

ST. BRENDAN THE NAVIGATOR
Deer Isle Maine

Our **Mission** is to **love, praise**, **welcome,** and **serve**:
· to **love** one another as Christ loves us,
· to **praise** God in all things,
· to **welcome** and affirm all persons,
· to **serve** the needs of one another and of those
on the island, the peninsula, and throughout the world.

The Rev. Dr. Edward Dufresne, preaching
Connie Mayo, Musical Director

Morning Prayer
Fourth Sunday after Pentecost
June 28, 2020

Prelude Connie Mayo

A brief silence

Priest: Alleluia! A sound like a violent wind has rushed upon us!
Congregation: **The Holy Spirit has filled this house! Alleluia!**
Priest: May we hear what is being spoken to us in our own language.
Congregation: **Come, let us praise God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, Amen.**

Confession of Sin

Priest: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

Congregation: **Most merciful God, 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 neighbors 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.

Priest: May God forgive us, Christ renew us,
and the Spirit enable us to grow in love. Amen

Opening Hymn 655 *O Jesus, I have promised (in back of this bulletin)*

The Invitatory

Leader: Alleluia. The Spirit of the Lord renews the face of the earth:
Congregation: **Come let us adore her. Alleluia.**
Leader: Glory to God, Source of all being,
Eternal Word and Holy Spirit:*
Congregation: **as it was in the beginning, is now,**
and shall be for ever. Amen.

Psalm 89: 1-18

Leader: I will sing of your steadfast love, O LORD, forever;
with my mouth I will proclaim your faithfulness to all generations.
I declare that your steadfast love is established forever;
your faithfulness is as firm as the heavens. You said,

Congregation: **"I have made a covenant with my chosen one,**
I have sworn to my servant David:
'I will establish your descendants forever,
and build your throne for all generations.'" *Selah*

Leader: Let the heavens praise your wonders, O LORD,
your faithfulness in the assembly of the holy ones.
For who in the skies can be compared to the LORD?
Who among the heavenly beings is like the LORD,
a God feared in the council of the holy ones,
great and awesome above all that are around him?

Congregation: **O LORD God of hosts, who is as mighty as you, O LORD?**
Your faithfulness surrounds you.
You rule the raging of the sea;
when its waves rise, you still them.
You crushed Rahab like a carcass;
you scattered your enemies with your mighty arm.

Leader: The heavens are yours, the earth also is yours;
the world and all that is in it—you have founded them.
The north and the south—you created them;
Tabor and Hermon joyously praise your name.

Congregation: **You have a mighty arm;**
strong is your hand, high your right hand.
Righteousness and justice are the foundation of your throne;
steadfast love and faithfulness go before you.

Leader: Happy are the people who know the festal shout,
who walk, O LORD, in the light of your countenance;
they exult in your name all day long,
and extol your righteousness.

Congregation: **For you are the glory of their strength;**
by your favor our horn is exalted.
For our shield belongs to the LORD,
our king to the Holy One of Israel.

First Lesson: Jeremiah 28:5-9

The prophet Jeremiah spoke to the prophet Hananiah in the presence of the priests and all the people who were standing in the house of the LORD; and the prophet Jeremiah said, "Amen! May the LORD do so; may the LORD fulfill the words that you have prophesied, and bring back to this place from Babylon the vessels of the house of the LORD, and all the exiles. But listen now to this word that I speak in your hearing and in the hearing of all the people. The prophets who preceded you and me from ancient times prophesied war, famine, and pestilence against many countries and great kingdoms. As for the prophet who prophesies peace, when the word of that prophet comes true, then it will be known that the LORD has truly sent the prophet."

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

Congregation: **Thanks be to God**

Second Lesson: **Romans 6:1b-11** (Epistle for Third Sunday after Pentecost)

Should we continue in sin in order that grace may abound? By no means! How can we who died to sin go on living in it? Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? Therefore we have been buried with him by baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life.

For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we will certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. We know that our old self was crucified with him so that the body of sin might be destroyed, and we might no longer be enslaved to sin. For whoever has died is freed from sin. But if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. The death he died, he died to sin, once for all; but the life he lives, he lives to God. So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

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Canticle Q from *Enriching our Worship*

A Song of Christ's Goodness

Anselm of Canterbury

Leader: Jesus, as a mother you gather your people to you;
you are gentle with us as a mother with her children.

Congregation: **Often you weep over our sins and our pride,**
tenderly you draw us from hatred and judgment.
You comfort us in sorrow and bind up our wounds,
in sickness you nurse us and with pure milk you feed us.
Leader: Jesus, by your dying, we are born to new life;
by your anguish and labor we come forth in joy.
Despair turns to hope through your sweet goodness;
through your gentleness, we find comfort in fear.
Your warmth gives life to the dead,
your touch makes sinners righteous.
Congregation: **Lord Jesus, in your mercy, heal us;**
in your love and tenderness, remake us.
In your compassion, bring grace and forgiveness,
for the beauty of heaven, may your love prepare us.

