

CHURCH OF ST. BARTHOLOMEW



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SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

Holy Eucharist

**8:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.
February 23, 2025**

*We gather today on the traditional territory of the Anishinaabe
Algonquin. May we always dwell on this land with respect and peace.*

SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

8:30a.m.

Holy Communion

The Book of Common Prayer, p. 67 ~ red prayer book

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Generous financial support is our expression of gratitude which along with our time and talents enables us to provide worship at St. Bartholomew's and support God's work in service in our community and beyond.

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The Communion

All baptized Christians are welcome to receive Holy Communion at the Altar rail. After receiving the bread, you may either drink from the cup or cross your arms to indicate your wish to honour it. Taking only the bread is considered a full communion. Dipping the wafer in the wine is not permitted. Gluten-free wafers are available for those who require it — please advise the priest.

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Presiding Celebrant: The Reverend Canon Catherine Ascah

Preacher: Sony Jabouin

Communion Assistant: Barbara Konst

Sidesperson & Reader: Chris Hendricks

Please join us in the parish hall for refreshments after this service.

SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

10:30 a.m.

Holy Eucharist

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Prelude Two Liturgical Preludes

George Oldroyd

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Collect of the Day

Almighty God, your Son revealed in signs and miracles the wonder of your saving love. Renew your people with your heavenly grace, and in all our weakness sustain us by your mighty power; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

First Reading

Genesis 45:3-11

Joseph said to his brothers, "I am Joseph. Is my father still alive?" But his brothers could not answer him, so dismayed were they at his presence. Then Joseph said to his brothers, "Come closer to me." And they came closer. He said, "I am your brother, Joseph, whom you sold into Egypt. And now do not be distressed, or angry with yourselves, because you sold me here; for God sent me before you to preserve life. For the famine has been in the land these two years; and there are five more years in which there will be neither plowing nor harvest. God sent me before you to preserve for you a remnant on earth, and to keep alive for you many survivors. So it was not you who sent me here, but God; he has made me a father to Pharaoh, and lord of all his house and ruler over all the land of Egypt. Hurry and go up to my father and say to him, 'Thus says your son Joseph, God has made me lord of all Egypt; come down to me, do not delay.

You shall settle in the land of Goshen, and you shall be near me, you and your children and your children's children, as well as your flocks, your herds, and all that you have. I will provide for you there - since there are five more years of famine to come - so that you and your household, and all that you have, will not come to poverty." And he kissed all his brothers and wept upon them; and after that his brothers talked with him.

Psalm 37:1-12, 41-42

The cantor sings the refrain. All repeat. All repeat refrain as indicated.

Timothy Piper

Do not fret, but put your trust in the Lord. Do not fret, but take de -

light in the Lord. Do not fret, but be still, for God is your strong - hold.

Do not fret yourself because of evildoers; do not be jealous of those who do wrong. For they shall soon wither like the grass, and like the green grass fade away. Put your trust in the Lord and do good; dwell in the land and feed on its riches. Take delight in the Lord, who shall give you your heart's desire. **R**

Commit your way to the Lord and put your trust in the Holy One who will bring it to pass. God will make your righteousness as clear as the light and your just dealing as the noonday. **R**

Be still before the Lord and wait patiently for God. Do not fret yourself over the one who prospers, the one who succeeds in evil schemes. Refrain from anger, leave rage alone; do not fret yourself; it leads only to evil. **R**

For evildoers shall be cut off, but those who wait upon the Lord shall possess the land. In a little while the wicked shall be no more; you shall search out their place, but they will not be there. **R**

But the lowly shall possess the land; they will delight in abundance of peace. But the deliverance of the righteous comes from the Lord, who is their stronghold in time of trouble. The Lord will help them and rescue them; rescuing them from the wicked and delivering them, because they seek refuge in God. **R**

Second Reading

1 Corinthians 15:35-38,42-50

But someone will ask, "How are the dead raised? With what kind of body do they come?" Fool! What you sow does not come to life unless it dies. And as for what you sow, you do not sow the body that is to be, but a bare seed, perhaps of wheat or of some other grain. But God gives it a body as he has chosen, and to each kind of seed its own body. So it is with the resurrection of the dead. What is sown is perishable, what is raised is imperishable. It is sown in dishonour, it is raised in glory. It is sown in weakness, it is raised in power. It is sown a physical body, it is raised a spiritual body. If there is a physical body, there is also a spiritual body. Thus it is written, "The first man, Adam, became a living being"; the last Adam became a life-giving spirit. But it

is not the spiritual that is first, but the physical, and then the spiritual. The first man was from the earth, a man of dust; the second man is from heaven. As was the man of dust, so are those who are of the dust; and as is the man of heaven, so are those who are of heaven. Just as we have borne the image of the man of dust, we will also bear the image of the man of heaven. What I am saying, brothers and sisters, is this: flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God, nor does the perishable inherit the imperishable.

