

CHURCH OF ST. BARTHOLOMEW



THE SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Holy Eucharist
9:30 a.m. page 3

July 12, 2026

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 service in the summer months is found in the green Book of Alternative Services in the pew rack in front of you. 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.

PRELUDE**HYMN 644** Come, Gracious Spirit, Heavenly Dove

Eisenach

THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY**GREETING**

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GLORIA

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COLLECT OF THE DAY

Almighty God, you have made us for yourself, and our hearts are restless until they find their rest in you. May we find peace in your service, and in the world to come, see you face to face; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD**FIRST READING**

GENESIS 25:19-34

These are the descendants of Isaac, Abraham's son: Abraham was the father of Isaac, and Isaac was forty years old when he married Rebekah, daughter of Bethuel the Aramean of Paddanaram, sister of Laban the Aramean. Isaac prayed to the Lord for his wife, because she was barren; and the Lord granted his prayer, and his wife Rebekah conceived. The children struggled together within her; and she said, "If it is to be this way, why do I live?" So she went to inquire of the Lord. And the Lord said to her, "Two nations are in your womb, and two peoples born of you shall be divided; the one shall be stronger than the other, the elder shall serve the younger." When her time to give birth was at hand, there were twins in her womb. The first came out red, all his body like a hairy mantle; so they named him Esau. Afterward his brother came out, with his hand gripping Esau's heel; so he was named Jacob. Isaac was sixty years old when she bore them. When the boys grew up, Esau was a skillful hunter, a man of the field, while Jacob was a quiet man, living in tents. Isaac loved Esau, because he was fond of game; but Rebekah loved Jacob. Once when Jacob was cooking a stew, Esau came in from the field, and he was famished. Esau said to Jacob, "Let me eat some of that red stuff, for I am famished!" (Therefore he was called Edom.) Jacob said, "First sell me your birthright." Esau said, "I am about to die; of what use is a birthright to me?" Jacob said, "Swear to me first." So he swore to him, and sold his birthright to Jacob. Then Jacob gave Esau bread and lentil stew, and he ate and drank, and rose and went his way. Thus Esau despised his birthright.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

People Thanks be to God.

PSALM 119:105-112 *(sung by the cantor)*

*Your word is a lantern to my feet * and a light upon my path. I have sworn and am determined to keep your righteous judgements. I am deeply troubled; * preserve my life, O Lord, according to your word. Accept, O Lord, the willing tribute of my lips, * and teach me your judgements. My life is always in my hand, * yet I do not forget your law. The wicked have set a trap for me, but I have not strayed from your commandments. Your decrees are my inheritance for ever; * truly, they are the joy of my heart. I have applied my heart to fulfil your statutes * for ever and to the end.*

SECOND READING

ROMANS 8:1-11

There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has set you free from the law of sin and of death. For God has done what the law, weakened by the flesh, could not do: by sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, and to deal with sin, he condemned sin in the flesh, so that the just requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not according to the flesh but according to the Spirit. For those who live according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who live according to the Spirit set their minds on the things of the Spirit. To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. For this reason the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law indeed it cannot, and those who are in the flesh cannot please God. But you are not in the flesh; you are in the Spirit, since the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. But if Christ is in you, though the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also through his Spirit that dwells in you.

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HYMN 561 Lord, Your Word Shall Guide Us

Ravenshaw

THE GOSPEL

MATTHEW 13:1-9

Gospeler The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Gospeler The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Matthew.

People Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

That same day Jesus went out of the house and sat beside the sea. Such great crowds gathered around him that he got into a boat and sat there, while the whole crowd stood on the beach. And he told them many things in parables, saying: "Listen! A sower went out to sow. And as he

sowed, some seeds fell on the path, and the birds came and ate them up. Other seeds fell on rocky ground, where they did not have much soil, and they sprang up quickly, since they had no depth of soil. But when the sun rose, they were scorched; and since they had no root, they withered away. Other seeds fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked them. Other seeds fell on good soil and brought forth grain, some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty. Let anyone with ears listen! Hear then the parable of the sower. When anyone hears the word of the kingdom and does not understand it, the evil one comes and snatches away what is sown in the heart; this is what was sown on the path. As for what was sown on rocky ground, this is the one who hears the word and immediately receives it with joy; yet such a person has no root, but endures only for a while, and when trouble or persecution arises on account of the word, that person immediately falls away. As for what was sown among thorns, this is the one who hears the word, but the cares of the world and the lure of wealth choke the word, and it yields nothing. But as for what was sown on good soil, this is the one who hears the word and understands it, who indeed bears fruit and yields, in one case a hundredfold, in another sixty, and in another thirty."

