

St. Bartholomew's Episcopal Church
September 20, 2026



So the LAST
will be
FIRST
and the FIRST
LAST.

Matthew 20:1-16

Prelude IntrospectionCharles Callahan

Opening Music # 482 (1982) Lord of all Hopefulness

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

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

Celebrant 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 (BCP 356)

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

Grant us, Lord, not to be anxious about earthly things, but to love things heavenly; and even now, while we are placed among things that are passing away, to hold fast to those that shall endure; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Exodus 16:2-15

²The whole congregation of the Israelites complained against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness. ³The Israelites said to them, "If only we had died by the hand of the Lord in the land of Egypt, when we sat by the fleshpots and ate our fill of bread; for you have brought us out into this wilderness to kill this whole assembly with hunger." ⁴Then the Lord said to Moses, "I am going to rain bread from heaven for you, and each day the people shall go out and gather enough for that day. In that way I will test them, whether they will follow my instruction or not. ⁵On the sixth day, when they prepare what they bring in, it will be twice as much as they gather on other days." ⁶So Moses and Aaron said to all the Israelites, "In the evening you shall know that it was the Lord who brought you out of the land of Egypt, ⁷and in the morning you shall see the glory of the Lord, because he has heard your complaining against the Lord. For what are we, that you complain against us?" ⁸And Moses said, "When the Lord gives you meat to eat in the evening and your fill of bread in the morning, because the Lord has heard the complaining that you utter against him—what are we? Your complaining is not against us but" against the Lord. ⁹Then Moses said to Aaron, "Say to the whole congregation of the Israelites, 'Draw near to the Lord, for

he has heard your complaining.”¹⁰And as Aaron spoke to the whole congregation of the Israelites, they looked toward the wilderness, and the glory of the Lord appeared in the cloud. ¹¹The Lord spoke to Moses and said, ¹²“I have heard the complaining of the Israelites; say to them, ‘At twilight you shall eat meat, and in the morning you shall have your fill of bread; then you shall know that I am the Lord your God.’”

¹³In the evening quails came up and covered the camp; and in the morning there was a layer of dew around the camp. ¹⁴When the layer of dew lifted, there on the surface of the wilderness was a fine flaky substance, as fine as frost on the ground. ¹⁵When the Israelites saw it, they said to one another, “What is it?” For they did not know what it was. Moses said to them, “It is the bread that the Lord has given you to eat.

Psalm: 105:1-6, 37-45

- ¹ Give thanks to the Lord and call upon his Name;
make known his deeds among the peoples.
- ² Sing to him, sing praises to him,
and speak of all his marvelous works.
- ³ Glory in his holy Name; let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice.
- ⁴ Search for the Lord and his strength; continually seek his face.
- ⁵ Remember the marvels he has done,
his wonders and the judgments of his mouth,
- ⁶ O offspring of Abraham his servant,
O children of Jacob his chosen.
- ³⁷ He led out his people with silver and gold;
in all their tribes there was not one that stumbled.
- ³⁸ Egypt was glad of their going,
because they were afraid of them.
- ³⁹ He spread out a cloud for a covering
and a fire to give light in the night season.
- ⁴⁰ They asked, and quails appeared,
and he satisfied them with bread from heaven.
- ⁴¹ He opened the rock, and water flowed,
so the river ran in the dry places.
- ⁴² For God remembered his holy word
and Abraham his servant.
- ⁴³ So he led forth his people with gladness,
his chosen with shouts of joy.
- ⁴⁴ He gave his people the lands of the nations,
and they took the fruit of others' toil,
- ⁴⁵ That they might keep his statutes
and observe his laws. Hallelujah!

Philippians 1:21-30

²¹For to me, living is Christ and dying is gain. ²²If I am to live in the flesh, that means fruitful labor for me; and I do not know which I prefer. ²³I am hard pressed between the two: my desire is to depart and be with Christ, for that is far better; ²⁴but to remain in the flesh is more necessary for you. ²⁵Since I am convinced of this, I know that I will remain and continue with all of you for your progress and joy in faith, ²⁶so that I may share abundantly in your boasting in Christ Jesus when I come to you again.

²⁷Only, live your life in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ, so that, whether I come and see you or am absent and hear about you, I will know that you are standing firm in one spirit, striving side by side with one mind for the faith of the gospel, ²⁸and are in no way intimidated by your opponents. For them this is evidence of their destruction, but of your salvation. And this is God's doing. ²⁹For he has graciously granted you the privilege not only of believing in Christ, but of suffering for him as well—³⁰since you are having the same struggle that you saw I had and now hear that I still have.

