



ST. BARTHOLOMEW'S
EPISCOPAL CHURCH

THE THIRD SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY
SATURDAY, JANUARY 23, 2021
EVENING PRAYER, IN THE CELTIC TRADITION
4:00 P.M.

OUR MISSION:

We are called to be disciples of Christ,
revealing His Life, Love and
Light to the World.

NUESTRA MISIÓN:

Estamos llamados a
ser discípulos de Cristo,
revelando su vida, amor y luz al mundo.

OUR VISION:

St. Bartholomew's Episcopal Church is a
radically welcoming, inclusive faith family –
sharing and teaching the love of Jesus Christ
through our worship, actions and outreach:
transforming ourselves and the world.

NUESTRA VISIÓN:

La Iglesia Episcopal de San Bartolomé es una
familia de fe radicalmente acogedora e
inclusiva, que comparte y enseña el amor de
Jesucristo a través de nuestra alabanzas,
acciones y alcance: transformándonos a
nosotros mismos y al mundo.

GATHERING MUSIC

OPENING HYMN

“Will You Come and Follow Me” *(sung by cantor)*

KELVINGROVE, 7.6.7.6.7.7.7.6;
words, John L. Bell (b. 1949);
music, trad. Scottish melody

¹ Will you come and follow me if I but call your name?
Will you go where you don't know and never be the same?
Will you let my love be shown, Will you let my name be known,
Will you let my life be grown in you and you in me?

² Will you leave yourself behind if I but call your name?
Will you care for cruel and kind and never be the same?
Will you risk the hostile stare should your life attract or scare?
Will you let me answer prayer in you and you in me?

³ Will you let the blinded see if I but call your name?
Will you set the prisoners free and never be the same?
Will you kiss the leper clean, and do such as this unseen,
And admit to what I mean in you and you in me?

⁴ Will you love the 'you' you hide if I but call your name?
Will you quell the fear inside and never be the same?
Will you use the faith you've found to reshape the world around,
Through my sight and touch and sound in you and you in me?

⁵ Lord, your summons echoes true when you but call my name.
Let me turn and follow you and never be the same.
In your company I'll go where your love and footsteps show.
Thus I'll move and live and grow in you and you in me.

WORDS OF WELCOME

OPENING SENTENCES

Celebrant The God of love is with us.

People **The Spirit of love is in us.**

Celebrant Risen Lord, light of all peoples, come stand among us.

People **Scatter the darkness before us, that we may walk as children of light.**

THE INVITATORY AND PSALTER

Celebrant O God, make speed to save us.

People **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 APPOINTED

Psalm 62: 6-14: *Nonne Deo?*; tone VIII.1



⁶ For God alone my soul in / silence waits; *
truly, my / hope is in him.

⁷ He alone is my rock and my sal- / vation, *
my stronghold, so that I shall / not be shaken.

⁸ In God is my safety and my / honor; *
 God is my strong rock / and my refuge.

⁹ Put your trust in him always, O / people, *
 pour out your hearts before him, for God / is our refuge.

¹⁰ Those of high degree are but a / fleeting breath, *
 even those of low estate can- / not be trusted.

¹¹ On the scales they are lighter / than a breath, *
 all of / them together.

¹² Put no trust in extortion; in robbery take no / empty pride; *
 though wealth increase, set not your / heart upon it.

¹³ God has spoken once, twice have I / heard it, *
 that pow- / er belongs to God.

¹⁴ Steadfast love is / yours, O Lord, *
 for you repay everyone ac- / cording to his deeds.

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 EPISTLE

1 Corinthians 7: 29-31: *The Unmarried and the Widows*

I mean, brothers and sisters, the appointed time has grown short; from now on, let even those who have wives be as though they had none, and those who mourn as though they were not mourning, and those who rejoice as though they were not rejoicing, and those who buy as though they had no possessions, and those who deal with the world as though they had no dealings with it. For the present form of this world is passing away.

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

People **Thanks be to God.**

THE GOSPEL

Mark 1: 14-20: *Jesus Calls the First Disciples*

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Mark.

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

At the conclusion of the Gospel:

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

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

THE SERMON

THE NICENE CREED

WE believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son he is worshipped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Intercessor The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Intercessor We pray now for the needs of all people throughout the world, remembering that God brings light to any darkness. Let us pray.

Intercessor Gracious God, empower the Church throughout the world in its life and witness. Break down the barriers that divide, so that united in your truth and love, the Church may confess your name, share one baptism, sit at one table, and serve you with one accord. We pray especially for our diocese, and our Bishop, Susan.

People **Light of the world, be known to us.**

Intercessor Guide the rulers of the nations. Move them to set aside their fear, greed, and vain ambition, and to strive for justice and peace, so that all your children may be free. We pray especially for Joseph, our president, and Gavin, our governor.

