The Anglican Parish of Saint Barnabas

August 31, 2025 12th Sunday after Pentecost

It is the mission of St. Barnabas Anglican Church to use the gifts that God has given us in Christian service to others.

Welcome to St. Barnabas Anglican Church. The altar flowers have been donated by Mary Douglas in loving memory of her parents Audrey and Alan Petts.

8:30 AM: Holy Communion

The Book of Common Prayer – Page 67 Collect – Page 234 Celebrant: The Rev. Kersi Bird

10:15 AM: Morning Prayer

Liturgy from *The Book of Alternative Services*Hymns from *Common Praise*

Processional Hymn 532 "What a Friend We Have in Jesus" (Friendship)

Children's Prayer

Lord, open our lips,

And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

O God, make speed to save us.

O Lord, make haste to help us.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

Venite: Psalm 95.1-7

Come, let us sing to the Lord; let us shout for joy to the rock of our salvation. Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving and raise a loud shout to him with psalms.

For the Lord is a great God, and a great king above all gods. In his hand are the caverns of the earth, and the heights of the hills are his also. The sea is his for he made it, and his hands have moulded the dry land.

Come, let us bow down, and bend the knee, and kneel before the Lord our maker. For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand. Oh, that today you would hearken to his voice!

Jubilate: Psalm 100

Be joyful in the Lord, all you lands; serve the Lord with gladness and come before his presence with a song.

Know this: The Lord himself is God; he himself has made us, and we are his; we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.

Enter his gates with thanksgiving; go into his courts with praise; give thanks to him and call upon his name.

For the Lord is good; his mercy is everlasting; and his faithfulness endures from age to age.

Psalm 81:1, 10-16 Katie Barg

Refrain: Sing with joy to God our strength.

Sing with joy to God our strength and raise a loud shout to the God of Jacob. I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt and said, "Open your mouth wide, and I will fill it." **Refrain**

And yet my people did not hear my voice, and Israel would not obey me. So I gave them over to the stubbornness of their hearts, to follow their own devices. **Refrain**

Oh, that my people would listen to me! that Israel would walk in my ways! I should soon subdue their enemies and turn my hand against their foes. **Refrain**

Those who hate the Lord would cringe before him, and their punishment would last for ever. But Israel would I feed with the finest wheat and satisfy him with honey from the rock. **Refrain**

1st Reading: Jeremiah 2:4-13

David James

Hear the word of the Lord, O house of Jacob, and all the families of the house of Israel. Thus says the Lord: What wrong did your ancestors find in me that they went far from me, and went after worthless things, and became worthless themselves? They did not say, "Where is the Lord who brought us up from the land of Egypt, who led us in the wilderness, in a land of deserts and pits, in a land of drought and deep darkness, in a land that no one passes through, where no one lives?"

I brought you into a plentiful land to eat its fruits and its good things. But when you entered you defiled my land, and made my heritage an abomination. The priests did not say, "Where is the Lord?"

Those who handle the law did not know me; the rulers transgressed against me; the prophets prophesied by Baal, and went after things that do not profit. Therefore once more I accuse you, says the Lord, and I accuse your children's children. Cross to the coasts of Cyprus and look, send to Kedar and examine with care; see if there has ever been such a thing. Has a nation changed its gods (even though they are not gods at all)?

But my people have changed their glory for something that does not profit. Be appalled, O heavens, at this, be shocked, be utterly desolate, says the Lord, for my people have committed two evils: they have forsaken me, the fountain of living water, and dug out cisterns for themselves, cracked cisterns that can hold no water.

Gradual Hymn 558 "God, When I Stand, No Path Before Me" (Morecambe)

2nd Reading: Luke 14:1, 7-14

On one occasion when Jesus was going to the house of a leader of the Pharisees to eat a meal on the sabbath, they were watching him closely.

When he noticed how the guests chose the places of honour, he told them a parable. "When you are invited by someone to a wedding banquet, do not sit down at the place of honour, in case someone more distinguished than you has been invited by your host; and the host who invited both of you may come and say to you, 'Give this person your place,' and then in disgrace you would start to take the lowest place.

But when you are invited, go and sit down at the lowest place, so that when your host comes, he may say to you, 'Friend, move up higher'; then you will be honoured in the presence of all who sit at the table with you. For all who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted."

He said also to the one who had invited him, "When you give a luncheon or a dinner, do not invite your friends or your brothers or your relatives or rich neighbours, in case they may invite you in return, and you would be repaid. But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, and the blind. And you will be blessed, because they cannot repay you, for you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous."

