

Holy Eucharist

August 31, 2025 | 8:30 & 11 am Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

Welcome to St. Bartholomew's!

Emails: We send out a Wednesday email about upcoming opportunities (called the "Weekly") and a monthly Love in Action email. By request, we also send out a daily prayer and reflection email and youth and children's emails. To receive any of these, please email churchoffice@stbs.net.



- **Sermons** can be listened to on our website (stbs.net) and on Apple Podcasts.
- For your awareness, we often have staff or volunteers photographing at our services and events. Some photos may be used online or in printed materials. To opt out, please notify the photographer. Also, most services are live-streamed and published online. Your image may be visible in the recording.



A hearing loop is available in the nave. Please switch hearing aid to T-coil. Hearing loop devices are available from the ushers.

Key to Congregational Responses

Prelude

Please silence your mobile phone.
Parents with children in the nursery, please put your phone on vibrate.

Please stand when the bell tolls for worship.

Processional Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above

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Hymns appearing here in text only may be found in the blue hymnals in the pew rack.

- Sing praise to God who reigns above, the God of all creation,
 The God of power, the God of love, the God of our salvation;
 With healing balm my soul he fills, and every faithless murmur stills:
 To God all praise and glory.
- 2. What God's almighty power hath made, his gracious mercy keepeth; By morning glow or evening shade his watchful eye ne'er sleepeth. Within the kingdom of his might, lo! All is just and all is right: To God all praise and glory.
- 3. Let all who name Christ's holy Name give God all praise and glory; Let all who know his power proclaim aloud the wondrous story! Cast each false idol from its throne, the Lord is God, and he alone: To God all praise and glory.

Opening Acclamation

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

And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

The Collect for Purity

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

God of All Comfort



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The Collect of the Day

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray. Lord of all power and might, the author and giver of all good things: Graft in our hearts the love of your Name; increase in us true religion; nourish us with all goodness; and bring forth in us the fruit of good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Please be seated.

The Word of God

First Reading: Jeremiah 2:4-13

Hear the word of the LORD, O house of Jacob, and all the families of the house of Israel. Thus says the LORD:

What wrong did your ancestors find in me
that they went far from me,
and went after worthless things, and became worthless themselves?
They did not say, "Where is the LORD
who brought us up from the land of Egypt,
who led us in the wilderness,
in a land of deserts and pits,
in a land of drought and deep darkness,
in a land that no one passes through,
where no one lives?"
I brought you into a plentiful land
to eat its fruits and its good things.
But when you entered you defiled my land,
and made my heritage an abomination.
The priests did not say, "Where is the LORD?"

Those who handle the law did not know me;

the rulers transgressed against me;

the prophets prophesied by Baal,

and went after things that do not profit.

Therefore once more I accuse you, says the LORD,

and I accuse your children's children.

Cross to the coasts of Cyprus and look,

send to Kedar and examine with care;

see if there has ever been such a thing.

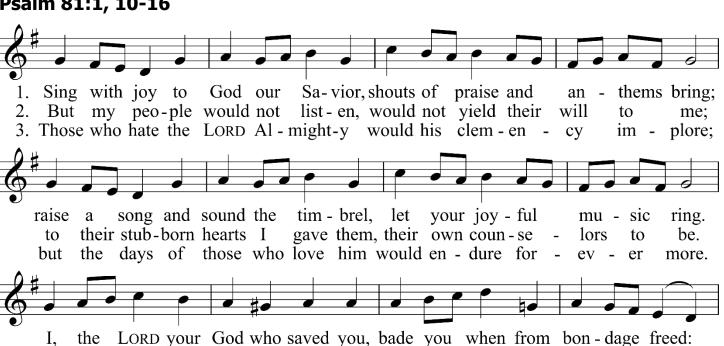
Has a nation changed its gods, even though they are no gods? But my people have changed their glory for something that does not profit. Be appalled, O heavens, at this, be shocked, be utterly desolate, says the LORD, for my people have committed two evils: they have forsaken me, the fountain of living water, and dug out cisterns for themselves, cracked cisterns that can hold no water.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Silence

Psalm 81:1, 10-16



Oh, that they would turn and list - en! choos-ing in my ways to go; And with wheat the ver - v fin - est Is - rael's need would I



"Op - en wide your mouth of long - ing; I will sat - is your need." then my hand would bring de - liv-erance, turn a - side their ver - y rocks yield hon - ey that will ev - er the

Second Reading: Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16

Let mutual love continue. Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for by doing that some have entertained angels without knowing it. Remember those who are in prison, as though you were in prison with them; those who are being tortured, as though you yourselves were being tortured. Let marriage be held in honor by all, and let the marriage bed be kept undefiled; for God will judge fornicators and adulterers. Keep your lives free from the love of money, and be content with what you have; for he has said, "I will never leave you or forsake you." So we can say with confidence,

"The Lord is my helper; I will not be afraid. What can anyone do to me?"

