



BART'S BUZZ

FOR THE WEEK OF

OCTOBER 19 TO 26, 2025

ST. BARTHOLOMEW ANGLICAN CHURCH – WINNIPEG

LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

We acknowledge that we live and work in Treaty 1, 2 and 3 Territory, which is the ancestral traditional land of the Indigenous peoples, and is common home to everyone in virtue of God, our Creator's, gracious gift.

PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

"To embrace, encourage and empower people in their faith journey; to discern and participate in God's Work in the world."

Sunday, October 19, 2025 Nineteenth after Pentecost

Holy Eucharist at 10:30 am

Hymns: CP # 525 The Church's One Foundation; CP # 619 Fairest Lord Jesus; CP # 538 Nearer My God To Thee; Taize – Jesus Remember Me; CP # 425 Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

Readings: Jeremiah 31:27-34; Psalm 119:97-104; 2 Timothy 3:13-4:5, Luke 18:1-8

Vestment Colour: Green

ANGLICAN CYCLE OF PRAYER

Local, National, and International Leadership we pray for

- Primate of the Anglican Church of Canada, The Most Rev. Shane Parker
- National Bishop of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada, Bishop Susan Johnson
 - General Secretary (Lutheran World Federation) The Rev. Dr. Anne Burghardt
 - National Indigenous Archbishop, The Rt. Rev. Chris Harper
 - Bishop— Rt. Rev. Naboth Manzongo
 - Administrator of the Diocese of Rupert's Land, The Ven. Simon Blaikie
 - Bishop of the Manitoba/Northwestern Ontario Synod, Bishop Jason Zinko
 - Metropolitan of the Ecclesiastical Province of the Northern Lights, The Most. Rev. Greg Kerr-Wilson
 - President of the Elder's Conference (Northern Province) in the Moravian Church in Canada, The Rev. David E. Bennett and District President (Canadian District) of the Moravian Church in Canada, Mr. David Jones

In the Anglican Communion Worldwide, we pray for The Episcopal Church. In the Anglican Church of Canada, we pray for the Most Rev. Lynne McNaughton, Archbishop, and the clergy and people of the Diocese of Kootenay. In the Council of the North, we pray for the Archdeaconry of Labrador in the Diocese of Eastern Newfoundland and Labrador. In the ELCIC, we pray for the dean, council, and congregations of the Vancouver Island Region of the British Columbia Synod. In the Moravian Church, we pray for the people and ministries of the Southern Province of the Moravian Church in America. In the World Council of Churches, we pray for Ecumenical Belize, Guatemala, Honduras, Mexico. In the Diocese of Rupert's Land, we pray for our congregations and communities, especially the clergy and people of: St. Luke, Dryden – The Rev. Elda Lynn MacDonald, Honorary Deacon Assistant St. Luke, Oakville; St. Luke, Winnipeg – The Rev. Matthew Bowman, Incumbent; The Rev. Susan Roe-Finlay, Honorary Deacon Assistant

Prayer Requests

We pray for those for whom prayers have been requested: Sally; Avet; Sandy and Debbie, Jean, Kathy, Lorna, Elizabeth, Rosemary, Ted, Michelle, Iris, Lorraine, Susan, Janice and Georgina.

Please communicate all prayer requests either by the form available at the back of the church or by email to Rev. Deacon Helen Hunter at helenhunter3339@gmail.com or Val Ross at valerie8ross@gmail.com or to the office at stbartswpg@gmail.com.

Phone calls to the parish office at (204)257-8594 on Tuesday or Friday are another way of communicating.

The flowers on the altar are given by Rev. Deacon Helen in loving memory of her dear husband Fraser.

Message from Rev. Wilson (originally sent October 14)

AN ATTITUDE FOR GRATITUDE

This Harvest Thanksgiving Season, if we'd like to contextualize or internalize the Gospel passage from the Sunday reading in Luke 17:15-19 in Jesus' encounter with the ten lepers on the road to Jerusalem, it might be as well okay for us to say that this encounter of Jesus with these lepers might be our own story too! Especially when we feel helpless and desperately needed help, and someone showed up to give us the help we needed. How do we respond when we got that help? Did we show gratitude or did we show our entitlement because we thought we deserved it?

