



# St. Barnabas' Episcopal Church

FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT | FEBRUARY 22<sup>ND</sup>, 2026

8:00 am & 10:00 am



*The Mind of Christ (temptation story)*  
by Frank Wesley, 1923-2002

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

## Welcome to Indoor 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 front of the main floor and then the balcony, 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.
- You may then drink from the common cup (chalice), and return to your seat. Some of those who don't drink from the common cup, make the sign of the cross with the bread over the cup.

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/](https://facebook.com/StBarnabasAG/)

A recording of the live-stream will be posted on the St. Barnabas YouTube Channel ([bit.ly/StBYouTube](https://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](mailto:saintbarnabas.ag@gmail.com) (before Wednesday morning), or add it to the comments section on Facebook Live during the livestream.

### Flowers and Candle Dedications:

Candles are lighted by St. Barnabas to the Glory of God.

Greens are placed by Ann & Bill Napier in memory of Ann's mother, Kathleen McNeil, Linda & Jim Miller in celebration of their anniversary, Gerti Garner in memory of her friend, Michael Reagan, and Georgianna Gleason in memory of her father, Edward Joseph Gleason.

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

## Notable Events

TUESDAY	FEB 24	Session Two of Book Series “An Altar in the World” 3:00 pm
SATURDAY	FEB 28	Session Two of Book Series “An Altar in the World” 4:00 pm
SATURDAY	MAR 14	Parish Work Day 9:00 – 12:00 noon
SUNDAY	MAR 15	St. Patrick’s Day Dinner 5:00 – 6:30 pm

# THE WORD OF GOD

*Enter in Silence.*

*Stand as you are able.*

## THE GREAT LITANY

*The Officiant at the Litany may be a lay cantor.*

*Officiant* People  
O God the Father, Creator of heaven and earth, Have mer - cy up - on us.

*Officiant* People  
O God the Son, Redeemer of the world, Have mer - cy up - on us.

*Officiant* People  
O God the Holy Ghost, Sanctifier of the faith - ful, Have mer - cy up - on us.

*Officiant* People  
O holy, blessed, and glorious Trinity, one God, Have mer - cy up - on us.

*Officiant*  
Remember not, Lord Christ, our offenses, nor the offenses of our forefathers; neither reward us according to our sins. Spare us, good Lord, spare thy people, whom thou hast redeemed with thy most precious blood, and by thy mercy

People  
preserve us for ev - er. Spare us, good Lord.

*Officiant*  
From all evil and wickedness; from sin; from the crafts and assaults of the  
devil; and from everlast - ing dam - na - tion,

People  
Good Lord, de - liv - er us.

*(This same response is sung after the petitions that follow)*

*The Great Litany* is a series of petitions. The litany is called great not only because of its length but because of its importance at the beginning of the first Sunday in the season of Lent. The word "litany" means prayer in Greek.

Common in both Eastern and Western Christian traditions, Christians have been praying this litany since as early as the 5th century. It was one of the first liturgies to be translated into English by Archbishop Thomas Cranmer as he was compiling the First Book of Common Prayer (1549).

We sinners do beseech thee to hear us, O Lord God; and that it may please thee to rule and govern thy holy Church Universal in the right way,

## People

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

*(This same response is sung after the petitions that follow)*

*Officiant* Son of God, we beseech thee to hear us.

*People* Son of God, we beseech thee to hear us.

*Officiant*

## People

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world. Have mer-cy up-on us.

Q Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world. Have mer-cy up-on us.

*Officiant*

## People

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, Grant us thy peace.

*Officiant*

## People

O Christ, hear us. O Christ, hear us.

*On all other occasions, the Litany continues as follows:*

*Officiant* Lord, have mer - cy up - on  
*People* Christ, have mer - cy up - on

*Officiant* Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

*During the Season of Lent we will have a moment of **silence** at this point in our worship as we reflect on what God has done for us through Jesus.*

## THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

**People** And also with you.

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

Almighty God, whose blessed Son was led by the Spirit to be tempted by Satan: Come quickly to help us who are assaulted by many temptations; and, as you know the weaknesses of each of us, let each one find you mighty to save; through Jesus Christ your Son 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: Genesis 2:15-17; 3:1-7

A Reading from the book of Genesis.

