



## ST. BRENDAN THE NAVIGATOR

Deer Isle Maine

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### Pentecost Proper 6

June 14, 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:** *We Pray to You, Lord God*

Buxtehude

**Opening Hymn:** 398 *I sing the almighty power of God (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 WLP 806** *If you believe and I believe*

If you be-lieve and I be-lieve and we to - geth - er  
pray, the Ho - ly Spir - it must come down and set God's peo - ple  
free, and set God's peo - ple free, and set God's peo - ple



Words and Music: Traditional Zimbabwe; adap. from English source as taught by Tarasai, ed. and arr. by John Bell.

### The Collect of the Day

*Celebrant:* The Lord be with you.

*Congregation:* **And also with you.**

*Celebrant:* Let us pray.

God of compassion, you have opened the way for us and brought us to yourself. Pour your love into our hearts, that, overflowing with joy, we may freely share the blessings of your realm and faithfully proclaim the good news of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

*Congregation:* **Amen.**

### The Proclamation of the Word

#### First Lesson: Genesis 18:1-15; 21:1-7

The LORD appeared to Abraham by the oaks of Mamre, as he sat at the entrance of his tent in the heat of the day. He looked up and saw three men standing near him. When he saw them, he ran from the tent entrance to meet them, and bowed down to the ground. He said, "My lord, if I find favor with you, do not pass by your servant. Let a little water be brought, and wash your feet, and rest yourselves under the tree. Let me bring a little bread, that you may refresh yourselves, and after that you may pass on—since you have come to your servant." So they said, "Do as you have said." And Abraham hastened into the tent to Sarah, and said, "Make ready quickly three measures of choice flour, knead it, and make cakes." Abraham ran to the herd, and took a calf, tender and good, and gave it to the servant, who hastened to prepare it. Then he took curds and milk and the calf that he had prepared, and set it before them; and he stood by them under the tree while they ate.

They said to him, "Where is your wife Sarah?" And he said, "There, in the tent." Then one said, "I will surely return to you in due season, and your wife Sarah shall have a son." And Sarah was listening at the tent entrance behind him. Now Abraham and Sarah were old, advanced in age; it had ceased to be with Sarah after the manner of women. So Sarah laughed to herself, saying, "After I have grown old, and my husband is old, shall I have pleasure?" The LORD said to Abraham, "Why did Sarah laugh, and say, 'Shall I indeed bear a child, now that I am old?' Is anything too wonderful for the LORD? At the set time I will return to you, in due season, and Sarah shall have a son." But Sarah denied, saying, "I did not laugh"; for she was afraid. He said, "Oh yes, you did laugh."

The LORD dealt with Sarah as he had said, and the LORD did for Sarah as he had promised. Sarah conceived and bore Abraham a son in his old age, at the time of which God had spoken to him. Abraham gave the name Isaac to his son whom Sarah bore him. And Abraham circumcised his son Isaac when he was eight days old, as God had commanded him. Abraham was a hundred years old when his son Isaac was born to him. Now Sarah said, "God has brought laughter for me; everyone who hears will laugh with me." And she said, "Who would ever have said to Abraham that Sarah would nurse children? Yet I have borne him a son in his old age."

Hear what the Spirit is saying

*Congregation:* **Thanks be to God**

#### Psalm 116

Robert Knox Kennedy  
(b. 1945)



I love the Lord because he has heard\*  
my voice and my suppli-cations. ||  
Because he inclined his ear to me,\*  
therefore I will call on him as long as I live.

**The snares of death en-compassed me;\***  
**the pangs of Sheol laid hold on me; ||**  
**I suffered distress and anguish.**

**Then I called on the name of the Lord,\***

**“O Lord, I pray, save my life!”**

Gracious is the Lord and righteous;  
our God is merciful. ||

The Lord protects the simple;  
when I was brought low, he saved me.

