

# **A** Saint Bartholomew's Episcopal Church

## **THE THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

December 14, 2025, 10:00 AM

Holy Eucharist, Rite Two

We welcome all to today's service.



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### **Services:**

Sundays, 10:00 AM Holy Eucharist

3rd Thursdays, (Dec. 18<sup>th</sup>) 1:00 PM Healing & Holy Eucharist

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## The Third Sunday of Advent

December 14, 2025, 10:00 am

Holy Eucharist, Rite II

Today's Altar Greens are giving by  
Lisa & Bill Doherty in celebration of their wedding anniversary.

### THE WORD OF GOD

PRELUDE "Kyrie" from *Messa di Gloria* ..... Giacomo Puccini

*Please stand as you are able and join us in singing.*

PROCESSIONAL HYMN *Tell Out My Soul* ..... 437 Hymnal

1 Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord!  
2 Tell out, my soul, the greatness of his Name!  
3 Tell out, my soul, the greatness of his might!  
4 Tell out, my soul, the glories of his word!

Un-numbered blessings give my spirit voice;  
Make known his might, the deeds his arm has done;  
Powers and do-minions lay their glory by.  
Firm is his promise, and his mercy sure.

ten - der to me the prom - ise of his word;  
 his mer - cy sure, from age to age the same;  
 Proud hearts and stub - born wills are put to flight,  
 Tell out, my soul, the the great - ness of the Lord

in God my Sa - vior shall my heart re - joice.  
 his ho - ly Name— the Lord, the Might - y One.  
 the hun - gry fed, the hum - ble lift - ed high.  
 to chil - dren's chil - dren and for ev - er more!

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OPENING ACCLAMATION.....BCP 355

Celebrant Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

*People His mercy endures for ever.*

COLLECT FOR PURITY .....BCP 355

Celebrant Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, 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.*



SONG OF PRAISE: Trisagion ..... S102 Hymnal  
Sung by all, repeat three times

Ho - ly God, Ho - ly and Might - y,  
Ho - ly Im - mor - tal One, Have mer - cy up - on us.

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THE COLLECT OF THE DAY..... BCP 357

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

*People* ***And also with you.***

Celebrant Let us pray.

Stir up your power, O Lord, and with great might come among us; and, because we are sorely hindered by our sins, let your bountiful grace and mercy speedily help and deliver us; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. ***Amen***

*Please be seated for the readings.*

THE LESSON: ..... Isaiah 35:1-10

Reader A reading from the Book of the Prophet Isaiah.

**T**he wilderness and the dry land shall be glad, the desert shall rejoice and blossom; like the crocus it shall blossom abundantly, and rejoice with joy and singing. The glory of Lebanon shall be given to it, the majesty of Carmel and Sharon. They shall see the glory of the Lord, the majesty of our God. Strengthen the

weak hands, and make firm the feeble knees. Say to those who are of a fearful heart, "Be strong, do not fear! Here is your God. He will come with vengeance, with terrible recompense. He will come and save you." Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, and the ears of the deaf unstopped; then the lame shall leap like a deer, and the tongue of the speechless sing for joy. For waters shall break forth in the wilderness, and streams in the desert; the burning sand shall become a pool, and the thirsty ground springs of water; the haunt of jackals shall become a swamp, the grass shall become reeds and rushes. A highway shall be there, and it shall be called the Holy Way; the unclean shall not travel on it, but it shall be for God's people; no traveler, not even fools, shall go astray. No lion shall be there, nor shall any ravenous beast come up on it; they shall not be found there, but the redeemed shall walk there. And the ransomed of the Lord shall return, and come to Zion with singing; everlasting joy shall be upon their heads; they shall obtain joy and gladness, and sorrow and sighing shall flee away.

Reader                    The Word of the Lord

*People*                ***Thanks be to God.***

**THE RESPONSE** Canticle 15 The Song of Mary.....*Magnificat*  
*The Song of Praise is read responsively by verse.*

My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord,  
***my spirit rejoices in God my Savior; \****  
***for he has looked with favor on his lowly servant.***

From this day all generations will call me blessed: \*  
the Almighty has done great things for me, and holy is his Name.

***He has mercy on those who fear him \****  
***in every generation.***

He has shown the strength of his arm, \*  
he has scattered the proud in their conceit.