The Lord God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to till it and keep it. And the Lord God commanded the man, “You may freely eat of every tree of the garden; but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall die.”

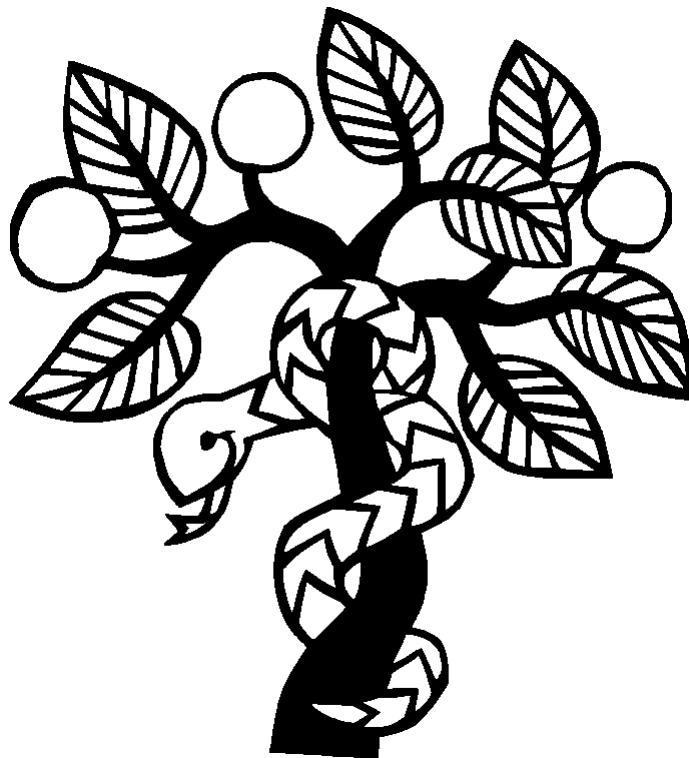
Now the serpent was more crafty than any other wild animal that the Lord God had made. He said to the woman, “Did God say, ‘You shall not eat from any tree in the garden?’” The woman said to the serpent, “We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden; but God said, ‘You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree that is in the middle of the garden, nor shall you touch it, or you shall die.’” But the serpent said to the woman, “You will not die; for God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil.” So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate; and she also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate. Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together and made loincloths for themselves.

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

Each Sunday, our worship includes a reading from  
(a) the Old Testament,  
(b) the Psalms,  
(c) the New Testament,  
and (d) the Gospels.

Our readings are on a pre-set three-year cycle called “The Revised Common Lectionary” or RCL. We are currently in Year C of that three-year cycle.

We respond to the reading of Scripture by thanking God for the gift it is to us.



## PSALM 32

<sup>1</sup> Happy are they whose transgressions are forgiven, \*  
**and whose sin is put away!**

<sup>2</sup> Happy are they to whom the Lord imputes no guilt, \*  
**and in whose spirit there is no guile!**

<sup>3</sup> While I held my tongue, my bones withered away, \*  
**because of my groaning all day long.**

<sup>4</sup> For your hand was heavy upon me day and night; \*  
**my moisture was dried up as in the heat of summer.**

<sup>5</sup> Then I acknowledged my sin to you, \*  
**and did not conceal my guilt.**

<sup>6</sup> I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the Lord." \*  
**Then you forgave me the guilt of my sin.**

<sup>7</sup> Therefore all the faithful will make their prayers to you in time of trouble; \*  
**when the great waters overflow, they shall not reach them.**

<sup>8</sup> You are my hiding-place;  
you preserve me from trouble; \*  
**you surround me with shouts of deliverance.**

<sup>9</sup> "I will instruct you and teach you in the way that you should go; \*  
**I will guide you with my eye.**

<sup>10</sup> Do not be like horse or mule, which have no understanding; \*  
**who must be fitted with bit and bridle,**  
**or else they will not stay near you."**

<sup>11</sup> Great are the tribulations of the wicked; \*  
**but mercy embraces those who trust in the Lord.**

<sup>12</sup> Be glad, you righteous, and rejoice in the Lord; \*  
**shout for joy, all who are true of heart.**

*Spoken 8 & 10 am*

## SECOND READING: Romans 5:12-19

A Reading from Paul's letter to the Romans.

