

⌘SAINT⌘
BARTHOLOMEW'S
CHURCH
IN THE CITY OF
⌘NEW YORK⌘

The Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

Choral Eucharist at 11 am

September 20, 2026

325 PARK AVENUE
NEW YORK, NY 10022



You can find yours here.

Here is a place that is ancient and new, a faith that we hold going back to Jesus, back to his spiritual ancestors, back to those who walked the earth and found holy ground. And what we do is often based on really ancient patterns—worship and music; loving service to the poor, the hurting, the lonely; working for justice and peace; lively, fearless education and formation of minds and souls. And that faith is also completely contemporary, engaged in the culture and the needs of the moment.

What we are for

The dignity and worth of every person. An open-minded, passionate commitment to truth. The importance of everyone's own spiritual journey. God's friends wherever we find them. Seeking Christ in every person who comes through the door. The sacredness of life's rites of passage. The value of community. The hard work necessary to make sure that all are welcomed. Telling the truth about life's challenges. A "user-friendly" church experience. Children, youth and families.

What we are against

Claiming to have all the answers. Elitism and exclusivism, especially in church. Bigotry for any reason. Authoritarianism. Indifference to injustice and suffering. Certitude in the face of ambiguity and superficial answers to hard questions. Boring sermons, bad music and general cluelessness. (So, God help us, because we don't always avoid these!)

What we value

Community, open hearts, open minds, open arms. Faith. Fortitude. Staying current, but equally staying rooted in tradition. Reason and honesty. Civic responsibility as New Yorkers, Americans, and global citizens. Debate that allows for mutual respect. Music and beauty for their own sake. Joy in God's creation. Anyone who makes an effort to get to know and follow Jesus.

Welcome!

CONNECT WITH US



Thank you for joining us today.

If you are new to St. Bart's, please visit stbarts.org/hello or scan the QR code above to fill out our online Connect Card.

Tour St. Bart's

Meet at the back of the church following the 11 am service for a 30-minute guided tour of our church, narthex, and chapel.



Kids' Activity Bags and PRAYground

A carpeted play area with supply bags, leaflets, and activities for children is provided under the front-right balcony of the church.

Rocking chairs are available for pregnant women and parents of infants.

We encourage you to take advantage of this space during the worship service.

After the second lesson, all children are invited to the chapel for Wonder Church for kids. They will return during the announcements, in time for Holy Communion. A professionally-staffed nursery is available in the Children's Playroom on the basement level.

An usher would be glad to guide you. Register for 2026-2027 at stbarts.org/kids.

St. Bartholomew's Choristers

St. Bartholomew's Choristers sing at the 11 am service most Sundays from September to June. Through their prominent role in our worship, choristers grow and excel in leadership, teamwork, faith formation, confidence, commitment, and musicianship. Contact Alexander Pattavina (apattavina@stbarts.org) to learn more about being a chorister: no cost, no audition, and no experience needed!

Sacramental Participation

All children are welcome to participate in Holy Communion at the discretion of their parents/guardians. Those not receiving are invited forward to receive a blessing from a member of the clergy. Additionally, the baptism of infants and young children is customary in the Episcopal Church. Should you wish to explore Holy Baptism, please speak with a member of the clergy.

Prelude Andante Espressivo (Sonata, Op. 28), Edward Elgar (1857-1934)

The people stand as the hymn begins.

Hymn 9



*1 Not here for high and ho - ly things we ren - der thanks to
*2 the ro - yal robes of au - tumn moors, the gold - en gates of
*3 of faith and hope and love un - dimmed, un - dy - ing still through
4 A - wake, a - wake to love and work! The lark is in the
5 Come, let thy voice be one with theirs, shout with their shout of
6 to give and give, and give a - gain, what God hath giv - en



1 thee, but for the com - mon things of earth, the
2 spring, the vel - vet of soft sum - mer nights, the
3 death, the re - sur - rec - tion of the world, what
4 sky, the fields are wet with dia - mond dew, the
5 praise; see how the gi - ant sun soars up, great
6 thee; to spend thy - self nor count the cost; to



1 pur - ple pa - geant - try of dawn - ing and of
2 sil - ver glis - te - ring of all the mil - lion
3 time there comes the breath of dawn that rus - tles
4 worlds a - wake to cry their bles - sings on the
5 lord of years and days! So let the love of
6 serve right glo - rious - ly the God who gave all



1 dy - ing days, the splen - dor of the sea,
2 mil - lion stars, the si - lent song they sing,
3 through the trees, and that clear voice that saith:
4 Lord of life, as he goes meek - ly by.
5 Je - sus come and set thy soul a - blaze,
6 worlds that are, and all that are to be.