Gospel: Matthew 10: 40-42
Reader: The Holy Gospel according to Matthew
Congregation: **Praise to you, O Christ**
Jesus said, "Whoever welcomes you welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes the one who sent me. Whoever welcomes a prophet in the name of a prophet will receive a prophet's reward; and whoever welcomes a righteous person in the name of a righteous person will receive the reward of the righteous; and whoever gives even a cup of cold water to one of these little ones in the name of a disciple-- truly I tell you, none of these will lose their reward."

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Congregation: **Thanks be to God**

Sermon: "Wanted, Dead *and* Alive" The Rev. Dr. Edward Dufresne

A brief silence

A Creed from the Iona Community

We believe in God, the creator of all life and beauty,
who blesses our journey.
We believe in Jesus Christ,
who lived as a friend and savior to all he met as he traveled,
and who ate and laughed, wept and celebrated with them in love.
We believe in the Holy Spirit,
who rides on the gentle breeze,
who strengthens our bindings, and
who offers hope eternal.
We believe in the church,
which stands open to all travelers, and
bears witness to the everlasting love of God. Amen

Leader: The Peace of the Lord be always with you,
Congregation: **And also with you.**

The Prayers
Leader: The Lord be with you
Congregation: **And also with you**
Leader: Let us pray.

The Lord's Prayer
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 for ever. Amen.

Leader: Help us, O God our Savior;
Congregation: **Deliver us and forgive us our sins.**
Leader: Look upon your congregation;
Congregation: **Give to your people the blessing of peace.**
Leader: Declare your glory among the nations;
Congregation: **And your wonders among all peoples.**
Leader: Do not let the oppressed be shamed and turned away;
Congregation: **Never forget the lives of your poor.**
Leader: Continue your loving-kindness to those who know you;
Congregation: **And your favor to those who are true of heart.**
Leader: Satisfy us by your loving-kindness in the morning;
Congregation: **So shall we rejoice and be glad all the days of our life.**

The Collect of the Day
Leader: Almighty God, you have built your Church upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief cornerstone: Grant us so to be joined together in unity of spirit by their teaching, that we may be made a holy temple acceptable to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.
Congregation: **Amen**

For the Oppressed
Congregation: **Look with pity, O heavenly Father, upon the people in this land who live with injustice, terror, disease, and death as their constant companions. Have mercy upon us. Help us to eliminate our cruelty to these our neighbors. Strengthen those who spend their lives establishing equal protection of the law and equal opportunities for all. And grant that every one of us may enjoy a fair portion of the riches of this land; through Jesus Christ our Lord.**
Leader: Amen.

A Prayer for Unity

Leader: O God, you have bound us together in a common life. Help us, in the midst of our struggles for justice and truth in our nation, to support one another without hatred or bitterness, that, being bonded in love, we may live in unity with you and one another; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Congregation: **Amen.**

Prayers of the People

Leader: Holy Spirit, we circle the world with the flame of your love
and pray for peace and justice where there is inequality and war;
for dancing and joy in place of oppression and the daily grind of poverty.
May all enjoy the feast of life.
Your will be done,

Congregation: **on earth, as in heaven.**

Leader: Lady Wisdom, we circle this gathering with the flame of your love
and thank you for friends and family, for gifts and talents.
We pray for your peace in our hearts as we journey along together
and for a knowledge of your gifts within us.
Your will be done,

Congregation: **on earth, as in heaven.**

Leader: Healing Spirit, we circle with your blessing all those who will be born today.
Protect and cherish them, loving God.
We circle with your healing love all those who are enduring illness or disease.
Be with them in their suffering, O God.
And we circle with your glorious light all those who will die today.
Take them into your arms and embrace them, O God.
Your will be done,

Congregation: **on earth, as in heaven.**

Leader: Please add your own prayers

People are invited to add their own prayers

Leader: Hear our prayers, and bless us, living God.
Hold the secret longings of our hearts in the mystery of your love,
that the light of the Kingdom will continue to shine on earth.

Congregation: **Amen.**

A Prayer for the Power of the Spirit Among the People of God

Leader: God of all power and love,
we give thanks for your unfailing presence
and the hope you provide in times of uncertainty and loss.

Congregation: **Send your Holy Spirit to enkindle in us your holy fire.**
Revive us to live as Christ's body in the world:
a people who pray, worship, learn,
break bread, share life, heal neighbors,
bear good news, seek justice, rest and grow in the Spirit.

Leader: Wherever and however we gather,
unite us in common prayer and send us in common mission,
that we and the whole creation might be restored and renewed,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Benediction

Sending Hymn 568 *Father all loving, who rulest in majesty (in the back of this bulletin)*

Postlude Connie Mayo

Announcements

Dismissal

You are invited to stay for virtual Coffee Hour

Prayers of the People adapted from *Wild Goose Big Book of Liturgies Iona Community OneLicense A-715565*

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The Christian Life



Words: John Ernest Bode (1816-1874), alt.
Music: *Nyland*, Finnish folk melody; adapt. David Evans (1874-1948)

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Words: Patrick Robert Norman Appleford (b. 1925), alt.
Music: *Was lebet,* melody from *Choral-Buch vor Johann Heinrich Reinhardt,* 1754;
harm. Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958) 12 10. 12 10