

*St. Bartholomew's Episcopal Church*  
*July 5, 2020*



**Prelude**      Rendez à Dieu.....Charles Callahan

**Welcome**      I was glad when they said to me, "Let us go to the house of the Lord." *Psalm 122:1*

**Hymn**          #482-Lord of all hopefulness-Verse 1

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.*

### **The Gloria**

**Glory to God in the highest,  
and peace to his people on earth.**

**Lord God, heavenly King,  
almighty God and Father,  
we worship you, we give you thanks,  
we praise you for your glory.**

**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.**

**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. Amen.**

### **Collect of the Day**

O God, you have taught us to keep all your commandments by loving you and our neighbor: Grant us the grace of your Holy Spirit, that we may be devoted to you with our whole heart, and united to one another with pure affection; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

### **Genesis 24:34-44 (NRSV)**

So, he said, "I am Abraham's servant. <sup>35</sup>The Lord has greatly blessed my master, and he has become wealthy; he has given him flocks and herds, silver and gold, male and female slaves, camels and donkeys. <sup>36</sup>And Sarah my master's wife bore a son to my master when she was old; and he has given him all that he has. <sup>37</sup>My master made me swear, saying, 'You shall not take a wife for my son from the daughters of the Canaanites, in whose land I live; <sup>38</sup>but you shall go to my father's house, to my kindred, and get a wife for my son.' <sup>39</sup>I said to my master, 'Perhaps the woman will not follow me.' <sup>40</sup>But he said to me, 'The Lord, before whom I walk, will send his angel with you and make your way successful. You shall get a wife for my son from my kindred, from my father's

house. <sup>41</sup>Then you will be free from my oath, when you come to my kindred; even if they will not give her to you, you will be free from my oath.’ <sup>42</sup>“I came today to the spring, and said, ‘O Lord, the God of my master Abraham, if now you will only make successful the way I am going! <sup>43</sup>I am standing here by the spring of water; let the young woman who comes out to draw, to whom I shall say, “Please give me a little water from your jar to drink,” <sup>44</sup>and who will say to me, “Drink, and I will draw for your camels also” —let her be the woman whom the Lord has appointed for my master’s son.’

### **Psalm 45:10-17 (NRSV)**

**Hear, O daughter, consider and incline your ear; forget your people and your father’s house,**

**<sup>11</sup>and the king will desire your beauty. Since he is your lord, bow to him;**

**<sup>12</sup>the people of Tyre will seek your favor with gifts, the richest of the people**

**<sup>13</sup>with all kinds of wealth. The princess is decked in her chamber with gold-woven robes;**

**<sup>14</sup>in many-colored robes she is led to the king; behind her the virgins, her companions, follow.**

**<sup>15</sup>With joy and gladness they are led along as they enter the palace of the king.**

**<sup>16</sup>In the place of ancestors you, O king, shall have sons; you will make them princes in all the earth.**

**<sup>17</sup>I will cause your name to be celebrated in all generations; the peoples will praise you forever and ever.**

### **Romans 7:13-25 (NRSV)**

Did what is good, then, bring death to me? By no means! It was sin, working death in me through what is good, in order that sin might be shown to be sin, and through the commandment might become sinful beyond measure.

<sup>14</sup>For we know that the law is spiritual; but I am of the flesh, sold into slavery under sin. <sup>15</sup>I do not understand my own actions. For I do not do what I want, but I do the very thing I hate. <sup>16</sup>Now if I do what I do not want, I agree that the law is good. <sup>17</sup>But in fact it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me. <sup>18</sup>For I know that nothing good dwells within me, that is, in my flesh. I can will what is right, but I cannot do it. <sup>19</sup>For I do not do the good I want, but the evil I do not want is what I do. <sup>20</sup>Now if I do what I do not want, it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me. <sup>21</sup>So I find it to be a law that when I want to do what is good, evil lies close at hand. <sup>22</sup>For I delight in the law of God in my inmost self, <sup>23</sup>but I see in my members another law at war with the law of my mind, making me captive to the law of sin that dwells in my members. <sup>24</sup>Wretched man that I am! Who will rescue me from this body of death? <sup>25</sup>Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord! So then, with my mind I am a slave to the law of God, but with my flesh I am a slave to the law of sin.

