

A Service of the Word  
With Prayers for Healing  
Sunday, July 19, 2020

St. Bartholomew's Episcopal Church  
Yarmouth, ME



Participants in Today's Worship:

John Corrie  
St. Bart's Choir  
The Rev. Dr. Nina R. Pooley, Officiant  
Barbara Barhydt  
Susannah White  
Heather Sylvester  
Susie Peixotto  
Pam Hobson  
Imelda Schaefer  
The Rev. Lin Peyton

Opening Hymn 593, verses 1 & 2  
*Lord, make us servants of your peace*

*The Hymnal 1982*  
*St. Bart's Choir*

1 Lord, make us ser - vants of your peace: where there is  
2 Where all is doubt, may we sow faith; where all is  
3 Je - sus, our Lord, may we not seek to be con -  
4 May we not look for love's re - turn, but seek to  
5 Dy - ing, we live, and are re - born through death's dark

1 hate, may we sow love; where there is hurt, may we for -  
2 gloom, may we sow hope; where all is night, may we sow  
3 soled, but to con - sole, nor look to un - der - stand - ing  
4 love un - self - ish - ly, for in our giv - ing we re -  
5 night to end - less day: Lord, make us ser - vants of your

1 give; where there is strife, may we make one.  
2 light; where all is tears, may we sow joy.  
3 hearts, but look for hearts to un - der - stand.  
4 ceive, and in for - giv - ing are for - given.  
5 peace, to wake at last in hea - ven's light.

## GATHER IN THE NAME OF GOD

### Opening Acclamation

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
and the love of God,  
and the communion of the Holy Spirit,  
be with you all.

Jesus said: "Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. 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. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."  
- *Matthew 11:28-30*

### Collect of the Day

God be with you.

**And also with you.**

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 Savior, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## PROCLAIM AND RESPOND TO THE WORD

### A Reading from the Book of Genesis 28:10-19a

*Barbara Barhydt*

Jacob left Beer-sheba and went toward Haran. He came to a certain place and stayed there for the night, because the sun had set. Taking one of the stones of the place, he put it under his head and lay down in that place. And he dreamed that there was a ladder set up on the earth, the top of it reaching to heaven; and the angels of God were ascending and descending on it. And the Lord stood beside him and said, "I am the Lord, the God of Abraham your father and the God of Isaac; the land on which you lie I will give to you and to your offspring; and your offspring shall be like the dust of the earth, and you shall spread abroad to the west and to the east and to the north and to the south; and all the families of the earth shall be blessed in you and in your offspring. Know that I am with you and will keep you wherever you go, and will bring you back to this land; for I will not leave you until I have done what I have promised you." Then Jacob woke from his sleep and said, "Surely the Lord is in this place—and I did not know it!" And he was afraid, and said, "How awesome is this place! This is none other than the house of God, and this is the gate of heaven."

So Jacob rose early in the morning, and he took the stone that he had put under his head and set it up for a pillar and poured oil on the top of it. He called that place Bethel.

Here ends the reading.

### Psalm 139: 1-11, 22-23

*Susannah White*

- 1 O God, you have searched me out and known me; \*  
you know my sitting down and my rising up; you discern my thoughts from afar.
- 2 You trace my journeys and my resting-places, \*  
and are acquainted with all my ways.
- 3 Indeed, there is not a word on my lips, \*  
but you, O God, know it altogether.
- 4 You press upon me behind and before, \*  
and lay your hand upon me.
- 5 Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; \*  
it is so high that I cannot attain to it.
- 6 Where can I go then from your Spirit; \*  
where can I flee from your presence?

- 7 If I climb up to heaven, you are there; \*  
if I make the grave my bed, you are there also.
- 8 If I take the wings of the morning \*  
and dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea,
- 9 Even there your hand will lead me, \*  
and your right hand hold me fast.
- 10 If I say, "Surely the darkness will cover me, \*  
and the light around me turn to night,"
- 11 Darkness is not dark to you; the night is as bright as the day; \*  
darkness and light to you are both alike.
- 22 Search me out, O God, and know my heart; \*  
try me and know my restless thoughts.
- 23 Look well whether there be any wickedness in me, \*  
and lead me in the way that is everlasting.

**A Reading from the Gospel of Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43**

*Heather Sylvester*

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!"

Here ends the reading from the Gospel.

**Reflection**

*Resilience and the HOPE model*

*Susie Peixotto*

**PRAY FOR THE WORLD AND THE CHURCH**

*A Litany of Healing*

*Pam Hobson*

Let us pray for the World and the Church,  
and particularly for God's healing grace.

We pray for the City of the Lord Church in Portland, Pastor Placido Mowa, presiding.

