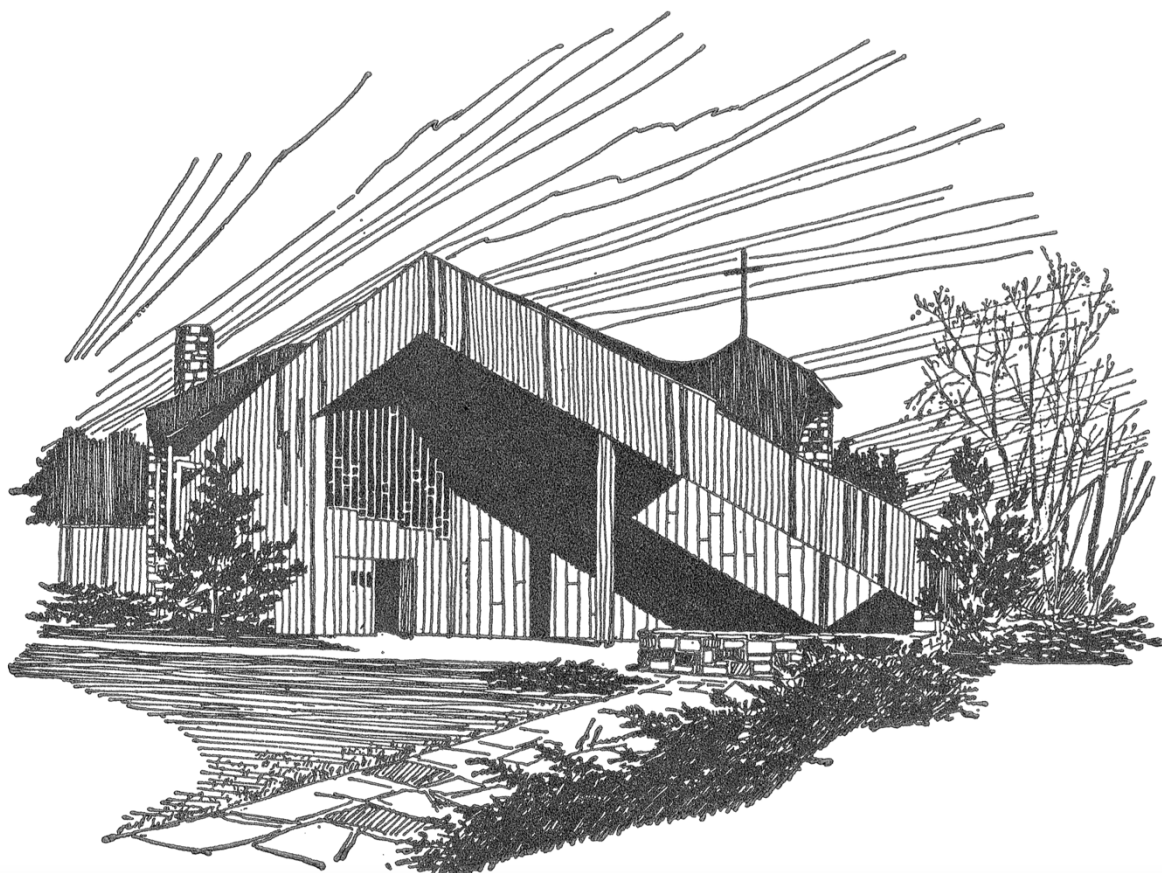


SAINT BARNABAS CHURCH

GREENWICH, CONNECTICUT



THE HOLY EUCHARIST • 10AM
THE NINTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
JULY 26, 2026

WELCOME TO SAINT BARNABAS

We are an Episcopal church seeking friendship with God and one another in Jesus Christ. We are delighted you're here.

We worship using the Book of Common Prayer. The prayer book contains modern versions of services that go back to the early church and were given new life by the Reformation in England. We make our own the prayers of followers of Jesus across time and around the world. The page numbers marked **BCP** are found in the red book, the prayer book. The **Hymns** are found in our church's hymnal, the blue book.

