

The Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Holy Eucharist at 8 am

September 25, 2022



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!



The people stand as the presider enters.

The Opening Acclamation

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

People And blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

The Collect for Purity

Presider Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets

are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may

perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

Gloria in excelsis

All Glory be to God on high, and on earth peace, good will towards men.

We praise thee, we bless thee, we worship thee, we glorify thee, we give thanks to thee for thy great glory, O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty.

O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.

Thou that takest away the sins of the world, receive our prayer. Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us.

For thou only art holy; thou only art the Lord; thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

The Ministry of the Word

The Collect for the Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Presider The Lord be with you. People And with thy spirit.

Presider Let us pray.

O God, who declarest thy almighty power chiefly in showing mercy and pity: Mercifully grant unto us such a measure of thy grace, that we, running to obtain thy promises, may be made partakers of thy heavenly treasure; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth

with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

All Amen.

The people sit.

The First Lesson Amos 6:1a,4-7

Lector A reading from the Prophet Amos.

Alas for those who are at ease in Zion, and for those who feel secure on Mount Samaria. Alas for those who lie on beds of ivory, and lounge on their couches, and eat lambs from the flock, and calves from the stall; who sing idle songs to the sound of the harp, and like David improvise on instruments of music; who drink wine from bowls, and anoint themselves with the finest oils, but are not grieved over the ruin of Joseph! Therefore they shall now be the first to go into exile, and the revelry of the loungers shall pass away.

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

Psalm 146

All Hallelujah!

Praise the Lord, O my soul! I will praise the Lord as long as I live; I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.

Put not your trust in rulers, nor in any child of earth, for there is no help in them.

When they breathe their last, they return to earth, and in that day their thoughts perish.

Happy are they who have the God of Jacob for their help! whose hope is in the Lord their God;

Who made heaven and earth, the seas, and all that is in them; who keeps his promise for ever;

Who gives justice to those who are oppressed, and food to those who hunger.

The Lord sets the prisoners free; the Lord opens the eyes of the blind; the Lord lifts up those who are bowed down;

The Lord loves the righteous; the Lord cares for the stranger; he sustains the orphan and widow, but frustrates the way of the wicked.

The Lord shall reign for ever, your God, O Zion, throughout all generations. Hallelujah!

The Second Lesson 1 Timothy 6:6-19

Lector A reading from the First Letter to Timothy.

There is great gain in godliness combined with contentment; for we brought nothing into the world, so that we can take nothing out of it; but if we have food and clothing, we will be content with these. But those who want to be rich fall into temptation and are trapped by many senseless and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction. For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil, and in their eagerness to be rich some have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many pains. But as for you, man of God, shun all this; pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance, gentleness. Fight the good fight of the faith; take hold of the eternal life, to which you were called and for which you made the good confession in the presence of many witnesses. In the presence of God, who gives life to all things, and of Christ Jesus, who in his testimony before Pontius Pilate made the good confession, I charge you to keep the commandment without spot or blame until the manifestation of our Lord Jesus Christ, which he will bring about at the right time—he who is the blessed and only Sovereign, the King of kings and Lord of lords. It is he alone who has immortality and dwells in unapproachable light, whom no one has ever seen or can see; to him be honor and eternal dominion. Amen. As for those who in the present age are rich, command them not to be haughty, or to set their hopes on the uncertainty of riches, but rather on God who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment. They are to do good, to be rich in good works, generous, and ready to share, thus storing up for themselves the treasure of a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of the life that really is life.

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

The people stand.

The Holy Gospel Luke 16:19-31

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

People Glory be to thee, O Lord.

