SAINT BARNABAS CHURCH GREENWICH, CONNECTICUT



THE HOLY EUCHARIST • 10AM

TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

NOVEMBER 16, 2025

WELCOME TO SAINT BARNABAS

We are an Episcopal church seeking friendship with God and one another in Jesus Christ. We are delighted you're here.

We worship using the Book of Common Prayer. The prayer book contains modern versions of services that go back to the early church and were given new life by the Reformation in England. We make our own the prayers of followers of Jesus across time and around the world. The page numbers marked **BCP** are found in the red book, the prayer book. The **Hymns** are found in our church's hymnal, the blue book.

There are two parts to our service this morning. We encounter the God of Jesus Christ first in the reading of Scripture, opened up to us in a new way today through the sermon. Then we encounter God in an especially intimate way by receiving the sacrament.

We pray that wherever you are on your spiritual journey, God will give you new hope and strength for your life through our common prayer.

The Holy Eucharist

Prelude

Rhosymedre Ralph Vaughan Williams

Hymn 7

Christ whose glory fills the skies

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Liturgy of the Word

All standing, the Celebrant says

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

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

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.**

Gloria in excelsis deo

Franz Schubert

All sung together





Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Blessed Lord, who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning: Grant us so to hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Please be seated.

First Reading Malachi 4: 1-2a

A Reading from the Book of Malachi.

ee, the day is coming, burning like an oven, when all the arrogant and all evildoers will be stubble; the day that comes shall burn them up, says the Lord of hosts, so that it will

leave them neither root nor branch. But for you who revere my name the sun of righteousness shall rise, with healing in its wings.

The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 98 Ann Mounsey

Sung by the choir

- O sing unto the Lord a new song: for he hath done marvellous things.
- With his own right hand, and with his holy arm: hath he gotten himself the victory.
- 3 The Lord declared his salvation : his righteousness hath he openly shewed in the sight of the heathen.
- 4 He hath remembered his mercy and truth toward the house of Israel: and all the ends of the world have seen the salvation of our God.
- 5 Shew yourselves joyful unto the Lord, all ye lands : sing, rejoice, and give thanks.
- 6 Praise the Lord upon the harp: sing to the harp with a psalm of thanksgiving.
- 7 With trumpets also, and shawms :
 O shew yourselves joyful before the Lord the King.
- 8 Let the sea make a noise, and all that therein is : the round world, and they that dwell therein.
- 9 Let the floods clap their hands, and let the hills be joyful together before the Lord: for he is come to judge the earth.

10 With righteousness shall he judge the world : and the people with equity.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son : and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be : world without end. Amen.

Second Reading 2 Thessalonians 3: 6-13

A Reading from the Second Letter of Paul to the Thessalonians.

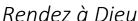
Tow we command you, beloved, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, to keep away from believers who are living in idleness and not according to the tradition that they received from us. For you yourselves know how you ought to imitate us; we were not idle when we were with you, and we did not eat anyone's bread without paying for it; but with toil and labor we worked night and day, so that we might not burden any of you. This was not because we do not have that

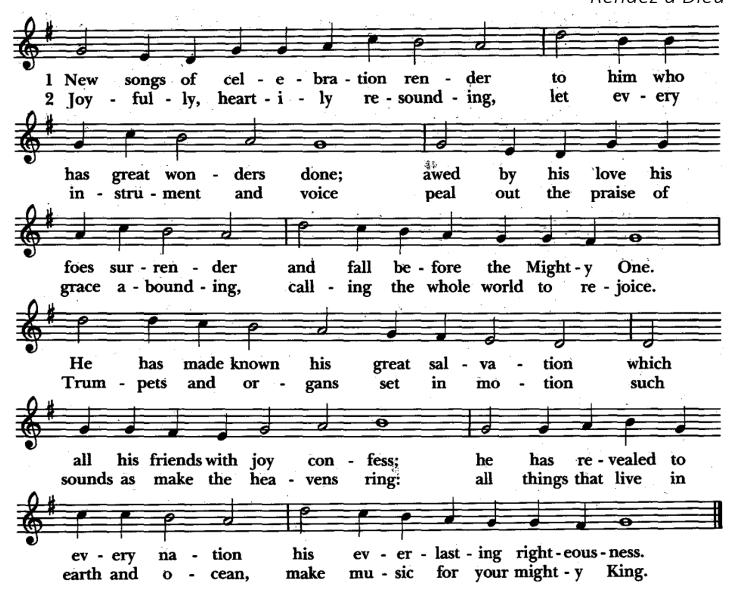
right, but in order to give you an example to imitate. For even when we were with you, we gave you this command: Anyone unwilling to work should not eat. For we hear that some of you are living in idleness, mere busybodies, not doing any work. Now such persons we command and exhort in the Lord Jesus Christ to do their work quietly and to earn their own living. Brothers and sisters, do not be weary in doing what is right.

The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

All stand as you are able.





Holy Gospel Luke 21: 5-19

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Then some were speaking about the temple, how it was adorned with beautiful stones and gifts dedicated to God, Jesus said, "As for these things that you see, the days will come when not one stone will be left upon another; all will be thrown down." They asked him,

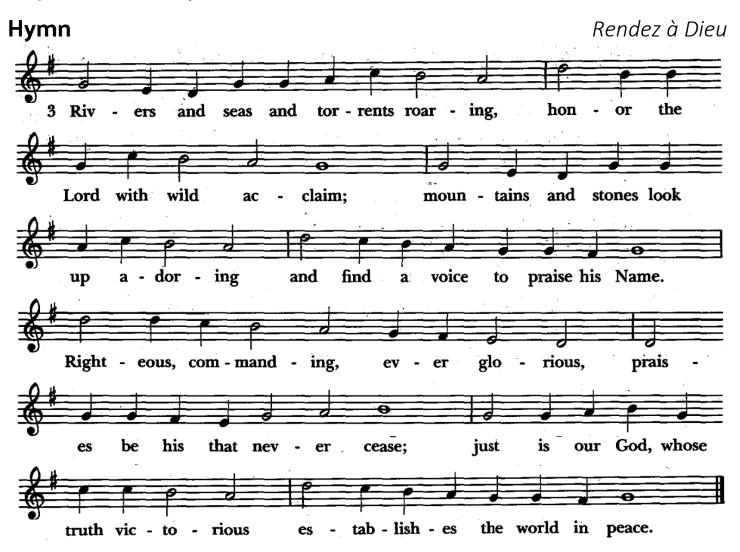
"Teacher, when will this be, and what will be the sign that this is about to take place?" And he said, "Beware that you are not led astray; for many will come in my name and say, 'I am he!' and, 'The time is near!' Do not go after them. "When you hear of wars and insurrections, do not be terrified; for

these things must take place first, but the end will not follow immediately." Then he said to them, "Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against there kingdom; will be earthquakes, and in various places famines and plagues; and there will be dreadful portents and great signs from heaven. "But before all this occurs, they will arrest you and persecute you; they will hand you over to synagogues and prisons, and you will be brought before kings and governors because of my

name. This will give you an opportunity to testify. So make up your minds not to prepare your defense in advance; for I will give you words and a wisdom that none of your opponents will be able to withstand or contradict. You will be betrayed even by parents and brothers, by relatives and friends; and they will put some of you to death. You will be hated by all because of my name. But not a hair of your head will perish. By your endurance you will gain your souls."

The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.



Sermon

The Rev. Dr. Justin E. Crisp

All stand as you are able.

The Nicene Creed

BCP 358

Please remain standing as you are able.

The Prayers of the People

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. 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. 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. 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. 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. Lord, in your mercy:

Hear our prayer.

We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom. Lord, in your mercy:

Hear our prayer.

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect and bids the Confession.

All sit or kneel. Silence may be kept. The Celebrant and People say together

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.

The Celebrant stands and says the Absolution.

The Peace

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

Then the Ministers and the People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

Announcements

The Holy Communion

Offertory anthem

Cantata Domino Giuseppe Pitoni 1657-1743

Cantate Domino canticum novum laus eius in ecclesia sanctorum. Laetetur Israel in eo qui fecit eum: et filiae Sion exultant in rege suo. Sing to the Lord a new song; sing his praise in the congregation of the faithful. Let Israel rejoice in his Maker; let the children of Zion be joyful in their King.

All stand as you are able.

The Great Thanksgiving Prayer B

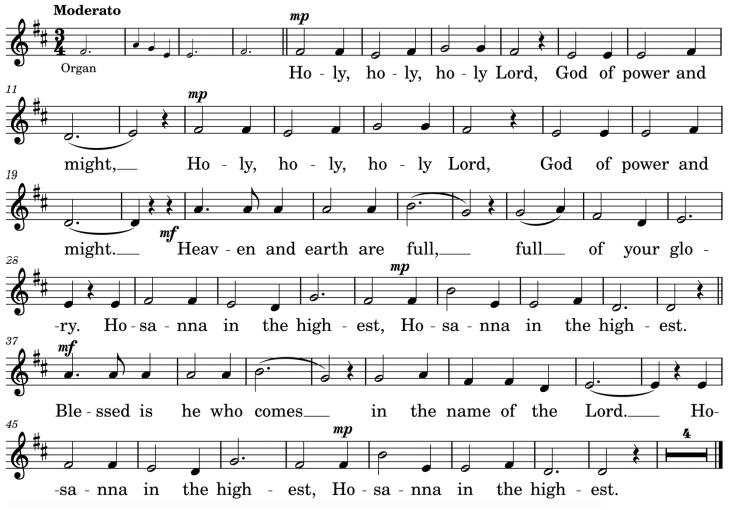
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Please remain standing as you are able.

