

THE EASTER THRESHOLD



Welcome to our service today

ST BARNABAS CHURCH 19-APRIL-26

Gathering for Worship

God is able to provide us with every blessing in abundance, so that by always having enough of everything, we may share abundantly in every good work.

2 Corinthians 9.8



Gathering for Worship

Let everything be said and done
in the name of the Lord Jesus,
giving thanks to God
through Jesus Christ.



Gathering for Worship

Let us bring our gifts today to our
heavenly Father

**that they may
be used for his glory.**



Gathering for Worship

May the Spirit of God fill our hearts
as we come
to meet him in this place.



Gathering for Worship

Our opening hymn is

King of Glory, King of Peace

A&M 698



**King of glory, King of peace,
I will love thee;
and that love may never cease,
I will move thee.
Thou hast granted my request,
thou hast heard me;
thou didst note my working breast,
thou hast spared me.**



**Wherefore with my utmost art
I will sing thee,
and the cream of all my heart
I will bring thee.**

**Though my sins against me cried,
thou didst clear me;
and alone, when they replied,
thou didst hear me.**

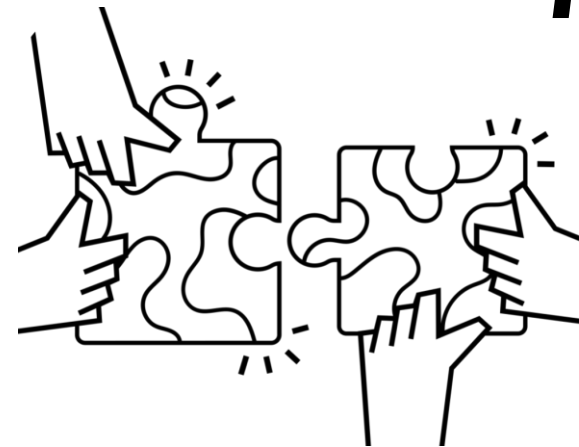


**Seven whole days, not one in seven,
I will praise thee;
In my heart, though not in heaven,
I can raise thee.
Small it is, in this poor sort
to enrol thee:
e'en eternity's too short
to extol thee.**



Today's Reflections

Shall we play a game?



Today's Reflections

We choose to be known for
Our open door
Our joyful hearts
Our trust in God and
Our willingness to help



Today's Reflections

Luke 24:13-35



Responding to God's Presence

Generous Father,
when you are at work in the life we share
together and in the small things we offer,
open our eyes to recognise you

LORD HAVE MERCY



Responding to God's Presence

Jesus our gracious companion,
when we walk the road and do not yet
recognise your presence among us,
and our hope feels distant or unclear

CHRIST HAVE MERCY



Responding to God's Presence

Gentle Spirit,
when we hold back what we have,
our time, our attention, our welcome,
and fail to make space for others,

LORD HAVE MERCY



Celebrating God's Presence

May the God of love
bring us back to himself,
forgive us our sins,
and assure us of his eternal love
in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.



Celebrating God's Presence

Our gospel hymn is

Spirit of the Living God

A&M 263



Spirit of the Living God,
Fall afresh on me,
Spirit of the Living God,
Fall afresh on me.



Break me, melt me,
mould me, fill me.
Spirit of the Living God,
Fall afresh on me.



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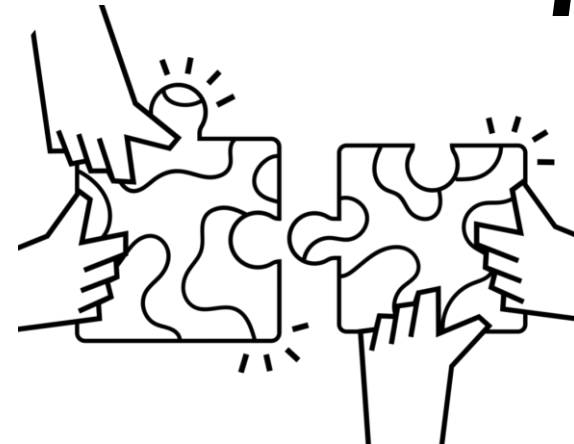


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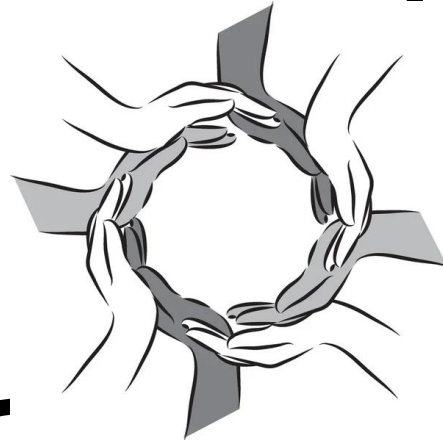
Today's Reflections

