



St. Barnabas' Episcopal Church

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST | SEPTEMBER 15, 2024

8:00 am & 10:00 am



Who Do You Say That I Am? - by Lauren Wright Pittman

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

Welcome to Worship at St. Barnabas'!

All are welcome to receive communion. If you are not baptized the Spirit may be calling you to communion and baptism. Baptism is our YES to the love God enfolds us in and our pledge to live that love. We'll accompany you on a journey towards baptism (which is actually the first part of the communion service). In the meantime you are always welcome at God's table. We are glad you are here.

Distribution of bread and wine:

- The musicians are served first so they can lead us in our Communion Hymns.
- Then, starting from the balcony and then the back of the room, Ushers will invite you forward to receive the bread and wine.
- You may either stand or kneel at the rail to receive the bread. You may also cross your arms for a blessing instead of receiving the bread.
- If you prefer to drink from a common chalice then stay at the rail to do so.
- If you prefer to drink from an individual small bowl, then those are served on the main floor. Empty bowls may be placed in the baskets along the side of the room..
- 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. 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 Wednesday morning), or add it to the comments section on Facebook Live during the livestream.

Flower and Candle Dedications – Candles are lighted by Ann Mathias in celebration of the birthday of her daughter-in-law, Angela Mathias, daughter, Wendy Castleman, and granddaughter, Lauren Mathias.

Flowers have been placed on the altar by Gerti Garner in loving memory of her father, Johann Goetz; by Georgianna Gleason in honor of the 101st birthday of her mother, Rachel.

In addition to our Sunday morning Eucharist at 8:00 am and 10:00 am, we offer the following...

Notable Events

SUNDAY	Sept 15	Junk Food Breakfast 9:00 am & Backpack Blessing 10:00 am
THURSDAY	Sept 19	2 nd Gathering of 3-Week Series on Civil Discourse 6:30 pm
FRI-SUN	Sept 20-22	Parish Campout at Lopez Lake
TUESDAY	Sept 24	New Bible Study series on the topic of LOVE
SATURDAY	Sept 28	Memorial for Bob Hawkins 1:00 pm
SATURDAY	Sept 28	Peace Gathering 3:00 pm
SUNDAY	Sept 29	Ministry Fair after each worship service
SATURDAY	Oct 6	Burial and Reception for John Konopka 11:00 am

THE WORD OF GOD

Stand as you are able.

OPENING HYMN

I have decided to follow Jesus

1. I have de - cid - ed _____ to fol - low Je - sus, _____
2. Though no one join me, _____ still I will fol - low, _____
3. The world be - hind me, _____ the cross be - fore me, _____

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_____ No turn - ing back, _____ no turn - ing back! _____
(no turn - ing back,)

Each year we observe a cycle of seasons. The year starts with Advent which leads into the seasons of Christmas, Epiphany, Lent, Easter, and Pentecost. We are currently in the long season after Pentecost called "ordinary time." The color for this season is green.

This year we have layered in a special season about Creation and our need to care for Creation. Note the various prayers and sayings in our worship that focus on Creation.

The people standing, the Celebrant says

Celebrant Blessed be the One who creates all things.
People **The Holy One's love is new every morning.**
Celebrant This is the day the Creator has made.
People **Let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

This Profession of Creation is provided by the Anglican Communion's "Seasons of Creation" steering committee, and we will use it during our own Season of Creation which we are observing until the Feast of St. Francis on October 6th.

PROFESSION OF CREATION

The Celebrant and People say together

**We believe in God, who creates all things,
who embraces all things, who celebrates all things,
who is present in every part of the fabric of creation.**
**We believe in God as the source of all life,
who baptizes this planet with living water.**
**We believe in Jesus Christ, the suffering one, the poor one,
the malnourished one, the climate refugee,
who loves and cares for this world
and who suffers with it.**
**And we believe in Jesus Christ, the seed of life,
who came to reconcile and renew this world
and everything in it.**
**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the breath of God,
who moves with God
and who moves among and with us today.**
We believe in everlasting life in God.
**And we believe in the hope that one day
God will put an end to death and all destructive forces.**

In this special Season of Creation our Song of Praise is "A Song of Judith." This song or canticle is taken from a hymn of praise and thanksgiving to God that is found in the Book of Judith. We include this book in the Apocrypha, that section in the Bible that is between the Old Testament and the New Testament. The Book of Judith is a well-crafted work of fiction, an example of the ancient Jewish novel in the Greco-Roman period.

