



St. Barnabas' Episcopal Church

Second Sunday of Advent | December 4, 2022
8:00 am and 10:00 am



John the Baptist preaching in the desert - JESUS MAFA is a response to the New Testament readings from the Lectionary by a Christian community in Cameroon, Africa. Each of the readings was selected and adapted to dramatic interpretation by the community members. Photographs of their interpretations were made, and these were then transcribed to paintings.

God's discerning, inclusive, Christ-centered church, engaged in outreach ministry, growing discipleship, and life changing worship.

Welcome to Indoor Worship at St. Barnabas!

Welcome to our in-person indoor worship service. In order to worship safely we will:

- Have doors and windows open to provide fresh airflow,
- Be limited to those who have no COVID symptoms and have not recently tested positive for COVID.
- Recommend that a mask be worn at all times, however, masks are optional for those who have been vaccinated and are healthy,
- Prohibit touching, hugging, and handshakes,
- Please note that we do not require COVID vaccination to attend worship at St. Barnabas.

Distribution of bread: In this season we are only serving bread (and not the wine). There are many beautiful ways to participate in the Eucharist, one is to serve bread only. This is something that we got used to doing during Covid, and going back to bread only reminds us that there is more than one way to do most things in worship.

- Starting from the back of the room, Ushers will invite you forward to receive the bread.
- Proceed up to the rail around the altar where you may stand or kneel to receive the bread.
- After receiving the bread, you may slip it under your mask to consume it.
- If you are unable to come forward, let the ushers know so the bread can be brought to you.

Four courtyard and two narthex bathrooms are available for your use. Please use the disinfecting spray that is in the bathroom. If you have any questions or concerns, the Ushers are available to assist you.

Welcome to Online St. Barnabas!

Welcome to those joining our virtual worship with Facebook Live. We are glad to have you with us in this new way. You may access our livestream starting at 9:45 am at facebook.com/StBarnabasAG/

A recording of the live-stream will be posted on the St. Barnabas YouTube Channel (bit.ly/StBYouTube) the afternoon following the service.

Bidding (intercessory prayer) Book – If you would like to add a prayer to be read during the church service, you may add it to the “Bidding Book” located at the back of the church to the left of the doors. If you cannot join us in person and would like to add a prayer to be read during the church service you can email the name of the person to our parish office at saintbarnabas.ag@gmail.com (before Thursday morning), or add it to the comments section on Facebook Live during the livestream.

Greens and Candle Dedications – Candles are lighted by Carol Wilcock to the Glory of God and in loving memory of her husband George. Greens are placed on the altar by Lynne Schulz in memory of her mother, Ruth Ross.

Notable Events

Saturday	December 10	Diocesan Advent Retreat at St. Stephens, SLO 9:30 am
Sunday	December 11	Eucharist 8:00 am and Children’s Pageant/Eucharist 10:00 am
Sunday	December 11	Advent Lessons & Carols 5:00 pm, Reception following.
Saturday	December 24	Christmas Eve services 4:45pm and 10:45pm
Sunday	December 25	Christmas Day service 10:00 am (no 8:00 am service)

Voluntary

Introit Remember, O Thou Man Sung by the Choral Scholars

Remember, O thou man, O thou man, O thou man, remember, O thou man,
Thy time is spent: Remember, O thou man, how thou cam'st to me then,
And I did what I can, *Therefore repent.*

Remember God's goodness, O thou man, O thou man, remember God's goodness and
Promise made: Remember God's goodness, how his only Son he sent,
Our sins for to redress: *Be not afraid.*

In Bethlem was he born, O thou man, O thou man, in Bethlem was he born,
For mankind dear: In Bethlem was he born for us that were forlorn,
And therefore took no scorn, *Our sins to bear.*

