



ST. BRENDAN THE NAVIGATOR

Deer Isle Maine

Our **Mission** is to **love, praise, welcome, and serve:**

- to **love** one another as Christ loves us,
- to **praise** God in all things,
- to **welcome** and affirm all persons,
- to **serve** the needs of one another and of those on the island, the peninsula, and throughout the world.

Pastor Elaine Hewes, Priest in Charge

The Reverends Anne Deneen and Joe Duggan, Celebrants

Connie Mayo, Music Director

Third Sunday of Easter

April 14, 2023

Celebrant: We honor the Indigenous people everywhere, particularly the Wabanaki Nations, acknowledging that the land we now occupy is their ancestral home. May we always remember, as do the Wabanaki peoples, that the Earth does not belong to us, rather, we belong to the Earth.

Congregation: **May we learn from our past mistakes and be instruments of justice and peace for all people in today's world, and for all creation.**

The Gathering of the Community

The service begins with the ringing of the bell three times

Prelude: This joyful Eastertide

16th C. Dutch tune

Silence is begun and ended with a ring of the bell

Hymn 180 He is risen, he is risen! (*verses 1-3, in back of bulletin*)

The Acclamation

Celebrant: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

Congregation: **The Lord is risen indeed, Alleluia!**

Song of Praise: For the beauty of the earth, verse 1

Sung to the tune of "As with gladness men of old" (Hymntune: *Dix*)

For the beauty of the earth, for the beauty of the skies,
For the love which from our birth over and around us lies,
Christ our God, to thee we raise this our hymn of grateful praise.

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

Congregation: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: Let us pray.

O God, whose blessed Son made himself known to his disciples in the breaking of bread: Open the eyes of our faith, that we may behold him in all his redeeming work; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Congregation: **Amen.**

The Proclamation of the Word

First Lesson: Acts 3:12-19

Peter addressed the people, "You Israelites, why do you wonder at this, or why do you stare at us, as though by our own power or piety we had made him walk? The God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, the God of our ancestors has glorified his servant Jesus, whom you handed over and rejected in the presence of Pilate, though he had decided to release him. But you rejected the Holy and Righteous One and asked to have a murderer given to you, and you killed the Author of life, whom God raised from the dead. To this we are witnesses. And by faith in his name, his name itself has made this man strong, whom you see and know; and the faith that is through Jesus has given him this perfect health in the presence of all of you.

"And now, friends, I know that you acted in ignorance, as did also your rulers. In this way God fulfilled what he had foretold through all the prophets, that his Messiah would suffer. Repent therefore, and turn to God so that your sins may be wiped out."

Hear what the Spirit is saying.

Congregation: **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 4

Answer me when I call, O God, defender of my cause;
you set me free when I am hard-pressed;
have mercy on me and hear my prayer.

**"You mortals, how long will you dishonor my glory;
how long will you worship dumb idols
and run after false gods?"**

Know that the LORD does wonders for the faithful;
when I call upon the LORD, he will hear me.

**Tremble, then, and do not sin;
speak to your heart in silence upon your bed.**

Offer the appointed sacrifices
and put your trust in the LORD.

**Many are saying, "Oh, that we might see better times!"
Lift up the light of your countenance upon us, O LORD.**

You have put gladness in my heart,
more than when grain and wine and oil increase.

**I lie down in peace; at once I fall asleep;
for only you, LORD, make me dwell in safety.**

Second Lesson: 1 John 3:1-7

See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

Everyone who commits sin is guilty of lawlessness; sin is lawlessness. You know that he was revealed to take away sins, and in him there is no sin. No one who abides in him sins; no one who sins has either seen him or known him. Little children, let no one deceive you. Everyone who does what is right is righteous, just as he is righteous.

Hear what the Spirit is saying.

