



ST. BRENDAN THE NAVIGATOR

Deer Isle Maine

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Pentecost Proper 14

August 9, 2026

Celebrant: We acknowledge that the land we now occupy is the ancestral home of the Wabanaki People. We grieve the history of greed and violence that led to their loss of life, land, language and culture.

Congregation: We pray for the courage to find ways to support our indigenous neighbors who still face injustice and prejudice. May we always remember, as do the Wabanaki peoples, that the Earth does not belong to us; rather, we belong to the Earth.

Silence is begun and ended with a ring of the bell.

The Gathering of the Community

Prelude: *Invention #3*

Scott Cleveland

Opening Hymn: 482 *Lord of All Hopefulness* (back of bulletin)

Opening Sentences

Celebrant: Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.

Congregation: Glory to God for ever and ever.

Song of Praise LEVAS 12 (first verse only)

We're Marching to Zion Lift Every Voice and Sing II, #12

1. Come, we that love the Lord, And let our joys be known; Join
2. Let those re-fuse to sing Who nev-er knew our God; But
3. The hill of Zi-on yields A thou-sand sa-cred sweets Be-
4. Then let our songs a-bound, And ev-ry tear be dry; We're

1. in a song with sweet ac-cord, Join in a song with sweet ac-
2. chil-dren of the heav'n-ly King, But chil-dren of the heav'n-ly
3. fore we reach the heav'n-ly fields, Be-fore we reach the heav'n-ly
4. march-ing through Im-man-uel's ground, We're march-ing thro' Im-man-uel's

1. cord, And thus sur - round the throne, And thus sur - round the throne. —
 2. King, May speak their joys a - broad, May speak their joys a - broad. —
 3. fields, Or walk the gold - en streets, Or walk the gold - en streets. —
 4. ground, To fair - er worlds on high, To fair - er worlds on high. —

We're march - ing to Zi - on, Beau - ti - ful, beau - ti - ful
 We're march - ing on to Zi - on,

Zi - on; We're march - ing up - ward to Zi - on,
 Zi - on, Zi - on,

The beau - ti - ful cit - y of God. —

Words: Isaac Watts (1674-1748). Music: Robert S. Lowry (1826-1899).

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

Congregation: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: Let us pray

Loving God, increase our trust in you; grant us courage to journey beyond the familiar and into the unknown. Hold us when storms rage within and around us. Rescue your people from despair and preserve us in the faith of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Congregation: **Amen.**

The Proclamation of the Word

First Lesson: First Kings 19: 8-13

Following the deadly confrontation between Elijah and the priests of Baal on Mount Carmel, Elijah received a message from Jezebel, wife of King Ahab, threatening to kill him. He fled into the wilderness, alone and asked to die. He fell asleep under a solitary broom tree. An angel stirred him up and instructed him to get up and eat. The lesson now begins: Elijah got up and ate and drank then he went in the strength of that food forty days and forty nights to Horeb, the mount of God. At Horeb, the mount of God, Elijah came to a cave, and spent the night there. Then the word of the LORD came to him, saying, "What are you doing here, Elijah?" He answered, "I have been very zealous for the LORD, the God of hosts; for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away." He said, "Go out and stand on the mountain before the LORD, for the LORD is about to pass by." Now there was a great wind, so strong that it was splitting mountains and breaking rocks in pieces before the LORD, but the LORD was not in the wind; and after the wind an earthquake, but the LORD was not in the earthquake; and after the earthquake a fire, but the LORD was not in the fire; and after the fire a sound of sheer silence. When Elijah heard it, he wrapped his face in his mantle and went out and stood at the entrance of the cave. Then there came a voice to him that said, "What are you doing here, Elijah?"

Hear what the Spirit is saying

Congregation: **Thanks be to God**

Robert Knox Kennedy
(b. 1945)



Lord, you were favorable to your land;^{*}
you restored the fortunes of Jacob. ||
You forgave the iniquity of your people^{*}
you pardoned all their sin. *Selah*

You withdrew all your wrath;^{*}
you turned from your hot anger. ||
Restore us again, O God of our sal-vation,^{*}
and put away your indignation toward us.

