

PARISH LIFE

Our Vision: Transforming lives through a personal relationship with the Lord Jesus Christ.

Our Mission: To share Christ's love and His Word with our community and the world through Christ-centered outreach, worship, prayer, and biblical study.

1) Turkeys for our Sudanese brothers and sisters: If you would like to help the Sudanese for Thanksgiving, please bring a frozen turkey to the church at 2:30pm on **Sunday, Nov 24**, at the conclusion of the Sudanese service. (If you cannot come at that time, we can store the frozen turkey in the church freezer.) Contact Fr. Bryan to sign up: bpwandel@gmail.com or (716) 880-6693.

2) The Wednesday A.M. Ladies Bible Study has chosen to reach out to Buffalo City Mission and Cornerstone Manor to help bring warmth to their clients. We encourage you to join us in this worthy pursuit. Needed are: **Warm** coats, sweaters, sweatshirts, hats, gloves, mittens, socks, jackets, blankets, etc. for men, women and children. New or gently used and washed, or hand-crafted items are needed. Please check your closets, shop for sales, or start knitting, if you are able to help. The key word is **WARM**. Donations may be placed on marked tables in the Fr. Amend Hall until **December 4th**. We will all feel warmer for our caring efforts.

3) YOU'RE INVITED to the **BPO Holiday Pops Coffee Concert**, Friday, **December 20** at 9am in Kleinhans Music Hall! Tickets are \$35; coffee, donuts and FULL concert are included. Sign –up in the Fr. Amend Hall. Questions- see or call Brenda Wisz (716)832-6684

4) 2025 Calendars are available in the Fr. Amend Hall, courtesy of Wedekindt Funeral Home. **Our Daily Bread** for December, January, February is also available in the Fr. Amend Hall.

If you would like an Assisted Hearing Device to use during the service please see an Usher.

Please notify the Church Office of any address, phone number, or email changes so that we may keep our records current.

Please have someone notify the Church Office if you are or will be hospitalized so one of our clergy may visit with you.

OUR LEADERSHIP AND STAFF

The Rt. Rev. Alan Hawkins, Bishop

The Very Rev. Arthur W. Ward, Jr., Dean and Rector

Fr. Jacob Bush, Associate Rector

Dn. Gary Wisniewski, Dn. John Reitz

Dn. James Kibby, Facility & Media Operations

Mrs. Margaret Bukkosy, Director of Music Ministries

Mrs. Elizabeth Burkett: Director of Children's & Youth Ministries

Karen Wheaton, Cathy Reitz, Debbie Geis, Tammy Krull: Secretaries

Welcome Visitors!

It is our joy to have you worshipping with us today. At St. Bartholomew's we are on mission to see lives gloriously transformed through a personal relationship with the Lord Jesus Christ. If this is your first time at an Anglican service we want to help you become better acquainted with who we are and what you will experience today.

Our Background

St. Bartholomew's Anglican Church was founded in 1955 not far from our current location. We are members of the Anglican Communion which has its roots in the Church of England and includes over 80 million members worldwide. Although formally established in the 16th Century during the Protestant Reformation our beliefs and worship have remained the same since the days of the early church. It might be helpful to think of Anglicanism as a "middle way" between Roman Catholicism and Protestantism. Today, St. Bart's continues its mission to our community. Even if you are not a member, we encourage all people to join us in our weekly services and bible studies, concerts, volunteer opportunities and numerous outreach events.

The Liturgy

Anglican worship is defined by two commitments: 1) the authority of Holy Scriptures (the Word of God) and 2) the Sacraments (Holy Communion and Holy Baptism). Together Word and Sacrament point us to Jesus Christ and, in doing so, work to shape us into a faithful Christ-centered community. The way we express this worship is known as the Liturgy (our order of service). Far from empty ritualism, Anglican worship involves the active participation of the whole person: our mind, body, and spirit. Everything you see and experience in today's service — the prayers, the symbols, and the actions — all invite us to share in the good news of God's salvation. The reading and teaching of the Holy Scriptures (the Ministry of the Word) prepare us for the culmination of our service, which is the receiving of Holy Communion (also referred to as "the Lord's Supper").

Receiving the Sacrament of Holy Communion

All baptized Christians are invited to receive Holy Communion with us today. If you would like to receive it but are not able to come forward, please tell an usher. The priest would be happy to bring communion to your pew. If you are not baptized, or would prefer not to receive the sacrament, we warmly invite you to still come forward and receive a blessing. You may indicate this to the priest by crossing your arms across your chest. As our valued guest your only obligation in today's service is to keep your heart open to receive what God may desire to do in you!

Further Questions?

If you have any other questions, be sure to ask an usher, or even the friendly people around you! After the service, we invite you to meet with Fr. Ward.

St. Bartholomew's Anglican Church

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26th Sunday after Pentecost

Saturday, November 16, 2024 4:30pm HE

Sunday, November 17, 2024 8 & 10am HE

****** We welcome the family and friends of Anastasia Hope Sluyter who will be baptized at the 10am service.**

Prelude "Adagio" (from "Occasional Oratorio") Handel/Best

Introit "Morning has Broken" Warren Teall, soloist

Sacring Bell All stand when the bell rings.

