

. Bartholomew's Episcopal Church
April 26, 2026



Prelude

The Lord's my Shepherd.....Arr. by Don Hustad / J. Irvine

Opening Music

304 I Come With Joy (1982)

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.

Collect of the Day

O God, whose Son Jesus is the good shepherd of your people: Grant that when we hear his voice we may know him who calls us each by name, and follow where he leads; who, with you and the Holy Spirit, lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Acts 2:42-47

⁴²They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers. ⁴³Awe came upon everyone, because many wonders and signs were being done by the apostles. ⁴⁴All who believed were together and had all things in common; ⁴⁵they would sell their possessions and goods and distribute the proceeds to all, as any had need. ⁴⁶Day by day, as they spent much time together in the temple, they broke bread at home and ate their food with glad and generous hearts, ⁴⁷praising God and having the goodwill of all the people. And day by day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved.

Psalm 23

¹The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not be in want.

²He makes me lie down in green pastures
and leads me beside still waters.

³ He revives my soul
and guides me along right pathways for his Name's sake.
⁴ Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,
I shall fear no evil; for you are with me;
your rod and your staff, they comfort me.
⁵ You spread a table before me in the presence of those who trouble me;
you have anointed my head with oil,
and my cup is running over.
⁶ Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life,
and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

1 Peter 2:19-25

¹⁹For it is a credit to you if, being aware of God, you endure pain while suffering unjustly. ²⁰If you endure when you are beaten for doing wrong, what credit is that? But if you endure when you do right and suffer for it, you have God's approval. ²¹For to this you have been called, because Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example, so that you should follow in his steps. ²²"He committed no sin, and no deceit was found in his mouth." ²³When he was abused, he did not return abuse; when he suffered, he did not threaten; but he entrusted himself to the one who judges justly. ²⁴He himself bore our sins in his body on the cross, so that, free from sins, we might live for righteousness; by his wounds you have been healed. ²⁵For you were going astray like sheep, but now you have returned to the shepherd and guardian of your souls.

Gradual Music # 184 Thy Word (Celebration)

John 10:1-10

¹"Very truly, I tell you, anyone who does not enter the sheepfold by the gate but climbs in by another way is a thief and a bandit. ²The one who enters by the gate is the shepherd of the sheep. ³The gatekeeper opens the gate for him, and the sheep hear his voice. He calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. ⁴When he has brought out all his own, he goes ahead of them, and the sheep follow him because they know his voice. ⁵They will not follow a stranger, but they will run from him because they do not know the voice of strangers." ⁶Jesus used this figure of speech with them, but they did not understand what he was saying to them. ⁷So again Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, I am the gate for the sheep. ⁸All who came before me are thieves and bandits; but the sheep did not listen to them. ⁹I am the gate. Whoever enters by me will be saved, and will come in and go out and find pasture. ¹⁰The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly.

Sermon Rev. Cathie

Musical Interlude

Choir Anthem Go out in Joy.....Joseph Martin

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 (From Planning for Rites and Rituals in Episcopal Worship)

God of love, we rejoice with angels, and all the host of heaven, as we celebrate the Resurrection of your Son. Bless today's joyful celebration and turn our hearts to you with new delight and commitment.

We praise you, Almighty God. Alleluia! Amen!

God of mercy, bring you church to new life. Awaken in us a faithfulness that manifests itself in joy, in dedication to work of reconciliation in the world, in care for your creation, in awe of your glory.

We praise you, Almighty God. Alleluia! Amen!

God of wholeness, bring those who suffer to new life. We pray for those who bear the burden of pain and anxiety, whose relationships are shattered, whose lives are full of despair. Lead us to find ways to be present with them and reflect your love for them.

We praise you, Almighty God. Alleluia! Amen!

God of light, bring those in authority to new life in the ways they lead their nations. Show them the path of integrity and truth, that their people may live in peace, that all may have plenty.

We praise you, Almighty God. Alleluia! Amen!

God of eternity, we give thanks for those who have gone before us and have entered not new and everlasting life in your presence.

We praise you, Almighty God. Alleluia! Amen!

God of love, we offer you our prayers for those on our parish prayer list.

In honor of the gift of God's creation, let us pray.

We give you thanks, most gracious God, for the beauty of earth and sky and sea; for the richness of mountains, plains, and rivers; for the songs of birds and the loveliness of flowers. We praise you for these good gifts, beseeching you that we may safeguard them for our posterity. Grant that we may continue to grow in our grateful enjoyment of your abundant creation, to the honor and glory of your Name, now and for ever. Amen.