As sin came into the world through one man, and death came through sin, and so death spread to all because all have sinned-- sin was indeed in the world before the law, but sin is not reckoned when there is no law. Yet death exercised dominion from Adam to Moses, even over those whose sins were not like the transgression of Adam, who is a type of the one who was to come.

But the free gift is not like the trespass. For if the many died through the one man's trespass, much more surely have the grace of God and the free gift in the grace of the one man, Jesus Christ, abounded for the many. And the free gift is not like the effect of the one man's sin. For the judgment following one trespass brought condemnation, but the free gift following many trespasses brings justification. If, because of the one man's trespass, death exercised dominion through that one, much more surely will those who receive the abundance of grace and the free gift of righteousness exercise dominion in life through the one man, Jesus Christ.

Therefore just as one man's trespass led to condemnation for all, so one man's act of righteousness leads to justification and life for all. For just as by the one man's disobedience the many were made sinners, so by the one man's obedience the many will be made righteous.

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



## SEQUENCE HYMN

## When we are tested (v. 1-2)

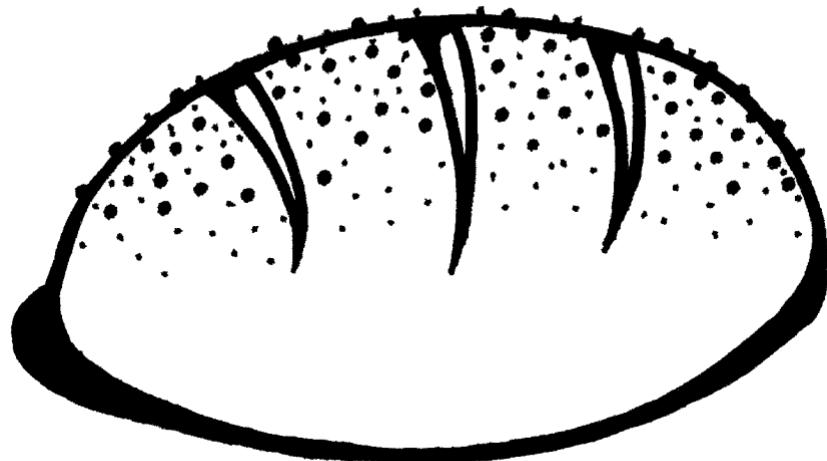
*The Sequence Hymn leads us into and out of the Gospel reading.*

1 When we are test - ed and wres - tle a - lone,  
 2 When in the des - ert we cry for re - lief,  
 3 When we are tempt - ed to bar - ter our souls,  
 4 When we have strug - gled and searched through the night,

fam - ished for bread when the world of - fers stone,  
 plead - ing for paths marked by cer - tain be - lief,  
 trad - ing the truth for the power to con - trol,  
 sort - ing and sift - ing the wrong form the right,

nour - ish us, God, by your word and your way,  
 lift us to love you be - yond sign and test,  
 teach us to wor - ship and praise on - ly you,  
 Sav - ior, sur - round us with cir - cles of care,

food that sus - tains us by night and by day.  
 trust - ing your pres - ence, our on - ly true rest.  
 seek - ing your will in the work that we do.  
 an - gels of heal - ing, of hope and of prayer.



## GOSPEL: Matthew 4:1-11

*All stand.*

*Deacon* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

**People** **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. He fasted forty days and forty nights, and afterwards he was famished. The tempter came and said to him, “If you are the Son of God, command these stones to become loaves of bread.” But he answered, “It is written, ‘One does not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.’” Then the devil took him to the holy city and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, saying to him, “If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down; for it is written, ‘He will command his angels concerning you,’ and ‘On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.’” Jesus said to him, “Again it is written, ‘Do not put the Lord your God to the test.’” Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their splendor; and he said to him, “All these I will give you, if you will fall down and worship me.” Jesus said to him, “Away with you, Satan! for it is written, ‘Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him.’” Then the devil left him, and suddenly angels came and waited on him.

*Deacon* The Gospel of the Lord.

**People** **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

## SEQUENCE HYMN

**When we are tested (v. 3-4)**

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## THE SERMON

*Followed by a moment of silent meditation.*

**The Rev. Rob Keim**

## THE APOSTLES' CREED

*All stand.*

I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth;

And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord;  
who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,  
born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, dead, and buried.  
He descended into hell.