There are two parts to our service this morning. We encounter the God of Jesus Christ first in the reading of Scripture, opened up to us in a new way today through the sermon. Then we encounter God in an especially intimate way by receiving the sacrament.

We pray that wherever you are on your spiritual journey, God will give you new hope and strength for your life through our common prayer.

The Holy Eucharist

Prelude

Meditation on Love Unknown

Francis Jackson

Hymn 379

God is love

Abbot's Leigh

Liturgy of the Word

All standing, the Celebrant says

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

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

Gloria in excelsis deo

David Bednall

All sung together

Fast and lively

Org. *f* Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and

5 peace to his peo - ple on earth. Lord God, hea - ven - ly King, al -

9 - migh - ty God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we

13 *mp* praise you for your glo - ry. Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the

18
Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take a - way the

22
sin of the world: have mer - cy on us; you are seat-ed at the

27
right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer. Org.

32 *f*
For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the

35
Lord, you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ,

40
with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther.

44 *ff* *rit.*
A - - men, a - - men, a - - men.

Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, the protector of all who trust in you, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy: Increase and multiply upon us your mercy; that, with you as our ruler and guide, we may so pass through things temporal, that we lose not the things eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Please be seated.

First Lesson 1 Kings 3: 5-12

A Reading from the First Book of Kings.

At Gibeon the Lord appeared to Solomon in a dream by night; and God said, "Ask what I should give you." And Solomon said, "You have shown great and steadfast love to your servant my father David, because he walked before you in faithfulness, in righteousness, and in uprightness of heart toward you; and you have kept for him this great and steadfast love, and have given him a son to sit on his throne today. And now, O Lord my God, you have made your servant king in place of my father David, although I am only a little child; I do not know how to go out or come in. And your servant is in the midst of the people whom you have chosen, a great people, so

numerous they cannot be numbered or counted. Give your servant therefore an understanding mind to govern your people, able to discern between good and evil; for who can govern this your great people?" It pleased the Lord that Solomon had asked this. God said to him, "Because you have asked this, and have not asked for yourself long life or riches, or for the life of your enemies, but have asked for yourself understanding to discern what is right, I now do according to your word. Indeed I give you a wise and discerning mind; no one like you has been before you and no one like you shall arise after you."

The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Please remain seated.

Psalm 119, vv. 129-136

Richard Massey

Sung by the cantor

- 129 Thy testimonies are wonderful :
therefore doth my soul keep them.
- 130 When thy word goeth forth :
it giveth light and understanding unto the simple.
- 131 I opened my mouth, and drew in my breath :
for my delight was in thy commandments.
- 132 O look thou upon me, and be merciful unto me :
as thou usest to do unto those that love thy Name.

133 Order my steps in thy word :
 and so shall no wickedness have dominion over me.

134 O deliver me from the wrongful dealings of men :
 and so shall I keep thy commandments.

135 Shew the light of thy countenance upon thy servant :
 and teach me thy statutes.

136 Mine eyes gush out with water :
 because men keep not thy law.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son :
 and to the Holy Ghost;
 As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be :
 world without end. Amen.

Second Reading Romans 8: 26-39

A Reading from the Letter of Paul to the Romans.

The Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes with sighs too deep for words. And God, who searches the heart, knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God. We know that all things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to his purpose. For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the firstborn within a large family. And those whom he predestined he also called; and those whom he called he also justified; and those whom he justified he also glorified. What then are we to say about these things? If God is for us,

who is against us? He who did not withhold his own Son, but gave him up for all of us, will he not with him also give us everything else? Who will bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. Who is to condemn? It is Christ Jesus, who died, yes, who was raised, who is at the right hand of God, who indeed intercedes for us. Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will hardship, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? As it is written, "For your sake we are being killed all day long; we are accounted as sheep to be slaughtered." No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor

depth, nor anything else in all creation,
will be able to separate us from the love
of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

All stand as you are able.

