

THANKSGIVING DAY/ DÍA DE ACCIÓN DE GRACIAS

CHORAL EUCHARIST WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 23, 2022 6:00 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

OPENING HYMN (see next page)

"Come, Ye Thankful People, Come"

ST. GEORGE'S, WINDSOR, 7.7.7.7 D; words, Henry Alford (1810-1871); music, George Job Elvey (1816-1893)



WORDS OF WELCOME

THE OPENING SENTENCES

Presider Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.

People Glory to God for ever and ever.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Presider God be with you.

People And also with you.

Presider Let us pray.

ALMIGHTY and gracious Father, we give you thanks for the fruits of the earth in their season and for the labors of those who harvest them. Make us, we pray, faithful stewards of your great bounty, for the provision of our necessities and the relief of all who are in need, to the glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Please be seated.

THE FIRST LESSON

Deuteronomy 26: 1-11, First Fruits and Tithes

A reading from the Book of Deuteronomy.

V THEN you have come into the land that the Lord your God is giving you as an **V** inheritance to possess, and you possess it, and settle in it, you shall take some of the first of all the fruit of the ground, which you harvest from the land that the Lord your God is giving you, and you shall put it in a basket and go to the place that the Lord your God will choose as a dwelling for his name. You shall go to the priest who is in office at that time, and say to him, "Today I declare to the Lord your God that I have come into the land that the Lord swore to our ancestors to give us." When the priest takes the basket from your hand and sets it down before the altar of the Lord your God, you shall make this response before the Lord your God: "A wandering Aramean was my ancestor; he went down into Egypt and lived there as an alien, few in number, and there he became a great nation, mighty and populous. When the Egyptians treated us harshly and afflicted us, by imposing hard labor on us, we cried to the Lord, the God of our ancestors; the Lord heard our voice and saw our affliction, our toil, and our oppression. The Lord brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, with a terrifying display of power, and with signs and wonders; and he brought us into this place and gave us this land, a land flowing with milk and honey. So now I bring the first of the fruit of the ground that you, O Lord, have given me." You shall set it down before the Lord your God and bow down before the Lord your God. Then you, together

with the Levites and the aliens who reside among you, shall celebrate with all the bounty that the Lord your God has given to you and to your house.

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

People Thanks be to God.

THE PSALM APPOINTED

Psalm 100: Jubilate Deo;



¹ Be joyful in the Lord, all you / lands; *

serve the Lord with gladness and come before his presence with a / song.

he himself has made us,

and we are his; we are his people and the sheep of his / pasture.

² Know this: The Lord himself is / God; *

³ Enter his gates with thanksgiving; go into his courts with / praise; * give thanks to him and call upon his / Name.

⁴ For the Lord is good; his mercy is ever- / lasting; * and his faithfulness endures from age to / age. (Ant.)

A reading from the letter to the Philippians.

Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. Keep on doing the things that you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, and the God of peace will be with 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, Fintan O'Carroll (1922-1981)





THE HOLY GOSPEL

John 6: 25-35, The Bread from Heaven

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

WHEN the crowd found Jesus on the other side of the sea, they said to him, "Rabbi, when did you come here?" Jesus answered them, "Very truly, I tell you, you are looking for me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves. Do not work for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures for eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For it is on him that God the Father has set his seal." Then they said to him, "What must we do to perform the works of God?" Jesus answered them, "This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent." So they said to him, "What sign are you

going to give us then, so that we may see it and believe you? What work are you performing? Our ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written, `He gave them bread from heaven to eat." Then Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but it is my Father who gives you the true bread from heaven. For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world." They said to him, "Sir, give us this bread always."

Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty."

Gospeller The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Following the repetition of the Alleluia, please be seated.

THE SERMON

THE NICENE CREED

Please stand, as able.

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, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. 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 is worshiped and glorified, who 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 God be with you.

People And also with you.

Intercessor Let us pray.

Intercessor God who provides, we offer our praise and thanks, not only for what you give, but

for who you are. May our gratitude increase. In your unbounded mercy,

People Hear our prayer.

Intercessor God who provides, you supply more than we can ask, yet too many people still go

hungry. May your generosity inspire us to be generous in response. In your

unbounded mercy,

People Hear our prayer.

Intercessor God who provides, you have given us an abundant planet to call home. Forgive

our abuse and hoarding of its gifts. Enable us, like the Samaritan, to turn around, change direction, and live in the light of your generosity. In your unbounded

mercy,

People Hear our prayer.

Intercessor God who provides, we give thanks for all you bestow on us. On this Thanksgiving

Day and all the days of our lives, may our awareness of your generosity expand. May our gratitude increase. May our lives become clearer demonstrations of your

lavishness. In your unbounded mercy,

People Hear our prayer.

Intercessor God who provides, you give healing gifts to doctors and nurses, family and friends,

individuals and communities. Send us as grateful healers to those who need our

presence, including and those we now name.

The congregation is invited to add their own intercessions.

Intercessor O God, in your unbounded mercy,

People Hear our prayer.

Intercessor God who provides, we give thanks for your saints who have entered into joy. We

pray especially for _____ and those we now name.

