

A Celebration of New Ministry
Welcoming
The Rev. Amanda Gerken-Nelson
as the Priest-in-Charge



St. Bartholomew's Episcopal Church
Yarmouth, ME

Sunday, June 12th, 2022 at 4:00pm

The Rt. Rev. Thomas James Brown
Tenth Bishop of Maine, Presiding

Welcome

Gathering Hymn #518

Christ is made the sure foundation

1 Christ is made the sure foun - da - tion, Christ the head and
 2 All that ded - i - cat - ed ci - ty, dear - ly loved of
 3 To this tem - ple, where we call thee, come, O Lord of
 4 Here vouch - safe to all thy serv - ants what they ask of

cor - ner - stone, cho - sen of the Lord, and pre - cious,
 God on high, in ex - ult - ant ju - bi - la - tion
 Hosts, to - day; with thy wont - ed lov - ing - kind - ness
 thee to gain; what they gain from thee, for ev - er

bind - ing all the Church in one; ho - ly Zi - on's
 pours per - pet - ual mel - o - dy; God the One in
 hear thy serv - ants as they pray, and thy full - est
 with the bless - ed to re - tain, and here - af - ter

help for ev - er, and her con - fi - dence a - lone.
 Three a - dor - ing in glad hymns e - ter - nal - ly.
 ben - e - dic - tion shed with - in its walls al - way.
 in thy glo - ry ev - er - more with thee to reign.

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Greeting

Presider: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
People: **And also with you.**

Acclamation

Presider: Creator of all,
Sustainer of all,
Savior of all,
People: **Your glory and majesty
are beyond our understanding,
Your power too awesome to behold.
And yet your love enfolds us as a gentle breeze.**

Presider: Savior of all,
Sustainer of all,
Creator of all,
People: **We bless your holy name.**

The Institution

Sr. Warden: Bishop Brown, we have come together today to welcome Amanda Gerken-Nelson, who has been chosen to serve as Priest in Charge of St. Bartholomew's. We believe that she is well qualified, and that she has been prayerfully and lawfully selected.

The Bishop reads the Letter of Institution

Bishop: Amanda, do you, in the presence of this congregation, commit yourself to this new trust and responsibility?
New Minister: I do.

The Bishop then addresses the congregation

Bishop: Will you who witness this new beginning support and uphold Amanda in this ministry?
People: **We will.**

Bishop: Let us then offer our prayers to God for all God's people, for this congregation, and for Amanda their Priest.

Chalice Bearer: For Amanda, chosen priest in our Church, we pray to you, O Lord.
People: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Chalice Bearer: That she may faithfully fulfill the duties of this ministry, build up your Church, and glorify your Name, we pray to you, O Lord.
People: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Chalice Bearer: That by the indwelling of the Holy Spirit she may be sustained and encouraged to persevere to the end, we pray to you, O Lord.
People: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Chalice Bearer: For her family, Tasha and Karsten, that their presence in our community may be honored and cherished and their contributions celebrated, we pray to you, O Lord.
People: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Chalice Bearer: For all who fear God and believe in you, Lord Christ, that our divisions may cease and that all may be one as you and the Father are one, we pray to you, O Lord.
People: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Chalice Bearer: For the mission of the Church, that in faithful witness it may preach the Gospel to the ends of the earth, we pray to you, O Lord.

People: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Chalice Bearer: For those who do not yet believe, and for those who have lost their faith, that they may receive the gift of your grace, we pray to you, O Lord.

People: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Chalice Bearer: For the peace of the world, that a spirit of respect and forbearance may grow among nations and peoples, we pray to you, O Lord.

People: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Bishop: Ever-living God, strengthen and sustain Amanda, that with patience and understanding she may love and care for your people; and grant that together they may follow Jesus Christ, offering to you their gifts and talents; through Jesus who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

A Reading from the Letter of Paul to the Romans 12:1-18

I appeal to you therefore, brothers and sisters, on the basis of God's mercy, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your reasonable act of worship. Do not be conformed to this age, but be transformed by the renewing of the mind, so that you may discern what is the will of God—what is good and acceptable and perfect.

For by the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think of yourself more highly than you ought to think but to think with sober judgment, each according to the measure of faith that God has assigned. For as in one body we have many members and not all the members have the same function, so we, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually we are members one of another. We have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us: prophecy, in proportion to faith; ministry, in ministering; the teacher, in teaching; the encourager, in encouragement; the giver, in sincerity; the leader, in diligence; the compassionate, in cheerfulness.

