



ST. BARTHOLOMEW'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

THE THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT/ EL TERCER DOMINGO EN CUARESMA MORNING PRAYER AND HOLY EUCHARIST SUNDAY, MARCH 7, 2021 11:00 A.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

“The Old Rugged Cross”

music, arr. John Innes (b. 1937)

*During the music, listen for God's voice calling to you.
Please feel free to list any prayer requests in the comments section.*

WORDS OF WELCOME

GATHERING SONG

“Our Darkness is Never Darkness”

words and music, Taizé Community (France)

Our darkness is never darkness in your sight:
The deepest night is clear as the daylight.

THE OPENING SENTENCES

Officiant Jesus said, "If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me." If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us, but if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

THE CONFESSION OF SIN

Officiant Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence is kept for a time.

Officiant Most merciful God,

People **We confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbor as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your name. Amen.**

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

KYRIE

music, Plainsong, mode IV

THE INVITATORY AND PSALTER

monotone

Cantor O Lord, open thou our lips.

People **And our mouth shall proclaim your praise. Glory be 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.**

Cantor The Lord is full of compassion and mercy: Come let us adore him.

People Amen.

OPENING HYMN

"The Old Rugged Cross"

OLD RUGGED CROSS, 12.8.12.8 with refrain;
words and music, George Bennard (1873-1958)

¹ On a hill far away stood an old rugged cross, the emblem of suffering and shame;
and I love that old cross, where the dearest and best for a world of lost sinners was slain.

So I'll cherish the old rugged cross, till my trophies at last I lay down;
I will cling to the old rugged cross, and exchange it some day for a crown.

² O that old rugged cross, so despised by the world, has a wondrous attraction for me;
for the dear Lamb of God left his glory above to bear it to dark Calvary.

So I'll cherish the old rugged cross, till my trophies at last I lay down;
I will cling to the old rugged cross, and exchange it some day for a crown.

³ In the old rugged cross, stained with blood so divine, a wondrous beauty I see;
for 'twas on that old cross Jesus suffered and died to pardon and sanctify me.

So I'll cherish the old rugged cross, till my trophies at last I lay down;
I will cling to the old rugged cross, and exchange it some day for a crown.

⁴ To the old rugged cross I will ever be true, its shame and reproach gladly bear;
then he'll call me some day to my home far away, where his glory forever I'll share.

So I'll cherish the old rugged cross, till my trophies at last I lay down;
I will cling to the old rugged cross, and exchange it some day for a crown.

THE PSALM APPOINTED

¹ The heavens declare the glory of God, *
and the firmament shows his handiwork.
² One day tells its tale to another, *
and one night imparts knowledge to another.
⁵ In the deep has he set a pavilion for the sun; *
it comes forth like a bridegroom out of his
chamber; it rejoices like a champion to run its
course.
⁶ It goes forth from the uttermost edge of the heavens
and runs about to the end of it again; *
nothing is hidden from its burning heat.
⁹ The fear of the Lord is clean and endures for ever; *
the judgments of the Lord are true and
righteous altogether.
¹⁰ More to be desired are they than gold, more than
much fine gold, *
sweeter far than honey, than honey in the
comb.
¹³ Above all, keep your servant from presumptuous
sins; let them not get dominion over me; *
then shall I be whole and sound, and innocent
of a great offense.
¹⁴ Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my
heart be acceptable in your sight, *
O Lord, my strength and my redeemer.

Psalm 19: 1-4, 7-8, 13-14 *Caeli enarrant*, tone II.1

³ Although they have no words or language, *
and their voices are not heard,
⁴ Their sound has gone out into all lands, *
and their message to the ends of the world.
⁷ The law of the Lord is perfect and revives the soul; *
the testimony of the Lord is sure and gives
wisdom to the innocent.
⁸ The statutes of the Lord are just and rejoice the heart;
the commandment of the Lord is clear and gives
light to the eyes.
¹¹ By them also is your servant enlightened, *
and in keeping them there is great reward.
¹² Who can tell how often he offends? *
cleanse me from my secret faults.

Glory be 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.

THE FIRST LESSON

A reading from the Book of Exodus.

Exodus 20: 1-17: *The Ten Commandments*

THEN God spoke all these words: I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of
the house of slavery; you shall have no other gods before me. You shall not make for yourself an idol, whether
in the form of anything that is in heaven above, or that is on the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the
earth.

You shall not bow down to them or worship them; for I the Lord your God am a jealous God, punishing children
for the iniquity of parents, to the third and the fourth generation of those who reject me, but showing steadfast
love to the thousandth generation of those who love me and keep my commandments. You shall not make
wrongful use of the name of the Lord your God, for the Lord will not acquit anyone who misuses his name.
Remember the sabbath day, and keep it holy. For six days you shall labour and do all your work. But the seventh
day is a sabbath to the Lord your God; you shall not do any work—you, your son or your daughter, your male or
female slave, your livestock, or the alien resident in your towns.

For in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, but rested the seventh day; therefore the Lord blessed the sabbath day and consecrated it. Honor your father and your mother, so that your days may be long in the land that the Lord your God is giving you. You shall not murder. You shall not commit adultery. You shall not steal. You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor. You shall not covet your neighbor's house; you shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or male or female slave, or ox, or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.

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

People **Thanks be to God.**

THE SONG OF MARY (MAGNIFICAT)

"Magnificat Anima Mea" ("My Soul Magnifies the Lord")

Luke 1: 46-55;

music, Taizé Community (France)

Sung twice.