Words: Geoffrey Anketel Studdert-Kennedy (1883-1929).

Music: *Morning song*, melody att. Elkanah Kelsay Dare (1782-1826); harm. Charles Winfred Douglas (1867-1944).

The Opening Acclamation

Presider Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

The Collect for Purity

Presider 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.

All Amen.

Gloria in excelsis The Combined Choirs

Glory be to God on high, and on earth peace, good will towards men.
We praise thee, we bless thee, we worship thee, we glorify thee,
we give thanks to thee for thy great glory,
O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty.
O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ;
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.
Thou that takest away the sins of the world, receive our prayer.
Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us.
For thou only art holy; thou only art the Lord; thou only, O Christ,
with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Music: from *Communion Service in E Major*, Harold E. Darke (1888-1976).

The Ministry of the Word

The Collect for the Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

Presider The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Let us pray.

Grant us, Lord, not to be anxious about earthly things, but to love things heavenly; and even now, while we are placed among things that are passing away, to hold fast to those that shall endure; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

All **Amen.**

The people sit.

The First Lesson Jonah 3:10-4:11

Lector A reading from the Book of the Prophet Jonah.

When God saw what the people of Nineveh did, how they turned from their evil ways, God changed his mind about the calamity that he had said he would bring upon them; and he did not do it. But this was very displeasing to Jonah, and he became angry. He prayed to the Lord and said, "O Lord! Is not this what I said while I was still in my own country? That is why I fled to Tarshish at the beginning; for I knew that you are a gracious God and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love, and ready to relent from punishing. And now, O Lord, please take my life from me, for it is better for me to die than to live." And the Lord said, "Is it right for you to be angry?" Then Jonah went out of the city and sat down east of the city, and made a booth for himself there. He sat under it in the shade, waiting to see what would become of the city. The Lord God appointed a bush, and made it come up over Jonah, to give shade over his head, to save him from his discomfort; so Jonah was very happy about the bush. But when dawn came up the next day, God appointed a worm that attacked the bush, so that it withered. When the sun rose, God prepared a sultry east wind, and the sun beat down on the head of Jonah so that he was faint and asked that he might die. He said, "It is better for me to die than to live." But God said to Jonah, "Is it right for you to be angry about the bush?" And he said, "Yes, angry enough to die." Then the Lord said, "You are concerned about the bush, for which you did not labor and which you did not grow; it came into being in a night and perished in a night. And should I not be concerned about Nineveh, that great city, in which there are more than a hundred and twenty thousand persons who do not know their right hand from their left, and also many animals?"

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 145:1-9 The Combined Choirs

I will exalt you, O God my King,
and bless your Name for ever and ever.

Every day will I bless you
and praise your Name for ever and ever.

Great is the Lord and greatly to be praised;
there is no end to his greatness.

One generation shall praise your works to another
and shall declare your power.

I will ponder the glorious splendor of your majesty
and all your marvelous works.

They shall speak of the might of your wondrous acts,
and I will tell of your greatness.

They shall publish the remembrance of your great goodness;
they shall sing of your righteous deeds.

The Lord is gracious and full of compassion,
slow to anger and of great kindness.

The Lord is loving to everyone
and his compassion is over all his works.

Music: Anglican chant by Thomas Hanforth (1867-1948).

The Second Lesson Philippians 1:21-30

Lector A reading from the Letter of Paul to the Philippians.

To me, living is Christ and dying is gain. If I am to live in the flesh, that means fruitful labor for me; and I do not know which I prefer. I am hard pressed between the two: my desire is to depart and be with Christ, for that is far better; but to remain in the flesh is more necessary for you. Since I am convinced of this, I know that I will remain and continue with all of you for your progress and joy in faith, so that I may share abundantly in your boasting in Christ Jesus when I come to you again. Only, live your life in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ, so that, whether I come and see you or am absent and hear about you, I will know that you are standing firm in one spirit, striving side by side with one mind for the faith of the gospel, and are in no way intimidated by your opponents. For them this is evidence of their destruction, but of your salvation. And this is God's doing. For he has graciously granted you the privilege not only of believing in Christ, but of suffering for him as well—since you are having the same struggle that you saw I had and now hear that I still have.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Children in grades K-5 are invited to follow the processional cross from the front of the church to the chapel for children's worship time. Adult family members are welcome to join.