God the Father, your will for all people is health and salvation;

**We praise you and thank you, O Lord.**

God the Son, you came that we might have life, and might have it more abundantly;

**We praise you and thank you, O Lord.**

God the Holy Spirit, you make our bodies the temple of your presence;

**We praise you and thank you, O Lord.**

Holy Trinity, one God, in you we live and move and have our being;

**We praise you and thank you, O Lord.**

Let us name before God those for whom we offer our prayers: Steph; Bobby; Charles; Kellan; Pat; Mackenzie; Mimma; Scott; Marcella; Libby; Mike; David; Gloria; Noreen; Tim; Sam; Kathie; Diane; Brittany; Arthur; Matthew; Jean; and Lee.

Lord, grant your healing grace to all in need of healing,  
that they may be made whole;

**Hear us, O Lord of life.**

Grant to all who seek your guidance,  
and to all who are lonely, anxious, or despondent,  
a knowledge of your will and an awareness of your presence;

**Hear us, O Lord of life.**

Mend broken relationships, and restore those in emotional distress  
to soundness of mind and serenity of spirit;

**Hear us, O Lord of life.**

Bless physicians, nurses, and all others who minister to the suffering,  
granting them wisdom and skill, sympathy and patience;

**Hear us, O Lord of life.**

Grant to the dying peace and a holy death.

Uphold those who are bereaved with the grace and consolation of your Holy Spirit;

**Hear us, O Lord of life.**

Restore to wholeness whatever is broken by human sin,  
in our lives, in our nation, and in the world;

**Hear us, O Lord of life.**

You are the Lord who does wonders:

**You have declared your power among the peoples.**

With you, O Lord, is the well of life:

**And in your light we see light.**

Hear us, O Lord of life:

**Heal us, and make us whole.**

### **Concluding Collect**

*The Rev. Nina Pooley*

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. **Amen.**

### **Confession of Sin**

*Heather Sylvester*

Let us confess our sins to God.

**Almighty God our heavenly Father,  
you have blessed us with the gift of life  
and placed us in a world of beauty and wonder.  
Your perfect will for us is wholeness in body, mind and spirit.  
We bow in awe and wonder at your feet  
and freely acknowledge our dependence upon you for all that is good.**

*Silence*

**In your presence we remember our sin and failure,  
all that damages our lives, the lives of others  
and the world which you have created.**

*Silence*

**in penitence we ask You to forgive us,  
in the name of our Lord Jesus  
who loves us and gave Himself for us.**

## **The Absolution**

*The Rev. Nina R. Pooley*

Almighty God have mercy on you,  
forgive you all your sins  
through the grace of Jesus Christ,  
strengthen you in all goodness,  
and by the power of the Holy Spirit  
keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

## **The Lord's Prayer**

*Imelda Schaefer*

Gathering all our prayers and praises into one, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

**Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your Name,  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done,  
on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins,  
as we forgive those  
who sin against us.  
Save us from the time of trial,  
and deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power,  
and the glory are yours,  
now and for ever.  
Amen.**

## **LAYING ON HANDS AND ANNOINTING**

*The Rev. Nina R. Pooley*

Gracious God, we commend to your loving care all who suffer, especially those who come seeking your healing grace for themselves or others. Give them patience and hope in their distress; strengthen and uphold them in mind and body; and grant, by your intervention, that all your people may be made whole according to your desire, through Jesus Christ, in the power of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

The ministry of Jesus invites us to new life in God and with each other. As we pray together for the healing of all, we proclaim the Good News that God desires us to be healthy and one in the body of Christ. You are invited to offer yourself to God, whatever your sickness of spirit, mind, or body, and ask for healing and wholeness in the Name of the holy and undivided Trinity.

Let us pray:

**Heal us, O God, from all our afflictions  
and keep us steadfast in your love;  
bind up our wounds,  
raise us from death,  
and lead us to fullness of life;  
through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.**

*Common Worship,  
The Church of England*

May you and those for whom you pray find healing and peace in the name of God, the holy and undivided Trinity. May Christ be present with you to comfort you, to guard and protect you, and to keep you in everlasting life. **Amen.**

## **THE PEACE**

The peace of Christ be always with you.  
**And also with you.**

*Let us greet one another with the sign of peace by texting a few of our friends, people we sit near when in church, family and friends far and wide!*

