



OLD first REFORMED CHURCH

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I. WORSHIP SERVICE

PRELUDE *C Major (from WTC 1)*

J. S. Bach

WELCOME AND INSTRUCTIONS

HYMN 487 (to 230)

Lord Jesus, if I love and serve my neighbor
out of my knowledge, leisure, power, or wealth,
open my eyes to understand his anger
if from his helplessness he hates my help.

When I have met my sister's need with kindness
and prayed that she could waken from despair,
open my ears if, crying now for justice,
she struggles for the changes that I fear.

Lord, though I cling to safety or possessions,
yet from the cross love's poverty prevails:
open my heart to life and liberation,
open my hands to bear the mark of nails.

VOTUM AND SALUTATION

COLLECT OF THE DAY (*In unison*)

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.** Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, you have given to us your servants grace, by the confession of a true faith, to acknowledge the eternal Trinity, and in the power of your divine majesty to worship the Unity: Keep us steadfast in this faith and worship, and bring us at last to see you in your one and eternal glory, O Father; who with the Holy Spirit live and reign, one God, forever and ever. Amen.

FIRST READING *Genesis 1:1-2:4a* Lector Gretta Adams

In the beginning when God created the heavens and the earth, the earth was a formless void and darkness covered the face of the deep, while a wind from God swept over the face of the waters. Then God said, "Let there be light"; and there was light. And God saw that the light was good; and God separated the light from the darkness. God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day. And God said, "Let there be a dome in the midst of the waters, and let it separate the waters from the waters." So God made the dome and separated the waters that were under the dome from the waters that were above the dome. And it was so. God called the dome Sky. And there was evening and there was morning, the second day. And God said, "Let the waters under the sky be gathered together into one place, and let the dry land appear." And it was so. God called the dry land Earth, and the waters that were gathered together he called Seas. And God saw that it was good. Then God said, "Let the earth put forth vegetation: plants yielding seed, and fruit trees of every kind on earth that bear fruit with the seed in it." And it was so. The earth brought forth vegetation: plants yielding seed of every kind, and trees of every kind bearing fruit with the seed in it. And God saw that it was good. And there was evening and there was morning, the third day. And God said, "Let there be lights in the dome of the sky to separate the day from the night; and let them be for signs and for seasons and for days and years, and let them be lights in the dome of the sky to give light upon the earth." And it was so. God made the two great lights—the greater light to rule the day and the lesser light to rule the night—and the stars. God set them in the dome of the sky to give light upon the earth, to rule over the day and over the night, and to separate the light from the darkness. And God saw that it was good. And there was evening and there was morning, the fourth day. And God said, "Let the waters bring forth swarms of living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth across the dome of the sky." So God created the great sea monsters and every living creature that moves, of every kind, with which the waters swarm, and every winged bird of every kind. And God saw that it was good. God blessed them, saying, "Be fruitful and multiply and fill the waters in the seas, and let birds multiply on the earth." And there was evening and there was morning, the fifth day. And God said, "Let the earth bring forth living creatures of every kind: cattle and creeping things and wild animals of the earth of every kind." And it was so. God made the wild animals of the earth of every kind, and the cattle of every kind, and everything that creeps upon the ground of every kind. And God saw that it was good. Then God said, "Let us make humankind in our image, according to our likeness; and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the wild animals of the earth, and over every creeping thing that creeps upon the earth." So God created humankind in his image, in the image of God he created them; male and female he created them. God blessed them, and God said to them, "Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth and subdue it; and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the air and over every living thing that moves upon the earth." God said, "See, I have given you every plant yielding seed that is upon the face of all the earth, and every tree with seed in its fruit; you shall have them for food. And to every beast of the earth, and to every bird of the air, and to everything that creeps on the earth, everything that has the breath of life, I have given every green plant for food." And it was so. God saw everything that he had made, and indeed, it was very good. And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day. Thus the heavens and the earth were finished, and all their multitude. And on the seventh day God finished the work that he had

done, and he rested on the seventh day from all the work that he had done. So God blessed the seventh day and hallowed it, because on it God rested from all the work that he had done in creation. These are the generations of the heavens and the earth when they were created.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 8

