



ST. BARTHOLOMEW'S
EPISCOPAL CHURCH

THE FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT/
EL CUARTO DOMINGO DE CUARESMA
EVENING PRAYER AND HOLY EUCHARIST,
IN THE CELTIC TRADITION
SATURDAY, MARCH 18, 2023
5:00 P.M.

OUR MISSION:

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

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 MISIÓN:

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

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 nuestras alabanzas, acciones, y alcance:
transformándonos a nosotros mismos y al mundo

GATHERING MUSIC

WORDS OF WELCOME

Please stand, as able.

OPENING HYMN (see next page)
“Be Thou my Vision”

SLANE, 10.10.10.10;
words, anon. 8th c.
music, trad. Irish melody

1 Be thou my vi - sion, O Lord of my heart;
 2 Be thou my wis - dom, and thou my true word;
 3 High King of hea - ven, when vic - tory is won,

all else be nought to me, save that thou art -
 I ev - er with thee and thou with me, Lord;
 may I reach hea - ven's joys, bright hea - ven's Sun!

thou my best thought, by day or by night,
 thou my great Fa - ther; thine own may I be;
 Heart of my heart, what - ev - er be - fall,

wak - ing or sleep - ing, thy pres - ence my light.
 thou in me dwell - ing, and I one with thee.
 still be my vis - ion, O Ru - ler of all.

THE OPENING SENTENCES

Presider The God of peace is with us.

People The Spirit of peace is in us.

Presider Come, Lord Christ, come into our hearts.

People Come, Lord Christ, and bring us your peace.

THE CONFESSION OF SIN

Presider We gather together in search of wholeness, but our brokenness separates us from God and from one another. Let us confess our sins together.

A period of silence is kept.

People

God of mercy, you sent Jesus Christ to seek and save the lost. We confess that we have strayed from you and turned aside from your ways. We have followed our pride, failed in love, neglected justice, and ignored truth. Have mercy, O God, and forgive our sin. Return us to the path of righteousness through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

Presider

May the forgiveness of God, the love of Christ, and the peace of the Holy Spirit be in our hearts and guide our lives this day and always. **Amen.**

THE PHOS HILARON

music, arr. John-Luke Addison (b. 1989)

The musical score for 'The Phos Hilaron' consists of three staves of music in 4/4 time, treble clef, and F major. The lyrics are integrated into the music, with each line of text corresponding to a specific melodic line. The chords are indicated above the staff.

Light of the world, in grace and beau-ty, mir-ror of God's e - ter - nal
face, trans-par-ent flame of love's free du - ty, you bring sal-
va - tion to our race. Now as we see the lights of
eve - ning, we raise our voice in hymns of praise; wor-thy are
you of end - less bless - ing, sun of our night, lamp of our days.

Presider

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 ever shall be: world without end. Amen.

Please be seated.

THE FIRST LESSON

1 Samuel 16: 1-13, *David Anointed as King*

A reading from the first Book of Samuel.

THE Lord said to Samuel, “How long will you grieve over Saul? I have rejected him from being king over Israel. Fill your horn with oil and set out; I will send you to Jesse the Bethlehemite, for I have provided for myself a king among his sons.” Samuel said, “How can I go? If Saul hears of it, he will kill me.” And the Lord said, “Take a heifer with you, and say, ‘I have come to sacrifice to the Lord.’ Invite Jesse to the sacrifice, and I will show you what you shall do; and you shall anoint for me the one whom I name to you.” Samuel did what the Lord commanded, and came to Bethlehem. The elders of the city came to meet him trembling, and said, “Do you come peaceably?” He said, “Peaceably; I have come to sacrifice to the Lord; sanctify yourselves and come with me to the sacrifice.” And he sanctified Jesse and his sons and invited them to the sacrifice.