The congregation is invited to add their own intercessions.

Intercessor O God, in your unbounded mercy,

People Hear our prayer.

Presider

Almighty and eternal God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth: Mercifully accept the prayers of your people, and strengthen us to do your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. 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

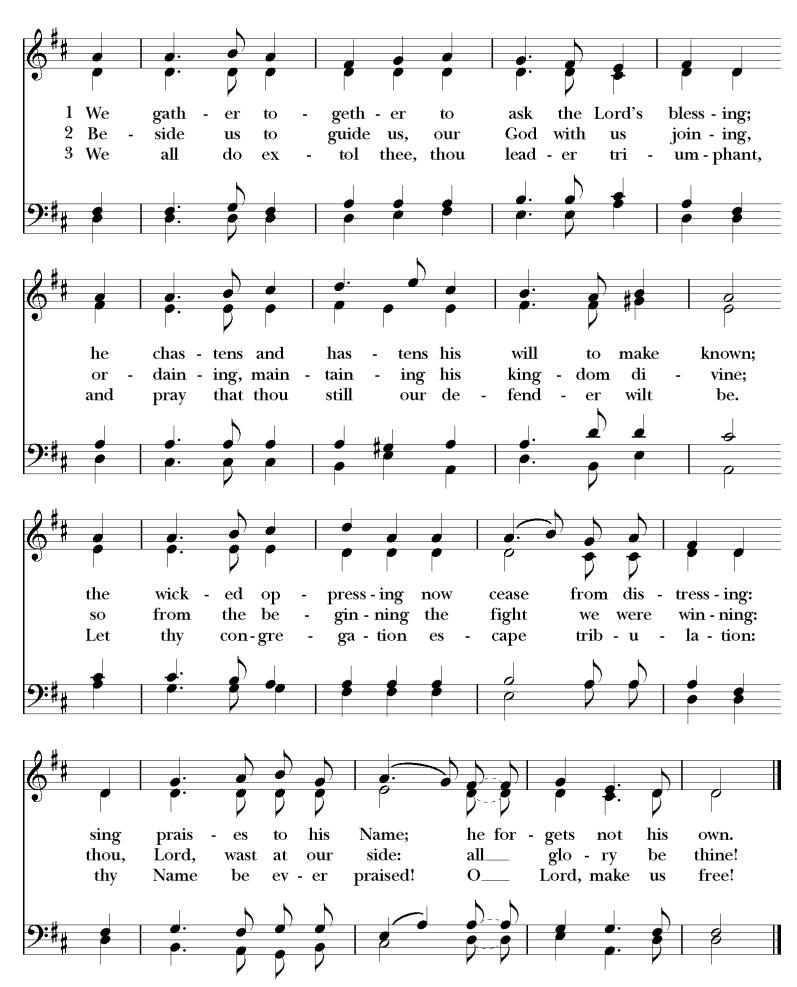
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OFFERTORY HYMN (see next page)

"We Gather Together"

KREMSER, 12.11.12.11; words, anon. 16th c. music, trad. Dutch melody



THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Please stand, as able.

Presider God be with you.

People And also with you.

Presider Lift up your hearts.

Presider We lift them up to God.

Let us give thanks to God.

People It is right to give God thanks and praise.

ALL glory and honor is yours always and everywhere, mighty creator, holy and eternal God, who called all things into life through Jesus Christ your living Word. We thank you for the fruits of our labor and for the harvest of this year. We thank you for keeping our lives in your loving-kindness. We join the choirs of angels and saints in singing with great joy the praise of your glory:

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!

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in Jesus Christ, the Word made flesh. For in these last days you sent Jesus to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In Christ, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In Christ, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, 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, according to his command,

We remember Christ's death, We proclaim Christ's resurrection, We await Christ's coming in glory; And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Savior of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine. We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us in the sacrifice of Jesus Christ, through whom we are acceptable to you, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit.

In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with Bartholomew and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your children; through Jesus Christ our Savior, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation. 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:

UR 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 Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

Presider Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

The gifts of God for the people of God.

PRAYER FOR SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

Labove all things, and long for you in our souls. We are grateful to know there are many ways we can receive you, but whatever way we do, we know you come into our hearts, bodies, and souls, as you have come so many times and always will. We embrace you and unite ourselves entirely to you; never permit us to be separated from you. Amen.

Please be seated once you receive Communion.

COMMUNION HYMN (see next page)

"I am the Bread of Life"

words and music, Suzanne Toolan (b. 1927)



THE POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Please stand, as able.

Presider Let us pray.

OD of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and one another; and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

THE BLESSING

Presider

May God be with you this Thanksgiving; may God's love embrace your gatherings with family and friends; may God's healing balm bring comfort to those suffering among you; may God's compassion shape our conversations and actions; and may God's blessing surround, fill, and carry you now and always. **Amen.**

CLOSING HYMN (see next page)

"Now Thank we all our God"

NUN DANKET, 6.7.6.7.6.6.6.6; words, Martin Rinkart (1586-1649); music, Johann Crüger (1598-1662)

THE DISMISSAL

Deacon Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE



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