

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

AA Group: Open Meetings in the Church Centre in English on Tuesdays & Fridays at 6pm. For more information call: 0617 16 53 31 or 0690 54 17 99.

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St. Bartholomew's Anglican Church

First Sunday of Advent 3rd December 2017

Dear Friends,

Today is first Sunday of the new church year and also the beginning of the Advent Season - when we start our preparations for Christmas; both in the church, and probably at home! This year will be a very different Christmas for many of us in the Caribbean.

So, as we enter Advent, let's try to make sure we think about all our friends and neighbours that have been deeply affected by Hurricanes Irma and Maria. Let's reach out and ensure that we show them our kindness and compassion ... which will help them be able to celebrate the true meaning of Christmas and to enable them to #staystrong.

With blessings,
Philip

Donations: We are an entirely self-funded Church and we are therefore dependent on the generosity and regular giving of our congregation – both resident and visitors alike. Please consider making a donation to keep our church open and to ensure that we can continue to grow spiritually, as well as offer a talented and professional music ministry and maintain all our fine buildings.

You may wish to discuss with one of our church leadership about how you can most effectively help. **You can donate via our US Charitable Foundation, which is tax deductible for US citizens, and you may also donate online by visiting our website.**

Today's Hymns

Processional: O Come, O Come, Emmanuel #358

Gradual: Be Still for the Presence of the Lord #53

Communion: Break Bread & There is a Redeemer #500

Recessional: Lord of All Hopefulness #313

Mailing List: If you are new to our Church & would like to be added to our mailing list, please fill out a visitor card & place it (or your business card) in one of the collection baskets or boxes at the rear.

Book of the Prophet Isaiah – Ch 1

O that you would tear open the heavens and come down, so that the mountains would quake at your presence – as when fire kindles brushwood and the fire causes water to boil – to make your name known to your adversaries, so that the nations might tremble at your presence!

When you did awesome deeds that we did not expect, you came down, the mountains quaked at your presence. From ages past no one has heard, no ear has perceived, no eye has seen any God besides you, who works for those who wait for him. You meet those who gladly do right, those who remember you in your ways.

But you were angry, and we sinned; because you hid yourself we transgressed. We have all become like one who is unclean, and all our righteous deeds are like a filthy cloth. We all fade like a leaf, and our iniquities, like the wind, take us away.

There is no one who calls on your name, or attempts to take hold of you; for you have hidden your face from us, and have delivered us into the hand of our iniquity. Yet, O Lord, you are our Father; we are the clay, and you are our potter; we are all the work of your hand. Do not be exceedingly angry, O Lord, and do not remember iniquity forever. Now consider, we are all your people.

The First Letter to the Corinthians – Ch 1

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that has been given you in Christ Jesus, for in every way you have been enriched in him, in speech and knowledge of every kind – just as the testimony of Christ has been strengthened among you – so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ.

He will also strengthen you to the end, so that you may be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ.

God is faithful; by him you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

The Gospel according to Mark – Ch 13

Jesus spoke to his Disciples:

"But in those days, after that suffering, the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light, and the stars will be falling from heaven, and the powers in the heavens will be shaken.

"Then they will see 'the Son of Man coming in clouds' with great power and glory.

"Then he will send out the angels, and gather his elect from the four winds, from the ends of the earth to the ends of heaven.

"From the fig tree learn its lesson: as soon as its branch becomes tender and puts forth its leaves, you know that summer is near.

"So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that he is near, at the very gates.

"Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all these things have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

"But about that day or hour no one knows, neither the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father.

"Beware, keep alert; for you do not know when the time will come.

"It is like a man going on a journey, when he leaves home and puts his slaves in charge, each with his work, and commands the doorkeeper to be on the watch.

"Therefore, keep awake--for you do not know when the master of the house will come, in the evening, or at midnight, or at cockcrow, or at dawn, or else he may find you asleep when he comes suddenly.

"And what I say to you I say to all: Keep awake."