Congregation: **Thanks be to God.**

Sequence Hymn 212 *Awake, arise, lift up your voice (verses 1-3, in back of bulletin)*

The Gospel: Luke 24:36b-48

Celebrant: The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Luke

Congregation: **Glory to you, O Christ.**

Jesus himself stood among the disciples and said to them, "Peace be with you." They were startled and terrified, and thought that they were seeing a ghost. He said to them, "Why are you frightened, and why do doubts arise in your hearts? Look at my hands and my feet; see that it is I myself. Touch me and see; for a ghost does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have." And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. While in their joy they were disbelieving and still wondering, he said to them, "Have you anything here to eat?" They gave him a piece of broiled fish, and he took it and ate in their presence.

Then he said to them, "These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you — that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled." Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and he said to them, "Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third

day, and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things.

Celebrant: The Gospel of Christ.

Congregation: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Sermon

The Reverends Anne Deneen and Joe Duggan

Affirmation

We believe in God, the source of love,

**who breathed God's Spirit into all of creation,
who created humanity in God's own image and likeness,
and who calls God's children to be about the work of reconciliation
and justice in the world God so loves.**

We believe in Jesus Christ, God incarnate,

**who was born of a woman,
who modeled for us a way of living on the earth,
and whose passionate love for God's creation
led to his Passion and death on the cross.**

We believe in the Holy Spirit,

**who moved over the darkness at the beginning to bring light and life,
and who moves over the darkness still,
opening our hearts to God's incarnate presence in our midst
and calling us to be manifestations of incarnation
in the name and in the way of Jesus.**

Prayers of the People

We bring to God the needs and sufferings of our world, trusting in the Love that rises even in the darkness and devastations that surround us.

We pray for the Church; for bishops, priests, deacons, teachers, lay leaders, musicians, poets, dreamers and rabblers on behalf of love.

Crucified and risen Lord, raise in us a passion for your Gospel of healing and liberating love so that in all we say and do, others will come to know the love that will not let us go.

We pray for those who suffer from the effects of war and violence; for those who are without adequate shelter and food; for those affected by natural disaster; for all refugees and asylum seekers; for those whose lives are diminished by prejudice and systems of injustice.

Crucified and risen Lord, raise in us the courage to move from apathy to empathy, from charity to humility, from generosity to justice, so that your will may be done on earth as it is in heaven.

We pray for Creation; for oceans and rivers, forests and mountains, flora and fauna, and all creatures of the earth, suffering from our misuse, greed and carelessness.

Crucified and risen Lord, raise in us the recognition of creation's cry for healing, and empower us with the will to preserve our beloved Mother Earth, so that all that you have made will flourish in the fullness for which you long.

We pray for those close to home; for those in our families and communities facing illness, depression, economic hardship, domestic violence, loneliness, and the devastations of poverty, addiction and homelessness.

Crucified and risen Lord, raise in us the capacity for caring and sharing in the places where we live and work and play and pray so that your love may be made tangible and authentic and real.

We pray for those who have died; for those who grieve the loss of loved ones; for those who tend the dying; for those who will die today.

Crucified and risen Lord, raise in us the faith to see your everlasting love in the face of death, and help us to sing your song even at the grave, so that others might know the love that moves in the dark.

We bring to you the wounds and the blessings of our lives, naming them aloud or in the silence of our hearts....

The congregation is invited to add their own prayers and thanksgivings

Leader: Do any of you on Zoom wish to add prayers and thanksgivings?

Crucified and risen Lord, all these things we bring to you, trusting that even now your Spirit of love is moving in our lives, raising us from death, so to be your people in the world you so love.

Celebrant: Peace within yourself.

Peace with Creation.

Peace with you who are with us remotely today.

Peace with one another.

The peace of Christ be always with you.

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Congregation: **And also with you.**

The people are invited to greet one another in the name of the Lord.

The Holy Eucharist

Offertory Hymn 316 This is the hour of banquet and of song (*in back of bulletin*)

Eucharistic Prayer

Enriching our Worship #3

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

Congregation **And also with you.**

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

Congregation: **We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

Congregation: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Celebrant: All thanks and praise are yours at all times and in all places, our true and loving God; through Jesus Christ, your eternal Word, the Wisdom from on high by whom you created all things. You laid the foundations of the world and enclosed the sea when it burst out from the womb; You brought forth all creatures of the earth and gave breath to humankind.