SONG OF PRAISE

I will sing a new song to my God, for you are
great and glo - ri - ous, won - der - ful in strength, in - vin - ci - ble.
Let the whole cre-a-tion serve you, for you spoke and all things came in-to be-ing.
You sent your breath and it formed them, no one is a-ble to re-sist your voice.
Moun-tains and seas are stirred to their depths, rocks melt like wax at your pres-ence.



But to those who fear you, you con-tin-ue to show mer-cy.
 No sac-ri-fice, how-ev-er fra-grant, can please you,
 but who-ev-er fears the Lord shall stand in your sight for-ev-er.

In this song, note how Judith marvels at the power of God, the Creator.

This chant is new to us at St. Barnabas, and we will be singing it for five weeks.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People And also with you.
Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, because without you we are not able to please you, mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.. **Amen.**

THE LESSONS

The people sit.

FIRST READING: Proverbs 1:20-33

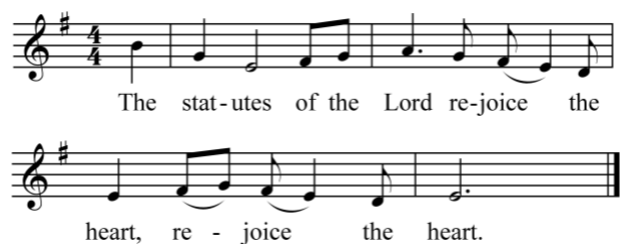
A reading from the Book of Proverbs.

Wisdom cries out in the street; in the squares she raises her voice.
 At the busiest corner she cries out; at the entrance of the city gates she speaks:
 “How long, O simple ones, will you love being simple?
 How long will scoffers delight in their scoffing and fools hate knowledge?
 Give heed to my reproof;
 I will pour out my thoughts to you; I will make my words known to you.
 Because I have called and you refused, have stretched out my hand and no one heeded,
 and because you have ignored all my counsel and would have none of my reproof,
 I also will laugh at your calamity; I will mock when panic strikes you,
 when panic strikes you like a storm, and your calamity comes like a whirlwind,
 when distress and anguish come upon you.
 Then they will call upon me, but I will not answer;
 they will seek me diligently, but will not find me.
 Because they hated knowledge and did not choose the fear of the Lord,
 would have none of my counsel, and despised all my reproof,
 therefore they shall eat the fruit of their way and be sated with their own devices.
 For waywardness kills the simple, and the complacency of fools destroys them;
 but those who listen to me will be secure and will live at ease, without dread of disaster.”

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

This *psalm* combines the two themes of (a) the creation of heaven and sun and (b) the giving of the law. These two sections are linked by the recognition of the sun as god of law and justice in the ancient Near East.

PSALM 19



- ¹ The heavens declare the glory of God, *
and the firmament shows his handiwork.
- ² One day tells its tale to another, *
and one night imparts knowledge to another. *Refrain*
- ³ Although they have no words or language, *
and their voices are not heard,
- ⁴ Their sound has gone out into all lands, *
and their message to the ends of the world. *Refrain*
- ⁵ In the deep has he set a pavilion for the sun; *
it comes forth like a bridegroom out of his chamber;
it rejoices like a champion to run its course.
- ⁶ It goes forth from the uttermost edge of the heavens
and runs about to the end of it again; *
nothing is hidden from its burning heat. *Refrain*
- ⁷ The law of the Lord is perfect
and revives the soul; *
the testimony of the Lord is sure
and gives wisdom to the innocent.
- ⁸ The statutes of the Lord are just
and rejoice the heart; *
the commandment of the Lord is clear
and gives light to the eyes. *Refrain*
- ⁹ The fear of the Lord is clean
and endures forever; *
the judgments of the Lord are true
and righteous altogether.
- ¹⁰ More to be desired are they than gold,
more than much fine gold, *
sweeter far than honey,
than honey in the comb. *Refrain*
- ¹¹ By them also is your servant enlightened, *
and in keeping them there is great reward.
- ¹² Who can tell how often he offends? *
cleans me from my secret faults. *Refrain*
- ¹³ Above all, keep your servant from presumptuous sins;
let them not get dominion over me; *
then shall I be whole and sound,
and innocent of a great offense.
- ¹⁴ Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my
heart be acceptable in your sight, *
O Lord, my strength and my redeemer. *Refrain*