The people stand as the hymn begins.

Hymn 671

1 A - maz - ing grace! how sweet the sound, that
2 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and
3 The Lord has prom - ised good to me, his
4 Through man - y dan - gers, toils, and snares, I
*5 When we've been there ten thou - sand years, bright

1 saved a wretch like me! I once was lost but
2 grace my fears re - lieved; how pre - cious did that
3 word my hope se - cures; he will my shield and
4 have al - rea - dy come; 'tis grace that brought me
5 shin - ing as the sun, we've no less days to

1 now am found, was blind but now I see.
2 grace ap - pear the hour I first be - lieved!
3 por - tion be as long as life en - dures.
4 safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.
5 sing God's praise than when we'd first be - gun.

Words: John Newton (1725-1807), alt.; st. 5, from *A Collection of Sacred Ballads*, 1790; compiled by Richard Broaddus and Andrew Broaddus.
Music: *New Britain*, from *Virginia Harmony* 1831; adapt. att. Edwin Othello Excell (1851-1921); harm. Austin Cole Lovelace (1919-2010).

The Holy Gospel Matthew 20:1-16

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

Deacon Jesus said, "The kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire laborers for his vineyard. After agreeing with the laborers for the usual daily wage, he sent them into his vineyard. When he went out about nine o'clock, he saw others standing idle in the marketplace; and he said to them, 'You also go into the vineyard, and I will pay you whatever is right.' So they went. When he went out again about noon and about three o'clock, he did the same. And about five o'clock he went out and found others standing around; and he said to them, 'Why are you standing here idle all day?' They said to him, 'Because no one has hired us.' He said to them, 'You also go into the vineyard.' When evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his manager, 'Call the laborers and give them their pay, beginning with the last and then going to the first.' When those hired about five o'clock came, each of them received the usual daily wage. Now when the first came, they thought they would receive more; but each of them also received the usual daily wage. And when they received it, they grumbled against the landowner, saying, 'These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat.' But he replied to one of them, 'Friend, I am doing you no wrong; did you not agree with me for the usual daily wage? Take what belongs to you and go; I choose to give to this last the same as I give to you. Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or are you envious because I am generous?' So the last will be first, and the first will be last."

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.
People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

After the preacher introduces the sermon, the people sit.

The Sermon The Reverend Dr. Ayla Lepine, Associate Rector, St. James's Piccadilly, London

The people stand with the presider.

The Nicene Creed

All **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.

The Prayers of the People

Intercessor O God, you have been our refuge from one generation to another: hear the prayers we offer, and grant us wisdom for the living of these days. We pray for our parish, St. Bartholomew's, and for the entire Body of the Church. Merge our personal interests into the community's needs. Mold us into faithful members who work tirelessly for the good of the whole.

People O God, you have been our refuge from one generation to another:
Grant us wisdom for the living of these days.

Intercessor We pray for the leaders of our nation, our state, and our city, and for all who are running for elected office. Guide us in our efforts to be responsible citizens. Remind us also of our responsibilities to you.

People O God, you have been our refuge from one generation to another:
Grant us wisdom for the living of these days.

Intercessor We pray for those who suffer: the hungry, the thirsty, and the naked; the stranger, the prisoner, and the sick; the victims of violence and persecution. We include in our prayers...and those we now name.

The people may add their own petitions.

Rouse us from complacency and indifference, that we may attend to their needs.

People O God, you have been our refuge from one generation to another:
Grant us wisdom for the living of these days.

Intercessor We pray for the dying and those who have died, including...and those we now name.

The people may add their own petitions.

Bring them to that land where there is neither hunger nor thirst, neither sorrow nor crying, but the peace that passes all understanding.

People O God, you have been our refuge from one generation to another:
Grant us wisdom for the living of these days.

Intercessor We offer thanks for the blessings of our lives, including...and those we now name.

The people may add their own petitions.

