

St. Bartholomew's Episcopal Church

January 29, 2023



Prelude Jesus spreads His Banner O'er usR. Thygerson

Opening Hymn #546-Awake my soul

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

People **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

Celebrant 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.*

The Gloria (BCP 356)

**Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.
Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.**

**Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
receive our prayer.**

**For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

The Collect

Almighty and everlasting God, you govern all things both in heaven and on earth: Mercifully hear the supplications of your people, and in our time grant us your peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Micah 6:1-8

Hear what the Lord says: Rise, plead your case before the mountains, and let the hills hear your voice. ²Hear, you mountains, the controversy of the Lord, and you enduring foundations of the earth; for the Lord has a controversy with his people, and he will contend with Israel. ³"O my people, what have I done to you? In what have I wearied you? Answer me! ⁴For I brought you up from the land of Egypt, and redeemed you from the house of slavery; and I sent before you Moses, Aaron, and Miriam. ⁵O my people, remember now what King Balak of Moab devised, what Balaam son of Beor answered him, and what happened from Shittim to Gilgal, that you may know the saving acts of the Lord."

⁶"With what shall I come before the Lord, and bow myself before God on high? Shall I come before him with burnt offerings, with calves a year old? ⁷Will the Lord be pleased with thousands of rams, with ten thousands of rivers of oil? Shall I give my firstborn for my transgression, the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul?" ⁸He has

told you, O mortal, what is good; and what does the Lord require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?

Psalm 15

**LORD, who may dwell in your tabernacle? *
who may abide upon your holy hill?**

**2 Whoever leads a blameless life and does what is right, *
who speaks the truth from his heart.**

**3 There is no guile upon his tongue;
he does no evil to his friend; *
he does not heap contempt upon his neighbor.**

**4 In his sight the wicked is rejected, *
but he honors those who fear the LORD.**

**5 He has sworn to do no wrong *
and does not take back his word.**

**6 He does not give his money in hope of gain, *
nor does he take a bribe against the innocent.**

**7 Whoever does these things *
shall never be overthrown.**

1 Corinthians 1:18-31

¹⁸For the message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. ¹⁹For it is written, "I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart." ²⁰Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? ²¹For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, God decided, through the foolishness of our proclamation, to save those who believe. ²²For Jews demand signs and Greeks desire wisdom, ²³but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, ²⁴but to those who are the called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God.

²⁵For God's foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God's weakness is stronger than human strength. ²⁶Consider your own call, brothers and sisters: not many of you were wise by human standards, not many were powerful, not many were of noble birth. ²⁷But God chose what is foolish in the world to shame the wise; God chose what is weak in the world to shame the strong; ²⁸God chose what is low and despised in the world, things that are not, to reduce to nothing things that are, ²⁹so that no one might boast in the presence of God. ³⁰He is the source of your life in Christ Jesus, who became for us wisdom from God, and righteousness and sanctification and redemption, ³¹in order that, as it is written, "Let the one who boasts, boast in the Lord."

Gradual Hymn # 488-Be thou my vision. Verse 1 & 2 before and 3 after the Gospel

The Gospel according to Matthew 5:1-12

When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. ²Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying:

³"Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. ⁴"Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted. ⁵"Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth. ⁶"Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled. ⁷"Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy. ⁸"Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God. ⁹"Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God. ¹⁰"Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. ¹¹"Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. ¹²Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.

The Sermon

Rev. Cathie

Choir Anthem

Let all the people praise TheeN. Sleeth

The Doxology (The Offering) (BCP 380 Verse 3)

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

The Nicene Creed (BCP 358)

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 (BCP 392)

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.

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

Let us pray for the people of Ukraine and Russia and for all oppressed peoples

Almighty God, kindle, we pray, in every heart the true love of peace, and guide with your wisdom those who take counsel for the nations of the earth, that in tranquility your dominion may increase until the earth is filled with the knowledge of your love; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.. (BCP pg. 258)

A moment of silence

CONFESSION (BCP 360)

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.**

The Peace

Celebration of the Holy Eucharist Rite II (BCP 361)

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

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*

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.*

Now as our Savior Christ has taught us we are bold to pray.

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.

Holy Eucharist Music And now, O Father (Blue Book #337)

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.