The Sermon The Rev. Kersi Bird

Offering Hymn 471 "Let My People Seek Their Freedom" (Omni Die) Monetary offerings for the ministry of the parish can be placed on the plate located by the entry doors to the sanctuary. To add to the offering during the offertory hymn

as the sidesperson brings it to the altar to be blessed, please catch the attention of the sidesperson as the plate is brought forward.

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

The Intercession Katie Barg

When the intercessor says "Lord, in our mercy", please respond "Hear our prayer."

We pray for our Diocese: Church of the Ascension, Coaldale: The Rev. Canon Erin Phillips, The Rev. Michael Ebsworth; Bishop, Archdeacons and Regional Deans (BARDs)

We pray for members of our parish family: Marilyn Croot; Roy Darcus; Deanne Dare.

We pray for those in need of God's healing gifts: Nolan, Thomas, June, Elma, Bev, Marnie, Gord, Allen, Suyu, Jill, Jennifer, Russell, Farida, Deanna, Brian, Curtis, Crystal, JJ, Bob, Sue, Eric, Mike, Dennis, Barry, Ken, Marlene, Bruce and family, Lochlan, Angela, Al, Doreen, Yanki, Don, Kate, Karen, Nicole, John, Bernice, Gail, Val, Marie, Ed, Louise, Sharon, Karen, Warwick, Sue, Gwyneth, Angie, Jeff and family, Kris, Pat.

We pray for those who have died; we pray for the repose of the soul of Amy Ho.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

Collect of the Day: Author and Giver of all good things, graft in our hearts the love of your name, increase in us true religion, nourish us in all goodness, and of your great mercy keep us in the same; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

And now, as our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

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, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all evermore. **Amen.**

Announcements

Recessional Hymn 528 "O God, Our Help in Ages Past"

(St. Anne)

Dismissal

We pray for Christ's Holy Catholic Church: ACC: The theological colleges and training programs within the Ecclesiastical Province of Northern Lights: Arthur Turner Training School, the Centre for Christian Studies, the College of Emmanuel and St. Chad, Henry Budd College for Ministry, Saint John's College, Dr. William Winter School for Ministry, James Settee College for Ministry. ACC/ELCIC/MOR: For the Season of Creation which continues in the month ahead and a renewed commitment to healthy relationship with the Earth.

We pray for our Companion Diocese of the Windward Isles: St. Matthew, Biabou with St. Sylvan, Stubbs and St. Mark, Greggs, on St. Vincent: The Rev. Deacon Kenwick Lewis; Diocesan Council.

CCLI Licence #11392823. Readings for September 7: Jeremiah 18:1-11; Psalm 139:1-5, 12-17; Philemon 1-21; Luke 14:25-33.

Sunday School will resume on September 7th. Other dates include September 21st, October 5th, and October 26th.

Kickoff Sunday! We will be kicking off a new season on Sunday, September 7th. Join us for worship at 8:30 AM with Coffee Hour to follow, or at 10:15 AM with a Potluck Lunch to follow. Please bring a dish to share. This will also be the first day of Sunday School at the 10:15 AM service for the new school year; other dates include September 21st, October 5th, and October 26th.

The Rev. Rafiq Masih has some exciting news to share! He and Farzana will be moving to Harbour Grace, Newfoundland to serve in the parishes of St. Peter and St. Paul, starting October 1st. They will be joining us on September 14th to say farewell. If you would like to contribute to a Purse, please place cash (in a labelled envelope) or cheque made out to Rafiq Masih in the offering plate over the next two Sundays. There will be a presentation made on that day. We wish Farzana and Rafiq every blessing as they begin this new ministry!

The Anglican Fellowship of Prayer (AFP) (Canada) exists to encourage and enable the ministry of prayer in Canada. It is inclusive of all forms of expressions of Christian church life, whether they be lay or clerical, catholic or evangelical, monastic or secular, formal or informal.

AFP seeks to be a teaching resource to assist both individuals and congregations to grow in the life of prayer. It seeks to increase and strengthen the companionship of Christian prayer throughout the world. To learn more, please visit https://anglicanprayer.org/index.php/come-pray-with-us/

The AFP Healing Service is on September 27 at 1:00 PM at St. Benedict church in High River. They will also host a Blue Christmas Service on December 20 at the new Diocesan offices.

In the newsletter are links for two documents that they have prepared on Family Prayer which you may find useful.

St. Barnabas Financial Report as of July 31, 2025

	2025		2024
	YTD	Budget	YTD
Donations	\$120,779	\$130,213	\$121,154
Other Income	\$42,277	\$44,812	\$89,138
Income (including donations)	\$163,056	\$175,025	\$210,292
Expenses	\$201,598	\$214,611	\$209,107
Net Income	-\$38,542	-\$39,586	\$1,185

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