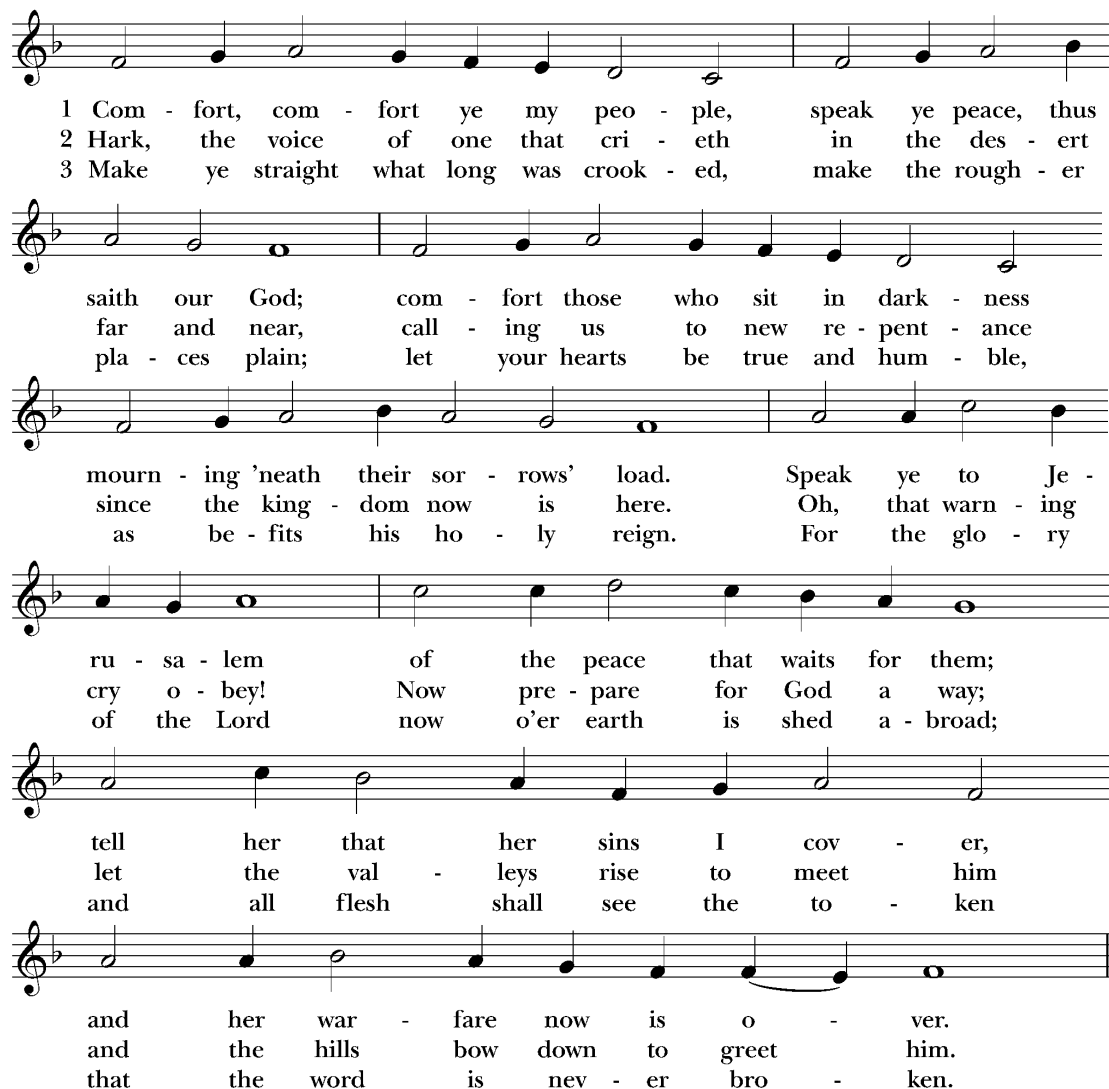
Words: Melismata, 1611

Music: Thomas Ravenscroft, 1611

The Word of God

Stand as you are able.

ENTRANCE HYMN Comfort, comfort ye my people



1 Com - fort, com - fort ye my peo - ple, speak ye peace, thus
2 Hark, the voice of one that cri - eth in the des - ert
3 Make ye straight what long was crook - ed, make the rough - er

saith our God; com - fort those who sit in dark - ness
far and near, call - ing us to new re - pent - ance
pla - ces plain; let your hearts be true and hum - ble,

mourn - ing 'neath their sor - rows' load. Speak ye to Je -
since the king - dom now is here. Oh, that warn - ing
as be - fits his ho - ly reign. For the glo - ry

ru - sa - lem of the peace that waits for them;
cry o - bey! Now pre - pare for God a way;
of the Lord now o'er earth is shed a - broad;

tell her that her sins I cov - er,
let the val - leys rise to meet him
and all flesh shall see the to - ken

and her war - fare now is o - ver.
and the hills bow down to greet him.
that the word is nev - er bro - ken.

Today we start the new Church year with the **Season of Advent.** Advent is a time of preparation for the coming of Jesus into the world as a baby. The word "Advent" is Latin for "to come."

The color for the Season of Advent is purple or blue. As a way to mark this season of expectation and hope, we wear blue vestments at St. Barnabas. This is a recovery of an ancient English tradition stemming from Salisbury Cathedral, so the particular blue that is worn is referred to as "saram blue" (Sarum being the ancient Latin name for Salisbury.)

During this Season of Advent, we observe a moment of silence at this point of our worship.

Celebrant

Bless-ed be the one, ho-ly and liv-ing God.

People

Glo-ry to God for ev-er and ev-er.

COLLECT FOR PURITY

The Celebrant says

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Opening Anthem

Kyrie eleison

Kyrie Eleison is Greek for "Lord, have mercy." Like this version of the Opening Anthem, a Kyrie is often sung as a call and response.