8 am Said by All
10 am Cantor sings Refrain
All repeat
Choral Scholars sing verses
All sing Refrain

SECOND READING: James 3:1-12

A reading from the letter of James.

Not many of you should become teachers, my brothers and sisters, for you know that we who teach will be judged with greater strictness. For all of us make many mistakes. Anyone who makes no mistakes in speaking is perfect, able to keep the whole body in check with a bridle. If we put bits into the mouths of horses to make them obey us, we guide their whole bodies. Or look at ships: though they are so large that it takes strong winds to drive them, yet they are guided by a very small rudder wherever the will of the pilot directs. So also the tongue is a small member, yet it boasts of great exploits.

How great a forest is set ablaze by a small fire! And the tongue is a fire. The tongue is placed among our members as a world of iniquity; it stains the whole body, sets on fire the cycle of nature, and is itself set on fire by hell. For every species of beast and bird, of reptile and sea creature, can be tamed and has been tamed by the human species, but no one can tame the tongue-- a restless evil, full of deadly poison. With it we bless the Lord and Father, and with it we curse those who are made in the likeness of God. From the same mouth come blessing and cursing. My brothers and sisters, this ought not to be so. Does a spring pour forth from the same opening both fresh and brackish water? Can a fig tree, my brothers and sisters, yield olives, or a grapevine figs? No more can salt water yield fresh.

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

*Unlike the letters from the Apostle Paul, this letter from the **Apostle James** emphasizes "works" as essential to the kingdom of God. The interplay between the unmerited grace we have been given by God and our response to that grace with action is an important part of our the spiritual journey. Thus, we are called to make choices and decisions that allow us to be the hands, feet, voice of Jesus as we mirror God's love back out into the world.*

SEQUENCE HYMN

I have decided to make Jesus my choice (v1)

Both before and after the proclamation of the Gospel reading, we sing a **Sequence Hymn**.

A "sequence" is a chant or hymn sung or recited during the liturgical celebration of the Eucharist. The placement of the music provides special emphasis to good news of the Gospels as they describe the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus.

1. Some folk _____ would rath - er _____ have _____ hous - es _____ and land. _____
 2. These clothes _____ may be rag - ged _____ that I'm wear _____ ing. _____

1. Some folk _____ choose sil - ver _____ and gold. _____
 2. Heav - y _____ is the load that _____ I'm bear _____ ing _____

1. These things _____ they treas - ure _____ and for - get a - bout their
 2. These old _____ bur - dens _____ that I'm car _____

1. soul; I've de - ci - ded _____ to make Je - sus my choice. _____
 2. rying

_____ The road is rough, the go - ing gets tough, and the

hills are hard to climb, I've start-ed out a
 long time a-go, there's no doubt in my mind; I've de-
 cid-ed to make Je-sus my choice.

GOSPEL: Mark 8:27-38

All stand.

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

Jesus went on with his disciples to the villages of Caesarea Philippi; and on the way he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that I am?" And they answered him, "John the Baptist; and others, Elijah; and still others, one of the prophets." He asked them, "But who do you say that I am?" Peter answered him, "You are the Messiah." And he sternly ordered them not to tell anyone about him. Then he began to teach them that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, "Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things." He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels."

