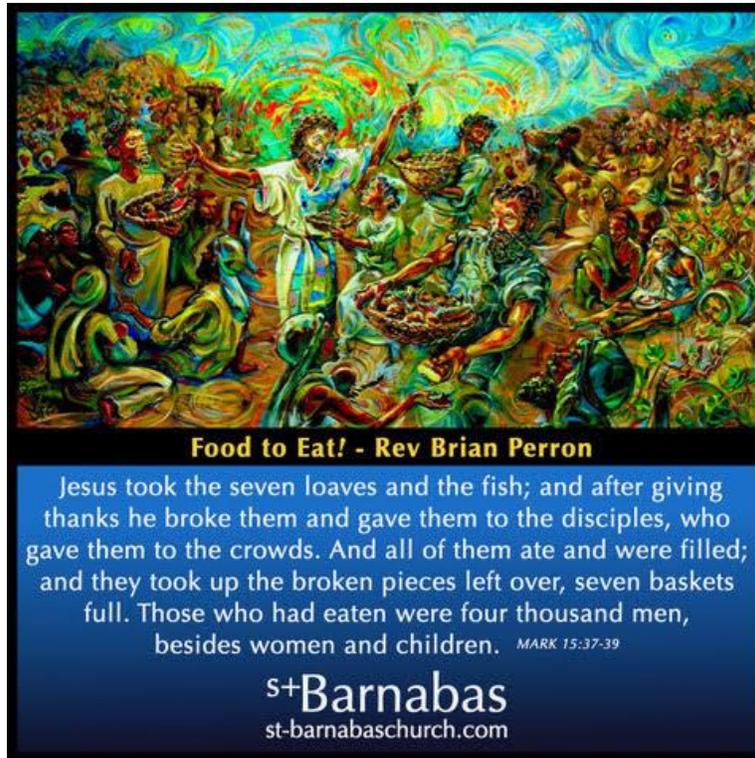


Mid-Week | Morning Prayer
December 9, 2020 | le 9 décembre 2020

We encourage you to follow along with the service bulletin that continues below.



He gives power to the faint, and strengthens the powerless.
...those who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength, they shall mount up with wings like eagles, they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint Isaiah 40:20-31

Il donne de la force à celui qui est fatigué
et il multiplie les ressources de celui qui est à bout.
...mais ceux qui comptent sur l'Éternel renouvellent leur force, ils prennent leur envol comme les aigles. Ils courent sans s'épuiser, ils marchent sans se fatiguer. Ésaïe 40:20-31

Welcome:

Announcement regarding Holiday Services on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day

The corporation of St-Barnabas is getting the building ready for holiday services.

We are taking into account safety and sanitization procedures.

Christmas Eve, December 24th

4 pm in Memorial Hall, which is designed for easy access during daytime

7 pm in the Church – (due to Covid, the elevator will not be accessible)

Christmas Day, December 25th

10 am in the Church – (due to Covid, the elevator will not be accessible)

It is Covid mandatory... to sign up for a service you would like to attend as there is a maximum of 25 individuals per service. **Please send us an email:** barnabas@bellnet.ca



More announcements and updates follow at the end of the service

Our Opening Worship - Jesus Shall Reign <https://youtu.be/h4aH7oMJRcc>

Jesus shall reign where'er the sun
Does its successive journeys run;
His kingdom spread from shore to shore,
Till moons shall wax and wane no more.

To Him shall endless prayer be made,
And praise throng to crown His head;
His name, like sweet perfume shall rise
With every morning sacrifice.

People and realms of every tongue
Dwell on His love with sweetest song;
And infant voices shall proclaim
Their early blessings on His Name.

Let every creature rise and bring
Peculiar honors to our King;
Angels descend with songs again,
And earth repeat the loud amen!

Opening sentences

One thing I have asked of the Lord, this is what I seek:
that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life;
to behold the beauty of the Lord and to seek Him in His temple.

Call: *Who is it that you seek?*

Response: **We seek the Lord our God.**

Call: *Do you seek Him with all your heart?*

Response: **Amen. Lord, have mercy.**

Call: *Do you seek Him with all your soul?*

Response: **Amen. Lord, have mercy.**

Call: *Do you seek Him with all your mind?*

Response: **Amen. Lord, have mercy.**

Call: *Do you seek Him with all your strength?*

Response: **Amen. Christ, have mercy.**

The Song of the Multitude in Heaven *Revelation 19.1, 2, 5-7*

Alleluia!

To our God belong victory, glory, and power, for right and just are his judgements.

Praise our God, all you who serve him, you who fear him, great and small.

Alleluia! The Lord God almighty has claimed his kingdom.

Let us rejoice and triumph and give him praise: the time has come for the wedding-feast of the Lamb.