A moment of silence

Clergy: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

**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.**

Clergy: 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) Remain Standing

Celebrant: 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. For you are the source of light and life, you made us in your image and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Because in the mystery of the Word made flesh, you have caused a new light to shine in our hearts, to give the knowledge of your glory in the face of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

Therefore, we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing 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 for ever. *AMEN.*

And now as our Savior Christ 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 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

Draw Nigh and Take the Body of the Lord

Prayer After Communion

Let us pray our 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-

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 Music

#372 Our God Reigns (Celebration)

Postlude

Trumpet Tune on "Diademata"David Lasky
(Crown Him with many Crowns)

Opening Music #304 (1982)

**1 I come with joy, to meet my Lord
forgiven, loved and free,
I awe and wonder to recall,
his life laid down for me,**

**2 I come with Christians far and near
to find, as all are fed,
the new community of love
in Christ's communion bread,**

**3 As Christ breaks bread, and bids us share,
each proud division ends.**

**The love that made us, makes us one,
and strangers now are friends,**

**4 And thus with joy we meet our Lord,
his presence always near,
is in such friendship better known,
we see and praise him here,**

**5 Together met, together bound
will go our different ways
and as his people in the world
we'll live and speak his praise.**

Gradual Music #184 (Celebration)

**Thy Word
Is a lamp unto my feet
And a light unto my path**

**Thy Word
Is a lamp unto my feet
And a light unto my path**

**When I feel afraid
Think I've lost my way
Still You're there
Right beside me
Nothing will I fear
As long as You are near
Please be near me to the end**

**Thy Word
Is a lamp unto my feet
And a light unto my path**

**Thy Word
Is a lamp unto my feet
And a light unto my path**

**I will not forget
Your love for me and yet
My heart forever is wandering**

**Jesus be my guide
And hold me to Your side
And I will love You to the end**

**Thy Word
Is a lamp unto my feet
And a light unto my path**

**Thy Word
Is a lamp unto my feet
And a light unto my path**

Closing Music #372 (Celebration)

**1 How lovely on the mountains are the feet of
him**

**who brings good news, good news;
Announcing peace, proclaiming news of
happiness:**

our God reigns, our God reigns!

**Our God reigns, our God reigns, our God reigns,
our God reigns, our God reigns!**

**2 He had no stately form. He had no majesty
that we should be drawn to him.**

**He was despised and we took no account of
him;**

Yet now he reigns with the Most High!

**Our God reigns, our God reigns, our God reigns,
our God reigns, our God reigns!**

**3 Out of the tomb he came with grace and
majesty,**

he is alive, he is alive!

**God loves us so; see here his hands, his feet,
his side:**

yes, we know he is alive!

**Our God reigns, our God reigns, our God reigns,
our God reigns, our God reigns!**

Prayer List-April 26, 2026

Virginia, Joan, Allan, Audrey, Evelyn, Rich, Rakesh, Sherri, Don, Kathleen, Margie, Susan, Cindy, Ava, Toby, Joseph, Tom, Mile, Ben, Terry, Marialyse, Ashley, Julie, Diane, Judy, Kevin, Ken, Mike, Jimmy, Carol, Teddy, John, Mariah, John, Bonnie, Trista, Bob, Mark, Beata, Bob, Alicia, Ryan, Lois, Lucas, Casey, Jimmy, Terry, Dan, Darco, Mike, Maggie, Art, Russell, Beth, Jim, Elaine, Diane, Lenny, Marcia, Cynthia, Marisa, Peter, Mary

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 suffering through any type of illness and those who care for them.

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 the people of Israel and Palestine

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

We pray for all God's creatures and for the love they give to us.

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, Nicholas, USMC, Miles, USA, Adam, USCG, Matthew, USAF

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, Amen.

Worship Leaders Today

Celebrant-Rev. Dr. Cathie Sklenar-Studwell

Music Director-Soon Yeon Chung

Acolyte-Wendy Tarvin

Lector-Peggy Kievit

Eucharistic Ministers-Peggy Kievit & Wendy Tarvin

Tech Vergers-Dave Gabrielle & Jay Studwell

Usher-Kathy Gabrielle

Finance-Mike Egbert

Video Director-Kathy Gabrielle

Hospitality-2026 Spring Retreat Lunch

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The Week Ahead at St. Bartholomew's

Office hours this week **Tuesday** 10:30-1:30 and **Friday** 10:30-1:30

Wednesday 11:30-1:30

Additional hours are available by appointment.

Monday, Wednesday-Friday Morning Prayer **9:15-9:45**

via Conference Call (339) 209-6277

Save The Date

Sunday, April 26, Spring Retreat after worship.

Saturday, May 2, Bike Blessing 9:00am

Sunday, May 10, Mother's Day Brunch after worship

Please remember St. Bartholomew's in your giving.