*Thinking together
about our stewardship*



Responding in Faith

Our hymn of preparation is
We Plough the Fields
A&M 290



**We plough the fields, and scatter
the good seed on the land,
but it is fed and watered
by God's almighty hand:
he sends the snow in winter,
the warmth to swell the grain,
the breezes, and the sunshine,
and soft refreshing rain.**



*All good gifts around us
are sent from heaven above;
then thank the Lord,
O thank the Lord, for all his love.*



**He only is the maker
of all things near and far;
he paints the wayside flower,
he lights the evening star;
the winds and waves obey him,
by him the birds are fed;
much more to us, his children.
he gives our daily bread.**



*All good gifts around us
are sent from heaven above;
then thank the Lord,
O thank the Lord, for all his love.*



**We thank thee then, our Father,
for all things bright and good,
the seed-time and the harvest,
our life, our health, our food.
accept the gifts we offer
for all thy love imparts,
and, what thou most desirest,
our humble, thankful hearts.**



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are sent from heaven above;
then thank the Lord,
O thank the Lord, for all his love.*



Today's Reflections

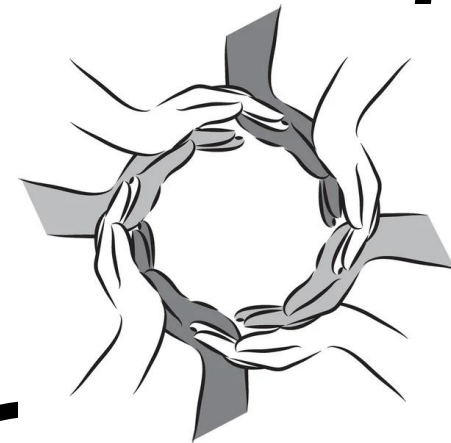
... from Hope to Holiness ...

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Responding in Faith

Today's Intercessions



Thanksgivings

Ubi caritas et amor,
Ubi caritas, Deus ibi est.

Translation:

Where charity and love are, there is God.

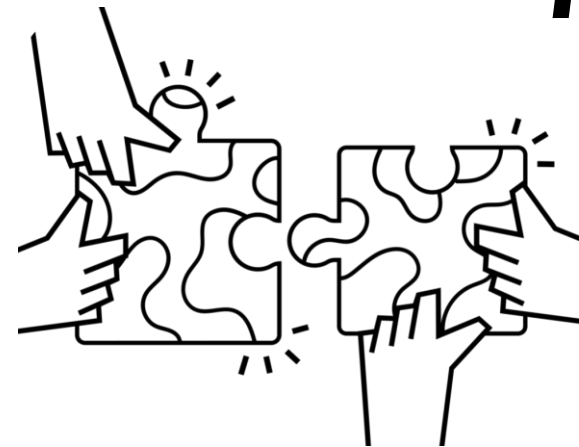


Church Family News

We hear this week's notices

Today's Reflections

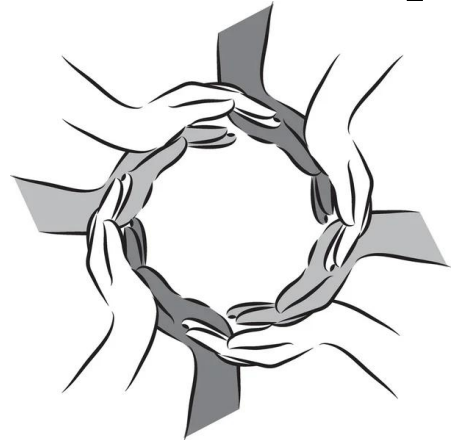
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Responding in Faith

Do you believe and trust in God the Father, source of all being and life, the one for whom we exist?

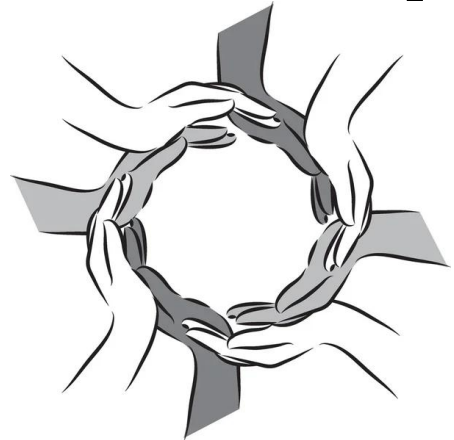
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Responding in Faith

Do you believe and trust in God the Son, who took our human nature, died for us and rose again?