<i>Bells (or Organ)</i>	<i>Cantor</i>	<i>People</i>
	Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son.	Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son.
	<i>Cantor</i>	<i>People</i>
	Chri - ste e - le - i - son.	Chri - ste e - le - i - son.
	<i>Cantor</i>	<i>People</i>
	Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son.	Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son.

The Collect of the Day is a prayer that "collects" and organizes our thoughts. Like a sonnet or haiku, it follows a traditional structure – a preamble (address, invocation), a petition, and a conclusion (meditation). There is often an allusion to the Gospel reading. There is a Collect of the Day for each week of the year as well as special feast days.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant May God be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Celebrant Let us pray.

Merciful God, who sent your messengers the prophets to preach repentance and prepare the way for our salvation: Give us grace to heed their warnings and forsake our sins, that we may greet with joy the coming of Jesus Christ our Redeemer; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Lessons

The people sit.

FIRST READING: Isaiah 11:1-10

A Reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah.

¹A shoot shall come out from the stump of Jesse,
and a branch shall grow out of his roots.

²The spirit of the LORD shall rest on him,
the spirit of wisdom and understanding,
the spirit of counsel and might,
the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the LORD.

³His delight shall be in the fear of the LORD.

He shall not judge by what his eyes see, or decide by what his ears hear;

⁴but with righteousness he shall judge the poor,
and decide with equity for the meek of the earth;
he shall strike the earth with the rod of his mouth,
and with the breath of his lips he shall kill the wicked.

⁵Righteousness shall be the belt around his waist,
and faithfulness the belt around his loins.

⁶The wolf shall live with the lamb, the leopard shall lie down with the kid,
the calf and the lion and the fatling together, and a little child shall lead them.

⁷The cow and the bear shall graze, their young shall lie down together;
and the lion shall eat straw like the ox.

⁸The nursing child shall play over the hole of the asp,
and the weaned child shall put its hand on the adder's den.

⁹They will not hurt or destroy on all my holy mountain;
for the earth will be full of the knowledge of the LORD
as the waters cover the sea.

¹⁰On that day the root of Jesse shall stand as a signal to the peoples; the nations shall inquire of him, and his dwelling shall be glorious.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Prophets do not predict the future. Instead, they call people back into "right" relationship with God. And as this passage from Isaiah depicts, when "right" relationship happens then beauty is the results – "the wolf shall live with the lamb."

This style of chant is called "simplified Anglican Chant." When singing a text in Anglican Chant, the natural rhythm of the words as they would be spoken governs how the music is fitted to the words.

The bold words at the end of the line indicate when the next note of a measure should be sung. Note that this note change is sometimes done for only the last part of a word.

In this passage the Apostle Paul makes reference to today's Old Testament reading from the prophet Isaiah. Christ came into the world as Jesus to confirm the promises give to Israel, a promise that is now also extended to the Gentiles.

Psalm 72:1-7, 18-19

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8 am Said by All
10:00 am Sung by ALL
to simplified Anglican Chant
† sung to second half of chant

Give the King your justice, O **God**, *
and your righteousness to the King's **Son**;
That he may rule your people **righteously** *
and the poor with **justice**;

That the mountains may bring prosperity to the **people**, *
and the little hills bring **righteousness**.
He shall defend the needy among the **people**; *
he shall rescue the poor and crush the **op-pressor**.

He shall live as long as the sun and moon en-**dure**, *
from one generation to a-**nother**.
He shall come down like rain upon the mown **field**, *
like showers that water the **earth**.
† In his time shall the righteous **flourish**; *
there shall be abundance of peace till the moon shall be no **more**.

Blessed be the Lord God, the God of **Israel**, *
who alone does wondrous **deeds**!
And blessed be his glorious Name for **ever**! *
and may all the earth be filled with his glory. Amen. A-**men**.

SECOND READING: Romans 15:4-13

A Reading from Paul's letter to the Church in Rome.

⁴Whatever was written in former days was written for our instruction, so that by steadfastness and by the encouragement of the scriptures we might have hope. ⁵May the God of steadfastness and encouragement grant you to live in harmony with one another, in accordance with Christ Jesus, ⁶so that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

⁷Welcome one another, therefore, just as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God.

⁸For I tell you that Christ has become a servant of the circumcised on behalf of the truth of God in order that he might confirm the promises given to the patriarchs, ⁹and in order that the Gentiles might glorify God for his mercy. As it is written,

“Therefore I will confess you among the Gentiles, and sing praises to your name”;

¹⁰and again he says, “Rejoice, O Gentiles, with his people”; ¹¹and again, “Praise the Lord, all you Gentiles, and let all the peoples praise him”; ¹²and again Isaiah says, “The root of Jesse shall come, the one who rises to rule the Gentiles; in him the Gentiles shall hope.” ¹³May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

SEQUENCE HYMN

My Lord, what a morning

Verses 1 & 2

Harmony

My Lord, what a morn-ing, My Lord, what a morn-ing, — O

my Lord, what a morn-ing, When the stars be-gin to fall.