The third day he rose again from the dead.

He ascended into heaven,  
and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father almighty.

From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost,  
the holy catholic Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.

*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.*

*In this Season of Lent we are using the Apostles Creed.*

## THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*All remain standing.*

With compassion, justice, and reconciliation in our hearts, let us pray for the needs of all people and creation.

We pray for all who hold authority in every community and every nation, that their actions and decisions show regard for our common humanity, that they seek to build up even the most vulnerable and that they protect earth's natural resources.

God of unity and justice, **Hear our prayer.**

We pray that all may come to know and follow the way of Jesus's compassion; that seeking to serve him in all persons, we may find unity in the diversity of life.

God of unity and compassion, **Hear our prayer.**

We pray that, in the respect for our oneness with the earth and all that is in it, we may be emboldened to act to restore and protect all of God's creation on land, in the seas and oceans, and in the air.

God of unity and respect, **Hear our prayer.**

We pray that in our own struggles we may remember with love our connection to others who are struggling with poverty, hunger, and disease throughout the world and that, in your mercy, we may support and promote ways that help every person to have the resources they need to live and thrive in safety. **And in our own community we pray for: John Totten, Tammi Price, Chantelle Powell, Bill Grenek, Julie & Paul Shires, Penny Matthes, Carl, Lyn, Robert, Cheryl Perri & family, Christian & Tony, Rhianon, Tom Arnold, Myra & Matthew, Manny Wilcox, Jill Stegman, Eddie, Linda, John Herring, and Tom Snow.**

God of unity and mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

We pray that all who have died may be received into the unity of your glory; **we pray for repose of soul for Col. Gary Matthes and Carol Schleicher.**

God of unity and glory, **Hear our prayer.**

With the love Christ instills in us, we give you thanks for all who support the work of Episcopal Relief & Development, Ministry Partners, and Disaster Volunteers and we pray your guidance for their staff as they facilitate healthier, more fulfilling lives in communities. God of unity and love, **Hear our prayer.**

*(The Intercessor then reads the petitions from the bidding book and from the comment section of FB Live.)*  
God of unity and grace, **Hear our prayer.**

*And after a moment of silence, 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.

*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.*

*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** In union with one and all, may the peace of Christ 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.*

### 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 you 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*

Offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving, and make good your vows to the Most High.

*Lotti was baptized in Venice, where he spent most of his life. He made his career at St. Mark's Basilica first as an alto singer, then organist, and finally as maestro di capella, a position he held until his death. He composed many operas, cantatas, oratorios, masses, and at least 40 motets, of which this is one of the greatest of the 1700's.*

### OFFERTORY ANTHEM

*Miserere mei Deus*

Sung by the Choral Scholars

*Miserere mei Deus, secundum magnam misericordiam tuam,  
et secundum multitudinem miserationum tuarum dele iniquitatem meam.*

Have mercy on me, O God, according to thy great mercy.

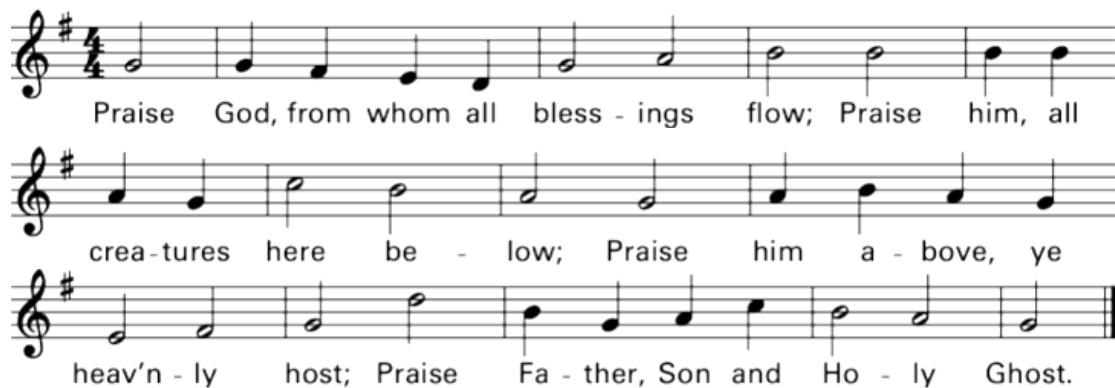
And according to the multitude of thy tender mercies blot out my iniquity.