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

This reading from Mark shows Jesus teaching about how to live in the world and at the same time progress in one's spiritual journey with God. Sometimes the choices or decisions we make are not easy for they go against the "norms" of the world and can cause short term pain. However, the choices are worth it since they help us mirror God's love back out into the world.

SEQUENCE HYMN

I have decided to make Jesus my choice
See Pages 8-9, Verse 2

THE SERMON

The Rev. Rob Keim

Followed by a moment of silent mediation.

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.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

All remain standing.

God of all Creation,
You are present in the whole universe—even in the smallest of your creatures.
You embrace all that exists with tenderness and love.

*The Episcopal Church does not have a separate statement of faith or list of things we believe. Instead we hold the ancient **Creeds**, such as the Apostles' and Nicene, to be our statements of faith. They contain the core of our belief as Christians, but do not limit our faith.*

Parts of the prayers in bold, including the names, are said aloud by all.

Pour out upon us the power of your love,
That we are so moved to embrace the world you give us with tenderness.
God of all creation,
Guide us in your love and grace.

Lord, our teacher,
Teach us to discover the worth of your creation both great and small,
To be filled with awe, wonder, and contemplation,
And to recognize that we are profoundly united with every creature.
Help the leaders of your Church to be examples of that oneness
In their lives and ministry.
God of all Creation, **Guide us in your love and grace.**

Lord of all wisdom and understanding,
As water floods or runs dry so that seeds cannot grow and bear fruit,
As the land can no longer flourish,
As the temperature of our world rises,
As ice melts and sea levels rise,
We pray you to touch the hearts of those of us who have forsaken your creation
For our own gain and false prosperity and for the complicity of all,
That we may hear and respond to the groaning of the Earth's adversity.
God of all creation, **Guide us in your love and grace.**

Lord of all power and light,
We pray you to enlighten those of us with power and wealth
That we do not turn away in indifference but rather
Come to use and share that power and wealth for the
Common good, for the care of the poor,
And for the care of all creation.
God of all creation, **Guide us in your love and grace.**

Lord of all peoples, languages, and cultures,
We thank you for giving us diversity in both nature and in humanity.
We, at St. Barnabas remember the native peoples on whose homeland
We now worship.
We pray for forgiveness for any complicity in ill treatment of native peoples
And seek to be united in ways that promote the well-being of all.
God of all creation, **Guide us in your love and grace.**

Lord of healing and mercy,
We give thanks for your love and all that you give to us.
We pray you now to care especially for people who suffer either
From consequences of war, strife, famine, and ill health or for
Any other reasons. We continue to pray for those in our own community:
**Chantelle Powell, Sam & Esther, Judy Burdick, Patti & Dan Davis, Don,
Stephany Holland, Lucy Torrisi, Don, Natalie Johnson, Lindy, Jeff, Merritt,
Courtney Davis, Millie Jones, Aiyane, Nancy, Ella Rose, Marilyn Cockshott, Rob,
Justin, Dylan, and Jean & Oliver.**
**And we pray for those who have died. Especially John Konopka, Bob Hawkins,
Alvin Rocca, Travis, and Kyra Peck.**
God of all creation, **Guide us in your love and grace.**

(The Intercessor then reads the petitions from the bidding book and from the comment section of FB Live.)
God of all creation, **Guide us in your love and grace.**
The Deacon adds a concluding Collect.

CONFESSION OF SIN

The Deacon or Celebrant says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.
Silence may be kept.

Minister and People

**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.

*If online, then type
"Peace" or another
appropriate phrase
into the comment
section of Facebook
Live.*

THE PEACE

All stand.

Celebrant
People

The peace of Christ be always with you.
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: David Ottesen (9/16), Angela Mathias, Rachel Gleason 101st!! (9/20)
Anniversaries: Jeff & Melissa Fesler (9/20)

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.

*If are joining us on
Facebook Live and you
have a birthday,
anniversary or other
celebration please type
that into the comments.*

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.

