



St. Martin's Episcopal Church + Bridgewater, NJ
Sunday October 27, 2024



Twenty Third Sunday after Pentecost
Stewardship Season

Sung Mass
10:30 am

Blessed be God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

And blessed be God's kingdom now and forever, amen. !

Song of Praise

Through north and south and east and west May God's im-mor-tal name be

blessed: Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Till

ev' - ry - where be - neath the sun, God's reign be - gins; God's will is

done: Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le -

lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

The Collect of the Day

Almighty and everlasting God, increase in us the gifts of faith, hope, and charity; and, that we may obtain what you promise, make us love what you command; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

A Reading from Job

Please be seated.

Job answered the Lord: "I know that you can do all things, and that no purpose of yours can be thwarted. 'Who is this that hides counsel without knowledge?' Therefore I have uttered what I did not understand, things too wonderful for me, which I did not know. 'Hear, and I will speak; I will question you, and you declare to me.' I had heard of you by the hearing of the ear, but now my eye sees you; therefore I despise myself, and repent in dust and ashes.

And the Lord restored the fortunes of Job when he had prayed for his friends; and the Lord gave Job twice as much as he had before. Then there came to him all his brothers and sisters and all who had known him before, and they ate bread with him in his house; they showed him sympathy and comforted him for all the evil that the Lord had brought upon him; and each of them gave him a piece of money and a gold ring. The Lord blessed the latter days of Job more than his beginning; and he had fourteen thousand sheep, six thousand camels, a thousand yoke of oxen, and a thousand donkeys. He also had seven sons and three daughters. He named the first Jemimah, the second Keziah, and the third Keren-happuch. In all the land there were no women so beautiful as Job's daughters; and their father gave them an inheritance along with their brothers. After this Job lived for one hundred and forty years, and saw his children, and his children's children, four generations. And Job died, old and full of days.

The Word of the Lord. *Thanks be to God.*

Psalm 126

The Cantor sings the verses and the people join in to sing the antiphon



When the Lord restored the fortunes of Zion, then were we like those who dream.
Then was our mouth filled with laughter, and our tongue with shouts of joy.
Then they said among the nations, "The Lord has done great things for them."
The Lord has done great things for us, and we are glad indeed. **Antiphon**

Restore our fortunes, O Lord, like the watercourses of the Negev.
Those who sowed with tears will reap with songs of joy.
Those who go out weeping, carrying the seed,
will come again with joy, shouldering their sheaves. **Antiphon**

A Reading from Hebrews

The former priests were many in number, because they were prevented by death from continuing in office; but Jesus holds his priesthood permanently, because he continues forever. Consequently he is able for all time to save those who approach God through him, since he always lives to make intercession for them. For it was fitting that we should have such a high priest, holy, blameless, undefiled, separated from sinners, and exalted above the heavens. Unlike the other high priests, he has no need to offer sacrifices day after day, first for his own sins, and then for those of the people; this he did once for all when he offered himself. For the law appoints as high priests those who are subject to weakness, but the word of the oath, which came later than the law, appoints a Son who has been made perfect forever. The Word of the Lord. *Thanks be to God.*

The Gospel Acclamation

Please stand as able

The Alleluia is sung by a Cantor, then repeated by all.

Al- le- lu----- ia. Al- le - lu---

Ia----- Al- le- lu--- ia

V: Our Savior Jesus Christ destroyed death and brought life to light through the Gospel. *Alleluia*

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark. *Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

Jesus and his disciples came to Jericho. As he and his disciples and a large crowd were leaving Jericho, Bartimaeus son of Timaeus, a blind beggar, was sitting by the roadside. When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout out and say, “Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!” Many sternly ordered him to be quiet, but he cried out even more loudly, “Son of David, have mercy on me!” Jesus stood still and said, “Call him here.” And they called the blind man, saying to him, “Take heart; get up, he is calling you.” So throwing off his cloak, he sprang up and came to Jesus. Then Jesus said to him, “What do you want me to do for you?” The blind man said to him, “My teacher, let me see again.” Jesus said to him, “Go; your faith has made you well.” Immediately he regained his sight and followed him on the way.

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

The Homily

The Nicene Creed *Please stand*

The Prayers of the People *Remain standing, or kneel*

Confession and Absolution

The Peace and Welcome

BCP, 358

BCP, 388

BCP, 360

Please be seated

Offertory Anthem *Hark I Hear the Harps Eternal*

Hark I hear the harps eternal ringing on the farther shore
As I near those swollen waters with their deep and solemn roar
Hallelujah, praise the Lamb! Glory to the great I am