People **Light of the world, be known to us.**

Intercessor Hear the cries of those who are hungry, homeless, and suffering, those near and those far. Give those of us who consume most of the earth's resources the will to reorder our lives, so that all may have their rightful share of food, care, shelter, and fullness of life.

People **Light of the world, be known to us.**

Intercessor Look with compassion on all who suffer illness and distress, especially _____ and those we now name.

The congregation is invited to add their own intercessions.

Intercessor Support them with your love and lead us to be healers for all we encounter, in the name of Christ.

People **Light of the world, be known to us.**

Intercessor With thanksgiving, we remember those who have died, saints who bore witness to your light, especially _____ and those we now name.

The congregation is invited to add their own intercessions.

Intercessor Allow us to persevere in faith, mercy, and love, and at the end of our lives behold your glory.

People **Light of the world, be known to us.**

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

The Celebrant says:

GIVE us grace, O Lord, to answer readily the call of our Savior Jesus Christ and proclaim to all people the Good News of his salvation, that we and the whole world may perceive the glory of his marvelous works; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

THE PEACE

Celebrant The Peace of Christ be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

OFFERTORY MUSIC

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Celebrant God be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

WE offer you praise and hearts lifted high, O God, whose light enlightens every human being, and whose love offers to all hope for new life. And so with the whole realm of nature around us, with earth, sea, and sky, with the light of sun and stars, with angels of light, with saints of heaven and earth, we join in the song of your unending greatness:

HOLY, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest!

Holy in the heights of heaven, holy in the depths of earth, O God, your glory knows no bounds, and your love is without end. The Word that was in the beginning, and through whom all things were made, you sent to dwell among us, full of grace and truth, that believing in him we may have springs of life within. We bless you that in love for the world, your Son laid down his life and overcame death's powers to be our hope of life everlasting; that in love he poured out his Spirit to lead us through encircling darkness into all truth; and that in love he returned to the Source of Light to draw all the earth to himself.

To the very end Jesus loved those whom he had been given, and prayed that his life might be in them. On the night he was betrayed, Jesus took bread, and having blessed it, he broke the bread and gave it to his friends, saying, "Take, eat, this is my body which is broken for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." In the same way he took wine and, having given thanks for it, poured it out and gave the cup to them, saying, "Drink this, all of you: This is my blood which is poured out for you. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

People Remembering his eternal self-giving, we proclaim the mystery of Christ among us. Made one with him, and one with each other, we offer these gifts and with them ourselves, a single, holy, living sacrifice.

Hear us now, O Christ, and breathe your Spirit upon us, and upon this bread and this wine, that they may be heaven's food and drink for us, for you are the living bread that comes down from heaven to give life to the world; you are the true vine without whom we can do nothing. We ask these things in the name of Jesus, by whom, with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor is yours, almighty God, world without end. **Amen.**

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

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.**

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Celebrant Bread of life, nourish our souls.

People Light of the world, shine in our hearts.

Celebrant The gifts of God for the people of God.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

MY Jesus, I believe you are truly present in the Blessed Sacrament. I love you above all things, and long for you in my soul. I am grateful to know there are many ways I can receive you, but whatever way I do, I know you come into my heart, body, and soul, as you have come so many times and always will. I embrace you and unite myself entirely to you; never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.

COMMUNION MUSIC

THE POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Celebrant Let us pray.

People O God, in love you have called us to be your people, and in love we have shared this bread and wine; may the flame of your love be rekindled in our hearts by this holy meal, and may its light guide us on our journey and lead us home to you; in the name of God, Creator, Redeemer, and Sanctifier. Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Thank you for your participation in today's service. Your presence is a blessing to us.
"All are welcome. No exceptions."*

BLESSING OF BIRTHDAYS

WATCH over your children, O Lord, as their days increase; bless and guide them wherever they may be. Strengthen them when they stand; comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful; raise them up if they fall; and in their hearts may your peace which passes understanding abide all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

BLESSING OF ANNIVERSARIES

GRACIOUS God, we thank and praise you for the gift of marriage and committed relationships, and the love and joy they bring. Pour out, we pray, your love, joy, grace, and peace into the hearts of all who are celebrating their anniversaries this week. We pray you will continue to bless and to keep them, and be their source, supply, and ever-present help in times of need. May their home be a place of peace and comfort, and grant them many more years of joy and happiness together. We pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

THE BLESSING

Celebrant May the light of Christ be in our hearts: the small light that glows like a great fire, the warm light that feels like a great love, and the bright light that leads us on our way. And may Christ's love so fill us that we may be lights to the world. And the blessing God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be with you and remain with you always. Amen.

THE DISMISSAL

Deacon Let us go forth into the world to share the light of Christ.

People **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE