

ST. BRENDAN THE NAVIGATOR

Deer Isle Maine

Pastor Elaine Hewes, Priest in Charge
The Rev. Emily Blair Stribling, Celebrant
The Rev. Barbara Lundblad, Preacher
Connie Mayo, Music Director
Alan Flowers, Guest Musician

Pentecost Proper 10

July 13, 2025

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.

The bell is rung three times before the Prelude

The Gathering of the Community

Prelude: Arioso G. F. Handel

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

Opening Hymn: ELW 880 O God beyond all praising (in back of bulletin)

Opening Sentences

Celebrant: Blessed be the one, holy, and living God. *Congregation:* **Glory to God for ever and ever.**

Celebrant: God of grace,

Congregation: you have given us minds to know you,

hearts to love you,

and voices to sing your praise.

Fill us with your Spirit, that we may celebrate your glory and worship you in spirit and truth, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Glory and gratitude

Words: John L. Bell & Graham Maule Music: John L. Bell



Words and music @ WGRG, Iona Cammunity, Glasgow, UK

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant: The Lord be with you. Congregation: And also with you.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

O Lord God, your mercy delights us, and the world longs for your loving care. Hear the cries of everyone in need, and turn our hearts to love our neighbors with the love of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Congregation: Amen.

The Proclamation of the Word

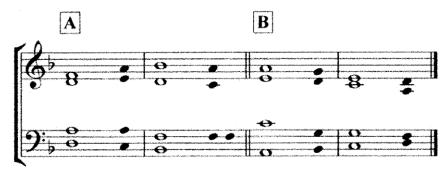
First Lesson: Deuteronomy 30:11-14

"Surely, this commandment that I am commanding you today is not too hard for you, nor is it too far away. It is not in heaven, that you should say, 'Who will go up to heaven for us, and get it for us so that we may hear it and observe it?' Neither is it beyond the sea, that you should say, 'Who will cross to the other side of the sea for us, and get it for

us so that we may hear it and observe it?' No, the word is very near to you; it is in your mouth and in your heart for you to observe."

Hear what the Spirit is saying *Congregation:* **Thanks be to God**

Psalm 25: 1-9



To you, O LORD, I lift up my <u>soul</u>; * my God, I put my trust in <u>you</u>; ∥ let me not be hu-<u>miliated</u>, * nor let my enemies triumph <u>over me</u>.

Let none who look to you be put to <u>shame</u>; *

let the treacherous be disappointed in their <u>schemes</u>. ||

Show me your ways, O <u>LORD</u>, *

and teach me your <u>paths</u>.

Lead me in your truth and <u>teach me</u>, * for you are the God of my sal-<u>vation</u>; || in you have I <u>trusted</u> * all the day <u>long</u>.

Remember, O LORD, your compassion and <u>love</u>, *
for they are from ever-<u>lasting</u>.

Remember not the sins of my youth and my trans-<u>gressions</u>; *
remember me according to your love
and for the sake of your goodness, O <u>LORD</u>.

A Gracious and upright is the <u>LORD</u>; * therefore he teaches sinners in his <u>way</u>. (Back to A)

A He guides the humble in doing <u>right</u> * and teaches his way to the <u>lowly</u>. **|**

B All the paths of the LORD are love and <u>faithfulness</u> * to those who keep his covenant and his <u>testimonies</u>.

Second Lesson: Letter to the Romans 8: 31-35, 37-39

What then are we to say about these things? If God is for us, who is against us? He who did not withhold his own Son but gave him up for all of us, how will he not with him also give us everything else? Who will bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. Who is to condemn? It is Christ who died, or rather, who was raised, who is also at the right hand of God, who also intercedes for us. Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will affliction or distress or persecution or famine or nakedness or peril or sword?

No! In all these things we are more than victorious through him who loved us. For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Hear what the Spirit is saying *Congregation:* **Thanks be to God**

Sequence Hymn: 594 *God of Grace and God of Glory (in back of bulletin)*

Gospel: Luke 10: 25-37

Celebrant: The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Luke

Congregation: Glory to you, O Christ

Just then a lawyer stood up to test Jesus. "Teacher," he said, "what must I do to inherit eternal life?" He said to him, "What is written in the law? What do you read there?" He answered, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind; and your neighbor as yourself." And he said to him, "You have given the right answer; do this, and you will live."

But wanting to justify himself, he asked Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?" Jesus replied, "A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and fell into the hands of robbers, who stripped him, beat him, and went away, leaving him half dead. Now by chance a priest was going down that road; and when he saw him, he passed by on the other side. So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. But a Samaritan while traveling came near him; and when he saw him, he was moved with pity. He went to him and bandaged his wounds, having poured oil and wine on them. Then he put him on his own animal, brought him to an inn, and took care of him. The next day he took out two denarii, gave them to the innkeeper, and said, 'Take care of him; and when I come back, I will repay you whatever more you spend.' Which of these three, do you think, was a neighbor to the man who fell into the hands of the robbers?" He said, "The one who showed him mercy." Jesus said to him, "Go and do likewise."

