



St. Barnabas' Episcopal Church

FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT | MARCH 15TH, 2026

8:00 am & 10:00 am



Dorothy Day with Homeless Christ
by Kelly Latimore

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 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/

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.

Flowers and Candle Dedications:

Candles are lighted by Saint Barnabas to the glory of God.

Greens are placed by Bill Cockshott in loving memory of his brother and sister-in-law, Tad and Ginnie Cockshott, Gerti Garner in loving memory of her mother, Eva Goetz, and Barbara Conry in loving memory of her husband, John Conry.

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

Notable Events

TODAY	MAR 15	St. Patrick's Day Dinner 5:00 – 6:30 pm
SUNDAY	MAR 29	Palm Sunday
TODAY	APR 5	Easter Sunday

*During the Season of Lent we are emphasizing **SILENCE** as a spiritual practice.*

*Please enter in silence and sit in silence as we begin our worship of God.
You might practice one or more types of meditation as you sit.*

Richard Farrant was Gentleman of the Royal Chapels to King Edward VI, and Queen Elizabeth, and in 1564 was appointed Organist of St. George's Chapel, Windsor, and Master of the Choristers there.

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VOLUNTARY.

Traditional Irish Music (Homage to St. Patrick's Day, March 17)

INTROIT

Call to Remembrance

Sung by the Choral Scholars

Call to remembrance, O Lord,
 Thy tender mercies
 and Thy loving kindness,
 which hath been ever of old,
 O remember not the sins and offences of my youth:
 but according to Thy mercy
 think Thou on me, O Lord,
 for Thy goodness.

WORDS: PSALM 25 VV. 5-6 (BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER)

SETTING: RICHARD FARRANT

Enter in Silence.

THE WORD OF GOD

Stand as you are able.

ENTRANCE HYMN

O for a thousand tongues to sing

1 O for a thou - sand tongues to sing my dear Re - deem - er's praise,
 2 My gra - cious Mas - ter and my God, as - sist me to pro - claim
 3 Je - sus! the Name that charms our fears and bids our sor - rows cease;
 4 He speaks; and, lis - tening to his voice, new life the dead re - ceive,
 5 Hear him, ye deaf; ye voice - less ones, your loos - ened tongues em - ploy;

1 the glo - ries of my God and King, the tri - umphs of his grace!
 2 and spread through all the earth a - broad the hon - ors of thy Name.
 3 'tis mu - sic in the sin - ner's cars, 'tis life and health and peace.
 4 the mourn - ful bro - ken hearts re - joice, the hum - ble poor be - lieve.
 5 ye blind, be - hold, your Sa - vior comes; and leap, ye lame, for joy!

6 Glory to God and praise and love
 be now and ever given
 by saints below and saints above,
 the Church in earth and heayen.

The people standing, the Celebrant says

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
People And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

A PROFESSION OF ONEING

In Lent we will be kneeling and observing a minute of silence at this point in our worship.

Celebrant The divisions of the world can only be overcome by a unitive consciousness at every level: personal, relational, social, political, cultural, and in spirituality and religion in general.

People **As a transformed people we unite all within ourselves, so that we can do the same in the world.**

Celebrant By myself I am nothing at all, but in general, I am in the oneing of love.

People **For it is in this oneing that the life of all people exists.**

Celebrant The love of God creates in us such a oneing that, when it is truly seen, no person can separate themselves from another person.

People **In the sight of God, all humans are oned, and one person is all people and all people are one person.**

Celebrant As we see Christ in all people we now profess together.

People **May each of us be so fortunate as to be overtaken by God in the midst of little things. May we each be blessed by the Holy Spirit, swooping down from above or welling up from beneath, to extinguish the illusion of separateness that perpetuates our fears. May we, in having our illusory, separate self, slain by God, be born into a new and true awareness of who we really are: one with God forever. May we continue on in this true awareness, seeing in each and every little thing, the fullness of God's presence in our lives. May we also be someone in whose presence others are better able to recognize God's presence in their lives, so that they, too, might know the freedom of the children of God.**

Lord, have mercy

Lord, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy.

Christ, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.