Fine

Unison

1. You'll hear the trum - pet sound, —
 2. You'll hear the sin - ner mourn, — To wake the
 3. You'll hear the Chris - tian shout, —

na - tions un - der - ground, — Look - ing to my God's right

hand, When the stars be - gin to fall.

D.C.

It is traditional for the people to stand as the Gospel Book is lifted high by the Deacon.

As the Gospel is announced, some people use their thumb to make the sign of the cross on their forehead, mouth, and heart. These three locations indicate that the Gospel reading is to enter the mind, voice, and heart. Some people also bow as a sign of reverence for Jesus who is depicted in the Gospels.

GOSPEL: Matthew 3:1-12

All stand.

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.
People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

¹In those days John the Baptist appeared in the wilderness of Judea, proclaiming, ²“Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near.” ³This is the one of whom the prophet Isaiah spoke when he said,

“The voice of one crying out in the wilderness:
‘Prepare the way of the Lord,
make his paths straight.’”

⁴Now John wore clothing of camel’s hair with a leather belt around his waist, and his food was locusts and wild honey. ⁵Then the people of Jerusalem and all Judea were going out to him, and all the region along the Jordan, ⁶and they were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins.

⁷But when he saw many Pharisees and Sadducees coming for baptism, he said to them, “You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the wrath to come? ⁸Bear fruit worthy of repentance. ⁹Do not presume to say to yourselves, ‘We have Abraham as our ancestor’; for I tell you, God is able from these stones to raise up children to Abraham. ¹⁰Even now the ax is lying at the root of the trees; every tree therefore that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire.

¹¹“I baptize you with water for repentance, but one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to carry his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. ¹²His winnowing fork is in his hand, and he will clear his threshing floor and will gather his wheat into the granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire.”

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.
People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

SEQUENCE HYMN

My Lord, what a morning

**Verse 3
See prior page**

THE SERMON

Followed by a moment of silent meditation.

The Rev. Rob Keim

THE NICENE CREED

All stand.

We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He has spoken through the Prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

*It is customary for us to say the **Nicene Creed** any time we have a Eucharist. The Creed is structured in the three-fold way of the Trinity – Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.*

*In this season of Advent,
we prepare for the
coming of Jesus with
prayers that lean into a
theme of gratitude.*

*You may type your own
intercessory prayer
requests in the
comment section of
Facebook Live.*

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

All remain standing.

We pray for your Church, that in love and gratefulness it may be awakened and renewed to the work you have given it. We pray for your guidance and direction for its leaders especially for our diocesan bishop, Lucinda.

God you bless us in ways we know and don't know,

And we are grateful.

We pray for all in leadership in the world; most especially we pray for President Joe Biden and Congress that they may seek and use your wisdom in making decisions.

God you bless us in ways we know and don't know,

And we are grateful.

We pray for the diverse and vibrant native communities who make their home here and across these lands. For all Native Peoples on whose ancestral homelands we are worshipping this morning.

God you bless us in ways we know and don't know,

And we are grateful.

We pray that you fill us with your grace and goodness that we may grow in holiness and in hospitality; that our mission to serve as your hands, feet, and voice is bookended with love.

God you bless us in ways we know and don't know,

And we are grateful.

We pray for your guidance and wisdom as we strive to help all who are in any need or trouble: the hungry, homeless, substance abusers, lonely, those suffering from mental or physical illnesses, those suffering from mental and physical abuse, for refugees and those whose families have been torn apart by war, famine, or pestilence. In our own community we pray for: **Miranda & Jeremy, Margie & Annelise, Doug Lawrence, Alice Robinson, Miranda Cornwell, Mason Crook, Toni & Jason Crook, Maurizio Grotta, Dawna, Phillip S., Brent, Diana Guida, Tony, Bill & Pat Bartolini, Brad Curtis & family, Richard Miller, and Joe Dezo.**

God you bless us in ways we know and don't know,

And we are grateful.

We thank you for the fellowship and love of our family and friends who have passed from this life into your glory; especially **Tom Rice, Anna Vignaduzzi, and Jim Curtis.**

God you bless us in ways we know and don't know,

And we are grateful.

(The Intercessor then reads the petitions from the bidding book and from the comment section of FB Live.)

And after a moment of silence the Deacon adds a concluding Collect.

*Prayer requests written
in the bidding book
(located on the shelf at
the back of the worship
space) and names put
into the Comment
Section of Facebook Live
will be included in the
bulletin next week.*

CONFESSION OF SIN

The Deacon or Celebrant says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Minister and People say

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.

The Priest stands and says

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.
Amen.

THE PEACE

All stand.

Celebrant Our God comes to us in peace and love that we may increase and
abound in love. The peace of God be always with you.
People **And also with you.**

Then the Ministers and the People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The people sit.

