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

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.

If you do not wish to receive Communion, you are welcome to come forward by dipping the wafer of bread. If you require a gluten-free wafer, please come drinking (placing your hand gently on the base of the chalice to guide it) or by placing your hand on the open palm. The wine, if desired, may be taken from the common cup by putting all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation. We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable to you in the offering of these gifts, and that our unworthy hearts may be purified by thy saving graces, and that we may evermore and with all thy holy people do worship and serve thee in innocence and godliness, in the beauty of holiness.

Therefore, according to his command, O Father, we offer to thee, the only Wise God, Creator of all things, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Son of God, all praise and all honor, as it was, is, and shall be, for ever and ever.

The Celebrant continues.

We have not made these gifts ours by our own power, but we have confessed our sins, and prayed for the pardon of the same. Therefore, let us now ask the Lord's benediction, O Almighty God, who forgiveth all them that call upon thee, that he may accept these gifts, and give us the certain knowledge of his pardon, and of his grace, a discharge from condemnation, and also of his favor and blessing, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Therefore let us keep the feast. Amen.

The people answer,
Thank you for joining us today.
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Organ Allegro, from Organ Concerto Op. 4, No. 1, George Frideric Handel (1685–1759)

Welcome

The people stand.

Hymn 290

1 Come, ye thankful people, come, raise the song of harvest-home;
2 All the world is God’s own field, fruit unto his praise to yield;
3 For the Lord our God shall come, and shall take his harvest home;
4 Even so, Lord, quickly come to thy final harvest-home;

Wheat and tares togeth'er sown, un'to joy or sorrow grown:
From his field shall in that day all of-fens'es purge a way;
Gath'er thou thy people in, free from sorrow, free from sin;

1 God, our Maker, doth pro-vide for our wants to be sup-p lied;
2 first the blade, and then the ear, then the full corn shall ap-pear:
3 give his an-gels charge at last in the fire the tares to cast,
4 there, for ev'er pur-i-fied, in thy pres-ence to a-bide;

Grant, O harvest Lord, that come, with all thine an-gels,
The Opening Acclamation

Presider  Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
People    And blessed be God’s kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

The Ministry of the Word

The Collect for the Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

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

Almighty God, the fountain of all wisdom, you know our necessities before we ask and our ignorance in asking: Have compassion on our weakness, and mercifully give us those things which for our unworthiness we dare not, and for our blindness we cannot ask; through the worthiness of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

All  Amen.

The people sit.

The First Lesson  Isaiah 44:6–8

Reader  A reading from the Book of the Prophet Isaiah.

Thus says the Lord, the King of Israel, and his Redeemer, the Lord of hosts: I am the first and I am the last; besides me there is no god. Who is like me? Let them proclaim it, let them declare and set it forth before me. Who has announced from of old the things to come? Let them tell us what is yet to be. Do not fear, or be afraid; have I not told you from of old and declared it? You are my witnesses! Is there any god besides me? There is no other rock; I know not one.

Reader  The Word of the Lord.
People  Thanks be to God.
Psalm 86:11–17

All Teach me your way, O Lord, and I will walk in your truth; knit my heart to you that I may fear your Name.

I will thank you, O Lord my God, with all my heart, and glorify your Name for evermore.

For great is your love toward me; you have delivered me from the nethermost Pit.

The arrogant rise up against me, O God, and a band of violent men seeks my life; they have not set you before their eyes.

But you, O Lord, are gracious and full of compassion, slow to anger, and full of kindness and truth.

Turn to me and have mercy upon me; give your strength to your servant; and save the child of your handmaid.

Show me a sign of your favor, so that those who hate me may see it and be ashamed; because you, O Lord, have helped me and comforted me.

The Second Lesson Romans 8:12–25

Reader A reading from the Letter of Paul to the Romans.

Brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh—for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, “Abba! Father!” it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ—if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him. I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory about to be revealed to us. For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the children of God; for the creation was subjected to futility, not of its own will but by the will of the one who subjected it, in hope that the creation itself will be set free from its bondage to decay and will obtain the freedom of the glory of the children of God. We know that the whole creation has been groaning in labor pains until now; and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies. For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what is seen? But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

The people stand as the hymn begins.

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Deacon Jesus put before the crowd another parable: “The kingdom of heaven may be compared to someone who sowed good seed in his field; but while everybody was asleep, an enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat, and then went away. So when the plants came up and bore grain, then the weeds appeared as well. And the slaves of the householder came and said to him, ‘Master, did you not sow good seed in your field? Where, then, did these weeds come from?’ He answered, ‘An enemy has done this.’ The slaves said to him, ‘Then do you want us to go and gather them?’ But he replied, ‘No; for in gathering the weeds you would uproot the wheat along with them. Let both of them grow together until the harvest; and at harvest time I will tell the reapers, Collect the weeds first and bind them in bundles to be burned, but gather the wheat into my barn.’” Then he left the crowds and went into the house. And his disciples approached him, saying, “Explain to us the parable of the weeds of the field.” He answered, “The one who sows the good seed is the Son of Man; the field is the world, and the good seed are the children of the kingdom; the weeds are the children of the evil one, and the enemy who sowed them is the devil; the harvest is the end of the age, and the reapers are angels. Just as the weeds are collected and burned up with fire, so will it be at the end of the age. The Son of Man will send his angels, and they will collect out of his kingdom all causes of sin and all evildoers, and they will throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Let anyone with ears listen!”

