



ST. BARTHOLOMEW'S

EPISCOPAL CHURCH

REIGN OF CHRIST

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 22, 2020

CHORAL SERVICE AND SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

11:00 A.M.

GATHERING MUSIC

“Psalm 37”

music, Paul Taylor

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

WORDS OF WELCOME

OPENING HYMN

“O Worship the King”

HANOVER, 10.10.11.11;
words, Robert Grant (1779-1838);
music, William Croft (1678-1727)

¹ O worship the King all glorious above,
O gratefully sing God's power and God's love:
our shield and defender, the Ancient of Days,
pavilioned in splendor and girded with praise.

² O tell of God's might, O sing of God's grace,
whose robe is the light, whose canopy space.
Whose chariots of wrath the deep thunderclouds form,
and broad is God's path on the wings of the storm.

³ The earth with its store of wonders untold,
Almighty, your power has founded of old;
has stablished it fast by a changeless decree,
and round it has cast, like a mantle, the sea.

⁴ Your bountiful care, what tongue can recite?
It breathes in the air, it shines in the light;
it streams from the hills, it descends to the plain,
and sweetly distills in the dew and the rain.

⁵ Frail children of dust, and feeble as frail,
in you do we trust, nor find you to fail;
your mercies, how tender, how firm to the end,
our Maker, Defender, Redeemer, and Friend!

THE OPENING SENTENCES

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
People **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

Celebrant Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Celebrant Let us pray.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, whose will it is to restore all things in your well-beloved Son, the King of Kings and Lord of lords: Mercifully grant that the peoples of the earth, divided and enslaved by sin, may be freed and brought together under his most gracious rule; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

GLORIA

THE PSALM APPOINTED

Psalm 95: 1-7a: *Venite, exultemus*

¹ Come, let us sing to the Lord; *
let us shout for joy to the Rock of our salvation.
² Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving *
and raise a loud shout to him with psalms.

³ For the Lord is a great God, *
and a great King above all gods.
⁴ In his hand are the caverns of the earth, *
and the heights of the hills are his also.

⁵ The sea is his, for he made it, *
and his hands have molded the dry land.
⁶ Come, let us bow down, and bend the knee, *
and kneel before the Lord our Maker.

⁷ For he is our God,
and we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand.

THE EPISTLE

Ephesians 1: 15-23: *Paul's Prayer*

IHAVE heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power.

God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.
People **Thanks be to God.**

THE GOSPEL

Matthew 25: 31-46: *The Judgment of the Nations*

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Matthew.
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 RENEWAL OF BAPTISMAL VOWS

Celebrant Let us renew our Baptismal covenant.

Celebrant Do you believe in God the Father?

People **I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

Celebrant Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

People **I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, He 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.**

Celebrant Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

People **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.**

Celebrant Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of the bread, and in the prayers?

People **I will, with God's help.**

Celebrant Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

People **I will, with God's help.**

Celebrant Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

People **I will, with God's help.**

Celebrant Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

People **I will, with God's help.**

Celebrant Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?

People **I will, with God's help.**

Celebrant Grant, O Lord, that all who are baptized into the death of Jesus Christ your Son may live in the power of his resurrection and look for him to come again in glory; who lives and reigns now and forever. **Amen.**

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Intercessor The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Intercessor Let us pray.

Intercessor Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world. We pray especially for our Diocese, and our Bishop, Susan. Lord, in your mercy,

People **Hear our prayer.**

Intercessor Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good. We pray especially for our President, Donald, our President-Elect, Joseph, and our Governor, Gavin. Lord, in your mercy,

People **Hear our prayer.**

Intercessor During this time of transition following the election, we pray your love, wisdom, peace, discernment and grace be upon us all. May we always see you at work in the world and help us to come together for the good of our country, and endeavor to see Christ in all persons. Lord, in your mercy,

People **Hear our prayer.**

Intercessor 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.

Intercessor Lord, in your mercy,

People **Hear our prayer.**

Intercessor 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.

Intercessor Lord, in your mercy,

People **Hear our prayer.**

THE PEACE

Celebrant The peace of Christ be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

OFFERTORY

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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.**

And now we give you thanks because you anointed Jesus Christ, your only Son, as the eternal priest and King of all. As a priest he offered up his life on the cross, that by his one sacrifice he might present to you an eternal kingdom: a kingdom of truth and life; a kingdom of justice, love, and peace. And so with angels and archangels and all the heavenly host, we proclaim your glory and join their unending hymn of praise:

SANCTUS

music, Healey Willan (1880-1968)

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 are yours, Almighty God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

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

THE LORD'S PRAYER

music, Eric Wyse

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name.
Your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread, forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. 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.

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

"The Majesty and Glory of Your Name" words, Linda Lee Johnston (1944-2018), music, Tom Fettke (b. 1941)

WHEN I gaze into the night skies and see the work of your fingers; the moon and stars suspended in space. Oh, what is man that you are mindful of him? You have given man a crown of glory and honor, and have made him a little lower than the angels. You have put him in charge of all creation: beasts of the field, the birds of the air, the fish of the sea. O Lord, our God the majesty and glory of your name transcends the earth and fills the heavens. O Lord, our God; little children praise You perfectly, and so would we. Alleluia!

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 spiritually 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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"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 grace of God uphold you, the peace of God surround you, the love of God flow from you, and the strength of God protect and bring you safely through this day; and the blessing of God Almighty, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be with you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

CLOSING HYMN

“Crown Him With Many Crowns”

DIADEMATA, 6.6.8.6 D;
words, Matthew Bridges (1800-1894);
music, George Job Elvey (1816-1893)

¹ Crown him with many crowns, the Lamb upon his throne;
hark! how the heav'nly anthem drowns all music but its own:
awake, my soul, and sing of him who died for thee,
and hail him as thy matchless King through all eternity.

² Crown him the Lord of life, triumphant o'er the grave,
who rose victorious from the strife for those he came to save.
His glories now we sing, who died and reigns on high;
he died, eternal life to bring, and lives that death may die.

³ Crown him the Lord of love; behold his hands and side,
rich wounds, yet visible above, in beauty glorified:
no angel in the sky can fully bear that sight,
but downward bends his burning eye at mysteries so bright.

⁴ Crown him the Lord of peace; whose pow'r a scepter sways
from pole to pole, that wars may cease, absorbed in pray'r and praise:
his reign shall know no end; and round his pierced feet
fair flow'rs of paradise extend their fragrance ever sweet.

⁵ Crown him the Lord of years, the Potentate of time;
Creator of the rolling spheres, ineffably sublime:
all hail, Redeemer, hail! for thou hast died for me:
thy praise shall never, never fail throughout eternity.

THE DISMISSAL

Deacon Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

“The Majesty of the Divine Humiliation”

music, John Stainer (1840-1901)

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

St. Bartholomew’s Parish Choir
St. Bartholomew’s Schola Cantorum
Rev. Mark McKone-Sweet, Preacher
Rev. Canon Allisyn Thomas, Celebrant

Rev. Cindy Campos, Deacon
John-Luke Addison, Director of Music
Emily Cashmore Gomes, Lector
Harrison Gomes, Lector

Jenny Yun, Gathering Music
Sean McCormac, Postlude