

CHURCH OF ST-BARNABAS  
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*Thank you for joining with us today on-line.*

[ISAIAH 7:10-15; PSALM 132:6-10, 13-14; GALATIANS 4:4-7; LUKE 1:46-55](#)



### **According to the Promise - Rev Brian Perron**

Surely, from now on all generations will call me blessed;  
for the Mighty One has done great things for me, and holy is his name.  
His mercy is for those who fear him from generation to generation,  
according to the promise he made to our ancestors,  
to Abraham and to his descendants for ever.' Luke 1:48-55

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Come to believe and know; that Christ is the Holy One of God.

## WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

### OPENING HYMN: Great is thy Faithfulness

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ALHSjbTK\\_jE](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ALHSjbTK_jE)

1 Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father.  
There is no shadow of turning with thee.  
Thou changest not, thy compassions, they fail not.  
As thou hast been thou forever wilt be.

*Refrain* Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness!  
Morning by morning new mercies I see.  
All I have needed thy hand hath provided.  
Great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!

2 Summer and winter, and springtime and harvest,  
sun, moon, and stars in their courses above,  
join with all nature in manifold witness  
to thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love. *Refrain*

3 Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,  
thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide,  
strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow;  
blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside! *Refrain*

### THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God,  
and *the fellowship of the Holy Spirit*, be with you all.

**And also with you.**

***Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hidden. 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.**

### GLORY TO GOD ON HIGH:

**Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth. Lord God, heavenly king, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.**

**For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father.**

**Amen.**

**COLLECT** - *Let us pray* - O God, you have taken to yourself the blessed Virgin Mary, mother of your incarnate Son. May we who have been redeemed by his blood, share with her the glory of your eternal kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

**PROCLAIMING THE WORD** - A reading from **ISAIAH 7:10-15**

**Isaiah Gives Ahaz the Sign of Immanuel**

<sup>10</sup>Again the Lord spoke to Ahaz, saying, <sup>11</sup>Ask a sign of the Lord your God; let it be deep as Sheol or high as heaven. <sup>12</sup>But Ahaz said, I will not ask, and I will not put the Lord to the test. <sup>13</sup>Then Isaiah said: 'Hear then, O house of David! *Is it too little for you to weary mortals, that you weary my God also?* <sup>14</sup>Therefore *the Lord himself will give you a sign.* Look, the young woman is with child and shall bear a son, and shall name him Immanuel. <sup>15</sup>He shall eat curds and honey by the time he knows how to refuse the evil and choose the good.

*Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church*

**Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm 132**

We heard of it in Ephrathah; we found it in the fields of Jaar.

**'Let us go to his dwelling-place; let us worship at his footstool.'**

Rise up, O Lord, and go to your resting-place, you and the ark of your might.

**Let your priests be clothed with righteousness,  
and let your faithful shout for joy.**

For your servant David's sake do not turn away the face of your anointed one.

**For the Lord has chosen Zion; he has desired it for his habitation:**

**'This is my resting-place for ever; here I will reside, for I have desired it.'**

**A reading from GALATIANS 4:4-7**

<sup>4</sup>But when the fullness of time had come, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under the law, <sup>5</sup>in order to redeem those who were under the law, so *that we might receive adoption as children.* <sup>6</sup>And because you are children, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, 'Abba! Father!' <sup>7</sup>So you are no longer a slave but a child, and if a child then also an heir, through God.

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**GRADUAL HYMN – Abba Father**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JUpdL4vELm8>

