

Weekly Services & Groups



Family Eucharist

Sundays 9am – 10am

Holy Communion combining traditional and modern worship, filled with music & prayer



Taizé Service

Tuesdays 7pm – 7.30pm

Meditative music and silence in the tranquil candlelit setting of the Church



Spirituality Group

Wednesdays 11am – 12noon

A discussion group, where each week a chapter from a book is read & discussed



Meditation Group

Thursdays 7pm – 8pm

A bilingual meditation group, focusing on peace and serenity - newcomers welcome



Morning Prayer

Fridays 8.30am – 9am

A spiritual way to start the morning, with time for your own private prayers

People

Bishop: The Rt Revd Errol Brooks, N.E. Caribbean

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Music Director: Ombeline Collin

Sunday Pianist: Christian 'Kiki' Petat

AA Group:

Open Meetings in the Church Centre in English on Tuesdays & Fridays at 6pm.

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St. Bartholomew's Anglican Church

Fifth Sunday of Easter 14th May 2017

Dear Friends,

In our busy daily lives, one of our main problems is not being able to recognise God, either in the world or in people around us. To quote the poet, William Henry Davies from his poem Leisure:

*A poor life this is if, full of care,
We have no time to stand and stare?*

Shouldn't we all take some a little bit more time to 'Stand and Stare' and appreciate how blessed we are; especially here on St Barts. It is not just in churches and places of worship that we can interact with God.

In people everywhere and in the whole of our created environment, God's presence is shouting out to us. "*The world is charged with the grandeur of God,*" wrote the poet Gerard Manley Hopkins. We should stand and stare at every flower in bloom, every singing bird, every smiling child ... and these things can say to us: Let's give thanks to God.

It's wonderful to welcome the Weprin family to be with us today. We will be naming little Pepper during our service. Pepper and her family espouse our rich tradition of both Christianity and Judaism. In some senses they represent all of us as, of course, Jesus was a Jew and our spiritual heritage as Christians is also derived from Abraham and all of the prophets. This is the 3rd of their children that we have celebrated in this way in this Church.

With love and blessings,
Charlie and Philip

Donations: We are an entirely self-funded Church and we are therefore dependent on the generosity and giving of our regular worshippers.

For more information about our 2017 budgeted income and expenditure, please take a copy of the letter from the Vestry at the back of the church.

You can donate via our US Charitable Foundation, which is tax deductible for US citizens (envelopes are available at the back of the Church to mail donations in the US), and you may also donate online by visiting our website.

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Today's Hymns

Processional: Amazing Grace #27

Gradual: Make Me a Channel of your Peace #328

During Communion: Break Bread, Bind us Together #60

Recessional: Jubilate Everybody #284 (3x)

The Readings

First Letter of Peter – Ch 2

Like newborn infants, long for the pure, spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow into salvation – if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good.

Come to him, a living stone, though rejected by mortals yet chosen and precious in God's sight, and like living stones, let yourselves be built into a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ.

For it stands in scripture: "See, I am laying in Zion a stone, a cornerstone chosen and precious; and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame."

To you then who believe, he is precious; but for those who do not believe, "The stone that the builders rejected has become the very head of the corner," and "A stone that makes them stumble, and a rock that makes them fall." They stumble because they disobey the word, as they were destined to do.

But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's own people, in order that you may proclaim the mighty acts of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light.

Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

The Gospel according to John – Ch 14

Jesus said "Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me.

"In my Father's house there are many dwelling places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you?

"And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. And you know the way to the place where I am going."

Thomas said to him, "Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?"

Jesus said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.

"If you know me, you will know my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him."

Philip said to him, "Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied."

Jesus said to him, "Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, 'Show us the Father'?

"Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works.

"Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves.

Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father.

"I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it."

The Eucharistic Prayer

CELEBRANT The Lord be with you.
ALL And also with you.
CELEBRANT Lift up your hearts.
ALL We lift them up unto to the Lord.
CELEBRANT Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
ALL It is right to give Him thanks & praise.
CELEBRANT: It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give you thanks, Father almighty, everlasting God. ... Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever say this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

ALL: 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: Holy and gracious Father, all creation rightly gives you praise. All life, all holiness, comes from you through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, whom you sent to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

We therefore bring you these gifts, and we ask you to make them holy by the power of your Spirit, that they may become the Body and Blood of your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ, who offered Himself in obedience to your will, the Perfect Sacrifice for all humankind.

On the night He was betrayed, He took bread, and when He had given thanks to you, He broke it and gave it to His friends and said:

"Take this and eat it: 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 many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, for the remembrance of me."

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

ALL: Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

CELEBRANT Father, calling to mind the death your Son endured for our salvation; his glorious resurrection and ascension; his continual intercession for us in heaven; and looking for his coming again in glory, we offer you, in thanksgiving, this holy and life-giving sacrifice. Look with favour on your Church's offering, and grant that we who eat and drink these holy gifts may be filled with your Holy Spirit and become one body in Christ, and serve you in unity, constancy and peace. May He make us a perpetual offering to you and enable us, in communion with the Most Blessed Virgin Mary, Saint Bartholomew and the whole company of heaven, to share in the inheritance of your saints.

With Him, and in Him, and through Him, by the power of the Holy Spirit, we worship you, Father Almighty, with all who stand before you in earth and heaven in songs of everlasting praise:

ALL: Blessing and honour and glory and power be yours for ever and ever. Amen.

(Continuing with the Lord's Prayer on Page 7 of the Booklet)