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

Be Still

Sung by The Chancel Choir

WORDS & MUSIC BY KAREN MARROLLI (BASED ON PSALM 46:1)

DOXOLOGY

The people stand and sing

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host: praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Lyrics:

Be still and know that I am God; let peace embrace your heart. Be still and know that I am God; let fear and anguish depart. Though earthquakes rage, though the tempests roll, though the storms conspire to destroy, be still and know that I am God: the earth shall rise again in joy. Be still and know that I am God; let tranquil hope fill your mind. Be still and know that I am God; let grief and trouble be left behind. Though the shadows fall, though the darkness cries, though the night seems endless and dire, be still and know that I am God: the morn shall rise in holy fire.

In this season after Pentecost we are using **Eucharistic Prayer 2** from the supplemental Episcopal resource, *Enriching Our Worship*. Note, the emphasis, in this version of the Eucharistic Prayer, on God as creator and on creation itself.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The People remain standing.

The musical notation is set in G major and 4/4 time. It consists of four staves:

- Staff 1:** Labeled "Celebrant" for the first half and "People" for the second. The notes are G4, A4, B4, G4, F#4, E4, D4, G3 for "The Lord be with you." and G4, A4, B4, G4, F#4, E4, D4, G3 for "And al - so with you."
- Staff 2:** Labeled "Celebrant" and "People". The notes are G4, A4, B4, G4, F#4, E4, D4, G3 for "Lift up your hearts." and G4, A4, B4, G4, F#4, E4, D4, G3 for "We lift them to the Lord."
- Staff 3:** Labeled "Celebrant". The notes are G4, A4, B4, G4, F#4, E4, D4, G3 for "Let us give thanks to the Lord our God."
- Staff 4:** Labeled "People". The notes are G4, A4, B4, G4, F#4, E4, D4, G3 for "It is right to give him thanks and praise."

The Celebrant continues

We praise you and we bless you, holy and gracious God,
 source of life abundant.
 From before time you made ready the creation.
 Your Spirit moved over the deep
 and brought all things into being:
 sun, moon, and stars;
 earth, winds, and waters;
 and every living thing.
 You made us in your image,
 and taught us to walk in your ways.
 But we rebelled against you, and wandered far away;
 and yet, as a mother cares for her children,
 you would not forget us.
 Time and again you called us
 to live in the fullness of your love.

And so this day we join with Saints and Angels
 in the chorus of praise that rings through eternity,
 lifting our voices to magnify you as we sing (say):

SANCTUS

Holy, holy, holy

Spoken at 8am.


**Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of power and might,
 heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

Hosana in the highest!

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

At 10am the Celebrant and People sing together:



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

The Celebrant continues

Glory and honor and praise to you, holy and living God.
To deliver us from the power of sin and death
and to reveal the riches of your grace,
you looked with favor upon Mary, your willing servant,
that she might conceive and bear a son,
Jesus the holy child of God.
Living among us, Jesus loved us.
He broke bread with outcasts and sinners,
healed the sick, and proclaimed good news to the poor.
He yearned to draw all the world to himself
yet we were heedless of his call to walk in love.
Then, the time came for him to complete upon the cross
the sacrifice of his life, and to be glorified by you.

On the night before he died for us,
Jesus was at table with his friends.
He took bread, gave thanks to you,
broke it, and gave it to them, and said:
“Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.”

*This anthem is known as the **Sanctus**. It is said or sung in almost every version of the Eucharistic Prayer. The word “sanctus” is Latin for “holy.” God is holy and worthy of respect, awe, reverence, and devotion.*

As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine.
Again, he gave thanks to you,
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.”

Now gathered at your table, O God of all creation,
and remembering Christ, crucified and risen,
who was and is and is to come,
we offer to you our gifts of bread and wine,
and ourselves, a living sacrifice.

Pour out your Spirit upon these gifts
that they may be the Body and Blood of Christ.
Breathe your Spirit over the whole earth
and make us your new creation,
the Body of Christ given for the world you have made.

