

ST. BRENDAN THE NAVIGATOR Deer Isle Maine

Our **Mission** is to **love**, **praise**, **welcome**, and **serve**:

- \cdot to \boldsymbol{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.

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> Pentecost Proper 8 June 30, 2024

This service of prayers for healing asserts that God's purpose for us all is a life of wholeness, as expressed in the life and teaching of Jesus. The ministry of healing is an integral part of our Christian witness.

In its ministry of healing, the church does not replace the gifts of God that come through the scientific community, nor does it promise a cure. Rather, the church offers and celebrates gifts such as these: God's presence with strength and comfort in times of suffering, God's promise of wholeness and peace, and God's love embodied in the community of faith.

During communion, after receiving the bread and wine, there will be an opportunity for those desiring healing to receive a blessing with the laying on of hands by a member of the healing team. Whether or not you choose to receive such a blessing (indicated by extending your open hands), we know that God's healing purpose, the promise of God's fulfilling and sustaining love, is for every one of us, and is carried in bread and wine as well as in the laying on of hands. We invite you to receive God's healing presence in all the ways that feel right for you.

Celebrant: We honor the Indigenous people everywhere, particularly the Wabanaki Nations, acknowledging that the land we now occupy is their ancestral home. May we always remember, as do the Wabanaki peoples, that the Earth does not belong to us, rather, we belong to the Earth.

Congregation: May we learn from our past mistakes and be instruments of justice and peace for all people in today's world, and for all creation.

The Gathering of the Community

The service begins with the ringing of the bell three times.

Prelude: Eternal Father, strong to save

John Bacchus Dykes

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

Opening Hymn 718 *God of our Fathers, whose almighty hand (verses 1, 2 and 4, in back of bulletin)*

Leader: We gather in Your presence, God,

Congregation: in our need,

and bringing with us the needs of the world.

We come to You, for You come to us in Jesus,

and You know by experience what human life is like.

We come with our faith and with our doubts;

we come with our hopes and with our fears.

We come as we are because You have invited us;

and You have promised never to turn us away.

God our healer, whose mercy is like a refining fire: by the lovingkindness of Jesus, heal us and those for whom we pray; that being renewed by You, we may witness Your wholeness to our broken world; through Jesus Christ, in the power of the Spirit.

Amen.

Collect of the Day: Almighty and merciful God, we implore you to hear the prayers of your people. Be our strong defense against all harm and danger, that we may live and grow in faith and hope, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

First Lesson: Wisdom of Solomon 1:13-15; 2:23-24

God did not make death,

And he does not delight in the death of the living. For he created all things so that they might exist; the generative forces of the world are wholesome, and there is no destructive poison in them, and the dominion of Hades is not on earth. For righteousness is immortal. God created us for incorruption, and made us in the image of his own eternity,

but through the devil's envy death entered the world, and those who belong to his company experience it. Hear what the Spirit is saying.

Congregation: Thanks be to God

Psalm 30

I will exalt you, O LORD, because you have lifted me up and have not let my enemies triumph over me.

O LORD my God, I cried out to you, and you restored me to health. You brought me up, O LORD, from the dead; you restored my life as I was going down to the grave.

Sing to the LORD, you servants of his; give thanks for the remembrance of his holiness.

For his wrath endures but the twinkling of an eye, his favor for a lifetime.

Weeping may spend the night, but joy comes in the morning.

While I felt secure, I said,
"I shall never be disturbed.

You, LORD, with your favor, made me as strong as the mountains."

Then you hid your face, and I was filled with fear.

I cried to you, O LORD;

I pleaded with the Lord, saying,
"What profit is there in my blood, if I go down to the Pit?
will the dust praise you or declare your faithfulness?

Hear, O LORD, and have mercy upon me;

O LORD, be my helper."

You have turned my wailing into dancing; you have put off my sack-cloth and clothed me with joy.

Therefore my heart sings to you without ceasing; O LORD my God, I will give you thanks for ever.

Second Lesson: Second Letter to the Corinthians 8:7-15

As you excel in everything-- in faith, in speech, in knowledge, in utmost eagerness, and in our love for you-- so we want you to excel also in this generous undertaking.

I do not say this as a command, but I am testing the genuineness of your love against the earnestness of others. For you know the generous act of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, so that by his poverty you might become rich. And in this matter I am giving my advice: it is appropriate for you who began last

year not only to do something but even to desire to do something-- now finish doing it, so that your eagerness may be matched by completing it according to your means. For if the eagerness is there, the gift is acceptable according to what one has-- not according to what one does not have. I do not mean that there should be relief for others and pressure on you, but it is a question of a fair balance between your present abundance and their need, so that their abundance may be for your need, in order that there may be a fair balance. As it is written,

"The one who had much did not have too much, and the one who had little did not have too little."