**Chorus** Abba, Abba Father you are the potter  
we are the clay the work of your hands.

1. Mold us, mold us and fashion us,  
into the image...of Jesus, your son!  
of Jesus, your son! **Chorus**

2. Glory! Glory and Praise to you!  
Glory and Praise to you! **Chorus**

**THE GOSPEL** - *All remain standing for the Gospel.*

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke 1:46-55

**Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ.**

*Mary's Song of Praise;*

<sup>46</sup>And Mary\* said, 'My soul magnifies the Lord, <sup>47</sup>and my spirit rejoices in God my Saviour, <sup>48</sup>for he has looked with favour on the lowliness of his servant. Surely, from now on all generations will call me blessed; <sup>49</sup>for the Mighty One has done great things for me, and holy is his name. <sup>50</sup>His mercy is for those who fear him from generation to generation. <sup>51</sup>He has shown strength with his arm; he has scattered the proud in the thoughts of their hearts. <sup>52</sup>He has brought down the powerful from their thrones, and lifted up the lowly; <sup>53</sup>he has filled the hungry with good things, and sent the rich away empty. <sup>54</sup>He has helped his servant Israel, in remembrance of his mercy, <sup>55</sup>*according to the promise* he made to our ancestors, to Abraham and to his descendants *for ever.*'

*The Gospel of Christ.*

**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

**SERMON** According to the Promise - Rev Brian Perron

**Paul and Barnabas are in Antioch preaching the gospel** to an audience of both Jews and Gentiles. After hearing them, the Jews leave the synagogue, but the Gentiles beseech them to return the following Sabbath so they could hear more.

- **Acts 13:48** And when the Gentiles heard this, they were glad, and glorified the word of the Lord: and as many as were ordained to eternal life believed.

**ANTHEM OF REFLECTION - Draw Me Close to You**

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7d\\_oYr-P16M](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7d_oYr-P16M)

Draw me close to you Never let me go  
I lay it all down again  
To hear you say that I'm your friend  
You are my desire No one else will do  
'Cause nothing else can take your place  
To feel the warmth of your embrace  
Help me find the way Bring me back to you  
You're all I want You're all I've ever needed  
You're all I want Help me know you are near

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Help me know you are near

**AFFIRMATION OF FAITH – THE APOSTLES' CREED** *Let us confess our faith, as we say,*

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the**

**Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

## THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

### CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Dear friends in Christ, God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy; he welcomes sinners and invites them to his table. Let us confess our sins, confident in God's forgiveness.

*Silence*

*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 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.**

### ABSOLUTION

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

### GREETING OF PEACE

The peace of the Lord  
be always with you.

**And also with you.**

## THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

### THE PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures high and low; give thanks to God in love made known: Creator, Word, and Spirit, One.**

### PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

God of mercy, receive all we offer you this day. May we share with the Virgin Mary the joys of your eternal kingdom, and live with you in unending love. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

*The Lord be with you.*

**And also with you.**

*Lift up your hearts.*

**We lift them up to the Lord.**

*Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.*

**It is right to give our Lord thanks and praise.**

It is right to glorify you, Father, and to give you thanks; for you alone are God, living and true, dwelling in light inaccessible from before time and for ever. Fountain of life and source of all goodness, you made all things and fill them with your blessing; you created them to rejoice in the splendour of your radiance. Countless throngs of angels stand before you to serve you night and day, and, beholding your presence, they offer you unceasing praise. Joining with them, and giving voice to every creature under heaven, we acclaim you, and glorify your name, as we say,

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

We acclaim you, holy Lord, glorious in power; your mighty works reveal your wisdom and love.

You formed us in your own image, giving the whole world into our care, so that, in obedience to you, our creator, we might rule and serve all your creatures. When our disobedience took us far from you, you did not abandon us to the power of death. In your mercy you came to our help, so that in seeking you we might find you. Again and again you called us into covenant with you, and through the prophets you taught us to hope for salvation.

Father, you loved the world so much that *in the fullness of time* you sent your only Son to be our Saviour. Incarnate by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, he lived as one of us, yet without sin. To the poor he proclaimed the good news of salvation; to prisoners, freedom; to the sorrowful, joy. To fulfil your purpose he gave himself up to death and, rising from the grave, destroyed death and made the whole creation new. And that we might live no longer for ourselves, but for him who died and rose for us, he sent the Holy Spirit, his own first gift for those who believe, to complete his work in the world, and to bring to fulfilment the sanctification of all.