Hymn

Be thou my vision
Slane

1. Be thou my vi - sion O Lord of my heart,
2. Be thou my wis - dom be thou my true word,
be all else but naught to me and save that thou art,
be thou ev - er with me and I with thee Lord,
be thou my best thought in the day and the night,
be thou my great Fa - ther and I thy true one,
both wa - king and sleep - ing thy pre - sence my light,
be thou in me dwell - ing and I with thee one.

Holy Gospel Matthew 13: 31-33, 44-52

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

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

Jesus put before the crowds another parable: "The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed that someone took and sowed in his field; it is the smallest of all the seeds, but when it has grown it is the greatest of shrubs and becomes a tree, so that the birds of the air come and make nests in its branches." He told them another

parable: "The kingdom of heaven is like yeast that a woman took and mixed in with three measures of flour until all of it was leavened." "The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which someone found and hid; then in his joy he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field. "Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant in

search of fine pearls; on finding one pearl of great value, he went and sold all that he had and bought it. "Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a net that was thrown into the sea and caught fish of every kind; when it was full, they drew it ashore, sat down, and put the good into baskets but threw out the bad. So it will be at the end of the age. The angels will come out and separate

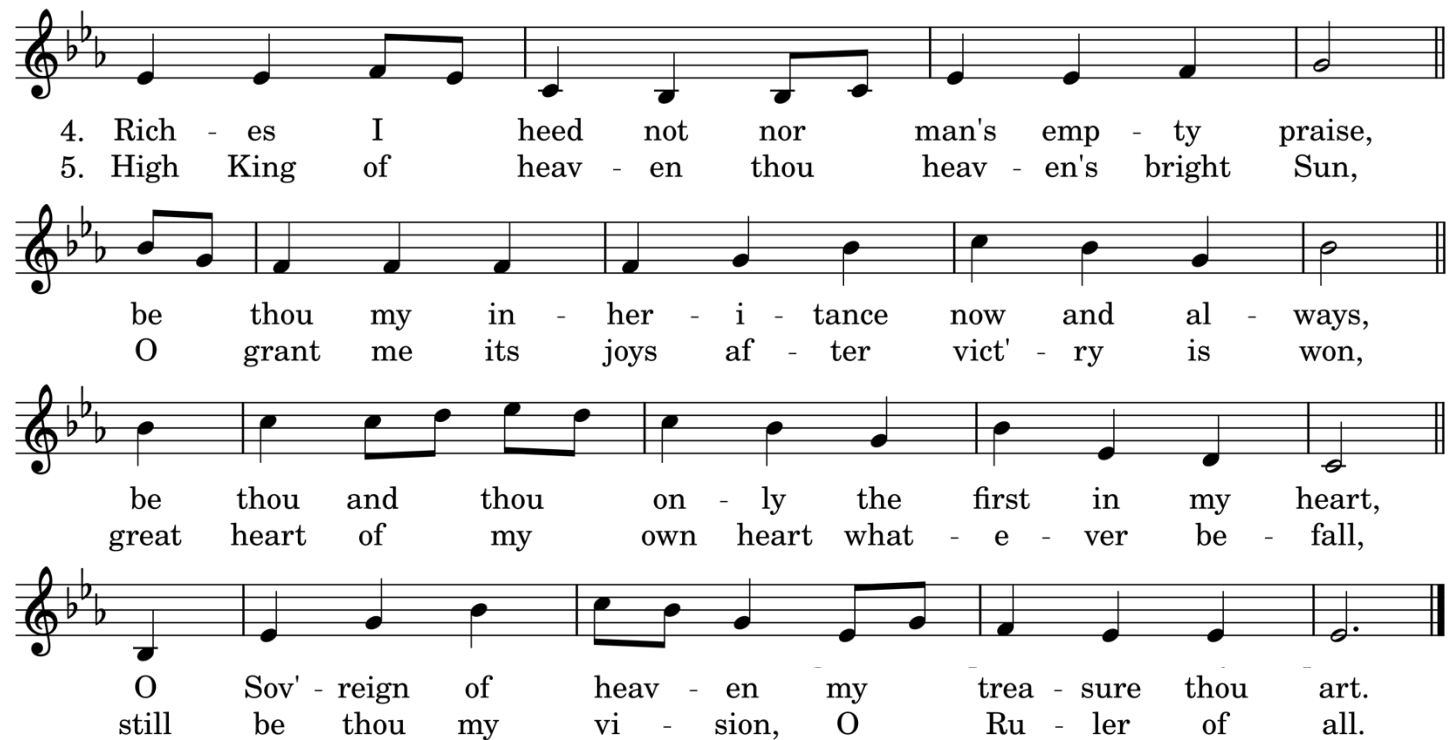
the evil from the righteous and throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. "Have you understood all this?" They answered, "Yes." And he said to them, "Therefore every scribe who has been trained for the kingdom of heaven is like the master of a household who brings out of his treasure what is new and what is old."