**Return, O my soul, to your rest,  
for the Lord has dealt bountifully with you. ||  
For you have delivered my soul from death,  
my eyes from tears, my feet from stumbling.**

A I walk before the Lord  
in the land of the living. (*return to A*)

A I kept my faith, even when I said,  
“I am greatly af-flicted” ||

B I said in my conser-nation,  
“Everyone is a liar.”

**What shall I return to the Lord  
for all his bounty to me? ||  
I will lift up the cup of sal-vation  
and call on the name of the Lord;**

I will pay my vows to the Lord  
in the presence of all his people. ||  
Precious in the sight of the Lord  
is the death of his faithful ones.

**O Lord, I am your servant;  
I am your servant, the child of your servant girl. ||  
You have loosed my bonds.  
I will offer to you a thanksgiving sacrifice  
and call on the name of the Lord.**

**I will pay my vows to the Lord  
in the presence of all his people,  
in the courts of the house of the Lord, ||  
in your midst, O Je-rusalem.  
Praise the Lord!**

## **Second Lesson: Letter to the Romans 5:1-8**

Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us. For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. Indeed, rarely will anyone die for a righteous person-- though perhaps for a good person someone might actually dare to die. But God proves his love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us.

Hear what the Spirit is saying

*Congregation:* **Thanks be to God**

**Sequence Hymn: WLP 780** *Lord you give the great commission (vss. 1, 2, 5, in back of bulletin)*

## **Gospel: Matthew 9:35-10:8(9-23)**

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

*Congregation:* **Glory to you, O Christ**

Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom, and curing every disease and every sickness. When he saw the crowds, he had compassion for them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. Then he said to his disciples, “The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest.”

Then Jesus summoned his twelve disciples and gave them authority over unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to cure every disease and every sickness. These are the names of the twelve apostles: first, Simon, also known as Peter, and his brother Andrew; James son of Zebedee, and his brother John; Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew the tax collector; James son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus; Simon the Cananaean, and Judas Iscariot, the one who betrayed him.

These twelve Jesus sent out with the following instructions: "Go nowhere among the Gentiles, and enter no town of the Samaritans, but go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. As you go, proclaim the good news, 'The kingdom of heaven has come near.' Cure the sick, raise the dead, cleanse the lepers, cast out demons. You received without payment; give without payment. Take no gold, or silver, or copper in your belts, no bag for your journey, or two tunics, or sandals, or a staff; for laborers deserve their food. Whatever town or village you enter, find out who in it is worthy, and stay there until you leave. As you enter the house, greet it. If the house is worthy, let your peace come upon it; but if it is not worthy, let your peace return to you. If anyone will not welcome you or listen to your words, shake off the dust from your feet as you leave that house or town. Truly I tell you, it will be more tolerable for the land of Sodom and Gomorrah on the day of judgment than for that town.

"See, I am sending you out like sheep into the midst of wolves; so be wise as serpents and innocent as doves. Beware of them, for they will hand you over to councils and flog you in their synagogues; and you will be dragged before governors and kings because of me, as a testimony to them and the Gentiles. When they hand you over, do not worry about how you are to speak or what you are to say; for what you are to say will be given to you at that time; for it is not you who speak, but the Spirit of your Father speaking through you. Brother will betray brother to death, and a father his child, and children will rise against parents and have them put to death; and you will be hated by all because of my name. But the one who endures to the end will be saved. When they persecute you in one town, flee to the next; for truly I tell you, you will not have gone through all the towns of Israel before the Son of Man comes."

*Celebrant:* The Gospel of the Lord.

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

### Sermon

The Rev. Dr. Jennifer Reece

*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:* Let us invite the Spirit to blow through our lives and our world, as we lift our needs in prayer.

We pray, Holy Spirit, for all who have lost faith in themselves, in others, and especially in you.

*Congregation:* **May the Spirit renew and inspire us.**

*Leader:* We pray, Holy Spirit, for all who have lost their hope in what life can become for themselves and for all people.