He gives power to the faint, and strengthens the powerless. Even youths will faint and be weary, and the young will fall exhausted; but those who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength, they shall mount up with wings like eagles, they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint. Isaiah 40:29-31

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Today's Scripture Readings: *Isaiah 40:25-31*

²⁵To whom then will you compare me, or who is my equal? says the Holy One. ²⁶Lift up your eyes on high and see: Who created these? He who brings out their host and numbers them, calling them all by name; because he is great in strength, mighty in power, not one is missing. ²⁷Why do you say, O Jacob, and speak, O Israel, 'My way is hidden from the Lord, and my right is disregarded by my God'? ²⁸Have you not known? Have you not heard? The Lord is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He does not faint or grow weary; his understanding is unsearchable. ²⁹*He gives power to the faint, and strengthens the powerless.* ³⁰Even youths will faint and be weary, and the young will fall exhausted; ³¹but those who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength, they shall mount up with wings like eagles, they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint.



The Lord is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. He will not always accuse, nor will he keep his anger for ever. He does not deal with us according to our sins, nor repay us according to our iniquities. Psalms 103

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Psalm 103 Thanksgiving for God's Goodness

Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless his holy name.

Bless the Lord, O my soul, and do not forget all his benefits – who forgives all your iniquity, who heals all your diseases,

who redeems your life from the Pit, who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy, who satisfies you with good as long as you live so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's.

The Lord works vindication and justice for all who are oppressed.

He made known his ways to Moses, his acts to the people of Israel.

The Lord is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

He will not always accuse, nor will he keep his anger for ever.

He does not deal with us according to our sins, nor repay us according to our iniquities.

Our Gospel Hymn – I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say <https://youtu.be/74kyfROS4q8>

I heard the voice of Jesus say,
'Come unto Me and rest;
Lay down, thou weary one, lay down,
Thy head upon My breast.'

I came to Jesus as I was,
So weary, worn, and sad;
I found in Him a resting-place,
And He has made me glad.

I heard the voice of Jesus say,
'Behold, I freely give
The living water; thirsty one,
Stoop down and drink and live.'
I came to Jesus, and I drank
Of that life-giving stream.
My thirst was quenched, my soul revived,
And now I live in Him.

I heard the voice of Jesus say,
'I am this dark world's Light.
Look unto Me; thy morn shall rise
And all thy day be bright.'
I looked to Jesus, and I found
In Him my Star, my Sun;
And in that Light of Life I'll walk
Till traveling days are done.

The Gospel of Christ – Matthew 11:28-30

²⁸'Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. ²⁹Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. ³⁰For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.'



Sermon *Rest; Power and Strength!* - Rev Brian Perron

Anthem of Reflection – *Come to Me* - *Dan Forrest* <https://youtu.be/bi6IZCJx3qA>

Come to Me, all you who labor
 Come to Me, and I will give you rest;
 Come to Me, you who are weary and burdened
 And you will find rest for your souls.

Come, My child, learn My heart:
 For I am gentle and lowly.
 See how great My love for you
 that I have called you My child.

Today's Meditation

I have told of my ways, and You have answered me; teach me Your statutes. Make me understand the way of Your precepts, so I will meditate on Your wonders. My soul weeps because of grief; strengthen me according to Your word. Remove the false way from me, and graciously grant me Your law. I have chosen the faithful way; I have placed Your ordinances before me. I cling to Your testimonies; O LORD, do not put me to shame! I shall run the way of Your commandments, for You will enlarge my heart. *Psalm 119:26-32*

Prayers for others

Heavenly Father, bless the work that is done, and the work that is to be.
Heavenly Father, bless the servant that I am, and the servant that I will be.
 Thou Lord and God of power, shield and sustain us this day.

The Lord's Prayer - Rejoicing in the presence of God, let us pray as Jesus taught

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, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

Canticle

Christ, as a light illumine and guide me. Christ, as a shield overshadow me.
Christ under me; Christ over me; Christ beside me on my left and my right.
This day be within and without me, lowly and meek, yet all-powerful.
Be in the heart of each to whom I speak; in the mouth of each who speaks unto me.
This day be within and without me, lowly and meek, yet all-powerful.
Christ as a light; Christ as a shield; Christ beside me on my left and my right.

Blessing

May the peace of the Lord Christ go with you, wherever He may send you.
May He guide you through the wilderness, protect you through the storm.
May He bring you home rejoicing at the wonders He has shown you.
May He bring you home rejoicing once again into our doors.

Amen.

The peace of all peace be ours this day.

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen**

Closing Hymn - Ye Servants of God <https://youtu.be/3GH0aLQwhRY>

Ye servants of God, your Master proclaim,
And publish abroad His wonderful name;
The name, all-victorious, of Jesus extol;
His kingdom is glorious, He rules over all.

God ruleth on high, almighty to save,
And still He is nigh, His presence we have;
The great congregation His triumph shall sing,
Ascribing salvation to Jesus, our King.