In the fullness of time bring us, with Barnabas and all your saints,
from every tribe and language and people and nation,
to feast at the banquet prepared from the foundation of the world.
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. **Amen.**

The Deacon says

As 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.**

*At this point in the
Eucharistic Prayer the
Celebrant makes the
sign of the cross over the
bread and wine and
welcomes the infusion of
the Spirit. The elements
are now considered
blessed or consecrated.*

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

The Celebrant and People sing together

Antiphon: Cantor; then All

Be known to us, Lord Je - sus, in the break - ing of the bread.

Cantor

1. The bread which we break, al - le - lu - ia,

is the com - mun - ion of the bo - dy of Christ. [Ant.]

Cantor

2. One bo - dy are we, al - le - lu - ia,

for though man - y we share one bread. [Ant.]

This chant is new to many of us, and we will be singing it for five weeks.

The Celebrant says

The Gifts of God for the People of God. All are welcomed at God's table.

COMMUNION HYMN

Now the silence (repeat as needed)

Now the si - lence Now the peace Now the emp - ty
 hands up - lift - ed Now the kneel - ing Now the plea
 Now the Fa - ther's arms in wel - come Now the hear - ing
 Now the power Now the ves - sel brimmed for pour - ing
 Now the Bo - dy Now the Blood Now the joy - ful
 cel - e - bra - tion Now the wed - ding Now the songs
 Now the heart for - giv - en leap - ing Now the Spi - rit's
 vis - i - ta - tion Now the Son's e - piph - an - y
 Now the Fa - ther's bless - ing Now Now Now

You are welcomed to join the choir in singing the Communion Hymns. Or, you may elect to listen.

COMMUNION HYMN

Softly and tenderly

*You are welcomed to
join the choir in singing
the Communion Hymns.
Or, you may elect to
listen.*

1. Soft - ly and ten - der - ly Je - sus is call - ing,
2. Why should we tar - ry when Je - sus is plead - ing,
3. Time is now fleet - ing, the mo - ments are pass - ing,
4. Oh! For the won - der - ful love He has prom - ised,

1. Call - ing for you and for me; — See, on the por - tals He's
2. Plead - ing for you and for me? — Why should we lin - ger and
3. Pass - ing for you and for me; — Shad - ows are gath - er - ing,
4. Prom - ised for you and for me; — Though we have sinned, He has

1. wait - ing and watch - ing, Watch - ing for you and for me. —
2. heed not His mer - cies, Mer - cies for you and for me? —
3. death beds are com - ing, Com - ing for you and for me. —
4. mer - cy and par - don, Par - don for you and for me. —

Come home, Come home, come home, come home,

Ye who are wea - ry, come home! — Ear - nest - ly, ten - der - ly,

Je - sus is call - ing, Call - ing, O sin - ner, come home! —

COMMUNION HYMN

I surrender all

1. All to Je - sus I sur - ren - der,
I will ev - er love and trust Him,

2. All to Je - sus I sur - ren - der
World - ly pleas - ures all for - sak - en,

3. All to Je - sus I sur - ren - der
Let me feel the Ho - ly Spir - it

4. All to Je - sus I sur - ren - der
Fill me with thy love and pow - er,

1. all to Him I free - ly give;
In His pres - ence dai - ly live.

2. Hum - bly at His feet I bow;
Take me, Je - sus, take me now.

3. Make me, Sav - ior, whol - ly thine;
Tru - ly know that thou art mine.

4. Lord, I give my - self to thee;
Let thy bless - ings fall on me.

I sur - ren - der all, I sur - ren - der all,

I sur - ren - der all, All to thee, my
I sur - ren - der all,

bless - ed Sav - ior, I sur - ren - der all.

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People say together

**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 by the Priest is a reminder of the many blessings we already have from God. We are aware of some of the blessings and unaware of others. Our response to these blessings is gratitude and joy.

The people stand and the Priest blesses the people, saying

Deep Peace of the quiet earth to you.


Deep Peace of the still air to you.

Deep Peace of the forgiving heart to you.


