SAINT
BARTHOLOMEW'S
CHURCH
IN THE CITY OF
NEW YORK

The Last Sunday after Pentecost

Choral Eucharist at 11 am

November 22, 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.

ST. BART'S
KIDS

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**.
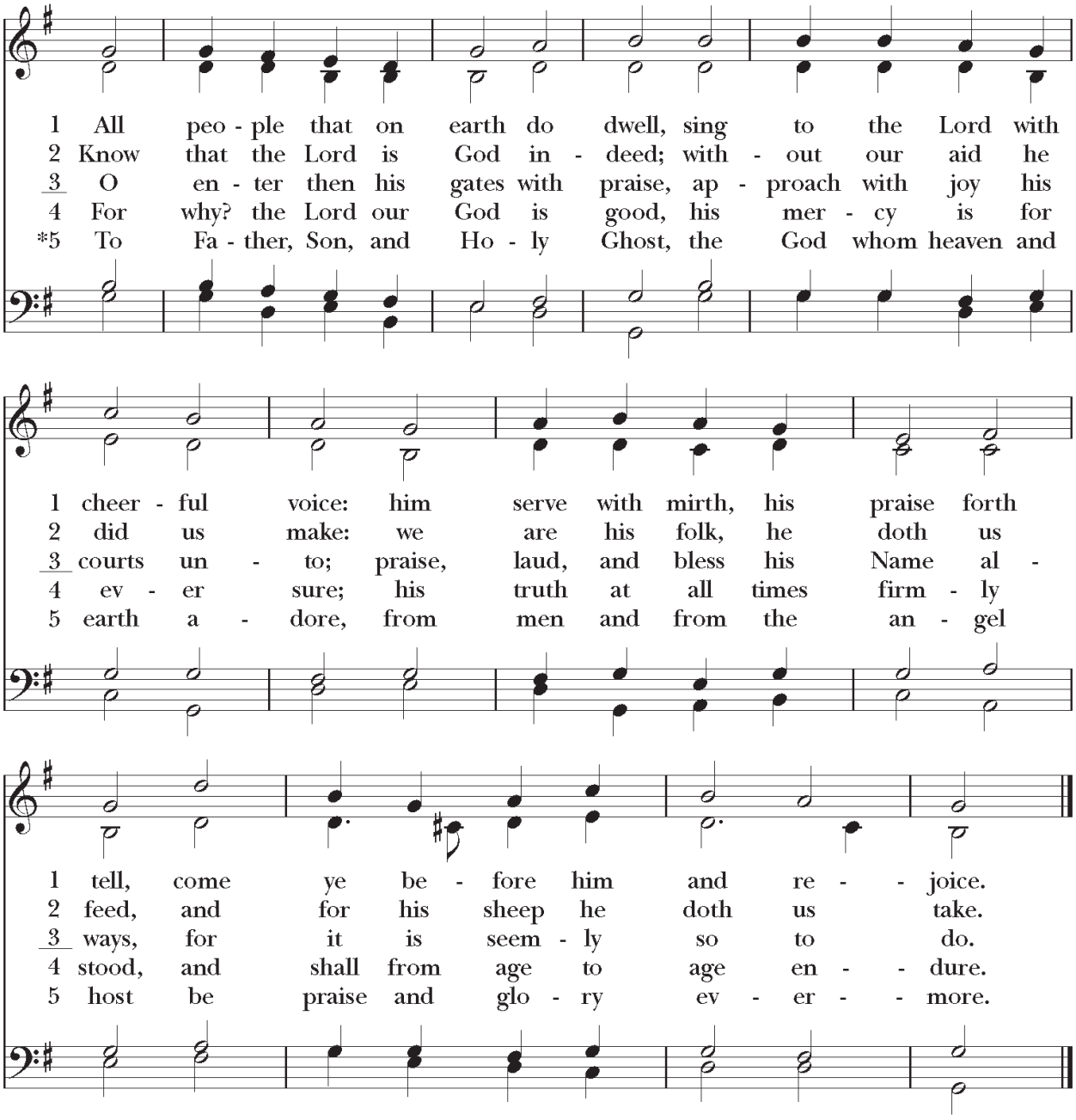
St. Bartholomew's Choristers
St. Bartholomew's Choristers sing at the 11 am service most Sundays from September to June. Through their prominent role in our worship, choristers grow and excel in leadership, teamwork, faith formation, confidence, commitment, and musicianship. Contact Alexander Pattavina (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 *Exurgat Deus* (Suite *'Laudate Dominum'*), Peter Hurford (1930-2019)