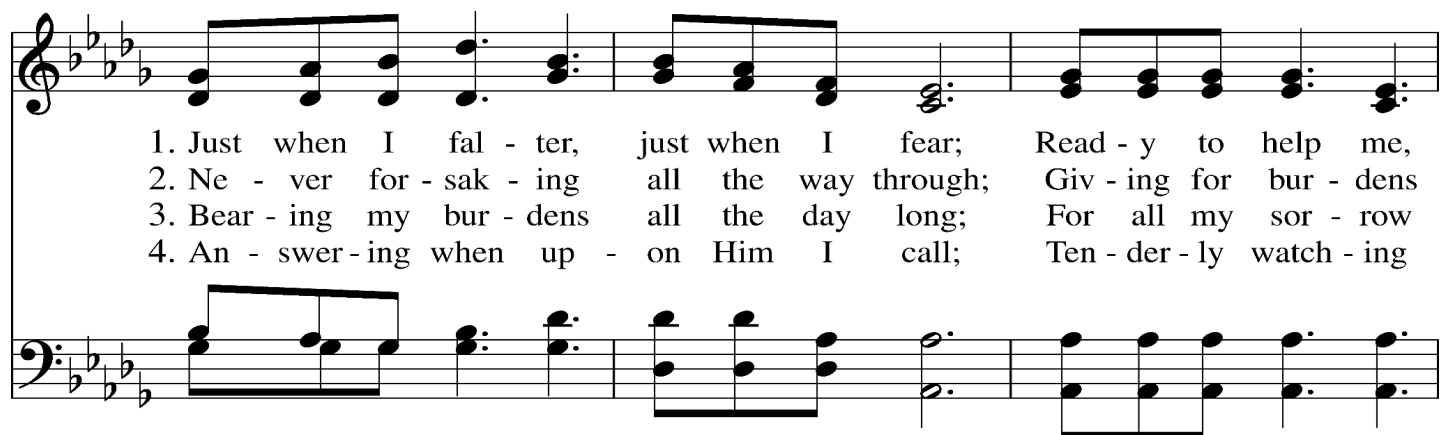
And my soul though stained with sorrow, fading as the light of day
Passes swiftly o'er those waters to the city far away.
Hallelujah, praise the Lamb! Glory to the great I am

Souls have crossed before me saintly to that land of perfect rest
And I hear them singing faintly in the mansions of the blest.
Hallelujah, praise the Lamb! Glory to the great I am

Offertory Hymn



1. Just when I need Him, Je - sus is near,
2. Just when I need Him, Je - sus is true,
3. Just when I need Him, Je - sus is strong,
4. Just when I need Him, He is my all,



1. Just when I fal - ter, just when I fear; Read - y to help me,
2. Ne - ver for - sak - ing all the way through; Giv - ing for bur - dens
3. Bear - ing my bur - dens all the day long; For all my sor - row
4. An - swer - ing when up - on Him I call; Ten - der - ly watch - ing



1. read - y to cheer, Just when I need Him most.____
2. plea - sures a - new, Just when I need Him most.____
3. giv - ing a song, Just when I need Him most.____
4. lest I should fall, Just when I need Him most.____

Just when I need Him most, — Just when I need Him most; —

Je-sus is near to com-fort and cheer, Just when I need Him most. —

Prayer over the Offerings: O God, who in the one perfect sacrifice brought to completion the offerings of the law, accept, we pray, this sacrifice from your faithful servants and make it holy, as you blessed the gifts of Abel, so that what each has offered to the honor of your majesty may benefit the salvation of all. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving:

Sursum Corda

Blue Hymnal S 120

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth through Jesus Christ our Lord... Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,

heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na

in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the

The Eucharistic Prayer continues in the Book of Common Prayer, page 362

**Our Father
Fraction and Lamb of God**

*BCP, 364
Music Insert*

**Priest: Behold the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world.
Happy are they who are called to his Supper.**

*The people may silently pray:
Lord, I am not worthy to receive you, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.*

Holy Communion

All are welcome to receive the Body and Blood of Christ in this most Blessed Sacrament. Many of us kneel to receive Communion, but you may stand if you desire.

Communion Hymns



1 We stand with-in the cir - cle of Christ's e - ter - nal light.
2 We live by faith he gives us, our food the bread and wine.
3 We sing with shin - ing voic - es, made wor - thy by his light.



No more to walk in dark - ness, no more to live by sight.
And ev - er lift our prais - es be - yond life's earth - ly signs.
Ho - san - na in the high - est, Christ, morn - ing's star burns bright.

Amazing Grace

Blue Hymnal, 671

Post-Communion Prayer

Book of Common Prayer, 365

The Blessing and Dismissal

Closing Hymn *O Bless the Lord, My Soul* vv.1, 4-6

Blue Hymnal, 411

The Altar Flowers are given to the Glory of God by Karen Birkhead in memory of her mother, Mary Ayers.

Serving Today

Thurifer: Michael Maloney Crucifer: Alex Kellam Reader: Carl Picazio

Euch. Min: Kathy Picazio Choir: Alison Jandek, Beth Hixenbaugh, Jane Maloney, Rob Vernon

Ushers: Todd Hendrickson Organist: Kathy Shanklin Celebrant: Fr. Rob Laws

Please keep in your prayers:

Evelyn, Michael, Adam, Brent M., Anna Rose, Joe, Jeff, Pat, Brian, Pete, Laura, Susan, Jordan