

**St. Paul's, Brunswick
Non-Traditional Eucharist
Sunday October 27, 2024**

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We acknowledge that we stand on territory that was taken from the Abenaki people of the Wabanaki Confederacy, the people of the Dawnland. May we always remember that the Earth does not belong to us, that we belong to the Earth, and that we are all companions in life. May we learn from our past sins and be instruments of justice and peace for all people in today's world. We ask for inspiration that we might be compelled to take action and support our native neighbors as they continue to seek their sovereignty here in Maine.



Opening Song: Make a Joyful Noise Art: pixabay.com

Make a joyful noise unto the Lord, all the earth,
make a joyful noise unto the Lord! (x2)

Make a loud noise, and rejoice, sing praises,
Make a joyful noise unto the Lord! (x2)

Celebrant: God is here!

Response: God is here!

Celebrant: Let us bless God!

Response: Let us bless God!

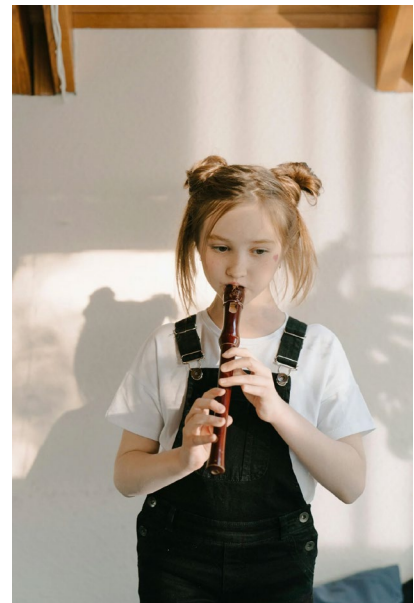
Celebrant: Glory to you, God, for ever!

Response: Glory to you, God, for ever!

Celebrant: God be with you.

Response: And also with you

Celebrant: Let us pray together.



Collect (Collect Assigned for the Day) Art: pexels.com

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.*

First Reading, Hebrews 7:23-28 *(adapted from the Order of St. Helena) art:*
Reader (*Lector*): 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.

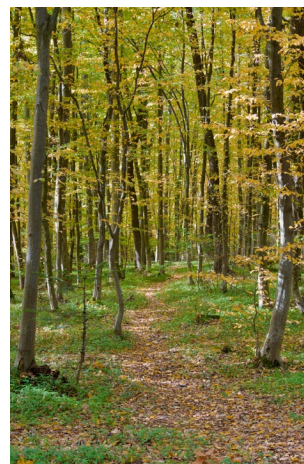
Reader (*Lector*): Hear what the Spirit is saying to the people.

People: Thanks be to God!

Song: All who hunger, gather gladly, WLP #761 Art: pizabay.com

All who hunger, gather gladly
Holy manna is our bread
Come from wilderness and wand'ring
Here in truth we will be fed
You that yearn for days of fullness
All around us is our food
Taste and see the grace eternal
Taste and see that God is good
All who hunger, never strangers
Seeker, be a welcome guest
Come from restlessness and roaming
Here in joy we keep the feast
We that once were lost and scattered
In communion's love have stood
Taste and see the grace eternal
Taste and see that God is good

All who hunger, sing together
Jesus Christ is living bread
Come from loneliness and longing
Here in peace we have been fed
Blest are those who from this table
Live their days in gratitude
Taste and see the grace eternal
Taste and see that God is good.



Gospel Reading, Mark 10:46-52 *from the NRSV art: Jesus Mafa Collection*

Deacon: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

People: 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.



Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Homily / Sharing Time

Stewardship Speaker

Prayers Let us pray for the life of the world...

For the things we are thankful for...
 For our loved ones ...
 For those who teach us...
 For those who lead us...
 For the sick and poor...
 For ourselves...



We gather our prayers and lift them up to God who knows and loves us.
 Amen.

Confession and Absolution

Is there anything you did that you are sorry for? Silently think about it in your mind.

Deacon: Lord God, we are sorry for the times we have been unkind, Lord have mercy.

ALL: Lord have mercy.

