

St. Bartholomew's Episcopal Church

October 24, 2021

We can do all things through God who strengthens us



An Attitude of Gratitude

An Attitude of Creativity

An Attitude of Welcoming

An Attitude of Service

Prelude O Day of Rest and GladnessJohn Diercks

Welcome Grace to you and peace from God our Father and from the Lord Jesus Christ. *Philippians 1:2*

Opening Hymn #577-God is Love Verse 1

Call to Worship and Service

Celebrant: We come with joy to this celebration of God's love!

People: Open our hearts, Lord, to receive your love.

Celebrant: We come with hope to this witness to God's power!

People: Challenge and encourage our spirits to serve you, Lord.

Celebrant: We come with a willingness to proclaim God's presence to all.

People: We thank God for this invitation to worship, witness and serve. AMEN.

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Collect of the Day.

Grant, O Lord, that the course of this world may be peaceably governed by your providence; and that your Church may joyfully serve you in confidence and serenity; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Jeremiah 31:10-14

Hear the word of the Lord, O nations, and declare it in the coastlands far away; say, "He who scattered Israel will gather him, and will keep him as a shepherd a flock." ¹¹For the Lord has ransomed Jacob, and has redeemed him from hands too strong for him. ¹²They shall come and sing aloud on the height of Zion, and they shall be radiant over the goodness of the Lord, over the grain, the wine, and the oil, and over the young of the flock and the herd; their life shall become like a watered garden, and they shall never languish again. ¹³Then shall the young women rejoice in the dance, and the young men and the old shall be merry. I will turn their mourning into joy, I will comfort them, and give them gladness for sorrow. ¹⁴I will give the priests their fill of fatness, and my people shall be satisfied with my bounty, says the Lord.

Psalms 126

¹**When the Lord restored the fortunes of Zion, we were like those who dream.**

²**Then our mouth was filled with laughter, and our tongue with shouts of joy; then it was said among the nations, "The Lord has done great things for them."**

³**The Lord has done great things for us, and we rejoiced.**

⁴**Restore our fortunes, O Lord, like the watercourses in the Negeb.**

⁵**May those who sow in tears reap with shouts of joy.**

⁶**Those who go out weeping, bearing the seed for sowing, shall come home with shouts of joy, carrying their sheaves.**

Hebrews 7:23-28

²³Furthermore, the former priests were many in number, because they were prevented by death from continuing in office; ²⁴but he holds his priesthood permanently, because he continues forever. ²⁵Consequently he is able for

all time to save those who approach God through him, since he always lives to make intercession for them. ²⁶For it was fitting that we should have such a high priest, holy, blameless, undefiled, separated from sinners, and exalted above the heavens. ²⁷Unlike the other high priests, he has no need to offer sacrifices day after day, first for his own sins, and then for those of the people; this he did once for all when he offered himself. ²⁸For the law appoints as high priests those who are subject to weakness, but the word of the oath, which came later than the law, appoints a Son who has been made perfect forever.

The Gospel According to John 15:9-17

⁹As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. ¹⁰If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. ¹¹I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete. ¹²"This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. ¹³No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. ¹⁴You are my friends if you do what I command you. ¹⁵I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. ¹⁶You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. ¹⁷I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another.

The Sermon **Rev. Cathie, Kathy Gabrielle, Ghada Harb, Michael Gnerre, Dave Ackerman**

Reflection Music **Immortal, Invisible, God Only WiseHarald Rohig** **Soon Yeon Chung**

The Nicene Creed

**We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He has spoken through the Prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

The Prayers of the People

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

For all people in their daily life and work;
For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

For this community, the nation, and the world;
For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

For the just and proper use of your creation;
For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;
For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

For the peace and unity of the Church of God;
For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

For [*Michael* our Presiding Bishop, and *Carlye* our Bishop; and for] all bishops and other ministers;
For all who serve God in his Church.

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation. Join in praying for those on our parish prayer list.

Hear us, Lord;
For your mercy is great.

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

We will exalt you, O God our King;
And praise your Name for ever and ever.

We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom. We pray for Michael Vricella

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;
Who put their trust in you.

Let us pray for the whole human family.

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)

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all evermore. *Amen. 2 Corinthians 13:14*

CONFESSION

Celebrant Let us confess our sins against God, our neighbors and ourselves.

***People* 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.

Celebrant Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

Holy Eucharist Rite II

The Lord be with you.