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.
Congregation: Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon The Rev. Barbara Lundblad

Silence will begin and end with ringing of bell

Affirmation from the Iona Community

We believe in God whose love is the source of all life and the desire of our lives, whose love was given a human face in Jesus of Nazareth, whose love was crucified by the evil that waits to enslave us all and whose love, defeating even death, is our glorious promise of freedom.

Therefore, though we are sometimes fearful and full of doubt, in God we trust; and, in the name of Jesus Christ, we commit ourselves, in the service of others, to seek justice and to live in peace, to care for the earth and to share the commonwealth of God's goodness, to live in the freedom of forgiveness and the power of the spirit of love, and in the company of the faithful so to be the church, for the glory of God. Amen.

Prayers of the People

God of joyous love, 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 those on 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, even in these uncertain and frightening times. Lord, in your mercy,

Congregation: Hear our prayer.

Leader: We offer thanksgiving for the rich bounty of your creation. Guide us in working to ensure its abundance is shared equitably and sustainably. Lord, in your mercy,

Congregation: Hear our prayer.

Leader: Relieve the suffering of those impacted by illness, despair, hunger, war and violence, and grant them a share in the peace which passes understanding. Lord, in your mercy,

Congregation: Hear our prayer.

Leader: Embrace the dying in your eternal love, shroud them with your grace, and grant them entrance into the place of light and life at your side. 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: Throughout history, you have empowered your people to make your love manifest in the lives of those who have known suffering. Empower us today to be agents of your love and heralds of your gospel to a world in need of both; and all this we ask through our Lord, Jesus, who is your Christ and who reigns with you and the Holy Spirit eternally. Amen.

Leader: We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

Silence

Have mercy upon us, most merciful God; in your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone; and so uphold us by your Spirit that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Celebrant: God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ.

By grace you have been saved.

In the name of Jesus Christ,

your sins are forgiven.

Almighty God strengthen you with power

through the Holy Spirit,

that Christ may live in your hearts

through faith.

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: 609 *Where cross the crowded ways of life (in back of bulletin)*

Eucharistic Prayer Enriching our Worship #1

Celebrant: The Lord be with you. Congregation: And also with you. Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

Congregation: We lift them to the Lord.

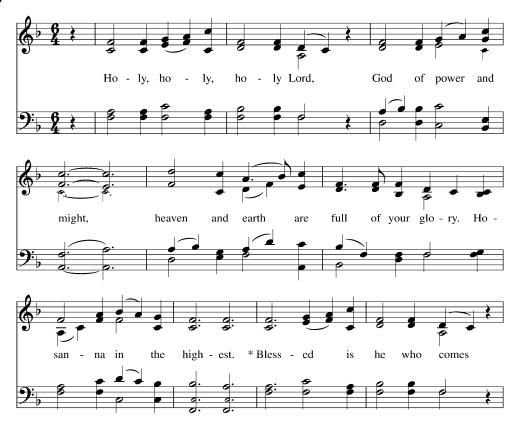
Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

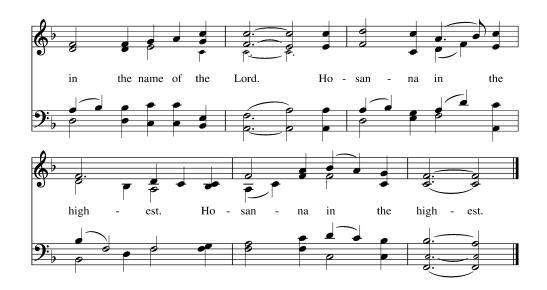
Congregation: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Celebrant: It is truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks, all-holy God, source of life and fountain of mercy. You have filled us and all creation with your blessing and fed us with your constant love; you have redeemed us in Jesus Christ and knit us into one body. Through your Spirit you replenish us and call us to fullness of life.

Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we sing:

Sanctus: WLP 858





The Celebrant continues: Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life. You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love. You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace. But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves; we would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so we violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love. Yet you never ceased to care for us, and prepared the way of salvation for all people. Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation. Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus. Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory. Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and 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 friends, and said:

"Take, eat: This is my Body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

As supper was ending, 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 poured out for you and for all for the

forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and Congregation:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

Celebrant: Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine.

Celebrant and Congregation: By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ's Body in the world. Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your daughters and sons, that with St Brendan and all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name for ever.

Celebrant: Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever.

Congregation: Amen.

Celebrant: Gathered into one body by the Holy Spirit, let us all pray the prayer our Lord taught us to 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 Christ's presence in the gifts of the bread and the wine and in countless other ways in our lives. As a community of faith, nothing can separate us from the love of God nor are we separated from one another.

Celebrant: The gifts of God for the people of God ...

Those gathered at St. Brendan receive the bread and wine.

