



ST.
BARNABAS
EPISCOPAL CHURCH

HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE II

The Fourth Sunday in Lent

Year A

March 15, 2026 ♦ 10:30 a.m.



Welcome to St. Barnabas

Your presence is a blessing.

If you are unfamiliar with the ritual customs of The Episcopal Church, simply relax into worship and let the congregation carry you through the liturgy.

Please know that *all* are welcome at Christ's table.

In The Episcopal Church, we primarily use two books during service, which can be found in the pew rack. The Book of Common Prayer (BCP) is the red book, and The Hymnal 1982 (Hymnal) is the blue book. Page numbers for each book are detailed in this service bulletin to help you follow along.



 *All stand as able at the sound of the tower bell.*

Silent Procession

Presider Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

People **God’s mercy endures forever.**

Scripture Sentence

BCP, p. 351-352

Confession & Absolution

BCP, p. 352

Hymnal S 95

BCP, p. 356

The musical notation consists of two staves. The first staff has three measures: the first measure is labeled 'Cantor or Choir' and contains the lyrics 'Lord, have mer - cy.'; the second measure is labeled 'All' and contains 'Lord, have mer - cy.'; the third measure is labeled 'Cantor or Choir' and contains 'Christ, have mer - cy.'. The second staff has three measures: the first measure is labeled 'All' and contains 'Christ, have mer - cy.'; the second measure is labeled 'Cantor or Choir' and contains 'Lord, have mer - cy.'; the third measure is labeled 'All' and contains 'Lord, have mer - cy.'.

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Collect of the Day

Presider God be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Let us pray.

Gracious God, whose blessed Son Jesus Christ came down from heaven to be the true bread which gives life to the world: Evermore give us this bread, that he may live in us, and we in him; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Liturgy Of The Word

The First Lesson

1 Samuel 16:1-13

The Lord said to Samuel, “How long will you grieve over Saul? I have rejected him from being king over Israel. Fill your horn with oil and set out; I will send you to Jesse the Bethlehemite, for I have provided for myself a king among his sons.” Samuel said, “How can I go? If Saul hears of it, he will kill me.” And the Lord said, “Take a heifer with you, and say, ‘I have come to sacrifice to the Lord.’ Invite Jesse to the sacrifice, and I will show you what you shall do; and you shall anoint for me the one whom I name to you.” Samuel did what the Lord commanded, and came to Bethlehem. The elders of the city came to meet him trembling, and said, “Do you

come peaceably?” He said, “Peaceably; I have come to sacrifice to the Lord; sanctify yourselves and come with me to the sacrifice.” And he sanctified Jesse and his sons and invited them to the sacrifice. When they came, he looked on Eliab and thought, “Surely the Lord’s anointed is now before the Lord.” But the Lord said to Samuel, “Do not look on his appearance or on the height of his stature, because I have rejected him; for the Lord does not see as mortals see; they look on the outward appearance, but the Lord looks on the heart.” Then Jesse called Abinadab, and made him pass before Samuel. He said, “Neither has the Lord chosen this one.” Then Jesse made Shammah pass by. And he said, “Neither has the Lord chosen this one.” Jesse made seven of his sons pass before Samuel, and Samuel said to Jesse, “The Lord has not chosen any of these.” Samuel said to Jesse, “Are all your sons here?” And he said, “There remains yet the youngest, but he is keeping the sheep.” And Samuel said to Jesse, “Send and bring him; for we will not sit down until he comes here.” He sent and brought him in. Now he was ruddy, and had beautiful eyes, and was handsome. The Lord said, “Rise and anoint him; for this is the one.” Then Samuel took the horn of oil, and anointed him in the presence of his brothers; and the spirit of the Lord came mightily upon David from that day forward. Samuel then set out and went to Ramah.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God’s people.
People **Thanks be to God.**

Silence.

Hymnal 645 *The King of love my shepherd is*

Psalm 23

The Second Lesson

Ephesians 5:8-14

Once you were darkness, but now in the Lord you are light. Live as children of light— for the fruit of the light is found in all that is good and right and true. Try to find out what is pleasing to the Lord. Take no part in the unfruitful works of darkness, but instead expose them. For it is shameful even to mention what such people do secretly; but everything exposed by the light becomes visible, for everything that becomes visible is light. Therefore it says, “Sleeper, awake! Rise from the dead, and Christ will shine on you.”

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People **Thanks be to God.**

Silence.

Gospel Acclamation *Cantor, then all.*



The Holy Gospel

John 9:1-41

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

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

AS Jesus walked along, he saw a man blind from birth. His disciples asked him, "Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?" Jesus answered, "Neither this man nor his parents sinned; he was born blind so that God's works might be revealed in him. We must work the works of him who sent me while it is day; night is coming when no one can work. As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world." When he had said this, he spat on the ground and made mud with the saliva and spread the mud on the man's eyes, saying to him, "Go, wash in the pool of Siloam" (which means Sent). Then he went and washed and came back able to see. The neighbors and those who had seen him before as a beggar began to ask, "Is this not the man who used to sit and beg?" Some were saying, "It is he." Others were saying, "No, but it is someone like him." He kept saying, "I am the man." But they kept asking him, "Then how were your eyes opened?" He answered, "The man called Jesus made mud, spread it on my eyes, and said to me, 'Go to Siloam and wash.' Then I went and washed and received my sight." They said to him, "Where is he?" He said, "I do not know." They brought to the Pharisees the man who had formerly been blind. Now it was a sabbath day when Jesus made the mud and opened his eyes. Then the Pharisees also began to ask him how he had received his sight. He said to them, "He put mud on my eyes. Then I washed, and now I see." Some of the Pharisees said, "This man is not from God, for he does not observe the sabbath." But others said, "How can a man who is a sinner perform such signs?" And they were divided. So they said again to the blind man, "What do you say about him? It was your eyes he opened." He said, "He is a prophet." The Jews did not believe that he had been blind and had received his sight until they called the parents of the man who had received his sight and asked them, "Is this your son, who you say was born blind? How then does he now see?" His parents answered, "We know that this is our son, and that he was born blind; but we do not know how it is that now he sees, nor do we know who opened his eyes. Ask him; he is of age. He will speak for himself." His parents said this because they were afraid of the Jews; for the Jews had already agreed that anyone who confessed Jesus to be the