A. Will you be angry with us for-ever?^{*}
Will you prolong your anger to all gener-ations? (return to A)

A. Will you not revive us a-gain,^{*}
so that your people may re-joice in you? ||

B. Show us your steadfast love, O Lord,^{*}
and grant us your sal-vation.

Let me hear what God the Lord will speak,
for he will speak peace to his people.^{*}
to his faithful, to those who turn to him in their hearts. ||
Surely his salvation is at hand for those who fear him.^{*}
that his glory may dwell in our land.

Steadfast love and faithfulness will meet;^{*}
righteousness and peace will kiss each other. ||
Faithfulness will spring up from the ground,^{*}
and righteousness will look down from the sky.

The Lord will give what is good,^{*}
and our land will yield its increase. ||
Righteousness will go be-fore him^{*}
and will make a path for his steps.

Second Lesson: Letter to the Romans 10:5-15

Moses writes concerning the righteousness that comes from the law, that “the person who does these things will live by them.” But the righteousness that comes from faith says, “Do not say in your heart, ‘Who will ascend into heaven?’” (that is, to bring Christ down) “or ‘Who will descend into the abyss?’” (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). But what does it say?

“The word is near you,
on your lips and in your heart”
(that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); because if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved. The scripture says, “No one who believes in him will be put to shame.” For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him. For, “Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.”
But how are they to call on one in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in one of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone to proclaim him? And how are they to proclaim him unless they are sent? As it is written, “How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!”
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Sequence Hymn: ELW 470 Draw Us in the Spirit’s Tether (in back of bulletin)

Gospel: Matthew 14:22-33

Celebrant: The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Matthew
Congregation: Glory to you, O Christ
Jesus made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he

was there alone, but by this time the boat, battered by the waves, was far from the land, for the wind was against them. And early in the morning he came walking toward them on the sea. But when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were terrified, saying, "It is a ghost!" And they cried out in fear. But immediately Jesus spoke to them and said, "Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid."

Peter answered him, "Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water." He said, "Come." So Peter got out of the boat, started walking on the water, and came toward Jesus. But when he noticed the strong wind, he became frightened, and beginning to sink, he cried out, "Lord, save me!" Jesus immediately reached out his hand and caught him, saying to him, "You of little faith, why did you doubt?" When they got into the boat, the wind ceased. And those in the boat worshiped him, saying, "Truly you are the Son of God."

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.

Congregation: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Sermon

The Rev. Barbara Lundblad

Silence begins and ends with the ringing of the bell

Affirmation

We believe in God, the source of love,
who breathed God's Spirit into all of creation,
who created humanity in God's own image and likeness,
and who calls God's children to be about the work of reconciliation
and justice in the world God so loves.

We believe in Jesus Christ, God incarnate,
who was born of a woman,
who modeled for us a way of living on the earth,
and whose passionate love for God's creation
led to his Passion and death on the cross.

But death was not the last word.

We believe in the Holy Spirit,
who moved over the darkness at the beginning to bring light and life,
and who moves over the darkness still,
opening our hearts to God's incarnate presence in our midst
and calling us to be manifestations of incarnation
in the name and in the way of Jesus.

Prayers of the People

Leader: God, who calls us, hear our prayers and be swift to answer us as we say, *Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.*

Embolden your church. Let it seek to bring the healing power of the living Christ to a wounded world. Lord, in your mercy,

Congregation: **Hear our prayer.**

Leader: In our nation, grant courage to those who stand for the equality of all persons and who advocate justice for all. Strengthen us to stand up and speak out against all efforts to dehumanize others, especially immigrants and refugees and those thrust to the margins of our society. Lord, in your mercy,

Congregation: **Hear our prayer.**

Leader: Strengthen the faith of those gathered here today that we might be encouraged in the work you have called us to do, and even in these uncertain and frightening times, to hope and to trust that despite everything we might sense what is possible. Lord, in your mercy,