The people stand as the hymn begins.

Hymn 377



Words: William Kethe (d. 1608?); para. of Psalm 100.
Music: *Old 100th*, melody from *Pseaumes octante trois de David*, 1551, alt.; harm. after Louis Bourgeois (1510?-1561?).

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 St. Bartholomew's Choir

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 sins 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.

Music: from *Sarum Mass*, Op. 66, Kenneth Leighton (1929-1988).

The Ministry of the Word

The Collect for the Last Sunday after Pentecost

Presider The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**

Presider Let us pray.
Almighty and everlasting God, whose will it is to restore all things in your well-beloved Son, the King of kings and Lord of lords: Mercifully grant that the peoples of the earth, divided and enslaved by sin, may be freed and brought together under his most gracious rule; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.
All **Amen.**

The people sit.

The First Lesson Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24

Lector A reading from the Book of the Prophet Ezekiel.

Thus says the Lord God: I myself will search for my sheep, and will seek them out. As shepherds seek out their flocks when they are among their scattered sheep, so I will seek out my sheep. I will rescue them from all the places to which they have been scattered on a day of clouds and thick darkness. I will bring them out from the peoples and gather them from the countries, and will bring them into their own land; and I will feed them on the mountains of Israel, by the watercourses, and in all the inhabited parts of the land. I will feed them with good pasture, and the mountain heights of Israel shall be their pasture; there they shall lie down in good grazing land, and they shall feed on rich pasture on the mountains of Israel. I myself will be the shepherd of my sheep, and I will make them lie down, says the Lord God. I will seek the lost, and I will bring back the strayed, and I will bind up the injured, and I will strengthen the weak, but the fat and the strong I will destroy. I will feed them with justice. Therefore, thus says the Lord God to them: I myself will judge between the fat sheep and the lean sheep. Because you pushed with flank and shoulder, and butted at all the weak animals with your horns until you scattered them far and wide, I will save my flock, and they shall no longer be ravaged; and I will judge between sheep and sheep. I will set up over them one shepherd, my servant David, and he shall feed them: he shall feed them and be their shepherd. And I, the Lord, will be their God, and my servant David shall be prince among them; I, the Lord, have spoken.

Lector The Word of the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 95:1-7 St. Bartholomew's Choir

O come, let us sing unto the Lord;
let us heartily rejoice in the strength of our salvation.

Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving,
and shew ourselves glad in him with psalms.

For the Lord is a great God
and a great King above all gods.

In his hand are all the corners of the earth,
and the strength of the hills is his also.

The sea is his, and he made it,
and his hands prepared the dry land.

O come, let us worship and fall down
and kneel before the Lord our Maker.

For he is the Lord our God
and we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand.

Music: Anglican chant by William Crotch (1775-1847).