Gradual Music # 583 (Celebration) You are my all in all Verse 1 before and 2 after the Gospe

Matthew 20:1-16

¹ “For the kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire laborers for his vineyard. ² After agreeing with the laborers for a denarius for the day, he sent them into his vineyard. ³ When he went out about nine o'clock, he saw others standing idle in the marketplace, ⁴ and he said to them, ‘You also go into the vineyard, and I will pay you whatever is right.’ So they went. ⁵ When he went out again about noon and about three o'clock, he did the same. ⁶ And about five o'clock he went out and found others standing around, and he said to them, ‘Why are you standing here idle all day?’ ⁷ They said to him, ‘Because no one has hired us.’ He said to them, ‘You also go into the vineyard.’ ⁸ When evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his manager, ‘Call the laborers and give them their pay, beginning with the last and then going to the first.’ ⁹ When those hired about five o'clock came, each of them received a denarius. ¹⁰ Now when the first came, they thought they would receive more; but each of them also received a denarius. ¹¹ And when they received it, they grumbled against the landowner, ¹² saying, ‘These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat.’ ¹³ But he replied to one of them, ‘Friend, I am doing you no wrong; did you not agree with me for a denarius? ¹⁴ Take what belongs to you and go; I choose to give to this last the same as I give to you. ¹⁵ Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or are you envious because I am generous?’ ¹⁶ So the last will be first, and the first will be last.”

The Sermon

Rev. Cathie

Choir Anthem

Lord, I want to be a ChristianArr. by Betty Pulkingham

The Doxology (The Offering) (BCP 380 Verse 3)

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise him, all creatures here below;
praise him above, ye heavenly host:
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

The Nicene Creed (BCP 358)

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 (BCP 388)

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles and bring them the joy of your salvation.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Let us pray for those on our parish prayer list.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

A Prayer for

A moment of silence

Clergy: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

**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.**

Clergy: 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

Celebration of the Holy Eucharist Rite II (BCP 361) *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.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and every-where 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 forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

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.

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:

Celebrant and People

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 this 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. *AMEN.*

And now as our Savior Christ taught us we are bold to pray.

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.

Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us; *Therefore let us keep the feast. [Alleluia.]*

THE INVITATION TO HOLY COMMUNION

Since we cannot all receive communion in person together, let us make an act of spiritual communion.

People: Grant, Lord Jesus Christ, that as the hem of your garment, touched in faith, healed the woman who could not touch your Body, so may our souls be fed and healed by like faith in you, whom we cannot now all sacramentally receive. We ask this through your tender mercy, who lives and reigns with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God now and forever. Amen.

Holy Eucharist Music Your Table I Approach.....setting by Donald Rottermund

Prayer After Communion

Let us pray our prayer after communion.

God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and one another; and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue forever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

Praise & Thanksgiving-

The Blessing

Go in peace; love and care for one another in the name of Christ; and may the Spirit of God which filled John and Jesus, fill your hearts, souls and minds; may the power of God which upheld them, strengthen you for each day; and may the love of God which directed their every action be your guiding light and your shining star, both now and forevermore *Amen*

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

Closing Music Praise The Lord with Video

Postlude Toccata in CAnon. Italian (18th Century)

Prayer List September 20, 2026

Virginia, Joan, Allan, Audrey, Evelyn, Sherri, Margie, Susan, Cindy, Ava, Toby, Ben, Terry, Ashley, John, Ryan, Lois, Russell, Beth, Jim, Dan, Marialyse, Lenny, Marcia, Kevin, Rob, Scott, Loda, Frida, Davis, Kathy, Lisa, Aimee, Bert

For our nation that we may heal and join together.
For our President, Vice President, and all Elected Officials.

For all families suffering from the loss of a loved one.
Prayers for those who are suffering through any type of illness and those who care for them.

We pray for those suffering in our country and around the world.
We pray for those whose lives are forever changed because of senseless gun violence.
We pray for the people that have suffered damage and loss from wars and natural disasters.
We pray for the people of Israel and Palestine
We pray for peace between all nations, we pray for the people of Ukraine, Russia, and Iran.
We pray for all God's creatures and for the love they give to us.

Our Wardens, Vestry, All Ministry Teams,
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, Nicholas, USMC, Miles, USA, Adam, USCG, Matthew, USAF

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, Amen.

