



BART'S BUZZ

FOR THE WEEK OF

JANUARY 11-18, 2026

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, January 11, 2026– The Baptism of the Lord

Holy Eucharist with Reserved Sacrament

Hymns: CP # 123 Once in Royal David's City; CP # 153 Good Christians All, Rejoice;
CP # 460 Lord, The Light of Your Love is Shining; CP # 425 Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee;
CP # 154 Joy to the World

Readings: Isaiah 42:1-9; Psalm 29; Acts 10:34-43; Matthew 3: 13-17

Vestment Colour - White

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 Larry Kochendorfer
 - General Secretary (Lutheran World Federation) The Rev. Dr. Anne Burghardt
 - National Indigenous Archbishop, The Rt. Rev. Chris Harper
 - Bishop— Rt. Rev. Naboth Manzongo
 - Outgoing Executive Archdeacon, The Ven. Simon Blaikie
 - Incoming Executive Archdeacon, The Rev. Dr. Iain Luke
 - 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 Iglesia Anglicana de la Region Central de America. In the Anglican Church of Canada, we pray for Ryan Weston, Lead Animator, Public Witness for Social and Ecological Justice; Executive Director, Will Postma, and staff of Alongside Hope. In the ELCIC, we pray for Interim-Executive Director, Michael Pryse, and staff of Canadian Lutheran World Relief. In the Moravian Church in Canada, we pray for Justin Rabbach, Executive Director, and staff of the Board of World Mission. In the Diocese of Rupert's Land, we pray for our congregations and communities.

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 R., Carol, Gary and Georgina, Denise, Janice B., the Barnard family and Sylvia and family.

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.

From the Rector's Desk

And when Jesus had been baptized, just as he came up from the water, suddenly the heavens were opened to him and he saw God's Spirit descending like a dove and alighting on him"(Matthew 3:16) This is a powerful moment, because Jesus' baptism marks the beginning of his public ministry, and it's rich with symbolism for us today. The heavens opening means God's presence is revealed, and the divine connection is made clear. For us, it's a reminder that our baptism connects us to God's presence and power. The Spirit descending like a dove, also means that the Holy Spirit's presence is tangible, symbolizing peace, purity, and empowerment. As believers Christ, we're also recipients of the Holy Spirit's empowerment (cf. Acts 2:38). The alighting on Jesus of the Spirit's presence is not just a moment, but a dwelling. We, too, are temples of the Holy Spirit (cf. 1 Corinthians 6:19).

For us as believers being baptized with Christ means that:

- Identification with Jesus: Baptism symbolizes our union with Christ's death, burial, and resurrection (Romans 6:3-4).
- New life and empowerment: The Spirit's presence empowers us for ministry, just as it did for Jesus.
- Divine affirmation: God's presence and Spirit confirm our identity as beloved children (Matthew 3:17).

Thus as we begin the new year, here is another reminder for us to reaffirm our Baptismal Covenant (BAS 158-159) with these main strategies as Christ followers:

- Promise to believe and affirm our faith in God as we confess our faith in the Apostles' Creed.
- Promise to continue in the apostolic teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers.
- Promise to resist evil: With a commitment to persevere in resisting evil and to repent when falling into sin.
- Promise to proclaim the gospel: A vow to proclaim the Good News of God in Christ by word and to lead by Godly example.
- Promise to serve Christ: A commitment to seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving one's neighbour as oneself.
- Promise to strive for justice and peace: A pledge to strive for justice and peace among all people and to respect the dignity of every human being.
- Promise to safeguard creation: As custodians of God's creation promising to strive to safeguard the integrity of creation and sustain and renew the life of the earth.

"I will with God's help."

Thanks be to God. Amen.

Epiphany blessings,

The Reverend Wilson Akinwal

PARISH NEWS

Parish AGM – Sunday, March 1, 2026 after the Worship service

PRIVATE EVENTS

February 20-22, 2026 – Girl Guide Sleepover

From 6pm Friday, February 20 to early Sunday, February 22, 2026

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](#)

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](#)

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

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**

FROM THE DIOCESE OF RUPERT'S LAND

Please see message from the Diocese to Sharay Zedek regarding the recent attack on their synagogue

St. Bartholomew's Anglican Church

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