Deacon: Lord God, we are sorry for the times we have forgotten you, Christ have mercy.

ALL: Christ have mercy.

Deacon: Lord God, we ask you to forgive us, Lord have mercy.

ALL: Lord have mercy.

Prayer For Forgiveness

Celebrant: Holy God, have mercy upon you, forgive you all your sins, and bring you to eternal life.

ALL: Amen.

Special Blessings/ Prayers *(do you have a birthday/ anniversary/ something special you'd like us to pray for?)*

Watch over your children, God, as their days increase; bless and guide them wherever they may be. Bring them comfort when they are sad or

sick, help them up if they fall, and bring your peace into their hearts.
Amen.

Peace

Leader: The Peace of Christ be always with you!

People: And also with you!

Announcements

Offertory Music (*the parade to bring up the elements while collection plate is passed*)

Great Thanksgiving

God 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 God thanks and praise.

Celebrant: God, in your goodness you are the Creator of all. You have brought into being the beauty of creation and our own humanity where we see your divine diversity and presence in every living thing. We give thanks for all of creation and know that you have always loved us and desired what is good for us. And so, you sent Jesus your Son to be one of us. He died to redeem us and all Creation. Jesus rose from the dead to give us new life and make the world new. That's why we shout out our praise! We shout with the throngs of angels, archangels and with all the heavenly host. We shout our praise together:

**Holy, Holy, Holy LORD,
God of power and might.**

Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

We bring you bread and wine as our offering. Bless them with your Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus.

On the night of his last supper with his friends, Jesus took bread, gave thanks to God for it, broke it apart, shared it with his friends, and said, "Take, eat. This bread is my Body which is given for you. Do this to remember me."

After they finished supper, he took the cup of wine. Jesus gave thanks to God and said to his friends, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood which is poured out for you. It is poured out for all to save us from our sins. Drink this to remember me."

Therefore, we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died! Christ is risen! Christ will come again!

Gather us up by this bread and wine and make us the Body of Christ in faithful community. Make us new people in Christ's Spirit. By Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, now and for ever. **AMEN!**

The Lord's Prayer

Our God in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever. Amen.

Fraction (*break bread*)

Be known to us Jesus in the breaking of the bread. We are the communion of Christ's Body.

We share one bread together.

Invitation Holy Food for Holy People.

Administration of Sacrament The body of Christ, the bread of life! The Blood of Christ, the Cup of Salvation.

Communion Hymn: All shall be well, MBH #12 *Art: pixabay.com*

All shall be well,
and all shall be well,
and all manner of things shall be well.



Thanksgiving (Post Communion Prayer) – Loving God, we are grateful for the love that we share in this community and in Your Holy Food. Send us into the world to listen to our neighbors with hearts of love, and to share the Good News of Jesus. Amen.

Blessing

Life is short, and we do not have much time to gladden the hearts of those who travel with us. So, be swift to love, and make haste to be kind. And may the blessing of God, who made us, who saves us, and who travels with us be with you now and forever. Amen.

Song: We are Marching in the Light of God

We Are Marching In	We Are Marching	Oooo
The Light Of God	Oooo	We Are Living In The
We Are Marching In	We Are Marching In	Love Of God
The Light Of God	The Light Of God	We Are Living,
We Are Marching In		Living
The Light Of God	We Are Living In The	We Are Living
We Are Marching In	Love Of God	Oooo
The Light Of God	We Are Living In The	We Are Living In The
We Are Marching,	Love Of God	Love Of God
Marching	We Are Living In The	
We Are Marching	Love Of God	We Are Moving In
Oooo	We Are Living In The	The Power Of God
We Are Marching In	Love Of God	We Are Moving In
The Light Of God	We Are Living,	The Power Of God
We Are Marching,	Living	
Marching	We Are Living	

We Are Moving In
The Power Of God
We Are Moving In
The Power Of God
We Are Moving,
Moving

We Are Moving
Oooo
We Are Moving In
The Power Of God
We Are Moving,
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Dismissal

Leader: Let us go forth in the love and peace of Jesus to serve our neighbors! Alleluia! Alleluia!

People: Thanks be to God! Alleluia! Alleluia!