When they came, he looked on Eliab and thought, “Surely the Lord’s anointed is now before the Lord.” But the Lord said to Samuel, “Do not look on his appearance or on the height of his stature, because I have rejected him; for the Lord does not see as mortals see; they look on the outward appearance, but the Lord looks on the heart.” Then Jesse called Abinadab, and made him pass before Samuel. He said, “Neither has the Lord chosen this one.” Then Jesse made Shammah pass by. And he said, “Neither has the Lord chosen this one.” Jesse made seven of his sons pass before Samuel, and Samuel said to Jesse, “The Lord has not chosen any of these.” Samuel said to Jesse, “Are all your sons here?” And he said, “There remains yet the youngest, but he is keeping the sheep.” And Samuel said to Jesse, “Send and bring him; for we will not sit down until he comes here.” He sent and brought him in. Now he was ruddy, and had beautiful eyes, and was handsome. The Lord said, “Rise and anoint him; for this is the one.” Then Samuel took the horn of oil, and anointed him in the presence of his brothers; and the spirit of the Lord came mightily upon David from that day forward. Samuel then set out and went to Ramah.

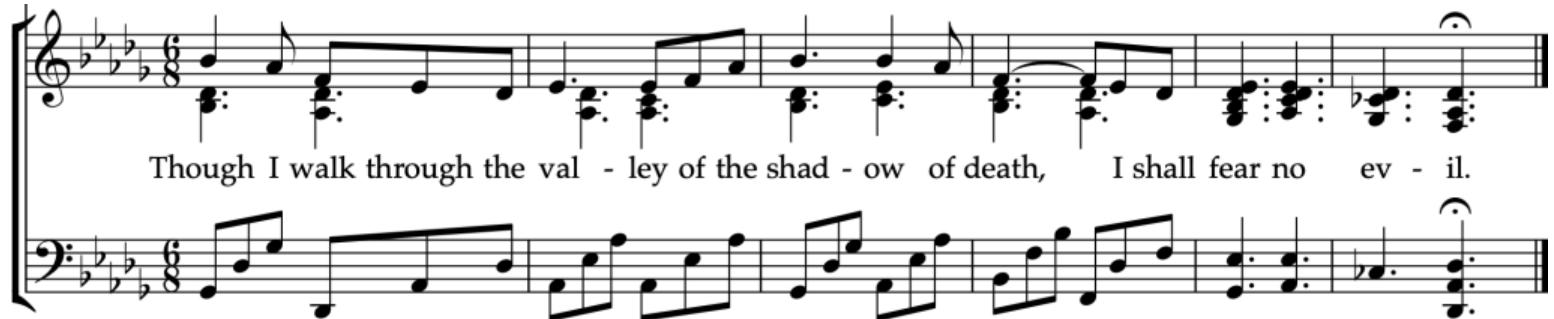
Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God’s people.

People Thanks be to God.

THE PSALM APPOINTED

Psalm 23, *Dominus regit me;*
music, John-Luke Addison (b. 1989)

Refrain sung first by cantor, then by all:



Though I walk through the val - ley of the shad - ow of death, I shall fear no ev - il.

Verses:



¹ The Lord is my / shepherd; *

I shall not be in / want.

² He makes me lie down in green / pastures *

and leads me beside still / waters.

³ He revives my / soul *

and guides me along right pathways for his Name's / sake.

⁴ Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I shall fear no / evil; *

for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they / comfort me.

⁵ You spread a table before me in the presence of those who / trouble me; *

you have anointed my head with oil, and my cup is running / over.

⁶ Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my / life, *

and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for / ever. (Ant.)

THE SECOND LESSON

Ephesians 5: 8-14, Renounce Pagan Ways

A reading from the letter to the Ephesians.

ONCE you were darkness, but now in the Lord you are light. Live as children of light—for the fruit of the light is found in all that is good and right and true. Try to find out what is pleasing to the Lord. Take no part in the unfruitful works of darkness, but instead expose them. For it is shameful even to mention what such people do secretly; but everything exposed by the light becomes visible, for everything that becomes visible is light. Therefore it says, “Sleeper, awake! Rise from the dead, and Christ will shine on you.”