Congregation: **Hear our prayer.**

Leader: We pray for the broken and torn fabric of the earth and for all life impacted by our changing climate. Guide us in working to ensure the rich bounty of your creation is shared equitably and sustainably. Lord, in your mercy,

Congregation: **Hear our prayer.**

Leader: May you help us be present with those impacted by illness, despair, hunger or violence. Embolden us to extend to them a share of your peace which passes understanding. Lord, in your mercy,

Congregation: **Hear our prayer.**

Leader: We remember those who have died and give thanks for their presence in our lives. We hold up all who mourn. Lord, in your mercy,

Congregation: **Hear our prayer.**

Leader: Please offer your prayers and thanksgivings at this time

All are invited to add their own prayers here.

Do any of you on Zoom wish to add prayers and thanksgivings?

Leader and Congregation: **Hear our prayers and assure us of your Easter promise, O God, and keep us all united under the wing of your everlasting love. Amen.**

Confession of Sin

Celebrant: God of wild, windy and prodigal love,

Congregation: **We confess our bondage to fear,
Our smallness of heart,
Our lack of imagination,
Our guardedness in giving,
Our complicity in systems of racial and economic injustice,
Our misuse of the gifts of creation,
Our resistance to the Way of Jesus.**

**We ask your mercy and the power of your Wholly, Holy Spirit
to burn through our defenses,
to break open our hearts,
to ignite our imaginations and
to raise us from the dead,
that we might be signs of your healing and liberating love in the world.**

Celebrant: Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ, hear this good news:
You have been set free by the love of God made known in Jesus and by the power of God’s creating, liberating Spirit. Rise from what binds you into the love that calls you, and burn with God’s Holy Spirit in all that you do. In the name of the Father and the Son and Holy Spirit.
Congregation: **Amen.**

Celebrant: Peace within yourself.
Peace with Creation.
Peace with you who are with us remotely today.
Peace with one another.
The peace of Christ be always with you.
Congregation: **And also with you.**

The people are invited to greet one another in the name of the Lord.

The Holy Eucharist

Offertory Hymn: 333 *Now the Silence, Now the Peace (in back of bulletin)*

Eucharistic Prayer *Enriching our Worship #3*

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.
Congregation: **And also with you.**
Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.
Congregation: **We lift them to the Lord.**
Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
Congregation: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**
Celebrant: All thanks and praise are yours at all times and in all places, our true and loving God; through Jesus Christ, your eternal Word, the Wisdom from on high by whom you created all things. You laid the foundations of the world and enclosed the sea when it burst out from the womb; You brought forth all creatures of the earth and gave breath to humankind.
Wondrous are you, Holy One of Blessing, all you create is a sign of hope for our journey. And so as the morning stars sing your praises we join the heavenly beings and all creation as we sing with joy:

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Celebrant continues: Glory and honor are yours, Creator of all, your Word has never been silent; you called a people to yourself, as a light to the nations, you delivered them from bondage and led them to a land of promise. Of your grace, you gave Jesus to be human, to share our life, to proclaim the coming of your holy reign and give himself for us, a fragrant offering.

Through Jesus Christ our Redeemer, you have freed us from sin, brought us into your life, reconciled us to you, and restored us to the glory you intend for us. We thank you that on the night before he died for us Jesus took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, gave it to his friends and said:

“Take, eat, this is my Body, broken for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.”

After supper Jesus took the cup of wine, said the blessing, gave it to his friends and said:

“Drink this, all of you: this cup is the new Covenant in my Blood, poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.”

And so, remembering all that was done for us: the cross, the tomb, the resurrection and ascension, longing for Christ’s coming in glory, and presenting to you these gifts your earth has formed and human hands have made, we acclaim you, O Christ:

Congregation: **Dying, you destroyed our death.**

Rising, you restored our life.

Christ Jesus, come in glory!