Hymn 500 Sister, Let Me Be Your Servant

Servant Song

Gospel

Luke 6:27-38

Jesus said, "But I say to you that listen, Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you. If anyone strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also; and from anyone who takes away your coat do not withhold even your shirt. Give to everyone who begs from you; and if anyone takes away your goods, do not ask for them again. Do to others as you would have them do to you. If you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners love those who love them. If you do good to those who do good to you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners do the same. If you lend to those from whom you hope to receive, what credit is that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners, to receive as much again. But love your enemies, do good, and lend, expecting nothing in return. Your reward will be great, and you will be children of the Most High; for he is kind to the ungrateful and the wicked. Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful. Do not judge, and you will not be judged; do not condemn, and you will not be condemned. Forgive, and you will be forgiven; give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap; for the measure you give will be the measure you get back."

Sermon

Nicene Creed

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The Peace

Offertory Hymn 381 Praise, My Soul

Praise, My Soul

THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

Prayer over the Gifts

Eucharistic Prayer No. 1

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Sanctus

Setting: Mass of Creation, M. Haugen

All *Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power, God of 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. Hosanna in the highest.*

Lord's Prayer

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Breaking of the Bread 1

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Presider "I am the bread of life," says the Lord. "Whoever comes to me shall never be hungry. Whoever believes in me shall never thirst."

All **Taste and see that the Lord is good. Happy are they who trust in him.**

Presider The Gifts of God for the People of God.

All **Thanks be to God.**

Agnus Dei

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Communion Hymn 553 Ubi Caritas et Amor

Ubi Caritas

Communion Motet View Me Lord

Richard Lloyd

Prayer after Communion

Doxology

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Blessing

Hymn 397 Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness

Nettleton

Dismissal

Postlude Festive Trumpet Tune

David German

Presiding Celebrant: The Reverend Canon Catherine Ascah
Preacher: Sony Jabouin
Sidespeople: Mark Ellis; Tony Kellett
Readers: Serge Belet; Sharon Letovsky
Intercessor: Michael Beall
Communion Assistants: Sony Jabouin; Ray Perrin

The flowers in the sanctuary are given to the glory of God and in celebration of the 10 year anniversary of the baptism of Janet Akins, on February 20, 2015 at Evangel Pentecostal Church.

ALTAR FLOWERS

Please consider contributing to Sunday's flowers to celebrate an event or to remember a loved one. Consult the flower chart in the parish hall to select a date and then contact Pamela Mallon to confirm and provide details for the bulletin. A \$100 donation is suggested. Mark cheques *Altar Flowers* as tax receipts will be issued.

Pamela Mallon, Altar Guild

PLEASE REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: Igreja Episcopal Anglicana do Brasil.

Diocese: We pray for Shane, our Bishop, Anne our Metropolitan and Acting Primate; Staff at Ascension House; St. Mark the Evangelist, Ottawa and all who minister there.

Canada: Members of the Governor General's Foot Guards, the CAF and those serving in diplomatic missions and NGOs.

Parish: Jane, Eve, Judy, David, Pam, Ron, John, Natasha, Margareta, Ed, Angeleigha, Carole, Harriet & Family, the residents, staff and volunteers of the Garry J. Armstrong Home, and their Chaplain.

THE CALENDAR

The Nicene Creed – 2

The Nicene Creed (325 AD), known as N, or strictly the Niceno-Constantinopolitan Creed (?381 AD), known as C, has been since 451 AD and the Fourth Great Ecumenical Council at Chalcedon the primary statement of Christian identity. It probably had its origin in an earlier baptismal creed, perhaps even initially used in Jerusalem. Now it is a primary statement about our faith accepted by the Roman Catholic Church, the Eastern Orthodox churches, the Oriental Orthodox churches, the Church of the East (the Syriac churches), and many Protestant churches, including our Anglican Communion. We also hold to the shorter Apostles' Creed, not said as frequently these days as it is part of Morning and Evening Prayer, and to the Athanasian Creed, which reads rather pedantically and which we rarely, if ever, say. The Nicene Creed has always been part of our communion service. To some of us it may be inseparable from its setting to music in 1550 by John Merbecke.

The Creed is a theological statement because the Council of Nicaea (325 AD) was called to settle a theological question. At issue was the nature of Jesus and His relationship to God the Father. The Arian position, soon to be a heresy, held by a significant number of Christians in early 325, was that the Son was begotten of the Father and so had begun to be later than the Father and was therefore lesser than the Father, though still divine. The debate was about three Greek words: *homos* (ὁμῶς), meaning the same, *ousia* (οὐσία), meaning essence (we also use substance to convey its meaning), and *homoios* (ὅμοιος), meaning similar. The Nicene settlement was that the Son is *homoousion*, of the same essence or nature as the Father. Almost all the bishops at Nicaea signed the statement, some perhaps under duress from the Emperor. Two held out as Arians for *homoiousion*, a similar nature. The Mormons and the Jehovah's Witnesses are today's Arians.