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

People Thanks be to God.

Please stand, as able, for the Gospel.

THE GRADUAL

music, arr. Richard Proulx (1937-2010)



Praise to you, Lord Je-sus Christ, King of end-less glo - ry!

THE HOLY GOSPEL

John 9: 1-41, A Man Born Blind Receives Sight

Gospeller The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to John.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

AS Jesus walked along, he saw a man blind from birth. His disciples asked him, “Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?” Jesus answered, “Neither this man nor his parents sinned; he was born blind so that God's works might be revealed in him. We must work the works of him who sent me while it is day; night is coming when no one can work. As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world.” When he had said this, he spat on the ground and made mud with the saliva and spread the mud on the man's eyes, saying to him, “Go, wash in the pool of Siloam” (which means Sent). Then he went and washed and came back able to see. The neighbors and those who had seen him before as a beggar began to ask, “Is this not the man who used to sit and beg?” Some were saying, “It is he.” Others were saying, “No, but it is someone like him.” He kept saying, “I am the man.” But they kept asking him, “Then how were your eyes opened?” He answered, “The man called Jesus made mud, spread it on my eyes, and said to me, 'Go to Siloam and wash.' Then I went and washed and received my sight.” They said to him, “Where is he?” He said, “I do not know.”

They brought to the Pharisees the man who had formerly been blind. Now it was a sabbath day when Jesus made the mud and opened his eyes. Then the Pharisees also began to ask him how he had received his sight. He said to them, “He put mud on my eyes. Then I washed, and now I see.” Some of the Pharisees said, “This man is not from God, for he does not observe the sabbath.” But others said, “How can a man who is a sinner perform such signs?” And they were divided. So they said again to the blind man, “What do you say about him? It was your eyes he opened.” He said, “He is a prophet.”

The Jews did not believe that he had been blind and had received his sight until they called the parents of the man who had received his sight and asked them, “Is this your son, who you say was born blind? How then does he now see?” His parents answered, “We know that this is our son, and that he was born blind; but we do not know how it is that now he sees, nor do we know who opened his eyes. Ask him; he is of age. He will speak for himself.” His parents said this because they were afraid of the Jews; for the Jews had already agreed that anyone who confessed Jesus to be the Messiah would be put out of the synagogue. Therefore his parents said, “He is of age; ask him.”

So for the second time they called the man who had been blind, and they said to him, “Give glory to God! We know that this man is a sinner.” He answered, “I do not know whether he is a sinner. One thing I do know, that though I was blind, now I see.” They said to him, “What did he do to you? How did he open your eyes?” He answered them, “I have told you already, and you would not listen. Why do you want to hear it again? Do you also want to become his disciples?” Then they reviled him, saying, “You are his disciple, but we are disciples of Moses. We know that God has spoken to Moses, but as for this man, we do not know where he comes from.” The man answered, “Here is an astonishing thing! You do not know where he comes from, and yet he opened my eyes. We know that God does not listen to sinners, but he does listen to one who worships him and obeys his will. Never since the world began has it been heard that anyone opened the eyes of a person born blind. If this man were not from God, he could do nothing.” They answered him, “You were born entirely in sins, and are you trying to teach us?” And they drove him out.

Jesus heard that they had driven him out, and when he found him, he said, “Do you believe in the Son of Man?” He answered, “And who is he, sir? Tell me, so that I may believe in him.” Jesus said to him, “You have seen him, and the one speaking with you is he.” He said, “Lord, I believe.” And he worshiped him. Jesus said, “I came into this world for judgment so that those who do not see may see, and those who do see may become blind.” Some of the Pharisees near him heard this and said to him, “Surely we are not blind, are we?” Jesus said to them, “If you were blind, you would not have sin. But now that you say, ‘We see,’ your sin remains.”

Gospeller The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Following the repetition of the Gradual, please be seated.

A period of silence is observed, marked by the ringing of a bell at the beginning and the end.

THE SERMON

A period of silence is observed, marked by the ringing of a bell at the beginning and the end.