The Second Lesson Ephesians 1:15-23

Lector A reading from the Letter to the Ephesians.
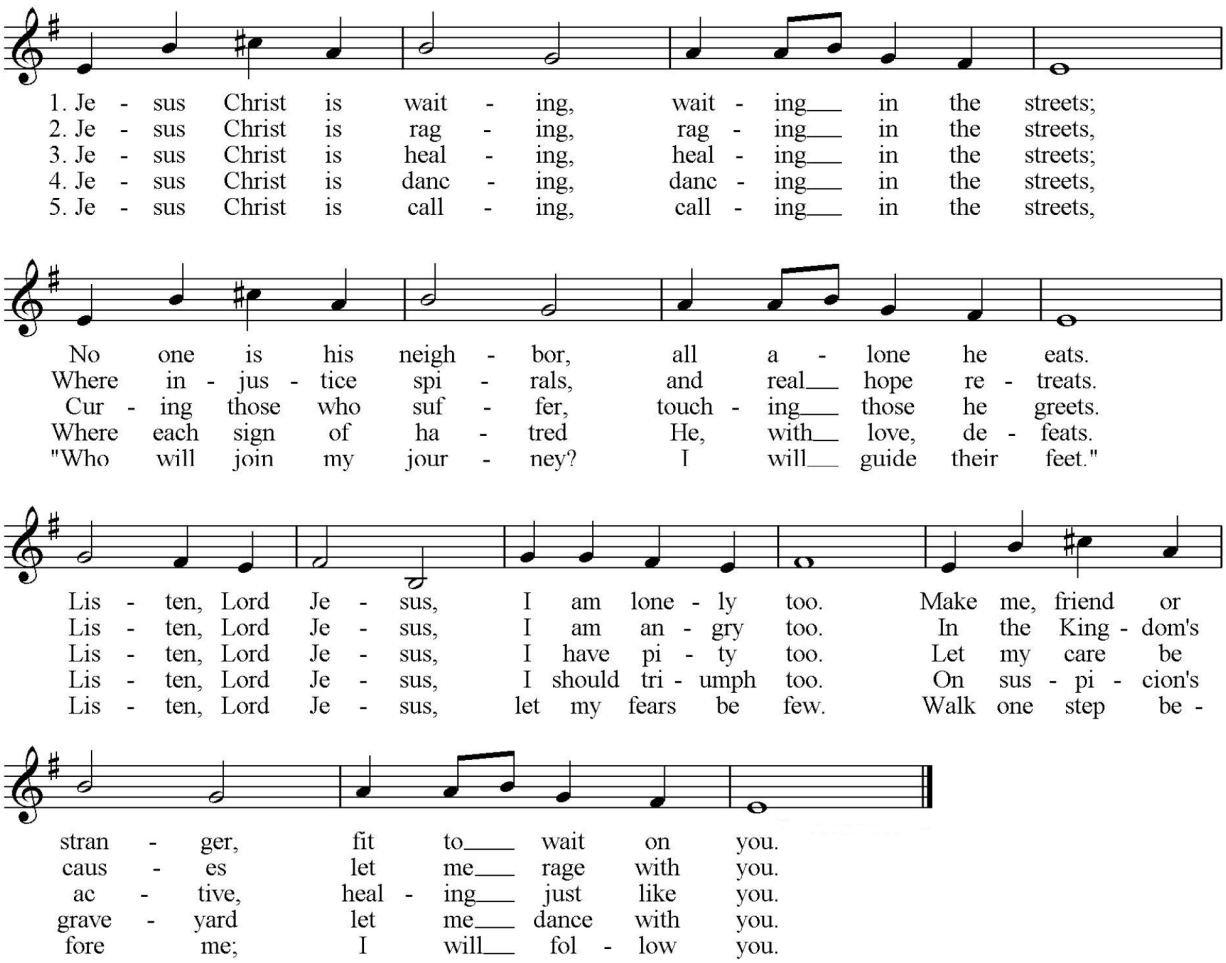
I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

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



Words: John L. Bell (b. 1949) and Graham Maule (b. 1958).
Music: *Noel nouvelet,* Medieval French carol.

The Holy Gospel Matthew 25:31-46

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

Deacon Jesus said, "When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on the throne of his glory. All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, and he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left. Then the king will say to those at his right hand, 'Come, you that are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me.' Then the righteous will answer him, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to drink? And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing? And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?' And the king will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me.' Then he will say to those at his left hand, 'You that are accursed, depart from me into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels; for I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not give me clothing, sick and in prison and you did not visit me.' Then they also will answer, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not take care of you?' Then he will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me.' And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life."