Send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts of bread and wine that they may be to us the Body and Blood of your Christ. Grant that we, burning with your Spirit’s power, may be a people of hope, justice and love.

Celebrant: Giver of Life, draw us together in the Body of Christ, and in the fullness of time gather us with all your people into the joy of our true eternal home. Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, we worship you our God and Creator in voices of unending praise.

Congregation: **Blessed are you now and forever. Amen.**

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray:

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.

Fraction Anthem

Celebrant: We break this bread to share in the Body of Christ.

Congregation: **We who are many are one body, for we all share in the one bread. United by the power of the Holy Spirit in our midst, we acknowledge the Holy Sacrament of communion and the fullness of**

CALENDAR

All services and meetings will be held both in-person and via Zoom unless otherwise designated.

Sunday, August 9	5:00 p.m. Celtic Evensong, Page Eastman, reflector
Monday, August 10	10:30 a.m. Final Session on Phenomenology of Illness led by Prof. Peter Antich 4:30 p.m. Meditation/Silent Prayer (Zoom)
Tuesday, August 11	11:00 a.m. Worship and Music Ministry (Zoom) 7:00 p.m. Benefit Concert for Chelsea Davis’ “Marian” as it continues its journey toward becoming a Broadway play
Wednesday, August 12	10:00 a.m. In-Person Meditation/Silent Prayer 4:00 p.m. Choir rehearsal
Thursday, August 13	10:30 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. Session B on Antigone
Saturday, August 15	8:30 a.m. Men’s Breakfast
Sunday, August 16	9:30 a.m. Meditation and Memorial Garden gathering 10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist led by Pastor Elaine Hewes 12:00 noon The premiere full performance of “Voices of God”, a chamber music collaborative work of Elaine Hewes and the late John Kreidler, a beloved American composer

Looking Ahead

September 8-11	17 th Annual St. Brendan’s Women’s Retreat at Bishopswood
October 8	7:00 p.m. "Courage is Contagious" - An evening with Bishop Mariann Budde, Merrill Auditorium in Portland (more info will follow)

Lord of all hopefulness, Lord of all joy *The Hymnal 1982, #482*



1 Lord of all hope - ful - ness, Lord of all joy,

2 Lord of all ea - ger - ness, Lord of all faith,

3 Lord of all kind - li - ness, Lord of all grace,

4 Lord of all gen - tle - ness, Lord of all calm,



whose trust, ev - er child - like, no cares could de - stroy,

whose strong hands were skilled at the plane and the lathe,

your hands swift to wel - come, your arms to em - brace,

whose voice is con - tent - ment, whose pres - ence is balm,



be there at our wak - ing, and give us, we pray,

be there at our lab - ors, and give us, we pray,

be there at our hom - ing, and give us, we pray,

be there at our sleep - ing, and give us, we pray,



your bliss in our hearts, Lord, at the break of the day.

your strength in our hearts, Lord, at the noon of the day.

your love in our hearts, Lord, at the eve of the day.

your peace in our hearts, Lord, at the end of the day.