*Congregation:* **May the Spirit encourage and challenge us to break new ground with you.**

*Leader:* We pray, Holy Spirit, for all who have lost their ability to love freely and recklessly.

*Congregation:* **May the Spirit comfort and soften us.**

*Leader:* In recognition of the upcoming Juneteenth federal holiday this Friday, we pray for the fullness of justice and compassion for all victims of racism.

*Congregation:* **May the Spirit guide us to support the systemic changes needed to eradicate the reality of racism in our country.**

*Leader:* We remember those who have died and give thanks for their presence in our lives.

*Congregation:* **May the Spirit keep us united with them in your everlasting love.**

*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:* Holy, uncontainable fiery Spirit,

*Congregation:* **Fill the world with your peace, fill communities of faith with your purpose, and fill us with your power, for the sake of your Reign. 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 Anthem:** *You Can't Hurry God*

Traditional, arr. Peter Amidon

Sung by the choir

### **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:

Sanctus: MHSO 38

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, God of power and  
 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - - - ly, God of power and  
 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - - - ly, God of power and  
 might, heaven and earth are full, are full  
 power and might, heaven and earth and full, are full  
 power might, heaven and earth and full, are full  
 of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na! Ho - san - na! Ho -  
 of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na! Ho - san - na! Ho -  
 san - na in the high - est! Ho - san - na! Ho -  
 san - na in the high - - - est! Ho - san - na! Ho -  
 san - na in the high - - - est! Ho - san - na! Ho -  
 san - na! Ho - san - na in the high - - - est!

*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 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**

*Celebrant:* We give thanks for this meal of Holy Mystery and remembrance,  
and for coming to us as we have shared it.

*Congregation:* **May the love we find at this table**

**be reflected in our lives;**

**May the power we receive at this table**

**make us peacemakers and healers;**

**And may the Spirit who fills us again at this table**

**lead us to be those who proclaim God's Reign**

**in every word we speak and in everything we do. Amen.**

### **The Blessing**

**Sending Hymn: LEVAS 157** *Revive us again (vss. 1, 2, 4, in back of bulletin)*

**Postlude:** *Voluntary on Abbot's Leigh*

### **Announcements**

### **Dismissal**

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## GIVING OUR PRIORITIES SHAPE (GPS) ACTION ITEM

### Justice for All

**Primary done! More work ahead!** In this year of local and national elections, we need to be well informed about issues of justice and racial and gender equity in our state of Maine, so that we can listen to political campaigns and decide which candidates will best advance these issues.

#### GPS Action for this week!

Please explore the [Maine Equal Justice website](http://maineequaljustice.org) ([maineequaljustice.org](http://maineequaljustice.org)). This nonprofit works year in and year out on issues that affect people's daily lives – access to health care, affordable housing, transportation, childcare, food and income security, higher education and training. Its website describes legislative priorities related to the above.

**Please sign up** for timely alerts about important votes, hearings, and other opportunities to take action as you sort out all the competing claims of candidates.

## CALENDAR

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

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| Sunday, June 14    | 5:00 p.m. Celtic Eventide -- Patricia Donahue, reflector  |
| Monday, June 15    | 4:30 p.m. Meditation/Silent Prayer (Zoom)   |
| Tuesday, June 16   | 10:00 a.m. Kindness Rock painting -- All are welcome!   |
| Wednesday, June 17 | 10:00 a.m. In-Person Meditation/Silent Prayer<br>10:30 a.m. Miriam Antich will lead a session on silence as an entry to prayer and meditation.<br>4:00 p.m. Choir rehearsal |
| Saturday, June 20  | 8:30 a.m. Men's Breakfast   |
| Sunday, June 21    | 9:30 a.m. Gathering at the Meditation and Memorial Garden<br>10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist with The Rt. Rev. Thomas Brown presiding   |

### Prayer for World Refugee Day (June 20)

#### For Solidarity with Refugees

Holy God, you have revealed your Good News through your Son, Jesus Christ, who was an outcast and a refugee. We echo the call of the United Nations on World Refugee Day to "shine a light on the rights, needs, and dreams of those forced to flee." Strengthen us, as we live out our baptismal calling, to actively seek solidarity with the oppressed. Reveal the plight of all refugees to the world and remind all refugees that they are not alone. We ask this in the name of your Son, Jesus Christ. Amen.