*This year our theme for the season of Lent is union, communion, and oneing. "Oneing" is an old English word that was used by Julian of Norwich, back in the fifteenth century, to describe the encounter between God and the soul. Please join in reciting a **Profession of Oneing** as we commit to bringing the Kingdom of God into our world.*

*At the 8 am worship the Celebrant **says** the phrase and is **echoed** by the People.*

*At the 10 am worship the Cantor **sings** the phrase and is **echoed** by the People.*

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

Gracious Father, whose blessed Son Jesus Christ came down from heaven to be the true bread which gives life to the world: Evermore give us this bread, that he may live in us, and we in him; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

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 A** of that three-year cycle.

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

THE LESSONS

The people sit.

FIRST READING: 1 Samuel 16:1-13

A Reading from the First book of Samuel.

The Lord said to Samuel, "How long will you grieve over Saul? I have rejected him from being king over Israel. Fill your horn with oil and set out; I will send you to Jesse the Bethlehemite, for I have provided for myself a king among his sons." Samuel said, "How can I go? If Saul hears of it, he will kill me." And the Lord said, "Take a heifer with you, and say, 'I have come to sacrifice to the Lord.' Invite Jesse to the sacrifice, and I will show you what you shall do; and you shall anoint for me the one whom I name to you." Samuel did what the Lord commanded, and came to Bethlehem. The elders of the city came to meet him trembling, and said, "Do you come peaceably?" He said, "Peaceably; I have come to sacrifice to the Lord; sanctify yourselves and come with me to the sacrifice." And he sanctified Jesse and his sons and invited them to the sacrifice.

When they came, he looked on Eliab and thought, "Surely the Lord's anointed is now before the Lord." But the Lord said to Samuel, "Do not look on his appearance or on the height of his stature, because I have rejected him; for the Lord does not see as mortals see; they look on the outward appearance, but the Lord looks on the heart." Then Jesse called Abinadab, and made him pass before Samuel. He said, "Neither has the Lord chosen this one." Then Jesse made Shammah pass by. And he said, "Neither has the Lord chosen this one." Jesse made seven of his sons pass before Samuel, and Samuel said to Jesse, "The Lord has not chosen any of these." Samuel said to Jesse, "Are all your sons here?" And he said, "There remains yet the youngest, but he is keeping the sheep." And Samuel said to Jesse, "Send and bring him; for we will not sit down until he comes here." He sent and brought him in. Now he was ruddy, and had beautiful eyes, and was handsome. The Lord said, "Rise and anoint him; for this is the one." Then Samuel took the horn of oil, and anointed him in the presence of his brothers; and the spirit of the Lord came mightily upon David from that day forward. Samuel then set out and went to Ramah.

Reader

The Word of the Lord.

People

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 23

8 & 10 am: Spoken

¹ The Lord is my shepherd; *
I shall not be in want.

² He makes me lie down in green pastures *
and leads me beside still waters.

³ He revives my soul *
and guides me along right pathways for his Name's sake.

⁴ Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,
I shall fear no evil; *
**for you are with me;
your rod and your staff, they comfort me.**

⁵ You spread a table before me in the presence of those who trouble me; *
**you have anointed my head with oil,
and my cup is running over.**

⁶ Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, *
and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

SECOND READING: Ephesians 5:8-14

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

Once you were darkness, but now in the Lord you are light. Live as children of light— for the fruit of the light is found in all that is good and right and true. Try to find out what is pleasing to the Lord. Take no part in the unfruitful works of darkness, but instead expose them. For it is shameful even to mention what such people do secretly; but everything exposed by the light becomes visible, for everything that becomes visible is light. Therefore it says, “Sleeper, awake! Rise from the dead, and Christ will shine on you.”

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

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

Bunessan is a hymn tune based on a Scottish folk melody, first associated with the Christmas carol "Child in the Manger" and later and more commonly with "Morning Has Broken". It is named after the village of Bunessan in the Ross of Mull.

SEQUENCE HYMN

Morning has broken (v. 1-2)

Unison or harmony

1 Morn-ing has bro - ken like the first morn - ing,
 2 Sweet the rain's new fall sun - lit from hea - ven,
 3 Mine is the sun - light! Mine is the morn - ing

black-bird has spo - ken like the first bird.
 like the first dew - fall on the first grass.
 born of the one light E - den saw play!