Presider

Jesus said, "There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. And at his gate lay a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, who longed to satisfy his hunger with what fell from the rich man's table; even the dogs would come and lick his sores. The poor man died and was carried away by the angels to be with Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried. In Hades, where he was being tormented, he looked up and saw Abraham far away with Lazarus by his side. He called out, 'Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue; for I am in agony in these flames.' But Abraham said, 'Child, remember that during your lifetime you received your good things, and Lazarus in like manner evil things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in agony. Besides all this, between you and us a great chasm has been fixed, so that those who might want to pass from here to you cannot do so, and no one can cross from there to us.' He said, 'Then, father, I beg you to send him to my father's house—for I have five brothers—that he may warn them, so that they will not also come into this place of torment.' Abraham replied, 'They have Moses and the prophets; they should listen to them.' He said, 'No, father Abraham; but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent.' He said to him, 'If they do not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be convinced even if someone rises from the dead."

Presider The Gospel of the Lord.
People Praise be to thee, O Christ.

After the preacher introduces the sermon, the people sit.

The Sermon The Reverend Meredith E. Ward, Associate Rector for Pastoral Care

The people stand.

The Nicene Creed

All 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.

The Prayers of the People

Presider With all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord, saying, "Lord, have mercy."

For the peace of the world, for the welfare of the holy Church of God, and for the unity of all

peoples, let us pray to the Lord.

People Lord, have mercy.

Presider For our Bishops, and for all the clergy and people, let us pray to the Lord.

People Lord, have mercy.

Presider For our President, for the leaders of the nations, and for all in authority, let us pray to

the Lord.

People Lord, have mercy.

Presider For the good earth which God has given us, and for the wisdom and will to conserve it, let us

pray to the Lord.

People Lord, have mercy.

Presider For the aged and infirm, for the widowed and orphans, and for the sick and the suffering, let

us pray to the Lord.

People Lord, have mercy.

Presider For the poor and the oppressed, for the unemployed and the destitute, for prisoners and

captives, and for all who remember and care for them, let us pray to the Lord.

People Lord, have mercy.

Presider For all who have died in the hope of the resurrection, and for all the departed, let us pray to

the Lord.

People Lord, have mercy.

Presider In the communion of all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our

life, to Christ our God.

People To thee, O Lord our God.

Presider Almighty and eternal God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth: Mercifully accept the

prayers of thy people, and strengthen us to do thy will; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

The Confession of Sin

Presider Let us confess our sins unto Almighty God.

Silence is kept.

All Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against thee in thought, word, and

deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved thee with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of thy Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in thy will, and walk in thy ways, to the glory of thy Name. Amen.

Presider Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins

to all those who with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and

bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

The Peace

Presider The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And with thy spirit.

The people exchange a sign of God's peace with one another and then sit.

Announcements

The Holy Communion

The Offertory

- ** Please place your offering in one of the plates as you exit the chapel. 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!

The people stand.



Presider The Lord be with you.
People And with thy spirit.
Presider Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them up unto the Lord.
Presider Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

People It is meet and right so to do.

Presider It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places,

give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God. Creator of the light and source of life, who hast made us in thine image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our

Lord.

Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and

magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

All Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts:

Heaven and earth are full of thy Glory. Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High.

Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

Presider All glory be to thee, O Lord our God, for that thou didst create heaven and earth, and didst make us in thine own image; and, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to take our nature upon him, and to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption. He made

there a full and perfect sacrifice for the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

coming again.

For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks to thee, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat, this is my Body, which is given

for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Likewise, after supper, he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink this, all of you; for this is my Blood of the New Covenant, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins. Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me."

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, we thy people do celebrate and make, with these thy holy gifts which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; and looking for his coming again with power and great glory.

And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us, and, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, to bless and sanctify these gifts of bread and wine, that they may be unto us the Body and Blood of thy dearly-beloved Son Jesus Christ.



And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, whereby we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies. Grant, we beseech thee, that all who partake of this Holy Communion may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, and be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction; and also that we and all thy whole Church may be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord;

By whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end.

All AMEN.

The Lord's Prayer

Presider

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

Αll

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, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Fraction Anthem

The presider breaks the bread. Silence is kept.

Presider Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us. People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

The Invitation to Communion

Presider The Gifts of God for the People of God.

The people sit.