“Salvation to God, who sits on the throne!”
Let all cry aloud, and honor the Son:
The praises of Jesus the angels proclaim,
Fall down on their faces and worship the Lamb.

Then let us adore and give Him His right –
All glory and pow’r, all wisdom and might,
All honor and blessing, with angels above,
And thanks never-ceasing, and infinite love.

Postlude - Where Cross the Crowded Ways <https://youtu.be/vBrtz7vG7PY>

Where cross the crowded ways of life,
Where sound the cries of race and clan,
Above the noise of selfish strife,
We hear Thy voice, O Son of Man.

In haunts of wretchedness and need,
On shadowed thresholds dark with fears,
From paths where hide the lures of greed,
We catch the vision of Thy tears.

From tender childhood's helplessness,
From woman's grief, man's burdened toil,
From famished souls, from sorrow's stress,
Thy heart has never known recoil.

The cup of water given for Thee
Still holds the freshness of Thy grace;
Yet long these multitudes to see
The sweet compassion of Thy face.

O Master, from the mountain side,
Make haste to heal these hearts of pain;
Among these restless throngs abide,
O tread the city's streets again;

Till sons of men shall learn Thy love,
And follow where Thy feet have trod;
Till glorious from Thy heaven above,
Shall come the city of our God.

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More Announcements

Process of reserving a place on Sunday

Please let us know preferably by email: barnabas@bellnet.ca, if you plan to attend our December 13th Sunday service, include a list of people who will be attending with you and remember to bring your masks. We have room for you!

In the meantime, for reasons of safety, there should be no entry into our church facilities without prior agreement from management. Visit our website for more safety guidelines & updates: http://www.st-barnabaschurch.com/st-barnabas_home

ECS – (Ecumenical Community Services) – 40th Christmas Baskets Campaign:

This year, more than ever, please help St-Barnabas as we host the preparation and distribution of all ECS baskets from our Memorial Hall. Due to pandemic restrictions, **we ask you to consider a financial contribution at this time**, that will be especially and gratefully accepted this year; payable to **St-Barnabas St-Lambert RE: ECS** by cash, cheque or online [e-Transfer](#). Thank you for your support!

Your Tithes and Offerings

Thank you for your faithful offerings to St-Barnabas – Please prayerfully support us financially more than ever during this season of advent and preparation. We understand these are new and different ways, and yet we are pleased to say that St-Barnabas has been able, because of you, to maintain itself financially during these difficult times. May you be blessed as you continue to safely give to God by supporting the work of your church by donating online through links found on the [St-Barnabas on-line Donations Page](#). It's easy; by [e-Transfer](#) or [St-Barnabas CanadaHelps](#), or new [PayPal link](#), and as always through Canada Post to: 95, avenue Lorne, Saint-Lambert, QC J4P 2G7. Your ongoing donations are critical at this time. *Complete confidentiality is assured, as all donations are received and processed only by our Church Treasurer.*

Church Offering Envelopes

St-Barnabas Giving Envelope boxes are being reordered. Recently, many parishioners have decided to give to our church using online technology and no longer require a box of envelopes. However, everyone who gives will retain a designated number, although in some instances, your number may change. **Please let us know if you no longer need a box of envelopes**, otherwise one will be ordered for you and we will distribute it at the end of the year. Thank you to all who continue to support our church financially.

Thank you for your ongoing generosity. Remember your tithes and offerings are how you give to God; given to the church of your choice as one called to be good stewards with your offerings. The work of the church continues well beyond the Sunday morning as we, the Church, reach out to our neighbours. **Speaking of Neighbours...**

Les Jardins Intérieurs

We are broadcasting twice a week on the corporate TV Channel of Les Jardins:
Wednesday afternoons at 3:00pm and Saturday mornings at 9:15am.

Stay connected through our social media links

Listen to our on-line messages posted on our [St-Barnabas website](#) and [Facebook](#) page, as well as in the emails that we send twice a week. I encourage you to share these posts and this bulletin with your families and friends, as words and thoughts of encouragement. Also, if you hear of individuals in need of something, let us know; we will see what we can do with members who have put their names forward to help in a safe and manageable way.

Share your stories

Send us an email at barnabas@bellnet.ca of what you have been up to, and to share your experiences of getting through this isolation. Share your stories with us to brighten the lives of others, and stay safe.

Keep in touch

So stay tuned and reach out to members you feel concern for, allow the Holy Spirit to speak to you and to minister to those shut-in and alone at this time. Be safe, 'Stay Home', for your sake and for the well being of others, and... wash your hands!

God bless you and thank you for your thoughts and prayers,

Brian and Joyce

The Reverend Brian Perron
St-Barnabas St-Lambert

A Word of Happiness for 2020

I myself am God, your God: Keep my statutes and live by my laws.
Keep my Sabbaths as holy rest days, signposts between me and you,
signalling that I am God, your God. *Ezekiel 20 :20*



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