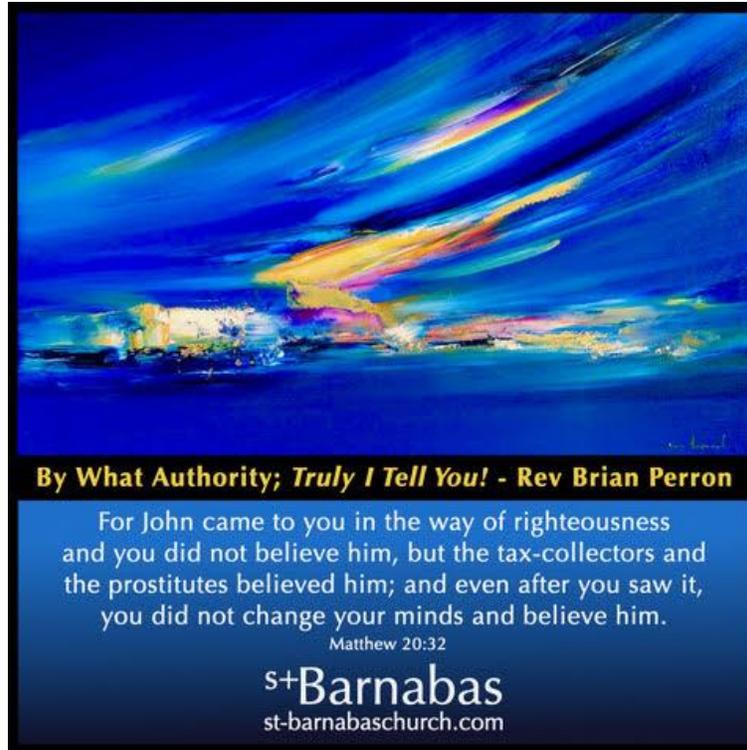


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*We encourage you to follow along with the service bulletin that continues below.
Announcements and updates follow at the end of the service.*



Therefore, as God's chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience. *Colossians 3:12*

Ainsi, puisque Dieu vous a choisis pour faire partie du peuple saint et qu'il vous aime, revêtez-vous d'ardente bonté, de bienveillance, d'humilité, de douceur, de patience.

Colossiens 3:12

Welcome:

Process of reopening: St-Barnabas was open again today, September 27, for our 10am service. We were pleased to welcome 'a full house' of 25 parishioners and guests.

Please let us know by email: barnabas@bellnet.ca or by phone: (450) 672-5560, if you plan to attend our October 4th service. Please provide a list of the people who will be attending with you and remember to bring your masks.

Please see procedures and guidelines to attend, following at the end of this service.

In the meantime, for reasons of safety, there should be no entry into our church facilities without prior agreement from management.

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Our opening hymn - #322 - All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name <https://youtu.be/hz5aksEcNbU>

All hail the power of Jesus' name!
Let angels prostrate fall;

bring forth the royal diadem
and crown him, crown him,
crown him, crown him Lord of all.

Crown him, you martyrs of your God,
who from his altar call;
praise him whose way of pain you trod,
and crown him, crown him,
crown him, crown him Lord of all.

Let every tongue and every tribe,
delivered from the fall,
to Christ all majesty ascribe,
and crown him, crown him,
crown him, crown him Lord of all.

O that, with heaven's sacred throng,
we at his feet may fall,
lift high the universal song,
and crown him, crown him,
crown him, crown him Lord of all.

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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

Lord, open our lips,

And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

O God, make speed to save us.

O Lord, make haste to help us.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen. Alleluia!

THE INVITATORY

The Lord is full of compassion and mercy: O come, let us worship.

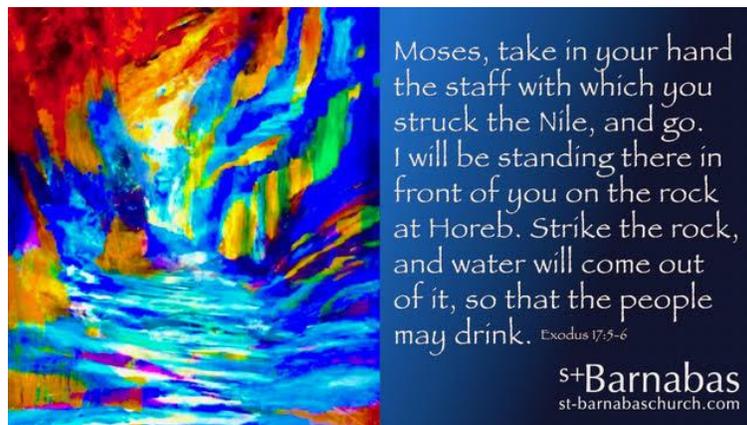
JUBILATE - Psalm 100

Be joyful in the Lord, all you lands; serve the Lord with gladness and come before his presence with a song.

