



**The Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost
September 3, 2023**

Announcements

Prelude

Allemande from French Suite V, J.S. Bach

Opening Hymn

Take up your cross, the Savior said

Hymn 675

The Holy Eucharist: Rite Two

BCP 355

The Word of God

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

People: And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

Collect for Purity

Let us pray together 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.

Gloria

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Collect of The Day

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant: 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.**

The Lessons

A Reading from: Jeremiah 15:15-21

O LORD, you know;
remember me and visit me,
and bring down retribution for me on my
persecutors.

In your forbearance do not take me away;
know that on your account I suffer insult.

Your words were found, and I ate them,
and your words became to me a joy
and the delight of my heart;

for I am called by your name,
O LORD, God of hosts.

I did not sit in the company of merrymakers,
nor did I rejoice;

under the weight of your hand I sat alone,
for you had filled me with indignation.

Why is my pain unceasing,
my wound incurable,
refusing to be healed?

Truly, you are to me like a deceitful brook,
like waters that fail.

Therefore, thus says the LORD:

If you turn back, I will take you back,
and you shall stand before me.

If you utter what is precious, and not what is
worthless,
you shall serve as my mouth.

It is they who will turn to you,
not you who will turn to them.

And I will make you to this people
a fortified wall of bronze;

they will fight against you,
but they shall not prevail over you,
for I am with you
to save you and deliver you, says the LORD.
I will deliver you out of the hand of the wicked,
and redeem you from the grasp of the
ruthless.

The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 26:1-8

BCP 616

- 1 Give judgment for me, O LORD,
for I have lived with integrity; *
I have trusted in the Lord and have not
faltered.
- 2 Test me, O LORD, and try me; *
examine my heart and my mind.
- 3 For your love is before my eyes; *
I have walked faithfully with you.
- 4 I have not sat with the worthless, *
nor do I consort with the deceitful.
- 5 I have hated the company of evildoers; *
I will not sit down with the wicked.
- 6 I will wash my hands in innocence, O LORD, *
that I may go in procession round your altar,
- 7 Singing aloud a song of thanksgiving *
and recounting all your wonderful deeds.
- 8 LORD, I love the house in which you dwell *
and the place where your glory abides.

**Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the
Holy Spirit. Amen.**

The Epistle

Romans 12:9-21

Let love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good; love one another with mutual affection; outdo one another in showing honor. Do not lag in zeal, be ardent in spirit, serve the Lord. Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in prayer. Contribute to the needs of the saints; extend hospitality to strangers.

Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep. Live in harmony with one another; do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly; do not claim to be wiser than you are. Do not repay anyone evil for evil, but take thought for what is noble in the sight of all. If it is possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all. Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave room for the wrath of God; for it is written, “Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord.” No, “if your enemies are hungry, feed them; if they are thirsty, give them something to drink; for by doing this you will heap burning coals on their heads.” Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sequence Hymn

Take my life, and let it be

Hymn 707

**The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according
to Matthew 16:21-28**

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and undergo great suffering at the hands of the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him, saying, “God forbid it, Lord! This must never happen to you.” But he turned and said to Peter, “Get behind me, Satan! You are a stumbling block to me; for you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things.”

Then Jesus told his disciples, “If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it. For what will it profit them if they gain the whole world but forfeit their life? Or what will they give in return for their life?

“For the Son of Man is to come with his angels in the glory of his Father, and then he will repay everyone for what has been done. Truly I tell you, there are some standing here who will not taste death before they see the Son of Man coming in his kingdom.”

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Homily

Rev. Vikki Clayton

All stand as you are able

The Nicene Creed

BCP 358

**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.

Stand or kneel as you are able

The Prayers of the People Form II **BCP 385**

I ask your prayers for God's people throughout the world; for our Bishops; for this gathering; and for all ministers and people.

Pray for the Church.

I ask your prayers for peace; for goodwill among nations; and for the well-being of all people.

Pray for justice and peace.