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

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Our next study group will focus on a deeper understanding of the Holy Spirit, the gift that Jesus gave to all humanity.

Meetings will be at St. Bart's Spirit House on Monday nights from 7:15-8:30

April 27, May 4 and May 11.

Please let Rev. Cathie know if you are interested so you can get the book.

BLESSING OF THE BIKES



SATURDAY | 9:00 AM | **MAY 2, 2026**

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**ALL BIKES
WELCOME**



9:00 AM

**MEET & GREET
W/ CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST**

9:30 AM

BIKE BLESSING

10:00 AM

**KICKSTANDS UP!
RIDE TO MOTORCYCLEPEDIA**

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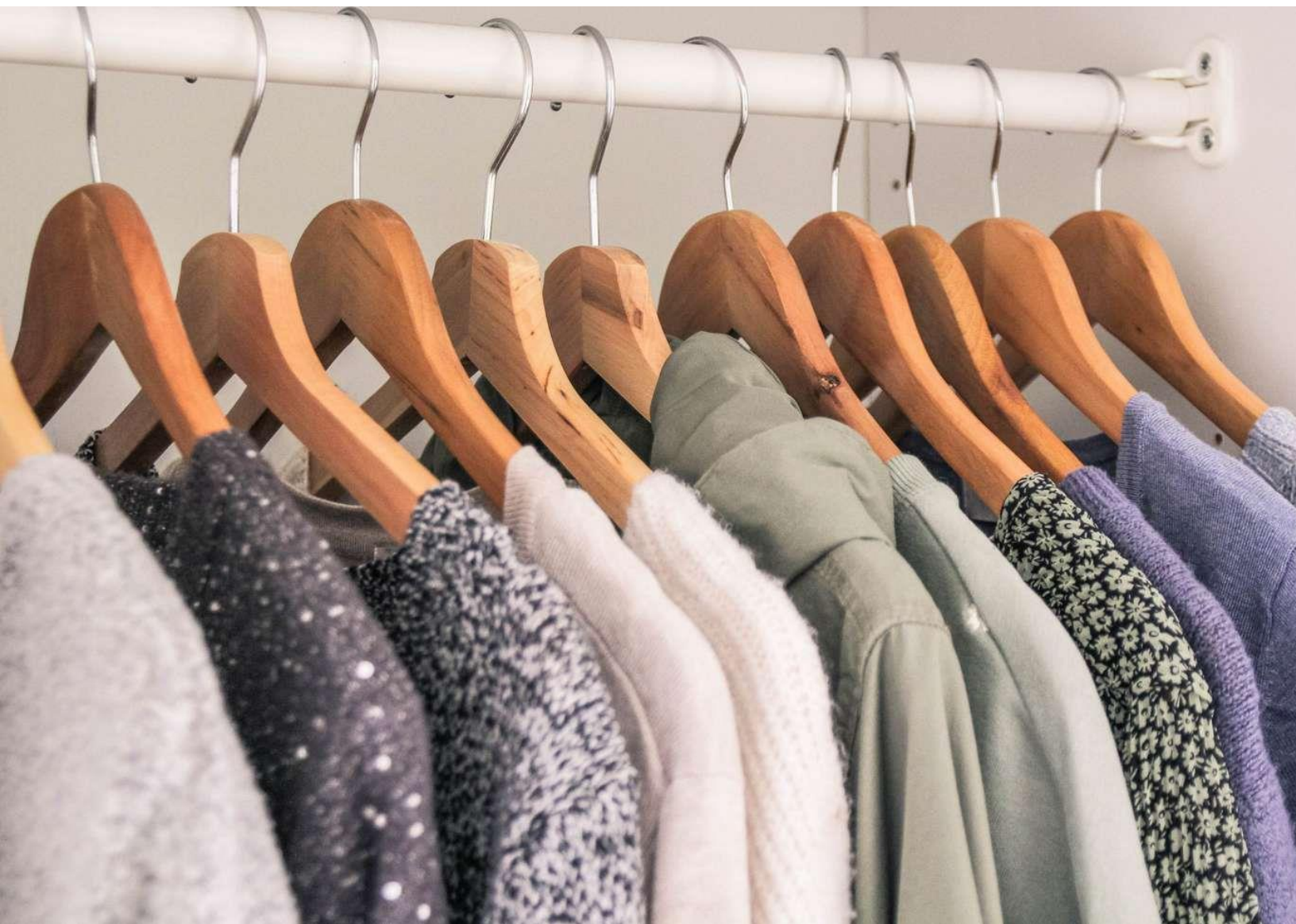
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RAIN DATE: SUNDAY MAY 3 | 11:30 AM

RAIN DATE ITINERARY INCLUDES BLESSING & BREAKFAST

WHILE AN OFFICIAL RIDE IS NOT SCHEDULED, PERSONAL RIDES ARE STRONGLY ENCOURAGED

Welcome To Bart's closet



Bart's closet will offer spring and summer clothes and gently used toys for those in need. If you have any of these items that you would like to donate, please contact Rev. Cathie

Mid-Week Healing Service



**Join us for music,
meditation, healing prayers
and Holy Communion.**

Wednesday, April 29

11:00am

Family Breakfast



Come and be with us as we share a meal and the joy of fellowship.

