

A PLACE AT THE TABLE



St. Barnabas
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The 15th Sunday after Pentecost: Proper 19

Holy Eucharist, Rite II

September 13, 2020 | 10:30am

Hymnal

The Liturgy of the Word

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The Collect of the Day

O God, because without you we are not able to please you, mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Old Testament, Exodus 14:19-31

The angel of God who was going before the Israelite army moved and went behind them; and the pillar of cloud moved from in front of them and took its place behind them. It came between the army of Egypt and the army of Israel. And so the cloud was there with the darkness, and it lit up the night; one did not come near the other all night.

Then Moses stretched out his hand over the sea. The Lord drove the sea back by a strong east wind all night, and turned the sea into dry land; and the waters were divided. The Israelites went into the sea on dry ground, the waters forming a wall for them on their right and on their left. The Egyptians pursued, and went into the sea after them, all of Pharaoh's horses, chariots, and chariot drivers. At the morning watch the Lord in the pillar of fire and cloud looked down upon the Egyptian army, and threw the Egyptian army into panic. He clogged their chariot wheels so that they turned with difficulty. The Egyptians said, "Let us flee from the Israelites, for the Lord is fighting for them against Egypt."

Then the Lord said to Moses, "Stretch out your hand over the sea, so that the water may come back upon the Egyptians, upon their chariots and chariot drivers." So Moses stretched out his hand over the sea, and at dawn the sea returned to its normal depth. As the Egyptians fled before it, the Lord tossed the Egyptians into the sea. The waters returned and covered the chariots and the chariot drivers, the entire army of Pharaoh that had followed them into the sea; not one of them remained. But the Israelites walked on dry ground through the sea, the waters forming a wall for them on their right and on their left.

Thus the Lord saved Israel that day from the Egyptians; and Israel saw the Egyptians dead on the sea-shore. Israel saw the great work that the Lord did against the Egyptians. So the people feared the Lord and believed in the Lord and in his servant Moses.

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Psalm 114

Hallelujah!

When Israel came out of Egypt,
the house of Jacob from a people of strange speech,

**Judah became God's sanctuary
and Israel his dominion.**

3 The sea beheld it and fled;
Jordan turned and went back.

**The mountains skipped like rams,
and the little hills like young sheep.**

What ailed you, O sea, that you fled?
O Jordan, that you turned back?

**You mountains, that you skipped like rams?
you little hills like young sheep?**

Tremble, O earth, at the presence of the Lord,
at the presence of the God of Jacob,

**Who turned the hard rock into a pool of water
and flint-stone into a flowing spring.**

The Epistle, Romans 14:1-12

Welcome those who are weak in faith, but not for the purpose of quarreling over opinions. Some believe in eating anything, while the weak eat only vegetables. Those who eat must not despise those who abstain, and those who abstain must not pass judgment on those who eat; for God has welcomed them. Who are you to pass judgment on servants of another? It is before their own lord that they stand or fall. And they will be upheld, for the Lord is able to make them stand.

Some judge one day to be better than another, while others judge all days to be alike. Let all be fully convinced in their own minds. Those who observe the day, observe it in honor of the Lord. Also those who eat, eat in honor of the Lord, since they give thanks to God; while those who abstain, abstain in honor of the Lord and give thanks to God.

We do not live to ourselves, and we do not die to ourselves. If we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord; so then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's. For to this end Christ died and lived again, so that he might be Lord of both the dead and the living.

Why do you pass judgment on your brother or sister? Or you, why do you despise your brother or sister? For we will all stand before the judgment seat of God. For it is written,

"As I live, says the Lord, every knee shall bow to me,
and every tongue shall give praise to God."

So then, each of us will be accountable to God.

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew 18:21-35

Glory to you, Lord Christ

Peter came and said to Jesus, "Lord, if another member of the church sins against me, how often should I forgive? As many as seven times?" Jesus said to him, "Not seven times, but, I tell you, seventy-seven times.

"For this reason the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his slaves. When he began the reckoning, one who owed him ten thousand talents was brought to him; and, as he could not pay, his lord ordered him to be sold, together with his wife and children and all his possessions, and payment to be made. So the slave fell on his knees before him, saying, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.' And out of pity for him, the lord of that slave released him and forgave him the debt. But that same slave, as he went out, came upon one of his fellow slaves who owed him a hundred denarii; and seizing him by the throat, he said, 'Pay what you owe.' Then his fellow slave fell down and pleaded with him, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you.' But he refused; then he went and threw him into prison until he would pay the debt. When his fellow slaves saw what had happened, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their lord all that had taken place. Then his lord summoned him and said to him, 'You wicked slave! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. Should you not have had mercy on your fellow slave, as I had mercy on you?' And in anger his lord handed him over to be tortured until he would pay his entire debt. So my heavenly Father will also do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother or sister from your heart."

