

THE FEAST OF DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

CHORAL HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE II SUNDAY, JANUARY 12, 2025 10:00 A.M.

OUR MISSION:

We are called to be disciples of Christ, revealing his life, love, and light to the world.

OUR VISION:

St. Bartholomew's Episcopal Church is a welcoming, inclusive faith family; sharing and teaching the love of Jesus Christ through our worship, actions, and outreach: transforming ourselves and the world.

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Please silence mobile phones and other noise-making devices.

GATHERING MUSIC

OPENING HYMN (see next page)

"Precious Lord, Take my Hand"

PRECIOUS LORD, Irregular; words, Thomas Andrew Dorsey (1899-1993); music, George Nelson Allen (1812-1871)



WORDS OF WELCOME

THE OPENING SENTENCES

Presider Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

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

During the Hymn of Praise, children are invited to follow the cross to Children's Chapel. They will return at the Peace, in time to receive communion with their families.



Lord God, Heavenly King; Almighty God and Father;

We worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. (Ant.)

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,

Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us;

you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer. (Ant.)

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in the Glory of God the Father. (Ant.)

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Presider The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Presider Let us pray.

ALMIGHTY God, by the hand of Moses your servant you led your people out of slavery, and made them free at last: Grant that your church, following the example of your prophet Martin Luther King, may resist oppression in the name of your love, and may strive to secure for all your children the blessed liberty of the Gospel of Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Please be seated.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

THE FIRST LESSON

Exodus 3: 7-12, Moses at the Burning Bush

A reading from the Book of Exodus.

THE Lord said, "I have observed the misery of my people who are in Egypt; I have heard their cry on account of their taskmasters. Indeed, I know their sufferings, and I have come down to deliver them from the Egyptians, and to bring them up out of that land to a good and broad land, a land flowing with milk and honey, to the country of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites. The cry of the Israelites has now come to me; I have also seen how the Egyptians oppress them. So come, I will send you to Pharaoh to bring my people, the Israelites, out of Egypt." But Moses said to God, "Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh, and bring the Israelites out of Egypt?" He said, "I will be with you; and this shall be the sign for you that it is I who sent you: when you have brought the people out of Egypt, you shall worship God on this mountain."

Reader

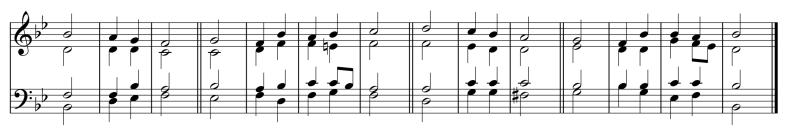
The Word of the Lord.

People

Thanks be to God.

THE PSALM APPOINTED

Psalm 77: 11-20: Voce mea ad Dominum; music, Tim McLellan (b. 1970)



¹¹ I will remember the | works • of the | LORD, *

and call to | mind your | wonders • of | old time.

¹² I will meditate on | all your | acts *

and | ponder • your | mighty | deeds.

¹³ Your way, O | God, is | holy; *

who is so | great a | god as | our God?

¹⁴ You are the | God • who works | wonders *

and have declared your | power • a- | mong the | peoples.

 15 By your strength you have re- \mid deemed your \mid people, *

the | children • of | Jacob • and | Joseph.

The waters saw you, O God; the waters | saw you • and | trembled; * the | very | depths were | shaken.

¹⁷ The clouds poured out water; the | **skies** | thundered; *

your arrows | flashed | to and | fro;

¹⁸ The sound of your thunder was in the whirlwind; your lightnings lit | up the | world; * the | earth | trembled • and | shook.

 19 Your way was in the sea, and your paths in the \mid great \mid waters, *

yet your | footsteps | were not | seen.

²⁰ You led your | people • like a | flock *

by the | hand of | Moses • and | Aaron.

THE SECOND LESSON

Ephesians 6: 10-20, The Whole Armor of God

A reading from the letter to the Ephesians.

Be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his power. Put on the whole armor of God, so that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. For our struggle is not against enemies of blood and flesh, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers of this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places. Therefore take up the whole armor of God, so that you may be able to withstand on that evil day, and having done everything, to stand firm. Stand therefore, and fasten the belt of truth around your waist, and put on the breastplate of righteousness. As shoes for your feet put on whatever will make you ready to proclaim the gospel of peace. With all of these,

take the shield of faith, with which you will be able to quench all the flaming arrows of the evil one. Take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.

