

The Third Sunday after Pentecost Pride Sunday

# Holy Eucharist at 9 am

June 26, 2022

325 PARK AVENUE AT 51ST STREET NEW YORK, NEW YORK 10022



We invite you to make this place yours.

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!



#### Welcome to St. Bart's! Thanks for joining us for worship this morning. We are glad that you are here.

Because of the continued spread of COVID-19, masks are required for all worshippers. We also ask that, when possible, you allow space between your party and others.

We appreciate your patience and cooperation as we continue to prioritize the health and safety of our whole community.



#### **Children's Activity Bags**

Activity bags are available in the back of the church for children during the service. An usher will be glad to guide you.

#### St. Bart's Kids PRAYground

A carpeted play area with activities for children is provided in the south transept of the church, under the front-right balcony. In addition, rocking chairs are available for pregnant women and parents of infants. We encourage you to take advantage of this space during the worship service.

#### **Sacramental Participation**

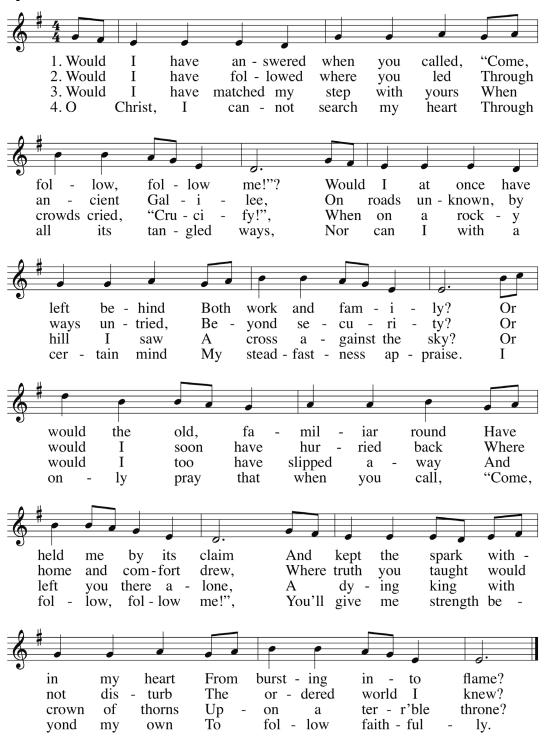
All children are welcome to participate in Holy Communion at the discretion of their parents/guardians. Those not receiving are invited forward to receive a blessing from a member of the clergy. Additionally, the baptism of infants and young children is customary in the Episcopal Church. Should you wish to explore Holy Baptism, please speak with a member of the clergy.

#### Connect with us at stbarts.org/kids.

#### Welcome

The people stand as the hymn begins.

#### Hymn



Words: Herman G. Stuempfle, Jr. (1923-2007). Music: *Kingsfold*, English melody; adapt. Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958).

#### **The Opening Acclamation**

PresiderBlessed be the one, holy, and living God.PeopleGlory to God for ever and ever.

## The Ministry of the Word

#### The Collect

Presider	May God be with you.
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People And also with you.

- *Presider* Together, let us pray.
- All God, you call us to go where Christ leads. Turn us from the ways of the world; guide us to fullness of joy in the Spirit, where bodies and souls rest secure; and grant us strength to follow the way of the cross, which frees us to love one another for the sake of all creation. Amen.

The people sit.

#### **The Lesson** 1 Kings 19:15-16, 19-21

*Lector* A reading from the First Book of Kings.

The Lord said to Elijah, "Go, return on your way to the wilderness of Damascus; when you arrive, you shall anoint Hazael as king over Aram. Also you shall anoint Jehu son of Nimshi as king over Israel; and you shall anoint Elisha son of Shaphat of Abel-meholah as prophet in your place." So he set out from there, and found Elisha son of Shaphat, who was plowing. There were twelve yoke of oxen ahead of him, and he was with the twelfth. Elijah passed by him and threw his mantle over him. He left the oxen, ran after Elijah, and said, "Let me kiss my father and my mother, and then I will follow you." Then Elijah said to him, "Go back again; for what have I done to you?" He returned from following him, took the yoke of oxen, and slaughtered them; using the equipment from the oxen, he boiled their flesh, and gave it to the people, and they ate. Then he set out and followed Elijah, and became his servant.