The Gospel of the Lord **Praise to you, Lord Christ**

Sermon The Reverend Michael Bordelon

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Mission Prayer (Please read in unison.)

Almighty and eternal God, so draw our hearts to thee, so guide our minds, so fill our imaginations, so control our wills, that we may be wholly thine, utterly dedicated unto thee; give us courage to be like our patron St. Barnabas who gave generously of his life and substance for the relief of the poor and the spread of the Gospel; grant us the courage and grace to pursue your kingdom and minister to the suffering, the friendless, and the needy. Make us of one mind, one body, one heart, united through Jesus Christ to be a beacon of love in this community. All this we pray for the love of him who laid down his life for us, Jesus Christ. Amen.

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Act of Reception

Lord Jesus Christ, I believe that you are truly present in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar. I desire to offer you praise and thanksgiving as I proclaim your resurrection. I love you above all things, and long for you in my soul and to feed on you by faith within my heart. Cleanse and strengthen me with your grace, Lord Jesus, and let me never be separated from you. May I live in you, and you in me, in this life and in the life to come. Amen.

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Prayers of the People

For a continued safe pregnancy: Kelli and Haley, along with Alden and baby Carter.

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation: Adele, Allan, Andrew, Angela, Aubrey, Barbara, Clementine, Evangelina, Geraldine, Lesley, Linnzi, Madeleine, Mary, Roger, Sarah, Sidney, Gia, Leea, Monica, Morgan, Opal, Peggy, and Sierra.

For all those serving in our military at home and abroad, and for their families: Dylan, and Junior.

To submit prayer requests, please fill out a form found in the Narthex, or email prayer@saintbarnabas.us.

Announcements

HURRICANE RELIEF: We will be making periodic trips to Lake Charles with supplies for the Lake Charles Convocation. They are in need of large gas cans, bottled water, mosquito spray, sun protection lotion, and VISA gift cards to purchase repair and mitigation supplies. Additionally, the fire ants and wasps are really bad in the Lake Charles area, so fire ant killer and wasp spray is also needed. Please drop off donations at the church office from 10am-3pm, Tuesday-Friday. **Be sure to wear a mask.**

"HOW CAN I HELP?"



DONATE TO THE FOOD AND SUPPLY DRIVE

United Way of Acadiana, Second Harvest Food Bank, Catholic Charities of Acadiana, and Rebuilding Together Acadiana are partnering to hold a joint food and supply drive September 1-11. Donations can be made at 215 E. Pinhook Rd. An Amazon wishlist has been made for quick shopping.

VOLUNTEER YOUR TIME

Volunteers are being deployed with disaster assistance on an as needed basis. If you are available and want to help, please register at unitedwayofacadiana.org/volunteer.

DONATE TO OUR DISASTER RELIEF FUND

Your donation will help cover the needs of a neighbor during the Hurricane Laura Disaster.

St. Barnabas encourages individuals who are interested in hurricane relief efforts to go through United Way of Acadiana to find ways you can help. There are many ways you can provide assistance, and their website gives great detail about how to get involved. This includes volunteering your time, providing donated items, etc.

Visit unitedwayofacadiana.org and click the Disaster Response tab for more information.

Outreach: BROWN ENVELOPES for the months of September and October are in support of Love of People. Love of People is a local non-profit, whose motto and mission statement is: "Helping others, help others." Love of People has a variety of programs designed to integrate recipients, volunteers, service providers, and businesses/sponsors to build a vital community through the recognition of the critical and fluid roles each play; recipients of care in one case are often service providers in another. LoP's scope is community-wide with special focus on the older members of the creative/arts community who have provided so much to our cultural community that Acadiana thrives on. Check out LoveofPeople.org for more information on specific programs.



St. Barnabas is working toward offering a program to our congregation and the community at-large centered around Racial Conciliation. Program development is still in early stages, however we invite members of our congregation who are interested in participating to please reach out to us. Contact Fr. Brooks Boylan to get your name on a list of those interested, and you will be contacted once we are ready to move forward. frbrooks@saintbarnabas.us.



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