Birthdays: Lee Statom (97), Jeff Diehl

Anniversaries:

Travelers:

Birthday Prayer

Gracious God, who made us in your own image, we thank you for life, love, and joy. Send your blessing upon these your children, who have completed another year. Surround them with your grace, fill them with your love, and strengthen them to be your servants in the world. This we ask through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Anniversary Prayer

We thank you, Gracious God, for the love you have implanted in the hearts of your servants and for your continued blessings upon them. Give them kind and loving hearts, always ready to ask forgiveness as well as to forgive. Support them through times of trial, strengthen their love for one another, and may that love empower them to be instruments of God's love in the world. This we ask through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

In response to the Confession the Priest says the Absolution signifying the grace that we have already received through Jesus. As the Absolution is said some choose to make the sign of the Cross by using the fingers to touch the forehead, heart, left shoulder and right shoulder, and back to the heart again.

If you have a birthday, anniversary or other celebration please type that into the comments.

Prayer for Travelers

O God, our heavenly Father, whose glory fills the whole creation, and whose presence we find wherever we go: Preserve those who travel; surround them with your loving care; protect them from every danger; and bring them in safety to their journey's end; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Holy Communion

The Celebrant says

Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.

OFFERTORY ANTHEM E'en So Lord Jesus, Quickly Come Choral Scholars

Peace be to you and grace from him who freed us from our sins, who loved us all and shed his blood that we might saved be. Sing holy, holy to our Lord, the Lord, Almighty God, who was and is and is to come; Sing holy, holy, Lord! Rejoice in heaven, all ye that dwell therein. Rejoice on earth, ye saints below, for Christ is coming, is coming soon, for Christ is coming soon! E'en so Lord Jesus, quickly come, and night shall be no more; they need no light nor lamp nor sun, for Christ will be their All!

Words: Revelation 22, adapted by Ruth Manx

Music: Paul Manx

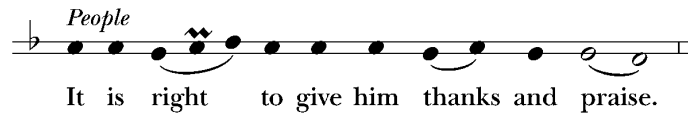
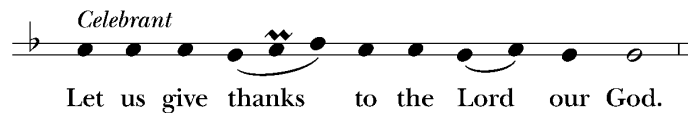
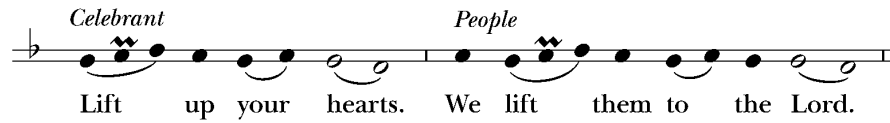
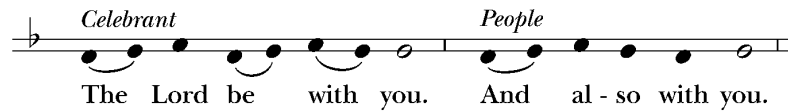
DOXOLOGY

The people stand and sing

Praise God for gifts of hope and peace. Praise
God for gifts of joy and love. Praise
God for send - ing Christ to dwell on
Earth for us Em - man - u - el.

The Great Thanksgiving

The People remain standing.

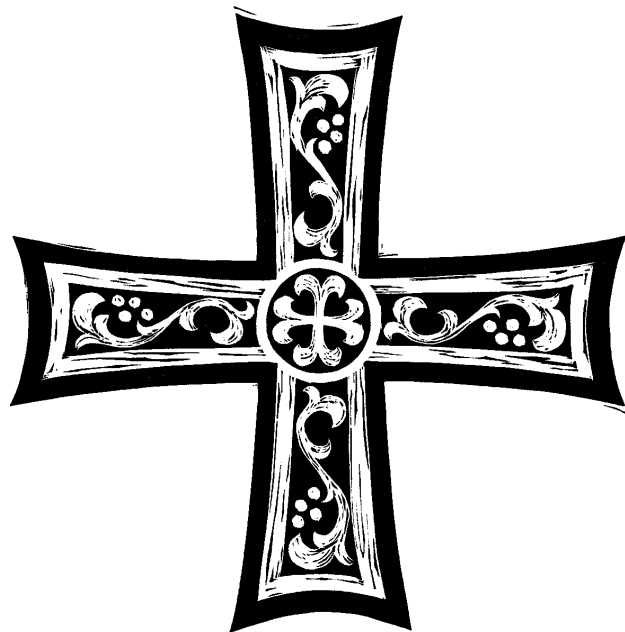


The Celebrant continues

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Because you sent your beloved Son to redeem us from sin and death, and to make us heirs in him of everlasting life; that when he shall come again in power and great triumph to judge the world, we may without shame or fear rejoice to behold his appearing.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:



In this season of Advent, we are using **Eucharistic Prayer B** from our *Episcopal Book of Common Prayer*. This version uses more traditional language as we remember how Jesus changed and continues to change the universe.