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

SERMON

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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 645 Come Down, O Love Divine Down Ampney

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.

THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER 2

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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 2

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Presider We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.
All We, being many, are none body, for we all share in the one bread.
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.

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. Dipping the wafer in the wine is not allowed. Gluten-free wafers are available for those who require it. Please advise the priest. If the steps to the rail are a challenge, please advise the sidesperson and communion will be brought to you.*

COMMUNION HYMN 314 Laudate Omnes Gentes

Taizé

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION *(please stand)*

DOXOLOGY

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BLESSING

HYMN 393 Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

St. Denio

DISMISSAL

Minister Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

PRESIDING CELEBRANT & PREACHER: The Reverend Canon Catherine Ascah
SIDESPEOPLE: Sarah Jennings | READERS: Gwynneth Evans; Sarah Jennings
INTERCESSOR: Nancy Millson | COMMUNION ASSISTANTS: Alain Lanoix; Barbara Konst

Please join us in the parish hall & labyrinth for lemonade after this service.

The flowers in the sanctuary are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Jane Whistler (née McCarthy), who died on July 15, 2021 in Hastings, England, by Hugh Whistler.

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: The Province of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan

Diocese: We pray for Shane, our Primate; Anne, our Metropolitan; Kathryn our Bishop; our Diocesan partners The 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; The Ottawa Pastoral Counselling Centre; Refugee Ministry); St. James, Perth and the Reverend Robert Camara and Deacon Liana Gallant.

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

Parish: Henri, Elizabeth, Alexandra, Pria, Elaine, Charlotte, Stephen, Martine, Pat, David, Felix, Michael, Judith, Barbara B., Shelagh, Harry, Linda, Pierre, Don, Kate M., Lauren, Richard, Isabel, Erica, Jane, Ron, John, Natasha, Margareta, Angeleigha, Susan, Christine, Harriet & family, the residents, staff and volunteers of the Garry J. Armstrong Home.

We give thanks for the life of Justice David Wake, who died earlier this week. May he rest in peace and rise in glory.

THE CALENDAR

Jesus's Lord's Prayer

We will never know precisely the words Jesus said when he gave us the prayer we know as His, but we do know they were spoken in Aramaic and preserved in Greek for us by the gospel writers. We have them in English, twice removed from Aramaic, because our translations are from the Greek texts. Aramaic is a living language, which first appears in records over 1000 years before Jesus spoke it. It was widespread in the Middle East, being in use from what is now Turkey to as far east as the Christians in Kerala as the Good News spread. It was written using the Syriac alphabet, and we do have early texts of the prayer in Aramaic. Now it is still spoken in parts of Syria and by a few communities in Iraq and Iran, but it is endangered because the number of native speakers is declining. Being a living language, it has changed since Jesus's time, both through history and over space, as isolated places do not have the same influences upon them linguistically as metropolitan areas.

During Jesus's ministry, three languages influenced Him. Daily conversation was in Aramaic, religious practice was in Hebrew, and visitors from the west spoke Greek. Latin was not commonly spoken in Judea, except by soldiers and administrators of the Roman occupation. The three languages influenced each other, but mainly the cross-pollination was between Aramaic and Hebrew. Jesus's Aramaic is known as Middle Aramaic, a version of the language current from about 200 BC to 200 AD.

The Greek text was preserved by people who would have been bilingual in Greek and Aramaic. It would not have been a casual process but it would not have been pedantic either. There were many Christians in Judea who would have been familiar with both languages, with accounts of Jesus, and some had known Him. The initial texts would have been widely and critically discussed. Initially they did not possess the authority they now have but would have still been of great interest. The Judean Christians may have prayed in Aramaic at home. Here is ancient Aramaic and the English transliteration; you can perceive the translation.

<i>Aramaic in Roman script</i>	<i>English transliteration</i>
Abwoon d'bwashmaya Nethqadash shmokh Tethe malkuthakh Nehwey tzevyanakh Aykanah d'bwashmaya af b'ar'a Hab lan lakhma d'sunqanan yomana Washboq lan hawbayn Aykanah d'af hnan shbaqan l'haybayn Wela ta'lan l'nisyonah Ela patzan min bisha Metol dilakh hi malkutha Wahayla wateshbukhta L'alam almin	Our Father who is in heaven Let be glorified your name It will come your kingdom It will be your will As which is in heaven also on earth Give us the bread of our need daily And forgive us our sins As that also we forgive to sin against us And not cause us to enter testing Rather deliver us from evil Because that yours the kingdom Power and glory For ever for ever.