Praise for the sing - ing! Praise for the morn - ing!
 Praise for the sweet - ness of the wet gar - den,
 Praise with e - la - tion, praise ev - ery morn - ing,

Praise for them, spring - ing fresh from the Word!
 sprung in com - plete - ness where his feet pass.
 God's re - cre - a - tion of the new day!

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: John 9:1-41

All stand.

Deacon

People

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

As Jesus walked along, he saw a man blind from birth. His disciples asked him, "Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?" Jesus answered, "Neither this man nor his parents sinned; he was born blind so that God's works might be revealed in him. We must work the works of him who sent me while it is day; night is coming when no one can work. As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world." When he had said this, he spat on the ground and made mud with the saliva and spread the mud on the man's eyes,

saying to him, “Go, wash in the pool of Siloam” (which means Sent). Then he went and washed and came back able to see. The neighbors and those who had seen him before as a beggar began to ask, “Is this not the man who used to sit and beg?” Some were saying, “It is he.” Others were saying, “No, but it is someone like him.” He kept saying, “I am the man.” But they kept asking him, “Then how were your eyes opened?” He answered, “The man called Jesus made mud, spread it on my eyes, and said to me, ‘Go to Siloam and wash.’ Then I went and washed and received my sight.” They said to him, “Where is he?” He said, “I do not know.”

They brought to the Pharisees the man who had formerly been blind. Now it was a sabbath day when Jesus made the mud and opened his eyes. Then the Pharisees also began to ask him how he had received his sight. He said to them, “He put mud on my eyes. Then I washed, and now I see.” Some of the Pharisees said, “This man is not from God, for he does not observe the sabbath.” But others said, “How can a man who is a sinner perform such signs?” And they were divided. So they said again to the blind man, “What do you say about him? It was your eyes he opened.” He said, “He is a prophet.”

The Jews did not believe that he had been blind and had received his sight until they called the parents of the man who had received his sight and asked them, “Is this your son, who you say was born blind? How then does he now see?” His parents answered, “We know that this is our son, and that he was born blind; but we do not know how it is that now he sees, nor do we know who opened his eyes. Ask him; he is of age. He will speak for himself.” His parents said this because they were afraid of the Jews; for the Jews had already agreed that anyone who confessed Jesus to be the Messiah would be put out of the synagogue. Therefore his parents said, “He is of age; ask him.”

So for the second time they called the man who had been blind, and they said to him, “Give glory to God! We know that this man is a sinner.” He answered, “I do not know whether he is a sinner. One thing I do know, that though I was blind, now I see.” They said to him, “What did he do to you? How did he open your eyes?” He answered them, “I have told you already, and you would not listen. Why do you want to hear it again? Do you also want to become his disciples?” Then they reviled him, saying, “You are his disciple, but we are disciples of Moses. We know that God has spoken to Moses, but as for this man, we do not know where he comes from.” The man answered, “Here is an astonishing thing! You do not know where he comes from, and yet he opened my eyes. We know that God does not listen to sinners, but he does listen to one who worships him and obeys his will. Never since the world began has it been heard that anyone opened the eyes of a person born blind. If this man were not from God, he could do nothing.” They answered him, “You were born entirely in sins, and are you trying to teach us?” And they drove him out.

Jesus heard that they had driven him out, and when he found him, he said, “Do you believe in the Son of Man?” He answered, “And who is he, sir? Tell me, so that I may believe in him.” Jesus said to him, “You have seen him, and the one speaking with you is he.” He said, “Lord, I believe.” And he worshiped him. Jesus said, “I came into this world for judgment so that those who do not see may see, and those who do see may become blind.” Some of the Pharisees near him heard this and said to him, “Surely we are not blind, are we?” Jesus said to them, “If you were blind, you would not have sin. But now that you say, ‘We see,’ your sin remains.”

Bible scholars have come up with a name for the set of verses that make up a story or lesson in the Bible. “Pericope” is a Greek word which literally means “cut around.” A pericope is a section of text that, if removed from the writing, could be recognized as a story or lesson that could stand on its own. Today’s long Gospel reading from John is considered a pericope, though a pericope can also be much shorter.

