The Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

Holy Eucharist
at Eleven O’Clock

July 26, 2020
Thank you for joining us today.
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**Zoom Coffee Hour**
Hosted by St. Bart’s Clergy and Staff from 12:30 to 1 pm.

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Virtual coffee hour just for newcomers. Join us to learn more about the opportunities St. Bart’s is currently offering at 12:30 pm.

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Online brunch at 2 pm.

**St. Tabitha’s Guild**
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Weekly meditation practice with sitting and walking meditation, reading and sharing from 3 to 4:30 pm.

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Welcome

The people stand.

Hymn 488

1 Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;
2 Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true word;
3 High King of heaven, when victory is won,

all else be nought to me, save that thou art—
I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord;
may I reach heaven’s joys, bright heaven’s Sun!

thou my best thought, by day or by night,
thou my great Father; thine own may I be;
Heart of my heart, what ever befall,

waking or sleeping, thy presence my light,
thou in me dwelling, and I one with thee.
still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

Words: Irish, ca. 700; versified Mary Elizabeth Byrne (1880-1931); tr. Eleanor H. Hull (1860-1935), alt.
Music: Slane, Irish ballad melody; adapt. The Church Hymnary, 1927.

The Opening Acclamation
Presider  Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
People  And blessed be God’s kingdom, now and forever. Amen.
The Collect for the Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

Presider  The Lord be with you.
People    And also with you.
Presider  Let us pray.
          O God, the protector of all who trust in you, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy:
          Increase and multiply upon us your mercy; that, with you as our ruler and guide, we may so pass through things temporal, that we lose not the things eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.
All       Amen.

The people sit.

The First Lesson 1 Kings 3:5-12

Reader  A reading from the First Book of Kings.

At Gibeon the Lord appeared to Solomon in a dream by night; and God said, “Ask what I should give you.” And Solomon said, “You have shown great and steadfast love to your servant my father David, because he walked before you in faithfulness, in righteousness, and in upright heart toward you; and you have kept for him this great and steadfast love, and have given him a son to sit on his throne today. And now, O Lord my God, you have made your servant king in place of my father David, although I am only a little child; I do not know how to go out or come in. And your servant is in the midst of the people whom you have chosen, a great people, so numerous they cannot be numbered or counted. Give your servant therefore an understanding mind to govern your people, able to discern between good and evil; for who can govern this your great people?” It pleased the Lord that Solomon had asked this. God said to him, “Because you have asked this, and have not asked for yourself long life or riches, or for the life of your enemies, but have asked for yourself understanding to discern what is right, I now do according to your word. Indeed I give you a wise and discerning mind; no one like you has been before you and no one like you shall arise after you.”

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

Psalm 119:129-136

All       Your decrees are wonderful;
          therefore I obey them with all my heart.

          When your word goes forth it gives light;
          it gives understanding to the simple.

          I open my mouth and pant;
          I long for your commandments.

          Turn to me in mercy,
          as you always do to those who love your Name.

          Steady my footsteps in your word;
          let no iniquity have dominion over me.

          Rescue me from those who oppress me,
          and I will keep your commandments.

          Let your countenance shine upon your servant
          and teach me your statutes.

          My eyes shed streams of tears,
          because people do not keep your law.
The Second Lesson Romans 8:26–39

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

The Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes with sighs too deep for words. And God, who searches the heart, knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God. We know that all things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to his purpose. For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the firstborn within a large family. And those whom he predestined he also called; and those whom he called he also justified; and those whom he justified he also glorified. What then are we to say about these things? If God is for us, who is against us? He who did not withhold his own Son, but gave him up for all of us, will he not with him also give us everything else? Who will bring any charge against God’s elect? It is God who justifies. Who is to condemn? It is Christ Jesus, who died, yes, who was raised, who is at the right hand of God, who indeed intercedes for us. Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will hardship, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? As it is written, “For your sake we are being killed all day long; we are accounted as sheep to be slaughtered.” No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

The people stand as the hymn begins.