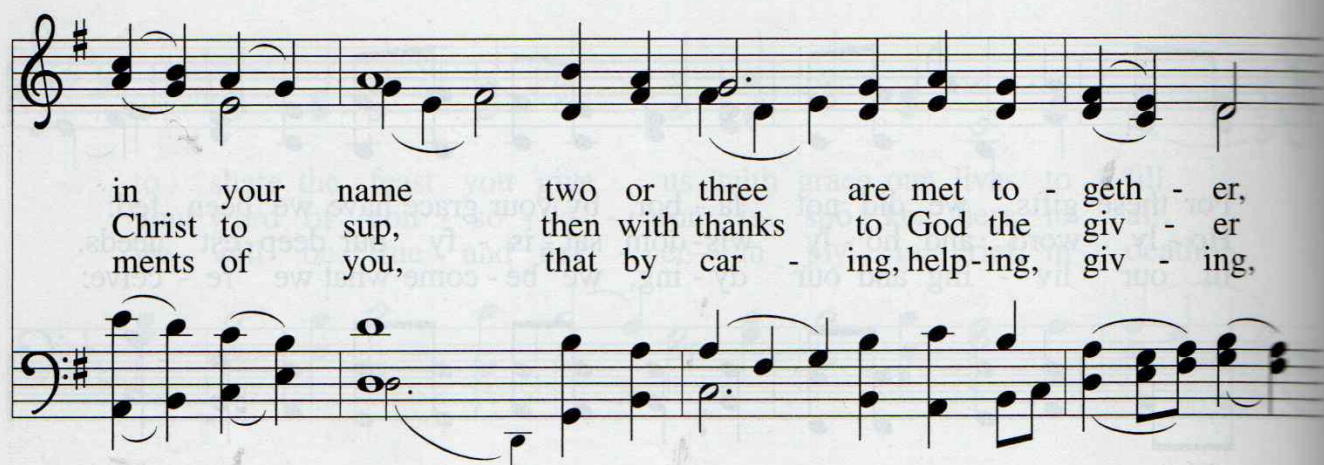
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Draw Us in the Spirit's Tether



1 Draw us in the Spir-it's teth - er, for when hum - bly
 2 As dis - ci - ples used to gath - er in the name of
 3 All our meals and all our liv - ing make as sac - ra -



in your name two or three are met to - geth - er,
 Christ to sup, then with thanks to God the giv - er
 ments of you, that by car - ing, help-ing, giv - ing,



you are in the midst of them. Al - le - lu - ia!
 break the bread and bless the cup, Al - le - lu - ia!
 we may be dis - ci - ples true. Al - le - lu - ia!



Al - le - lu - ia! Touch we now your gar - ment's hem.
 Al - le - lu - ia! so now bind our friend - ship up.
 Al - le - lu - ia! We will serve with faith a - new.

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Now the silence *The Hymnal 1982, #333*

Now the si - lence Now the peace Now the emp - ty

hands up - lift - ed Now the kneel - ing Now the plea

Now the Fa - ther's arms in wel - come Now the hear - ing

Now the power Now the ves - sel brimmed for pour - ing

Now the Bo - dy Now the Blood Now the joy - ful

cel - e - bra - tion Now the wed - ding Now the songs

Now the heart for - giv - en leap - ing Now the Spi - rit's

vis - i - ta - tion Now the Son's e - piph - an - y

Now the Fa - ther's bless - ing Now Now Now

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Precious Lord, Take My Hand

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- 1 Pre - cious Lord, take my hand, lead me on, let me stand,
- 2 When my way grows . . drear, pre-cious Lord, lin - ger near,
- 3 When the dark - ness ap - pears and the night draws . . near,



I am tired, I am weak, I am worn.
 when my life is . . . al - most . . gone,
 and the day is . . . past and . . . gone,



Through the storm, through the night, lead me on to the light.
 hear my cry, hear my call, hold my hand lest I fall.
 at the riv - er I stand, guide my feet, hold my hand.



Take my hand, pre-cious Lord, lead me home.

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PRECIOUS LORD

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The Prayer of St. Brendan

Lord, we will trust You,
 help us to journey beyond the familiar and into the unknown.
Give us the faith to leave old ways and
 break fresh ground with You.
Christ of the mysteries,
 we trust You to be stronger than each storm within us.
We will trust in the darkness and
 know that our times are in Your hand.
Tune our spirit to the music of heaven,
 and somehow, make our obedience count for You.

These are our **values** at St. Brendan the Navigator Episcopal Church.

We will:

Welcome others with **respect** and **compassion**;

Listen to others with **trust** and **appreciation**;

Seek God's goodness in each person;

Strive for **consensus** and work **collaboratively**;

Join in acts of **loving kindness**;

Share our faith joyfully across the generations;

Engage as many of our **parishioners** as possible, **year-round**,
in our common life and ministries;

Learn from our past and look to the future with **hope**.