WORDS: PSALM 51

MUSIC: ANTONIO LOTTI (1667-1740)

### DOXOLOGY

*The people stand and sing*



Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise him, all creatures here below; Praise him above, ye heav'n - ly host; Praise Fa - ther, Son and Ho - ly Ghost.

# THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

*The People remain standing.*

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* And also with you.

*Celebrant* Lift up your hearts.

*People* We lift them to the Lord.

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

*People* It is right to give him thanks and praise.

### *The Celebrant continues*

It is truly right to glorify you, Father, and to give you thanks; for you alone are God, living and true, dwelling in light inaccessible from before time and for ever.

Fountain of life and source of all goodness, you made all things and fill them with your blessing; you created them to rejoice in the splendor of your radiance.

Countless throngs of angels stand before you to serve you night and day; and, beholding the glory of your presence, they offer you unceasing praise. Joining with them, and giving voice to every creature under heaven, we acclaim you, and glorify your Name, as we say,

*At 8:00 am the Sanctus is said by the Celebrant and People*

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

## Hosanna in the highest.

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

## Hosanna in the highest.

*At 10:00 am the Sanctus is sung by the Celebrant and People*

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Ho - ly      ho - ly, ho - ly,      Lord      God      of      pow'r      and      might.      Heav-en and

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earth are      full of your glo - ry.      Ho - san - na      in      the      high - est.

3

Bless - ed,      bless-ed is      he      who      comes in the name      of      the      Lord.      Ho -

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san - na      in the high - est,      Ho - san - na      in      the      high - est.

During the season of Lent we are using **Eucharistic Prayer D** from the Episcopal Book of Common Prayer (1979). All Eucharistic Prayers follow a set format, though some have more contemporary and inclusive language. Eucharistic Prayer D is the most ancient of the ones we use.

*The Celebrant continues*

We acclaim you, holy Lord, glorious in power. Your mighty works reveal your wisdom and love. You formed us in your own image, giving the whole world into our care, so that, in obedience to you, our Creator, we might rule and serve all your creatures. When our disobedience took us far from you, you did not abandon us to the power of death. In your mercy you came to our help, so that in seeking you we might find you. Again and again you called us into covenant with you, and through the prophets you taught us to hope for salvation.

Father, you loved the world so much that in the fullness of time you sent your only Son to be our Savior. Incarnate by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, he lived as one of us, yet without sin. To the poor he proclaimed the good news of salvation; to prisoners, freedom; to the sorrowful, joy. To fulfill your purpose he gave himself up to death; and, rising from the grave, destroyed death, and made the whole creation new.

And, that we might live no longer for ourselves, but for him who died and rose for us, he sent the Holy Spirit, his own first gift for those who believe, to complete his work in the world, and to bring to fulfillment the sanctification of all.

When the hour had come for him to be glorified by you, his heavenly Father, having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end; at supper with them he 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.”

Father, we now celebrate this memorial of our redemption. Recalling Christ’s death and his descent among the dead, proclaiming his resurrection and ascension to your right hand, awaiting his coming in glory; and offering to you, from the gifts you have given us, this bread and this cup, we praise you and we bless you.

*Celebrant and People*

**We praise you, we bless you, we give thanks to you, and we pray to you, Lord our God.**

*The Celebrant continues*

Lord, we pray that in your goodness and mercy your Holy Spirit may descend upon us, and upon these gifts, sanctifying them and showing them to be holy gifts for your holy people, the bread of life and the cup of salvation, the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ.

Grant that all who share this bread and cup may become one body and one spirit, a living sacrifice in Christ, to the praise of your Name.

Remember, Lord, your one holy catholic and apostolic Church, redeemed by the blood of your Christ. Reveal its unity, guard its faith, and preserve it in peace.

And grant that we may find our inheritance with the Blessed Virgin Mary, with patriarchs, prophets, apostles, and martyrs, with St. Barnabas and all the saints who have found favor with you in ages past. We praise you in union with them and give you glory through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, all honor and glory are yours, Almighty God and Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, 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,  
for ever and ever. Amen.



## THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

*Celebrant and People sing together*

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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.

Drinking from the common cup (Chalice) is a long-standing tradition in the Episcopal Church.