Messiah would be put out of the synagogue. Therefore his parents said, "He is of age; ask him." So for the second time they called the man who had been blind, and they said to him, "Give glory to God! We know that this man is a sinner." He answered, "I do not know whether he is a sinner. One thing I do know, that though I was blind, now I see." They said to him, "What did he do to you? How did he open your eyes?" He answered them, "I have told you already, and you would not listen. Why do you want to hear it again? Do you also want to become his disciples?" Then they reviled him, saying, "You are his disciple, but we are disciples of Moses. We know that God has spoken to Moses, but as for this man, we do not know where he comes from." The man answered, "Here is an astonishing thing! You do not know where he comes from, and yet he opened my eyes. We know that God does not listen to sinners, but he does listen to one who worships him and obeys his will. Never since the world began has it been heard that anyone opened the eyes of a person born blind. If this man were not from God, he could do nothing." They answered him, "You were born entirely in sins, and are you trying to teach us?" And they drove him out. Jesus heard that they had driven him out, and when he found him, he said, "Do you believe in the Son of Man?" He answered, "And who is he, sir? Tell me, so that I may believe in him." Jesus said to him, "You have seen him, and the one speaking with you is he." He said, "Lord, I believe." And he worshiped him. Jesus said, "I came into this world for judgment so that those who do not see may see, and those who do see may become blind." Some of the Pharisees near him heard this and said to him, "Surely we are not blind, are we?" Jesus said to them, "If you were blind, you would not have sin. But now that you say, 'We see,' your sin remains."

People The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, Lord Christ.

 **The Sermon**

The Reverend Canon Carla Robinson

Silence.

 **The Nicene Creed**

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 or  **Prayers of the People**

With all our hearts and with all our minds, let us pray to the Lord.

Response: silent prayer.

Collect for Our Time of Transition

Gracious, loving, and changeless God: you bless us with your steadfast presence here at St. Barnabas known in the gifts of beautiful music, worship, caring, and serving in our midst. We offer joy and thanksgiving for the life we share, for the stable foundation on which we stand, for all that has been and all that is yet to come. Grant us wisdom, patience, and joyful anticipation as we navigate this time of transition. Keep our hearts and minds open to new possibilities. Help us to grow, even as we patiently wait. Direct us toward a partner in ministry who will support us in becoming ever more your Beloved Community, that we may live the Gospel in the world loving our neighbors as ourselves. With grateful hearts we praise you, compassionate and loving friend, source of life and all goodness. We pray this in the name of Jesus. Amen.

 The Peace

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 Welcome & Announcements

 Birthdays & Anniversaries

Prayers for birthdays and anniversaries are found on the pew card in the rack in front of you.

The Liturgy of the Table



The Offering

An offering of money is collected. You may make an offering online by scanning the QR code found on the back of your bulletin.

Offertory

Si iniquitates observaveris

Samuel Wesley

*"If you, Lord, were to note what is done amiss, O Lord, who could stand?
For there is forgiveness with you; therefore you shall be feared."*

 **Presentation Anthem**

Presider

All things come from you, O God,

People

And of your own have we given you.

The Great Thanksgiving Eucharistic Prayer A

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Sursum Corda

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Celebrant God be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

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

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

Hymnal S 124, Sanctus

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Memorial Acclamation

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People **Christ has died.**

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

The Lord's Prayer

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The Breaking of the Bread

Presider Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People **Therefore let us keep the feast.**

Hymnal S 161, Agnus Dei

The Invitation to Communion

Communion of the People

All are welcome to come forward to receive Holy Communion. Gluten-free wafers are available in addition to bread. Wine may be received either directly from the chalice or by using an individual plastic cup. Cups are located on a table in front of the first pew on the right as you face the altar. We ask that you not intinct the bread (dip the bread into the chalice). After receiving communion, please deposit your cup in the glass container located on the right as you head back down the aisle. If you prefer a blessing, please cross your arms over your chest to indicate your desire to the priest.

Hymnal 488 *Be thou my vision*

 or  **The Post-Communion Prayer**

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Solemn Prayer Over the People

Silent Recession & Dismissal

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Ministers of the Liturgy

Presider | The Reverend Dianne Andrews
Preacher | The Reverend Canon Carla Robinson
Music Director & Organist | Sheila Bristow
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Lectors | Barbara Bolles, Rajia Droste
Ushers | Brian Andvik, Laura Carroll
Greeters | Beth Gudmundson, Mo Godman
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Welcome Table | Sylvia Dunning
Coffee Hour | Jannie Best, Sue Bunn, Dick Eversole, Judy Jackson, Joy & Isa Best

Our Mission

We are a community of faith that welcomes and values all people.

We commit to follow Christ, serve others, grow in faith,
and transform the world by sharing God's love.

Land Acknowledgment

St. Barnabas Episcopal Church acknowledges that the land on which we gather is within the ancestral territory of the "People of Clear Salt Water," the Suquamish People.

Expert fisherman, canoe builders, and basket weavers, the Suquamish live in harmony with the lands and waterways along Washington's Central Salish Sea as they have for thousands of years. Here, the Suquamish live and protect the land and waters of their ancestors for future generations as promised by the Point Elliot Treaty of 1855.

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