O Lord our Governor,
 how exalted is your Name in all the world!
Out of the mouths of infants and children
 your majesty is praised above the heavens.
You have set up a strong hold against your adversaries
 to quell the enemy and the avenger.
When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers,
 the moon and the stars you have set in their courses,
What is man that you should be mindful of him?
 the son of man that you should seek him out?
You have made him but little lower than the angels
 you adorn him with glory and honor;
You give him mastery over the works of your hands;
 you put all things under his feet:
All sheep and oxen
 even the wild beasts of the field,
The birds of the air, the fish of the sea,
 and whatsoever walks in the path of the sea.
O Lord our Governor,
 how exalted is your Name in all the world!

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, Amen.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Be still and know that I am God.

God be in my head, and in my understanding.

God be in my eyes, and in my looking.

God be in my mouth, and in my speaking.

God be in my heart, and in my thinking.

God be at my end, and at my beginning.

The Parable of the Mustard Seed.

SECOND READING:

2 Corinthians 13:11-13

Lector: Jeff Cribbs

Finally, brothers and sisters, farewell. Put things in order, listen to my appeal, agree with one another, live in peace; and the God of love and peace will be with you. Greet one another with a holy kiss. All the saints greet you. The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with all of you.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL:

Matthew 28:16-20

Lector: Jeff Cribbs

Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. When they saw him, they worshiped him; but some doubted. And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

A Wind from God Pastor Rev. Melody Meeter

ASCRPTION OF GLORY AND SILENCE

**HYMN 622: 2-5 Praise we God the Father's name for our world's creation,
and his saving health proclaim unto every nation;
till, his name by all confessed, every heart enthrone him,
and from farthest east to west, all his children own him.**

**Praise we God the only Son who in mercy sought us;
born to save a world undone, out of death he brought us;
here, awhile he showed his love, suffered uncomplaining;
now he pleads for us above, risen, ascended, reigning.**

**Holy Spirit, grant, we pray, that we come to know him
more and more, and every day in our lives we show him,
that with hearts by you made brave, strong, and wise, and tender,
we, with all the powers we have, service meet may render.**

**Father, Son and Holy Ghost, help us to adore you,
till with all the angel host low we fall before you
till throughout our earthly days, guided, loved, forgiven,
we can blend our song of praise with the song of Heaven.**

APOSTLES CREED *(In unison)*

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth;
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived
by the power of the Holy Spirit, and born of the Virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(In unison)*

**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.**

KYRIE: **Lord, have mercy upon us.
(564) Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.**

ABSOLUTION

PASSING THE PEACE

The Peace of Christ be with you all. *(We pass the peace via Zoom.)*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Today's service
Wednesday evening Vespers
Virtual Coffee Hour
Godly Play / Children-in-Worship
Baroquelyn
Interim Minister
Brooklyn Relief Kitchen
Other Announcements

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Lindsay Gavin

In need: Georgia, Andrew, Jean, Barbara, Eva, Albert, Nancy, Keileigh, Viola, Michael, Blas, Stephen, Elisabeth, Spencer, Maryanne, Ron, Susanna, Lelita Keire family in Minneapolis.
In ministry or service: Dr. Jessica, Dr. Paul, Jabe, Jack, Jeff, Housing Plus, and CHiPS.

OFFERING

The Deacons

While we worship together online, we can still make our offerings. Our preferred method is the digital platform Tithe.ly, which you can find as a smart-phone app or as a link at OldFirstBrooklyn.org. Please consider covering the processing fee to make your gift go farther. If you prefer to mail a check, please note whether your gift is for the general fund, mission, or the capital campaign. And please consider giving for our mission work with CHiPS and Housing Plus.

DOXOLOGY

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow,
Praise God, all creatures here below,
Praise God above, ye heavenly host,
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

RINSE YOUR HANDS: I am baptized. **In the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.**

SET YOUR TABLES

LIGHT YOUR CANDLE

The Light of Christ. **The Light of Christ.**
Thanks be to God. **Thanks be to God.**

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

The Lord 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 our thanks and praise.