**Announcements** *(printed at the end)*

*Susie Peixotto*

**CONCLUDING PORTION: PRAYER, BLESSING, DISMISSAL**

***A Prayer for the Power of the Spirit Among the People of God***

*The Rev. Lin Peyton*

God of all power and love,  
we give thanks for your unfailing presence and the hope you provide in times of uncertainty and loss.  
Send your Holy Spirit to enkindle in us your holy fire.  
Revive us to live as Christ's body in the world: a people who pray, worship, learn, break bread, share life,  
heal neighbors, bear good news, seek justice, rest and grow in the Spirit.  
Wherever and however we gather, unite us in common prayer and send us in common mission,  
that we and the whole creation might be restored and renewed, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

**Concluding Prayer**

Let us pray:

**Be present, Spirit of God, within us, your dwelling place and home, that this house may be one where all darkness is penetrated by your light, all troubles calmed by your peace, all evil redeemed by your love, all pain transformed by your suffering, and all dying glorified in your risen life. Amen.**

**The Blessing**

*The Rev. Nina R. Pooley*

The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make his face to shine on you and be gracious to you; the Lord look on you with kindness and give you peace. **Amen.**

**The Dismissal**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord,  
Alleluia, alleluia.  
**Thanks be to God, alleluia, alleluia.**

**Closing Hymn #593, verse 3**

*The Hymnal 1982  
St. Bart's Choir*

***Lord make us servants of your peace***

The musical score is written in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of three systems of music, each with five numbered lines of lyrics. The first system covers the first five lines of the hymn. The second system covers lines 6 through 10. The third system covers lines 11 through 15. The music is a simple, hymn-like melody with chords.

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## Worship Resources:

### *Liturgy*

*Enriching Our Worship 2* and *The BCP 1979*, unless otherwise noted.

*Enriching Our Worship 2: Ministry with the Sick or Dying Burial of a Child, Supplemental Liturgical Materials prepared by The Standing Commission on Liturgy and Music, 2000 Church Publishing Incorporated, New York.*

*A Prayer for the Power of the Spirit Among the People of God*: crafted by a team of Lutheran and Episcopal prayer leaders in light of the COVID pandemic – is meant to unite us in common prayer and revive us for common mission, wherever and however we may be gathered.

The Prayer for Healing: *Common Worship: Daily Prayer; Church of England, Canterbury Press, Aug 4, 2014.*

### *Videography and Editing*

Thanks to Ken Pooley for his expertise and efforts putting together our services each week.

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## **Resources Available During this Pandemic:**

### **Healing Prayers**

The Pastoral Care Committee is available to offer healing prayers upon request via a phone call or video call. If you would like to arrange such a call, please contact Barbara Barhydt ([jbml@gwi.net](mailto:jbml@gwi.net)) or Pam Hobson ([pamhobson@maine.rr.com](mailto:pamhobson@maine.rr.com)), and they will schedule a convenient time with one of the Committee members.

**Summer-Camp-At-Home Activities Kit for kids and grandkids** - With so many camps not happening this summer, the Education Committee is putting together Summer Activity Kits for our St Bart's children and grandchildren to enjoy over the summer. The kits will be available to pick up at St Bart's on a specified day, and will include: t-shirts that say "I choose joy", tie-dye ink, materials for making friendship bracelets and gimp key chains, Play-doh and other goodies. We will email you an electronic version of the Activity Kit to go along with the supplies that will include links to instructional videos and other summer activity ideas. We will be assembling the kits in the next couple of weeks, so if you haven't already signed up through a member of the Education Committee, please click on this link <https://cutt.ly/qpw4NRV> to sign up and provide t-shirt sizes for the children in your family. These kits will be provided for any who wish to participate. Donations to cover costs of supplies will be accepted but are not required. Questions? Contact the office, [admin@stbartsyarmouth.org](mailto:admin@stbartsyarmouth.org).

**Maine Front Line Warm Line** is a free, confidential warm line for Front Line healthcare providers and First Responders who are feeling the emotional effects of the COVID-19 Pandemic. A team of Maine licensed mental health volunteers is ready **to support Front Line callers** facing stressors due to COVID-19. **Front Line healthcare providers and First Responders can call (207) 221-8196, seven days a week** to speak with one of these trained volunteers. **To be connected via text to a Warm Line volunteer: Text "Frontline" to 898-211.**

**Forward Day by Day Daily Meditation**; a resource of Forward Movement. Click [Daily Prayer](#).

**Forward Day By Day - The August, September, October edition is now available, pocket size only at this time.** Large print are expected to arrive any day. *Forward Day by Day* is a booklet of daily inspirational meditations reflecting on a specific Bible passage, chosen from the daily lectionary readings as listed in the Revised Common Lectionary or the Daily Office from the Episcopal Church's *Book of Common Prayer*. **We have left copies on the porch at St. Bart's. Stop by anytime to pick up a copy. There are still some of the large print version for July still available as well.**

### ***From Leigh Kirchner, Yarmouth Aging in Place***

If you need assistance with such things as grocery shopping (if you aren't comfortable going out) or other needs (including emotional first aide, because goodness knows we all need that right now), you can call the **Yarmouth Help Line Mon-Sat from 10am-2pm at 846-4763.**

And if you have specific **questions that our senior Resource Specialist Michele Grivois can answer please call her at 835-9866.** She is available on Tues and Thursdays but will return you call if you leave a message.