At the Communion

- All are welcome to receive Holy Communion at the altar rail. Both bread and wine are offered. After receiving the bread, please wait for the chalice of wine if you would like to receive it.
- Wine is only received by drinking from the common cup. Those who do not choose to drink from the common cup may cross their arms to indicate that they would prefer not to receive wine. They are also invited to touch the chalice should they wish.
- At the request of the Bishop of New York, St. Bart's does not permit intinction (dipping the bread in the wine) at this time. The Episcopal Church teaches that the Sacrament is fully present even when received in only one kind. If you do not wish to receive the wine, please be assured that you are still a full partaker in the Eucharistic feast.
- 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 that you would like a blessing.

The people stand.

The Prayer after Communion

Presider

Let us pray.

All

Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

The Blessing

Presider The peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the

knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you, and remain with you

always.

All Amen.

The Dismissal

Presider Let us go forth in the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

People Thanks be to God.

Service Participants

Presider and Preacher The Reverend Meredith E. Ward

Lector Sarah Bessey

Interim Director of Facilities Charles Bryant **Director of Maintenance** Willie Gonzalez **Facilities** Anthony Thomas

We continue to hold in our prayers:

Christine, Donna, C.T., Gail, Tatyana, Lee, Magdalena, Selena, John, Raven, Mike, Eric, Richard.

Remembering

Memorial services for the following members of the St. Bart's community will be held in the coming days:

Julian Hart Robertson, Jr. (Friday, September 30 at 11 am, St. Bart's)

The Reverend Warren Haynes (Saturday, October 1 at 11 am, St. Bart's)

Marjory Ward, mother of The Reverend Meredith Ward (Saturday, October 1 at 11 am, Christ Church, Short Hills, NJ)

Judy Beard (Saturday, October 1 at 2 pm, St. Bart's)

We invite your prayers for all four families and your presence at each service.

CONNECT WITH US TO WORSHIP AND GROW



- **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 Connect Card.
- ** To learn more about our upcoming events and to register for classes, please visit stbarts.org/calendar.
- **To make a prayer request** please visit **stbarts.org/prayers**.



Free Parking

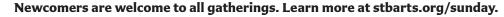
We offer parking free of charge for Sunday services. The garage is on the south side of East 51st Street (between 3rd and Lexington Avenues). Request a parking voucher from an usher or someone at St. Bart's Central. Vouchers are valid for 12 hours or until midnight, whichever comes first. (Because some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



2022 Stewardship Update

We enjoyed connecting with you at the St. Bart's Fair! Let's keep the conversation going! Stay tuned, here, for news of our 2023 Pledge Campaign. Whether you're making a year-end gift or making the final gifts toward your stewardship pledge, there are lots of ways to give. We've updated our website and you can read all about it at **stbarts.org/ways-to-give.** Thank you.

MEET US AFTER CHURCH



Virtual Coffee Hour

12 PM VIA ZOOM

Catch up with other virtual worshippers immediately after the service.



12:15 PM

Meet us in person after church to enjoy some coffee, tea, or lemonade.

Reclaim our Vote Postcard Writing Summit

12:15 PM IN THE GREAT HALL

Meet in the Great Hall following the 11 am service.

St. Tabitha's Guild

2 PM VIA ZOOM

Close-knit and crochet from a distance.

Living Christ Sangha

3-4:30 PM VIA ZOOM

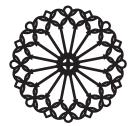
Weekly meditation practice with sitting and walking meditation, reading and sharing.

20s/30s September Happy Hour

6 PM AFTER THE 5 PM SERVICE

Join us for worship at 5 pm and then we will head to Clinton Hall for happy hour.

NEXT SUNDAY AT ST. BART'S



Sunday, October 2, 2022

The Seventeenth Sunday After Pentecost

- # Join us in person at 8 am, 9 am, 11 am, and 5 pm.
- **You may also join our Sunday morning livestream service at 11 am on our website (stroice at 11 am on our website (stroice at 11 am or Facebook Live (astbartsnyc).