The Gospel of the Lord.

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

Hymn

Slane



4. Rich - es I heed not nor man's emp - ty praise,
 5. High King of heav - en thou heav - en's bright Sun,
 be thou my in - her - i - tance now and al - ways,
 O grant me its joys af - ter vict' - ry is won,
 be thou and thou on - ly the first in my heart,
 great heart of my own heart what - e - ver be - fall,
 O Sov' - reign of heav - en my trea - sure thou art.
 still be thou my vi - sion, O Ru - ler of all.

Sermon

The Rev. Phoebe Oler

All stand as you are able.

The Nicene Creed

BCP 358

The Prayers of the People

With one heart and mind, let us pray to the Lord:

That the power of your Spirit may strengthen us to love and to serve you more each day. Lord, in your mercy:

hear our prayer.

That the wisdom of your Spirit would bring about the increase of cooperation and understanding among people, leaders, and nations. Lord, in your mercy:

hear our prayer.

That the peace of your Spirit would keep us confident in your love wherever you may call us. Lord, in your mercy:

hear our prayer.

That the gifts of your Spirit would be apparent in the lives of our families and children. Lord, in your mercy:

hear our prayer.

That the healing of your Spirit would descend upon all in need of it, to bring them reconciliation and wholeness, healing and hope. Lord, in your mercy:

hear our prayer.

That the life of your Spirit, given us by the risen Christ, would keep your whole Church, living and departed, in the joy of eternal life. Lord, in your mercy:

hear our prayer.

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect and then bids the Confession. All sit or kneel.

**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 neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we 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.**

The Celebrant stands and says the Absolution.

The Peace

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Announcements

The Holy Communion

Music at the Offertory

Improvisation

All stand as you are able.

The Great Thanksgiving Prayer C

BCP 369

Sanctus & Benedictus

David Bednall

All sung together

Majestic

Slower

All kneel or stand as you are able.

The Breaking of the Bread

A period of silence is kept.

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
People **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

The sacrament is distributed under the forms of both bread and wine at the altar rail. If you need the sacrament to be brought to your pew, please let the usher know. You may receive the sacrament according to your custom. Most often, we receive the bread in the upturned palms of our hands, and we receive the wine either by sipping from the chalice or by dipping the bread in the wine (known as intinction).

Receiving the sacrament in only one kind is, spiritually, a full and complete communion, and you need not receive the wine. Gluten-free wafers are available; please let the priest know if you need one. To receive a blessing rather than the sacrament, please indicate this to the priest by crossing your arms over your chest.

Music at Communion

Guide me, O thou great Jehovah
Traditional Appalachian

Prayer after Communion

BCP 365

The Blessing

All stand as you are able.