Opening Music #482 (1982)

**1 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.**

**2 Lord of all eagerness, Lord of all faith,
whose strong hands were skilled at the plane
and the lathe:**

**Be there at our labors, and give us, we pray,
your strength in our hearts, Lord, at the noon
of the day.**

**3 Lord of all kindliness, Lord of all grace,
your hands swift to welcome, your arms to
embrace:**

**Be there at our homing, and give us, we pray,
your love in our hearts, Lord, at the eve of the
day.**

**4 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.**

Gradual Music #583 (Celebration)

You are my strength when I am weak

You are the treasure that I seek

You are my all in all

Seeking You as a precious jewel

Lord, to give up I'd be a fool

You are my all in all

Jesus, Lamb of God

Worthy is Your name

Jesus, Lamb of God

Worthy is Your name

Taking my sin, my cross, my shame

Rising again I bless Your name

When I fall down You pick me up

When I am dry You fill my cup

When I fall down You pick me up

When I am dry You fill my cup

Jesus, Lamb of God

Worthy is Your name

Jesus, Lamb of God

Worthy is Your name

Worship Leaders Today

Celebrant-The Rev. Dr. Cathie Sklenar-Studwell

Music Director-Soon Yeon Chung

Lector-Catherine Fatony

Eucharistic Minister- Catherine Fatony & Ghada Harb

Usher- Kathy Gabrielle

Technology-Dave Gabrielle & Jay Studwell

Finance-Mike Egbert

Video Director-Kathy Gabrielle



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The Week Ahead at St. Bartholomew's

Office hours this week Tuesday 10:00-1:00 and Friday 10:30-1:30

Monday-Tuesday and Thursday- Friday Morning Prayer 9:15-9:45-
via Conference Call (339) 209-6277

Save The Date

Wednesday, September 23 Breakfast 9:00am

Saturday, September 26-Movie Night-Zootopia 2 7pm

Rain Date-Sunday, September 27

Sunday, October 4-Blessing of the Animals

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September 23 at 11:00am

Family Breakfast



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fellowship.

September 23rd at 9am

Chair Yoga for Christians



**Come and experience time with
Jesus as we hear scripture, pray, and
move our bodies.**

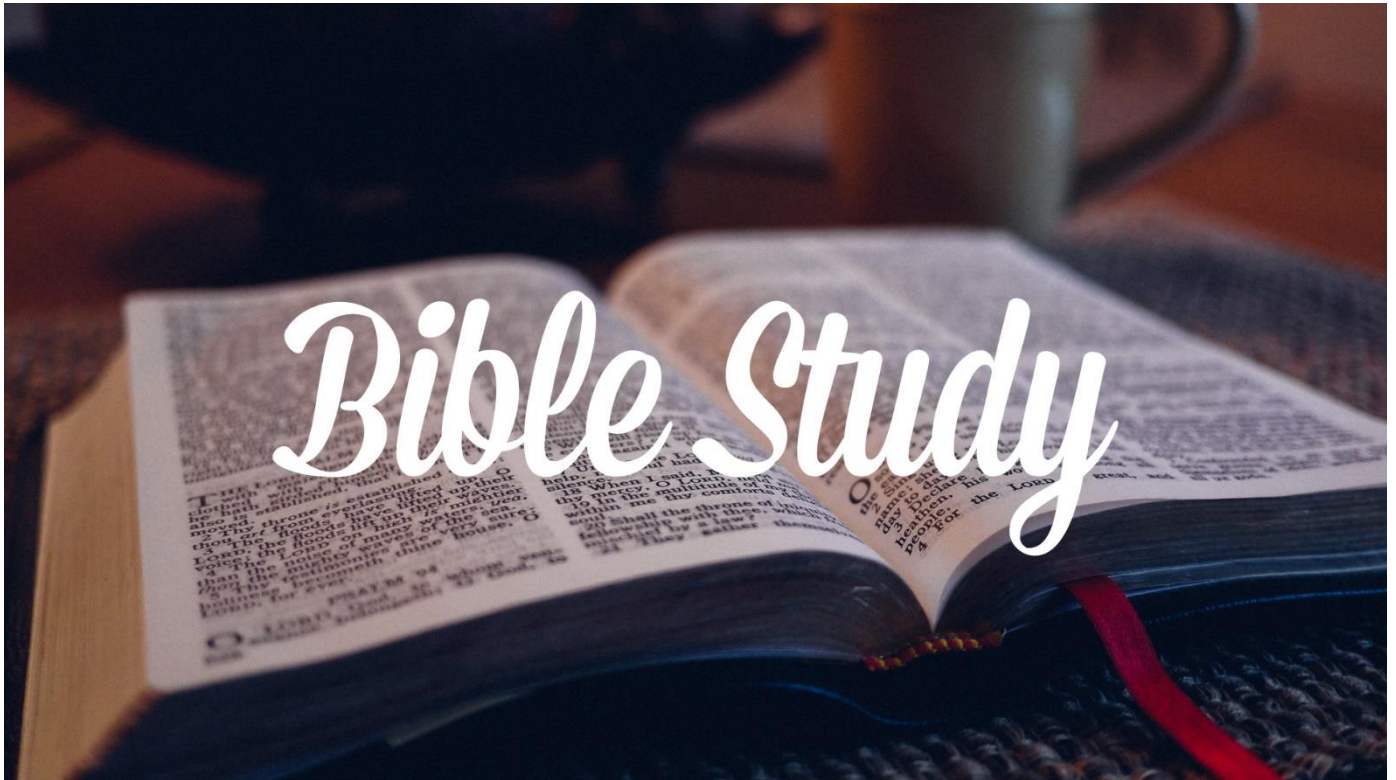
The yoga studio is in our Spirit House.