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

The people stand.

#### **Gospel Acclamation**



Words and music: Bernadette Farrell (b. 1957).

#### The Holy Gospel Luke 9:51-62

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

- Deacon When the days drew near for Jesus to be taken up, he set his face to go to Jerusalem. And he sent messengers ahead of him. On their way they entered a village of the Samaritans to make ready for him; but they did not receive him, because his face was set toward Jerusalem. When his disciples James and John saw it, they said, "Lord, do you want us to command fire to come down from heaven and consume them?" But he turned and rebuked them. Then they went on to another village. As they were going along the road, someone said to him, "I will follow you wherever you go." And Jesus said to him, "Foxes have holes, and birds of the air have nests; but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay his head." To another he said, "Follow me." But he said, "Lord, first let me go and bury my father." But Jesus said to him, "Let the dead bury their own dead; but as for you, go and proclaim the kingdom of God." Another said, "I will follow you, Lord; but let me first say farewell to those at my home." Jesus said to him, "No one who puts a hand to the plow and looks back is fit for the kingdom of God."
- 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 Zack Nyein, Senior Associate Rector

An extended period of silence is kept.

#### **The Offertory**

- Please place your offering in one of the plates as you exit. Ushers can assist you.
- You may also donate by scanning the QR code to the right with your mobile device or visit bit.ly/STB-Give.
- *Friendly Reminder—Declare your 2022 pledge today at stbarts.org/pledge.*
- Thank you for gifts to the ministry and mission of St. Bart's!

#### Anthem St. Bart's Singers

He is the Way. Follow Him through the Land of Unlikeness; You will see rare beasts, and have unique adventures.

He is the Truth. Seek Him in the Kingdom of Anxiety; You will come to a great city that has expected your return for years.

He is the Life. Love Him in the World of the Flesh; And at your marriage all its occasions shall dance for joy.

Words: W. H. Auden (1907-1973). Music: *Hall,* David Hurd (b. 1950).

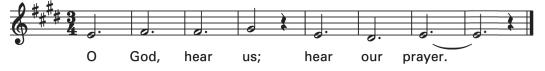
#### Announcements

#### The Invitation to the Table

*As music plays, the people gather in a circle at the edges of the platform. Please bring this leaflet with you.* 



#### The Prayers of the People



Words and Music: Bob Hurd (b. 1950).

Intercessor O God, hear us, as we offer our prayers for ourselves and for the whole world.

We pray for wisdom. Turn us away from superficiality, materialism, and greed. Teach us to be honest, generous, and humble. Help us to put our faith in heaven and not in fleeting things that fade away.

#### People O God, hear us; hear our prayer.

*Intercessor* We pray for courage. Give your Church the boldness to fight for truth and justice in the face of opposition and obstruction. Empower us to be persistent in our prayers and in our deeds.

#### *People* **O God, hear us; hear our prayer.**

*Intercessor* We pray for love. Fill us with compassion and respect for all. Widen our circles to include the marginalized and the rejected. Disturb our daily routines with the cry of those in need. Guide us as we care for our enemies, our neighbors, and ourselves.

#### People O God, hear us; hear our prayer.

*Intercessor* We pray for healing. Confront the demons that run rampant in us and our in society. Release us from every ailment that causes pain. Surround with your healing presence all who suffer, including those we now name.

The people may add their own petitions.

#### People O God, hear us; hear our prayer.

*Intercessor* We pray for peace. Quiet the distractions and worries that keep us from resting in you. Still the storms of violence that batter our nation and the nations of the earth. Bring to eternal peace all who have died, including those we now name.

The people may add their own petitions.

#### People O God, hear us; hear our prayer.

*Intercessor* We pray for grateful hearts. Bolster our praise for the good you make happen in our lives, and remind us continually to be thankful for your gifts, including those we now name.