***He has cast down the mighty from their thrones, \****  
***and has lifted up the lowly.***

He has filled the hungry with good things, \*  
and the rich he has sent away empty.

***He has come to the help of his servant Israel, \****  
***for he has remembered his promise of mercy,***  
The promise he made to our fathers, \*  
to Abraham and his children for ever.

***Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: \****  
***as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.***

THE EPISTLE ..... James 5:7-10

Reader            A reading from the Letter to James.

**B**e patient, therefore, beloved, until the coming of the Lord. The farmer waits for the precious crop from the earth, being patient with it until it receives the early and the late rains. You also must be patient. Strengthen your hearts, for the coming of the Lord is near. Beloved, do not grumble against one another, so that you may not be judged. See, the Judge is standing at the doors! As an example of suffering and patience, beloved, take the prophets who spoke in the name of the Lord.

Reader            The word of the Lord.

**People**            ***Thanks be to God.***

*Please stand as you are able for the singing of the Sequence Hymn and reading of the Gospel.*

SEQUENCE HYMN I Love to Tell the Story ..... L64 LEVAS

1.1 love to tell the sto - ry Of un - seen things a - bove,  
2.1 love to tell the sto - ry, For those who know it best

1. Of Je-sus and His glo-ry, Of Je-sus and His love.  
 2. Seem hun-ger-ing and thirst-ing To hear it, like the rest.

1. I love to tell the sto-ry, Be-cause I know it's true;  
 2. And when, in scenes of glo-ry, I sing the new, new song,

1. It sat-is-fies my long-ings As noth-ing else would do.  
 2. 'Twill be the old, old sto-ry That I have loved so long.

To tell the old, old sto-ry Of Je-sus and His love.

Words: A. Katherine Hanky (1831-1911). Music: William G. Fisher (1835-1912).

THE GOSPEL ..... Mathew 11:2-11

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

*People*      ***Glory to you, Lord Christ.***

**W**hen John heard in prison what the Messiah was doing, he sent word by his disciples and said to him, “Are you the one who is to come, or are we to wait for another?” Jesus answered them, “Go and tell John what you hear and see: the blind receive their sight, the lame walk, the lepers are cleansed, the deaf

hear, the dead are raised, and the poor have good news brought to them. And blessed is anyone who takes no offense at me.” As they went away, Jesus began to speak to the crowds about John: “What did you go out into the wilderness to look at? A reed shaken by the wind? What then did you go out to see? Someone dressed in soft robes? Look, those who wear soft robes are in royal palaces. What then did you go out to see? A prophet? Yes, I tell you, and more than a prophet. This is the one about whom it is written, ‘See, I am sending my messenger ahead of you, who will prepare your way before you.’ “Truly I tell you, among those born of women no one has arisen greater than John the Baptist; yet the least in the kingdom of heaven is greater than he.”

Gospeler                    The Gospel of the Lord.

*People*                    ***Praise to you, Lord Christ.***

*Please be seated for the sermon.*

SERMON .....The Rev. Dr. Candine E. Johnson

THE NICENE CREED ..... BCP 358

*Please stand as you are able and join in saying the Nicene Creed.*

*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.*

#### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*The Intercessor and People pray responsively.*

*Celebrant* Jesus said that the signs of God's dominion were to be seen in the healing of the sick, the raising of the dead to new life, and the preaching of the good news to the poor. Let us pray that our lives may be the instruments of God's work in the world, saying: O God, most worthy of praise, hear our prayer.

*Intercessor* We thank you, God, for the gift of creation. Grant that we who bear your image may be faithful stewards of your gift and administer its bounty with wisdom for the good of all your creatures. O God, most worthy of praise,

*People* ***hear our prayer.***

*Intercessor* We thank you that you have called us to be your people. Give us patience as we await your coming and grant us wisdom to discern your will in our daily lives, that each of us may serve others for the building up of our common life, O God, most worthy of praise.

*People* ***hear our prayer.***

*Intercessor* We thank you for the community of faith throughout the world. Strength your church as it witnesses to your love and hear our prayers for Archbishop Sarah, Presiding Bishop Sean, Bishop Sally, and our clergy Candine and Art. Guide us in the fulfillment of your mission, that all be one. O God, most worthy of praise.

*People* ***hear our prayer.***

*Intercessor* We thank you for the privilege of ministering to others. We remember before you all who are sick or in need, especially Mandisa, Christien, Wayne, Paul, Clive, Pamela, Matt, Khalif, Lisa, Peggy, Roddy, Christine, Jaime, Carol, Jim, Brady, and those with long-term needs.