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.
After the preacher introduces the sermon, the people sit.

**The Sermon** The Right Reverend Dean E. Wolfe, Rector

The people stand with the presider.

**The Nicene Creed**

*All*  
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**

*After each petition:*

*Deacon* Gracious God,  
*People* Hear our prayer.

*After the final petition:*

*Presider* 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 for ever.

*People* Amen.

**The Confession of Sin**

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

*All* 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.

*All* Amen.
The Peace

Presider  The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People  And also with you.

The people greet one another and then sit.

Those at home are encouraged to share the peace through the live chat or comments.

Announcements

The Holy Communion

The Offertory
St. Bart’s depends on your generous giving especially during this difficult time. Please visit stbarts.org/giving.

Anthem at the Offertory  St. Bartholomew’s Choir
Sing for the morning’s joy, Cecilia, sing, in words of youth and praises of the Spring, walk the bright colonnades by fountains’ spray, and sing as sunlight fills the waking day; till angels, voyaging in upper air, pause on a wing and gather the clear sound into celestial joy, wound and unwound, a silver chain, or golden as your hair.

Sing for your loves of heaven and of earth, in words of music, and each word a truth; marriage of heart and longings that aspire, a bond of roses, and a ring of fire.

Your summertime grows short and fades away, terror must gather to a martyr’s death; but never tremble, the last indrawn breath remembers music as an echo may.

Through the cold aftermath of centuries, Cecilia’s music dances in the skies; lend us a fragment of the immortal air, that with your choiring angels we may share, a word to light us thro’ time-fettered night, water of life, or rose of paradise, so from the earth another song shall rise to meet your own in heaven’s long delight.

The people stand as the hymn begins.

Hymn

Words: Fred Pratt Green (1903-2000).
Music: Ar hyd y nos, traditional Welsh melody.

1. For the fruit of all creation, thanks be to God;
2. In the just reward of labor, God’s will is done.
3. For the harvests of the Spirit, thanks be to God.

Gifts be-stowed on every nation, thanks be to God.
In the help we give our neighbor, God’s will is done.
For the good we all inherit, thanks be to God.

For the plowing, sowing, reaping, silent growth while we are sleeping,
In the world-wide task of caring for the hungry and despairing,
For the wonders that astound us, for the truths that still confound us,
Future needs in earth’s safe-keeping, thanks be to God.
In the harvests we are sharing, God’s will is done.
Most of all that love has found us, thanks be to God.

The Great Thanksgiving

Presider The Lord be with you.
People And also with you.
Presider Lift up your hearts.
People We lift them to the Lord.
Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People It is right to give our thanks and praise.
Presider It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. For you are the source of light and life, you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:
Holiness and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, “Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.”

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, “Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me.”

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

All Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever.

All AMEN.
The Lord's Prayer

Presider  And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,
All    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 Fraction Anthem

The presider breaks the bread. Silence is kept.

Presider  Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.
People   Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

The Invitation to Communion

Presider  The Gifts of God for the People of God.

The people sit.

At the Communion

Those gathered on Park Avenue receive Holy Communion on behalf of members of the St. Bart’s community
who are participating via livestream.

“If a person desires to receive the Sacrament, but, by reason of extreme sickness or physical disability, is
unable to eat and drink the Bread and Wine, the Celebrant is to assure that person that all the benefits of
Communion are received, even though the Sacrament is not received with the mouth.”


Spiritual Communion

Those watching at home may, if they wish, say this prayer during the time of Communion.

In union, blessed Jesus, with the faithful gathered at every altar of your Church where your blessed Body
and Blood are offered this day, and remembering particularly my own parish and those worshiping there, I
long to offer praise and thanksgiving for creation and all the blessings of this life, for the redemption won
for us by your life, death, and resurrection, for the means of grace and the hope of glory. And particularly
for the blessings given me:

Here, those watching at home may add particular blessings for which they wish to give thanks.

I believe that you are truly present in the Holy Sacrament, and, since I cannot at this time receive
communion, I pray you to come into my heart. I unite myself with you and embrace you with all my heart,
my soul, and my mind. Let nothing separate me from you; let me serve you in this life until, by your grace,
I come to your glorious kingdom and unending peace. Amen.

The people stand with the presider.

The Prayer After Communion

Presider  Let us pray.
All    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
Hymn 665

Words: Robert Seymour Bridges (1844-1930), alt.; after Joachim Neander (1650-1680).

The Dismissal

Deacon    Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.
People     Thanks be to God.

Organ Epilogue, from *The Hovingham Sketches*, Herbert Howells (1892-1983)
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