Know this: The Lord himself is God; he himself has made us, and we are his; we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.

Enter his gates with thanksgiving; go into his courts with praise; give thanks to him and call upon his name.

For the Lord is good; his mercy is everlasting; and his faithfulness endures from age to age.

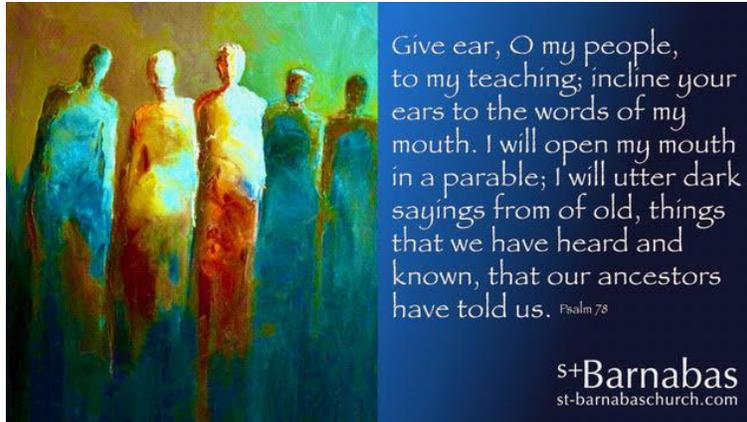


Proclaiming the Word - A reading from EXODUS 17:1-7

¹From the wilderness of Sin the whole congregation of the Israelites journeyed by stages, as the Lord commanded. They camped at Rephidim, but there was no water for the people to drink. ²The people quarrelled with Moses, and said, 'Give us water to drink.' Moses said to them, 'Why do you quarrel with me? Why do you test the Lord?' ³But the people thirsted there for water; and the people complained against Moses and said, 'Why did you bring us out of Egypt, to kill us and our children and livestock with thirst?' ⁴So Moses cried out to the Lord, 'What shall I do with this people? They are almost ready to stone me.' ⁵The Lord said to Moses, 'Go on ahead of the people, and take some of the elders of Israel with you; take in your hand the staff with which you struck the Nile, and go. ⁶I will be standing there in front of you on the rock at Horeb. Strike the rock, and water will come out of it, so that the people may drink.' Moses did so, in the sight of the elders of Israel. ⁷He called the place Massah and Meribah, because the Israelites quarrelled and tested the Lord, saying, 'Is the Lord among us or not?'

The word of the Lord

Thanks be to God



Psalm 78 *God's Goodness and Israel's Ingratitude*

Give ear, O my people, to my teaching; incline your ears to the words of my mouth. I will open my mouth in a parable; I will utter dark sayings from of old, **things that we have heard and known, that our ancestors have told us.**

We will not hide them from their children; we will tell to the coming generation the glorious deeds of the Lord, and his might, and the wonders that he has done.

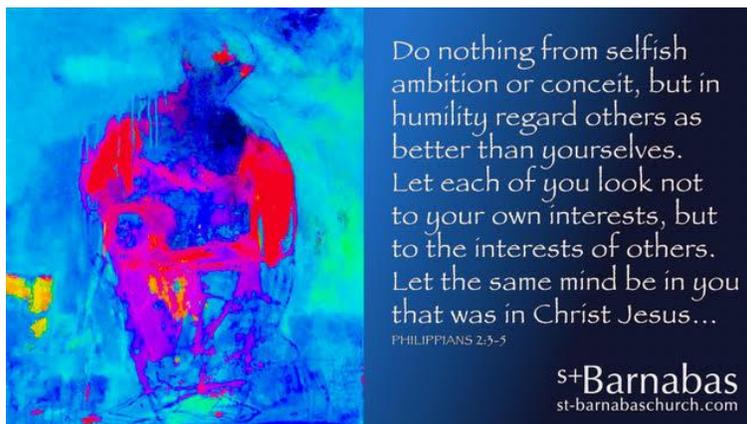
In the sight of their ancestors he worked marvels in the land of Egypt, in the fields of Zoan.

He divided the sea and let them pass through it, and made the waters stand like a heap.

In the daytime he led them with a cloud, and all night long with a fiery light.

He split rocks open in the wilderness, and gave them drink abundantly as from the deep.

He made streams come out of the rock, and caused waters to flow down like rivers.