Hymn 447

1 The Christ who died but rose again triumphant from the grave,
2 What now can separate us from the love of Christ our Lord?
3 The troubles that are ours to bear are trials we cannot flee;
4 Thus nothing in the heights or depths, no power earth can afford,

now pleads our cause at God’s right hand all powerful to save.
Can persecution, nakedness, or peril, or the sword?
yet he who loved us from the first ensures our victory.
will separate us from the love of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Words: Granton Douglas Hay (b. 1943); alt.; based on Paraphrases, 1781; para. of Romans 8:34-39.
Music: St. Magnus, melody from Divine Companion, 1707; harm. William Henry Monk (1823-1889), after John Pyke Hullah (19th cent.).
The Holy Gospel Matthew 13:31–33, 44–52

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Deacon Jesus put before the crowds another parable: “The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed that someone took and sowed in his field; it is the smallest of all the seeds, but when it has grown it is the greatest of shrubs and becomes a tree, so that the birds of the air come and make nests in its branches.” He told them another parable: “The kingdom of heaven is like yeast that a woman took and mixed in with three measures of flour until all of it was leavened. The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which someone found and hid; then in his joy he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field. Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant in search of fine pearls; on finding one pearl of great value, he went and sold all that he had and bought it. Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a net that was thrown into the sea and caught fish of every kind; when it was full, they drew it ashore, sat down, and put the good into baskets but threw out the bad. So it will be at the end of the age. The angels will come out and separate the evil from the righteous and throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. Have you understood all this?” They answered, “Yes.” And he said to them, “Therefore every scribe who has been trained for the kingdom of heaven is like the master of a household who brings out of his treasure what is new and what is old.”

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

After the preacher introduces the sermon, the people sit.

The Sermon The Reverend Peter Thompson, Associate 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

Verleih uns Frieden gnädiglich,  Graciously grant us peace
Herr Gott! zu unsern Zeiten    Lord God, in our time;
Es ist doch ja kein anderer nicht,  there is no one else
Der für uns könnte streiten,  who could fight for us
Denn du, unser Gott, alleine.  except you, our God, alone.

Music: Felix Mendelssohn (1809-1847).
Hymn 188 (Lift Every Voice and Sing II)

1. When peace, like a river, attendeth my way,
   When sorrows like sea-bilows roll;
   What ev’er my lot, thou hast taught me to say,
   It is well, it is well with my soul.

2. Though Satan should buffet, though trials should come,
   Let this blest assurance control,
   That Christ has regarded my helpless state,
   And has shed His own blood for my soul.

3. My sin—oh, the bliss of this glorious thought—
   My sin—not in part, but the whole is nailed to the cross and I bear it no more,
   Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul!

4. And, Lord, haste the day when the faith shall be sight,
   The clouds be rolled back as a scroll,
   The trump shall resound and the Lord shall descend,
   “Even so”—it is well with my soul.
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:
Holy 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:

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 194

Music: St. Albinus, Henry John Gauntlett (1805-1876).

The Dismissal

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

Organ Allegro maestoso from Sonata IV in B-flat Major (Op. 65), Felix Mendelssohn (1809-1847)

Words: Christian Furchtegott Gellert (1715-1769); tr. Frances Elizabeth Cox (1812-1897), alt.

1 Jesus lives! thy terrors now can no longer, death, apparent
   pall us; Jesus lives! by this we know thou, O
   grave, canst not enthrall us. Alleluia!
   to our Savior giving. Alleluia!

2 Jesus lives! for us he died; then, alone to Jesus
   living, pure in heart may we abide, glory
   from his keeping ever. Alleluia!
   from his keeping ever. Alleluia!

3 Jesus lives! our hearts know well nought from us his love shall
   sever; life, nor death, nor powers of hell tear us
   reign with him in heaven. Alleluia!
   reign with him in heaven. Alleluia!

4 Jesus lives! to him the throne over all the world is
**Service Participants**

**Preacher** The Reverend Peter Thompson  
**Presider** The Right Reverend Dean E. Wolfe  
**Deacon** The Reverend Susan Anderson-Smith  
**Musicians** Dr. Paolo Bordignon, St. Bartholomew's Choir  

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