The "common" cup signifies many things including the connection

we have to all of the others who are drinking from the same cup. By extension we are connected to all others across the world who are also drinking from a common cup. Christ is in all people and the common cup helps us remember this truth.

*The Celebrant says*

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

## COMMUNION HYMN

Sweet hour of prayer

1. Sweet hour of prayer, sweet hour of prayer, That calls me from a  
2. Sweet hour of prayer, sweet hour of prayer, Thy wings shall my pe -  
3. Sweet hour of prayer, sweet hour of prayer, May I thy con - so -

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



1. world of care, And bids me at my Fa - ther's throne Make  
2. ti - tion bear To Him whose truth and faith - ful - ness En -  
3. la - tion share, Till from Mount Pis - gah's loft - y height I



1. all my wants - and wish - es known. In sea - sons of dis -  
2. gage the wait - ing soul to bless; And since He bids me  
3. view my home - and take my flight: This robe of flesh I'll



1. tress and grief My soul has of - ten found re - lief.  
2. seek His face, Be - lieve His word and trust His grace.  
3. drop, and rise To seize the ev - er - last - ing prize.



1. And oft es - caped the tempt - er's snare By  
2. I'll cast on Him my ev - 'ry care, And  
3. And shout, while pass - ing through the air, "Fare -



1. thy re - turn, sweet hour of prayer.  
2. wait for thee, sweet hour of prayer.  
3. well, fare - well, sweet hour of prayer!"



## COMMUNION HYMN

## It is well with my soul

You are welcomed to join the choir in singing the Communion Hymns.

Or, you may elect to listen.

1. When peace, like a river, at - tend - eth my  
 2. Though sa - tan should buf - set, though tri - als should  
 3. My sin— oh, the bliss of this glo - ri - ous  
 4. And, Lord, haste the day when the faith shall be

1. way, When sor - rows like sea - bil - lows roll;  
 2. come, Let this blest as - sur - ance con - trol,  
 3. thought— My sin— not in part, but the whole—  
 4. sight, The clouds be rolled back as a scroll,

1. What - ev - er my lot, thou hast taught me to -  
 2. That Christ has re - gard - ed my help - less es -  
 3. Is nailed to the cross and I bear it no -  
 4. The trump shall re - sound and the Lord shall de -

1. say, It is well, it is well with my soul.  
 2. tate, And has shed His own blood for my soul.  
 3. more, Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul!  
 4. scend, "E - ven so"— it is well with my soul.

It is well with my soul, It is well with my soul,



*During the Season of Lent we will have a moment of silence at this point in our worship as we reflect on what God has done for us through Jesus.*

Let us pray.

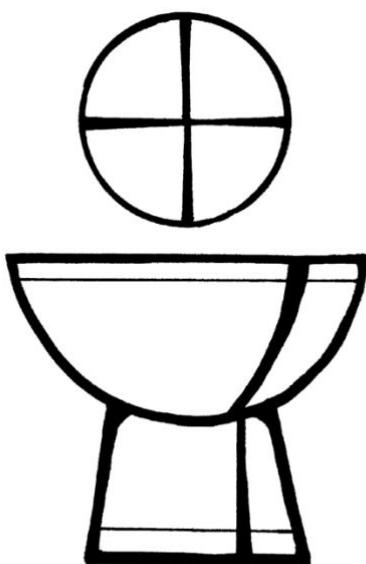
*Celebrant and People say together*

Eternal God, heavenly Father,  
 you have graciously accepted us as living members  
 of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,  
 and you have fed us with spiritual food  
 in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.  
 Send us now into the world in peace,  
 and grant us strength and courage  
 to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart;  
 through Christ our Lord. Amen.