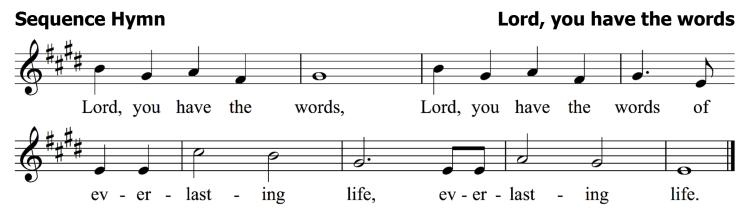
Remember your leaders, those who spoke the word of God to you; consider the outcome of their way of life, and imitate their faith. Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever.

Through him, then, let us continually offer a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips that confess his name. Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Please stand for the reading of the Gospel.



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■ The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

Page 15 Glory to you, Lord Christ.

The Holy Gospel: Luke 14:1, 7-14

On one occasion when Jesus was going to the house of a leader of the Pharisees to eat a meal on the sabbath, they were watching him closely.

When he noticed how the guests chose the places of honor, he told them a parable. "When you are invited by someone to a wedding banquet, do not sit down at the place of honor, in case someone more distinguished than you has been invited by your host; and the host who invited both of you may come and say to you, `Give this person your place,' and then in disgrace you would start to take the lowest place. But when you are invited, go and sit down at the lowest place, so that when your host comes, he may say to you, `Friend, move up higher'; then you will be honored in the presence of all who sit at the table with you. For all who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted."

He said also to the one who had invited him, "When you give a luncheon or a dinner, do not invite your friends or your brothers or your relatives or rich neighbors, in case they may invite you in return, and you would be repaid. But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, and the blind. And you will be blessed, because they cannot repay you, for you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you Lord Christ.

At the 8:30 service, children ages 4-12 are invited to follow the cross out for the Children's Homily, while the congregation remains standing.

Sermon The Rev. Ed Smith

Please stand.

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.

Please kneel.

Prayers of the People

Form III

- Father, we pray for your holy catholic Church;
- That we all may be one.
- II Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;
- That your Name may be glorified by all people.
- We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;
- That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.
- We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;
- That there may be justice and peace on the earth.
- Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;
- That our works may find favor in your sight.
- Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;
- That they may be delivered from their distress.
- **I** Give to the departed eternal rest;

Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

Concluding Collect

Invitation to Confession

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

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.

The Absolution

Please stand.

The Peace

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

Welcome and Announcements

See what is happening this week at St. B's by scanning the QR code with the camera on your phone, or by visiting this link: https://stbs.net/about/weekly-news





The offering plate will be passed among the congregation. You may also scan the QR code or give online at https://stbs.breezechms.com/give/online.



Please stand as the offering is brought to the altar.



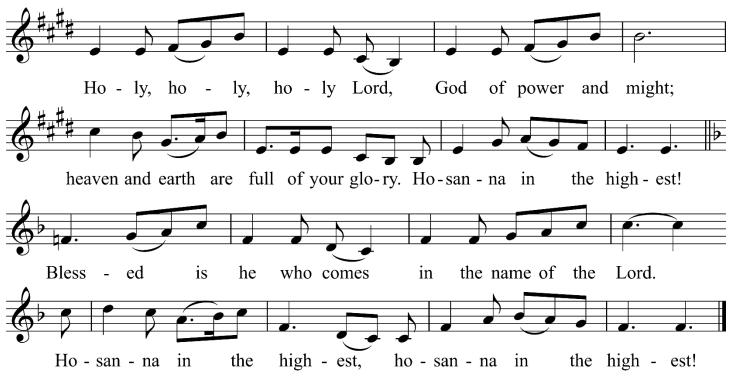
The Holy Communion

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer A

- The Lord be with you.
- And also with you.
- Lift up your hearts.
- We lift them to the Lord.
- Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- **I** It is right to give him thanks and praise.
- It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. [The Celebrant will include an appropriate Proper Preface for the day.] 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:



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Please kneel.