Sanctus & Benedictus

Franz Schubert

All sung together



All kneel or stand as you are able.

The Lord's Prayer

BCP 364

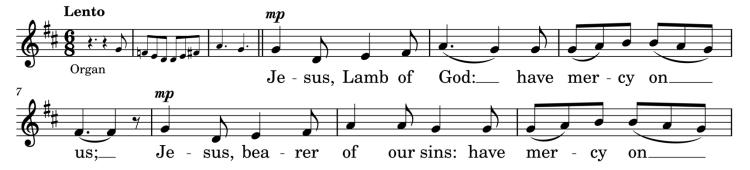
The Breaking of the Bread

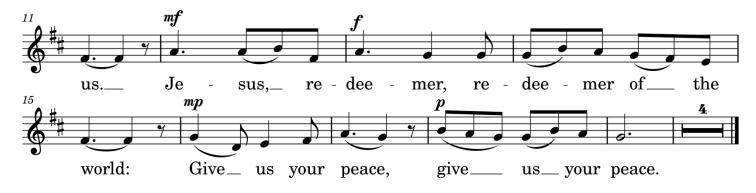
A period of silence is kept.

Agnus Dei

Franz Schubert

All sung together





The sacrament is distributed under the forms of both bread and wine at the altar rail. If you need the sacrament to be brought to your pew, please let the usher know.

You may receive the sacrament according to your custom. Most often, we receive the bread in the upturned palms of our hands, and we receive the wine either by sipping from the chalice or by dipping the bread in the wine (known as intinction). Receiving the sacrament in only one kind is, spiritually, a full and complete communion, and you need not receive the wine. Gluten-free wafers are available; please let the priest know if you need one. To receive a blessing rather than the sacrament, please indicate this to the priest by crossing your arms over your chest.

Music at Communion

Jesus bleibet meine Freude, Meines Herzens Trost und Saft, Jesus wehret allem Leide, Er ist meines Lebens Kraft, Meiner Augen Lust und Sonne, Meiner Seele Schatz und Wonne; Darum lass ich Jesum nicht Aus dem Herzen und Gesicht.

Jesus bleibet meine Freude

Johann Sebastian Bach 1685-1750

Jesus remains my joy, the comfort and life's blood of my heart, Jesus defends me against all sorrows, he is my life's strength, the delight and sun of my eyes my soul's treasure and joy; therefore I shall not let Jesus go from my heart and sight.

Prayer after Communion

BCP 365

The Blessing

All stand as you are able.

Hymn 376

Dismissal Postlude Joyful, joyful, we adore thee Ode to Joy

Praeludium in C Major, BWV545

Johann Sebastian Bach

Please join us after the service for Coffee Hour.

Please Remember These People in Your Prayers

Betty, Blake, Elizabeth, Emily, Debra, Diane, Dominic, Heather, Henry, Isabelle, Janet, Joan, John, Judy, Lila, Linda, Liz, Marie, Nicole, Nina, Patrick, Paulette, Sable, Sue Ann, and Tatiana

Those in the Armed Forces: Crawford, Logan, Parker, Peter, Mary Rose, and Morgan.

Food Drive has ended: SNAP benefits have been distributed

Thank you to all those who donated food and money towards our food drive for Neighbor to Neighbor. November SNAP benefits were disbursed on Saturday, so our urgent call-to-action has come to an end. Together as a faith community, we made an impact on our neighbors.

Please consider continuing to donate items directly to Neighbor to Neighbor, as they are still experiencing high demand for their supply and expect need to remain high during the holiday season. Their website has suggested items and local food drive drop-offs. https://www.ntngreenwich.org/donate-items/



If you are interested in donating more, another great option is Food Bank of Lower Fairfield County. https://www.foodbanklfc.org/



There's Always Something for Children & Youth at St. Barnabas

Childcare up to age 3 is always available with Mia and Joselyn in our nursery.

Children's Church is our Sunday School program for children **Pre-K to 3rd grade** and is led by Dr. Jewelle and our Family Ministry team. Kids meet before the 10AM service in the children's chapel across from the parish hall and rejoin their parents and the congregation at the Peace before Communion.

YC (a.k.a. **Youth Church**) is for youth **4th-7th grade** and is led by Rev. Phoebe during the 10 am service. Youth 8th grade and up can volunteer to serve alongside Rev. Phoebe. YC is a religious formation program and youth group.



Ask the ushers for Val & Sadie's Activity Sheet to continue the fun while in church.

TODAY: Seculosity Book Group After Church

Join us in a discussion on **chapters 3 and 4** of Seculosity: How Career, Parenting, Technology, Food, Politics, and Romance Became Our New Religion and What To Do About It by recent guest preacher, David Zahl. We will discuss the **Seculosity of Parenting and the Seculosity of Technology.** All are welcome, even if you haven't read it!