Wondrous are you, Holy One of Blessing, all you create is a sign of hope for our journey; And so as the morning stars sing your praises we join the heavenly beings and all creation as we sing with joy:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er 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 Lord. Ho - san - na in the
high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

From ELW 193: Music: Per Harling, b. 1948

Glory and honor are yours, Creator of all, your Word has never been silent; you called a people to yourself, as a light to the nations, you delivered them from bondage and led them to a land of promise. Of your grace, you gave Jesus to be human, to share our life, to proclaim the coming of your holy reign and give himself for us, a fragrant offering.

Through Jesus Christ our Redeemer, you have freed us from sin, brought us into your life, reconciled us to you, and restored us to the glory you intend for us. We thank you that on the night before he died for us Jesus took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, gave it to his friends and said,

“Take, eat, this is my Body, broken for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.”

After supper Jesus took the cup of wine, said the blessing, gave it to his friends and said:

“Drink this, all of you: this cup is the new Covenant in my Blood, poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.”

And so, remembering all that was done for us: the cross, the tomb, the resurrection and ascension, longing for Christ’s coming in glory, and presenting to you these gifts your earth has formed and human hands have made, we acclaim you, O Christ:

Congregation: **Dying, you destroyed our death.**

Rising, you restored our life.

Christ Jesus, come in glory!

Send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts of bread and wine that they may be to us the Body and Blood of your Christ. Grant that we, burning with your Spirit’s power, may be a people of hope, justice and love.

Giver of Life, draw us together in the Body of Christ, and in the fullness of time gather us with all your people into the joy of our true eternal home. Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, we worship you our God and Creator in voices of unending praise.

Congregation: **Blessed are you now and forever. Amen.**

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray:

Our Father 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 Anthem

Celebrant: We break this bread to share in the Body of Christ.

Congregation: **We who are many are one body, for we all share in the one bread.**

Celebrant and Congregation: **In union with the faithful gathered at every altar of the Church where the bread and wine are offered, and in union with those who are with us today by the internet, we offer praise and thanksgiving for creation and all the blessings of this life. We**

believe that Jesus is present in the Breaking of the Bread, the Holy Sacrament of Communion and in ways more numerous and mysterious than we can imagine. We embrace you, Jesus, with all our hearts, souls and minds. Nothing can separate us from you, nor are we separated from one another.

Celebrant: The gifts of God for the people of God ...

Those gathered at St. Brendan receive the bread and wine.

Celebrant: And now may the Presence of Jesus, in whatever form it has come to you this morning, nourish you in grace, comfort you in love, and inspire you to be Christ's presence in the world.

Post Communion Prayer

God of abundance,

you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation;

you have united us with Christ and one another;

and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth.

Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit,

that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world

and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

The Blessing

Go now as those who have met with Christ
in the morning of this day.

Go now as those whose hearts have burned within them,
as the Scriptures were explained.

Go now as those
who have been touched by resurrection.

And may the blessing of God be upon you,
body, mind and spirit, as you leave this place,

Congregation: **Amen.**

Sending Hymn 198 Thou hallowed chosen morn of praise (*in back of bulletin*)

Postlude: Es ist das heil uns kommen her

J. S. Bach

Announcements

Dismissal

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GIVING OUR PRIORITIES SHAPE (GPS) ACTION ITEM

Caring for Creation

Ann Van Buren is St Brendan's Earthkeeper. She regularly meets with other Earthkeepers around the diocese and shares some of the ideas generated at these meetings with us as we celebrate Earth Day this month and focus on Care for Creation.

"This week, look around your kitchen and see if there is a way to use less plastic. Avoid disposable napkins, paper towels, plates, utensils, and single-use plastic wrap. Use glass containers for food storage. At St. Brendan, we have eliminated throw-away plates and cups. We also combat food waste by composting and using local ingredients and "seconds" from the supermarket as we create our Simmering Pot Soups. A wilting bunch of parsley, an old carrot, some limp celery, or a sprouted onion would enrich some broth made from the bones of last night's whole chicken dinner. Check out the link in the Navigator for more ideas for a Zero Waste kitchen.