Let love be genuine; hate what is evil; hold fast to what is good; love one another with mutual affection; outdo one another in showing honor. Do not lag in zeal; be ardent in spirit; serve the Lord. Rejoice in hope; be patient in affliction; persevere in prayer. Contribute to the needs of the saints; pursue hospitality to strangers.

Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. Rejoice with those who rejoice; weep with those who weep. Live in harmony with one another; do not be arrogant, but associate with the lowly; do not claim to be wiser than you are. Do not repay anyone evil for evil, but take thought for what is noble in the sight of all. If it is possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all.

Reader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

The Gospel Lesson: John 15:9-16

Presider: The Holy Gospel of our Savior, Jesus Christ, according to John.

People: **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus said to his disciples, "As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete. "This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name."

Presider: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

Hymn

Evangelical Lutheran Worship, #808

Lord Jesus, You Shall Be My Song



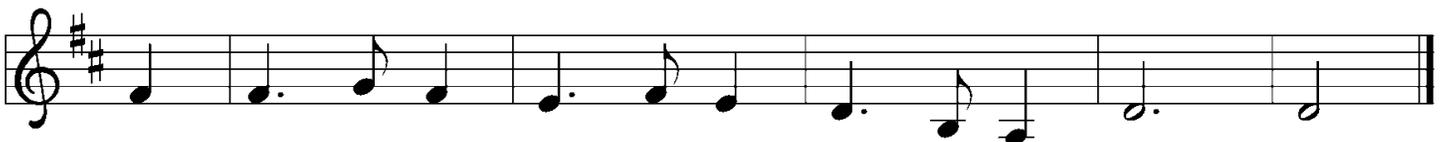
1 *Jé - sus, je vou - drais te chan - ter sur ma rou - te;*
 1 Lord Je - sus, you shall be my song as I jour - ney;
 2 Lord Je - sus, I'll praise you as long as I jour - ney.
 3 As long as I live, Je - sus, make me your ser - vant,
 4 I fear in the dark and the doubt of my jour - ney;



Jé - sus, je vou - drais t'an - non - cer à mes voi - sins par - tout,
 I'll tell ev - 'ry - bod - y a - bout you wher - ev - er I go:
 May all of my joy be a faith - ful re - flec - tion of you.
 to car - ry your cross and to share all your bur - dens and tears.
 but cour - age will come with the sound of your steps by my side.



car toi seul es la vie et la paix et l'a - mour:
 you a - lone are our life and our peace and our love.
 May the earth and the sea and the sky join my song.
 For you saved me by giv - ing your bod - y and blood.
 And with all of the fam - 'ly you saved by your love,



Jé - sus, je vou - drais te chan - ter sur ma rou - te.
 Lord Je - sus, you shall be my song as I jour - ney.
 Lord Je - sus, I'll praise you as long as I jour - ney.
 As long as I live, Je - sus, make me your ser - vant.
 we'll sing to your dawn at the end of our jour - ney.

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The Induction

Representatives of the congregation and of the clergy of the diocese stand before the bishop with the new minister.

Representatives of the congregation present a Bible, saying

Amanda, accept this Bible, and be among us as one who proclaims the Word.

People: **Amen.**

The Bishop presents a vessel of water, saying

Amanda, take this water, and help me baptize in obedience to our Lord.

People: **Amen.**

Others present a stole or other symbol, saying

Amanda, receive this stole, and be among us as a pastor and priest.

People: **Amen.**

Others present a book of prayers or other symbol, saying

Amanda, receive this book, and be among us as a person of prayer.

People: **Amen.**

Others present olive oil or some other symbol, saying

Amanda, use this oil, and be among us as a healer and reconciler.

People: **Amen.**

A Warden presents the keys of the church, saying

Amanda, receive these keys, and let the doors of this place be open to all people.

People: **Amen.**

Representative clergy of the diocese present the Constitution and Canons of this Church, saying

Amanda, obey these Canons, and be among us to share in the councils of this diocese.

People: **Amen.**

Other Representatives of the congregation present bread and wine, saying

Amanda, take this bread and wine, and be among us to break the Bread and bless the Cup.

People: **Amen.**

The Bishop then says

Amanda, let all these be signs of the ministry which is mine and yours in this place.

