



**The Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost  
September 10, 2023**

## **Announcements**

### **Prelude**

*Prelude*, William H. Harris

### **Opening Hymn**

*At the Lamb's high feast we sing*

**Hymn 174**

### **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.

Bountiful God, you call us to labor with you in tending the earth: Where we lack love, open our hearts to the world; where we waste, give us discipline to conserve; where we neglect, awaken our minds and wills to insight and care. May we with all your creatures honor and serve you in all things for you live and reign with Christ,

Redeemer of all, and with your Holy Spirit, one God,  
now and for ever. **Amen.**

### **The Lessons**

A Reading from: Ezekiel 33:7-11

You, mortal, I have made a sentinel for the house of Israel; whenever you hear a word from my mouth, you shall give them warning from me. If I say to the wicked, “O wicked ones, you shall surely die,” and you do not speak to warn the wicked to turn from their ways, the wicked shall die in their iniquity, but their blood I will require at your hand. But if you warn the wicked to turn from their ways, and they do not turn from their ways, the wicked shall die in their iniquity, but you will have saved your life.

Now you, mortal, say to the house of Israel, Thus you have said: “Our transgressions and our sins weigh upon us, and we waste away because of them; how then can we live?” Say to them, As I live, says the Lord God, I have no pleasure in the death of the wicked, but that the wicked turn from their ways and live; turn back, turn back from your evil ways; for why will you die, O house of Israel?

The Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

### **Psalm 119:33-40**

**BCP 766**

33 Teach me, O Lord, the way of your statutes, \*  
and I shall keep it to the end.

34 Give me understanding, and I shall keep your  
law; \*  
I shall keep it with all my heart.

- 35 Make me go in the path of your  
commandments, \*  
for that is my desire.
- 36 Incline my heart to your decrees \*  
and not to unjust gain.
- 37 Turn my eyes from watching what is  
worthless; \*  
give me life in your ways.
- 38 Fulfill your promise to your servant, \*  
which you make to those who fear you.
- 39 Turn away the reproach which I dread, \*  
because your judgments are good.
- 40 Behold, I long for your commandments; \*  
in your righteousness preserve my life.

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

### **The Epistle**

#### **Romans 13:8-14**

Owe no one anything, except to love one another;  
for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law.  
The commandments, “You shall not commit  
adultery; You shall not murder; You shall not steal;  
You shall not covet”; and any other commandment,  
are summed up in this word, “Love your neighbor  
as yourself.” Love does no wrong to a neighbor;  
therefore, love is the fulfilling of the law.  
Besides this, you know what time it is, how it is  
now the moment for you to wake from sleep. For  
salvation is nearer to us now than when we became  
believers; the night is far gone, the day is near. Let  
us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on  
the armor of light; let us live honorably as in the  
day, not in reveling and drunkenness, not in

debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarreling and jealousy. Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

The Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**Sequence Hymn**

*Ubi Caritas*

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**The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew 18:15-20**

**People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus said, “If another member of the church sins against you, go and point out the fault when the two of you are alone. If the member listens to you, you have regained that one. But if you are not listened to, take one or two others along with you, so that every word may be confirmed by the evidence of two or three witnesses. If the member refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church; and if the offender refuses to listen even to the church, let such a one be to you as a Gentile and a tax collector. Truly I tell you, whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven. Again, truly I tell you, if two of you agree on earth about anything you ask, it will be done for you by my Father in heaven. For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them.”

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.

**People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

**Homily**

**Rev. Vikki Clayton**

*All children are invited to come forward for a blessing*  
**Blessing of the Backpacks**

*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 Ireland

**Diocesan Cycle of Prayer**

The Church of the Holy Communion, DC

Diocesan Youth Ministry

Diocesan Young Adult Ministry

**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.*

*How Can I Keep From Singing?, arr. Ginger B. Littleton*

*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.**

**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.

**Communion Hymn:**

*I want to walk as a child of the light*

**Hymn 490**

**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:**

*Deck thyself, my soul, with gladness*

**Hymn 339**

**The Dismissal**

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

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

**Postlude**

*Grand Epilogue*, Edward Broughton

# Gloria

Lauren C. Fisher



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

5  
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.



## Ubi Caritas

Refrain

U - bi ca - ri - tas et a - mor,  
Live in char - i - ty and stead - fast love,

u - bi ca - ri - tas De - us i - bi est.  
live in char - i - ty; God will dwell with you.

TEXT: 1 Corinthians 13:2-8; Where charity and love are found, God is there; Taizé Community, 1978  
Tune: Jacques Berthier, 1923-1994  
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## **Serving Today**

**Lay Reader** Sally Hauber

**Lay Eucharist Minister** Victoria Cross

**Choir Director, Music Director, and Organist**

Lauren Fisher

**Usher** Janet Shea

**Broadcast Technician** Geoffrey Rutherford

**Altar Guild** Lauren Murtiff and Sharon Henderson

**Flower Guild** Jennifer Rutherford

**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 chicken and waffles, hosted by Donna Starkweather and Mark Wilner. Please join us in the undercroft. Next week is a potluck so bring something to share, it doesn't have to be homemade, but we do need a list of the ingredients.

## **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 12<sup>th</sup> and run through November 28<sup>th</sup>. 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](http://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 19<sup>th</sup> at 6 pm

Wednesday, September 20<sup>th</sup> at noon

Tuesday, October 17<sup>th</sup> at 6 pm

Wednesday, October 18<sup>th</sup> at noon

Tuesday, November 14<sup>th</sup> at 6 pm

Wednesday, November 15<sup>th</sup> 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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