Silence

I ask your prayers for the poor, the sick, the hungry, the oppressed, and those in prison.

Pray for those in any need or trouble.

Silence

I ask your prayers for all who seek God, or a deeper knowledge of him. Pray that they may find and be found by him.

Silence

I ask your prayers for the departed. Pray for those who have died.

Silence

We pray for those on the Anglican and Diocesan Cycles of Prayer and our Parish Family and Friends

We pray for: Justin, the Archbishop of Canterbury. Michael, Our Presiding Bishop, Mariann Our Bishop and Vikki, our Rector; for this gathering; and for all ministers and people.

Anglican Cycle of Prayer:

The Church of the Province of the Indian Ocean

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer

Campus Ministries of Howard University

University of Maryland

George Washington University

Georgetown University

American University, and St. Mary's College

National Association of Episcopal Schools

Pray for all students and teachers

Labor Day (September) Pray for all who labor, those who are unemployed, those who seek jobs, and all who must work for less than a living wage.

For our Parish Family and Friends:

Delbert Wemple, Anne Factor, Stevie Grimes, Laura Hobbs, Nancy Harding, Frank McMurtray, Janet McMurtray

Carolann Guerette (V. Cross)

Frank and Jerry Cross (V. Cross)

Rebecca Koltun & family (J. Rutherford)

Susan Oliver (J. Shea)

Thomas Cooper and Mrs. Boyd (D. Burton)

Roseann Royle (N. Row)

Bill Royle (N. Row)

Darcy Alt (S. Henderson)

James Morris (D. Howard)

Pam Jagusch (S. Grimes)

Linda Abrahams (V. Clayton)

Tachiea Roland-Morris (V. Clayton & V. Cross)

Jeff Weinberger (S. Henderson)

Nick Vlachos (C. Hendricks)

Janice and Jeff Sands (M. Wemple)

Meghan Bradley (N. Row)

Patty Terry (V. Clayton)

Rev. Louis Wheeler (J. Fitts)
Nancy Willett (J. Rutherford)
Scott Johnston (V. Cross)
The Dodge Family (M. Wemple)
Seth Washington (S. Grimes)
Sophia Ann Hauber (J. & S. Hauber)
Amy Morris (D. Howard)
Helen Hamlin (N. Row)

September Birthdays

Lynne Lucas-Dreiss	September 3
Evelinda Torres	September 8
Alice Jagusch	September 24
Nelson Torres	September 25

Celebrant:

O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and forever. **Amen.**

The Confession of Sin

BCP 360

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.
Silence may be kept.

Celebrant and People:

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.**

All stand as you are able

The Peace

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Walk in love as Christ loved us and gave himself for us as offering and sacrifice to God.

The Offertory

All are seated.

Dona Nobis Pacem, Maggie Ramey, Cello

All stand as you are able.

Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow.

Praise Him, all creatures here below.

Praise Him above the Heavenly host.

Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.

Amen.

Eucharistic Prayer C

BCP 369

The Great Thanksgiving

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 God of all power, Ruler of the Universe,
you are worthy of glory and praise.

People **Glory to you for ever and ever.**

Celebrant At your command all things came to be: the
vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the
planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our
island home.

People **By your will they were created and have
their being.**

Celebrant From the primal elements you brought forth
the human race, and blessed us with memory,
reason, and skill.
You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned
against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned
against one another.

People **Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your
sight.**

Celebrant Again and again, you called us to return.
Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous
Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son,
born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the
way of freedom and peace.

People By his blood, he reconciled us. By his wounds, we are healed.

Celebrant And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

Celebrant and People

Hymn S129

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.

Celebrant And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, 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, gave thanks, 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."

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,

People We celebrate his death and resurrection,
as we await the day of his coming.

Celebrant Lord God of our Fathers: God of Abraham
and Sarah, Isaac and Rebekah, Jacob, Leah and Rachel;
God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ:

Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world
about us.

Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table
for solace

only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for
renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us
one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily
serve the world in his name.