Homoousion became the fundamental basis for our understanding of the Holy Trinity. Both N and C have a relatively lengthy description of the Son in comparison with the concise comments about the Father because at the council the Father's nature and position was not at issue. The important words for the Father are One God to make Him distinct from the many gods of the Romans. In N, the Holy Ghost is mentioned but briefly. N ends abruptly after *I believe in the Holy Ghost*. The description of the Holy Ghost comes from C. The Holy Ghost is also of *homoousion* with the Father and the Son.

As you know, *The Calendar* avoids technical theology. The Trinity is a fertile topic for technical theologians, but it is quite simple really: God around us, God beside us, and God within us.

Submitted by: Chris Burn

ANNOUNCEMENTS

2024 TAX RECEIPTS AVAILABLE

Charitable donation tax receipts are available for pick up in the narthex at the back of the church.

LET LIGHT SHINE: ST. GEORGE'S COLLEGE, JERUSALEM

The webinar from Sat Feb 1 featuring a conversation with Archbishop Hosam Naoum, Episcopal Archbishop of the Diocese of Jerusalem and the Middle East, and the Very Reverend Canon Richard Sewell, Dean of St. George's College is now available for viewing on our diocesan website.

RIDEAU ROCKCLIFFE COMMUNITY RESOURCE CENTRE

It is that time of the month! Please consider bringing in donations of non-perishable food items for the RRCRC Emergency Food Bank. Over 1300 community members visit the food bank each month, and our donations really make a difference. See the poster in the link, and bring in your donations to St. Bartholomew's. The most needed items are: peanut butter; whole wheat pasta; rice (brown, wild, white); sugar, salt, spices; low-sugar & low-sodium products; gluten-free products; cooking oil; coffee/tea; baby food pouches; baby shampoo cookies/crackers for toddlers; unscented wipes; pull ups 2T-5T; juice boxes; fruit cups; crackers; granola bars (peanut-free); toothbrushes; toilet paper; soap (hand, dish, laundry); adult diapers. Canadian-made is always a bonus!!

PALM CROSSES

If you have palm crosses left over from last year, please bring them to church by Sun Mar 2 so they can be burned for ashes used on Ash Wednesday.

SHROVE TUESDAY PANCAKE SUPPER TUES MAR 4

Mark your calendars and come to feast before the fast of Ash Wednesday!

ASH WEDNESDAY LITURGY WED MAR 5 7PM

We will begin Lent with a celebration of Holy Eucharist and the imposition of ashes. All are welcome at this profound and reflective service.

LENT RETREAT: SPEAKING OF SIN SUN MAR 30 – TUES APR 1

This semi-silent, residential retreat will take place at Galilee Centre, Arnprior. We will use Barbara Brown Taylor's book, *Speaking of Sin: The Lost Language of Salvation* as our guide and focus. The book is available to order through Chapters-Indigo (order early – expected delivery date is Feb 25), or Books on Beechwood (again, order early!). Cost per person is \$300 and includes 2 nights accommodation and all meals. If you are interested in coming away for a time of silence, spiritual reading and development, prayer and worship, please contact Canon Catherine at catherine-ascah@ottawa.anglican.ca. Space is limited.

AN UNEXPECTED SAVOUR: AN INTRODUCTION TO THE HISTORICAL JESUS

The Christian Council of the Capital Area (CCCA) is offering an on-line Lenten study series led by Rev. John Perkin of First Baptist Church, Ottawa. See poster in the link for more information, and register to attend (no cost) at <https://historicaljesus-cca.eventbrite.ca/> The series runs Tuesdays March 11, 18 & 25 from 7-8.30pm.

EVERY WEEK AT ST. BARTHOLOMEW'S

BRIDGE CLUB MONDAYS 2PM-4PM

All are welcome to come and play bridge. Please contact Mary and Richard Capson for further details.

PINT & A PASSAGE MONDAYS 7PM

Join the conversation (and the chaos!) at the Clocktower Pub at Beechwood & MacKay to discuss the Gospel for the upcoming Sunday. On Feb 24 we will discuss Luke 9:28-36

WEEKLY MEDITATION THURSDAYS AT 8AM on Zoom.

Our meditation group is a member of the WCCM (wccm.org), a global spiritual community united in the practice of meditation in the Christian tradition. Contact Stephen Woolcombe for more information and Zoom co-ordinates.

BIBLE STUDY THURSDAYS AT 10AM on Zoom.

Contact the Church Office stbartsottawa@gmail.com for details and Zoom link.

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