Celebrant: And now may the Presence of Jesus, in whatever form it has come to you this morning, nourish you in grace, comfort you in love, and inspire you to be Christ's presence in the world.

Post Communion Prayer

Loving God,

we give you thanks for restoring us in your image

and nourishing us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood.

Now send us forth

a people, forgiven, healed, renewed;

that we may proclaim your love to the world

and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

The Blessing

Sending Hymn: ELW 881 *Let all things now living (in back of bulletin)*

Postlude: Voluntary on a Welsh folk tune

Announcements

Dismissal

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GIVING OUR PRIORITIES SHAPE (GPS) ACTION ITEM Love Thy Neighbor

During the month of July, our focus will be on the Deer Isle Community, and in general, the ways we can reach out to our neighbors in love and support, both those we know well and those we need to get to know better.

A couple of local organizations could use our support:

The Garden Project (<u>thegardenprojectme.org</u>) hosts a Saturday Café/Market from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. on July 5, 12, 19, 26, and August 2, on the road to the Stonington Transfer Station.

"Please join us and be part of our learning and growing experience. Peer to Peer, youth-run Garden to Table Café, plus a Maker's Market featuring our makers along with gifts from local artisans. Our gifts are given freely; there are no set prices, and we invite you to decide the value you receive. All proceeds go directly to paying their internship stipend, our ending camping trip, and the supplies we need to make the Internship and the Saturday Café a reality."

Healthy Island Project needs help at their booth at the Friday Farmer's Market, delivering meals to Seniors, in their Community Garden, and more. Call: 207-367-6332 or visit their website at healthyislandproject.org/give for more information.

CALENDAR

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

Monday, July 14 4:30 p.m. Meditation/Silent Prayer (Zoom)

Tuesday, July 15 10:00 a.m. Outreach Ministry Meeting

Wednesday, July 16 10:00 a.m. In Person Meditation/Silent Prayer

10:30 a.m. First session: Philosophy of Love led by Prof. Peter Antich

4:00 p.m. Choir rehearsal

Saturday, July 19 8:30 a.m. Men's Breakfast

Sunday, July 20 10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist with The Rev. Donna Downs, Celebrant

11:15 a.m. Annual Meeting

Looking Ahead

Wednesdays, July 23 and 30 10:30 a.m. Continuation of sessions on Philosophy of Love led by Prof. Peter Antich

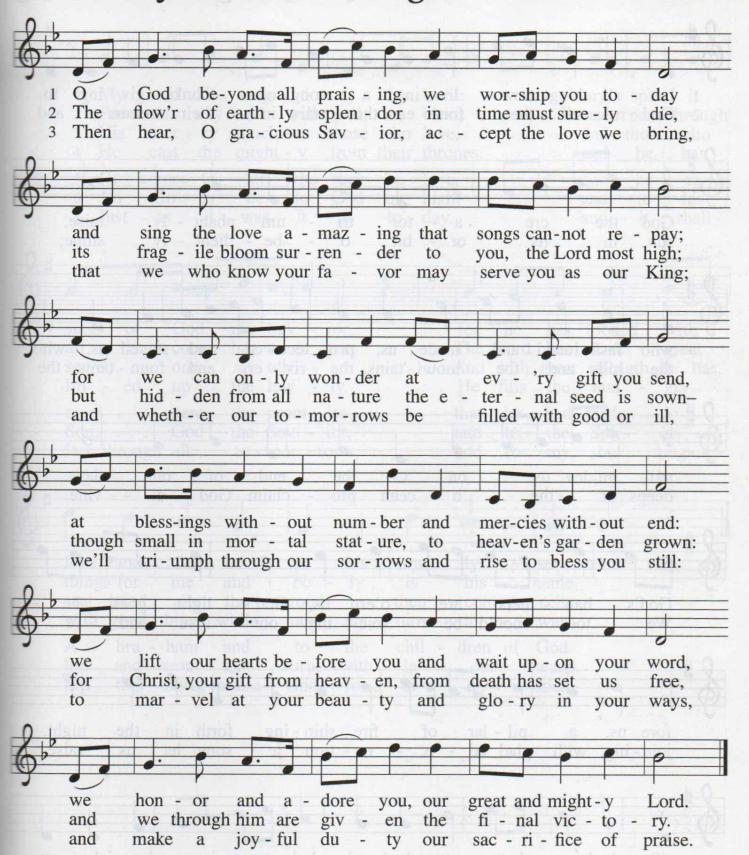
Monday, September 8

to Thursday, September 11 Women's Retreat at Bishopswood

Saturday, September 20 10:00 a.m. Service of Celebration for Michael Hewes at the

Blue Hill Congregational Church

O God beyond All Praising



God of grace and God of glory The Hymnal 1982, #594



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Where cross the crowded ways of life The Hymnal 1982, #609



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Let All Things Now Living



Our Values

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.