

CHURCH OF ST. BARTHOLOMEW



SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

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April 12, 2026

Alleluia! Christ is risen! Welcome to the Church of St. Bartholomew. We are a Christian church in the Anglican tradition. We are the church in the community and a community in the church. It is a privilege to gather here this morning on what has been a site of worship and storytelling for thousands of years - the ancestral territory of the Anishinaabe Algonquin, who have acted as guardians and stewards of this land and its waterways. As they have passed on their traditions through storytelling and worship, we do so as well.

If you are visiting St. Bartholomew's, we hope you find peace and welcome within these walls. Here generations of the faithful, the seeking and the lost have come to find meaning, holiness, friendship and an encounter with the divine. Your presence adds to the great cloud of witnesses by which we are surrounded. People have often spoken of St. Bartholomew's as a "thin place" - a tradition in Celtic Christian spirituality where the veil between the material world and the spiritual realm diminishes, making it easier to encounter God. We hope this is your experience here too.

If you are new to Anglicanism, or it has been a while since you have been to church, and you are not quite sure what happens and when, do not worry. Anglican worship has a particular structure, and we do love our books! It can seem like a lot of page-turning and book-juggling. There is a rhythm to it, but it can take some getting used to. Don't feel you have to be on the right page all the time. Let the liturgy wash over you. If you would like some help, ask a neighbour - they will be glad to point you in the right direction, but being on the right page isn't necessary. Just let things unfold. Our worship services are found in two different books in your pew racks: The burgundy Book of Common Prayer used at 8:30 a.m.; the green Book of Alternative Services used at 10:30 a.m. Most hymns can be found in the blue Common Praise hymn books, and the hymn numbers in this bulletin reference the hymn numbers in the book

When it comes to "posture", there is a lot of standing up and sitting down! Generally, we stand up to sing and to profess our faith (such as at hymns, the Gospel and the Creed); we sit to hear the word (readings, sermon); we kneel or stand to pray. If you cannot stand or cannot kneel, you can sit.

We do take up a collection of funds at the Offertory - around the middle of the service. Sidespeople will pass an offering plate along the pews and if you are moved to contribute, there are visitor envelopes in the pew racks in which you can put your offering, or you can scan this QR code with your phone to make your donation securely on-line.



When it comes time for Communion, everyone who is baptized, regardless of their denomination, is welcome to receive the bread and the wine. We use the common cup for wine, so if you would prefer not to drink from the cup, simply cross your arms over your chest as the chalice is offered to you. Intinction, or the dipping of the bread into the wine, is not permitted. If you are not baptized, or wish to receive a blessing, you are welcome to come to the Altar rail at the time of Communion, cross your arms as the priest approaches, and the priest will offer a prayer of blessing. Gluten-free wafers are available (just let the priest know). And, if the steps leading to the Altar rail are a challenge because you have mobility constraints, let a sidesperson know you would like Communion brought to you in your pew. For questions about baptism, please speak with the priest.

Children are welcome in the church for worship. There are seasonal activity packs on the credenza in the narthex and in the box under the table by the porch door to keep young hands and minds engaged. There is also a children's room in the parish hall with stations of activities where you can take your child during the service if they would prefer to have a bit more room to move. The audio from the service is broadcast into the hall so you can hear the liturgy.

Again, welcome to St. Bartholomew's. We are blessed that you are here.

A reminder: please ensure your mobile phones/devices and notifications are turned off or are set to silent or do not disturb mode.

8:30 A.M.

HOLY COMMUNION FROM THE BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER P. 67

Greeting

Presider Alleluia! Christ is risen.

People **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

Presider May his grace and peace be with you.

People **May he fill our hearts with joy.**

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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. Thank you for your offering.

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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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Blessing

PRESIDING CELEBRANT & PREACHER: The Reverend Canon Catherine Ascah
COMMUNION ASSISTANT: Barbara Konst | SIDESPERSON & READER: Philip Anido

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

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10:30 A.M. HOLY EUCHARIST FROM THE BOOK OF ALTERNATIVE SERVICES P. 185

PRELUDE Christ lag in Todesbanden (BWV 625)

J.S. Bach

HYMN 206 Christ The Lord Is Risen Today

Llanfair

THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

Presider Alleluia! Christ is risen!

People The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Presider May his grace and peace be with you.

People May he fill our hearts with joy.

COLLECT FOR PURITY

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GLORIA



Refrain

Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and peace to his peo - ple on earth.



Verse 1

Lord God, heav - en - ly King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther, we



wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.



Verse 2

Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of



God, you take a - way the sin of the world: have mer -



- cy on us; you are seat - ed at the right hand



of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer.