The people may add their own petitions.

- People O God, hear us; hear our prayer.
- *Presider* God of freedom, you call us to follow you beyond what is comfortable, safe, and known. We give you thanks for the lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and queer people who have challenged us to see the world anew. Grant us courage to leave behind the past, and guide us into a future in which love and acceptance reign supreme. In the name of Christ the Outsider, who had nowhere to lay his head.

# All Amen.

#### The Great Thanksgiving

- *Presider* May God be with you.
- People And also with you.
- *Presider* Lift up your hearts.
- People We lift them up to God.
- *Presider* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- *People* It is right to give our thanks and praise.
- *Presider* It is right to give you thanks and praise, O God, for you are a fool in the eyes of the world. You abandoned control, creating a universe, new and marvelous. You nurtured life: diverse, evolving, surprising and strange. You gave us different bodies and desires, different ways of thinking and speaking, and different ways of belonging and believing. And so, in awe of all that you have done and with every being in heaven and on earth, we lift our voices to proclaim your glory:

**Sanctus and Benedictus** 



Music: Mark Miller (b. 1967).

*Presider* One came who upset the rules, who accepted the grace of the outsider, who looked for wisdom in those who did not count, who took his food in the company of the rejected. The tables of the moneychangers he threw over. The doors of liberation he threw open.

In Jesus, you defied the boundaries between sacred and secular and demonstrated respect and honor for all of creation. You confronted the powers that deny the goodness of others, challenged the status quo that seeks to keep things hidden, and commanded your children to love and to be loved.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ ate and drank to the end of slavery. He 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 all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

PresiderGreat is the mystery of faith:PeopleChrist became one of us;Christ suffered for us;Christ gives us the gift of life.

*Presider* Into our hands he delivers himself, Jesus, the Excluded One, the Sign of Hope for all. We celebrate in this meal his victory of life over death and love over hate.

May your Spirit take these earthly things and reveal in their brokenness the life-giving plenty that is the Body and Blood of Christ. May your Spirit descend upon us also, that we too may become Christ's Body and work for the healing of the world. Let us, we pray, be defined by what we are open to, not by what we fear; by the excess of our compassion, not by the walls along our borders.

We offer this prayer in the name of the God who includes everyone and excludes no one, the One who is in all and with all and for all.

All AMEN.

#### **The Lord's Prayer**

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

All Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your Name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever. Amen.

#### **The Fraction Anthem**

The presider breaks the bread. Silence is kept.

*Presider* We break this bread to share in the Body of Christ.

*People* We who are many are one body, for we all share in the one bread.

#### The Invitation to Communion

*Presider* All you who hunger and thirst for a better life, for a deeper faith, for a better world, here is the bread of life: feed on it with gratitude; here is the cup of salvation drink from it and believe.

#### At the Communion

- All are welcome to receive Holy Communion. Please follow the instructions of the ushers. At this time, communion is offered to the people in one kind (bread) only. The Episcopal Church teaches that the Sacrament is fully present even when received in only one kind.
- The clergy sanitize their hands immediately before the distribution of communion, and bread that is distributed to the congregation is kept covered on a separate table during the Eucharistic Prayer.
- Please keep six feet of distance from one another while approaching the communion station. After receiving communion from the priest, step aside, remove your mask and consume the bread. Ensure that your mask is completely on before returning to your seat.
- 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 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.

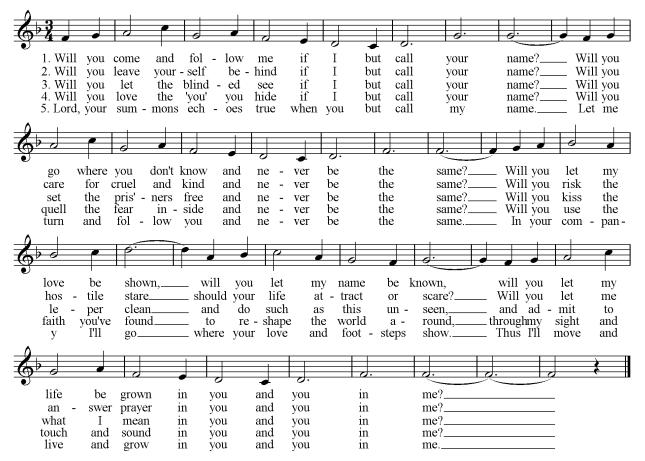
#### **The Prayer after Communion**

Presider Let us pray.