Hymn 410

Praise my soul
Lauda anima

Dismissal

Postlude

Sinfonia from Cantata no.29
Johann Sebastian Bach

Please Remember These People in Your Prayers

Betty, Blake, Chase, Elizabeth, Emily, Felix, Debra, Diane, Dominic, Gladys, Hallie, Heather, Henry, Janet, Joan, John, Judy, Lila, Liz, Mariana, Melody, Marie, Nicole, Nina, Paulette, Sable, and Shirley

Those in the Armed Forces: Crawford, Henry, Logan, Parker, Peter, Mary Rose, and Morgan.

COMING UP

Small Groups

Father Justin's Bible Study, Biweekly. Our next meeting at Coffee for Good will be in the fall. This group, open to all, follows the podcast.

Rev. Phoebe's Book Group. Next group meets in August after the 10AM service. (Childcare provided in the nursery). Stay tuned for exact date and book announcement!



Thank you everyone for joining Sunday Summer Church! Mark your calendars — beginning September 13th, we'll resume our regular Children's and Youth Church and can't wait to see everyone back!

Abraham and AI



Father Justin is sharing his summer sermons on Abraham and AI as a podcast! Share them with friends or family, and keep up to speed spiritually in your summer rhythm. As we face a future where AI can provide advice, comfort, and even religious guidance, we must ask

ourselves: are we settling for the artificial when the awesome is available? The church's mission isn't to compete with chatbots in dispensing therapeutic advice, but to facilitate genuine encounters with God that change lives. In Jacob's dream at Bethel, a ladder connects heaven and earth. Jacob's response upon waking, 'How awesome is this place,' becomes the key to understanding spiritual experience. Sometimes when we encounter beauty, whether in nature or worship, the experience stares back at us, demanding change and commitment. This isn't just aesthetic appreciation; it's an encounter with the Lord. This message calls us, and the church, to pursue the abundant life Jesus promised, grounded in knowing we are uniquely loved, made for relationship, and called to moral agency and aspiration.

Join St. Barnabas at Pacific House Tuesday, July 28 at 5:15PM

Each month, St. Barnabas provides and serves food to the residents of Pacific House, a shelter for housing insecure men in Stamford. Please join the St. Barnabas faithful at our July dinner at Pacific House, Tuesday, July 28. We meet at 5:15PM at the shelter: 597 Pacific Street, Stamford. **We are still looking for people to serve next week!** Please sign up on our website to confirm what you can bring or how you can serve so we can avoid duplications. Thank you for serving!

Changemakers Update!



A big thank-you to all the kids who took part in our Changemakers program this season! Together, our young changemakers collected spare change from home and turned it into something powerful — **\$177** for Inspirica, an organization serving families in Stamford facing homelessness and hardship. Every coin counted, and your generosity is a wonderful reminder that even small acts of kindness can make a real difference.

OPUS ONE

MARNUS GREYLING

Sunday, August 16 | 3pm



An eclectic organ recital
presented on the acclaimed
Richards, Fowkes & Co. organ
of St Barnabas Greenwich



Music from
England, France, Sweden,
Romania, America, & more



BOOKING IS
ESSENTIAL



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in support of
our concert series
includes a wine reception



SAINT BARNABAS GREENWICH

Leaders in Worship This Morning

Preacher & Celebrant	The Reverend Phoebe Oler
Altar Guild	Mary Ellen LeBien Alicia Orrick
Eucharistic Minister	Susan Jackson
Director of Music	Marnus Greyling
Soloist	Barbara Zay
Readers	Mary Ellen LeBien Jonathan Simon
Intercessor	Harry Fisher
Ushers	Jinny Sammis Mary Ellen LeBien
Coffee Hour Host	St. Barnabas

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We would love to get to know you, and to support you in your spiritual life. You can use this QR code to share your information with us, sign up for our e-news, or request a call from a priest or member of the staff. We look forward to hearing from you.



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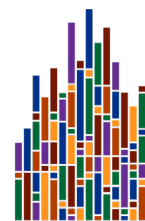
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