Teach us to make prudent use of all you have provided. Inspire us to give generously from what we have received.

People O God, you have been our refuge from one generation to another:
Grant us wisdom for the living of these days.

Presider O God, from your providing hand even the dissatisfied and grumbling receive what they need for their lives. Teach us your ways of justice and lead us to practice your generosity, so that we may live a life worthy of the gospel made known through your Son Jesus Christ, our Savior.

All **Amen.**

The Confession of Sin

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

Silence is kept.

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.**

Presider 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.

All **Amen.**

The Peace

Presider The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

The people exchange a sign of God's peace with one another and then sit.

Welcome and Announcements

The Holy Communion

The Offertory

- ✧ We extend a special welcome to all who are new to St. Bart's today. Please visit stbarts.org/hello to let us know who you are!
- ✧ St. Bart's relies upon the generosity of the living to sustain its vibrant ministry. Whether you are a member or a visitor, your support makes a real difference to our community. To contribute, visit stbarts.org/give, scan the adjacent QR code, or place your offering in the plate as it is passed. We are grateful for your support.



Anthem The Combined Choirs

Behold, O God our defender: and look upon the face of thine anointed.
For one day in thy courts: is better than a thousand.

Words: Psalm 84:9-10.
Music: Herbert Howells (1892-1983).

The people stand as the hymn begins.

Hymn 469

Introduction



1 There's a wide - ness in God's mer - cy like the wide - ness
2 There is no place where earth's sor - rows are more felt than
3 For the love of God is broad - er than the mea - sure



of the sea; there's a kind - ness in his jus -
up in heaven; there is no place where earth's fail -
of the mind; and the heart of the E - ter -



tice, which is more than lib - er - ty. There is wel - come
ings have such kind - ly judg - ment given. There is plen - ti -
nal is most won - der - ful - ly kind. If our love were



for the sin - ner, and more gra - ces for the good; there is mer - cy
ful re - demp - tion in the blood that has been shed; there is joy for
but more faith - ful, we should take him at his word; and our life would



Words: Frederick William Faber (1814-1863), alt.
Music: *St. Helena*, Calvin Hampton (1938-1984).

The Great Thanksgiving

Presider The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Presider It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. For you are the source of light and life, you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord.

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:

Sanctus and Benedictus The Combined Choirs

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts:
Heaven and earth are full of thy glory.
Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High.

Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

Music: from *Communion Service in E Major*, Harold E. Darke (1888-1976).

Presider 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:

All **Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.**

Presider 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.

All **AMEN.**

The Lord's Prayer

Presider 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 Fraction Anthem

The presider breaks the bread. Silence is kept.

Presider Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.
People **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

The Invitation to Communion

Presider The Gifts of God for the People of God.

The people sit.

At the Communion

- *All are welcome to receive Holy Communion, including children. Please follow the instructions of the ushers. Both bread and wine are offered. You may receive either or both, as you prefer. Wine is received by drinking from the common cup.*
- *If you require a gluten-free wafer, simply request one from the communion minister when the bread is offered to you.*
- *Those who do not wish to receive communion are still invited to receive a blessing. Please cross your arms over your chest to indicate that you would like a blessing.*
- *If you are unable to travel to a communion station, please alert an usher so that communion can be brought to you.*

Agnus Dei The Combined Choirs

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,
Have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,
Grant us thy peace.

Music: from Communion Service in F Major, Harold E. Darke (1888-1976).

Anthem The Combined Choirs

The tree of life my soul hath seen,
Laden with fruit and always green:
The tree of nature fruitless be
Compared with Christ the apple tree.

His beauty doth all things excel:
By faith I know, but ne'er can tell,
The glory which I now can see
In Jesus Christ the apple tree.

For happiness I long have sought,
And pleasure dearly I have brought:
I missed of all; but now I see
'Tis found in Christ the apple tree.

I'm weary with my former toil,
Here I will sit and rest awhile:
Under the shadow I will be,
Of Jesus Christ the apple tree.

This fruit doth make my soul to thrive,
It keeps my dying faith alive;
Which makes my soul in haste to be
With Jesus Christ the apple tree.

Words: From *Divine Hymns or Spiritual Songs*, compiled by Joshua Smith (1760-1795).
Music: Elizabeth Poston (1905-1987).

The people stand.