Processional Hymn #400 "All Creatures of Our God and King" vs. 1-4

Opening Sentences (Pr.Bk.p 123)

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

People: And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

Holy Baptism (10am) Pr.Bk. p. 161

Collect for Purity: (Pr.Bk.p 124) 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**

Summary of the Law (Pr.Bk.p. 124)

Proper 28: (Pr.Bk.pp 622-623) Stir up, O Lord, the wills of your faithful people, that bringing forth in abundance the fruit of good works, they may be abundantly rewarded when our Savior Jesus Christ comes to restore all things; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

FIRST READING

Daniel 12:1-13: "Now at that time Michael, the great prince who stands guard over the sons of your people, will arise. And there will be a time of distress such as never occurred since there was a nation until that time; and at that time your people, everyone who is found written in the book, will be rescued. Many of those who sleep in the dust of the ground will awake, these to everlasting life, but the others to disgrace and everlasting contempt. Those who have insight will shine brightly like the brightness of the expanse of

heaven, and those who lead the many to righteousness, like the stars forever and ever. But as for you, Daniel, conceal these words and seal up the book until the end of time; many will go back and forth, and knowledge will increase." Then I, Daniel, looked and behold, two others were standing, one on this bank of the river and the other on that bank of the river. And one said to the man dressed in linen, who was above the waters of the river, "How long will it be until the end of these wonders?" I heard the man dressed in linen, who was above the waters of the river, as he raised his right hand and his left toward heaven, and swore by Him who lives forever that it would be for a time, times, and half a time; and as soon as they finish shattering the power of the holy people, all these events will be completed. As for me, I heard but could not understand; so I said, "My lord, what will be the outcome of these events?" He said, "Go your way, Daniel, for these words are concealed and sealed up until the end time. Many will be purged, purified and refined, but the wicked will act wickedly; and none of the wicked will understand, but those who have insight will understand. From the time that the regular sacrifice is abolished and the abomination of desolation is set up, there will be 1,290 days. How blessed is he who keeps waiting and attains to the 1,335 days! But as for you, go your way to the end; then you will enter into rest and rise again for your allotted portion at the end of the age."

Psalm 16 *Conserve me, Domine* (Pr.Bk.pp 283-284)

- 1 Preserve me, O God, for in you have I put my trust.
- 2 *O my soul, you have said unto the Lord, "You are my Lord; I have no good apart from you."*
- 3 All my delight is upon the saints who are on the earth, and upon those who excel in virtue.
- 4 *But those who run after another god shall have great trouble.*
- 5 Their drink offerings of blood I will not offer, neither make mention of their names with my lips.
- 6 *The Lord himself is the portion of my inheritance and of my cup; you shall maintain my lot.*
- 7 The boundaries have fallen for me in pleasant places; indeed, I have a goodly heritage.
- 8 *I will thank the Lord for giving me counsel; my heart also chastens me in the night season.*
- 9 I have set the Lord always before me; he is at my right hand; therefore I shall not fall.
- 10 *Therefore my heart is glad and my soul rejoices. My flesh also shall rest in hope.*
- 11 For you shall not leave my soul in the grave, neither shall you allow your Holy One to see corruption.
- 12 *You shall show me the path of life; in your presence is the fullness of joy, and at your right hand there is pleasure for evermore.*

SECOND READING

1 Peter 5:1-11: Therefore, I exhort the elders among you, as your fellow elder and witness of the sufferings of Christ, and a partaker also of the glory that is to be revealed, shepherd the flock of God among you, exercising oversight not under compulsion, but voluntarily, according to the will of God; and not for sordid gain, but with eagerness; nor yet as lording it over those allotted to your charge, but proving to be examples to the flock. And when the

Chief Shepherd appears, you will receive the unfading crown of glory. You younger men, likewise, be subject to your elders; and all of you, clothe yourselves with humility toward one another, for GOD IS OPPOSED TO THE PROUD, BUT GIVES GRACE TO THE HUMBLE. Therefore humble yourselves under the mighty hand of God, that He may exalt you at the proper time, casting all your anxiety on Him, because He cares for you. Be of sober spirit, be on the alert. Your adversary, the devil, prowls around like a roaring lion, seeking someone to devour. But resist him, firm in your faith, knowing that the same experiences of suffering are being accomplished by your brethren who are in the world. After you have suffered for a little while, the God of all grace, who called you to His eternal glory in Christ, will Himself perfect, confirm, strengthen and establish you. To Him be dominion for ever and ever. Amen.