Nominations for Vestry are Open

In the Episcopal tradition, clergy and laity work in mutual ministry to lead the people of God. The vestry is like the governing board of St. Barnabas. It is chaired by Father Justin, our rector, and led by four officers. Vestry members serve three-year terms (unless filling a vacancy). You can nominate someone (or yourself!) to serve on the vestry by submitting their name to our Nominating Committee: David Harris, Marree Townsend, Katie Newman, and Adelaide Mueller. Email your nomination to Alessandra at aarango@stbarnabas.org. The committee will present a slate of new vestry candidates at the Annual Meeting in January.

Join St. Barnabas at Pacific House, Tuesday, November 25 at 5:15PM

Each month, St. Barnabas provides and serves food to the residents of Pacific House, a shelter for housing insecure men in Stamford. **Join the St. Barnabas faithful at our next evening at Pacific House, Tuesday, November 25. We meet at 5:15PM at the shelter: 597 Pacific Street, Stamford.** Please sign up on our website to confirm what you can bring or how you can serve so we can avoid duplications. Thank you for serving!

Father Justin & Dr. Jewelle's Podcast For Better, For Verse New Episode! "God of the One and the Many"

In this episode, Justin Crisp and Jewelle Bickel explore Luke chapters 14 and 15, discussing more of Jesus' journey to Jerusalem, the true nature of humility, the potential cost of discipleship, and the parables of grace: the parables of the lost sheep, the lost coin, and the prodigal son. They emphasize themes of unconditional love and the irreducible dignity of every individual in God's eyes. The God of the Bible is prodigal too: He spends everything He has (and is) on bringing each and every one of us home.

Help Justin & Jewelle out by watching the podcast on YouTube, subscribing to the podcast on Apple Podcasts or Spotify, rating the podcast, leaving comments, or sharing with your friends!

Scan the QR code below to watch the episode on YouTube



Small Groups this Fall

As part of our year-long theme to Grow in Grace, we have three small group opportunities hosted by Fr. Justin, Rev. Phoebe, and Dr. Jewelle.

- 1. **Father Justin's Bible Study**, Once Monthly. **Our next meeting at Coffee for Good will be Thursday, November 20 at 8AM.** This group, open to all, will follow the readings from the Gospel of Luke treated in the podcast. Come get caffeinated as well as inspired by the Word.
- 2. **Moms Bible Study with Jewelle**, Once Monthly, at the Rectory. Our next meeting will be announced soon. Jewelle will gather the moms of our community to share life, process the joys and challenges of parenting, and dive more deeply into the readings from Luke from the podcast.
- 3. **Rev. Phoebe's Book Group**, Once Monthly, in Rev. Phoebe's Office. Next group will meet **today at 11:15AM**, *immediately following the* 10AM service. (Childcare provided in the nursery.) We will discuss chapters 3 and 4 of Seculosity by David Zahl.



Boy Scout Wreath Sale Coming Up November 30 & December 7

Christmas wreaths will be available for sale following the 10AM service on **Sundays, November 30 and December 7.** Proceeds will support Boy Scout Troops 37 & 38, which meet at St. Barnabas under the leadership of Scoutmaster John Stratton. Decorated wreaths will be \$30, undecorated wreaths will be \$25. If you need wreaths prior to November 30, please be in touch with John Stratton at church, or for orders in excess

NOVEMBER	
November 25 November 27 November 30	St. Barnabas Night at Pacific House Shelter, 5:15pm Thanksgiving Day Service, 10am Advent Lessons & Carols, during the 10am service
DECEMBER	
December 5 December 14 December 24	Christmas on Lake Avenue: Concert with the St. Barnabas Choir, 7:30pm Christmas Pageant & Celebration, during the 10am service Christmas Eve early service, 5pm Christmas Eve late service, 9:30pm (identical services, both preceded by 30-minute choir concerts)
December 25	Christmas Day service, 10am

Leaders in Worship This Morning

Officiant & Preacher The Reverend Dr. Justin E. Crisp

Celebrant The Reverend Phoebe Oler

Altar Guild Kathryn Minckler

Jane Nickerson

Eucharistic Ministers John Townsend

Caroline Hoffman

Director of Music Marnus Greyling

The St. Barnabas Choir Christi Bye

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John Rose

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Acolytes Harlan Bye

Baden Bye

Readers Kathryn Minckler

Alan Rasmussen

Intercessor Harry Fisher

Ushers Marree Townsend

Caralyn Stevens

Coffee Hour Host The St. Barnabas Choir

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We would love to get to know you, and to support you in your spiritual life. You can use this QR code to share your information with us, sign up for our e-news, or request a call from a priest or member of the staff. If you prefer pen-and-paper, you may fill out a pew card.



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