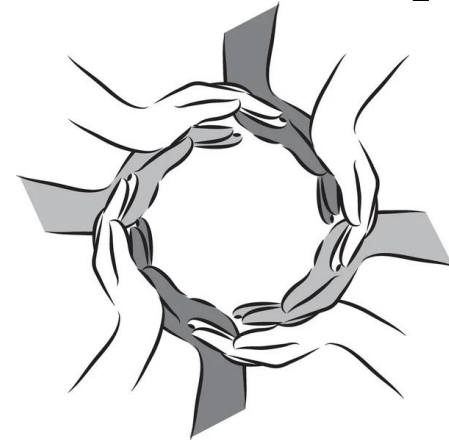
We believe and trust in him.



Responding in Faith

Do you believe and trust in God the Holy Spirit, who gives life to the people of God and makes Christ known in the world?

We believe and trust in him.



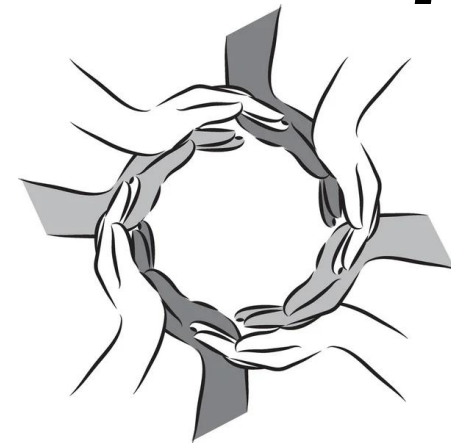
Responding in Faith

This is the faith of the Church.

This is our faith.

**We believe and trust in one God,
Father, Son and Holy Spirit.**

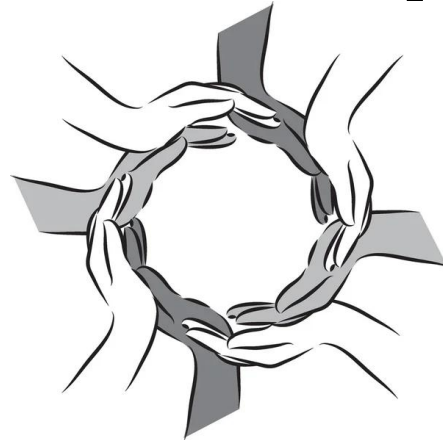
Amen.



Responding in Faith

Risen Christ, you filled your disciples with boldness and fresh hope: strengthen us to proclaim your risen life and fill us with your peace, to the glory of God the Father.

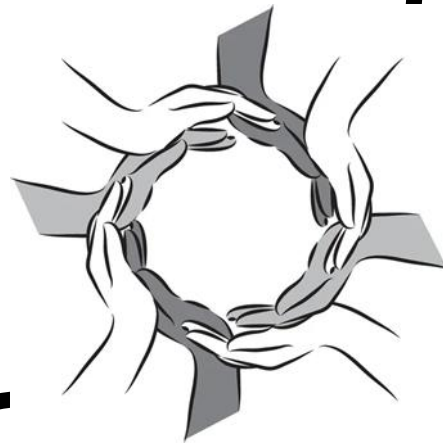
Amen



Prayers at the Table

Offering ourselves into the hands
of God, as our Saviour taught us,
so we pray

Our Father in heaven ...



Blessings & Farewell

The Lord, the Holy Spirit,

is among us:

who will lead us in God's holy way.

To God almighty,

Father, Son and Holy Spirit,

be praise and glory today

and for ever. Amen.



Thanksgivings

Our hymn of celebration

The Lord's My Shepherd

A&M 800



**The Lord's my Shepherd I'll not want
He makes me lie in pastures green
He leads me by the still still waters
His goodness restores my soul**

And I will trust in You alone,

And I will trust in You alone,

For Your endless mercy follows me,

Your goodness will lead me home.



**He guides my ways in righteousness,
And He anoints my head with oil,
And my cup, it overflows with joy,
I feast on His pure delights.**

And I will trust in You alone,

And I will trust in You alone,

For Your endless mercy follows me,

Your goodness will lead me home.

**And though I walk the darkest path,
I will not fear the evil one,
For You are with me, and Your rod and staff
Are the comfort I need to know.**

*And I will trust in You alone,
And I will trust in You alone,
For Your endless mercy follows me,
Your goodness will lead me home.*

Blessings & Farewell

The Lord God almighty is our Father:
**who loves us
and tenderly cares for us.**

The Lord Jesus Christ is our Saviour:
**who has redeemed us
and will defend us to the end.**

