



ST. BARTHOLOMEW'S
EPISCOPAL CHURCH

THE THIRD SUNDAY IN EASTER/EL TERCER DOMINGO EN PASCUA
REGENERATION CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP
SUNDAY, APRIL 18, 2021
9:00 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 *(sung by worship leaders)*

“Did You Feel the Mountains Tremble?”

words and music, Martin Smith (b. 1970)

Did you feel the mountains tremble?
Did you hear the oceans roar
When the people rose to sing of Jesus Christ the risen one?
Did you feel the people tremble?
Did you hear the singers roar
When the lost began to sing of Jesus Christ the saving one?

And we can see that God you're moving,
A mighty river through the nations,
When young and old return to Jesus.
Fling wide your heavenly gates,
Prepare the way of the risen Lord!

Refrain: Open up the doors and let the music play!
Let the streets resound with singing!
Songs that bring your hope, and songs that bring your joy!
Dancers who dance upon injustice!

Did you feel the darkness tremble,
When all the saints join in one song,
And all the streams flow as one river, to wash away our brokenness?

And we can see that God you're moving,
A time of Jubilee is coming,
When young and old will turn to Jesus.
Fling wide your heavenly gates,
Prepare the way of the risen Lord! (*Refrain*)

WORDS OF WELCOME

OPENING PRAYER

Please stand, as able, for the Gospel.

THE GOSPEL

Luke 24: 36b-48: *Jesus Appears to His Disciples*

Gospeller A reading from the Gospel of Luke.

JESUS himself stood among the disciples and said to them, "Peace be with you." They were startled and terrified, and thought that they were seeing a ghost. He said to them, "Why are you frightened, and why do doubts arise in your hearts? Look at my hands and my feet; see that it is I myself. Touch me and see; for a ghost does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have." And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. While in their joy they were disbelieving and still wondering, he said to them, "Have you anything here to eat?" They gave him a piece of broiled fish, and he took it and ate in their presence.

Then he said to them, "These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you—that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled." Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and he said to them, "Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things.

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

Please be seated.

THE MESSAGE

SONG IN RESPONSE *(sung by worship leaders)*

“Because He Lives (Amen)”

words and music, Matt Maher (b. 1974)

I believe in the Son, I believe in the risen One,
I believe I overcome by the power of His blood.

Refrain: Amen, Amen!

I’m alive, I’m alive because He lives!

Amen, Amen!

Let my song join the one that never ends because He lives!

I was dead in the grave
I was covered in sin and shame
I heard mercy call my name
He rolled the stone away (*Refrain*)

Because He lives, I can face tomorrow!
Because He lives, every fear is gone
I know He holds my life my future in His hands (*Refrain*)

THE PRAYERS

Intercessor God be with you.

People And also with you.

Intercessor Let us pray.

Intercessor We pray for the Church that its mission may reach to the ends of the earth. We pray especially for our Diocese, and our Bishop, Susan. God of peace and love,
People Hear our prayer.

Intercessor We pray for the world that its leaders may follow the path of justice and its peoples the way of peace. We pray especially for Joseph, our President, and Gavin, our Governor. God of peace and love,
People Hear our prayer.

Intercessor We pray for our community that those who make decisions that affect the lives of others may be inspired by your wisdom. God of peace and love,
People Hear our prayer.

Intercessor We pray for those in any need or trouble, especially _____ and those we now name.

The congregation is invited to add their own intercessions.

Intercessor Comfort and restore all who suffer in body, mind, or spirit. God of peace and love,
People **Hear our prayer.**

Intercessor We remember those who have died and those who mourn, especially _____ and those we now name.

The congregation is invited to add their own intercessions.

Intercessor Bring peace to those who mourn in their time of loss. God of peace and love,
People **Hear our prayer.**

THE PEACE

Please stand, as able.

Celebrant Alleluia! The peace of the Risen Christ be always with you.
People **And also with you. Alleluia!**

Following the peace, please be seated.

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

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OFFERTORY MUSIC

“Did You Feel the Mountains Tremble?” (Reprise)

words and music, Martin Smith (b. 1970)

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Please stand, as able.

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:

SANCTUS *(sung by worship leaders)*

music, John-Luke Addison (b. 1989)

Holy, holy, holy, holy,
Heav’n and earth are full, are full of your glory, Lord God Almighty.
Holy, holy, holy, holy,
Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord God Almighty.
Hosanna in the highest! Hosanna in the highest!

We thank you, loving God, because, when we turned away, you sent Jesus, your Son. He gave his life for us on the cross and shows us the way to live. Send your Holy Spirit that these gifts of bread and wine may be for us Christ's body and his blood. On the night before he died, when darkness had fallen, Jesus took bread. He gave thanks, broke it, and shared it with his disciples, saying: "This is my body, given for you. Do this to remember me." After they had eaten, he took the cup of wine, gave thanks, and shared it with his disciples, saying: "This is my blood, poured out for you and for many, for the forgiveness of sins."

So God, with this bread and this cup we celebrate his love, his death, his risen life. As you feed us with these gifts, send your Holy Spirit, and change us more and more to be like Jesus our Savior. Help us, God, to love one another, as we look forward to that day when suffering is ended, and all creation is gathered in your loving arms. And now with Bartholomew and all your saints we give you glory, through Jesus Christ, in the strength of the Spirit, today and for ever. Amen.

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

THE LORD'S PRAYER *(sung by worship leaders)*

music, John-Luke Addison (b. 1989)

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be your name,
Your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as it is in heav'n.
Give us today our daily bread, forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.
And save us from times of trial, deliver us from all evil.
For the kingdom, pow'r, and glory are yours,
Now and for ever. Amen.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Celebrant Gracious God, we come to your table.

People Nourish us with the bread of life and the cup of heaven.

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.

Please be seated once you receive Communion.

COMMUNION SONG *(sung by worship leaders)*

"Broken for Me"

words and music, Janet Lunt

Refrain: Broken for me, broken for you,
The body of Jesus, broken for you.

He offered His body, He poured out His soul;
Jesus was broken, that we might be whole. *(Refrain)*

Come to My table and with Me dine;
Eat of My bread and drink of My wine. *(Refrain)*

This is My body given for you;
Eat it remembering I died for you. *(Refrain)*

This is My blood I shed for you;
For your forgiveness, making you new. *(Refrain)*

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, you have given us bread from heaven to nourish our faith; increase our hope, and strengthen our love. Teach us, we pray, to hunger for him who is the true and living bread, and enable us to live by every word that proceeds from your mouth: through Jesus Christ our Lord. 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.

Please stand, as able.

THE BLESSING

Celebrant May Christ, who out of defeat brings new hope and a new future, fill you with his new life, and the blessing of God, the Lover, the Beloved, and Love itself, be with you now and always. **Amen.**

CLOSING HYMN *(sung by worship leaders)*

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