A READING FROM PHILIPPIANS 2:1-13 *Imitating Christ's Humility*

¹If then there is any encouragement in Christ, any consolation from love, any sharing in the Spirit, any compassion and sympathy, ²make my joy complete: be of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. ³Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility regard others as better than yourselves. ⁴Let each of you look not to your own interests, but to the interests of others. ⁵Let the same mind be in you that was* in Christ Jesus, ⁶who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, ⁷but emptied himself, taking

the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, ⁸he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death—even death on a cross. ⁹Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, ¹⁰so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, ¹¹and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Shining as Lights in the World

¹²Therefore, my beloved, just as you have always obeyed me, not only in my presence, but much more now in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling; ¹³for it is God who is at work in you, enabling you both to will and to work for his good pleasure.

The word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Our gradual hymn – #606 – There's a Wideness in God's Mercy https://youtu.be/vJwfT3SY_PU

There's a wideness in God's mercy,
Like the wideness of the sea;
There's a kindness in His justice,
Which is more than liberty.

There is no place where earth's sorrows
Are more felt than up in Heaven;
There is no place where earth's failings
Have such kindly judgment given.

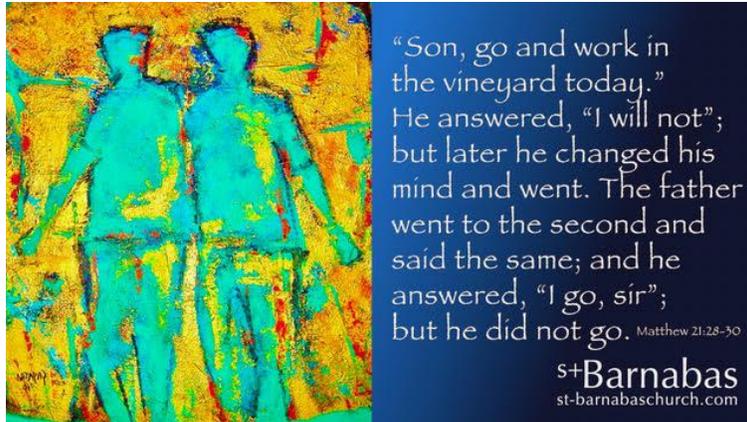
For the love of God is broader
Than the measures of our mind;
And the heart of the Eternal
Is most wonderfully kind.

But we make His love too narrow
By false limits of our own;
And we magnify His strictness
With a zeal He will not own.

There is plentiful redemption
In the blood that has been shed;
There is joy for all the members
In the sorrows of the Head.

There is grace enough for thousands
Of new worlds as great as this;
There is room for fresh creations
In that upper home of bliss.

If our love were but more simple,
We should take Him at His word;
And our lives would be all gladness
In the joy of Christ our Lord.



The Gospel

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to MATTHEW 21:23-32 – *The Authority of Jesus Questioned*

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

²³When he entered the temple, the chief priests and the elders of the people came to him as he was teaching, and said, 'By what authority are you doing these things, and who gave you this authority?' ²⁴Jesus said to them, 'I will also ask you one question; if you tell me the answer, then I will also tell you by what authority I do these things.

²⁵Did the baptism of John come from heaven, or was it of human origin?' And they argued with one another, 'If we say, "From heaven", he will say to us, "Why then did you not believe him?"' ²⁶But if we say, "Of human origin", we are afraid of the crowd; for all regard John as a prophet.' ²⁷So they answered Jesus, 'We do not know.' And he said to them, 'Neither will I tell you by what authority I am doing these things.

The Parable of the Two Sons

²⁸What do you think? A man had two sons; he went to the first and said, "Son, go and work in the vineyard today." ²⁹He answered, "I will not"; but later he changed his mind and went. ³⁰The father* went to the second and said the same; and he answered, "I go, sir"; but he did not go. ³¹Which of the two did the will of his father?' They said, 'The first.' Jesus said to them, 'Truly I tell you, the tax-collectors and the prostitutes are going into the kingdom of God ahead of you. ³²For John came to you in the way of righteousness and you did not believe him, but the tax-collectors and the prostitutes believed him; and even after you saw it, you did not change your minds and believe him.

The Gospel of Christ.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Sermon: By What Authority: *Truly I Tell You!* – The Reverend Brian Perron

An Anthem of Reflection: God's Authority Is a Symbol of His Identity

<https://youtu.be/CsLpF3OyxJA>

God is life, the source of all living beings.
God's authority makes all things obey His words.
God's word makes them come into being.
When God commands, they will live and reproduce.

Pre-chorus

God rules all living beings,
and there'll be no deviation forever and ever.