The story of the ten lepers is a powerful reminder of the importance of gratitude and faith in our relationship with God. From our relationship with God and one another, the Church gives us the gift of the community through faith by which gives us some sense of meaning to be thankful for all the gifts of life in our lives. And in that living relationship with God, He gives that peace that passes all understanding. So, the next time you're tempted to complain and show lack of **GRATITUDE**, think again! It's not just about thinking alone — it's about aligning your faith with thanksgiving. This is how we recharge ourselves spiritually, emotionally, and mentally when we show gratitude. We have listened to a powerful testimony by one of our deacons about how this Thanksgiving Sunday in particular is so special to her in her faith journey. Our community of faith is a place of therapy — that God is a true Restorer, Healer, and to Him we give special thanks for everything we enjoy in life.

If we look around you today - your life, your family, your home, friends and neighbours in your life, your community, your place of work, a place to dwell, food to eat, water to drink, abundance of harvest despite high rise in the cost of living, and in the high cost of living virtually in all goods and services including recent trade war on tariffs etc. — there is always something to be thankful for. In the Spirit of Thanksgiving, how grateful or thankful are you? I believe no matter how small; there is always something to be thankful for! I have learned over the years, when we have *an attitude for gratitude*, our attitude brings us to a place of show of thanksgiving and grace in gratitude. Jesus is the good news to us anytime. There is this Sunday School song I learned as a child:

Everywhere He went, He was doing good.
The Mighty Healer He healed the lepers,
When people saw Him, they started jumping,
Everywhere He went, our Lord was doing good!

As a child who grew up in Africa in a very tough and challenging environment, but with all sense of humility I'm saying here I know what it is to go to bed hungry; I know what it means to wait endlessly to pay tuition fees, I know what it is to keep believing that God will meet all my needs, the list is just endless...However, I must say that I'm one of those so fortunate to share my immigrant story with you in this land about living in one of the most best countries in the world here in Canada. Research shows that Canada is one of the most prosperous nations in the world — "...Research from the Institute of Fiscal Studies and Democracy shows that Canada is a successful country across a range of indicators" — [Policy](#)

[Magazine](#). From our various [immigrant](#) stories a life full of gratitude to God to live in such a great country should be one of our Canadian success stories.

Then Jesus asked, “Were not ten made clean? But the other nine, where are they? Was none of them found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?” [Luke 17:17-18].

This passage also touches on the theme of social and cultural dynamics, as ONLY ONE Samaritan returned to Jesus to say “Thank You!” Samaritan at that time were among those often viewed as foreigners or outsiders, and in context are those not considered Jewish by mainstream Judaism. However, to be clear, God is all knowing and inclusive God who doesn’t overlook little faith and thankfulness, especially with this One Samaritan’s faith and gratitude, why? For the brevity of time and space to explain, there many ethno-religious, cultural and historical nuances attached to this statement made by Jesus, because Samaritans at that time are those considered with such inconsequential amount of faith as a result of their belief system [Cf. John 4:4-10]. But still, this one Samaritan among the lepers demonstrates a remarkable *attitude for gratitude* and faith in Jesus. As a Black immigrant from Africa to Canada, mine is one of those stories which can be illustrated to internalize this context with show of gratitude to God of his countless blessings as one servant among many in the community. Sometimes I marvel at how fellow Canadians complain in the midst of plenty and abundance we enjoy in this land. But kindly permit me, I’d like to encourage you to come around at some point to sit down with me to share our personal immigrant stories, experiences and faith journey to inspire each other.

The story in this Gospel emphasizes the importance of *an attitude for gratitude*, faith, and obedience in recognition of God’s work in our lives. It also highlights Jesus’ compassion and power to heal, both physically and spiritually – God gives physical/material wealth, emotional and spiritual health, among many blessings for us to enjoy in gratitude by what we can see and experience.

Like I mentioned to you last week in my message, our service to God is not about earning rewards but about living out our faith with gratitude and obedience. These lepers recognize their need for healing and approach Jesus with faith. Jesus heals them with a simple command, demonstrating His power and authority. But only one of these lepers returns to express gratitude, highlighting the importance of thankfulness and appreciation. So, the message here is to encourage us to reflect on our **faith** and **gratitude** even in very little things to setting that atmosphere of GRATITUDE. And I pray that may our faith be strengthened, may our gratitude be increased, and may we grow in our relationship with God. Thanks be to God. Amen.

Have a blessed and wonderful Thanksgiving Season!