People: **Amen.**

The new Minister, if a priest, may then kneel in the midst of the church, and may say

O Lord my God, I am not worthy to have you come under my roof; yet you have called your servant to stand in your house, and to serve at your altar. To you and to your service I devote myself, body, soul, and spirit. Fill my memory with the record of your mighty works; enlighten my understanding with the light of your Holy Spirit; and may all the desires of my heart and will center in what you would have me do. Make me an instrument of your salvation for the people entrusted to my care, and grant that I may faithfully administer your holy sacraments, and by my life and teaching set forth your true and living Word. Be always with me in carrying out the duties of my ministry. In prayer, quicken my devotion; in praises, heighten my love and gratitude; in preaching, give me readiness of thought and expression; and grant that, by the clearness and brightness of your holy Word, all the world may be drawn into your blessed kingdom. All this I ask for the sake of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ. Amen.

The Bishop then presents the new minister to the congregation, saying

Greet your new Priest!

The Peace

Amanda: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: **And also with you.**

All gathered greet one another in peace.

The Offering Sentence

Offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving, and make good your vows to the Most High. *Psalm 50:14*

Tonight's offering will go towards the Priest's Discretionary Fund. This is a fund that is used by our Priest to provide confidential financial support to people in need.

Anthem at the Offering

As truly as God is our Father

William Mathias

As truly as God is our Father, so just as truly is God our Mother.

*In our Father, God Almighty, we have our being;
in our merciful Mother we are remade and restored.*

Our fragmented lives are knit together.

*And by giving and yielding ourselves, through grace,
to the Holy Spirit we are made whole.*

*It is I, the strength and goodness of Fatherhood,
it is I, the wisdom of Motherhood.*

It is I, the light and grace of holy love.

It is I, the Trinity, it is I, the Unity.

I am the sovereign goodness in all things.

It is I Who teach you to love.

It is I Who teach you to desire.

It is I Who am the reward of all true desiring.

All shall be well, and all manner of thing shall be well. Amen.

--Julian of Norwich (b.1342)

Offertory Prayer

Presider: **All things come of thee, O God,
and of thine own have we given thee. Amen.**

The Eucharistic Prayer

Presider: God be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Presider: Lift up your hearts.

People: **We lift them to our God.**

Presider: Let us give thanks to the Holy One.

People: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Presider continues:

It is indeed right to give you our thanks and praise, O God, for you loved the world so greatly that you gave your Son, so that all who trust him may have eternal life.

Your powerful voice, thundering over the waters, spoke into being the new-born creation. From your holy throne, surrounded by seraphim, you called your prophets to carry the message of life to those who were beholden to selfish desires.

You sent your Son, Jesus Christ, into the world and when the enemies of life lifted him up to die, you raised him from the grave and made him the source of life for all who look to him in trust and hope. And now your Holy Spirit bears witness within us that we are indeed your children, born from above of water and spirit, and destined to share with Christ in his sufferings and his glory.

Therefore, we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus #S-128, All sing.
Holy, holy, holy

Ho - ly, ho - ly,
 ho - ly Lord, God of power and might,
 heaven 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.

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Blessed are you, O God, who sets the table of creation and invites us to feast with you in a cosmic celebration of love and desire.

We thank you for Jesus, whose life, prayer and ministry opened our awareness to the glory of life and fueled our hunger for your long-anticipated reign of justice, mercy and peace.

We thank you for Christ's passionate solidarity with the suffering of all the earth; for as he bore in his own body the wounds of creation, he embraced us in our brokenness and gathered us into his wholeness so that we might know ourselves beloved and serve with him as priests forever in an all-embracing eucharist.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he 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 shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

So, as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the mystery of our faith:

People say:

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

Presider continues:

Made one with him, and thus one with each other, we lay before you these gifts of bread and wine, in token of our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, for here we offer and present to you ourselves, our bodies, minds and spirits, to be a holy and continuous sacrifice to you.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

The Lord's Prayer

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray,

**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.**

The Fraction

Presider: Taste and see that the Lord is good;
People: **happy are those who take refuge in him.** ~ *cf. Psalm 34:8*

The Invitation

Presider: The gifts of God for the people of God.