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 Meredith E. Ward, Vicar

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.

O God, you have been our refuge from one generation to another:

People **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 were recently elected to public office. Guide us in our efforts to be responsible citizens. Remind us also of our responsibilities to you.

O God, you have been our refuge from one generation to another:

People **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.

O God, you have been our refuge from one generation to another:

People **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.

O God, you have been our refuge from one generation to another:

People **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.

O God, you have been our refuge from one generation to another:

People **Grant us wisdom for the living of these days.**

Presider God of the poor, we long to meet you yet always miss you; we strive to help you, yet only discover our need. Interrupt our comfort with your nakedness, touch our possessiveness with your poverty, and surprise our guilt with the grace of your welcome in Jesus Christ.

All **Amen.**

The Welcoming of Newcomers

Priest-in-Charge Dear People of God, today we welcome new sojourners into this community of St. Bart's. We celebrate and honor their unique gifts and stories as together we seek to join the Holy Spirit in the work of transforming lives, transforming the church, and transforming the world.

Presenters I present these persons to be welcomed fully into the life of this parish.

Clergy Do you desire to continue your journey into Christ in the fellowship of Saint Bartholomew's Church in the City of New York?

Newcomers I do.

Clergy Will you commit yourself to seek and serve Christ in this community of faith and pledge to serve, pray, and give to build up our common life?

Newcomers I will, with God's help.

Clergy Will you now help to welcome others as Christ has welcomed each of us?

Newcomers I will, with God's help.

Clergy Will you who witness these promises, do all in your power to support these persons in their life in Christ?

People **We will.**

Priest-in-Charge Let us pray.
God of welcome and embrace, you make your home among mortals, and in you, we all have a place:
A place to belong and a place to become;

People **a place to pray and a place to play;**

Priest-in-Charge a place to be joyful and a place to grieve;

People **a place to believe and a place to receive;**

Priest-in-Charge a place to give and a place to grow;

People **a place to connect and a place to know;**

Priest-in-Charge a place to ask and a place to doubt;

People **a place to learn and a place to turn;**

Priest-in-Charge a place to love and a place to be known;

People **a place to be fed and a place to call home.**

Priest-in-Charge Give us grace, O God, to become what we proclaim and embody what we believe; in the name of the One who is Love Incarnate, Jesus Christ, the Word made flesh.

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 St. Bartholomew's Choir

Let all the world in ev'ry corner sing,
My God and King.

The heavens are not too high,
His praise may thither fly;
The earth is not too low,
His praises there may grow.