People And also, with you.

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give him thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and every- where to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, who on the first day of the week overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.

Therefore, we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever say this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Celebrant and People (with music)

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 gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, we proclaim the mystery of faith: Celebrant and People (with music)

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and forever. AMEN.

The Lord's Prayer

**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 trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.**

And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

Therefore let us keep the feast. [Alleluia.]

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take and Receive them in remembrance that Christ died for you and feed on him with your hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

THE INVITATION TO HOLY COMMUNION

Since we cannot all receive communion in person together, let us make an act of spiritual communion.

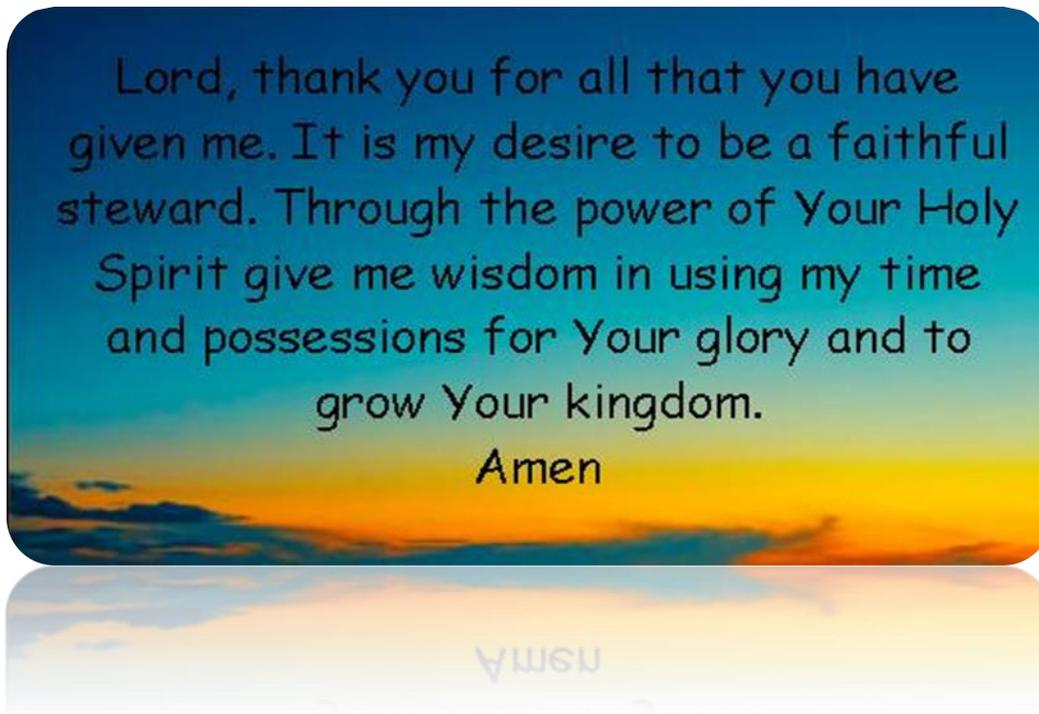
People: Grant, Lord Jesus Christ, that as the hem of your garment, touched in faith, healed the woman who could not touch your Body, so may our souls be fed and healed by like faith in you, whom we cannot now all sacramentally receive. We ask this through your tender mercy, who lives and reigns with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God now and forever. Amen.

Prayer After Communion

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 forever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. **Amen.**

May the God of hope fill us with all joy and peace in believing through the power of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**
Romans 15:13

Stewardship Prayer



Glory to God whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine: Glory to him from generation to generation in the Church, and in Christ Jesus for ever and ever. **Amen.** *Ephesians 3:20,21*

ANNOUNCEMENTS & MILESTONES

THE BLESSING

Celebrant Go in peace; love and care for one another in the name of Christ; and may the Spirit of God which filled John and Jesus, fill your hearts, souls and minds; may the power of God which upheld them, strengthen you for each day; and may the love of God which directed their every action be your guiding light and your shining star, both now and forevermore **Amen**

Dismissal Go in peace to Love and Serve the Lord. **Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

Closing Hymn #577-God is Love Verse 2

HYMN #577-God Is Love

God is love, and where true love is God himself is there.