PRAISE & THANKSGIVING

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

THE BLESSING

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 # 347 Go forth for God

Postlude PostludiumCh. Rinck

Opening Hymn #546

**Awake, my soul, stretch every nerve,
and press with vigor on;
a heavenly race demands thy zeal,
and an immortal crown,
and an immortal crown.**

**2 A cloud of witnesses around
hold thee in full survey;
forget the steps already trod,
and onward urge your way,
and onward urge your way.**

**3 'Tis God's all-animating voice
that calls thee from on high;
'tis his own hand presents the prize**

to thine aspiring eye,
to thine aspiring eye.
4 Then wake, my soul, stretch every nerve,
and press with vigor on;
a heavenly race demands thy zeal,
and an immortal crown,
and an immortal crown.

Gradual Hymn #488

Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;
naught be all else to me, save that thou art.
Thou my best thought, by day or by night,
waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.

2 Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true word;
I ever with thee, and thou with me, Lord.
thou my great Father, thine own may I be,
thou in me dwelling and I one with thee.

High King of heaven, when victory is won,
May I reach heaven's joys, bright heaven's Sun!
Heart of my heart, what ever befall,
Still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

Closing Hymn #347

**1 Go forth for God, go to the world in peace;
be of good courage, armed with heavenly grace,
in God's good Spirit daily to increase,
till in the kingdom we see face to face.**

**Go forth for God, go to the world in love.
strengthen the faint, give courage to the weak;
help the afflicted; richly from above
his love supplies the grace and power we seek.**

**Go forth for God, go to the world in strength.
Hold fast the good, be urgent for the right;
Render to no one evil; Christ at length
Shall over come all darkness with his light.**

**3 Go forth for God, go to the world in joy,
to serve God's people every day and hour,
and serving Christ, our every gift employ,
rejoicing in the Holy Spirit's power.**

Leading Worship and Fellowship Today

Celebrant-Rev. Dr. Cathie Sklenar-Studwell

Music Director-Soon Yeon Chung

Lector-Peggy Kievit

Eucharistic Ministers-Peggy Kievit

Usher-Kathy Gabrielle

Tech Verger- Andrew & Catherine Sommerfeld & Jay Studwell

Video Director-Kathy Gabrielle

Counter –Michael Gnerre

Hospitality-The 108th Annual Meeting Brunch



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Prayer List-January 29, 2023

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

Virginia, Joan, Allan, Audrey, Jim, Evelyn, Rich, Becky, Jeffrey, Vern, John, Kathy, Rakesh, Brigida, Heather, Beth, Jennifer, Barbara, Beverley, Mehgan, Paul, Jill, Peggy, Tom, Tony, Marie, Pam, Joseph, Grace, Paula, Judy, Bill, Dick, Michael, Jill, Esther, Fred, Bill, Pasquale, Gordon, Cathy, Erik, Andrew, Anna, Betty, Chris, Mike, Andrew, Morgan, Lori

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 six million people globally, and over one million people in the United States who have died from covid-19.

We pray for those suffering in our country and around the world.

We pray for those whose lives are forever changed because of senseless gun violence.

We pray for the people that have suffered damage and loss from wars and natural disasters.

We pray for peace between all nations, we pray for the people of Ukraine.

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

Our Wardens, Vestry, All Ministry Teams,
and 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.

The Week Ahead at St. Bartholomew's

Open office hours this week Tuesday and Friday 10:00-3:00.
Additional hours available by appointment.

Monday -Friday Morning Prayer **9:15-9:45**
via Conference Call (339) 209-6277

Wednesday-February 2-Bible Study Galatians 4 7:00-8:00 pm via
Zoom Meeting ID: 647 470 8829 Passcode: 567580
Conference Call 929 205 6099

Thursday-February 3 Bible Study Luke 13 **10:30-11:30**
via Conference Call (339) 209-6277

This Week

Sunday-January 29-Annual Meeting after worship
Sunday-January 29-Confirmation Class via Zoom 7:00-8:30 pm

Save the Date

Tuesday-February 7-Planning Team Meeting via Zoom 7:00-8:00pm

Please remember St. Bartholomew's in your giving.

Checks can be mailed or taken to church. Donations can also
be made via on-line giving.

