules and lives, if you cannot join us, we are hoping that you may want to explore this preserve too.

Let us know what you think!

Handwork Group Continues through the Summer

1st & 3rd Mondays, 3 - 4:30 pm

The handwork group will continue to meet July and August by Zoom. We will be meeting on the first and third Mondays from 3 - 4:30 pm. Please join us to enjoy handwork together or to get some advice on a project you're working on. Great for all levels!

The Zoom link is below...

Join Zoom Meeting:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83556064895?pwd=cUZTMWxJcGZrWFlaakZlajRiTE1jQT09>

Meeting ID: 835 5606 4895

Passcode: 928347

Outreach Opportunity

St. Elizabeth's Pantry has let us know that they have a tremendous need for toothpaste, so the Outreach Committee has issued a challenge to all of us to donate a total of 400 tubes of medium-large toothpaste over the summer. Please bring in your donations and put them in the St. Elizabeth's bin located in the covered walkway.

This community outreach also involves 6 other Portland area churches. The hope is to join together in early September to both gather the contributions and enjoy a group picnic. The result will be lots of sparkly smiles and the joy of participating in a collective effort to support a real need.

WEEKLY DUTIES

TODAY – Creative Eucharist

Celebrant: The Rev. Amanda Gerken-Nelson

Altar Guild: Jamie Michaud & Paule French

Flower Arranger: Susannah White

A/V: Joe Michaud

Bread Baker: Susannah White

Chalice Bearer: Dennis Fitzgibbons

Lector: Susannah White

Ushers: Tom Hyndman & Nick Desiderio

Counters: Pal Covie & Pamela Trudo

Lawn Care: Peter Sillin

Vestry Person of the Week: Anne Berg

Coffee Hour: Imelda Schaefer

July 24 – Morning Prayer

Worship Leaders: TBD

Chalice Bearer: Laurie Hyndman

Lector: Elizabeth Ring

Ushers: Nancy Gunzelmann & Linda Draper

A/V: Pal Covie

Altar Guild: Jamie Michaud & Paule French

Flower Arranger: Imelda Schaefer

Counters: Susie Soule & Dennis Fitzgibbons

Lawn Care: John Duncan

Vestry Person of the Week: Susie Peixotto

Coffee Hour: Sarah Covie

July 31 - Holy Eucharist

Guest Celebrant: The Rev. John Balicki
Altar Guild: Jamie Michaud, Paule French
Flower Arranger: Carol Hayes
A/V: Peter Sillin
Bread Baker: Peter Sillin
Lector: Pat Covie
Chalice Bearer: Carla Hunt
Ushers: Ann Donaghy, Pam Hobson
Counters: Morris Hancock, Tom Hyndman
Lawn Care: Peter Sillin
VPOW: Arthur Wolverton
Coffee Hour: Susan Soule



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