And, the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. **Amen.**

CLOSING HYMN

Where charity and love prevail



1 Where char - i - ty and love pre - vail there God is ev - er found;
2 With grate-ful joy and ho - ly fear his char - i - ty we learn;
3 For - give we now each o - ther's faults as we our faults con - fess;
4 Let strife a - mong us be un - known, let all con - ten - tion cease;
5 Let us re - call that in our midst dwells God's be - got - ten Son;



1 brought here to - geth - er by Christ's love by love are we thus bound.
2 let us with heart and mind and strength now love him in re - turn.
3 and let us love each o - ther well in Chris-tian ho - li - ness.
4 be his the glo - ry that we seek, be ours his ho - ly peace.
5 as mem-bers of his Bo - dy joined we are in him made one.

6 Love can exclude no race or creed
if honored be God's Name;
our common life embraces all
whose Father is the same.

Deacon

Let us go forth into all Creation, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit
Alleluia! Alleluia!

People

Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

VOLUNTARY

LIFE AT ST. BARNABAS

CHANCEL CHOIR IS BACK – Chancel Choir rehearsals have resumed after summer break on **Wednesdays**, from **6:30 to 7:30 pm** in the sanctuary. Sunday morning warmup rehearsals will be at 9:15 am. **NEW SINGERS ARE WELCOME.** Please contact our Music Director, Janis Johnson if you are interested in singing with us.

SERIES ON CIVIL DISCOURSE – Join us for a three-week series on Thursdays. Our second gathering is this Thursday, September 19th at 6:30 pm. The Episcopal Office of Government Affairs has published a curriculum that we will use for this class. This interactive, three-part curriculum, called “Make Me an Instrument of Peace: A Guide to Civil Discourse,” focuses on “inward growth and outward application.” Its goal is to help Episcopalians understand how to use civil discourse to bridge partisan divides and learn from one another ahead of the Nov. 5 general election and beyond. Please join us at 6:30 pm for a light supper, immediately followed by the programming from 7:00 to 8:00 pm.

JUNK FOOD BREAKFAST AND BACK TO SCHOOL BLESSING – Thank you to the Pano and Kielan families for hosting our annual Junk Food Breakfast with sugary delights of all flavors, TODAY. This event is especially popular with the younger kids, but it is available to all. Join us at 9:00 am in the Parish Hall. In addition, during our 10:00 am worship we are **blessing the backpacks** of those in school and bless those who work with and in our schools.

PARISH CAMPOUT – Join us at Lopez Lake for our annual campout Friday, September 20th at 3:00 pm to Sunday, September 22nd at 11:00 am. Saturday and Sunday food is provided. There is no cost to you for the campout just sign-up by sending an email to the office at saintbarnabas.ag@gmail.com letting us know how you will have attend.

NEW BIBLE STUDY TOPIC STARTING – We are finishing up our study of the Gospel of Mark, and on Tuesday, September 24th our Bible Study group will begin a topical series based on our Presiding Bishop’s program called “The Way of Love.” The Way of Love is the way of Jesus. With several core spiritual practices, the Way of Love offers an intentional, Spirit-led path to following Jesus. And what better guidebook for the journey than the Bible? Come and see what God has to say about the spiritual practices of Turn — Learn — Pray — Worship — Bless — Go — Rest. Informed by scripture and inspired through prayer, these practices offer the opportunity to transform our relationship with God, with others, and with ourselves. Each Tuesday, Morning Prayer starts at 9:30am and the Bible Study immediately follows at 10:00 am. Join on Zoom or in the Parish Library.

Zoom Link: bit.ly/stbarnabasmorningprayer or call 1-669-900-6833 and follow the prompts with:
Meeting ID: 878 6513 4138# Password: 365072##

MINISTRY FAIR – Are you being called to take part in a ministry here at St. Barnabas? After each of our worship services on Sunday, September 29th many of our ministries will be available in the Parish Hall to tell you about what they do and how you might participate. Is God calling you?

OPPORTUNITIES TO GATHER VIRTUALLY

Sunday morning WORSHIP at 10:00 am – We live-stream our Sunday 10:00 am 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). We are looking at the book of Mark. Feel free to contact Gerti Garner at ggrgarner@gmail.com for more information.