## Announcements

**Communication and Connection:** Please continue to check our St. Bart's website, [www.stbartsyarmouth.org](http://www.stbartsyarmouth.org) for prayers, information, resources and links. And check your email for News and Notes from Nina+

**LOBSTER DINNERS TO GO!!** Lobster, Potato/Corn salad, Biscuit and Blueberry Buckle all wrapped up in a basket. **Saturday, August 22nd**, Curb-side pick-up; we will be in touch about pick-up times. **\$25 per dinner**; pre-payment for ordered dinners is preferred. **Financial donations are welcome.** All proceeds benefit our Outreach programs. **To order your Lobster Dinner, please email us, [stbartslobsterdinner@gmail.com](mailto:stbartslobsterdinner@gmail.com).** Many thanks go to Jeff Diggins for his donation of the lobsters and the time he is giving us to cook them and make this happen for St Bart's.

**CLYNK Bags are available:** We all still need to be recycling our bottle deposits correctly. CLYNK bags are available to help support St Bart's. We have placed a clear plastic container with CLYNK bags under the wooden bench that sits below the overhang at the front of St Bart's. Thanks for your continued support.

**Mask sewing continues!** We are looking for more people to help us out. We have very simple patterns and fabric to give to you. You can pickup and drop off at 3 Church St, Yarmouth. If you don't want to go out, Leigh Kirchner, [leighmk2050@gmail.com](mailto:leighmk2050@gmail.com), Yarmouth Aging in Place and CV Task Force member, will pick up and deliver for you. FMI: Contact Mary Calvin at 713-385-4708 or [maryecalvin@gmail.com](mailto:maryecalvin@gmail.com).

**Zoom Knitting gathers every Monday!!** All handicrafts really - we hope you will join us for our Monday handicrafts gathering on zoom. Check Nina's News and Notes for the invitation.

**Yarmouth Food Pantry** currently has a need for the following items: **Boxed Mac and Cheese - Canned Pasta - Cereal - Laundry Soap - Dish Soap - Shampoo - Conditioner - Kids small snack bags of Cheez-Its/ Popcorn.** Please place donations at the rear of the First Parish Church in the basket by the Food Pantry door. Thank You!

**Friendship House** - many thanks to those that have already donated razors, shaving cream, toothpaste and body wash. **We are keeping the plastic box labeled "Friendship House" under the wooden bench that sits below the overhang at the front of the church. Please use it for your continued donation of these items.** Also, financial contributions are welcomed and can be mailed to: Friendship House, 390 Lincoln Street, South Portland, Maine 04106.

**St. Elizabeth's Essentials Pantry Update:** The Pantry is open every Tuesday and is currently doing an outdoor distribution of "essential" items including toilet paper, laundry detergent, body soap, diapers (once a month), feminine products, and masks to neighbors in need.

**We are now welcoming donations of kitchenware, clean bedding, and adult winter coats and boots!** Donations can be made outside of the Pantry on Tuesdays from 9-11am in labeled bins at the back of the parking lot (136 Park Street, behind St. Luke's Cathedral). The lot is relatively empty at this time, and parking is easy. **Or, you can donate these items at St. Bart's in the plastic bins outside under the covered area between the office door and the church entryway,** and we will deliver them to the Pantry for you.

**We continue to need certain items which can be "donated" through our AMAZON WISHLIST from the safety of your home.** Click [Here](#) for current needs.

Contact [Anne Jacobs](#) and [Pam Hobson](#) if you have questions.

### Lawn Care Schedule

**July 19-25:** Peter Sillin

**July 26-Aug 1:** Doug Reighley

**August 2-8:** Gregg Hoerr

**August 9-15:** John Perkins

**Gardening/Weeding at St. Bart's - The Front Garden is in need of attention throughout the summer.**

Weeding assistance at any time is greatly appreciated. There is a garden cart in the large shed for transporting any trimmings & weeds. Weeds can be put in a brush/leaf pile behind the shed or out of sight on the far side of the gully at the edge of the lawn. The gardens continue to be a lovely quiet place to enjoy a bit of outside time, and remember our friends and family members.