*Deacon
People*

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

THE SERMON

The Rev. Rob Keim

Followed by a moment of silent meditation.

The Episcopal Church does not have a separate statement of faith or list of things we believe. Instead, we hold the ancient **Credo**s, 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**.

In this Season of Lent, our **Prayers of the People** include our theme of union, communion, and oneness.

The parts of the prayer in **bold** are said out loud together.

THE APOSTLES' CREED

All stand.

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

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

**He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the Virgin Mary.**

**He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.**

He descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into heaven,

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

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

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 Thomas, Bill Grenek, Jason & Toni, Monique & family, Cheryl Perri & family, Sara & family, Rob, Laura McMaster, Rhinesmith & Jandro & family, Debbie & Bill, May, Michele Port, and Chantelle Powell.**

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: Joann Bland, Vic Sterling, and Tim.**

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.

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.**

*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.*

A LITANY FOR PEACE

O God of peace, whose will it is that all Your children live in harmony, hear our prayer for peace among the people and nations of the Middle East.

Lord, hear us.

We pray for Palestine, we pray for Israel, we pray for Iran, we pray for these United States. Empower us through our prayers to be instruments of peace and reconciliation, that Your light of justice may burn brightly even in the middle of conflict and war.

Lord, hear us.

We pray for the leaders of the nations, that they may actively seek the welfare of all people, putting aside the hatred and violence resulting from past conflicts and past wrongs.

Lord, hear us.

We pray for all whose lives and livelihood are imperiled by continued violence that they may be spared the agony and terror of war.

Lord, hear us.

We pray for all who are caught in the path of warfare and are powerless to defend themselves; we pray they find shelter in Your love.

Lord, hear us.

We pray for all who are deployed in the service of peace, that You will keep them safe and allow them to work toward achieving a just and lasting peace.

Lord, hear us.

We pray for aid workers and medical professionals who serve the casualties of war, that they may minister with grace and compassion, finding their comfort and strength in You.

Lord, hear us.

We pray for the wounded, for all who grieve the loss of loved ones, and for those who will lose contact with family members through the fog of war, that they may receive strength and consolation through You.

Lord, hear us.

We pray for those who have died through violence.

Lord, hear us.

We pray for all the earth, that it may not be destroyed by incessant bombing and fire.

Lord, hear us.

We pray for ourselves as we watch and wait and pray, that You will show us your mercies and strengthen our trust in You.

Lord, hear us.

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

Our prayer is an incomplete list of those nations and peoples that have seen violence. Some of those other countries include: the United Arab Emirates (UAE), Saudia Arabia, Iraq, Bahrain, Kuwait, Oman, Jordan, and Beirut. Ships and vessels from other countries have also been attacked.

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.

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.

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

**The Lord is my Shepherd (Psalm 23)
Sung by the Chancel Choir**

Theme from the BBC TV series *The Vicar of Dibley*
Howard Goodall, composer

*After the Confession and Absolution we share **The Peace** with one another as a preparatory step for the Eucharist.*

*If you have a birthday or anniversary you are celebrating you invite you **to come up front** for the blessings. If you have a family member or friend with a birthday or anniversary you may **stay seated** in your pew as you let us know about the life event.*

DOXOLOGY

The people stand and sing

Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow; Praise him, all
crea - tures here be - low; Praise him a - bove, 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.

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, and is attributed to St. Basil (d. 379). In 1974 an ecumenical group of American Christians came up with these words which are used by Roman Catholic, Episcopal, Lutheran and Methodist churches.

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

Ho - ly ho - ly, ho - ly, Lord God of pow'r and might, Heav-en and
earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Bless - ed, bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
san - na in the high - est, Ho - san - na in the high - est.

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.

This is a key moment in the Eucharistic Prayer in which the priest asks God to send the Holy Spirit upon the bread and wine. Its purpose is to sanctify the offering, transforming them into the Body and Blood of Christ. This is called the “epiclesis” and it is signified by the sign of the Cross made by the priest over the bread and wine.

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

Musical score for 'The Breaking of the Bread' in G major, 3/2 time. The score consists of six staves of music. The lyrics are: '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.' There are triplets of three eighth notes at the beginning and end of the piece.