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:

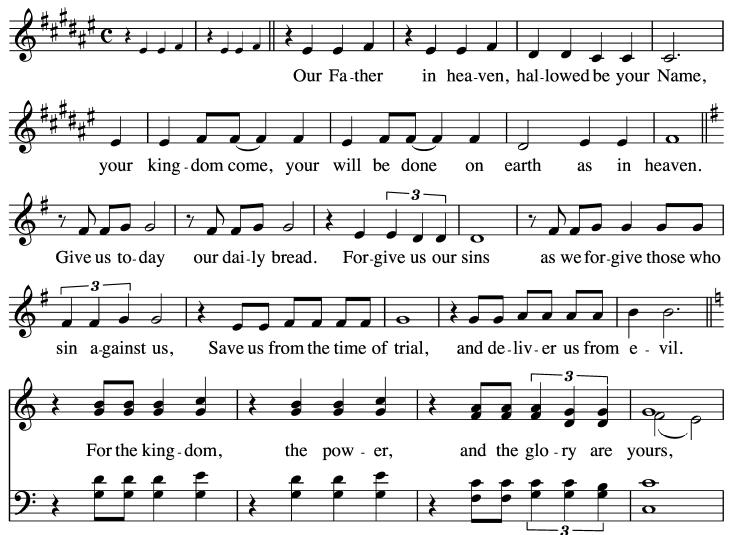


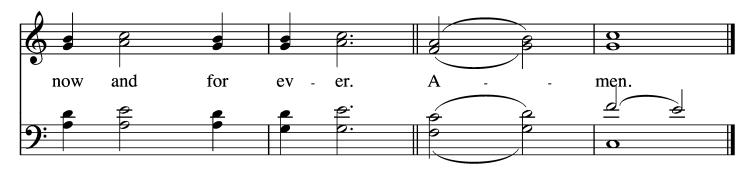
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We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify \oplus 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 forever, **AMEN.**

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,





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The Breaking of the Bread

The Priest breaks the consecrated Bread.

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

The gifts of God for the People of God.



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Please be seated.

All Christians (including children) baptized in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit are invited to receive the bread and wine of Holy Communion.

Instructions for Receiving Communion

Please kneel or stand at the altar rail Open hands, one lying in the other, to receive the wafer

To sip from the common cup:

Consume wafer immediately Support base of chalice and guide it to your lips

To dip wafer into cup:

Hold wafer in fingertips
Dip edge of wafer into wine
Do not let fingertips touch the wine

To receive a blessing instead of communion, please cross your arms over your chest.

Please tell the priest or verger if you would like a gluten-free wafer.

Prayer Desk

Intercessors are available by the sanctuary niche to the left of the pulpit to pray with individuals, couples, or families after receiving communion.

If you would like to submit a request to our prayer group, please email <u>prayer@stbs.net</u>. Also, the Wednesday Holy Eucharist at 12:15pm includes healing prayers.

Communion Music

Everyone is invited to sing during communion.

Nada te Turbe



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My God, Thy Table Now Is Spread



Please stand for the final Communion song.

How Beautiful



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C 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 🕆



- Let us go forth in the name of Christ.
- Thanks be to God.

Postlude

The altar flowers are given by Bob and Elaine Palmer in celebration of 28 years of marriage for their son and daughter-in-law, Brian and Kristina Hays.

Participants

<i>Deacon</i>	The Rev. Josh Condon The Rev. Heather Daugherty ^{8:30} Roger McCoy ¹¹ Beverly Mahan
LEMs	8:30 Matthew Sullivan, Tim Lauer, Jamie McDowell, Mimi Heldman
	achel Dyer, Lisa Smithen, Henry Agyemang, Rose Wynne Brooks
Crucifer	
Torch Bearers	^{8:30} Mabel Heard, Lottie Heard
Lectors	^{8:30} Brian Roark, Becky Papin
	¹¹ Jude Mason, Kathy Leo
Prayer Desk	
<i>Ushers</i>	^{8:30} Bob Garth, Tommy Stinson
	¹¹ Bill Bowlby, Pat Bowlby
Music Director & Piano	
<i>Organ</i>	Jane Shepherd
	. Don Cason, Megan O'Reilly, Rebecca Searfoss, Teresa Whitesell
Acoustic Guitar	Tom Patten
	Tim Lauer
Percussion	Randy Goodman
A/V	Matthew Shepherd
	Thorunn McCoy
Flower Guild	Elaine Palmer

^{*} Participants are subject to change.

St. Bartholomew's Clergy & Staff

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Gallery Manager	Allison Hardwick**
South Sudanese Pastoral Leaders	John Ajith**, Peter Mangok**
Diocesan Bishop	The Rt. Rev. Dr. John Bauerschmidt

^{*}Part-time, **Volunteer

St. B's Schedule

Monday - Friday

10 am - 2 pm Open Sanctuary

10 am – 2 pm Gift Gallery and Church Office Open

Wednesdays

12:15 pm Holy Eucharist (with Prayers for Healing) in the Nave

Sunday Services (with Nursery available)

8:30 am in the Nave and Streamed Live, with Children's Homily

10 am Christian Formation

11 am in the Nave

12:30 pm South Sudanese worship (first Sunday in English, other Sundays in Dinka)

For other weekly and occasional events, please view our Weekly email posted at www.stbs.net/about.



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