Let all the world in ev'ry corner sing,
My God and King.
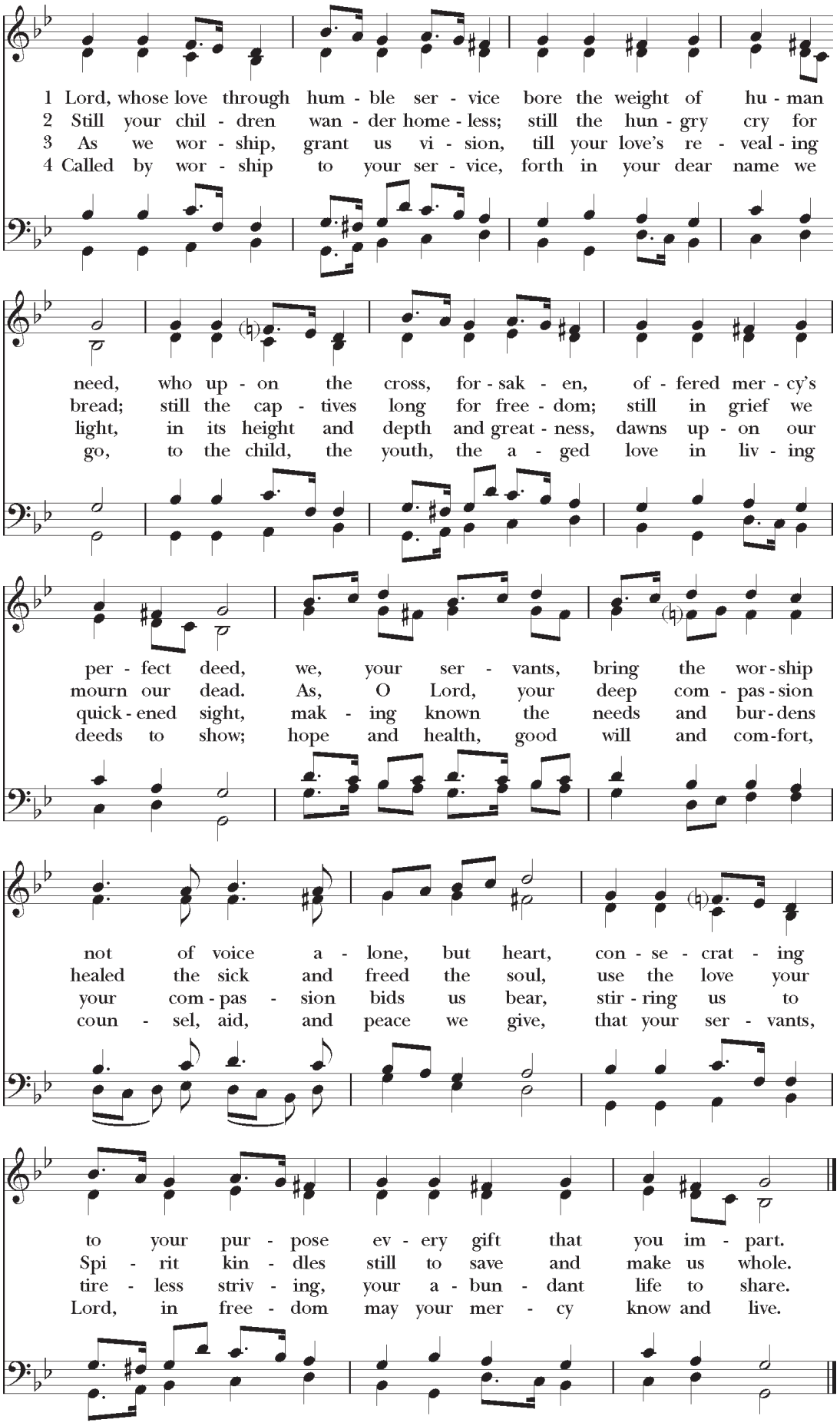
The Church with psalms must shout,
No door can keep them out;
But above all, the heart
Must bear the longest part.

Let all the world in ev'ry corner sing,
My God and King.

Words: Antiphon (I), from *The Temple*, 1633, George Herbert (1593-1633).
Music: Kenneth Leighton (1929-1988).

The people stand as the hymn begins.

Hymn 610



Words: Albert F. Bayly (1901-1984), alt.
Music: Blaenhafren, Welsh melody

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. Because in Jesus Christ our Lord you have received us as your sons and daughters, made us citizens of your kingdom, and given us the Holy Spirit to guide us into all truth.

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 St. Bartholomew's Choir

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.

Music: from *Sarum Mass*, Op. 66, Kenneth Leighton (1929-1988).

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 St. Bartholomew's Choir

Jesus, Lamb of God: have mercy upon us.
Jesus, bearer of our sins: have mercy on us.
Jesus, redeemer of the world: give us your peace.

Music: from *Sarum Mass*, Op. 66, Kenneth Leighton (1929-1988).

Anthem St. Bartholomew's Choir

Sing for the morning's joy, Cecilia, sing,
in words of youth and praises of the Spring,
walk the bright colonnades by fountains' spray,
and sing as sunlight fills the waking day;
till angels, voyaging in upper air,
pause on a wing and gather the clear sound
into celestial joy, wound and unwound,
a silver chain, or golden as your hair.