All Lord Jesus Christ, you have put your life into our hands; now we put our lives into yours. Take us, renew us and remake us. What we have been is past; what we shall be, through you, still awaits us. Lead us on. Take us with you. Amen.

#### The Blessing

#### Hymn



Words: John L. Bell (b. 1949). Music: *Kelvingrove*, traditional Scottish melody.

#### **The Peace**

PresiderThe peace of Christ be always with you.PeopleAnd also with you.

*The people exchange a sign of God's peace with one another.* 

#### Postlude

Immediately following this morning's 9 am service, we warmly welcome you to the Forum in the Great Hall.

In today's discussion, "Out & Proud: Jane Lynch on LGBTQ+ Pride," beloved actress Jane Lynch, currently starring in the Broadway revival of *Funny Girl*, visits St. Bart's to reflect on her life as an openly lesbian public figure and share stories from her long and acclaimed career.



If you are not staying for The Forum, please depart through the Park Avenue entrance. Thank you for joining us for worship this morning.

### **Service Participants**

Presider The Reverend Meredith E. Ward
Preacher The Reverend Zack Nyein
Rector The Right Reverend Dean E. Wolfe
Deacon The Reverend John F. Wirenius
Assisting Clergy The Reverend Peter D. Thompson

Verger Kate Getzendanner Ushers Tom Buckley, Conrad Tinney Lector Joe Bessey Intercessor Julia Knight

**St. Bart's Singers Organist and Choirmaster** Dr. Paolo Bordignon **Associate Organist and Choirmaster** Alexander Pattavina

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CHURCH

- Thank you for joining us today. If you are new to St. Bart's, please visit stbarts.org/connect/im-new or scan the QR code to the right to fill out our online Welcome Card.
- To learn more about our upcoming events and to register for classes, please visit stbarts.org/calendar.



#### **# Free Parking**

We offer parking free of charge for Sunday services. The garage is on the south side of East 51st Street (between 3rd and Lexington Avenues). Request a parking voucher from an usher or someone at St. Bart's Central. Vouchers are valid for 12 hours or until midnight, whichever comes first. (Because some have asked, please note that each redeemed parking voucher costs St. Bart's \$15.)

#### Newcomers are welcome to all gatherings. Learn more at stbarts.org/sunday

#### **Annual Pride Barbeque**

**12:15 PM ON THE GREAT TERRACE** Join in our annual Pride Sunday celebration! All are welcome.

#### <u>Sermon Talkback</u>

**12:30 PM IN PERSON AND ONLINE** Gather in the Great Hall during lunch for a Q&A session with guest preacher Julie Rodgers.

#### Peace Book Club

**1:30 PM VIA ZOOM** Continue discussing Norman Wirzba's *This Sacred Life*.

#### St. Tabitha's Guild

**2 PM VIA ZOOM** Close-knit or crochet from a distance.

#### **Blessing of the Marchers**

#### 1:30 PM (APPROX.)

Anyone who would like to march in the annual Pride parade with St. Bart's is invited to gather on the Great Terrace for a blessing. After the barbecue we will join the parade with the rest of the Episcopal diocesan contingent gathered at The Church of the Transfiguration (1 E 29th St.).

#### Living Christ Sangha

#### 3 TO 4:30 PM VIA ZOOM

Sunday, July 3, 2022

**Independence Day (observed)** 

# Join us in person at 8 am, 9 am, 11 am, and 5 pm.

Weekly meditation practice with sitting and walking meditation, reading and sharing.