Want to really get motivated about our need to eliminate plastics? Go to Abby Barrows' (Deer Isle resident, researcher, and local oyster farmer) website (abbybarrows.com) to read about her publications and look at her documentaries and media coverage."

CALENDAR

All services and meetings will be held both in-person and via Zoom unless otherwise designated.

Monday, April 15	4:30 p.m. Meditation/Silent Prayer (Zoom)
Wednesday, April 17	10:30 a.m. Bible Study
Thursday, April 18	1:00 p.m. Education & Spiritual Development Ministry meeting
Saturday, April 20	8:30 a.m. Men's Breakfast
Sunday, April 21	10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist with Pastor Elaine Hewes presiding

Looking Ahead

Monday, April 22	10:30 a.m. Kindness Rock painting session – Everyone is welcome!
Friday, May 3	4:30 – 6:30 p.m. Empty Bowl Supper at St. Brendan

Hymn 180

He is risen, he is risen! (verses 1-3)

1 He is ris - en, he is ris - en! Tell it out with
 2 Come, ye sad and fear - ful - heart - ed, with glad smile and
 *3 Come, with high and ho - ly hymn - ing, hail our Lord's tri -
 4 He is ris - en, he is ris - en! He hath o - pened

joy - ful voice: he has burst his three days' pris - on;
 ra - diant brow! Death's long sha - dows have de - part - ed;
 um - phant day; not one dark - some cloud is dim - ming
 hea - ven's gate: we are free from sin's dark pris - on,

let the whole wide earth re - joice: death is con - quered,
 Je - sus' woes are o - ver now, and the pas - sion
 yon - der glo - rious morn - ing ray, break - ing o'er the
 ris - en to a ho - lier state; and a bright - er

we are free, Christ has won the vic - to - ry.
 that he bore— sin and pain can vex no more.
 pur - ple east, sym - bol of our Eas - ter feast.
 Eas - ter beam on our long - ing eyes shall stream.

Hymn 212

Awake, arise, life up your voice (verses 1-3)

1 A - wake, a - rise, lift up your voice, let
 2 Oh, with what glad - ness and sur - prise the
 3 those hands of lib - eral love in - deed in
 4 His en - e - mies had sealed the stone as
 5 O Dead a - rise! O Friend - less stand by

1 Eas - ter mu - sic swell; re - jice in Christ, a -
 2 saints their Sa - vior greet; nor will they trust their
 3 in - fi - nite de - gree, those feet still free to
 4 Pi - late gave them leave, lest dead and friend - less
 5 ser - a - phim a - dored! O Sol - i - tude a -

1 gain re - jice and on his prais - es dwell.
 2 ears and eyes but by his hands and feet,
 3 move and bleed for mil - lions and for me.
 4 and a - lone he should their skill de - ceive.
 5 gain com - mand your host from heaven re - stored!

Hymn 316

This is the hour of banquet and of song



1 This is the hour of ban - quet and of song;
 2 Too soon we rise; we go our sev - eral ways;
 3 Feast af - ter feast thus comes and pass - es by,



this is the heaven - ly ta - ble spread for me;
 the feast, though not the love, is past and gone,
 yet, pass - ing, points to the glad feast a - bove,



here let me feast, and feast - ing, still pro - long the
 the Bread and Wine con - sumed: yet all our days thou
 giv - ing us fore - taste of the fes - tal joy, the



brief, bright hour of fel - low - ship with thee.
 still art here with us— our Shield and Sun.
 Lamb's great mar - riage feast of bliss and love.

Hymn 198 Thou hallowed chosen morn of praise

1 Thou hal - lowed chos - en morn of praise, that best and great - est
2 Come, let us taste the vine's new fruit, for heaven - ly joy pre -

shin - est: fair Eas - ter, queen of all the days, of
par - ing; to - day the branch - es with the root in

sea - sons, best, di - vin - est! Christ rose from death; and
re - sur - rec - tion shar - ing: whom as true God our

we a - dore for ev - er and for ev - er - more.
hymns a - dore for ev - er and for ev - er - more.