Holy and right it is, O God, and our joyful duty, to give thanks to you at all times and in all places, O Lord, Holy Father, almighty and everlasting God. You created the heaven with its host and the earth with its plenty. You have given us life, and being, and you preserve us by your providence. But you have shown us the fullness of your love by sending into the world your Son, Jesus Christ, the eternal Word, made flesh for us and for our salvation. For the precious gift of this mighty savior, who has reconciled us to you, we praise and bless you, O God. With your whole church on earth, and all the company of heaven, we worship and adore your glorious name.

Holy, holy, holy Lord God of power and might.

Heaven and earth are full of your glory!

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, hosanna in the highest!

Holy and righteous Father, we remember in this supper the perfect sacrifice once offered on the cross by our Lord Jesus Christ for the sin of the whole world. In the joy of his resurrection, and in expectation of his coming again, we offer to you ourselves, as holy and living sacrifices, proclaiming the mystery of our faith:

Christ has died, **Christ has died.**

Christ is risen, **Christ is risen.**

Christ will come again. **Christ will come again.**

Send your Holy Spirit upon us, we pray, that the bread which we break and the cup which we bless may be to us the body and blood of Christ. Grant that being joined together in him, we may attain to the unity of the faith and grow up in all things into him who is the head, even Christ our Lord.

And as this grain has been gathered from many fields into these loaves, and these grapes from many hills into these cups, grant Lord, that your whole church may soon be gathered from the ends of the earth into your kingdom. Even so come Lord Jesus, Maranatha, Amen.

Through Jesus Christ, who taught us when we pray to say:

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.**

INSTITUTION

**The Lord Jesus, the same night he was betrayed, took bread,
and when he had given thanks,
he broke it,
and he gave it to them, saying,
“Take, eat, this is my body, broken for you, do this in remembrance of me.”**

*Take the bread
Raise the bread
Break the bread*

Share the bread.

**After the same manner also he took the cup
when they had supped, saying,
“This cup in the new testament in my blood,
poured out for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.
Take, drink it in remembrance of me.”**

Take the cup

Raise the cup

Drink from the cup.

PSALM OF THANKSGIVING

Bless the Lord, O my soul,
And all that is within me, bless his holy Name.
Bless the Lord, O my soul,
And forget not all his benefits.
Who forgives all your iniquities,
Who heals all your diseases,
Who redeems your life from the Pit,
Who crowns you with steadfast mercy and loving-kindness.
The Lord is merciful and gracious,
Slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love.
He does not deal with us according to our sins,
Nor reward us according to our iniquities.
For as the heavens are high above the earth,
So great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him.
As far as the east is from the west,
So far does he remove our transgressions from us.
As a father pities his children,
So the Lord pities those who fear him,
Who did not spare his own son, but gave him up for us all
And will also give us all things with him.
Therefore shall my mouth and heart show forth the praise of the Lord
From this time forth and forever more.

HYMN 611 **Holy, holy, holy Lord God Almighty!**
Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee;
holy, holy, holy! merciful and mighty!
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore thee,
casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;
cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee,
who wert and art, and ever more shalt be.

Holy, holy, holy! Though the darkness hide thee,
though our eyes in sinfulness thy glory may not see;
only thou art holy; there is none beside thee
perfect in power, in love, and purity.

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
All thy works shall praise thy name, in earth and sky and sea;
holy, holy, holy! merciful and mighty!
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

BENEDICTION

The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine upon you and be gracious to you.
The Lord's countenance be lifted upon you, and give you peace. Amen.

POSTLUDE *Von fremden Ländern und Menschen (from Kinderszenen)*

Robert Schumann

ii. Announcements

WE HAVE A DIRECT EMAIL for prayer requests. Send your request to prayerrequests@oldfirstbrooklyn.org

Prayers for Anita R. Keire's beloved sister, Lily, and her family as they endure the civil unrest in Minneapolis, where they live within a mile of where George Floyd died. They care about the injustice of his death, as do I. And they are disturbed and affected by the civil unrest and destruction in their beloved city. I pray for peace in the Twin Cities. I hope for genuine engagement between the police and the local community leaders of @blacklivesmattermn so that change might happen.