Verse 3

For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord, _____

you a - lone are the Most _____ High, Je - sus Christ, _____

with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the glo - ry of

God, the Fa - ther. _____ A - men. _____ A - men. _____

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Almighty and eternal God, the strength of those who believe and the hope of those who doubt, may we, who have not seen, have faith and receive the fullness of Christ's blessing, 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

ACTS 2:14A, 22-32

Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd, "You that are Israelites, listen to what I have to say: Jesus of Nazareth, a man attested to you by God with deeds of power, wonders, and signs that God did through him among you, as you yourselves know - this man, handed over to you according to the definite plan and foreknowledge of God, you crucified and killed by the hands of those outside the law. But God raised him up, having freed him from death, because it was impossible for him to be held in its power. For David says concerning him, 'I saw the Lord always before me, for he is at my right hand so that I will not be shaken; therefore my heart was glad, and my tongue rejoiced; moreover my flesh will live in hope. For you will not abandon my soul to Hades, or let your Holy One experience corruption. You have made known to me the ways of life; you will make me full of gladness with your presence.' Fellow Israelites, I may say to you confidently of our ancestor David that he both died and was buried, and his tomb is with us to this day. Since he was a prophet, he knew that God had sworn with an oath to him that he would put one of his descendants on his throne. Foreseeing this, David spoke of the resurrection of the Messiah, saying, 'He was not abandoned to Hades, nor did his flesh experience corruption.' This Jesus God raised up, and of that all of us are witnesses."

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.
People Thanks be to God.

PSALM 16 *The cantor sings the refrain. All repeat. All repeat the refrain where indicated*



Protect me, O God, for I take refuge in you; I have said to the Lord, "You are my Lord, my good above all other." All my delight is upon the godly that are in the land, upon those who are noble among the people. **R**

But those who run after other gods shall have their troubles multiplied. Their libations of blood I will not offer, nor take the names of their gods upon my lips. O Lord, you are my portion and my cup; it is you who uphold my lot. My boundaries enclose a pleasant land; indeed, I have a goodly heritage. **R**

I will bless the Lord who gives me counsel; my heart teaches me, night after night. I have set the Lord always before me; because you are at my side I shall not fall. **R**

My heart, therefore, is glad, and my spirit rejoices; my body also shall rest in hope. For you will not abandon me to the grave, nor let your holy one see the Pit. You will show me the path of life; in your presence there is fullness of joy, and in your right hand are pleasures for evermore. **R**

SECOND READING

1 PETER 1:3-9

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! By his great mercy he has given us a new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, and into an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, who are being protected by the power of God through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. In this you rejoice, even if now for a little while you have had to suffer various trials, so that the genuineness of your faith - being more precious than gold that, though perishable, is tested by fire - may be found to result in praise and glory and honour when Jesus Christ is revealed. Although you have not seen him, you love him; and even though you do not see him now, you believe in him and rejoice with an indescribable and glorious joy, for you are receiving the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

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HYMN 244 We Walk By Faith, And Not By Sight

Shanti

THE GOSPEL

JOHN 20:19-31

Gospeler The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Gospeler The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to John.
People **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained." But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe." A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe." Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe." Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

Gospeler The Gospel of Christ.
People **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

SERMON

THE APOSTLES' CREED

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INTERCESSIONS

THE PEACE *(please stand.)*

Presider The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

OFFERTORY HYMN 231 That Eastertide With Joy Was Bright

Lasst uns erfreuen

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THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER 3

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SANCTUS

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord. God of pow - er, God of might,
heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the
high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes in the
name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est,
ho - san - na in the high - est.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Presider Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

All Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!

Presider The Gifts of God for the People of God.

All Thanks be to God.

AGNUS DEI

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the
world, have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you
take a - way the sins of the world, grant us peace.

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COMMUNION HYMN 232 Jesus Is Risen From The Grave Childer

COMMUNION MOTET Easter Carol Traditional

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION *(please stand)*

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BLESSING

HYMN 205 The Day Of Resurrection Ellacombe

DISMISSAL

Minister Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia!

