



Saint Bartholomew's Episcopal Church

**THE SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER:
THE SUNDAY AFTER THE ASCENSION**

May 17, 2026, 10:00 am
Holy Eucharist, Rite Two



We welcome all to today's service.

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

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SERVICES

Sundays, 10:00 am Holy Eucharist

3rd Thursdays, (May 21st), 1:00 pm Healing & Holy Eucharist

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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, we'd love to meet you!
Please fill out a **Connect Card** (in the pews), introduce yourself to our clergy, Candine, and join us for fellowship after the service.

We look forward to getting to know you and walking the journey of faith together.

Choir Rehearsals

Love to sing? Come join us! Speak with **Bill Fenimore** or **Candine** for details.



Healing Service

Thursday,

May 21st-1:00 pm, Chapel

A quiet, 30-minute service with laying on of hands and Holy Eucharist. Come as you are to seek peace, renewal, and healing



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The Seventh Sunday of Easter

May 17, 2026, 10:00 am

Holy Eucharist, Rite II

THE WORD OF GOD

PRELUDE *Bryn Calfaria*..... William Owen

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

PROCESSIONAL HYMN *Crown him with many crowns*..... 494 Hymnal

1 Crown him with man - y crowns, the Lamb up - on his throne; Hark!
 2 Crown him the Son of God be - fore the worlds be - gan, and
 3 Crown him the Lord of life, who tri - umphed o'er the grave, and
 4 Crown him of lords the Lord, who o - ver all doth reign, who
 5 Crown him the Lord of heaven, en - throned in worlds a - bove; Crown

1 how the heaven - ly an - them drowns all mu - sic but its own; a -
 2 ye, who tread where he hath trod, crown him the Son of man; who
 3 rose vic - to - rious in the strife for those he came to save; his
 4 once on earth, the in - car - nate Word, for ran - somed sin - ners slain, now
 5 him the King, to whom is given the won - drous name of Love. Crown

1 wake, my soul, and sing of him who died for thee, and
 2 ev - ery grief hath known that wrings the hu-man breast, and
 3 glo - ries now we sing who died, and rose on high, who
 4 lives in realms of light, where saints with an - gels sing their
 5 him with man - y crowns, as thrones be - fore him fall, crown

1 hail him as thy match-less King through all e - ter - ni - ty.
 2 takes and bears them for his own, that all in him may rest.
 3 died, e - ter - nal life to bring, and lives that death may die.
 4 songs be - fore him day and night, their God, Re - deem - er, King.
 5 him, ye kings, with man - y crowns, for he is King of all.

Words: Matthew Bridges (1800-1894). Music: *Diademata*, George Job Elvey (1816-1893); desc. Richard Proulx (b. 1937).
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OPENING ACCLAMATION & PRAYER FOR PURITYBCP355

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ is risen.
 People ***The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.***
 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: GloriaS280 Hymnal

sung by all

***Glory to God in the highest,
 and peace to his people on earth.
 Lord God, heavenly King,
 almighty God and Father,
 we worship you, we give you thanks,***

*we praise you for your glory.
 Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
 Lord God, Lamb of God,
 you take away the sin of the world;
 have mercy on us;
 you are seated at the right hand of the Father;
 receive our prayer.
 For you alone are the Holy One,
 you alone are the Lord,
 you alone are the Most High,
 Jesus Christ,
 with the Holy Spirit,
 in the glory of God the Father. Amen.*

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People *And also with you.*

Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, the King of glory, you have exalted your only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph to your kingdom in heaven: Do not leave us comfortless, but send us your Holy Spirit to strengthen us, and exalt us to that place where our Savior Christ has gone before; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, in glory everlasting. *Amen.*

Please be seated for the readings.

THE FIRST LESSON Acts 1:6-14

Reader A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

When the apostles had come together, they asked Jesus, “Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?” He replied, “It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.” When he had said this, as they were

watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. While he was going and they were gazing up toward heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. They said, “Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up toward heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven.” Then they returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a sabbath day’s journey away. When they had entered the city, they went to the room upstairs where they were staying, Peter, and John, and James, and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James son of Alphaeus, and Simon the Zealot, and Judas son of James. All these were constantly devoting themselves to prayer, together with certain women, including Mary the mother of Jesus, as well as his brothers.

Reader The Word of the Lord

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

THE RESPONSE Psalm 68:1-10, 33-36 *Exsurgat Deus*

The Psalm is read responsively by verse.

1 Let God arise, and let his enemies be scattered; *

let those who hate him flee before him.

2 *Let them vanish like smoke when the wind drives it away; **

as the wax melts at the fire, so let the wicked perish at the presence of God.