*The people stand and the Priest blesses the people, saying*

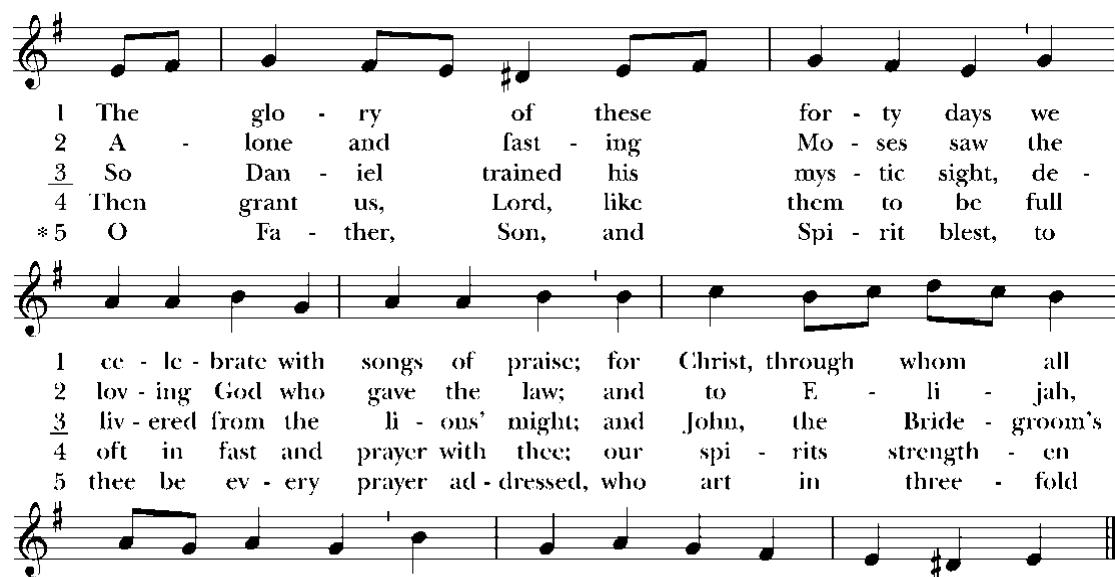
The blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. **Amen**

*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.*



## CONCLUDING HYMN

The glory of these forty days



1 The glo - ry of these for - ty days we  
 2 A lone and fast - ing Mo - ses saw the  
 3 So Dan - iel trained his mys - tic sight, de -  
 4 Then grant us, Lord, like them to be full  
 \*5 O Fa - ther, Son, and Spi - rit blest, to

1 ce - le - brate with songs of praise; for Christ, through whom all  
 2 lov - ing God who gave the law; and to E - li - jah,  
 3 liv - ered from the li - ons' might; and John, the Bride - groom's  
 4 oft in fast and prayer with thee; our spi - rits strength - en  
 5 thee be ev - ery prayer ad - dressed, who art in three - fold

1 things were made, him - self has fast - ed and has prayed.  
 2 fast - ing, came the steeds and char - i - ots of flame.  
 3 friend, be - came the her - ald of Mes - si - ah's name.  
 4 with thy grace, and give us joy to see thy face.  
 5 Name a - dored, from age to age, the on - ly Lord.

*Deacon* Let us go forth to love and serve the Lord.

*People* Thanks be to God.

## VOLUNTARY

Prelude in C minor (BWV 847)  
by Johann Sebastian Bach (1650-1725)

## LIFE AT ST. BARNABAS

**BOOK STUDY** – During Lent we will be studying Barbara Brown Taylor’s book, “An Altar in the World.” In this book Brown Taylor shares how she learned to encounter God far beyond the walls of the church. She reveals meaningful ways to discover the sacred in the small things we do and see, from simple practices such as walking, working, and prayer. We have a limited number of the books that may be purchased for \$8 per book. Or, you may purchase it from your favorite bookseller. E-books are also available from your bookseller.

Each week we will have two offerings of the book study, first on Tuesday at 3:00 and then on Saturday at 4:00 pm. Choose which offering is best for you. The second session will be Tuesday, February 24<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 pm (in person only), and Saturday, February 28<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 pm, (both in person and on Zoom). Here is the Zoom link.

[HTTPS://US02WEB.ZOOM.US/J/85266341066?PWD=O13TRDA6XCJBGAWY6XTZE46j3wQl9I.1](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85266341066?pwd=O13TRDA6XCJBGAWY6XTZE46j3wQl9I.1)

**OPEN SEWING** – Join fellow quilters for open sew dates at St. Barnabas Episcopal Church.

### Tuesdays, 9 am – 2 pm

- March 3, 2026
- March 10, 2026

Join other quilters and crafters as we spend the day sewing together. Open to all! Bring your sewing supplies, sewing machine, table light, and cutting board. Refrigerator and microwave available – bring your lunch.