### **The Gospel According to Matthew 11:16-30 (NRSV)**

“But to what will I compare this generation? It is like children sitting in the marketplaces and calling to one another, <sup>17</sup>‘We played the flute for you, and you did not dance; we wailed, and you did not mourn.’ <sup>18</sup>For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, ‘He has a demon’; <sup>19</sup>the Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, ‘Look, a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners!’ Yet wisdom is vindicated by her deeds.” <sup>20</sup>Then he began to reproach the cities in which most of his deeds of power had been done, because they did not repent. <sup>21</sup>“Woe to you, Chorazin! Woe to you, Bethsaida! For if the deeds of power done in you had been done in Tyre and Sidon, they would have repented long ago in sackcloth and ashes. <sup>22</sup>But I tell you, on the day of judgment it will be more tolerable for Tyre and Sidon than for you. <sup>23</sup>And you, Capernaum, will you be exalted to heaven? No, you will be brought down to Hades. For if the deeds of power done in you had been done

in Sodom, it would have remained until this day. <sup>24</sup>But I tell you that on the day of judgment it will be more tolerable for the land of Sodom than for you.”

<sup>25</sup>At that time Jesus said, “I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and the intelligent and have revealed them to infants; <sup>26</sup>yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. <sup>27</sup>All things have been handed over to me by my Father; and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him. <sup>28</sup>“Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. <sup>29</sup>Take my yoke upon you and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. <sup>30</sup>For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.”

**The Sermon**

**Rev. Cathie**

**Reflection Music**

**America, the Beautiful**

**Soon Yeon Chung**

### **The Apostles' Creed**

**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**

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

#### ***Silence***

For all people in their daily life and work;  
***For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.***

For this community, the nation, and the world;  
***For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.***

For the just and proper use of your creation;  
***For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.***

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;  
***For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.***

For the peace and unity of the Church of God;  
***For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.***

For Michael, our Presiding Bishop, and Carlye our Bishop; and  
for all bishops and other ministers;  
***For all who serve God in his Church.***

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

***Reading of St. Bartholomew's Prayer List***

Hear us, Lord;  
***For your mercy is great.***

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

***Silence***

We will exalt you, O God our King;  
***And praise your Name for ever and ever.***

We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

***Silence***

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;  
***Who put their trust in you.***

Let us pray for the whole human family.

**O God, you made us in your own image and redeemed us through Jesus your Son: Look with compassion on the whole human family; take away the arrogance and hatred which infect our hearts; break down the walls that separate us; unite us in bonds of love; and work through our struggle and confusion to accomplish your purposes on earth; that, in your good time, all nations and races may serve you in harmony around your heavenly throne; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.* (BCP pg. 815)**

Celebrant: Almighty and eternal God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth: Mercifully accept the prayers of your people and strengthen us to do your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*

**The Lord's Prayer**

**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.**

## **Collect for Mission**

Celebrant: Lord Jesus Christ, you stretched out your arms of love on the hard wood of the cross that everyone might come within the reach of your saving embrace: So clothe us in your Spirit that we, reaching forth our hands in love, may bring those who do not know you to the knowledge and love of you; for the honor of your Name. *Amen.*

## **Prayer for St. Bartholomew's**

Dear Triune God, our Father, Son and Holy Spirit. We thank you for the love that you give to your children and your constant presence in our lives. We thank you for the gifts and talents that you have given to each of us.

We believe that because of God's love for us he sent Jesus to be the ultimate sacrifice for our sins so that we may have eternal life. We know that we are called to be the light of Christ to those in need.

We ask for wisdom as we move forward seeking to know your will for our church family. We ask for courage so that we can boldly share the good news, loving our neighbor as ourselves.

Keep us united as a family. Please guide, protect, and equip us to do your will each and every day. And in the name of your son Jesus Christ, we promise to use our gifts and talents to bring honor and glory to you all the days of our lives.

In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

Day of Discernment-September 29, 2018

## **A Prayer For our Country**

Almighty God, who hast given us this good land for our heritage: We humbly beseech thee that we may always prove ourselves a people mindful of thy favor and glad to do thy will. Bless our land with honorable industry, sound learning, and pure manners. Save us from violence, discord, and confusion; from pride and arrogance, and from every evil way.