Wednesday-April 29

We gather together at 9:00am

Chair Yoga for Christians

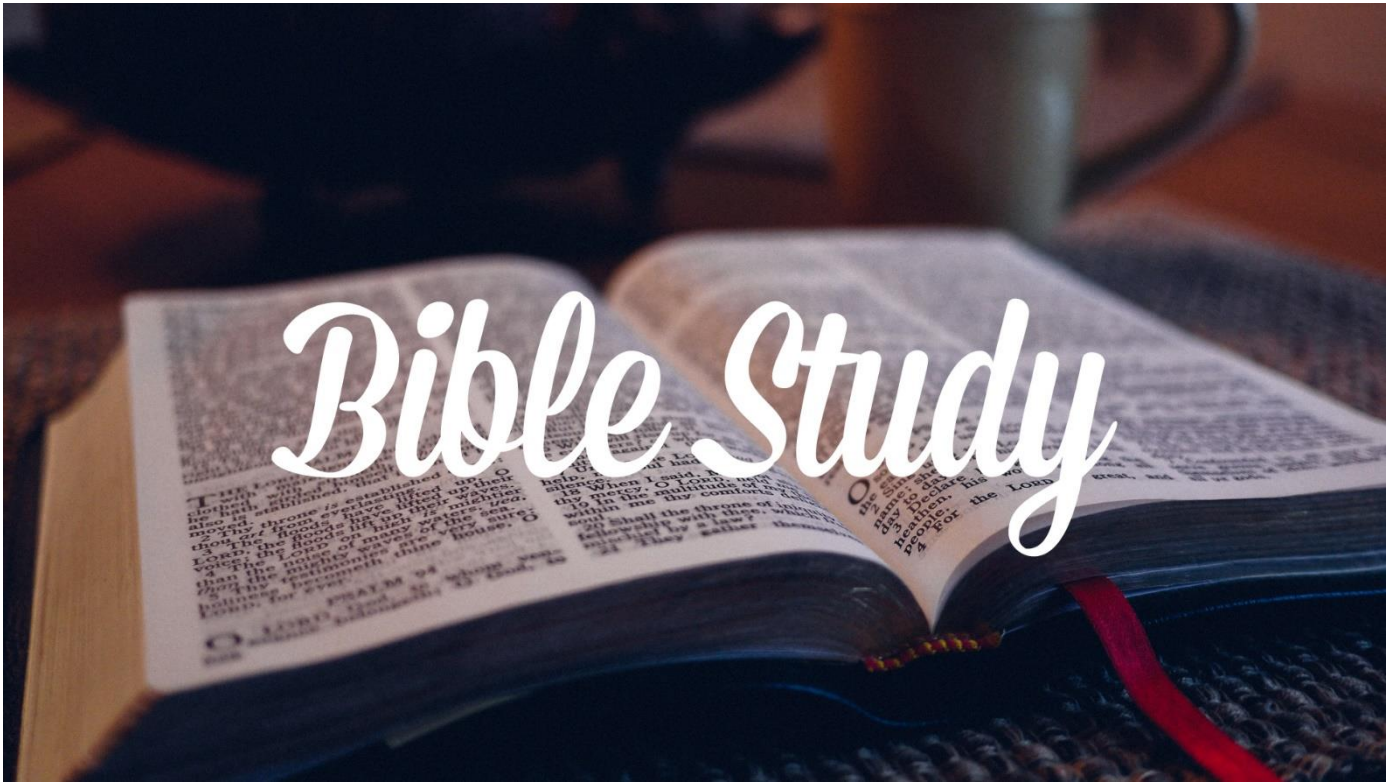


Come and experience time with Jesus as we hear scripture, pray, and move our bodies.

The yoga studio is in our rectory.

Tuesday, April 28 10:30 at the Spirit House

Friday April 24 10:30am at the Spirit House



Saturday Morning

May 9 10:30am

Galatians 1

Zoom link will be sent via email.

Thursday Morning
April 30, 2025 10:15am

John Chapter 18

Conference Call 339-209-6277



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