Pray in the Spirit at all times in every prayer and supplication. To that end keep alert and always persevere in supplication for all the saints. Pray also for me, so that when I speak, a message may be given to me to make known with boldness the mystery of the gospel, for which I am an ambassador in chains. Pray that I may declare it boldly, as I must speak.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

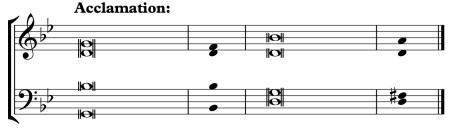
People Thanks be to God.

Please stand, as able, for the Gospel.

THE GRADUAL

music, anon. French, 15th c.





Choir

Blessed are those who are the / peacemakers,

For they shall be called the children of / God. (repeat Gradual)

THE HOLY GOSPEL

Luke 6: 27-36, Love for Enemies

Gospeller The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

JESUS said, "I say to you that listen, Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you. If anyone strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also; and from anyone who takes away your coat do not withhold even your shirt. Give to everyone who begs from you; and if anyone takes away your goods, do not ask for them again. Do to others as you would have them do to you.

"If you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners love those who love them. If you do good to those who do good to you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners do the same. If you lend to those from whom you hope to receive, what credit is that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners, to receive as much again. But love your enemies, do good, and lend, expecting nothing in return. Your reward will be great, and you will be children of the Most High; for he is kind to the ungrateful and the wicked. Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful.

Gospeller The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Following the repetition of the Gradual, please be seated.

EXCERPTS FROM "LETTER FROM BIRMINGHAM JAIL"

THE NICENE CREED

Please stand, as able.

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.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Intercessor Let us pray.

A brief silence is kept after each petition:

Intercessor

I ask your prayers for God's people throughout the world; for our Presiding Bishop, Sean, and our Bishop, Susan; for this gathering; and for all ministers and people. Pray for the Church.

I ask your prayers for peace; for goodwill among nations; and for the well-being of all people. Pray for justice and peace.

I ask your prayers for all who seek God, or a deeper knowledge of him. Pray that they may find and be found by him.

I ask your prayers for the poor, the sick, the hungry, the oppressed, those in prison, and those in twelve-step programs; I ask your prayers for _____. Pray for those in any need or trouble.

I ask your prayers for the departed, especially _____. Pray for those who have died.

Praise God for those in every generation in whom Christ has been honored. Pray that we may have grace to glorify Christ in our own day.

Presider

Lord, hear the prayers of your people; and what we have asked faithfully, grant that we may obtain effectually, to the glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE CONFESSION OF SIN

Deacon Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

A period of silence is kept.

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.

Presider

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

Presider The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

CHILDREN'S HYMN

"This Little Light of Mine"

words and music, African-American Spiritual

The children process in from Children's Chapel, as the hymn is sung.



Please be seated.

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shine,

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

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OFFERTORY ANTHEM

"How Can I Keep from Singing?"

music, arr. Jeremy J. Bankson (b. 1975)

My life flows on in endless song; above earth's lamentation, I catch the sweet, though far-off hymn that hails a new creation. No storm can shake my inmost calm while to that Rock I'm clinging. Since Christ is Lord of heaven and earth, how can I keep from singing?

Through all the tumult and the strife, I hear that music ringing: It finds an echo in my soul, how can I keep from singing?

What though my joys and comforts die? The Lord my Savior liveth. What though the darkness gather ground? Songs in the night he giveth. The peace of Christ makes fresh my heart, a fountain ever springing! All things are mine since I am his! How can I keep from singing?

PRESENTATION HYMN

DIX, 7.7.7.7.7;

words, William Chatterton Dix (1837-1898); music, Conrad Kocher (1786-1872)



THE LITURGY OF THE TABLE

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Presider The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Presider Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them up to the Lord.

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Presider God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.

People Glory to you for ever and ever.

Presider At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns,

the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.

People By your will they were created and have their being.

Presider From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed

your trust; and we turned against one another.