Celebrant and People



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might, hea - ven and
earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

The Celebrant continues

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he 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 shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

Celebrant and People

**We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;**

The Celebrant continues

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with Barnabas and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Deacon says

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

People and Celebrant

**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy Name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.**

Give us this day our daily bread.

**And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.**

**And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.**

**For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
forever and ever. Amen.**

The Celebrant and People sing together

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world:
have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sins of the world: have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God,
you take a - way the sins of the world: grant us peace.

The Celebrant says

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

COMMUNION HYMN

Soon and very soon

1. Soon and ver - y soon — we are goin' to see the King, —
 2. No more cry - in' there — we are goin' to see the King, —
 3. No more dy - in' there — we are goin' to see the King, —
 4. Soon and ver - y soon — we are goin' to see the King; —

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 3. No more dy - in' there — we are goin' to see the King,
 4. Soon and ver - y soon — we are goin' to see the King,

— Hal - le - lu - jah, Hal - le - lu - jah, — we're goin' to see the King!

Hal - le - lu - jah, Hal - le - lu -

jah, Hal - le - lu - jah, Hal - le - lu - jah.

COMMUNION HYMN Swing low, sweet chariot

Swing low, sweet char - i - ot, — Com - ing for to car - ry me home.

Fine
Swing — low, sweet char - i - ot, — Com - ing for to car - ry me home.

1. I looked o - ver Jor - dan, and what did I see —
2. If you get — there be - fore — I do, —
3. The bright - est day that — ev - er I saw —
4. I'm some - times up and — some - times down, —

1. Com - ing for to car - ry me home. A band — of an - gels
2. Com - ing for to car - ry me home. Tell all — my friends I'm
3. Com - ing for to car - ry me home. When Je - sus wash'd my
4. Com - ing for to car - ry me home. But still — my soul feels

D.C.

1. com - ing af - ter me, — Com - ing for to car - ry me home. O,
2. com - ing too, — Com - ing for to car - ry me home. O,
3. sins a - way, — Com - ing for to car - ry me home. O,
4. heaven - ly bound, — Com - ing for to car - ry me home. O,

During this Season of Advent, we observe a moment of silence at this point of our worship.

After the Silence, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People say together

**Almighty and ever living God,
we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food
of the most precious Body and Blood
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;
and for assuring us in these holy mysteries
that we are living members of the Body of Christ,
and heirs of your eternal kingdom.**

**And now, send us out
to do the work you have given us to do,
to love and serve you
as faithful witnesses of Christ our Savior.
To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,
be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.**

The people stand and the Priest blesses the people, saying

May the love and light of God scatter the darkness from before you;
May God's presence and peace in Christ Jesus
keep watch over your hearts and minds;
May you be steadfast in gratefulness and hope:
And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be upon you and remain with you for ever. *Amen.*



CONCLUDING HYMN Prepare the way, O Zion



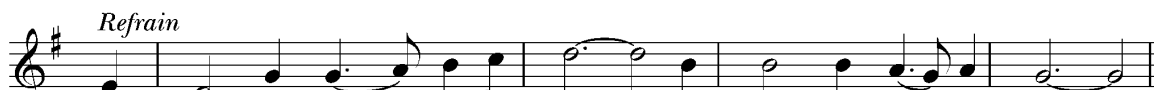
1 Pre - pare the way, O Zi - on, your Christ is draw - ing near!
2 He brings God's rule, O Zi - on; he comes from heaven a - bove.
3 Fling wide your gates, O Zi - on; your Sa - vior's rule em - brace.



Let ev - ery hill and val - ley a lev - el way ap - pear.
His rule is peace and free - dom, and jus - tice, truth, and love.
His tid - ings of sal - va - tion pro - claim in ev - ery place.



Greet One who comes in glo - ry, fore - told in sa - cred sto - ry.
Lift high your praise re - sound - ing, for grace and joy a - bound - ing.
All lands will bow be - fore him, their voic - es will a - dore him.



Oh, blest is Christ that came in God's most ho - ly name.

Deacon Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.
Alleluia, Alleluia!

People **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!**

Voluntary

Our 1982 Hymnal has a whole section of hymns specific to the Season of Advent. The theme of the words in these hymns is preparation. Advent hymns are not Christmas Carols. We wait to do those on Christmas Eve.