St. Barnabas Episcopal Church  
301 Trinity Ave.  
Arroyo Grande  
Parish Hall

For more information contact  
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**AARP TAX-AIDE** – will offer free income tax preparation services at St Barnabas’s church on Thursdays, beginning February 5<sup>th</sup>. Reservations can be made now at [ccfreetax.org/appointment.html](http://ccfreetax.org/appointment.html) or by calling (805) 931-6308. A photo ID is required for the principal taxpayers and Social Security cards are required for every person in the tax return.

## 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/](https://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](https://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](https://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 studying Scripture passages that inform us about our former-Presiding Bishop's "The Way of Love.". Feel free to contact Gerti Garner at [grrgarner@gmail.com](mailto:grrgarner@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 Hildegard of Bingen, a mystic from the 11th and 12th centuries. She was a mystic (perhaps Germany's first) and a visionary, but she was also a prophet, a reformer, a scientist, an encyclopedist, a composer, and a dramatist – a Renaissance personality well before the Renaissance.

We are using *Let There Be Light* an edited collection of prayers and writings introducing some of her visions and spiritual insights.

We meet every Friday from 4:00 pm -5:00 pm. We next meet **in person** on **Friday, March 13<sup>th</sup>** (and every 2nd Friday) at St Barnabas. On all other Fridays we meet via Zoom: [bit.ly/stbarnabascenteringprayer](https://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](mailto:stbarnabas.financial@gmail.com)) as the recipient. If you have questions or difficulties setting it up, call Cassidy Rowland at 805-536-1598. 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](mailto: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 Cassidy Rowland, Financial Secretary, at 805-536-1598. You can also send an email to [stbarnabas.financial@gmail.com](mailto: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 2027 – Leslie Campbell, Tom DeNatale, Corey Kielan

Class of 2028 – Deb Habr, Candace Kincade, Paula Mason

Class of 2029 – Joy Fisher, Gerti Garner, Kevin Pence

**Altar Guild Team:**

Marigay Ross, Barbara Conry, Paula Mason

**Sunday School Teachers:**

Pam Pano & Aly Magno

**Last Week's Coffee Ministry Hosts**

8 am: Rev. Ken Kaisch, Karen Reinecke

10 am: The Pano & Kielan families

## CALENDAR

### February 22 – March 1

<b>TODAY</b>	In-Person Holy Communion.....	8:00 am
	In-Person Holy Communion.....	10:00 am
	Children's Sunday School.....	10:00 am
Monday	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 noon
	<b>Book Study in Library.....</b>	<b>3:00 pm</b>
Wednesday	Senior Fitness & Stretching with Sigrid.....	12:15 pm
	Writing From Life class.....	2:00 pm
	Choir Rehearsal.....	5:30 pm
Thursday	AARP Tax Prep.....	9:00 am
	Morning Yoga with Sigrid.....	9:30 am
Friday	Senior Fitness & Stretching with Sigrid.....	12:15 pm
	Centering Prayer (on Zoom) .....	4:00 pm
Saturday	<b>Book Study in Library and on Zoom.....</b>	<b>4:00 pm</b>
Sunday	In-Person Holy Communion .....	8:00 am
	In-Person Holy Communion.....	10:00 am
	Children's Sunday School.....	10:00 am

*\*In-person and via Facebook Live*

### SERVING TODAY

PREACHER/PRIEST	Rev. Rob Keim
PRESIDERS	Rev. Ken Kaisch, Cn. Doug Edward
8 AM MUSIC	Sharon Williams
10 AM MUSIC	Janis Johnson
CHORAL SCHOLARS	Catryna Benander, Helena Fuller, Zach Allen, Blake Wiley

#### **8 am**

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER	Robert Merritt
LECTOR	Lorrie Erno
USHERS	Karen Reinecke, Ann Mathias
VESTRY ON CALL	Paula Mason
COFFEE MINISTRY HOST	David & Sharon Williams

#### **10 am**

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER	Edwin Weaver
LECTOR/CHALICE	Debbie Miller
CHALICES	Adrienne Kielan, Todd Long
USHERS	Jim & Audrene Burress, Tom Bormes
VESTRY ON CALL	Leslie Campbell
LIVESTREAM	Cole Martinez
COFFEE MINISTRY HOSTS	Julie Shires, Katie Coleman



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