Submitted by: Chris Burn

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WIDE OPEN WEDNESDAYS

Every Wednesday through August 26, the church's doors will be wide open to invite visitors from 9am - 1pm. At 12:15pm, there will be a short service of mid-day prayer. All are welcome for a time of quiet and reflection mid-day.

BACKPACKS FOR RRCRC

We are helping the RRCRC provide back-to-school backpacks for high school students again this year. If you are able to contribute to the initiative, any amount would be most welcome. Please ensure that your name is included with your donation, along with a note or comment "Backpacks". Donations can be made by cheque, cash or through e-transfer to the parish. We will be shopping for the items and packing the backpacks the week of Aug 3, and blessing the packs on Sun Aug 9.

EXTRA GARDEN HOSE?

If anyone has a garden hose (or two) that they don't currently need, please reach out to Robin Dunbar or bring it to the parish office. We need some extensions to have the hose reach the garden boxes from the faucet.

FOOD BANK COLLECTION

Hunger never takes a holiday, and with grocery prices higher than ever, food insecurity continues to rise. Donations of non-perishable items for our local foodbank (administered through the Rideau Rockcliffe Community Resource Centre) are gratefully received and can be left in the mauve bins outside the parish office.

VENEZUELA EARTHQUAKE RESPONSE

In response to the crisis, the Government of Canada announced it will match all donations made to the Humanitarian Coalition (HC) appeal between June 25 and July 14, up to \$2 million. The HC comprises 12 leading Canadian aid agencies including the Canadian Foodgrains Bank, of which Alongside Hope is a member.

Alongside Hope is in regular contact with our partners the ACT Alliance, the Anglican Alliance and others who are assessing the situation and designing their response plans, which will focus on providing immediate relief by supporting families with food, shelter, household items and other basic needs.

You can donate online by visiting the Alongside Hope website and following the links:

<https://alongsidehope.org/>

You can also donate by calling at 1-866-308-7973. Or mail a cheque to Alongside Hope, 80 Hayden Street, 3rd Floor, Toronto, ON, Canada, M4Y 3G2. Please indicate "Venezuela" in the memo field.

THANK YOU!

Thank you, Emilie Brunet-Zeni and Karl Zeni for all your work redecorating the nursery/children's room in the hall. You had to deal with some of the hottest days while scrubbing and painting!! It looks fantastic.

BAZAAR 2026

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 7 12NOON - 4PM

Our bazaar is only 4 months away! We always need your contributions of jams, jellies, preserves, knitting and craft items (warm scarves, gloves, baby clothes are always popular in this latter category). Home baking will be needed, so if you are making pies and loaves with summer harvests to put in the freezer, please remember the bake table. If you are traveling, keep your eyes open for small and interesting souvenirs. We welcome donations of classic china, jewellery, works of art and any other items you might like to donate!

We can pick up your donations anytime after September 1st. If you would like to join the bazaar team - or know of young people who would like to help with set up, pack up and carry boxes, that would be great! For further details please call Liz or Linda.



- **JAMS, JELLIES & PRESERVES**

As you make your jams, jellies, pickles and preserves this season, please set aside a jar or two (or twelve!) for our bazaar on Saturday, November 7. Please contact Darlene Holden to be added to the list of contributors. Thank you.

In 2025, proceeds from our bazaar contributed towards the over \$25,000 of outreach funding St. Bartholomew's issued to: St. Margaret's Anglican Church, Vanier (to support their ministries); The Rideau Rockcliffe Community Resource Centre (programs to assist newcomers and those living in poverty in the Rideau-Rockcliffe ward); Inuuqatigiit Centre for Children, Youth and Families in Ottawa; Alongside Hope (formerly PWRDF - for their international development work and aid); St. George's College, Jerusalem (to help rebuild their programing and pilgrimage offering in the Holy Land.)

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During the summer, the office is open Tuesday through Friday 9am-1pm
except statutory holidays or when indicated. For access to the building on Mondays,
please make arrangements through the parish office *in advance*.

EVERY WEEK AT ST. BARTHOLOMEW'S IN THE SUMMER

MID-DAY PRAYER WEDNESDAYS AT 12:15P.M. A gentle, brief liturgy of the word is a chance to pause mid-day in prayer and reflection.

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.

Monday night Pint & Passage Gospel discussion and Thursday morning Bible study on Zoom resume in September.

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