**Here is Christ we gather, love of Christ our calling.
Christ our love is with us, gladness be his greeting.**

**Let us fear and love him, holy God eternal
Loving him, let each love Christ in one another.**

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**Grant us love's fulfillment, joy with all the blessed,
When we see your face, O Savior, in its glory,
Shine on us, O purest. Light of all creation,
Be our bliss while endless ages sing your praises.**

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Celebrant-Rev. Cathie Sklenar-Studwell

Music Director-Soon Yeon Chung

Lector- Peggy Kievit

Tech Verger- Mike Egbert/Jay Studwell

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Counter-Fred Bergamo

Hospitality-Ghada Harb & Mike Egbert

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Prayer List-October 24, 2021

*Kindly keep the following parishioners and friends
in your prayers this week:*

Michelle, Virginia, Joan, Allan, Audrey, Allen, Peter, Peggy, Choi, Fred, Ron, Jim, Evelyn, Jimmy, Sherry, Donna, Dic, Rich, Lesli, Jonathon, Grace, Becky, Jeffrey, Vern, Joan, John, Kathy, Joan, Rakesh, Pam, Danielle, Scott, Pete, Danny, Amy, Michael, Oliver, Brigida, Betty, Wayne, JoAnn, Heather, Beth, Joni, Jennifer, Rue, Edith, Barbara, Carolyn, Skylar, Richard, Beverley

For our nation that we may heal and join together.

For our President, Vice President, and all Elected Officials.

For all families suffering from the loss of a loved one.

Prayers for those who are grieving the loss of over four million people globally, and over seven hundred forty-four thousand Americans who have perished due to COVID19.

We pray for those suffering in our country and around the world. We pray for those in Haiti, Afghanistan, and those impacted by Hurricane Ida

For Wounded Warriors, All Medical Professionals, First Responders, Educators
Grocery Store Workers, Delivery People, and Everyone working to help our country.

Our Wardens, Vestry, Journey Forward Team, All Ministry Teams
all Parish members needing prayer.

Please remember in your prayers the friends and families of our parishioners and neighbors who are serving in the military:

Bobby, USA Jennifer, USA, Nicholas, USMC, Miles, USA

For a Birthday

O God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray, on your servant _____ as he/she begins another year. Grant that he/she may grow in wisdom and grace and strengthen his/her trust in your goodness all the days of his/her life, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

For an Anniversary

O God, you have so consecrated the covenant of marriage that in it is represented the spiritual unity between Christ and his Church: Send therefore your blessing upon these your servants, that they may so love, honor, and cherish each other in faithfulness and patience, in wisdom and true godliness, that their home may be a haven of blessing and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

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Whether In-Person or On-Line

You Are Welcome Here...

Worship Schedule

October 31 10:00 Stewardship Study #4

Worship in person and on-line via Zoom, Facebook Live, and YouTube. Fellowship after worship.

November 7 10:00 All Saints Sunday-

Stewardship Study #5

Worship in person and on-line via Zoom, Facebook Live, and YouTube. Fellowship after worship.

November 14 10:00 Stewardship Study #6

Worship in person and on-line via Zoom, Facebook Live, and YouTube. Fellowship after worship. Join in congratulating our confirmands.

The Week Ahead at St. Bartholomew's

Monday -Friday Morning Prayer 9:15-9:45

via Conference Call (339) 209-6277

Wednesday, October 27-Marketing Team Meeting 7pm via Zoom

Wednesday, October 27- Praise Band Rehearsal 7:30pm

Thursday, October 28-Choir Rehearsal 7:30pm

Save The Date

Sunday, November 7-All Saints Sunday-Reading of Necrology

Sunday, November 14-Celebration of Confirmands

Sunday, November 21-Stewardship Sunday

Sunday, November 21-Vestry meeting after Stewardship Celebration

Tuesday, November 30-Planning Team Meeting

Please remember St. Bartholomew's in your giving.

Checks can be mailed or taken to church.