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

Sequence Hymn 194 *Jesus lives!* (verses 1, 2 and 3, in back of bulletin)

The Gospel: Mark 5:21-43

Reader: The Gospel according to Mark Congregation: Glory be to you, O Christ

When Jesus had crossed again in the boat to the other side, a great crowd gathered around him; and he was by the sea. Then one of the leaders of the synagogue named Jairus came and, when he saw him, fell at his feet and begged him repeatedly, "My little daughter is at the point of death. Come and lay your hands on her, so that she may be made well, and live." So he went with him.

And a large crowd followed him and pressed in on him. Now there was a woman who had been suffering from hemorrhages for twelve years. She had endured much under many physicians, and had spent all that she had; and she was no better, but rather grew worse. She had heard about Jesus, and came up behind him in the crowd and touched his cloak, for she said, "If I but touch his clothes, I will be made well." Immediately her hemorrhage stopped; and she felt in her body that she was healed of her disease. Immediately aware that power had gone forth from him, Jesus turned about in the crowd and said, "Who touched my clothes?" And his disciples said to him, "You see the crowd pressing in on you; how can you say, 'Who touched me?'" He looked all around to see who had done it. But the woman, knowing what had happened to her, came in fear and trembling, fell down before him, and told him the whole truth. He said to her, "Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in peace, and be healed of your disease."

While he was still speaking, some people came from the leader's house to say, "Your daughter is dead. Why trouble the teacher any further?" But overhearing what they said, Jesus said to the leader of the synagogue, "Do not fear, only believe." He allowed no one to follow him except Peter, James, and John, the brother of James. When they came to the house of the leader of the synagogue, he saw a commotion, people weeping and wailing loudly. When he had entered, he said to them, "Why do you make a commotion and weep? The child is not dead but sleeping." And they laughed at him. Then he put them all outside, and took the child's father and mother and those who were with him, and went in where the child was. He took her by the hand and said to her, "Talitha cum," which

means, "Little girl, get up!" And immediately the girl got up and began to walk about (she was twelve years of age). At this they were overcome with amazement. He strictly ordered them that no one should know this, and told them to give her something to eat.

Reader: The Gospel of the Lord

Congregation: Praise to you, O Christ

Reflection Kathleen Hayward

Hymn 707 *Take my life (in back of bulletin)*

A Creed 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.

The Prayers

Leader: Loving God, the comfort of all who sorrow, the strength of all who suffer: accept our prayers, and to those who seek healing, grant the power of your grace.

Let us name before God those for whom we offer our prayers. We remember those on our prayer list:

Judy Curtis, Susan Manne, Cheryl Grindle, Semantha and Lee, Emily Gibson,
Beth and Tito Kyzer, Judy, Megan, Avery, Presiding Bishop Michael Curry,
Bishop Thomas Brown, Naomi, Carol Simanton, Billy Nutter, Robert B. Tobin, Anne Burton,
Hewit, Pat and Dave, Mary Ann and Terry, Nishah, David Morrish, Corbin, Rebecca,
Pam B., Susan Wade, Jase, Jaxson, Heather Corey, Stephen Gill, Brent Was, Bill Scaife,
Stewart and Julie, Gary and Wellesley, Mary Blanco, Max, Skip Greenlaw, Diane Greenlaw,
Mary Lawrence Hicks and family, Bob Budd, Nancy, Peter Brown, Nick, Seth,
Linda Shepard and family, Mary Ann Shaw, Lindsay Bowker, Nancy Boothby,
Marcia Scott, Tony Stoneburner, Carol Stoneburner, Nancy Stearns, Isabelle H.

Lord, grant your healing grace to all who are sick, injured, or disabled; **May they be made whole.**

Bless physicians, nurses, and all others who minister to the suffering;

Grant them wisdom and skill, sympathy and patience.

Restore to wholeness whatever is broken by human sin;

Mend broken relationships in our lives and restore wholeness in our relationship with our Mother Earth.

Grant to the dying peace; give the departed eternal rest.

Uphold by the grace and consolation of your Holy Spirit those who are bereaved.

Hear us, O Lord of life:

Heal us, and make us whole.

Please add your own prayers

The congregation is invited to add their own prayers

Leader: We invite prayers from those who are with us virtually.

Let us pray.

Congregation: O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and for ever. Amen.

The Peace

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 362 Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty (in back of bulletin)

Eucharistic Prayer

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.**

We offer you praise, dear God, and hearts lifted high,

for in the communion of your love Christ comes close to us and we come close to Christ. Therefore with the whole realm of nature around us, with earth, sea, and sky, we sing to you. With the angels of light who envelop us, with all the saints before and beside us, with brothers and sisters, east and west, we sing to you.

And with our loved ones, separate from us now, who yet in this mystery are close to us, we join in the song of your unending greatness:

Sanctus



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Celebrant continues: Blessed is our brother Jesus, who walks with us the road of our world's suffering, and who is known to us in the breaking of bread.