*The Congregation may add their own petitions.*

We pray for those you have died.

*The Congregation may add their own petitions.*

Grant us the grace to accept suffering with patience and to be strengthened by our common life in the body of Christ. O God, most worthy of praise.

*People* ***hear our prayer.***

*Intercessor* We thank you for your countless gifts. Above all, we thank you for the coming of our Savior Jesus Christ, and for our unity in him through baptism. O God most worthy of praise,

*People* ***hear our prayer.***

Celebrant We offer our thanksgiving and prayer to you, the one God and the source of light and life, now and forever.

People ***Amen.***

### BIRTHDAY AND ANNIVERSARY BLESSINGS

*Anyone with a recent birthday and couples celebrating anniversaries this week are invited to come forward for a blessing.*

### THE CONFESSON OF SIN.....BCP 360

Celebrant Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*All* ***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.***

Celebrant 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***

*Please stand as you are able.*

### THE PEACE .....BCP 360

Celebrant The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People* ***And also with you.***

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

## HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY SENTENCE.....BCP 376

OFFERTORY SOLO *The King Shall Come* .....Ancient Greek Hymn

THE DOXOLOGY 380 v.3 ..... Hymnal

*Sung by all.*

***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 GREAT THANKSGIVING, EUCHARISTIC PRAYER A.....BCP 361

*Please stand as you are able.*

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.***

Celebrant It is right, and a good and joyful thing always and  
everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty,  
Creator of heaven and earth.

PROPER PREFACE.....BCP 361

*The Celebrant says the Proper preface.*

SANCTUS S130 ..... Hymnal

*Celebrant*

Therefore, we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and  
Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing  
this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

*Sung by all.*

***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.***

**THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION**.....BCP 362

*The people stand or kneel. Then the celebrant continues.*

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.***

*The Celebrant continues*

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.***

**THE LORD'S PRAYER**.....BCP 363

Celebrant And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

All ***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***

**THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD**.....BCP 364

Celebrant Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

***People Therefore let us keep the feast.***

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God.

***All are invited to receive communion.***

***Please let us know if you need gluten-free communion.***

***If you are unable to come to the altar,***

***let the usher know and we will bring communion to you.***

COMMUNION ANTHEM *Come with us* ..... J.S. Bach

CHRISTMAS COLLECTION FOR ST. WILFRID'S

*Please make checks payable to St. Bart's and write St. Wilfrid's in the memo. All loose plate cash from both collections will also go to St. Wilfrid's.*

THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER ..... BCP 365

Celebrant      Let us pray.

*Said by all in unison*

***Eternal God, heavenly Father,  
you have graciously accepted us as living members  
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,  
and you have fed us with spiritual food  
in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.  
Send us now into the world in peace,  
and grant us strength and courage  
to love and serve you  
with gladness and singleness of heart;  
through Christ our Lord. Amen.***

PRAYER FOR PEACE

*Please join in saying:*

***O God, the author of peace and lover of concord, to know you is  
eternal life and to serve you is perfect freedom: Defend us, your  
humble servants, in all assaults of our enemies; that we, surely  
trusting in your defense, may not fear the power of any  
adversaries; through the might of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen***

ADDITIONAL PRAYERS

THE BLESSING ..... BCP 366

*The Celebrant blesses the people.*

*Please stand and join in singing.*

**POST COMMUNION HYMN** *On Jordan's Bank the Baptist's Cry* . 76 Hymnal

The musical score consists of three staves of music in common time, featuring a soprano and basso continuo. The lyrics are provided in five-line staves below the music. The first section of lyrics is:

1 On Jor - dan's bank the Bap - tist's cry an -  
2 Then cleansed be ev - ery breast from sin; make  
3 For thou art our sal - va - tion, Lord, our  
4 To heal the sick stretch out thine hand, and  
5 All praise, e - ter - nal Son, to thee, whose

The second section of lyrics is:

1 noun - ces that the Lord is nigh; a - wake and heark - en,  
2 straight the way for God with - in, and let each heart pre -  
3 re - fuge, and our great re - ward; with - out thy grace we  
4 bid the fall - en sin - ner stand; shine forth, and let thy  
5 ad - vent doth thy peo - ple free; whom with the Fa - ther

The third section of lyrics is:

1 for he brings glad tid - ings of the King of kings.  
2 pare a home where such a might - y guest may come.  
3 waste a - way like flowers that with - er and de - cay.  
4 light re - store earth's own true love - li - ness once more.  
5 we a - dore and Ho - ly Spi - rit ev - er more.