Defend our liberties, and fashion into one united people the multitudes brought hither out of many kindreds and tongues. Endue with the spirit of wisdom those to whom in thy Name we entrust the authority of government, that there may be justice and peace at home, and that, through obedience to thy law, we may show forth thy praise among the nations of the earth.

In the time of prosperity, fill our hearts with thankfulness, and in the day of trouble, suffer not our trust in thee to fail; all which we ask through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.* (BCP pg, 820)

## **The General Thanksgiving**

Almighty God, Father of all mercies,  
we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks  
for all your goodness and loving-kindness  
to us and to all whom you have made.  
We bless you for our creation, preservation,  
and all the blessings of this life;  
but above all for your immeasurable love  
in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ;  
for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory.

**And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies,  
that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise,  
not only with our lips, but in our lives, by giving up ourselves to your service, and by walking before you  
in holiness and righteousness all our days;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,  
be honor and glory throughout all ages. Amen.**

### **A Prayer of St. Chrysostom**

Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication to you; and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name you will be in the midst of them: Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come life everlasting. *Amen.*

### **Announcements & Milestones**

#### **Blessing**

**Dismissal**      Go in peace to Love and Serve the Lord  
                      **Thanks be to God ALLELUIA!**

**Hymn**            **#401-The God of Abraham praise-Verse 4**

**Celebrant--Rev. Cathie Sklenar-Studwell**

**Music Director--Soon Yeon Chung**

**Video Director-Kathy Gabrielle**

**Lector-Bill Smethurst**

**Lay Reader-Dave Ackerman**

## **The Week Ahead**

**Monday-Saturday-Morning Prayer 9:15-9:45 via Conference Call**

**(339) 209-6277**

**Wednesday-July 8-Journey Forward Team Meeting 7:00 via Zoom**

**Thursday-July 9, Bible Study-Acts Chapter 11 10:30-11:30 via Conference Call**

**Friday-July 10-7:30-8:30 Virtual Happy Hour via Zoom**

**Saturday-July 11-11:00-12:30 Confirmation Class via Zoom**

## **Save the Date**

**Saturday-July 18-10:30 am Planning Team Meeting**

**Friday-August 7-7:30-8:30 Virtual Happy Hour via Zoom**

## **For the month of July**

**Study on the Fruits of the Holy Spirit-JOY**

**Sunday-July 26th Coffee, Christianity, and Conversation after church**

## Prayer List-July 5, 2020

*Kindly keep the following parishioners and friends  
in your prayers this week:*

Sherri, Susie, Jeana, Michelle, Virginia, Joan, Allan, Audrey, Margaret, Allen, Peter, Karen, Peggy, Choi, Kathy, Mason, Jody, Dean, Fred, Ron, Jim, Evelyn, Jimmy, Sherry, Meaghan, Brad, Skip, Carl, Jacklyn, Karen, Larry, Geoff, Betty, Bentley

For all families suffering from the loss of a loved one.

For those who have recently died.

For Wounded Warriors, All Medical Professionals, First Responders,  
Grocery Store Workers, Delivery People, and Everyone working to help our country.

Our Wardens, Vestry and all Parish members needing prayer.

*Please remember in your prayers the friends and families of our parishioners and neighbors who are serving in the military:*

**Bobby, USA,**

**Jennifer, USA**

### **For a Birthday**

O God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray, on your servant \_\_\_\_\_ as he/she begins another year. Grant that he/she may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen his/her trust in your goodness all the days of his/her life through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### **For an Anniversary**

O God, you have so consecrated the covenant of marriage that in it is represented the spiritual unity between Christ and his Church: Send therefore your blessing upon these your servants, that they may so love, honor, and cherish each other in faithfulness and patience, in wisdom and true godliness, that their home may be a haven of blessing and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

## **Hymn #482-Lord of all hopefulness**

**Lord of all hopefulness, Lord of all joy,  
whose trust, ever childlike, no cares could destroy:**

**Be there at our waking, and give us, we pray,  
your bliss in our hearts, Lord, at the break of the day.**

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**Lord of all gentleness, Lord of all calm,  
whose voice is contentment, whose presence is balm:**

**Be there at our sleeping, and give us, we pray,  
your peace in our hearts, Lord, at the end of the day.**