☆ The Forum at 10 am

The Unjust Steward: Wealth, Poverty, and the Church Today

How did Jesus and the earliest Christians approach issues of economic justice? Miguel Escobar, Executive Director of Episcopal Divinity School at Union Theological Seminary, provides an overview based on his new book.

ONGOING & UPCOMING

Weekday Opening Times

The Church is open Monday through Friday, 9 am-5 pm for prayer and meditation.

The Bookstore is also open during these hours.

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

St. Francis Day with Blessing of the Animals

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 2

Bring your animal friends along and come celebrate St. Francis of Assisi on the first Sunday of October! Our 9 am and 5 pm services of Holy Eucharist feature The Blessing of the Animals. At the 11 am Eucharist, St. Bartholomew's Choir offers Benjamin Britten's Rejoice in the Lamb.

Imagine Worship NYC: Good News

MONDAY, OCTOBER 3 AT 7 PM IN THE CHURCH

Join Presiding Bishop Michael Curry, Bishop Rob Wright of Atlanta, and mass choir under the direction of acclaimed gospel artist Jason McGee, live under the dome of St. Bart's! Through singing, prayer, dialogue, and communion-in-the-round we will respond to MLK Jr.'s famous question: Where will we go from here: chaos or community? Join us for this embodied and immersive worship experience as we find courage, hope, and joy for a new day! stbarts.org/imagine.

C.S. Lewis and the Inklings

WEDNESDAYS, OCTOBER 5-NOVEMBER 9, 6:30-8:00 PM

The Reverend John Wirenius, Deacon, leads a discussion on the life and work of C.S. Lewis. Sessions will also touch on the Inklings, a group of Lewis' literary and scholarly friends.

Disability and the Body of Christ: A Bible Study

TUESDAYS, OCTOBER 18-NOVEMBER 15, 7-8 PM

The Reverend Zack Nyein and accessibility consultant Janina Sajka examine what scripture tells us about disabilities and the people who have them.

Women and the Gender of God

THURSDAYS, OCTOBER 20-DECEMBER 8, 7-8 PM

(no class on Thanksgiving Day, November 24)
The Reverend Peter Thompson and the Reverend
Meredith E. Ward tackle the controversial topic of God's
gender through Professor Amy Peeler's new book,
Women and the Gender of God, described as "a robust
theological argument against the assumption that God
is male."

Small Groups at St. Bart's: Join St. Bart's Connects!

Would you like to make new connections with fellow St. Bart's parishioners? Perhaps you'd like to get to know St. Bart's members who live in your neighborhood. New small groups will be established in early October. Please sign up at stbarts.org/connects by October 9.

The Saving Acts of Jesus

THURSDAYS, SEPTEMBER 8-OCTOBER 13, 6:30-8 PM

St. Bart's favorite Larry Welborn, Professor of Theology at Fordham University, explores collections of miracle stories found within the Gospels themselves.

Grief, Hope, and Healing Together

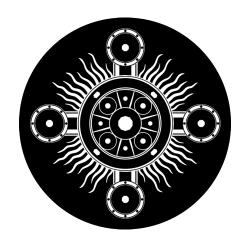
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 28 AT 6 PM VIA ZOOM

This is a support group for those who have experienced the recent loss of a friend or loved one or are going through a longer-term bereavement process. The group does not provide formal grief counseling. We gather for conversation in a safe and supportive environment to express our sorrow and to begin to find hope and healing together.

Support Rob Radtke and Episcopal Relief and Development!

Starting October 10, parishioner Rob Radtke is walking the 500-mile Camino de Santiago pilgrimage route to raise funds for Episcopal Relief & Development's flagship program addressing the needs of children, Moments That Matter®. To learn more about his pilgrimage and to follow his progress check out his website (www.robradtke.com). You can also follow him on Instagram and Twitter (@RobRadtke). Rob asks everyone at St. Bart's to hold him in their prayers and invites people to support his fundraising effort, which you can do through his website. Every gift will be matched dollar for dollar up to \$50,000.





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