Sing for your loves of heaven and of earth,
in words of music, and each word a truth;
marriage of heart and longings that aspire,
a bond of roses, and a ring of fire.
Your summertime grows short and fades away,
terror must gather to a martyr's death;
but never tremble, the last indrawn breath
remembers music as an echo may.

Through the cold aftermath of centuries,
Cecilia's music dances in the skies;
lend us a fragment of the immortal air,
that with your choiring angels we may share,
a word to light us thro' time-fettered night,
water of life, or rose of paradise,
so from the earth another song shall rise
to meet your own in heaven's long delight.

Words: *A Hymn for St. Cecilia*, Ursula Vaughan Williams (1911-2007).
Music: Herbert Howells (1892-1983).

Anthem St. Bartholomew's Choristers

Fairest Lord Jesus, ruler of all nature,
O thou of God and man the Son,
Thee will I cherish, thee will I honor,
Thou, my soul's glory, joy, and crown.

Fair are the meadows, fairer still the woodlands,
Robed in the blooming garb of spring:
Jesus is fairer, Jesus is purer,
Who makes the woeful heart to sing.

Fair is the sunshine, fairer still the moonlight,
And all the twinkling starry host:
Jesus is brighter, Jesus is purer
Than all the angels heaven can boast.

Words: German (17th cent.); trans. anon (1850).
Music: Richard DeLong (1963-2020).
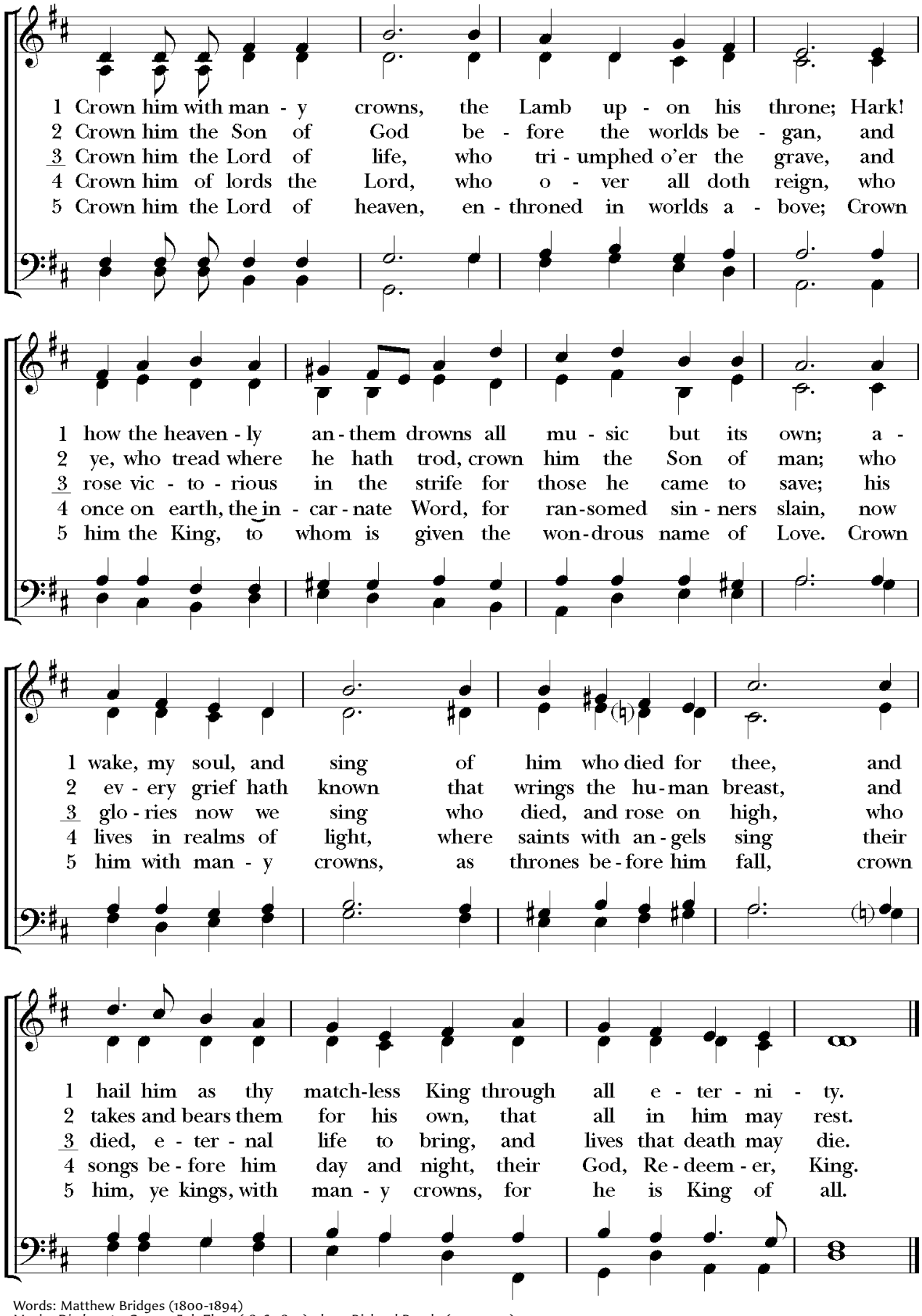
The people stand.