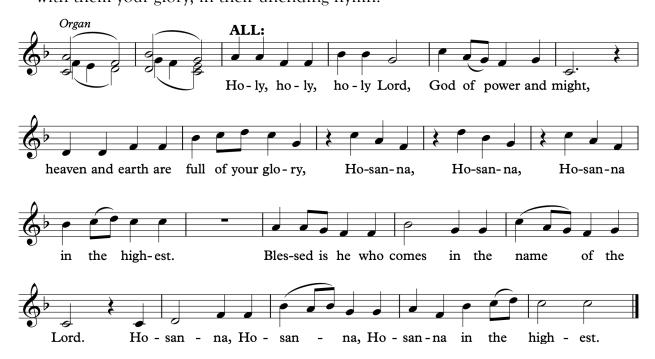
People Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.

Presider Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill

your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

People By his blood, he reconciled us. By his wounds, we are healed.

Presider And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:



And so, God, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord. On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, 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, gave thanks, 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."

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,

People We celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of his coming.

Lord God of our Fathers: God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

People Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.

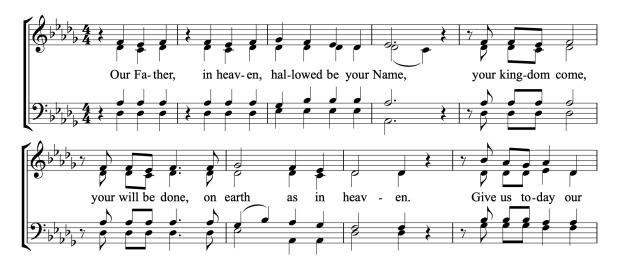
Accept these prayers and praises, O God, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation.



As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

THE LORD'S PRAYER

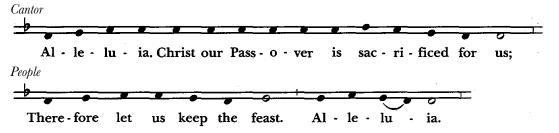
music, John-Luke Addison (b. 1989)





THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

As the bread is broken:



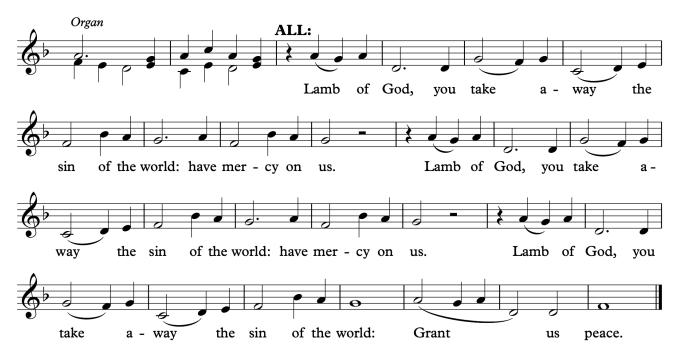
Presider Behold what you are.

People May we become what we receive.

Presider The gifts of God for the people of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

The Presider continues:

THIS is the table, not of the Church, but of God. It is made ready for those of us who love God, and for those who want to love God more. So, come, those of us who have much faith, and those who have little; those of us who have been here often, and those who have not been here long; those of us who have tried to follow, and those who have failed. Come, because it is God who invites us; it is God's will that we should meet here.



Please be seated, and come forward for Communion when guided so.

COMMUNION HYMN (see next page)

"His Eye is on the Sparrow"

SPARROW, 13.13.13.13.13.13.13.13; words Civilla D. Martin (1866-1948); music, Charles Hutchinson Gabriel (1856-1932)





THE POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Please stand, as able.

Presider Let us pray.

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.

Please be seated.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Thank you for your participation in today's service. Your presence is a blessing to us. "All are welcome. No exceptions."

BLESSING OF BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

ATCH over your children, O Lord, as they mark this day; bless and guide them wherever they may be. Strengthen them when they stand; comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful; raise them up if they fall; and in their hearts may your peace which passes understanding abide all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

BLESSING OF QUILTS

The Presider says:

REATIVE God, we give thanks for the loving hands who made this outward symbol of your loving care. Bless this quilt that it may enfold your servant with comfort, mercy, and grace, easing any concern that may hinder them from enjoying the promise and peace of your Kingdom. All this we ask through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

Please stand, as able.

THE BLESSING

CLOSING HYMN (see next page)
"Go Down, Moses"

GO DOWN MOSES; Irregular; words and music, African-American Spiritual

THE DISMISSAL

Deacon Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE



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