*Magnificat, Magnificat, Magnificat anima mea Dominum,
Magnificat, Magnificat, Magnificat anima mea!*

THE SECOND LESSON

John 2: 13-22: *Jesus Cleanses the Temple*

A reading from the Gospel of John.

THE Passover of the Jews was near, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. In the temple he found people selling cattle, sheep, and doves, and the money changers seated at their tables. Making a whip of cords, he drove all of them out of the temple, both the sheep and the cattle. He also poured out the coins of the money changers and overturned their tables.

He told those who were selling the doves, "Take these things out of here! Stop making my Father's house a marketplace!" His disciples remembered that it was written, "Zeal for your house will consume me." The Jews then said to him, "What sign can you show us for doing this?" Jesus answered them, "Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up." The Jews then said, "This temple has been under construction for forty-six years, and will you raise it up in three days?" But he was speaking of the temple of his body. After he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this; and they believed the scripture and the word that Jesus had spoken.

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THE SERMON

THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit, and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

THE PRAYERS

Intercessor The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Intercessor Let us pray.

<i>Intercessor</i>	Save your people, Lord, and bless your inheritance;
<i>People</i>	Govern and uphold them, now and always.
<i>Intercessor</i>	Day by day we bless you;
<i>People</i>	We praise your name for ever.
<i>Intercessor</i>	Lord, keep us from all sin today;
<i>People</i>	Have mercy on us, Lord, have mercy.
<i>Intercessor</i>	Lord, show us your love and mercy,
<i>People</i>	For we put our trust in you.
<i>Intercessor</i>	In you, Lord, is our hope;
<i>People</i>	And we shall never hope in vain.
<i>Intercessor</i>	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.
<i>People</i>	We entreat thee, O Lord.
<i>Intercessor</i>	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.
<i>People</i>	We entreat thee, O Lord.
<i>Intercessor</i>	Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation. We pray especially for _____ and those we now name.

The congregation is invited to add their own intercessions.

<i>Intercessor</i>	Lord, in your mercy,
<i>People</i>	Hear our prayer.
<i>Intercessor</i>	We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom. We pray especially for _____ and those we now name.

The congregation is invited to add their own intercessions.

<i>Intercessor</i>	Lord, in your mercy,
<i>People</i>	Hear our prayer.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

The Officiant says:

ALMIGHTY God, you know that we have no power in ourselves to help ourselves: Keep us both outwardly in our bodies and inwardly in our souls, that we may be defended from all adversities which may happen to the body, and from all evil thoughts which may assault and hurt the soul; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

THE PEACE

<i>Celebrant</i>	The peace of Christ be always with you.
<i>People</i>	And also with you.

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

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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.**

IT is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Almighty God, Creator of heaven and earth. For in these forty days you lead us into the desert of repentance that through a pilgrimage of prayer and discipline we may grow in grace and learn to be your people once again. Through fasting, prayer and acts of service you bring us back to your generous heart. Through study of your holy word you open our eyes to your presence in the world and free our hands to welcome others into the radiant splendour of your love. 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:

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 and gracious God: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and maker of all. Jesus stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Savior 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 Jesus 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."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

People **Christ has died. Christ has risen. Christ will come again.**

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, Almighty God, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling Christ's death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. 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 Christ. 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 Jesus Christ our Savior.

By Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, now and for ever. **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 Christ our passover is sacrificed for us.

People Therefore let us keep the feast.

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.

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 MOTET

“Oh, For a Closer Walk with God”

words, William Cowper (1731-1800)
music, Charles Villiers Stanford (1852-1924)

OH, for a closer walk with God, a calm and heavenly frame; a light to shine upon the road that leads me to the Lamb! Return, O holy dove, return, sweet messenger of rest; I hate the sins that made thee mourn, and drove thee from my breast. So shall my walk be close with God, calm and serene my frame; so purer light shall mark the road that leads me to the Lamb.

THE POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Celebrant Let us pray.

People Eternal God, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart: through Christ our Lord. Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Thank you for your participation in today's service. Your presence is a blessing to us.
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please visit: www.stbartschurch.org, or scan this code:
"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.

A PRAYER OF ST. CHRYSOSTOM

Officiant Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication to you; and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name you will be in the midst of them: Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come life everlasting. **Amen.**

Officiant Let us bless the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Officiant The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all evermore. **Amen.**

CLOSING HYMN

"Christ is Made the Sure Foundation"

*WESTMINSTER ABBEY, 8.7.8.7.8.7;
words, Latin, trans. John Mason Neale (1818-1866);
music, Henry Purcell (1659-1895)*

¹ Christ is made the sure foundation, Christ the head and cornerstone,
chosen of the Lord, and precious, binding all the Church in one;
holy Zion's help for ever, and her confidence alone.

² All that dedicated city, dearly loved of God on high,
in exultant jubilation pours perpetual melody;
God the One in Three adoring in glad hymns eternally.

³ To this temple, where we call thee, come, O Lord of Hosts, today;
with thy wonted loving-kindness hear thy servants as they pray,
and thy fullest benediction shed within its walls alway.

⁴ Here vouchsafe to all thy servants what they ask of thee to gain;
what they gain from thee, for ever with the blessed to retain,
and hereafter in thy glory evermore with thee to reign.

Join us for ZOOM coffee hour following the service, to say hello!

Meeting ID: 624 892 967, Password: Stbarts60
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TODAY'S WORSHIP LEADERS

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