I sing the almighty power of God *The Hymnal 1982, #398*

1 I sing the al-might - y power of God, that made the moun-tains rise,  
 2 I sing the good-ness of the Lord, that filled the earth with food;  
 3 There's not a plant or flower be - low, but makes thy glo - ries known;

that spread the flow - ing seas a - broad and built the lof - ty skies.  
 he formed the crea-tures with his Word, and then pro-nounced them good.  
 and clouds a - rise, and tem-pests blow, by or - der from thy throne;

I sing the wis - dom that or - dained the sun to rule the day;  
 Lord, how thy won - ders are dis - played, wher - e'er I turn my eye,  
 while all that bor - rows life from thee is ev - er in thy care,

the moon shines full at his com-mand, and all the stars o - bey.  
 if I sur - vey the ground I tread, or gaze up - on the sky!  
 and ev - ery-where that I could be, thou, God, art pres-ent there.

Words: Isaac Watts (1674-1748), alt. Music: *Forest Green*, English melody; adapt. and harm. Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958).

Lord, you give the great commission *Wonder Love and Praise, #780*

1. Lord, you give the great com - mis - sion: "Heal the  
 2. Lord, you call us to your ser - vice: "In my  
 3. Lord, you make the com - mon ho - ly: "This my  
 4. Lord, you show us love's true mea - sure: "Fa - ther,  
 5. Lord, you bless with words as - sur - ing; "I am

sick and preach the word." Lest the church ne -  
 name bap - tize and teach." That the world may  
 bod - y, this my blood." Let us all, for  
 what they do, for - give." Yet we hoard as  
 with you to the end." Faith and hope and

glect its mis - sion, and the gos - pel go un -  
 trust your prom - ise, life a - bun - dant meant for  
 earth's true glo - ry, dai - ly lift life heav - en -  
 pri - vate trea - sure all that you so free - ly  
 love re - stor - ing, may we serve as you in -

heard, help us wit - ness to your pur - pose  
 each, give us all new fer - vor, draw us  
 ward, ask - ing that the world a - round us  
 give. May your care and mer - cy lead us  
 tend and, a - mid the cares that claim us,

*Refrain*

with re - newed in - teg - ri - ty. )  
 clos - er in com - mun - i - ty. )  
 share your chil - dren's lib - er - ty. ) With the Spir - it's  
 to a just so - ci - e - ty. )  
 hold in mind e - ter - ni - ty. )

gifts em - power us for the work of min - is - try.

Words: Jeffery Rowthorn (b. 1934). Music: *Abbot's Leigh*, Cyril Vincent Taylor (1907-1991).

## Revive Us Again *Lift Every Voice and Sing II*, #157

1. We praise thee, O God, For the son of thy  
 2. We praise thee, O God, For thy spir - it of  
 3. All glo - ry and praise To the lamb that was  
 4. Re - vive us a - gain, Fill each heart with thy

1. love, For — Je - sus who died And is now gone a - bove.  
 2. light, Who has shown us our Sav - ior, And scat - tered our night.  
 3. slain, Who has borne all our sins And has cleansed ev - 'ry stain.  
 4. love, May each soul be re - kin - dled With fire from a - bove.

Hal - le - lu - jah! Thine the glo - ry, Hal - le - lu - jah! A -

men, Hal - le - lu - jah! Thine the glo - ry, Re - vive us a - gain.

Words: William P. MacKay (1837-1885). Music: John H. Husband (1760-1825).

### 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**.