The Prayer After Communion

Presider Let us pray.
All **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 494



Words: Matthew Bridges (1800-1894)
Music: *Diademata*, George Job Elvey (1816-1893); desc. Richard Proulx (1937-2010).

The Dismissal

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

Postlude *Hymne d'action de grâce: Te Deum* (*Trois Paraphrases Gregoriennes*), Jean Langlais (1907-1991)

The flowers on the high altar of the Church are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Betty Bentsen Winn by her children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren.

The flowers on the chancel ledge are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Andree Ross Kiely on the 30th anniversary of her death by Bob Kiely.

Coffee Hour in the Great Hall

Join us immediately after the service for coffee and other refreshments as we welcome newcomers and celebrate the life we share together.

Service Participants

Presider The Reverend Molly O'Neil Frank
Preacher The Reverend Meredith E. Ward
Deacon The Reverend John F. Wirenius
Subdeacon The Reverend Peter D. Thompson
Assisting Clergy The Reverend Zack Nyein
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Verger Henry Johnston
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Newcomers are welcome to all gatherings

Learn more at **stbarts.org/sunday.**

- **Coffee Hour**
  12:15 PM IN THE GREAT HALL
- **Guided Tour of St. Bart's**
  12:15 PM IN THE BACK OF THE CHURCH
- **Peace Book Club**
  1:30 PM VIA ZOOM
- **Living Christ Sangha**
  3 PM VIA ZOOM

MEETING THIS MOMENT AS ONE · 2027 PLEDGE CAMPAIGN

The 2027 Pledge Campaign at St. Bart's

The 2027 Pledge Campaign at St. Bart's, "Meeting This Moment As One," has concluded with more than 330 pledges, exceeding our $1.6M goal. It is a tremendous result that was made possible by the hard work and participation of so many. Thank you!

If you have yet to declare your 2027 pledge, you still can at **stbarts.org/pledge**. The campaign goal represents roughly 50% of our 2027 stewardship budget, so new commitments will be gratefully received. Please contact Susannah Wade Lewis at **swadelewis@stbarts.org** with any questions.

NEXT SUNDAY AT ST. BART'S

November 29, 2026: The First Sunday of Advent

- **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**
  Everlasting Jesus: Timeless Wisdom for Modern Living
  Author Rick Hamlin discusses his latest book about how Scripture can speak to the modern moment.
- **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
- **ADVENT LESSONS & CAROLS AT 5 PM**
  Our combined choirs offer Advent carols and anthems interspersed with readings about the coming of Christ. A festive reception follows in the Great Hall.