Words: Charles Coffin (1676-1749); tr. Charles Winfred Douglas (1867-1944), after John Chandler (1806-1876); alt. Music: *Winchester New*, melody from *Musicalishes Hand-Buch*, 1690; harm. William Henry Monk (1823-1889), alt.

**THE DISMISSAL** ..... BCP 339

Celebrant We have just received the body of Christ. Now let us be the body of Christ as we go forth to love and serve the Lord.

*People* ***Thanks be to God.***

**POSTLUDE** *It is Well with My Soul* ..... Philip Bliss



## THANK YOU FOR SERVING TODAY

Celebrant	The Rev. Dr. Candine E. Johnson
Music Director · Organist	William P. Fenimore III
Soloist	Kathleen Bandaruk
Choir	Bruce Barker, Valerie Barker, Catherine Clemons, Sharon Eggleston, Linda Horneff, Patrick Jjemba, Sarah Johnson, Elijah Mansaray, Monica Mundy, Emma Waring
Usher	Lisa Doherty
Acolyte	Patrick Trainor
Eucharistic Minister &Intercessor	Bill Doherty
Old Testament Reader &Psalmist	Catherine Clemons
New Testament Reader	Frances Bowen-Metzger
Counters	Catherine Clemons Frances Bowen-Metzger
Video Team	Ricky Rahming, The Rev. Dcn. Art Knight, Carolyn Gage, Lillie Kumar
Altar Guild	Gail Powers, Arlene Adams, Sidney Bacon, Christine Haliburton, Candi London
Flower Guild	Arlene Adams, Edie Bennett, Catherine Clemons, Laura DeRose, Lillie Kumar, Emma Waring
Fellowship	Jean Astmann, Tennyson Sobers, Laura DeRose, Emma Waring



## Welcome to St. Bartholomew's!

We're so glad you're here—whether it's your first visit or your hundredth!

If you're new, please fill out a **Connect Card** (in the pews) and introduce yourself to **Candine** after the service.

We look forward to getting to know you and sharing this journey of faith together.

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### **Choir Rehearsals**

Love to sing? Speak to Bill Fenimore about our choir.

Rehearsals are **Sunday mornings promptly at 9:00 AM.**

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### **Healing Service**

**Thursday, December 18<sup>th</sup> • 1:00 PM • Chapel**

A quiet, 30-minute service of **laying on of hands** and **Holy Eucharist**.

Come as you are to seek renewal, peace, and spiritual healing.

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## THIS WEEK AT ST. BART'S

<b>Sunday, December 14</b> <i>3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Advent</i>	9:00 am New Hope Church <b>9:00 am Choir Rehearsal</b> <b>10:00 am Holy Eucharist</b> <b>11:00 am Fellowship</b> 3:00 pm Grace Community Church
<b>Monday, December 15</b> <i>Nino of Georgia, Missionary</i>	12:00 pm (Noon) AA – Primary Purpose 7:30 NA
<b>Tuesday, December 16</b> <i>Tuesday of Advent 3</i>	10:00 am Overeaters Anonymous 12:00 pm (Noon) AA – Primary Purpose 7:30 pm Scouting@Sky Zone
<b>Wednesday, December 17</b> <i>Dorothy L. Sayers</i>	12:00 pm (Noon) AA – Primary Purpose 6:30 pm South Jersey InterGroup
<b>Thursday, December 18</b> <i>Thursday of Advent 3</i>	12:00 pm (Noon) AA – Primary Purpose <b>1:00 pm Healing Service</b> 6:30 pm AA
<b>Friday, December 19</b> <i>Friday of Advent 3</i>	<b>Altar &amp; Flower Guild</b> 12:00 pm (Noon) AA – Primary Purpose
<b>Saturday, December 20</b> <i>Katharina von Bora, Reformer</i>	
<b>Sunday, December 21</b> <i>4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent</i>	9:00 am New Hope Church <b>9:00 am Choir Rehearsal</b> <b>10:00 am Holy Eucharist</b> <b>11:00 am Greening of the Church &amp; Potluck</b> 3:00 pm Grace Community Church

