

Wednesday Eastertide - Morning Prayer May 27, 2020 | le 27 mai 2020

In all this I have given you an example that by such work we must support the weak, remembering the words of the Lord Jesus, for he himself said,
"It is more blessed to give than to receive." *Acts 20:35*

Je vous ai montré de toutes manières que c'est en travaillant ainsi qu'il faut soutenir les faibles, et se rappeler les paroles du Seigneur, qui a dit lui-même:
Il y a plus de bonheur à donner qu'à recevoir. *Actes 20:35*

Welcome and Announcements

ECS Foodbank is in need of plastic bags: to deliver food to the needy in our community. Please put plastic bags you can donate in the bin out under the porch at 496 Birch, between 10am - 5pm, on Thursdays & Fridays, for the next 2 weeks: May 28-29 and June 4-5. Your help will be very much appreciated!

See more announcements following at bottom of the service

Alleluia! Christ is Risen.

Today's Morning Prayer is from Northumbria Community
<https://www.northumbriacommunity.org/offices/morning-prayer/>

Our Opening Hymn - The Promise of Your Grace · Jonathan Veira
<https://youtu.be/JsgpR9VcO-M>

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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.**

Declaration of faith

To whom shall we go?

You have the words of eternal life,
and we have believed and have come to know
that You are the Holy One of God.

Praise to You, Lord Jesus Christ, King of endless glory.

Today's Scripture Readings

Acts 20:28-38 *Paul prays for the Holy Spirit*

²⁸Keep watch over yourselves and over all the flock, of which the Holy Spirit has made you overseers, to shepherd the church of God that he obtained with the blood of his own Son. ²⁹I know that after I have gone, savage wolves will come in among you, not sparing the flock. ³⁰Some even from your own group will come distorting the truth in order to entice the disciples to follow them. ³¹Therefore be alert, remembering that for three years I did not cease night or day to warn everyone with tears. ³²And now I commend you to God and to the message of his grace, a message that is able to build you up and to give you the inheritance among all who are sanctified. ³³I coveted no one's silver or gold or clothing. ³⁴You know for yourselves that I worked with my own hands to support myself and my companions. ³⁵In all this I have given you an example that by such work we must support the weak, remembering the words of the Lord Jesus, for he himself said, "It is more blessed to give than to receive." ' ³⁶When he had finished speaking, he knelt down with them all and prayed. ³⁷There was much weeping among them all; they embraced Paul and kissed him, ³⁸grieving especially because of what he had said, that they would not see him again. Then they brought him to the ship.

Psalm 68 *Behold His Mighty Voice*

Summon your might, O God; show your strength, O God, as you have done for us before.

Because of your temple at Jerusalem kings bear gifts to you.

Rebuke the wild animals that live among the reeds, the herd of bulls with the calves of the peoples.

Trample under foot those who lust after tribute; scatter the peoples who delight in war.

Let bronze be brought from Egypt; let Ethiopia hasten to stretch out its hands to God.

Sing to God, O kingdoms of the earth; sing praises to the Lord, O rider in the heavens, the ancient heavens; listen, he sends out his voice, his mighty voice.

Ascribe power to God, whose majesty is over Israel; and whose power is in the skies.

Awesome is God in his sanctuary, the God of Israel; he gives power and strength to his people. Blessed be God!

Gospel Hymn: In Christ Alone – The Living Stones Quartet

<https://youtu.be/887jcen5Pec>

John 17:11-19

¹¹And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one. ¹²While I was with them, I protected them in your name that you have given me. I guarded them, and not one of them was lost except the one destined to be lost, so that the scripture might be fulfilled. ¹³But now I am coming to you, and I speak these things in the world so that they may have my joy made complete in themselves. ¹⁴I have given them your word, and the world has hated them because they do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. ¹⁵I am not asking you to take them out of the world, but I ask you to protect them from the evil one. ¹⁶They do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world.

¹⁷Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth. ¹⁸As you have sent me into the world, so I have sent them into the world. ¹⁹And for their sakes I sanctify myself, so that they also may be sanctified in truth.

Sermon *Sanctified in Truth - Rev Brian Perron*

Today's Meditation

Calm me, O Lord, as You stilled the storm.
Still me, O Lord, keep me from harm.
Let all the tumult within me cease.
Enfold me, Lord, in Your peace.

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.
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 - Blessed be Our God (Psalm 68:32-35) LIVE at the TOWER of DAVID,
Jerusalem ~ Joshua Aaron
<https://youtu.be/VfBLriq7a1E>

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Announcements

Les Jardins Intérieurs,

We are now broadcasting twice a week on Les Jardins corporate TV Chanel; Wednesday afternoons at 3pm and Sunday mornings at 10am.

Our Media pages, FaceBook, and through email,

Please visit our webpage; www.st-barnabaschurch.com, like & share our Facebook page; <https://www.facebook.com/SaintBarnabasSaintLambert/> and forward this email to friends.

Your Tithes and Offerings,

Please 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, either with [e-Transfer](#), our St-Barnabas [CanadaHelps link](#), or as always, through Canada Post to 95, avenue Lorne, Saint-Lambert, QC J4P 2G7. And this includes any donations to PWRDF, in memory of John Lee. Your ongoing donations are critical at this time and remain completely confidential.

Regarding **discretion and confidentiality**, all donations online or by mail are received and opened only by our Church Treasurer, so complete confidentiality is assured.

Please be generous, more than ever now as our needs increase and bills continue to come into the church for payment. 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...

The ECS Food Bank operates out of St-Andrews Church is still operating but could use some help with donations of food distributed to the needy in St-Lambert and Ville Lemoyne. At the moment Anita and Reverend Barry are filling the needs as best they can with a few other helpers. As the buildings are closed at this time, they are not receiving food directly from our churches in St-Lambert. At your discretion and always with safety in mind first, here is how they would like you to help.

Here are items that they need:

(Not Costco sizes as many of the recipients are single and the majority are men, living alone and do not cook)

canned vegetables

canned fruit/applesauce

peanut butter *(not large size)*

loaves of bread *(they can freeze them)*

canned meals

frozen meals (already to go)

They have volunteer drivers (who live under the same roof) and shoppers who go monthly, but the stores right now are not allowing stacking up of quantities, which is why they need extra assistance at this time. **If you can help, please call** the church at (450) 671-1862 or the Presbytery at (450) 923-0794 and leave a message.

Donations should be brought on Thursday and/or Friday between 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm to the side door of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church (corner Green and Birch). It is the door that has a small porch (overhang). Please ring the bell, leave the food on the stoop and then social distance. Anita and/or Barry will retrieve the food. Each delivery of food to the recipients includes a pamphlet and card that Anita produced with a message saying that 'this food is being delivered by volunteers and is from our 5 ecumenical churches with love'. Please spread the word to our parishioners who are able to help. **Or donate (indicate ECS Food Bank)** in care of St-Barnabas **on-line** or via Canada Post.

For more information visit http://st-barnabaschurch.com/volunteers_always_welcomed

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'll 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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