Friday 4:00 pm 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 Thérèse of Lisieux. Her "little way" is a hard way, but one that is easily recognized by most of us who know that we are not among the great souls of history, and who are more used to gray days than hours spent bathed in blazing spiritual light. We are using Simply Surrender, an edited collection of prayers and reflections from her autobiography.

We meet every Friday from 4:00 pm -5:00 pm. We next meet **in person** on **Friday, October 11th** (and every 2nd Friday) at St Barnabas. On all other Fridays we meet via Zoom: 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

ELECTRONIC TRANSFER: You can make an electronic transfer to St. Barnabas using Quick Pay with Zelle set up. Many banks and financial institutions offer this method of funds transfer. Donations 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. There are no fees associated with this type of transfer.

PayPal is another option for electronic transfer. You can find St. Barnabas using the email address of the Financial Secretary: stbarnabas.financial@gmail.com PayPal does charge St. Barnabas a processing fee.

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 or at the bank. The donation can be set up as 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. Please put "Attn Financial Secretary" on the envelope. The address is: 301 Trinity Ave., Arroyo Grande, CA 93420

If you have any questions on how to make your donation, 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.

DONATE

Donations of time and talent are just as important as financial donations.

THANK YOU TO EVERYONE WHO HELPS SERVE EACH SUNDAY!

Vestry Members – The governing board of our parish is made up of the following:
Class of 2025 – Rachel Mann, Carlos Ortiz (Jr. Warden), Brian Petersen
Class of 2026 – Robert Merritt, Sheila Miller, Tracy Schiro (Sr. Warden)
Class of 2027 – Leslie Campbell, Tom DeNatale, Corey Kielan

This Week's Altar Guild Team:

Marigay Ross, Barbara Conry, Paula Mason

Sunday School Teacher:

Robert Merritt & Paula Smith

Last Week's Coffee Hour Ministry Hosts:

8:00 am: Carlos Ortiz, Robert Merritt

10:00 am:

This Week's Coffee Hour Ministry Hosts:

8:00 am: Ken Kaisch, Karen Reinecke

10:00 am: Jim & Sheila Miller

CALENDAR
September 15 – 22

TODAY	In-Person Holy Communion.....	800 am
	Junk Food Breakfast	9:00 am
	In-Person Holy Communion and Blessing of Backpacks*	10:00 am
	Children’s Sunday School.....	10:00 am
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 noon
	Senior Aging & Spirituality Gathering	3:00 pm
	Vestry Meeting.....	6:00 pm
Wednesday	Senior Fitness & Stretching with Sigrid	12:15 pm
	Writing From Life class.....	2:00 pm
	Choir Rehearsal.....	6:30 pm
Thursday	Morning Yoga with Sigrid.....	9:30 am
	Supper and Class on Civil Discourse	6:30 pm
Friday	Senior Fitness & Stretching with Sigrid	12:15 pm
	Centering Prayer (via Zoom).....	4:00 pm
Sunday	In-Person Holy Communion	8:00 am
	Children’s Sunday School.....	10:00 am

**In-person and via Facebook Live*

SERVING TODAY

PRESIDER / PREACHER The Rev. Rob Keim

8AM MUSIC Sharon Williams
 MINISTER OF MUSIC Janis Johnson
 CHORAL SCHOLARS Taylor Hatch (Solo Guitar), Catryna Benander

8 am

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER Karen Reinecke
 LECTOR Georgianna Gleason
 CHALICE Carlos Ortiz
 USHER Ann Mathias, Dave Rodgers
 COFFEE Ken Kaisch, Karen Reinecke
 VESTRY ON CALL Brian Peterson

10 am

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER Gerti Garner
 LECTOR Lorrie Erno
 CHALICES Todd Long, David Murray, Kevin Pence
 USHERS Steve Jerrick & Harry Johnson, Diane Wilcock
 VESTRY ON CALL Sheila Miller
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