ADVENT

Festival

OF

LESSONS & CAROLS

with the St. Barnabas' Choral Scholars & Chancel Choir

Sunday, December 11, 2022

5:00 pm

RECEPTION TO FOLLOW
IN THE PARISH HALL

Life at St. Barnabas

SLO Deanery offering of “A Storied Pilgrimage on Race” – Our Diocese has put together a twelve-session series which explores the personal stories of those across the diocese on issues of race. Each session will be one hour on Zoom and will be led by the clergy of the Deanery. The sessions will be every other Thursday evening at 7:00pm and running through February. The next session is Thursday, December 15th at 7:00 pm. Zoom login information is below. Each session is stand alone, so you are welcomed to attend even if you have not attended prior session. No reservation is needed, just join the Zoom meeting shortly before 7:00pm.

Click this link to attend on your computer or device: bit.ly/sbstoriedpilgrimage

To dial in call 1-669-900-6833. Meeting ID: 811 5036 9907#. Password 136424#, and then hit # a second time.

Diocesan Advent Retreat – You are invited to a diocese-wide Advent Retreat on Saturday, December 10th, at St. Stephens Episcopal Church (1344 Nipomo Street, San Luis Obispo), and we hope that you will join us! We will gather at 9:30am for worship, Bible study, and reflection. You are encouraged to wear comfortable clothing and bring a journal or computer, if you are someone who enjoys writing while reflecting. Lunch will be provided, and there is a \$10 suggested donation to help with the cost of lunch, but this is not a required contribution. The retreat will end by 3pm. The theme of the day is “Courage in the Wilderness” and it will be hosted by Canon Martha Korienek, our Canon to the Ordinary. Questions? Please email Canon Martha at canonmartha@realepiscopal.org. To register, please go to: bit.ly/diocesanadventretreat

Experience the wonder of Advent at our annual Advent Festival of Lessons & Carols – Sunday, December 11th at 5 pm, join us for a service that is an over 100 year-old tradition. It weaves scripture readings with carols sung by our Choir, and Choral Scholars, past and present, to tell the story of salvation history. Reception following in the Parish Hall.

Would you like to host a Coffee Hour? – Please sign up on the sign in sheet in the narthex. Contact Adam at the church office at saintbarnabas.ag@gmail.com with any questions and let him know if you will need help learning how to operate either the coffee maker or the dishwasher so a K&H person can be there to help.

Thrift Shop News – A few Sundays someone commented to me “how hard it is to get rid of stuff” after I shared that Goodwill does not accept toys; neither does the Saint Barnabas’ Thrift Shop. That led me to the thought that if we choose gifts more carefully with the concern of how that gift will need to be discarded someday perhaps it will be possible to find gifts that will not end up in a landfill.

2023 Pledge Cards – If you have not yet turned in a 2023 pledge card then they may be mailed to the parish office or placed in the offering box on any Sunday morning. If you need a new pledge card, they are available in the narthex (entrance to the church).

Nominations for Vestry and Diocesan Convention – The Nominating Committee will begin its work at the end of October to identify and recruit three new Vestry members for three-year terms. In addition, five people to be nominated to represent St. Barnabas at the Diocesan Convention. Terms begin with the Parish Annual Meeting on Sunday, January 29th. If you have someone that you think should be considered by the Nominating Committee then please let them know. The committee includes Paul DeTilla, Georgianna Gleason, and David Ottesen.

Opportunities to gather virtually

Sunday morning worship at 10:00 am – We live-stream our Sunday 10:00am worship services on the St. Barnabas' Facebook page
facebook.com/StBarnabasAG/

All you need is a computer or device with an internet connection and speakers to watch the live-stream; you do not need to have a Facebook account. A recording of the live-stream will be posted on the St. Barnabas YouTube Channel: (bit.ly/StBYouTube) following the service.

If you would like to participate more fully in the service, the order of service booklet is available for download on the St. Barnabas website by clicking the big blue "Weekly Bulletin" button on our website. Sunday morning worship bulletin is available starting at 1:00 pm on Thursday.

Tuesday Morning Prayer at 9:30 am – Now Hybrid on Zoom and the church library in person. If you have a Book of Common Prayer at home that will be useful to have on hand.

Click this link to attend via your computer or device:

bit.ly/stbarnabasmorningprayer

To dial in call 1-669-900-6833. When prompted put in the meeting id of **878 6513 4138#** and when prompted for a password put in **365072#**, and then hit **#** a second time.

Bible Study Tuesdays at 10:00 am – Now Hybrid on Zoom and the church library in person. Bible Study will start at **10:00 am** immediately following Morning Prayer. The Zoom login is the same as Morning Prayer (above). As we restart Bible Study the group will explore Paul's letter to the Romans. The guide has been updated to include material on Martin Luther and the Reformation since this is the 500th Anniversary. Call Mary Ann if you have any questions.