3 But let the righteous be glad and rejoice before God; *

let them also be merry and joyful.

4 *Sing to God, sing praises to his Name;*

exalt him who rides upon the heavens; *

YAHWEH is his Name, rejoice before him!

5 Father of orphans, defender of widows, *

God in his holy habitation!

6 *God gives the solitary a home and brings forth prisoners into freedom; but the rebels shall live in dry places.*

7 O God, when you went forth before your people, *

when you marched through the wilderness,

8 *The earth shook, and the skies poured down rain,
at the presence of God, the God of Sinai, *
at the presence of God, the God of Israel.*

9 You sent a gracious rain, O God, upon your inheritance; *
you refreshed the land when it was weary.

10 *Your people found their home in it; *
in your goodness, O God, you have made provision for the poor.*

33 Sing to God, O kingdoms of the earth; *
sing praises to the Lord.

34 *He rides in the heavens, the ancient heavens; *
he sends forth his voice, his mighty voice.*

35 Ascribe power to God; *
his majesty is over Israel;
his strength is in the skies.

36 *How wonderful is God in his holy places! *
the God of Israel giving strength and power to his people!
Blessed be God!*

THE SECOND LESSON..... 1 Peter 4:12-14; 5:6-11

Reader A reading from the First Letter to Peter.

Beloved, do not be surprised at the fiery ordeal that is taking place among you to test you, as though something strange were happening to you. But rejoice insofar as you are sharing Christ's sufferings, so that you may also be glad and shout for joy when his glory is revealed. If you are reviled for the name of Christ, you are blessed, because the spirit of glory, which is the Spirit of God, is resting on you. Humble yourselves therefore under the mighty hand of God, so that he may exalt you in due time. Cast all your anxiety on him, because he cares for you. Discipline yourselves, keep alert. Like a roaring lion your adversary the devil prowls around, looking for someone to devour. Resist him, steadfast in your faith, for you know that your brothers and sisters in all the world are undergoing the same kinds of suffering. And after you have suffered for a little while, the God of all grace, who has called you to his eternal glory in Christ, will himself

restore, support, strengthen, and establish you. To him be the power forever and ever. Amen.

Reader The word of the Lord.

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

Please stand as you are able.

SEQUENCE HYMN: *Love Divine, all loves excelling* 657 Hymnal

1 Love di - vine, all loves ex - cell - ing, joy of heaven, to
2 Come, al - might - y to de - liv - er, let us all thy
3 Fi - nish then thy new cre - a - tion; pure and spot - less

earth come down, fix in us thy hum - ble dwell - ing, all thy
life re - ceive; sud - den - ly re - turn, and nev - er, nev - er -
let us be; let us see thy great sal - va - tion per - fect -

faith - ful mer - cies crown. Je - sus, thou art all com - pas - sion,
more thy tem - ples leave. Thee we would be al - way bless - ing,
ly re - stored in thee: changed from glo - ry in - to glo - ry,

pure, un - bound - ed love thou art; vis - it us with
serve thee as thy hosts a - bove, pray, and praise thee
till in heaven we take our place, till we cast our

thy sal - va - tion, en - ter ev - ery trem - bling heart.
 with - out ceas - ing, glo - ry in thy per - fect love.
 crowns be - fore thee, lost in won - der, love, and praise.

Words: Charles Wesley (1707-1788). Music: *Hyfrydol*, Rowland Hugh Prichard (1811-1887).

THE GOSPEL John 17:1-11

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

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

Jesus looked up to heaven and said, “Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son so that the Son may glorify you, since you have given him authority over all people, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him. And this is eternal life, that they may know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent. I glorified you on earth by finishing the work that you gave me to do. So now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had in your presence before the world existed. “I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them. And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one.”

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

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

Please be seated for the sermon.

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

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

Celebrant Let us once more cast our cares upon the Lord, saying: To God be glory forever and ever.