## Prayer List

**Those with immediate needs:** Mandisa, Christien, Wayne, Paul, Clive, Matt, Pamela, Khalif, Lisa, Peggy, Roddy, Christine, Jaime, Carol, Jim, Brady

**Those with long term needs:** Loretta, Joe, Carmella, Grace, John, Robert, Travis, Aimee, Jennifer, Jane, Carmen, Olivia, Laura, Morgia, Thelma, Elly, Stanley, those affected by the wars in the Middle East, the Sudan, Afghanistan, Pakistan, Myanmar, the Philippines, Georgia, Armenia, China, Latin America and our troops at home and abroad.

## Christmas Flower Memorials

St. Bart's invites you to remember and honor your departed loved ones this Christmas with a Christmas Flower Memorial. Your donation will help fill our sanctuary with beautiful poinsettias for Christmas worship.

Donation Deadline: Sunday, December 21, 2025

To participate:

- Please use the envelopes in the pews, mark them "Christmas Flowers," and include your \$25 donation.
- Donations may also be made through Realm.
- Print your memorial names clearly on the sign-up sheet in the Narthex.

Thank you for helping us celebrate Christmas with beauty, love, and remembrance.



## The Nativity of our Lord Jesus Christ

Christmas Eve  
Wednesday  
December 24  
7:00 pm

Christmas  
Thursday  
December 25  
10:00 am



## **Sunday, December 21, 2025** **immediately following our 10:00 am Service**



**Potluck Coffee Hour  
& Greening of the Church**



### **♥ OPERATION COZY KINDNESS ♥**

A Fall PJ & Sweats Drive for St. Wilfrid's in Camden

As the weather turns chilly, let's share the warmth! St. Bart's is collecting new warm pajamas, sweatshirts, and sweatpants for adults and children in need at St. Wilfrid's, Camden.

Please bring one or more items with you to church on Sunday and place them in the donation area.

Let's wrap our neighbors in kindness and comfort this fall — one cozy gift at a time! 

### **2026 Mitten Tree**

Help decorate our tree with new and unused:

- hats
- scarves
- mittens
- gloves
- socks



# St. Bart's Diapers & Dignity

St. Wilfrid's in Camden urgently needs baby wipes, diapers, toddler pull-ups, adult wipes, and adult pull-ups to support clients in critical need.

You can make a real difference. Please bring any of these essential items to church and place them in the collection box in the Narthex.

Your generosity brings comfort, dignity, and hope. Thank you for your continued support.



## Ongoing Outreach Collections

- Used Greeting cards for St. John of God.
- Tabs for Ronald McDonald House

"For there will never cease to be poor in the land. Therefore I command you, "You shall open wide your hand to your brother, to the needy and to the poor , in your land" Deuteronomy 15:11



### Be Scam Aware

As we move into the autumn season, we want to remind everyone to stay alert — scam emails and text messages are still on the rise.



Some of these messages may look like they are from **Candine** or **St. Bartholomew's Church**, often asking for money, gift cards, or urgent financial help. Please know these are **fraudulent messages**.

Let's keep one another safe by staying informed, watchful, and cautious this season.

## OUR STAFF

The Rev. Dr. Candine E. Johnson, Priest-in-Charge

The Rev. Art Knight, Deacon Ret.

William (Bill) Fenimore, III, Music Director/Organist

Elizabeth (Betsy) Murphy, Parish Administrator

## ST. BART'S FINANCIAL SUMMARY

Annual Expenses 2025 Budget \$294,850.00

Annual Income 2025 Budget \$290,080.00

Income Year-to-Date            \$280,529.20<sup>1</sup> – 96.7% of Annual Budget

Expenses Year-to-Date        \$284,785.15 – 96.6% of Annual Budget

Income Last Week              \$21,293.00

Expenses Last Week            \$8,273.00

Difference                    \$13,020.00

<sup>1</sup> Includes \$80,000 withdrawn from investments

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## ST. BART'S VESTRY

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WARDENS: Emma Waring & Rod Bennett

TREASURER: Patrick Jjemba

VESTRY: Class of 2026

Evelyn Biney

Rod Bennett

Class of 2027

Sharon Eggleston

Monica Mundy

Tennyson Sobers

Class of 2028

Catherine Clemons

Gail Powers

Jazz Tillman

