

The Book of Baruch

5:1-9

The Book of Baruch is found in the portion of the Bible called the Apocrypha. Baruch was the friend and scribe for the prophet Jeremiah.

Take off the garment of your sorrow and affliction, O Jerusalem, and put on forever the beauty of the glory from God. Put on the robe of the righteousness that comes from God; put on your head the diadem of the glory of the Everlasting; for God will show your splendor everywhere under heaven. For God will give you evermore the name, "Righteous Peace, Godly Glory." Arise, O Jerusalem, stand upon the height; look toward the east, and see your children gathered from west and east at the word of the Holy One, rejoicing that God has remembered them.

For they went out from you on foot, led away by their enemies; but God will bring them back to you, carried in glory, as on a royal throne. For God has ordered that every high mountain and the everlasting hills be made low and the valleys filled up, to make level ground so that Israel may walk safely in the glory of God. The woods and every fragrant tree have shaded Israel at God's command. For God will lead Israel with joy, in the light of his glory, with the mercy and righteousness that come from him.

Canticle 16

Gregorian Chant, Mode 1.7

After Zechariah's tongue was loosened following the birth of his son John, he offered this prophecy.

Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel; *
he has come to his people and set them free.

He has raised up for us a mighty savior, *
born of the house of his servant David.

Through his holy prophets he promised of old,
that he would save us from our enemies, *
from the hands of all who hate us.

He promised to show mercy to our fathers *
and to remember his holy covenant.

This was the oath he swore to our father Abraham, *
to set us free from the hands of our enemies,

Free to worship him without fear, *
holy and righteous in his sight all the days of our life.

You, my child, shall be called the prophet of the Most High, *
for you will go before the Lord to prepare his way,

To give his people knowledge of salvation *
by the forgiveness of their sins.

In the tender compassion of our God *
the dawn from on high shall break upon us,

To shine on those who dwell in darkness,
and the shadow of death, *
and to guide our feet into the way of peace.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: *
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

Paul's Letter to the Philippians

1: 3-11

Our Biblical "Philippians" may be a compilation of three different ones than Paul wrote to this beloved community.

I thank my God every time I remember you, constantly praying with joy in every one of my prayers for all of you, because of your sharing in the gospel from the first day until now. I am confident of this, that the one who began a good work among you will bring it to completion by the day of Jesus Christ. It is right for me to think this way about all of you, because you hold me in your heart, for all of you share in God's grace with me, both in my imprisonment and in the defense and confirmation of the gospel. For God is my witness, how I long for all of you with the compassion of Christ Jesus. And this is my prayer, that your love may overflow more and more with knowledge and full insight to help you to determine what is best, so that in the day of Christ you may be pure and blameless, having produced the harvest of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ for the glory and praise of God.

Gradual Hymn 75

Ascension

Pastor The Holy Gospel according to Luke

3: 1-6

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

The Word of God coming to John in an isolated place recalls the Hebrew Scripture prophets' preaching in the wilderness.

In the fifteenth year of the reign of Emperor Tiberius, when Pontius Pilate was governor of Judea, and Herod was ruler of Galilee, and his brother Philip ruler of the region of Ituraea and Trachonitis, and Lysanias ruler of Abilene, during the high priesthood of Annas and Caiaphas, the word of God came to John son of Zechariah in the wilderness. He went into all the region around the Jordan, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins, as it is written in the book of the words of the prophet Isaiah, "The voice of one crying out in the wilderness: 'Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight. Every valley shall be filled, and every mountain and hill shall be made low, and the crooked shall be made straight, and the rough ways made smooth; and all flesh shall see the salvation of God.'"

Pastor The Gospel of the Lord.

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

The Sermon

Pastor Heidi Truax

A time of silent reflection

The Nicene Creed

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The Prayers of the People

Father, we pray for all peoples throughout the world. May people who suffer, and are caught up in the midst of war in their lands, find peace through you;
That we all may be one.

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

That your Name may be glorified by all people.

We pray for all those in religious orders, for lay and ordained ministers, and all the holy people of God;

That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

We give thanks for the blessings of our lives. We lift up our thanksgivings (we leave time for people to say silently or aloud the things for which they are grateful). Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

That our works may find favor in your sight.

On our parish cycle of prayer we pray today for Daniel Deluca, and for Ginny and John Dildine and for their families;

That we may serve and love them, and one another, as Christ loves us.