Intercessor For the church of God, especially its members who share in Christ's suffering that the glory of the Lord might be revealed, we pray:

People ***To God be glory forever and ever.***

Intercessor For the world so loved by God that the power of God's grace working in us might restore the beauty of its created image, we pray:

People ***To God be glory forever and ever.***

Intercessor For those who glorify God in simple, hidden, and faith-filled ways, we pray:

People ***To God be glory forever and ever.***

Intercessor For those labeled wrongdoer and mischief-maker, that they might be loved without judgment and might enjoy God's life, we pray:

People ***To God be glory forever and ever.***

Intercessor For this local community, that the coming of the Spirit might find us steadfast in prayer and strong in love, we pray:

People ***To God be glory forever and ever.***

Intercessor For all in pain and for all who sorrow, especially Charlie, Jake, Annette, Brianna, Louise, Dennis, Bernie, Walter, Connor, William, Sylvia, Richard, Raymond, Win, Pamela, Khalif, and all those on our long-term prayer list, that they might be brought beyond their trouble into the Spirit's peace, we pray:

People ***To God be glory forever and ever.***

Celebrant Good and gracious God, you do infinitely more for us than all we can ask or even image. Hear these prayers; be our Savior again, now and forever. *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 CONFESSION 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

OFFERTORY ANTHEM *Lead me, Lord*S.S. Wesley

THE DOXOLOGY380 v. 3 Hymnal

*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 ABCP 367

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

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:

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 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

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

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

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

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 SOLO *Come to the Table of the Lord*..... Jay Althouse

THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER.....BCP 366

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

Said together by all.

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.

THE BLESSING

The Celebrant blesses the people.

Please stand and join in singing.

POST COMMUNION HYMN *How bright appears the morning star.....* 497 Hymnal

1 How bright ap - pears the Morn - ing Star, with mer - cy beam - ing
2 Though cir - cled by the hosts on high, he deigned to cast a
3 Re - joice, ye heavens; thou earth, re - ply; with praise, ye sin - ners,

from a - far; the host of heaven re - joic - es;
pit - ying eye up - on his help - less crea - ture;
fill the sky, for this his In - car - na - tion.

The musical score is written in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It features a treble and bass clef staff. The melody is primarily in the treble clef, with a bass line accompaniment. The lyrics are placed below the notes, with line numbers 1, 2, and 3 corresponding to the three lines of text. The score includes various musical notations such as notes, rests, and bar lines.

O right-eous Branch, O Jes-se's Rod! Thou Son of Man and
 the whole cre - a - tion's Head and Lord, by high-est ser - a -
 In - car - nate God, put forth thy power, ride on, ride on, great

Son of God! We, too, will lift our voic - es:
 phim a - dored, as - sumed our ve - ry na - ture;
 Con - quer - or, till all know thy sal - va - tion.

Je - sus, Je - sus! Ho - ly, ho - ly, yet most low - ly,
 Je - sus, grant us, through thy mer - it, to in - her - it
 A - men, a - men! Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

draw thou near us; great Em - man - uel, come and hear us.
 thy sal - va - tion; hear, O hear our sup - pli - ca - tion.
 Praise be giv - en ev - er - more, by earth and hea - ven.

Words: William Mercer (1811-1873); after Philipp Nicolai (1556-1608). Music: *Wie schön leuchtet*, melody att. Philipp Nicolai (1556-1608) arr. and harm. Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750).

Celebrant Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia! 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. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!***

POSTLUDE *Fugue in G Minor*..... J.S. Bach



 **Pastoral Emergency Contact Information**

In the event of a **pastoral emergency**, sudden hospitalization, or end-of-life situation, please reach out immediately:

Call Candine directly at (856) 739-5343

Your church family is here to support you—please don’t hesitate to call when urgent care is needed.

Prayer List

Those with immediate needs:

- ♥ Charlie, Jake, Annette, Brianna, Louise, Dennis, Bernie, Walter, Connor, William, Sylvia, Richard, Raymond, Win, Pamela, and Khalif

Those with long-term needs

- ♥ Mandisa, Christien, Will, Brady, Julie, Joe, Carmella, Grace, John, Robert, Travis, Aimee, Jennifer, Jane, Carmen, Olivia, Lily, Thelma, Elly, and Stanley

Special intercessions

- ♥ Those affected by war in the Middle East, Ukraine, Sudan, Ethiopia, Libya, Taiwan, Mexico, Afghanistan, Pakistan, Myanmar, Armenia, China, Haiti, and Venezuela.
- ♥ Our troops at home and abroad.

Thank you for serving today

Celebrant	The Rev. Dr. Candine E. Johnson
Organist & Choir Director	Bill Fennimore
Soloist	Kathleen Bandaruk
Choir	Bruce Barker, Valerie Barker, Catherine Clemons, Sharon Eggleston, Patrick Jjemba, Sarah Johnson, Elijah Mansaray, Monica Mundy, Emma Waring
Ushers	Lisa Doherty
LEM & Intercessor	Bill Doherty
Acolyte	Patrick Trainor
Old Testament & Psalm Reader	Florence Pandit
New Testament Reader	Catherine Clemons
Counters	Rod Bennett & Cathrine Clemons
Video Team	Ricky Rahming, The Rev. Art Knight, Deacon, Carolyn Gage, Lillie Kumar
Altar Guild	Gail Powers, Arlene Adams, Candi London, Florence Pandit
Flower Guild	Arlene Adams, Edie Bennett, Catherine Clemons, Lillie Kumar, Emma Waring
Fellowship	Jean Astmann, Tennyson Sobers, Emma Waring

💎 **ALTAR GUILD MEMBERS NEEDED!** 💎

St. Bart's Altar Guild is welcoming new members to join this vital and meaningful ministry!