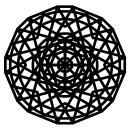


#### 🛠 The Forum at 10 am

Facebook Live (@stbartsnyc).

**Our Nation of Immigrants: Celebrating an Inclusive United States** As we celebrate our country on this Independence Day weekend, Stephen Lean, Director of The American Family Immigration History Center on Ellis Island, discusses the ways in which immigration has enhanced the nation's life.

**\* You may also join our Sunday morning livestream service at 11 am** on our website (stbarts.org/worship/livestream), via YouTube or



# ONGOING AND UPCOMING

For more information and to register, please visit stbarts.org.

# **Weekday Opening Times**

The Church is open Monday through Friday 10 am-2 pm for prayer and meditation. The Bookstore is also open during these hours.

## The Forum at St. Bart's

#### SUNDAYS AT 10 AM

Sacred conversations about the things that matter.

#### JULY 10

#### The Abortion Converts: Journeys out of the Right-Wing

New York magazine senior writer Sarah Jones chronicles the transition some conservative Christians make from pro-life to pro-choice. Jones has recently authored several relevant articles about moral approaches to abortion.

#### **JULY** 17

#### New Approaches to Autism & Neurodiversity

Zachary Fletcher, chaplain at Mount Sinai Hospital, shares new and liberative ways of understanding autism and neurodiversity, including through the lens of Christian spirituality.

#### JULY 24

#### **Disability in the Body of Christ**

St. Bart's parishioner and accessibility consultant Janina Sajka reflects on how the Church can become a more welcoming place for people with disabilities.

#### JULY 31

# All Things Manhattan: A Discussion with Borough President Mark Levine

Mark Levine, Manhattan Borough President, offers his thoughts on the challenges and opportunities currently being faced by our island home.

# Midsummer Nights' Dream Group

#### TUESDAYS, JUNE 14-28, 6:45-8:15 PM

Spend Tuesday evenings this summer with Annette Thies and other dreamers reflecting on dreams and the spiritual meanings they contain. Newcomers are warmly welcomed! Please drop in at whatever session(s) are convenient for you.

# Theology and Television: Ted Lasso

#### WEDNESDAYS, JULY 6-AUGUST 10, 7-8 PM

Theology and Television returns with the story of Ted Lasso, an affable American football coach who travels to England to take on an English soccer team, spreading his cheer and charm along the way.

### The Rise and Fall of Mars Hill: Case Studies in the Modern Megachurch

#### THURSDAYS, MAY 5-JUNE 30, 7-8 PM

Using the podcast *The Rise and Fall of Mars Hill* as a template, The Reverend Peter Thompson and the Reverend Zack Nyein look at the ways in which megachurches have both succeeded and failed over the past few decades. Sessions will also be informed by the new Discovery+ documentary *Hillsong: A Megachurch Exposed*.

# 20s/30s Thursday Happy Hours

#### THURSDAYS, JUNE 2-SEPTEMBER 1, 5-6:30 PM

Join Peter, Zack, and other members of our 205/30s group for drinks at Inside Park Restaurant on Thursdays throughout the summer. Though these gatherings are official events of the 205/30s group, all are welcome to attend.

# Living Buddha, Living Christ

#### SATURDAYS, MAY 14-JULY 10, 10-11 AM

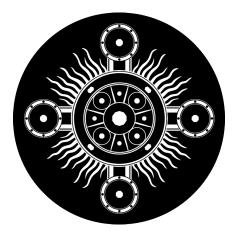
The Saturday morning discussion group explores *Living Buddha, Living Christ,* Thich Nhat Hanh's meditation on the connections between Buddha and Jesus and how the similarities they share can enhance our understanding of the faith traditions they inspired.

# The Stories of St. Bart's

#### WEDNESDAYS, JUNE 15-AUGUST 24, 7-8 PM

Longtime members of St. Bart's reflect on important moments in the life of our community. Each week will feature a different parishioner who has attended for 30 years or more. Recordings of the sessions will be placed in the parish archives so that future generations may learn and benefit from the stories that are told. All are welcome to attend, including those who moved away many years ago!





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