HOLY GOSPEL

Mark 13:14-23: "But when you see the ABOMINATION OF DESOLATION standing where it should not be (let the reader understand) then those who are in Judea must flee to the mountains. The one who is on the housetop must not go down, or go in to get anything out of his house; and the one who is in the field must not turn back to get his coat. But woe to those who are pregnant and to those who are nursing babies in those days! But pray that it may not happen in the winter. For those days will be a time of tribulation such as has not occurred since the beginning of the creation which God created until now, and never will. Unless the Lord had shortened those days, no life would have been saved; but for the sake of the elect, whom He chose, He shortened the days. And then if anyone says to you, 'Behold, here is the Christ'; or, 'Behold, He is there'; do not believe him; for false Christs and false prophets will arise, and will show signs and wonders, in order to lead astray, if possible, the elect. But take heed; behold, I have told you everything in advance."

Hymn #615 "Thy Kingdom Come on Bended Knee" vs. 1-5

The Sermon "Take Heed!" Fr. Ward

Holy Baptism (10 am) Pr.Bk.p. 162

Nicene Creed, Prayers of the People, Confession Pr.Bk.pp. 127-130

Offertory 4:30pm "Song Tune" John Bertalot
10:00am "Here, O my Lord" Warren Teall, soloist

THE HOLY COMMUNION

During the 10am Holy Communion there will be Prayer Intercessors available to anyone wanting extra prayers.

Great Thanksgiving Pr.Bk.p. 132

Communion Hymn #686 "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"

Thanksgiving and Priest's Blessing

Closing Hymn #438 "Tell Out My Soul, the Greatness of the Lord"

Postlude "Trumpet Tune in D Major" William Boyce

The Dismissal LEADER: Let us bless the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

THE FLOWERS are given to the greater glory of God and in loving memory of Basil Kopper on the 20th anniversary of his passing, from his sister, Karen Kopper

THE CALENDAR

- Sun. 11/17 8 & 10am HE 10am Sunday School 11:30am Cherub Choir
- Tue. 11/19 6:30pm Men's Discipleship
- Wed. 11/20 9:30am HE 10:30am Ladies Bible Study 6pm Youth Group & Cont. Choir 6:30pm Cont. Instrumentals 7pm Adult choir
- Thur. 11/21 7pm Prayer Night
- Fri. 11/22 7pm Friday Night Bible Study- (LAST)
"Defending the Faith- The Problem of Evil"
- Sat. 11/23 NO Confirmation 10am GriefShare "Surviving the Holidays"
4:30pm HE
- Sun. 11/24 8 & 10am HE 10am Sunday School 11:30am Cherub Choir

The **Annual Church Election** will be before and following the services on **Dec. 7 & 8**. If you are interested in running for Vestry please see Fr. Ward or a Vestry member. So far Michael Brylinski, M.J. Brzezckowski, and Tom Daniele are candidates for the three openings.

SICK MEMBERS (SHUT-INS ITALICIZED): Russell Ballaro, *Dorothy Bamberg*, Joan Bella, *Delores Bowker*, *George & Carol Brock*, Dini Brown, John Calabrese, Joan Calamita, Richard Carter, Wanda Cosentino, *Fay Crane-Preda*, Tom Crane, Pam Fish, *Muriel Forte*, Terry Gamble, Kenny George, Steve Gradzewicz, Lauri-Anne Hammond, Craig Heer, Dick Herrmann, Rick Herrmann, Lee Hilliker, Danielle Hyland, *Ken Johnson*, Carol Krieger, Jeremy Kyser, Sarah McGowan, Tammy Osmon, Peter Passino, Jackie Petrillo, Jon Prohaska, *Florence Purchase*, Michelle Rocker, *Jan Smalter*, Linda Soltis, Bob Tackaberry, *Sharon Tarapata*, Susan Tobin, Brittany Wilkowski

SICK LIST- FRIENDS & FAMILY:

- 1 Christen Rae, Mary Tobin, Charlene Walker, Mark Doran, Jackie Maher, Debbie Traugott, Jeanne & Asher Connelly, Kristina Schilling, Beth Zaker, Ginger Hobart, Pamela Boy
- 2 Larry Brzezckowski, Annette Hammond, Renee P., Jane Petrillo, Cathryn Dravis, Susan Dobson, Pat Wagar, Audrey Grant, Deborah Lentini, Donna Frey
- 3 Sheila Biles, Heather Lankes, Al Schultz, Molly Tobin, Chrissy Vantrease, Debra Sereno, Mariana Floro, Pamela Spath, Anita Orton, Steve Bukkosy
- 4 Cheryl Rossi, Lisa Ider, Fred Schultz, John Ruch, Mathew Frain, Rosemond Ruhland, Janet Ballaro, Tim Herrmann, Scott Seifert, Sawyer Allard, Kenneth Miller, Jennifer Conley

OUR MILITARY: Virginia Boy- Navy, James Kerins- Army, Sean MacLeay-Navy, Matthew Miller- Army, Matthew Prohaska- Air Force, Andrew Rebl- Army

**CHURCH FINANCES: October Income - \$ 51,493 Budget Expenses - \$ 63,047
YEAR TO DATE: Income - \$ 470,967 Expenses - \$ 532,143**