🌿 The Guild meets **Friday mornings at 10:00 AM** to prepare the church for Sunday worship.

🌿 **No experience necessary** — training will be provided!

If you're looking for a hands-on way to serve and support our worship life, this is a wonderful opportunity.

👉 **Interested?** Please see **Candine or Gail** to learn more and get involved.

✦ SPECIAL COLLECTIONS AT ST. BARTHOLOMEW'S CHURCH ✦

At St. Bartholomew's Church, your generosity makes a meaningful difference—both within our parish family and beyond.

First Sunday of Each Month

Loose plate donations support the **Rector's Discretionary Fund**, providing confidential, compassionate assistance to individuals and families in times of urgent need.

Third Sunday of Each Month

Loose plate donations are dedicated to **Outreach**, strengthening our mission and ministry in the wider community.

ST. BART'S FINANCIAL SUMMARY


Budgeted Annual Income	\$322,570.00
Budgeted Annual Expenses	\$328,089.00
Income Year-to-Date	\$124,860.44 ¹
Expenses Year to Date	\$37,318.37
Income 5/4/2026-5/10/2026	\$15,359.00 ²
Expenses 4/27/2026 - 5/3/2026	\$17,575.04
Difference	-\$2,216.04
¹ Includes \$40,000 withdrawn from investments	
² Includes \$10,000 withdrawn from investments	


CELEBRATE PENTECOST AT ST. BART'S!


Join us on **Sunday, May 24th** as we celebrate the coming of the Holy Spirit and the **“Birthday of the Church!”**

✦ Special Multi-Lingual Reading

Members of our congregation will proclaim the Pentecost story in multiple languages, reflecting the unity and diversity of the Church around the world.

 **Wear Red!** Red is the color of the Holy Spirit and symbolizes the flames of Pentecost. We encourage everyone to wear red to worship as we celebrate this joyful feast day together.

 Pentecost is celebrated 50 days after Easter and commemorates the descent of the Holy Spirit upon the apostles, empowering them to share the Good News with the world.

Come celebrate this vibrant and Spirit-filled day at St. Bart's! 

This Week at St. Bart's

<p>Sunday, May 17 <i>The Seventh Sunday of Easter</i> <i>Sunday after the Ascension</i></p>	<p>9:00 am New Hope Church 9:00 am Choir Rehearsal 10:00 am Holy Eucharist 11:00 am Fellowship 11:30 am ECW 2:00 pm Grace Community Church 2:30 pm Jersey Jewels</p>
<p>Monday, May 18 <i>Monday of Easter 7</i></p>	<p>Noon – AA Primary Purpose 7:30 pm NA</p>
<p>Tuesday, May 19 <i>Dunstan</i></p>	<p>10:00 am Overeaters Anonymous Noon – AA Primary Purpose 7:30 pm Scouting</p>
<p>Wednesday, May 20 <i>Alcuin of York</i></p>	<p>Noon – AA Primary Purpose</p>
<p>Thursday, May 21 <i>Lydia of Thyatira</i></p>	<p>Noon – AA Primary Purpose 1:00 pm Healing Service 6:15 pm AA 7:00 pm South Jersey Bookers</p>
<p>Friday, May 22 <i>Helena of Constantinople</i></p>	<p>10:00 am Altar & Flower Guild Noon – AA Primary Purpose</p>
<p>Saturday, May 23 <i>Saturday of Easter 7</i></p>	<p>10:00 am Prayer Breakfast</p>
<p>Sunday, May 24 <i>Day of Pentecost: Whitsunday</i></p>	<p>9:00 am New Hope Church 9:00 am Choir Rehearsal 10:00 am Holy Eucharist 11:00 am Fellowship 2:00 pm Grace Community Church</p>

🌸 ALTAR FLOWER DONATIONS 🌸

Celebrate a joyful occasion-Give thanks for a blessing.-Remember a loved one. You are invited to sponsor **Altar Flowers** in honor of a birthday, anniversary, homecoming, in thanksgiving, or in loving memory.


✍️ **Sign Up:** The book is available in the **Narthex** — choose your preferred date.


