

Wednesday Eastertide – Morning Prayer April 22, 2020 | le 22 avril 2020

For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son,
so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life. John 3:16

Car Dieu a tant aimé le monde qu'il a donné son Fils unique,
afin que quiconque croit en lui ne périsse point, mais qu'il ait la vie éternelle. Jean 3:16

Welcome and Announcements

Vestry 2020 - By proxy,

The 2020 Vestry report has been *emailed* with a voting proxy form.

Pease respond by April 24th, via email, telephone or by Canada Post. Members who are not on our email list should have received the document by Canada Post.

Your tithes and offerings:

You may still safely continue to support the work of your church by giving online through links found on the [St-Barnabas on-line Donations Page](#). It is easy; either [e-Transfer](#) or St-Barnabas [CanadaHelps link](#). *Please be generous more than ever and as the needs increase and bills still come into the church for payment. Support the work of your St-Barnabas with your offerings ether safely online or at your own discretion through Canada Post.*

Please remember The Venerable John Lee and his family in your prayers.

Alleluia! Christ is Risen.

The Penitential Rite

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God is faithful and just, and will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. *1 John 1:8-9*

Dear friends in Christ, as we prepare to worship almighty God, let us with penitent and obedient hearts confess our sins, that we may obtain forgiveness by his infinite goodness and mercy.

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 neighbours 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.

Almighty God have mercy upon us, pardon and deliver us from all our sins, confirm and strengthen us in all goodness, and keep us in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Morning Prayer

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Praise the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

He gave us new life and hope by raising Jesus from the dead.

Rejoice, then, even in your distress.

We shall be counted worthy when Christ appears.

God has claimed us as his own.

He called us from our darkness into the light of his day.

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!

The Invitatory

Alleluia! The Lord is risen indeed: O come, let us worship.

A Song to the Lamb Cantic 24 – Revelation 4.11; 5.9-10, 13

Splendour and honour and kingly power are yours by right, O Lord our God,
For you created everything that is, and by your will they were created and have their being;

And yours by right, O Lamb that was slain, for with your blood you have redeemed for God,

From every family, language, people, and nation, a kingdom of priests to serve our God on earth.

And so, to him who sits upon the throne, and to Christ the Lamb,

Be worship and praise, dominion and splendour, for ever and for evermore.

Proclaiming the Word - A reading from Acts 5:17-26 *The Apostles Are Persecuted*

17 Then the high priest took action; he and all who were with him (that is, the sect of the Sadducees), being filled with jealousy, ¹⁸arrested the apostles and put them in the public prison. ¹⁹But during the night an angel of the Lord opened the prison doors, brought them out, and said, ²⁰'Go, stand in the temple and tell the people the whole message about this life.' ²¹When they heard this, they entered the temple at daybreak and went on with their teaching. When the high priest and those with him arrived, they called together the council and the whole body of the elders of Israel, and sent to the prison to have them brought. ²²But when the temple police went there, they did not find them in the prison; so they returned and reported, ²³'We found the prison securely locked and the guards standing at the doors, but when we opened them, we found no one inside.' ²⁴Now when the captain of the temple and the chief priests heard these words, they were perplexed about them, wondering what might be going on. ²⁵Then someone arrived and announced, 'Look, the men whom you put in prison are standing in the temple and teaching the people!' ²⁶Then the captain went with the temple police and brought them, but without violence, for they were afraid of being stoned by the people.

The word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Psalm 34 Praise for Deliverance from Trouble

I will bless the Lord at all times; his praise shall continually be in my mouth.

My soul makes its boast in the Lord; let the humble hear and be glad.

O magnify the Lord with me, and let us exalt his name together.

I sought the Lord, and he answered me, and delivered me from all my fears.

Look to him, and be radiant; so your faces shall never be ashamed.

This poor soul cried, and was heard by the Lord, and was saved from every trouble.

The angel of the Lord encamps around those who fear him, and delivers them.

O taste and see that the Lord is good; happy are those who take refuge in him.

God So Loved The World - St Paul's Cathedral Choir: John Stainer

<https://youtu.be/X5Akz6J8Rw0>

The Gospel

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John 3:16-21

Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ.

¹⁶For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life. ¹⁷Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him. ¹⁸Those who believe in him are not condemned; but those who do not believe are condemned already, because they have not believed in the name of the only Son of God. ¹⁹And this is the judgement, that the light has come into the world, and people loved darkness rather than light because their deeds were evil. ²⁰For all who do evil hate the light and do not come to the light, so that their deeds may not be exposed. ²¹But those who do what is true come to the light, so that it may be clearly seen that their deeds have been done in God.'

The Gospel of Christ.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Sermon Come to the Light - Rev Brian Perron

Affirmation of Faith - Hear, O Israel

Let us confess our faith, as we say,

Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God, the Lord is one.

Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength.

This is the first and the great commandment.

The second is like it: Love your neighbour as yourself.

There is no commandment greater than these.

Intersessions and Thanksgivings

Please remember *The Venerable John Lee* and his family in your prayers.

Greeting of Peace

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

And *let the peace of Christ* rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in the one body. *Col 3:15*

Collect - *Let us pray* - Almighty and eternal God, the strength of those who believe and the hope of those who doubt, may we, who have not seen, have faith and receive the fullness of Christ's blessing, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

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.**

The Blessing

May you be blessed with the truth, to always reside in the light of Christ, and all that you do will done in God, especially now during these times of isolation. And the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

The Dismissal

Let us bless the Lord.

Thanks be to God. Alleluia

The Lord bless us and keep us.

The Lord make his face shine on us and be gracious to us.

The Lord look upon us with favour and grant us peace. **Amen.**

Closing Hymn - God Be With You ~ Selah

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1fqu1ee5QNM&feature=youtu.be>

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Stay connected

Listen to our on-line messages posted on our [St-Barnabas website](#) and [Facebook](#) page, as well as in the emails that we will send twice a week. I encourage you to share these posts with your families, 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

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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*