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

Deck thyself, my soul, my gladness

Musical score for 'Communion Hymn: Deck thyself, my soul, my gladness' in G minor, 4/4 time. The score consists of two staves of music. The lyrics are: '1 Deck thy - self, my soul, with glad - ness, leave the
2 Sun, who all my life dost bright - en; Light, who
3 Je - sus, Bread of Life, I pray thee, let me'.

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

gloom - y haunts of sad - ness, come in - to the day - light's
 dost my soul en - light - en; Joy, the best that an - y
 glad - ly here o - bey thee; nev - er to my hurt in -

splen - dor, there with joy thy prais - es ren - der
 know - eth; Fount, whence all my be - ing flow - eth:
 vit - ed, be thy love with love re - quit - ed;

un - to him whose grace un - bound - ed hath this
 at thy feet I cry, my Ma - ker, let me
 from this ban - quet let me mea - sure, Lord, how

won - drous ban - quet found - ed - high o'er all the heavens he
 be a fit par - ta - ker of this bless - ed food from
 vast and deep its trea - sure; through the gifts thou here dost

reign - eth, yet to dwell with thee he deign - eth.
 hea - ven, for our good, thy glo - ry, giv - en.
 give me, as thy guest in heaven re - ceive me.

COMMUNION HYMN

My shepherd will supply my need



1 My Shep - herd will sup - ply my need, Je - ho - vah
 2 When I walk through the shades of death, thy pres - ence
 3 The sure pro - vi - sions of my God at - tend me



is his Name; _____ in pas - tures fresh he
 is my stay; _____ one word of thy sup -
 all my days; _____ oh, may thy house be



makes me feed be - side the liv - ing stream.____
 port - ing breath drives all my fears a - way.____
 mine a - bode and all my work be praise.____



He brings my wan - dering spi - rit back when I for -
 Thy hand, in sight of all my foes, doth still my
 There would I find a sett - led rest, while o - thers



sake his ways, _____ and leads me, for his
 ta - ble spread; _____ my cup with bless - ings
 go and come; _____ no more a stran - ger



mer - cy's sake, in paths of truth and grace.____
 o - ver - flows, thy oil a - noints my head.____
 or a guest, but like a child at home.____

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

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 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 original poem of "Be thou my vision" dates back to 700 AD. The Irish ballad melody "Slane" is named after the story of St. Patrick, in defiance of the pagan king, climbing to the top of The Hill of Slane in County Meath on Easter Eve and lighting the Paschal fire, a symbol of Christ's resurrection.

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**

CONCLUDING HYMN

Be thou my vision

1 Be thou my vi - sion, O Lord of my heart;
 2 Be thou my wis - dom, and thou my true word;
 3 High King of hea - ven, when vic - tory is won,
 all else be nought to me, save that thou art—
 I ev - er with thee and thou with me, Lord;
 may I reach hea - ven's joys, bright hea - ven's Sun!
 thou my best thought,— by day or by night,
 thou my great Fa - ther; thine own may I be;
 Heart of my heart,— what - ev - er be - fall,
 wak - ing or sleep - ing, thy pres - ence my light.
 thou in me dwell - ing, and I one with thee.
 still be my vis - ion, O Ru - ler of all.

Deacon Let us go forth to love and serve the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

CHORAL POSTLUDE (IN HOMAGE TO ST. PATRICK'S DAY)

Prayer of Saint Patrick

Christ be with me, Christ within me.
 Christ behind me, Christ before me.
 Christ beside me, Christ to win me.
 Christ to comfort, and restore me.
 Christ beneath me, Christ above me.
 Christ in quiet, Christ in danger.
 Christ in hearts of all who love me.
 Christ in friend and of stranger.

WORDS: SAINT PATRICK

SETTING: BERNARD QUINN

LIFE AT ST. BARNABAS

ALMOST, MAINE – St. Barnabas' parishioner Todd Long invites you to attend the Players West production of Almost, Maine this weekend. Todd plays two roles in this funny, quirky, heartwarming play about love, loss, and hope, with some generous sprinkles of magical realism. The final show is at Mission College Prep Catholic High School in San Luis Obispo this Sunday at 2 pm. Tickets available at coastalpaf.org

ST. PATRICK'S DAY DINNER – Come support our youth at the Annual St. Patrick's Day Fundraiser Dinner March 15th from 5-6:30 pm at St. Barnabas' Church. It's \$12 for adults, \$10 for seniors (65+) and children 10 and under, \$35 for families of 4, and \$5 per additional person. All proceeds support youth summer camp. Please contact Pam Pano at (805) 550-8324 if you have any questions. Thanks and hope to see you there!