🌸 **Donation Amount:** \$40.00

📧 **How to Give:** Use the envelopes provided in the sign-up book or those located in the pews. 🌸


MEMORIAL BRICKS NOW AVAILABLE

Leave a lasting legacy in our Memorial Garden. We are now accepting orders for commemorative bricks—an enduring way to honor a loved one, celebrate a milestone, or share a message of faith.

 Cost: \$100 per brick

 Order Forms: Available in the Narthex

Already have a brick that needs repair or replacement? Please connect with Rod Bennett or Barbara Szerszen for assistance.

 Order Deadline: Sunday, May 24



It's Tote Bag Season!

Carry your faith with you wherever you go! Show your Episcopal pride with a stylish and practical tote bag—perfect for church, errands, or everyday use.

 Tote Bags – \$15 each

 Limited Supply Available

Don't miss out—once they're gone, they're gone!

 See **Candine** or **Betsy** to get yours today.

LIMITED STOCK

Celebrate Summer

With Episcopal Flip Flops



\$10



See Candine or Betsy to get your pair today



**This
Saturday
May 23, 2026**



Prayer Breakfast

St. Bartholomew's ECW, Episcopal
Church Women, invites you to fuel your
body and nourish your soul

**Saturday, May 23, 2026
10 am - Noon**

Marco's at Indian Springs Country Club
115 South Elmwood Road,
Marlton, NJ 08053

*Featuring
Soloist:
Cierra Irizzary*

Reserve your tickets today!
Tickets \$60.00
St. Bart's
office@stbarts-cherryhill.org
(856) 424-2229


**Reserve
your tickets
NOW!**

Featured Speaker
The Rev. Dr. Maria Sanzo



  **SCOUT CAR WASH FUNDRAISER**  


 Saturday, June 6


 Starting at 9:00 AM

 St. Bart's Parking Lot



Bring your dirty cars and let the Scouts make them shine! ✨

 Tell a friend, spread the word, and come support our Scouts as they raise money for summer camping adventures and activities.

 Donations appreciated!

Thank you for supporting our Scouts and their camping program! 🌲

 **Warm Weather is Coming—Let's Keep Our Neighbors Cool!** 🌊

As the temperatures rise, **St. Bart's** is stepping up to support our friends and neighbors at **St. Wilfrid's**—and you can help!

We are now collecting:

-  **New or gently used fans**

All items must be in good working condition.

 **Questions?**

Please see **Candine or Norman** for more information.

 **Prefer to give financially?**

You can make a donation to help purchase fans:

- Use the envelopes in the pews
- Mark: **“Other – St. Wilfrid's Fans”**
- Be sure to include **“St. Wilfrid's Fans”** in the memo line of your check

Every contribution—big or small—helps ensure someone stays safe and comfortable this season. Let's come together and make a meaningful difference!



☀️ **CAMP FAITH 2026 – HELP US MAKE SUMMER SHINE!** ☀️

Camp Faith is already hard at work planning its **2026 Summer Program**, and your support can make all the difference!

📅 **July 6 – July 31, 2026**

👧👦 **Ages 5–12**

❤️ **FREE for families across Camden and surrounding communities**

This four-week program will welcome **60–65 children** and be led by **14 dedicated teenage counselors**, offering a safe, joyful, and faith-filled summer experience.

💰 The estimated cost is **\$140 per child per week** (\$560 for the full program). While Camp Faith is free for participants, it depends on generous community support to make it possible.

🙏 **How You Can Help:**

- Use the envelopes in the pews
- Mark “Other” and write **Camp Faith**
- If giving by check, please note “**Camp Faith**” in the memo line

Every gift helps provide a meaningful summer filled with learning, friendship, and faith.

💎 **Together, we can ensure every child has a summer to remember!** 💎

📖 ✨ **FORWARD DAY BY DAY HAS ARRIVED!** ✨ 📖

The **May • June • July** issue of **Forward Day by Day** is now available in both **regular print** and **large print** in the Narthex. Be sure to pick up your copy and enrich your daily spiritual journey.



📖 Did you know?

You can also have **Forward Day by Day delivered directly to your email inbox each day!** Simply scan the QR Code to subscribe today and receive daily inspiration wherever you are.

🌿 **What is Forward Day by Day?**

Forward Day by Day is a beloved quarterly devotional published by Forward Movement, a ministry of the Episcopal Church since 1935. Each day includes:

- Scripture readings
- Daily prayers
- Reflections and meditations

Designed to encourage and strengthen your walk with Christ each day.

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Gail Powers
Jazz Tillman

Class of 2028

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