Have compassion on those who suffer, especially (we read from the book and leave time for other names to be added). We pray for all who are afflicted with any grief or trouble;

That they may be delivered from their distress.

We pray for all those who have died, especially those who we name (we read from the book and leave time for other names to be added). Give to the departed eternal rest;

Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise you for all the saints, those we love in this world, and in the next;

May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

The Confession

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The Absolution

The Peace and the Announcements

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory Hymn 316

Canticum Refectionis

Doxology: Hymn 380, verse 3

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The Great Thanksgiving *Eucharistic Prayer B*

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Holy, Holy, Holy (*pew card*)

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The Lord's Prayer

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Fraction Anthem (*pew card*)

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Communion Anthem “Adoremus Te “ and “In pace”
by Orlando di Lasso (1532-1592)

Adoramus te, Christe

Adoramus te, Christe
et benedicimus tibi.
Quia per tuam sanctam crucem
redemisti mundum.
Domine, miserere nobis.

We adore you, Christ

We adore you, O Christ,
and we bless you.
For by your holy Cross
you redeemed the world.
Lord, have mercy on us.

In pace

In pace in idipsum dormiam, et requiescam;
quoniam tu, Domine, singulariter in spe constituisti me.

In peace and into the same I will sleep and rest,
for you alone, Lord, have established me in hope.

Communion Hymn 54

Nun komm, der Heiden Heiland

Postcommunion Prayer

O God, you made us in your own image and redeemed us through Jesus your Son: Look with compassion on the whole human family; take away the arrogance and hatred which infect our hearts; break down the walls that separate us; unite us in bonds of love; and work through our struggle and confusion to accomplish your purposes on earth; that, in your good time, all nations and races may serve you in harmony around your heavenly throne; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.
(BCP pg. 815)

Recessional Hymn 462

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Dismissal

Postlude

Gevert

The Trinity Vestry

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Pari Forood, Junior Warden Bev Becker, Treasurer
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Al Dorf, Gordon Gustafson,
Susanna Schindler, Alice Tweed

Serving Today

Rector: The Rev. Heidi Truax
Music Director: Christine Gevert
Ministers of Communion: Mary Anne Carley, Tom Schindler
Ushers: Don Reed, TBA
Lector: Heather Chapman
Epistler: TBA
Intercessor: Susanna Schindler
Counters: Al Dorf, Scott Frost
Hospitality: Team 2—Brown
Altar Guild: Mike Cuoco, Taylor Neil
Young People: Terri Brennan, Pari Forood
Verger: Geoff Brown

Announcements

We offer both wine and grape juice at Communion and invite you to ask for whichever chalice you prefer. If you are not able to eat wheat, please ask Pastor Heidi for a gluten free wafer.

Wed., Dec. 12 Blood Drive at Salisbury Congregational Church
Thurs., Dec. 13 1:30 PM Holy Eucharist at Geer Village with the Trinity Choir
Sun., Dec. 16 Noon: Vestry Meeting
Wed., Dec. 19 11:00 AM Morning Prayer at Noble Horizons
Sun., Dec. 23 10:30 AM Annual Christmas Pageant
Noon: Greening of the Church—grab some coffee and come help decorate!
Mon., Dec. 24 3:00 PM Family Service with Holy Eucharist
3:45 PM Christmas Prelude Purcell’s “Te Deum and Jubilate”
4:00 PM Festive Christmas Eve Service
7:00 PM Misa de Nochebuena
Tues., Dec 25 10:00 AM A quiet Christmas service
Sat., Dec. 29 3:00 PM Crescendo Holiday Concert “Love Sublime”
Sun., Dec. 30 **No 8:00 AM Service**
10:30 AM Lessons and Carols
Sundays 8:45 AM Bible Study “Beyond the Grubby Stripe (of the BCP)”
Mondays 7:00 PM Crescendo
Wednesdays 8:00 PM AA meeting in Walker Hall

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The Word of God

Prelude

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Processional Hymn 543

Eastview

Lighting of the Advent Candle

Hymn 56 vs 3, 4

Veni, Emmanuel

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

***People* And blessed be God’s kingdom, now and forever. Amen.**

Pastor 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.**

Trisagion (pew card)

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Pastor The Lord be with you.

***People* And also with you.**

Pastor Let us pray together our collect.

Merciful God, who sent your messengers the prophets to preach repentance and prepare the way for our salvation: Give us grace to heed their warnings and forsake our sins, that we may greet with joy the coming of Jesus Christ our Redeemer; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.