

Your First Visit to St. Bartholomew's

Welcome! Our in-person Sunday worship service is at 11:00 a.m., it is also live streamed on our website and on our Facebook page.

As you anticipate your first visit here, we thought it would be helpful to show you a few things to make your visit a pleasant one:

- We are located in the heart of Laytonsville, 21611 Laytonsville Rd, near the corner of 108 and Brink Rd.
- The parking lot is located behind the church, where you will also find handicapped spaces as well. When facing the front of the church you will find a ground level elevator that can be accessed from the right side of the church (ask for assistance from our ushers who are happy to help you).
- As you enter the sanctuary you will be greeted by an usher who will provide you with a service bulletin and help you with seating. The service bulletin contains the order of worship which leads us through the service.
- During the first part of our worship service we sing, pray, and listen to scripture readings. After the reading and prayer portion of the service we offer each other a sign of peace (a pleasant nod or wave of the hand).
- An offering is collected as we prepare the altar table of Communion. Your offering is appreciated, but is not required.
- The service of Holy Eucharist then follows.

- To receive the bread at Communion, kneel at the altar rail and hold your hands palms open. To receive the wine, you may sip from the chalice (dipping the host into the chalice is not permitted). If you prefer to not receive the wine cross your arms over your chest when the chalice is brought to you.
- If you prefer to receive a blessing only, kneel at the Communion rail and cross your arms over your chest.
- All are welcome to come to the altar to receive Communion and a blessing.
- We always welcome children to our Sunday worship service. Children may also attend our Sunday school, which is held in the rectory next door, at the same time as the worship service.
- Restrooms are located at the rear entrance of the church.
- Coffee hour in the undercroft (the parish hall) is served after the worship service. Come and enjoy a refreshment and spend some time with us in an informal way.