Chorus

The power of God can create things of any form
that have life and vitality.
And this is determined by the life of God.

This power, no person nor object holds.
The Creator is the only One who has it.
It's a symbol of His unique identity,
substance, status, and it's called authority.

Pre-chorus

God rules all living beings,
and there'll be no deviation forever and ever.

Chorus

The power of God can create things of any form
that have life and vitality.
And this is determined by the life of God.

Bridge

Remember, apart from Him,
no man or thing has anything to do
with the word "authority" or its essence.

Pre-chorus

God rules all living beings,
and there'll be no deviation forever and ever.

Chorus

The power of God can create things of any form
that have life and vitality.
And this is determined by the life of God.

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH - HEAR, O ISRAEL

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.

INTERCESSIONS AND THANKSGIVINGS

"O Lord, you have taught us that without love, whatever we do is worth nothing: Send your Holy Spirit and pour into our hearts your greatest gift, which is love, the true bond of peace and of all virtue, without which whoever lives is accounted dead before you. Grant this for the sake of your only Son Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and ever. Amen."

GREETING OF PEACE

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

THE COLLECT

Grant, O merciful God, that your Church, being gathered by your Holy Spirit into one, may show forth your power among all peoples, to the glory of your name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

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

Our closing hymn - # 590 - Seek Ye First <https://youtu.be/JInofnk7OX0>

Seek ye first the Kingdom of God
And His righteousness
And all these things shall be added unto you
Allelu Alleluia

Ask and it shall be given unto you
Seek and ye shall find
Knock and the door shall be opened unto you
Allelu Alleluia

Where two or three are gathered in my name
There am I in their midst
That whatever ye ask I will do
Allelu Alleluia

Al - le - lu - ia
Al - le - lu - ai
Al - le - lu - ia
Al - le - lu, Al - le - lu - ia

DISMISSAL

Let us bless the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

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.**

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And a Postlude:

Is He Worthy (Live at Sing! 2019) – Andrew Peterson <https://youtu.be/DMWrAqMWhWs>

This is a time for us to meditate in quiet reflection and prayer.

Do you feel the world is broken? We do
Do you feel the shadows deepen? We do
But do you know that all the dark won't stop the light from getting through? We do
Do you wish that you could see it all made new? We do

Is all creation groaning? It is
Is a new creation coming? It is
Is the glory of the Lord to be the light within our midst? It is
Is it good that we remind ourselves of this? It is

CHORUS

Is anyone worthy? Is anyone whole?
Is anyone able to break the seal and open the scroll?
The Lion of Judah who conquered the grave
He is David's Root and the Lamb who died to ransom the slave
From ev'ry people and tribe
Ev'ry nation and tongue
He has made us a kingdom and priests to God to reign with the Son
Is He worthy? Is He worthy?
Of all blessing and honor and glory?

Does the Father truly love us? He does
Does the Spirit move among us? He does
And does Jesus our Messiah hold forever those He loves? He does
Does our God intend to dwell again with us? He does

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Is He worthy? Is He worthy?
Is He worthy of this? He is

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Announcements -

Our lectionary readings for next week, October 4th: "The Harvest Time has Come!"
[Exodus 20:1-4, 7-9, 12-20; Psalm 19; Philippians 3:4B-14; Matthew 21:33-46](#)

Process of reopening St-Barnabas Guidelines for everyone's safety and well being

- All parishioners are requested to wear a mask for the duration of the service.
- There will be no singing or Eucharist.
- Exit will be through the hallway connecting to the Dart Hall office door.
- Please sanitize your hands when leaving.
- Socializing after the service in the church building will not be allowed during Phase 2.
- Socializing outside the church in small groups will be allowed at your own discretion.
- Cleaning products are available in the washrooms for you to clean up after use.

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"Then he saith, I will return into my house from whence I came out; and when he is come, he findeth it empty, swept, and garnished" Matthew 12:44

Your Tithes and Offerings

At the end of each Service we ask you to remember your church with your offerings to God. We thank each and everyone one of you who have found a way that is comfortable for you to give. 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](#), [St-Barnabas CanadaHelps](#), or our new [PayPal link](#), or as always through Canada Post to: 95, avenue Lorne, Saint-Lambert, QC J4P 2G7. Your ongoing donations are critical at this time.

Regarding **discretion and confidentiality**, all donations by e-transfer or Canada Post are received and opened only by our Church Treasurer, so complete confidentiality is assured.

Les Jardins Intérieurs

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

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. **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 with a small porch (overhang). Please ring the bell, leave the food on the stoop, 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. For more information visit:
http://st-barnabaschurch.com/volunteers_always_welcomed

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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