Your servant in Christ’s service,

The Reverend Wilson Akinwale
Rector/Incumbent

PARISH NEWS

BISHOP NABOTH MANZONGO – ST. BART’S VISIT

Bishop Naboth will be visiting St. Bart’s on Sunday, November 16, 2025 for the morning Worship Service. We will be having an organist and a choir.

BIBLE STUDY– Wednesday, October 22 at 7:00 pm

OCTOBER IS TIN OR TOONIE MONTH

The Food Bank Pantry is bare! We need;

Spaghetti/Tomato Sauces, Beans, Juice, Tinned Fruits & Vegetables, Tinned Salmon and Tuna. Thank you for your support!

CRAFT SALE – SATURDAY NOVEMBER 29 FROM 9:30 AM TO 3:00 PM

PRIVATE EVENTS

Girl Guides Sleepover – Friday, October 17 at 5 pm to 10 pm

1st Southdale Scout – Sleepover – Friday, November 14 @ 6:30 pm to Saturday, Nov 15 @ 10am

Girl Guides Sleepover – Friday, December 12 at 5pm to Saturday, December 13 at 12 noon

The Girl Guides meet in the Upper Hall on Monday and the Scouts meet on Wednesday.

Please check the Event Schedule on our website - [Events | St Bartholomew Anglican Church](#)

FRONTENAC SCHOOL FAMILY CENTRE

Our Family Centre provides free programming for children 0-5 and their caregivers. Join us for a variety of programs and activities including arts and crafts, rhymes, songs, free play, movement activities and snacks.

Contact Information – kyla.hayes@lrsd.nt or 204-257-0609

ST. BART’S MUSIC LIBRARY

We are looking to expand our music library. If anyone has CD’s that we could borrow to download please let the office know. If anyone has any other ideas to help with our Worship Music let Rev. Wilson know

WORSHIP SERVICE RECORDING

We have started recording our weekly worship services. They can be found at <https://www.youtube.com/@st.bartschurch>

or on our website - [Weekly Service Recording | St Bartholomew Anglican Church](#)

ALONGSIDE HOPE - PREVIOUSLY - PRIMATES WORLD DEVELOPMENT FUND

Just a reminder to St. Bart's Parishioners about the good work the Alongside Hope/PWRDF is doing in our world. Please check out their website – <https://pwrdf.org/> - to see all the valuable work they are doing.

ALONGSIDE HOPE NOW ACCEPTS E-TRANSFERS! It's a quick, easy and secure way to send your gift. Here's how:

- Set up Alongside Hope in your online banking as a payee, using the email address **etransfer@alongsidehope.org**.
- Choose Alongside Hope from your list of payees and fill in the amount you'd like to give.
- In the memo field, add your mailing address, phone number and email address. This is very important, so that we can properly record your gift and send you a tax receipt.

That's it! Your funds will be auto-deposited and you will receive an email confirmation.

Feel free to reach out to us if you have any questions at 1-866-308-7973 or **info@alongsidehope.org**

St. Bart's Website - <http://www.stbartsmb.ca>

Please remember to check our website (link above) on a regular basis for events and information updates. If you need any assistance navigating the site, just give the office a call and they will be happy to help.

RUPERT'S LAND NEWS - October issue is attached.

REV. JIM DRAPER

A time to remember, tell stories, and mark the death of The Rev'd Jim Draper

Following a struggle with cancer, The Rev'd Jim Draper died on September 10, 2025. Though he had not lived in Winnipeg for a good many years, his impact on many people in the Diocese of Rupert's Land was profound. During his forty years of active ministry, Jim served widely in the church both in Canada and in the Solomon Islands. In Rupert's Land, he served first as the Dean of Theology at St John's College, and as an Interim priest at both St. Mark's and St. Bartholomew's in Winnipeg. His longest stretch of ministry in our diocese was at All Saints Church, Winnipeg, where he ministered from the 1990s until his retirement in 2010.

A group of clergy for whom Jim was a mentor and a supporter are organizing a simple gathering in his memory, inviting people to bring a little food to share and perhaps a story to tell. We will

be gathering for a couple of hours on **Monday, October 27, at 6:00 pm at All Saints Church, Winnipeg.**

If you would like to join us, please be sure to email Jame Howison at jamesbt@gmail.com by the end of the day on **Friday, October 24, 2025**, so that we can have things set up for all who will attend. Instructions as to what food you might share will be sent to you once you are added to our list of participants.

To read Jim's full obituary, go to https://www.rhodyfamily.com/life_story/james-draper/

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