The Prayer After Communion

Presider
All

Let us pray.

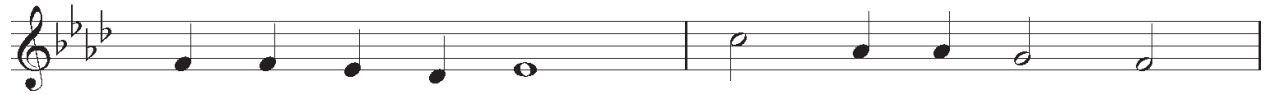
Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness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

The Blessing

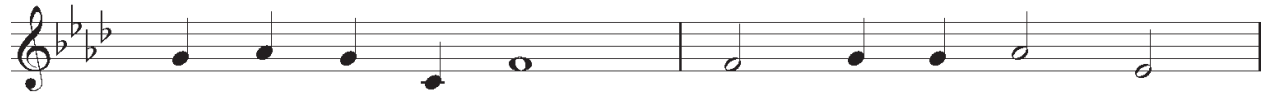
Hymn 541



1	Come,	la - bor	on.	Who	dares	stand	i - dle
2	Come,	la - bor	on.	The	en - e - my	is	
3	Come,	la - bor	on.	A -	way	with	gloom - y
4	Come,	la - bor	on.	Claim	the	high	call - ing
5	Come,	la - bor	on.	No	time	for	rest, till



1	on	the	har - vest	plain,	while	all	a - round	us
2	watch - ing	night	and	day,	to	sow	the	tares, to
3	doubts	and	faith - less	fear!	No	arm	so	weak but
4	an - gels	can - not	share—		to	young	and	old the
5	glows	the	west - ern	sky,	till	the	long	sha - dows



1	waves	the	gold - en	grain?	And	to	each	ser - vant
2	snatch	the	seed	a - way;	while	we	in	sleep our
3	may	do	ser - vice	here:	by	feeb - lest	a -	gents
4	Gos - pel	glad - ness	bear:		re - deem	the	time;	its
5	o'er	our	path - way	lie,	and	a	glad	sound comes



1	does	the	Mas - ter	say,	“Go	work	to	- day.”
2	du - ty	have	for - got,	he	slum - bered	not.		
3	may	our	God	ful - fill	his	right - eous	will.	
4	hours	too	swift - ly	fly.	The	night	draws	nigh.
5	with	the	set - ting	sun,	“Ser - vants,	well	done.”	

Words: Jane Laurie Borthwick (1813-1897), alt.
 Music: *Ora Labora*, Thomas Tertius Noble (1867-1953).

The Dismissal

Deacon Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.
People Thanks be to God.

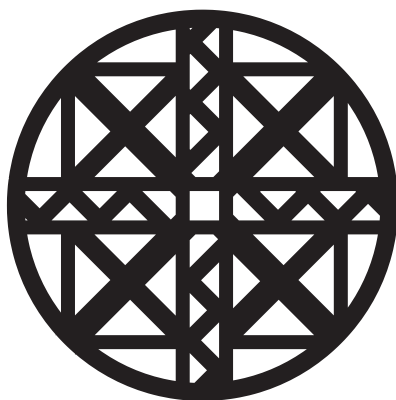
Postlude Epilogue, from *The Hovingham Sketches*, Herbert Howells (1892-1983)



**The flowers on the high altar of the Church are given to the glory of God
 and in celebration of the 30th wedding anniversary of Donna and Alva Hunt.**



**The flowers on the chancel ledge are given to the glory of God
 and in loving memory of Vanessa Anderson Norton by her family.**



Coffee Hour on the Great Terrace

Join us immediately after the service for coffee and other refreshments.

Service Participants

Presider The Reverend Meredith E. Ward

Preacher The Reverend Dr. Ayla Lepine

Deacon The Reverend John F. Wirenius

Subdeacon The Reverend Peter D. Thompson

Chalicer Adelaide Kent

Lectors Ron Bagden, Marianthe Colakis

Intercessor Karen Shadow

Verger Barbara Neale

Crucifers Wendy Range, Elliott Brown

Acolytes Mark Lugo, Tim Martin, Mary Scandell

Altar Guild Eric G. Leach-Rodriguez, Miriam Schneider

Ushers Lindsay North, Matthew Gibson, Bob Kiely, Judy Miller, Katy Nelson, Elaine Olaoye, Manny Rodríguez-Leach, Barbara Rose, Vivian Roston, Eileen Scott, Linda Tejpaal