ANNUAL EASTER EGG HUNT – It is that time of year, Easter Sunday is early this year. I am starting to gather stuffers for our Annual Easter Egg hunt. We are looking for small wrapped candy, stickers, little toys and anything you would think the children would enjoy finding in their Easter eggs. If you have any questions please email or call Pam Pano at (805) 550-8324. Thank you for your continued support of our Sunday School program.

HYGIENE BAGS – Join us to assemble hygiene bags for the homeless March 20th from 1 - 2:30 pm in classroom 6.

AARP TAX-AIDE – will offer free income tax preparation services at St Barnabas's church on Thursdays, beginning February 5th. Reservations can be made now at 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.

SCHEDULE FOR HOLY WEEK AND EASTER –

Sunday, March 29	8:00 am – Palm Sunday Eucharist with procession of the palms 10:00 am – Palm Sunday Eucharist with procession of the palms
Wednesday, April 1	4:00 pm – Stations of the Cross
Thursday, April 2	6:00 pm – Maundy- Thursday – Agape dinner and foot washing 7:00 pm – Eucharist and stripping of the altar
Friday, April 3	7:00 pm – Good Friday – The Passion and Solemn Prayers
Sunday, April 5 –	8:00 am – Easter Eucharist 8:45 am – Easter Breakfast 10:00 am – Easter Eucharist 11:30 am – Easter Egg Hunt
Sunday, April 12 –	8:00 am (no 8:00 am worship) 10:00 am – Easter Lessons & Carols

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 studying Scripture passages that inform us about our former-Presiding Bishop's "The Way of Love.". Feel free to contact Gerti Garner at ggrgarner@gmail.com for more information.

Friday 4:00 pm CENTERING PRAYER – Every Friday afternoon at 4 pm we hold a Centering Prayer group. After gathering, we practice 20 minutes of silent Centering Prayer. Following the practice, we read and discuss a passage from Mother Teresa's "Love Without Measure." The reading will be sent out in advance of the meeting.

We meet on Fridays from 4:00 pm to 5:00 pm over Zoom

(<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86777561670?pwd=OEV0ajk1WXhuSGJINTIwbu1LUWR6Zz09>).

We meet in person on the second Friday of the month at St. Barnabas. We meet next **in person** on **Friday, April 10.**

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 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 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. 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:

Jane Delgadillo, Pam Pano, Jerri Pence, Charmaine Petersen, Gerti Garner

Sunday School Teachers:

Pam Pano, Aly Magno

Last Week's Coffee Ministry Hosts

8 am: Carlos Ortiz, Robert Merritt

10 am: Tracy & Paul Schiro

CALENDAR
March 15 – March 22

TODAY	In-Person Holy Communion.....	8:00 am
	In-Person Holy Communion.....	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
	Vestry meeting	6:00 pm
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	4:00 pm
Saturday		
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/PRESIDER Rev. Rob Keim
 DEACON Rev. Susan Arnold
 8 AM MUSIC Sharon Williams
 10 AM MUSIC Janis Johnson
 CHORAL SCHOLARS Catryna Benander, Zach Allen, Blake Wiley

8 am

EUCHARISTIC MINISTER Carlos Ortiz
 LECTOR Melissa Biel
 USHERS Steve Harris, Dave Williams
 VESTRY ON CALL Candace Kincade
 COFFEE MINISTRY HOSTS Rev. Ken Kaisch, Karen Reinecke

10 am

EUCHARISTIC MINISTER Pamela Jones
 LECTOR Rachel Mann
 CHALICES Adrienne Kielan, Edwin Weaver
 USHERS Linda & Jim Kilponen
 VESTRY ON CALL/CHALICE Kevin Pence
 COFFEE MINISTRY HOSTS The Pano & Kielan families
 LIVESTREAM Cole Martinez



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