The Communion

How to receive Communion:

Everyone is welcome to receive communion here at God's table. The ushers will invite you to come forward down the center aisle where you are invited to receive the bread from the worship leader on your side of the aisle. To receive the bread, please place hands facing upward for bread with gluten, hands facing down will indicate you'd like gluten free bread. There will be a Chalice Bearer on each side of the aisle as well, both will have cups 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.

Anthem at the Communion

Ave verum Corpus

William Byrd

*Ave verum Corpus, natum
de Maria Virgine;
vere passum immolatum
in cruce pro homine.
Cujus latus perforatum
unda fluxit sanguine.
Esto nobis praegustatem
in mortis examine.
O dulcis, O pie,
O Jesu Fili Mariae,
miserere mei. Amen.*

Hail, true Body, born
of the Virgin Mary;
Who truly suffered,
and was sacrificed on the cross for us,
and whose pierced side flowed with
water and blood. May this be for
us a foretaste (of the heavenly banquet)
in the trial of death.
O sweet, merciful Jesus,
Son of Mary,
have mercy. Amen.

Post Communion Prayer

Bishop: Almighty God, we thank you for feeding us with the holy food of the Body and Blood of your Son, and for uniting us through him in the fellowship of your Holy Spirit. We thank you for raising up among us faithful servants for the ministry of your Word and Sacraments. We pray that Amanda may be to us an effective example in word and action, in love and patience, and in holiness of life. Grant that we, with her, may serve you now, and always rejoice in your glory; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Blessing

Go out into the world,
and labor to bring forth new life.
Dream dreams, pursue visions
and speak of God's goodness
in the words of those who would hear.

And may the God who breathed life into creation be your delight.
May Christ Jesus give hope to your dreaming,
and may the Holy Spirit, your advocate and supporter,
set your hearts ablaze with a passion for peace.
Amen.

Closing Hymn #780

Wonder, Love, and Praise

Lord, you give the great commission

1. Lord, you give the great com - mis - sion: "Heal the
 2. Lord, you call us to your ser - vice: "In my
 3. Lord, you make the com - mon ho - ly: "This my
 4. Lord, you show us love's true mea - sure: "Fa - ther,
 5. Lord, you bless with words as - sur - ing; "I am

sick and preach the word." Lest the church ne -
 name bap - tize and teach." That the world may
 bod - y, this my blood." Let us all, for
 what they do, for - give." Yet we hoard as
 with you to the end." Faith and hope and

glect its mis - sion, and the gos - pel go un -
 trust your prom - ise, life a - bun - dant meant for
 earth's true glo - ry, dai - ly lift life heav - en -
 pri - vate trea - sure all that you so free - ly
 love re - stor - ing, may we serve as you in -

heard, help us wit - ness to your pur - pose
 each, give us all new fer - vor, draw us
 ward, ask - ing that the world a - round us
 give. May your care and mer - cy lead us
 tend and, a - mid the cares that claim us,

Refrain

with re - newed in - teg - ri - ty.
 clos - er in com - mun - i - ty.
 share your chil - dren's lib - er - ty.
 to a just so - ci - e - ty.
 hold in mind e - ter - ni - ty.

With the Spir - it's
 gifts em - power us for the work of min - is - try.

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The Dismissal

Presider: We go in peace to love and serve the Lord,
People: **In the name of Christ. Amen.**

Organ Postlude

Presto (Organ Concerto, Opus 4/5)

G. F. Handel

Please join us after the service for a reception.

Worship Resources:

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Co-Celebrant:	The Rev. Amanda Gerken-Nelson, Priest in Charge
Musician:	Dr. John Schuder, Interim Music Director
Chalice Bearer:	Pal Covie, Vested
Chalice Bearer:	Lisa Fitzgibbons, Non-Vested
Lector:	Chrystena Hahn
Ushers:	Ann Donaghy & Nancy Gunzelmann
Bishop's Assistant:	Imelda Schaefer
Acolyte:	Juliette Ciarimboli
A/V:	Joe Michaud
Altar Guild:	Linda & John Perkins
Flowers:	Chrystena Hahn
Bread Baker:	Mary Ann Hodsdon
Welcome:	Arthur Woolverton

Induction Participants

Bible:	Harriet Davis
Stole:	Jan Burson
Book of Prayers:	Steve Hahn
Oil:	Barbara Barhydt
Keys:	Joe Michaud
Bread and Wine:	Carla Hunt and Dennis Fitzgibbons
A Special St. Bart's Gift	Lu Tingley



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