St. Bartholomew's Choir

St. Bartholomew's Choristers

St. James's Singers, Harrison Knights, Associate Choral Director

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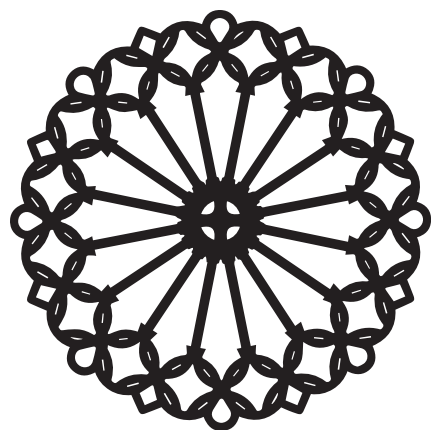
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We continue to hold in our prayers

Ken, Karen, Katherine, Paul, Paraskevoula, Berky, Debora, Wilda, Stephanie, Patricia, Ebony, Rosaura, Abraham, Daria, Netanya, Adelle, Norma, Daughter May, Retta, Bill, Alexander, William, Michelle, Carlos, Ann, Anne, Mike, Hina, Ilias, Kay, Rise, Karen

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MEET US AFTER CHURCH

Newcomers are welcome to all gatherings

Learn more at stbarts.org/sunday.

- ✧ **Coffee Hour**
12:15 PM ON THE GREAT TERRACE
- ✧ **Guided Tour of St. Bart's**
12:15 PM IN THE BACK OF THE CHURCH
- ✧ **Living Christ Sangha**
3 PM VIA ZOOM
- ✧ **Move On: A Life Through Sondheim**
3 PM IN THE CHAPEL

Explore the full lineup of events and classes coming up this season at stbarts.org/fall.

NEXT SUNDAY AT ST. BART'S

September 27, 2026 The Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

- ✧ **JOIN US IN PERSON AT 9 AM, 11 AM, AND 5 PM**
OR JOIN OUR SUNDAY MORNING LIVESTREAM SERVICE AT 11 AM
on our website (stbarts.org/worship/livestream), via YouTube or Facebook Live (@stbartsnyc).
- ✧ **THE FORUM AT 10 AM**
CHRISTIAN NATIONALISM IN THE UK
The Reverend Lucy Winkett, Rector of St. James's Piccadilly, looks at Christian nationalism within the United Kingdom, contending that it represents both a political problem and a theological one.
- ✧ **CHILDREN AND YOUTH ACTIVITY HOURS**
9:45 am-12:45 pm: Nursery Care in Children's Playroom
10 am: Kids' Club for Grades K-5 in Room 33
10 am: Youth at the Center for Grades 6-12 in Room 32

WEEKDAYS AT ST. BART'S

Weekday offerings to recenter your soul in God's grace and goodness.

- HOLY EUCHARIST** • TUESDAY-THURSDAY AT 12:05 PM IN THE CHAPEL
- NIGHT PRAYER** • MONDAY-FRIDAY AT 8:30 PM VIA ZOOM
- BIBLE STUDY** • WEDNESDAYS AT 1 PM VIA ZOOM
- IMAGINE WORSHIP NYC** • THURSDAYS AT 7 PM IN THE CHAPEL
- CENTERING PRAYER** • FRIDAYS AT 9 AM VIA ZOOM

ONGOING AND UPCOMING

THE CHURCH IS OPEN MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY,
9:30 AM–4:30 PM FOR PRAYER AND MEDITATION.

THE BOOKSTORE IS ALSO OPEN DURING THESE HOURS.

Volunteer at the St. Bart's Bookstore

Love books and meeting people? The St. Bart's Bookstore is looking for volunteers to help welcome visitors and support the Bookstore. To learn more, contact Kimberly Tellus at ktellus@stbarts.org or (212) 378-0241.

Move On: A Life Through Sondheim

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 20 AT 3 PM

Will Hopkins, of St. James's Piccadilly, offers a free concert bringing together some of Sondheim's most beloved songs. Imagine Worship Artist-in-Residence Mark Miller accompanies.