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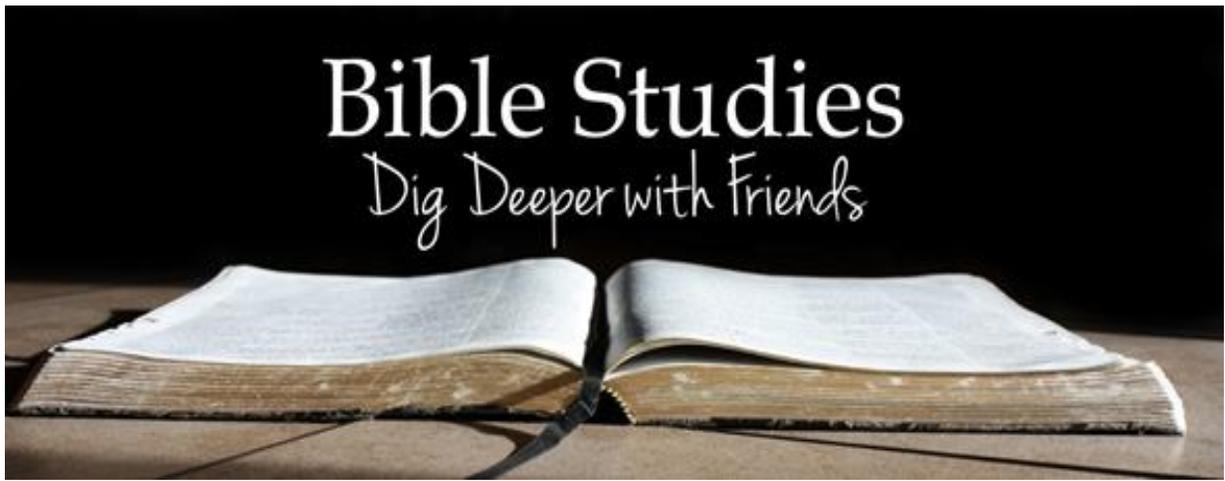




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Remember that St. Bartholomew's makes
5% on every card sold.

Please help our church as you purchase
your groceries.

Stop and Shop cards will be available in a
few weeks.

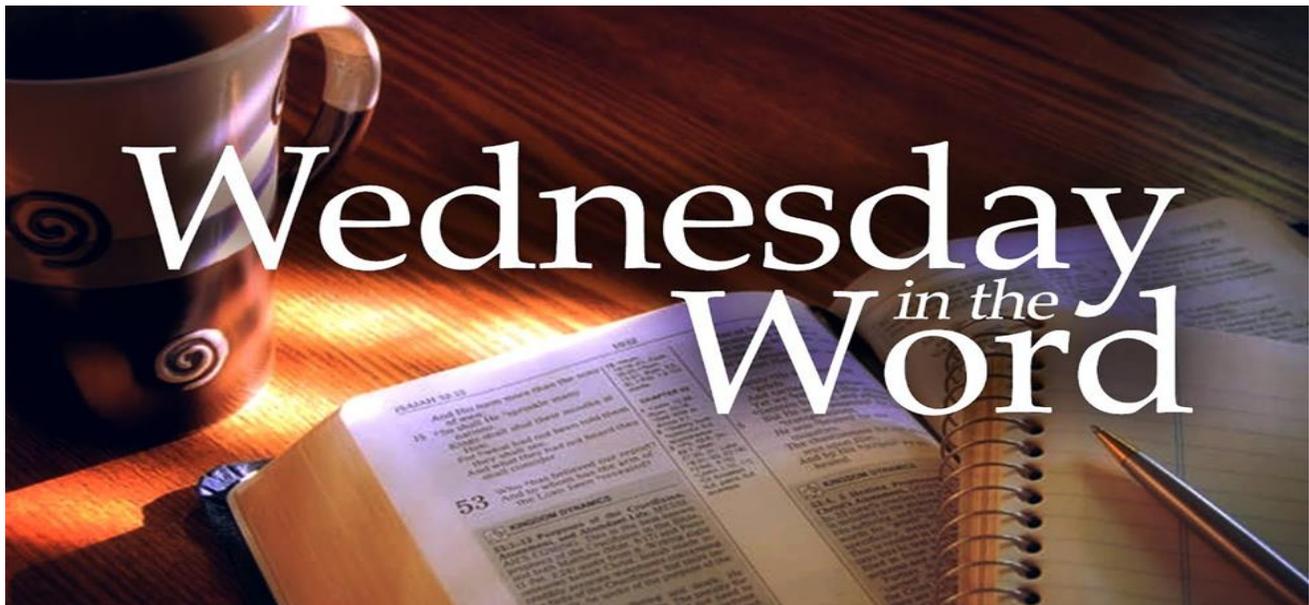


Thursday Morning February 3 10:30-11:30

The Gospel of Luke-Chapter 13

Conference Call 339-209-6277

no prior knowledge of the text is required.



February 2, 7:00-8:00 pm

Galatians Chapter 3

Join on either Zoom and Conference Call Phone

Meeting ID: 647 470 8829 Passcode: 567580

Conference Call 929 205 6099



**St. Bartholomew's Annual
Meeting**

Sunday, January 29, 2023

After worship.

**Let us celebrate and look to the
future together!**