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

POSTLUDE Heut triumphieret Gottes Sohn (BWV 630) J.S. Bach

PRESIDING CELEBRANT & PREACHER: The Reverend Canon Catherine Ascah
SIDESPEOPLE: Martine Cappon; Mark Ellis | READERS: Bob Orr; Judy Wiesinger
INTERCESSOR: Calum Carmichael | COMMUNION ASSISTANTS: Sally Doherty; Robin Dunbar

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

*The flowers at the Altar are given to the glory of God and in memory of
the Jennings-Johns family by Sarah Jennings*

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.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: Igreja Anglicana de Mocambique e Angola

Diocese: We pray for Shane, our Primate; Anne, our Metropolitan; Kathryn our Bishop-elect; our Diocesan partners the Anglican Communion Forest and Compass Rose; our Diocesan Community Ministries (Belong Ottawa - Centre 454, St. Luke's Table, The Well, Centre 105 Cornwall, Cornerstone Housing for Women, Ottawa Pastoral Counselling Centre, Refugee Ministry); The Parish of the Lower Ottawa Valley - Holy Trinity, Hawkesbury, St. John's, Vankleek Hill, St. Michael & All Angels, Maxville, with the Parish of Glenville/Calumet and the Reverend Felix Longdon.

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

Parish: Barbara B, Maria, James, Shelagh, Harry, Michael, Reidar, Jeannie, Gabrielle N., Amy, Erika, Linda, Pierre, Don, Kate M., Lauren, Jane G, Paul, Stephen, Rhondda, Letitia, Richard, Donna, Nancy, Rachel, Kelly, Isabel, Erica, Jane, Ron, John, Natasha, Margareta, Ed, Angelegha, Susan, Christine, Harriet & Family the residents, staff and volunteers of the Garry J. Armstrong Home.

We remember Barbara Dickerson, who died last weekend. May she rest in peace, and rise in glory.

THE CALENDAR

Easter wings

April 13th, tomorrow, is the date the Rev. Gilbert White (1720-93) regularly noticed the arrival of swallows in his village, Selborne in Hampshire. They were heralds of spring, arriving soon to nest. He was writing in the second half of the 18th century, when the Gregorian calendar that we use today had become the established reckoning of time. One hundred and ten of his letters about the behaviour of animals, birds, and plants in the parish form *The Natural History of Selborne*, published in 1789. The letters possess both the precision of scientific observation and, by describing the inter-relationships of animals and birds with their surroundings, stimulate the imagination. Nature writers today follow his path. He wanted *his readers to pay a more ready attention to the wonders of the Creation, too frequently overlooked as common occurrences*. In 1774, he wrote about his swallows *that these birds are seen first about lakes and mill-ponds; and it is also very particular, that if these early visitors happen to find frost and snow, as was the case of the two dreadful springs of 1770 and 1771, they immediately withdraw for a time. A circumstance this much more in favour of hiding than migration*. We may have noticed the same here this year.

George Herbert, too, noticed the arrival of migratory birds at Eastertime. He composed two verses in the shape of pairs of wings, curiously reminiscent of swallows' wings. ***Easter wings*** appears in *W*, the manuscript of his poetry that survives from 1623 or thereabouts. In 1618-23, Easter fell between March 27th and April 19th (Gregorian style) and so included White's date. The poetry builds on the Easter narratives that we heard at the Vigil, beginning with the Creation in the first chapter of Genesis through to the empty tomb as the fulfillment of the Word. The Resurrection, Victory, following the Fall in the Garden of Eden and the Crucifixion, giving us life (flight). We may know that *to imp* is a term from falconry meaning *to engraft feathers in a damaged wing to restore or improve the powers of flight*.

Lord, who createdst Man in wealth and store,
 Though foolishly he lost the same,
 Decaying more and more,
 Till he became
 Most poor:
 With thee
 O let me rise,
 As larks, harmoniously,
 And sing this day thy victories.
Then shall the fall further the flight in me.

My tender Age in sorrow did begin:
 And still with sickness and shame
 Thou didst so punish sin
 That I became
 Most thin.
 With thee
 Let me combine,
 And feel thy victory:
 For if I imp my wing on thine,
Affliction shall advance the flight in me.

Submitted by: Chris Burn

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EVERY WEEK AT ST. BARTHOLOMEW'S

BRIDGE CLUB MONDAYS 2-4 P.M. All are invited to come and play bridge. Please contact Mary and Richard Capson for further details.

PINT & A PASSAGE MONDAYS 7 P.M. Join the conversation (and the chaos!) at the Clocktower Pub at Beechwood & MacKay to discuss the Gospel for the upcoming Sunday. On April 13 we will discuss Luke 24:13-35.

WEEKLY MEDITATION THURSDAYS 8 A.M. On Zoom Our meditation group is a member of the WCCM, a global spiritual community united in the practice of meditation in the Christian tradition. Visit (wccm.org) for information about the organization and contact the Parish office for Zoom co-ordinates. We meet in person on the first Thursday of the month.

BIBLE STUDY THURSDAYS 10 A.M. on Zoom. Contact the Church Office for details and the Zoom link.

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