**People Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking
of the Bread.**

Celebrant Accept these prayers and praises, Father,
through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom,
with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor,
glory, and worship, from generation to
generation. **Amen.**

Celebrant And now, as our Savior Christ has taught
us, we are bold to say,

People and Celebrant
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, forever and ever. Amen.

The Fraction The Celebrant breaks the bread.
(A moment of silence)

Celebrant

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

Post Communion Prayer

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

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 May the Sun of Righteousness shine upon you and scatter the darkness from before your path; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always.

Closing Hymn:

All hail the power of Jesus' Name, v. 1-3, 6 Hymn 450

The Dismissal

Lay Eucharistic Minister *Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia, Alleluia.*

People **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia.**

Postlude

Tell Out, My Soul, arr. J. Wayne Kerr

Gloria

Lauren C. Fisher

Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and peace to His peo - ple on ear - th.

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Oh, Lord God, our heaven-ly King, al - might - y God and Fath - er, we

9
wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.

13
Oh, Lord Christ, the Son of the Fath - er, Je - sus, Lamb of God,

17
you take a-way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us; you are

21
seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer.

26
For you a-lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord, you a - lone are the

31
Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it, in the glo - ry of God the

37
Fa - ther. A - - - men.

Serving Today

Lay Reader Kim Bamburak

Lay Eucharist Minister Rob Palmer

Choir Director, Music Director, and Organist

Lauren Fisher

Usher Jack Hauber

Broadcast Technician Victoria Cross

Altar Guild Lauren Murtiff and Sharon Henderson

Flower Guild Sharon Henderson

Celebrant & Preacher The Rev. Vikki Clayton

St. Bartholomew's Choir

Jeff Bergsten, Ann Fitts, Bill Fitts, Charley Hendricks, Judy O'Neil, Maggie Schneider Ramey (visiting soprano), Geoffrey Rutherford, Jennifer Rutherford, Judith Schneider, Mary Wemple

St. Bartholomew's Sunday School Teachers

Maya Fitts, Lauren Murtiff

St. Bartholomew's Vestry

Senior Warden Nancy Row

Junior Warden Jeff Bergsten

Vestry:

Victoria Cross, Lauren Fisher, William Fitts, Charles Frederick, Charley Hendricks, Deborah Howard, Lois Leigh, Lauren Murtiff, Robert Palmer

Coffee Hour

Coffee hour today is a potluck, please join us in the undercroft.

Blessing of Backpacks and Welcome back Sunday School class

Next Sunday, September 10th we welcome back the choir and celebrate the start of our Fall Sunday school session with a blessing of the backpacks during the service, followed by the parish favorite of chicken and

waffles for coffee hour, hosted by Donna Starkweather and Mark Wilner.

Music Together with Sonia

Sonia offers music and dance for children from infants to five years old. Fall classes are filling up fast. Weekly classes at St. Bartholomew's begin on Tuesday, September 12th and run through November 28th. The 9:30 class is already full. There are classes available at 10:30, 4:15 and 5:15. More information is available at musictogetherwithsonia.com.

Prayer Beads Workshops

Prayer Beads are back and everyone is invited to attend! No experience is necessary. Please join us in this fellowship ministry while eating pizza and making prayer beads! We hope to see everyone there! The following is our Fall 2023 schedule:

Tuesday, September 19th at 6 pm

Wednesday, September 20th at noon

Tuesday, October 17th at 6 pm

Wednesday, October 18th at noon

Tuesday, November 14th at 6 pm

Wednesday, November 15th at noon.

Food Giving Basket

There is a food giving basket for Olney Help in the back of the church with a "wish list" of items. Once it is filled Olney Help will come and empty it and we begin the filling process anew. Please help our less fortunate neighbors by adding a few extra items to your grocery list. Please bring the items in a bag. Thank you for your generosity.

On-Line Giving

There is now the option to contribute to the ministries of St. Bartholomew's by using this QR code:



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