The Eleventh Sunday After Pentecost

Aug 9, 2026 9:30 AM

St. Bartholomew's Episcopal Church, Yarmouth, ME

Prelude, Grave and Allegro, by Tomaso Albinoni

Welcome & Announcements *Jordan Henshaw*

Moment of silence for reflection.

Opening Hymn, #388 O worship the king *The Hymnal 1982*

Opening Words *BCP pg. 355*

Gloria, all verses *Take Up the Song*

Collect of the Day

Grant to us, Lord, we pray, the spirit to think and do always those things that are right, that we, who cannot exist without you, may by you be enabled to live according to your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen**.

THE LESSONS

First Lesson: 1 Kings 19:9-18 Siobhan Byrns and Aoife Furlow

At Horeb, the mount of God, Elijah came to a cave, and spent the night there. Then the word of the Lord came to him, saying, "What are you doing here, Elijah?" He answered, "I have been very zealous for the Lord, the God of hosts; for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away."

He said, "Go out and stand on the mountain before the Lord, for the Lord is about to pass by." Now there was a great wind, so strong that it was splitting mountains and breaking rocks in pieces before the Lord, but the Lord was not in the wind; and after the wind an earthquake, but the Lord was not in the earthquake; and after the earthquake a fire, but the Lord was not in the fire; and after the fire a sound of sheer silence. When Elijah heard it, he wrapped his face in his mantle and went out and stood at the entrance of the cave. Then there came a voice to him that said, "What are you doing here, Elijah?" He answered, "I have been very zealous for the Lord, the God of hosts; for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away." Then the Lord said to him, "Go, return on your way to the wilderness of Damascus; when you arrive, you shall anoint Hazael as king over Aram. Also you shall anoint Jehu son of Nimshi as king over Israel; and you shall anoint Elisha son of Shaphat of Abel-meholah as prophet in your place. Whoever escapes from the sword of Hazael, Jehu shall kill; and whoever escapes from the sword of Jehu, Elisha shall kill. Yet I will leave seven thousand in Israel, all the knees that have not bowed to Baal, and every mouth that has not kissed him."

Lector The Word of the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 85: 8-13 Laurie Hyndman

I will listen to what you are saying, *
for you are speaking peace to your faithful people
and to those who turn their hearts to you.

Truly, your salvation is very near to those who fear you, *
that your glory may dwell in our land.

Mercy and truth have met together; *
righteousness and peace have kissed each other.

Truth shall spring up from the earth, *
and righteousness shall look down from heaven.

You, O God, will indeed grant prosperity, *
and our land will yield its increase.

Righteousness shall go before you, *
and peace shall be a pathway for your feet.

Second Lesson: Romans 10:5-15 Siobhan Byrns and Aoife Furlow

Moses writes concerning the righteousness that comes from the law, that "the person who does these things will live by them." But the righteousness that comes from faith says, "Do not say in your heart, 'Who will ascend into heaven?'" (that is, to bring Christ down) "or 'Who will descend into the abyss?'" (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). But what does it say?

"The word is near you,
on your lips and in your heart"

(that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); because if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved. The scripture says, "No one who believes in him will be put to shame." For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him. For, "Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved."

But how are they to call on one in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in one of whom they

have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone to proclaim him? And how are they to proclaim him unless they are sent? As it is written, "How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!"

Lector The Word of the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Hymn, #608 Eternal Father *The Hymnal 1982*

Holy Gospel: Matthew 14:22-33 *The Rev. Amanda Gerken-Nelson*

Celebrant The holy Gospel according to Matthew.
People **Glory to you, O God.**

Jesus made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, but by this time the boat, battered by the waves, was far from the land, for the wind was against them. And early in the morning he came walking toward them on the sea. But when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were terrified, saying, "It is a ghost!" And they cried out in fear. But immediately Jesus spoke to them and said, "Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid."

Peter answered him, "Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water." He said, "Come." So Peter got out of the boat, started walking on the water, and came toward Jesus. But when he noticed the strong wind, he became frightened, and beginning to sink, he cried out, "Lord, save me!" Jesus immediately reached out his hand and caught him, saying to him, "You of little faith, why did you doubt?" When they got into the boat, the wind ceased. And those in the boat worshiped him, saying, "Truly you are the Son of God."

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

Sermon *The Rev. Amanda Gerken-Nelson*

Moment of silence for reflection.

Hymn, #428 O all ye works of God, now come *The Hymnal 1982*

The Nicene Creed *BCP pg. 358*

The Prayers of the People Laurie Hyndman

RESPONSE
Leader Merciful God,
People **receive our prayer**

PRAYER LIST
Sasha; Paige; Nathaniel; Haskell; Gregory; Andy; Molly; Nova; Ted; Matt & Shannon; Lem; Hana; Hurshell; Melanie; Susan; Sue; Brooke; Elizabeth; Danny; Lin; Caroline; Ed; Greg; Tom; Diane; Kurt; Joe; Kathy; Laura; Brookie; Judy; Celeste; Lisa; and the family of Jennifer Willard.

Confession of Sin *BCP pg. 360*

The Peace *BCP pg. 360*

HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory Sentence *BCP pg. 376*

O Lord our God, you are worthy to receive glory and honor and power; because you have created all things, and by your will they were created and have their being. (Revelation 4:11)

Offertory, "A Prayer for Peace," by Jon Raybould

Offertory Prayer

Let us pray,
All things come from you, O God. And from your wondrous bounty, we offer these gifts. Amen.

Great Thanksgiving *BCP pg.367*

Sanctus*, #*858 *(sung)* *Wonder, Love, & Praise*

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

The Lord's Prayer *BCP pg. 364*

Holy Communion

Everyone is welcome to receive communion at St. Bart's! The ushers will invite you forward to stand around the chancel to receive the bread and the wine. If you would like to receive a blessing instead, simply come forward and cross your arms at your chest. Please use the side aisles to return to your seat.

Communion Hymn, "Precious Lord, Take My Hand"

Precious Lord, take my hand,
Lead me on, let me stand,
I am tired, I am weak, I am worn;
Through the storm, through the night,
Lead me on to the light:
Chorus: Take my hand, precious Lord, lead me home.

When my way grows drear,
Precious Lord, linger near,
When my life is almost gone,
Hear my cry, hear my call,
Hold my hand lest I fall,
Chorus: Take my hand, precious Lord, lead me home.

When the darkness appears,
When the night draws near,
And the day is past and gone,
At the river I stand,
Guide my feet, hold my hand,
Chorus: Take my hand, precious Lord, lead me home.

Postcommunion Prayer *BCP pg. 365*

Blessing

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.
Amen.

Closing Hymn, #414 God, my King, thy might confessing *The Hymnal 1982*

The Dismissal *BCP Pg. 366*

Celebrant Let us go forth in the name of Christ.
People **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude, Sonata in b minor, by J. Krebs

Worship Resource

Psalm: The St. Helena Breviary
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Serving in Worship Today

Celebrant	The Rev. Amanda Gerken-Nelson
Chalice Bearer	Laurie Hyndman
Nonvested Chalice Bearer	Matt Kennedy
Lector	Siobhan Byrns and Aoife Furlow
Ushers	Jay & Basil Souder
Altar Guild	Linda and John Perkins
Flower Arranger	Mary Calvin
A/V	Joe Michaud
Music	Dr. Christina Edelen
Musicians	Nan White and Eileen Bonine (flutes)
Bread Baker	Nancy Gunzelmann
Counters	Pam Hobson, Dennis Fitzgibbons
Lawn Care	Tom Hyndman
VPOW	Jordan Henshaw
Coffee Hour	Pam Hobson

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