THE IONIAN CREED

Please stand, as able.

WE believe in God above us, maker and sustainer of all life, of sun and moon, of water and earth, of all humanity. We believe in God beside us, Jesus Christ, the word made flesh, born of a woman, servant of the poor, tortured and nailed to a tree. A man of sorrows, and acquainted with grief, he died alone and forsaken. He descended into the earth to the place of death. On the third day he rose from the tomb. He ascended into heaven, to be everywhere present throughout all ages, and his kingdom will come on earth. We believe in God within us, the Holy Spirit burning with Pentecostal fire, life-giving breath of the Church, Spirit of healing and forgiveness, source of all resurrection and of eternal life. Amen.

THE PRAYERS

Intercessor God be with you.

People And also with you.

Intercessor We pray now for the needs of all people throughout the world, remembering that God offers comfort and peace to all creatures. Let us pray.

Intercessor For the mission of the Church, that in faithful witness it may preach the gospel to the ends of the earth, and especially for our Diocese, and our Bishop, Susan, let us pray to God. God of compassion,

People In your mercy, hear us.

Intercessor For peace in the world, that a spirit of respect and reconciliation may grow among nations and peoples. For the victims of war and disaster, especially _____ and for our own leaders, Joseph, our President, and Gavin, our Governor, let us pray to God. God of compassion,

People In your mercy, hear us.

Intercessor For our enemies and those who have wronged us, and those whom we have injured or offended, let us pray to God. God of compassion,
People **In your mercy, hear us.**

Intercessor For grace to amend our lives and to further the reign of God, let us pray to God. God of compassion,

People **In your mercy, hear us.**

Intercessor For the poor, the persecuted, the sick, and all who suffer; for refugees, prisoners, and all in danger; that they may be relieved and protected, let us pray to God. We pray especially for _____ and those we now name, either silently or aloud.

The congregation is invited to add their own intercessions.

Intercessor God of compassion,

People **In your mercy, hear us.**

Intercessor For those who have died, and in communion with all those who have walked in the way of holiness, let us pray to God. We pray especially for _____ and those we now name, either silently or aloud.

The congregation is invited to add their own intercessions.

Intercessor God of compassion,

People **In your mercy, hear us.**

Presider O God, in your love and goodness you have taught us to come close to you in penitence with prayer, fasting and generosity; accept our Lenten discipline, and when we fall by our weakness, raise us up by your unfailing mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

The Presider says:

GRACIOUS Father, whose blessed Son Jesus Christ came down from heaven to be the true bread which gives life to the world: Evermore give us this bread, that he may live in us, and we in him; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Almighty God, giver of every good gift: Look graciously on your Church, and so guide the minds of those who shall choose a Rector for this parish; that we may receive a faithful pastor, who will care for your people and equip us for our ministries; through Jesus Christ our Savior. **Amen.**

THE PEACE

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

Following the peace, please be seated.

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

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OFFERTORY MUSIC

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Please stand, as able.

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

IT is truly fitting and right to praise you at all times and in all places, O God, Savior of the world. For you made all humankind in your own image, to rule your creation in peace, and commanded us to live together in love forever. And though Cain our father rose in anger and killed his brother, yet you had mercy on him. You gave him a covenant, and marked him with a protecting sign; you placed the gravest sinners beyond human judgment.

With the same steadfast love you led your people Israel out of slavery; and when they deserted you and worshipped false gods—still you did not forsake them. You gave them your law to guide them, and led them through the desert to a new land of promise. Again, when the people of Nineveh were sunk in wickedness, and the earth could no longer bear their wrongs—even then you did not destroy them. You sent Jonah your prophet to warn them of judgment; and the whole people repented, and changed their ways, and were spared.