For This Week

Tuesday, September 22 at 10:45am

Thursday, September 24 at 7:15pm

Friday, September 25 at 10:45am



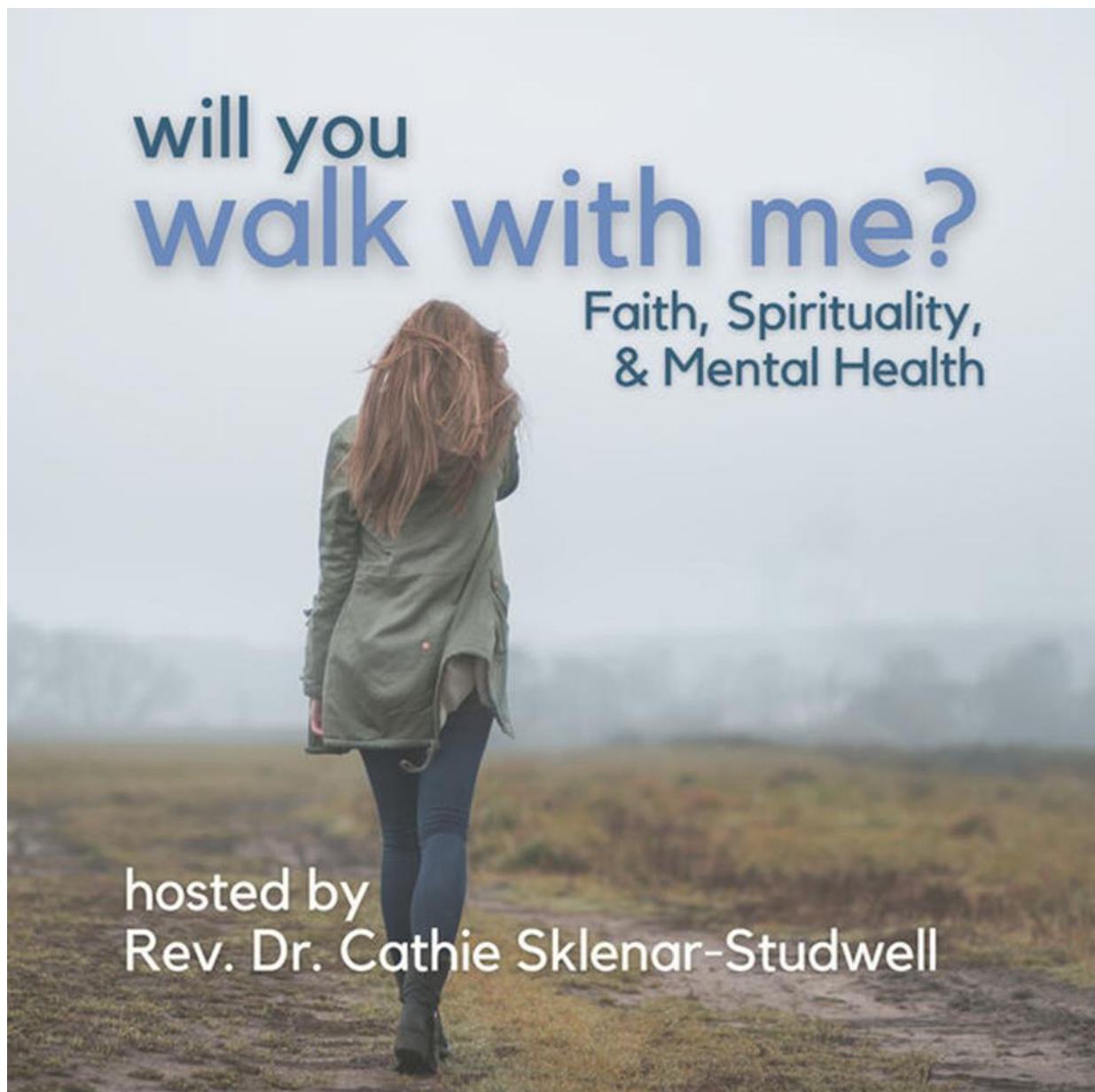
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**Thursday- September 24
10:15am**

Via conference call 339-209-6277

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