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.

Holiday Closure

The Church and Community House will close at **1 pm on Wednesday, November 25**, and remain closed until Sunday morning at 8:30 am. Crossroads Community Services will be hosting their annual Fare Share event in the church on **Friday, November 27**.

Fare Share Friday

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 27

Support our partners at Crossroads Community Services this holiday season as they work to ensure that everybody can eat. Visit **bit.ly/fareshare2026** to learn more.

Advent Fair

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 29 AT 12:30 PM IN THE GREAT HALL

Prepare for the festive holiday season with interactive crafts, refreshments, music, and other fun.

Advent Lessons & Carols

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 29 AT 5 PM

Join us for one of the most beloved services of the season! Our combined choirs offer Advent carols and anthems interspersed with readings about the coming of Christ. A festive reception follows in the Great Hall. Eucharist in the chapel is offered after the service for those who wish to attend. Join us in person or via livestream.

Advent Lessons & Carols Reception

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 29, IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE SERVICE, IN THE BACK OF THE CHURCH

Our annual Advent Lessons & Carols Reception is a joyful St. Bart's tradition and an opportunity to come together as a parish to begin the Advent season. Whether you're a whiz in the kitchen or simply enjoy sharing good food, we'd be grateful for your contribution. Bring a treat to share or volunteer to help with setup and cleanup. Contact Paul Rodriguez at **prodriguez@stbarts.org** to learn more.

Tree of Gifts

St. Tabitha's Guild at St. Bart's is sponsoring a Tree of Gifts, offering their handmade needlecrafts for Advent and Christmas. Your donations of new hats, scarves, and gloves are welcome and can be placed on the tree. All items will be donated to Crossroads and Coalition for the Homeless. The Tree of Gifts will be in the narthex of the church from November 29 through January 3.

Caroling on the Steps

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 1 AT 5:45 PM

Join us on the steps of St. Bart's for our annual Midtown Carol Sing-along! Singing starts at 5:45 pm, then we head inside at 6:15 pm for hot cocoa and community. (We will be outside singing rain or shine!) Come help us spread a little pre-Christmas cheer to Midtown and everyone passing by on Park Avenue.

The Adoration of The Magi

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 6 AT 7:30 PM

Jeff Morrissey returns to St. Bart's with their popular Christmas program inspired by the elegant paintings that adorn the 1919 Ethel Parsons Paullin and Telford Paullin mural in the chapel. The beautiful *Adoration of the Magi* and the 13 medallions surrounding it depict scenes connected with the Nativity of Christ. Enjoy traditional carols, carols from around the world, spirituals and popular Christmas favorites. Tickets at **mmpaf.org**.

A Joyous Christmas Concert

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 8 AT 7:30 PM

The musicians of St. Bartholomew's Choir frequently appear at many of the city's most prestigious venues: from Carnegie Hall and Lincoln Center, to Broadway stages and New York's finest Jazz clubs. Hear them celebrate the holiday season in our beautiful sanctuary with beloved traditional carols as well as festive new arrangements of sacred and secular Christmas favorites, all accompanied on our famed pipe organ. Tickets at **mmpaf.org**.

Advent & Christmas at St. Bart's

Plan your holiday season with St. Bart's! Our full schedule of Advent and Christmas services, music, and celebrations is now available online. We look forward to sharing this joyful season with you. Explore the schedule at **stbarts.org/adventchristmas**.

St. Bart's Sermons and The Forum Now Available as Podcasts

You can now listen to sermons and The Forum on Spotify, Apple Podcasts, and other podcast platforms. Subscribe to Sermons at St. Bart's and The Forum at St. Bart's on your favorite podcast app to receive new episodes each week.

Visit the St. Bart's Book Store

Advent calendars and stuffed Nativity sets for children are now available in the Book Store. Also available is *Christianity: The First Three Thousand Years* by Diarmaid MacCulloch, recommended by Dr. Brooks Ishler.

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