When the hour had come for him to be glorified by you, his heavenly Father, having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end: at supper with them he took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said,

“Take, eat: this is my body which is given for you. *Do this for the remembrance of me.*”

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, “Drink this, all of you: this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, *do this for the remembrance of me.*”

Father, we now celebrate the memorial of our redemption. Recalling Christ’s death and descent among the dead, proclaiming his resurrection and ascension to your right hand, awaiting his coming in glory; and offering to you, from the gifts you have given us, this bread and this cup, we praise you and we bless you.

**We praise you, we bless you, we give thanks to you, and we pray to you, Lord our God.**

Father, we pray that in your goodness and mercy your Holy Spirit may descend upon us, and upon these gifts, sanctifying them and showing them to be holy gifts for your holy people, the bread of life and the cup of salvation, the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Grant that all who share this bread and this cup may become one body and one spirit, a living sacrifice in Christ to the praise of your name.

Remember, Lord, your one holy catholic and apostolic Church, redeemed by the blood of your Christ. Reveal its unity, guard its faith, and preserve it in peace.

Remember all who minister in your Church.

Remember all your people, and those who seek your truth.

Remember all who have died in the peace of Christ, and those whose faith is known to you alone; bring them into the place of eternal joy and light.

And grant that we may find our inheritance with all the saints who have found favour with you in ages past. We praise you in union with them and give you glory through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, all honour and glory are yours, almighty God and Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

### LORD'S PRAYER

*And now, as Jesus has taught us, we pray,*

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 BREAKING OF THE BREAD

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

**We, being many, are one body for we all share in the one bread.**

### THE COMMUNION

The gifts of God for the People of God.

**Thanks be to God.**

### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

God of grace, today we raise our voices to magnify your holy name, and, in our own generation, to call her blessed who became the mother of our Saviour Jesus Christ. May we who have shared this holy food continue, with her, in your glorious kingdom, founded and established in Jesus Christ our Lord. We ask this in his name.

**Amen.**

Glory to God, **whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine. Glory to God from generation to generation, in the Church and in Christ Jesus, for ever and ever. Amen.**

### THE BLESSING

*God Creator with the Holy Spirit...* Here we are Lord, *let our time be fulfilled according to your promise,* and may the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among us and remain with us always.

**Amen.**

## CLOSING HYMN - Tell Out My Soul

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3E7QWLyDWe8>

Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord!  
Unnumbered blessings give my spirit voice;  
Tender to me the promise of His Word;  
In God my Savior shall my heart rejoice.

Tell out, my soul, the greatness of His name!  
Make known His might, the deeds His arm has done;  
His mercy sure, from age to age the same;  
His holy Name, the Lord, the mighty One.

Tell out, my soul, the glories of His Word!  
Firm is His promise, and His mercy sure.  
Tell out my soul, the greatness of the Lord  
To children's children and forevermore!

## THE DISMISSAL

Go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

**Thanks be to God.**

## POSTLUDE -

*Let us consider how to inspire each other to greater love and to righteous deeds,  
by encouraging one another, especially as the day of the Lord's return approaches. <sup>Heb 10</sup>*

Recognize ; Then Go... and be Recognized!

Our Bible readings for next week;

Sunday August 22; Does this offend you?

[1 KINGS 8: 1, 6, 10-11, 22-30, 41-43; PSALM 84; EPHESIANS 6:10-20; JOHN 6:56-69](#)

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### SUNDAY SCHOOL: **IN SEPTEMBER ST-BARNABAS EXPECTS TO RESTART CHRISTIAN EDUCATION!**

Begin to think about how you, the parents, grandparents and great grandparents may want to be involved with a team of other teachers to fulfill the vows of baptism;

Will you proclaim by word and example the good news of God in Christ?

We will be organizing 5 teams of three teachers along with a superintendent. Each team will teach once a month according to an approved curriculum.

Will you let your name stand, respond with an email to [barnabas@bellnet.ca](mailto:barnabas@bellnet.ca)

Yes St-Barnabas is remaining open for in-person Church:

We have room for you, so... come back and enjoy your pew...

Please register your intention to attend by email at [barnabas@bellnet.ca](mailto:barnabas@bellnet.ca)

## Your Gifts and Offerings...

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