So in every place where we made war, you have led us towards peace; where we fell into sin, you forgave us; where we wandered, you called us back with promises of love. And in due time you sent your Son himself, to seek out the lost and bring them the good news of your boundless mercy. He did not keep himself to the company of the righteous; he chose sinners for his friends; and laying before them your gift of forgiveness, he died for them, showing the

fullness of love. Then you raised him from the dead, and poured out his spirit on humankind, sharing his victory even with those who rejected him. Now we sinners, too, rejoice to give thanks for the death and risen life of your Son; and in the power of his spirit we have turned from our errors to follow his example, and share his saving life in the breaking of bread.

For on the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given to 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 in 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 of 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."

Therefore, God, of all the things that are yours we offer you these, which are yours especially. We offer them gladly, as he told us, giving thanks for his death and resurrection. And seeing that the power of sin is broken, and Christ is all in all, we praise you and we bless you:

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION



We praise you, we bless you, we give thanks to you, and we pray to you, Lord, our God.

Now send your sanctifying spirit, to show us that this bread and this cup are the body and blood of your Son, and every sin is pardoned, and every debt is redeemed, and you have made us your holy people. And bring us at last his kingdom of peace. Already we gather to welcome him; and lifting our voices with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we join in the triumphal song:

SANCTUS

music, arr. John-Luke Addison (b. 1989)

The musical score for "SANCTUS" consists of six staves of music in 3/4 time. The key signature is one flat. The chords used are F, C, Dm, B♭, C(sus4), and Gm. The lyrics are as follows:

F C Dm B♭ C(sus4) C

Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,

F C Dm B♭ F

Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,

Dm Gm Dm B♭

Hea - ven and earth, hea - ven and earth, they are both full of your glo - ry;

Dm Gm Dm B♭ C(sus4)

Ho - san-na, Ho - san-na in the high - est hea - ven.

F C Dm B♭ C(sus4) C

Bless - ed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord,

F C Dm B♭ F

Ho - san-na, Ho - san-na in the high - est hea - ven.

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

Presider Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People Therefore let us keep the feast.

Presider The gifts of God for the people of God.

THIS is the table, not of the Church, but of God. It is made ready for those of us who love God, and for those who want to love God more. So, come, those of us who have much faith, and those who have little; those of us who have been here often, and those who have not been here long; those of us who have tried to follow, and those who have failed. Come, because it is God who invites us; it is God's will that we should meet here.

AGNUS DEI

music, John L. Bell (b. 1949)



O Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world;
O Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world;
have mer - cy, have mer - cy, have mer - cy on us.

Please be seated once you receive Communion.

COMMUNION MUSIC

THE POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Please stand, as able.

Presider Let us pray.

ALMIGHTY God, you have given your only Son to be for us both a sacrifice for sin and also an example of godly life: give us grace that we may always most thankfully receive these his immeasurable gifts, and also daily endeavor to follow the blessed steps of his most holy life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Please be seated.

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 AND ANNIVERSARIES

WATCH over your children, O Lord, as they mark this day; 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.

Please stand, as able.

PRAYER OVER THE PEOPLE

Presider Bow your heads before the Lord.

Look down in mercy, Lord, on your people who bow before you; and grant that those whom you have nourished by your Word and Sacraments may bring forth fruit worthy of repentance; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

CLOSING HYMN (see next page)

“Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound”

NEW BRITAIN, 8.6.8.6;
words, John Newton (1725-1807);
music, anon. 19th c.

THE DISMISSAL

Presider Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

1 A - maz - ing grace! how sweet the sound, that
 2 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and
 3 The Lord has prom - ised good to me, his
 4 Through man - y dan - gers, toils, and snares, I
 *5 When we've been there ten thou - sand years, bright

1 saved a wretch like me! I once was lost but
 2 grace my fears re - lieved; how pre - cious did that
 3 word my hope se - cures; he will my shield and
 4 have al - rea - dy come; 'tis grace that brought me
 5 shin - ing as the sun, we've no less days to

1 now am found, was blind but now I see.
 2 grace ap - pear the hour I first be - lieved!
 3 por - tion be as long as life en - dures.
 4 safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.
 5 sing God's praise than when we'd first be - gun.

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