Contemplative Eucharist & Compline with the St. James's Singers

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 5 PM IN THE CHAPEL

St. James's Singers offers music during the 5 pm service. Stay for Compline at 6 pm, a brief, sung evening service.

Follow the St. James's Singers to other NYC venues:

9/22, 5:30 pm: Evensong at St. Thomas Fifth Avenue

9/25, 1:45 pm: Lunchtime Recital at St. Patrick's Cathedral

Choral Pilgrimage at The Met Cloisters

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 1–2 PM

Join the Rev. Dr. Ayla Lepine, the Rev. Meredith Ward, and St. James's Singers for a contemplative pilgrimage through The Met Cloisters, accompanied by choral music inspired by Hildegard of Bingen and other women composers. Free with museum admission. Space is limited; first come, first served. Learn more at stbarts.org/cloisters.

2026-27 St. Bart's Connects Groups

REGISTER BY THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 24

St. Bart's Connects facilitates parishioner-led small groups centered around shared interests, neighborhoods, spiritual practices, or life experiences. Some meet for a season, while others may continue longer depending on interest. Connects Groups are a great way to make friends and get to know others in a more intimate setting within our large congregation. View our current group offerings and sign up at groups.stbarts.org.

A Choral Feast: W.A. Mozart's *Missa Brevis in C major, K. 258* ("Piccolomini")

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 27 AT 11 AM

Several Sunday services throughout the year are designated A Choral Feast, celebrating a specific theme, composer, or major choral work and offering the opportunity to experience great sacred choral repertoire in its original context of worship. Next Sunday, the 11 am service will feature Mozart's *Missa Brevis in C major, K. 258* ("Piccolomini"), performed by St. Bartholomew's Choir and St. Bart's Singers with soloists and orchestra. Learn more at stbarts.org/choralfeast.

The Blessing of the Animals

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 4, AT 11 AM

We recognize St. Francis of Assisi and the whole of God's good creation with the Blessing of the Animals at our 11 am service of Holy Eucharist. Bring your pet (or a photo) to be blessed by the clergy.

Feels Like Home

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 6, AT 7:30 PM IN CHAPEL

Mezzo-soprano Wendy Gilles joins Parthenia Viol Consort, a modern string quartet, pianist Lana Norris, and guest vocalists for Feels Like Home, an eclectic program that spans more than 400 years, moving from Renaissance masters Byrd and Gibbons to Kate Bush, Joni Mitchell, Randy Newman, The Beatles, Crosby, Stills, Nash & Young, and others, exploring themes of home, family, and love. For tickets visit mmpaf.org.

Listening Sessions

Join the Rev. Peter Thompson, Priest-in-Charge, for a conversation about St. Bart's and its future. These small-group Listening Sessions, with up to six participants, will take place throughout September and October, with both in-person and virtual options available. Each session will last approximately one hour. Sign up at stbarts.org/listening.

Saturday Mornings at St. Bart's

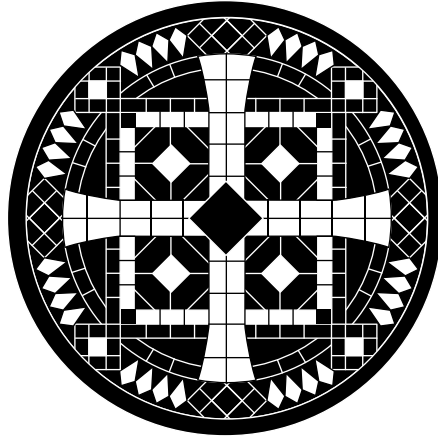
SEPTEMBER 19–NOVEMBER 21, 10 AM, VIA ZOOM

Our Saturday morning book group reconvenes to explore the first encyclical of Pope Leo XIV, *Magnifica Humanitas: On Safeguarding the Human Person in the Time of Artificial Intelligence* (May 2026). A limited number of copies will be available at the St. Bart's Bookstore later this week. Stop by to reserve your copy. Sign up at stbarts.org/saturdaymornings.

The World Upside Down

TUESDAYS, SEPTEMBER 15–OCTOBER 20, 6:30–8 PM

Professor Larry Welborn of Fordham University explores the relationship between religion and society, reflecting on how the world is turned upside down both in the pages of Holy Scripture and in our experiences of contemporary life. Register at stbarts.org/upsidedown.



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