On the night of his arrest Jesus took bread and having blessed it he broke the bread and gave it to his disciples, saying,

This is my body, given to you.

In the same way he took wine and having given thanks for it, he poured it out and gave the cup to his disciples, saying,

This cup is the new relationship with God, sealed with my blood. Take this and share it.

Hear us, O Christ,

and breathe your Spirit upon us, and upon this bread and wine.

May they become for us your body, vibrant with your life.

May they heal, renew, and make us whole.

And as the bread and wine

which we now eat and drink are changed into us, may we be changed again into you,

bone of your bone, flesh of your flesh, loving and caring in the world. Amen.

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

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

We who are many are one body, for we all share in the one bread.

Celebrant: In recognition of and in solidarity with those who are worshiping with us remotely this morning, we pray this prayer of spiritual communion:

Celebrant and Congregation: In union with the faithful gathered at every altar of the Church where the bread and wine are offered, and in union with those who are with us today by the internet, we offer praise and thanksgiving for creation and all the blessings of this life. We believe that Jesus is present in the Breaking of the Bread, the Holy Sacrament of Communion and in ways more numerous and mysterious than we can imagine. We embrace you, Jesus,

with all our hearts, souls and minds. Nothing can separate us from you, 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.

Those desiring healing should open their palms, and a member of the healing team will come to them for the laying on of hands.

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. *Congregation:* We pray for those who are with us virtually that they experience God's presence and love in any part of their lives that is in need of healing.

Post Communion Prayer

Celebrant: Faithful God, in the wonder of your wisdom and love you fed your people in the wilderness with the bread of angels, and you sent Jesus to be the bread of life. We thank you for feeding us with this bread.

Congregation: May it strengthen us that by the power of the Holy Spirit we may embody your desire and be renewed for your service through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

Seth Wrightington, pianist

Blessing

Celebrant: May the God of hope fill us with every joy in believing.

May the peace of Christ abound in our hearts.

May we be enriched by the gifts of the Holy Spirit, now and for ever.

Congregation: Amen.

Sending Hymn 662 *Abide with me, fast falls the eventide (in back of bulletin)*

Announcements

Postlude

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GIVING OUR PRIORITIES SHAPE (GPS) ACTION ITEM

Justice for All

For the month of June, St. Brendan's will fly the Progress Flag and post the sign "Justice for All"

In recognition of June as PRIDE month and in recognition of the need for justice in racial and tribal groups in Maine as well as gender, you are invited this month to explore Maine organizations that specifically support racial, gender, and tribal justice.

Maineequaljustice.org
OUTmaine.org
Equalitymaine.org
MaineInitiatives.org
WabanakiAlliance.com

CALENDAR

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

Monday, July 1	4:30 p.m. Meditation/Silent Prayer (Zoom)
Wednesday, July 3	10:00 a.m. In-Person Meditation/Silent Prayer 10:30 a.m. Last Session of <i>Vices of the Mind</i> led by Prof. Peter Antich
Saturday, July 6	4:00 p.m. Celebration of life for Roger Greene in the Parish Hall
Sunday, July 7	10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist with Pastor Elaine Hewes presiding
Looking Ahead	
Wednesday, July 10	10:30 a.m. "Choosing a Good Death after a Long Life" Dr. Samuel Harrington, presenter
Tuesday, July 16	4:00 p.m. Mimi Gerstell discusses the challenge to the theory of Dark Matter
Wednesdays July 17-31	10:30 a.m. Dante's Divine Comedy presented by Mary Jane Poole and Pete Dane
Sunday, July 21	11:15 a.m. Annual Meeting 5:00 p.m. Celtic Evensong
Tuesday, August 27-30	Women's Retreat. Mark your calendar now.

All women invited.

God of our fathers, whose almighty hand The Hymnal 1982, 718



Words: Daniel Crane Roberts (1841-1907). Music: National Hymn, George William Warren (1828-1902).

Jesus lives! The Hymnal 1982, 194



Words: Christian Furchtegott Gellert (1715-1769); tr. Frances Elizabeth Cox (1812-1897), alt. Music: St. Albinus, Henry John Gauntlett (1805-1876).

Take my life, and let it be The Hymnal 1982, 707



Words: Frances Ridley Havergal (1836-1879), alt. Music: Hollingside, John Bacchus Dykes (1823-1876).

Holy, holy! Lord God Almighty The Hymnal 1982, 362



Words: Reginald Heber (1783-1826), alt. Music: Nicaea, John Bacchus Dykes (1823-1876).

Abide with me: fast falls the eventide The Hymnal 1982, 662



Words: Henry Frances Lyte (1793-1847). Music: Eventide, William Henry Monk (1823-1889).