Friday afternoon Centering Prayer – Each Friday afternoon at 4pm we will hold a Centering Prayer Service. After first gathering for a few minutes, we practice our 20 minutes of silent Centering Prayer. Following the practice, we will be reading and discussing a passage from Evelyn Underhill, a modern spiritual writer. We'll be using *Grace Through Simplicity*, an edited collection of her prayers and reflections. We will use the Zoom video conferencing service for this gathering.

Click this link to attend via your computer or device

bit.ly/stbarnabascenteringprayer

To dial in call 1-669-900-6833. When prompted put in the meeting id of **867 7756 1670#** and when prompted for a password put in **034979#**, and then hit **#** a second time.

Making donations to St. Barnabas – Even though some are not able to meet in-person for worship, many may want to continue to contribute to St. Barnabas. We have several options to continue giving as we progress through this change in how we worship.

Electronic transfer

This might be a good time to consider setting up electronic transfer of funds. At St. Barnabas we have Quick Pay with Zelle set up and many banks and financial institutions also use this software. Payments can be set up as one-time or recurring. To transfer money, use the email address of the Financial Secretary (stbarnabas.financial@gmail.com) as the recipient. If you have questions or difficulties setting it up, call Janette Sofranko at 805-801-4526

Auto pay from your financial institution

Many banks and financial institutions offer a service often called Auto Pay or Bill Pay. It's fairly easy to set up online if you do online banking. We have several donors using this option today. The payment can be set up one time or recurring. The bank will issue the check on the date you give them and mail the check to St. Barnabas.

Mail your check

You can also mail your check to St. Barnabas. The address is: 301 Trinity Ave., Arroyo Grande, CA 93420 Please put "Attn Financial Secretary" on the envelope.

If you have any questions on how to make your donation at this time, please feel free to contact Janette Sofranko, Financial Secretary, at 805-801-4526. You can also send an email to stbarnabas.financial@gmail.com. Thank-you for your continued support of St. Barnabas.



If you are reading the bulletin electronically, you can click on this button to donate immediately.

**Donations of time and talent are just as important as financial donations.
Thank you to everyone who helps make things happen on Sunday!**

Vestry Members – The governing board of our parish is made up of the following:
Class of 2023 – Georgianna Gleason (Sr. Warden), David Ottesen, Paul DeTilla
Class of 2024 – Melissa Biel, Steve Jerrick, Kris Vardas (Jr. Warden)
Class of 2025 – Rachel Mann, Carlos Ortiz, Brian Petersen

The Altar Guild Team:
Marigay Ross, Barbara Conry, Elizabeth Hillis

Sunday School Teacher:
Pam and Ali Pano

Thank you to last week's Coffee Hour Hosts:
8:00 am Carlos Ortiz
10:00 am Steve Jerrick & Harry Johnson, Barbara Conry

This Week's Coffee Hour Hosts:
8:00 am Michele Davenport, Ann Mathias
10:00 am Alicia Nowicki, Marigay Ross, Marsha Boyer

CALENDAR

Week of December 4 – December 11

Today	In-Person Holy Communion	8:00 am
	In-Person Holy Communion*	10:00 am
	Children's Sunday School	10:00 am
Monday	Senior Chair Yoga with Sigrid	12:00 noon
	Stephen Ministry.....	12:30 pm
Tuesday	Morning Prayer (Hybrid Zoom & Church Library)	9:30 am
	Biblical Roundtable (Hybrid Zoom & Church Library)	10:00 am
	12-Step Meeting (outdoors).....	12:00 pm
Wednesday	Senior Fitness with Sigrid.....	12:00 noon
	Choir Rehearsal.....	6:00 pm
Friday	Senior Fitness with Sigrid.....	12:00 noon
	Centering Prayer (via Zoom).....	4:00 pm
Sunday	In-Person Holy Communion	8:00 am
	In-Person Holy Communion*	10:00 am
	Children's Sunday School	10:00 am
	Advent Lessons and Carols.....	5:00 pm

** In-person and via Facebook Live*

SERVING TODAY

Presider/Preacher	The Rev. Rob Keim
Deacon	The Rev. Dcn. Susan Arnold
Music Minister	Janis Johnson
8:00 am Pianist	Sharon Williams
Choral Scholars	Katelyn Caron, Rachel Koenigsberg, Chris Marston, Alexander Miller
Livestream Production	Jeff Diehl

8 am

Eucharistic Minister	Karen Reinecke
Lector/2 nd Chalice	Carlos Ortiz
Ushers	Robert Merritt, Carlos Ortiz
Vestry on Call	
Coffee Host	Michele Davenport, Ann Mathias

10 am

Eucharistic Minister	Deborah Miller
2 nd Chalice	Todd Long
Lector	Rachel Mann
Ushers	Pat & Penny Chambers, Kris Vardas
Vestry on Call	Steve Jerrick
Coffee Hour Host	Alicia Nowicki, Marigay Ross, Marsha Boyer



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