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Office hours

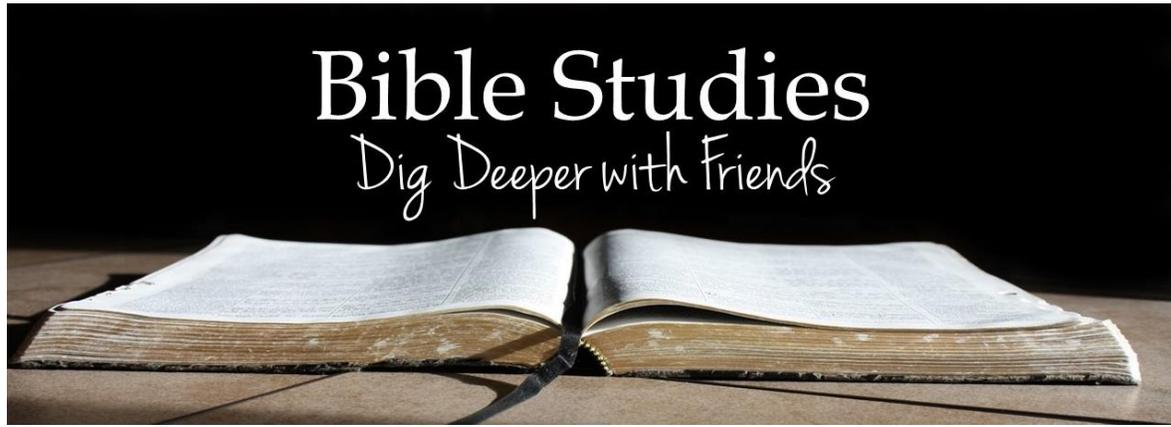
Rev. Cathie will have open office hours on Thursday's and Friday's from 11:30-1:30. If those times are not convenient, others can be arranged by appointment in person or on Zoom.



Altar Flowers for Celebration or Memorial

To donate flower arrangements on the Altar,
please contact Virginia Smith 201-327-9316
or Rev. Cathie

Journey With Paul-A Study of Romans



Thursday, October 31-Chapter 6

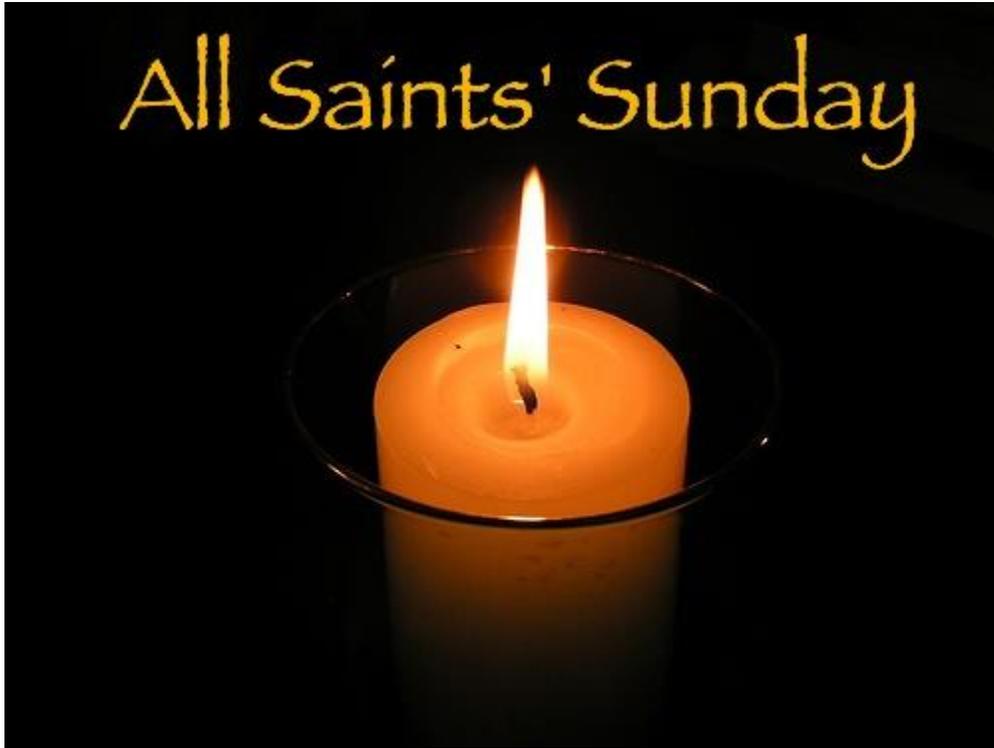
We meet from 10:30-11:30

via Conference Call 339-209-6277.

**All are welcome, no prior knowledge of
Romans required.**

**Do not conform to the pattern of this
world but be transformed by the renewing
of your mind. *Romans 2***

All Saints' Sunday



November 7th

We will read the names of those we love and see no longer.

If you have a name that was not on the list last year,
please let Rev. Cathie know.