VIRTUAL COFFEE HOUR follows the service. To log-on, Ctrl+click this link: <https://zoom.us/j/402156419>.

MID-WEEK VESPERS on Wednesday evenings from 9:00 to 9:45 p.m. is hosted by the Elders. We greet one another, read the Vespers liturgy and the week's scripture; reflect, share and review prayer requests from our community. please use this zoom link to join. <https://zoom.us/j/314004075>

THE OLD FIRST BROOKLYN RELIEF KITCHEN starts tomorrow! We will have a tent put up in the garden from 10a.m. to 2p.m. where we will be collecting non perishable, can good and pantry items. Led by local restaurateur Andy Wandzilak, we'll be cooking free meals on weekdays. **You can help** prepare, package, and deliver food to three off-site locations. **You can help** clean up on weekdays between 3 and 5 p.m. On Wednesday afternoons **four of you can staff** our Old First Take-Away at the front doors on Seventh Avenue. More details to come.

To volunteer for food preparation, packaging, and delivery contact brooklynreliefkitchen@gmail.com

To volunteer to help clean up or to staff our Old First Take-Away on Wednesday afternoons, text Deacon Susan Snyder at 347.410.1877 (preferred) or email her at ssnyder8792@gmail.com.

OUR MISSIONS AND BENEVOLENCE: HousingPlus provides housing and services for women who have been incarcerated and marginalized in New York City—including an apartment to call home. They support about 150 women and 94 children in overcoming poverty, homelessness, addiction, and trauma. CHiPS, on 4th Avenue in Park Slope, provides meals and housing for the needy, especially now. Our Old First CHiPS team is providing 45 of those meals every week.

OUR INTERIM PASTOR SEARCH Team has a nominee, who was interviewed by the Consistory this past week.

BAROQUELYN: After two months of weekly spotlight concerts, Baroquelyn is taking a little breather. We aim to have one concert a month for the summer while we look ahead to some fun fall programming. Stay tuned for announcements in the newsletter and on the website! Subscribe at www.baroquelyn.com.

iii. Schedule

This week

Sunday, June 7

Sunday Worship - 11:00 a.m., online
Rev. Melody Meeter will be preaching

Monday, June 8

Elders meeting - 7:00 p.m., online
Deacons meeting - 7:00 p.m., online

Wednesday, June 10

Old First Take-Out – 1:00 to 4:00 p.m., Front Door on 7th Avenue.
Vespers - 9:00 p.m., online

Look Ahead

Sunday, June 14

Sunday Worship - 11:00 a.m., online

Monday, June 15

Consistory meeting - 7:00 p.m., online

Wednesday, June 17

Old First Take-Out – 1:00 to 4:00 p.m., Front Door on 7th Avenue.
Vespers - 9:00 p.m., online

iv. Roster

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Jessica Stockton Bagnulo	2021	Kent Adams	2021
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Wayne Adams	2023	Philip Alexander	2023
Jabe Ziino	2023	Kelly Greene	2023

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Pastor Daniel Meeter, President	Jeff Cribbs, Vice President
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Maureen Doyle, Bursar	

GROUPS AND MINISTRIES

Cooking for CHiPS: Second Saturdays at 8:00 a.m. Cook for the homeless and hungry.

The Old First Brooklyn Relief Kitchen: Weekdays with Take-Out food on Wednesday afternoons.

Contact: Steve Lappert (718) 230-0448.

Sunday School Teachers: Joanna Franchini, Matt LeBreux, Pastor Meeter, Jessica Stockton Bagnulo, Rev. Melody Meeter, Virginia Bouillerot, and Jabe Ziino.

Nursery Staff: Renee Espinosa, Sally Ragudo, and Bailey Olander.

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