





The Anglican Parish of  
**Saint Barnabas**

June 7, 2026

St. Barnabas Day

Celebration of 120 Years of Ministry

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

*In the spirit of respect and truth, we honour the peoples of the Treaty 7  
Territory and the Metis Nation of Alberta as we share this land.*

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*Welcome to St. Barnabas Anglican Church. The altar flowers have been donated  
by Kersi and John Bird in loving memory of Buzz Bird and Salley Bird.*

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8:30 AM: Holy Communion

*The Book of Common Prayer – Page 67*

*Collect – Page 217*

Celebrant: The Most Rev. Gregory Kerr-Wilson ~ Assisting: The Rev. Kersi Bird

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10:15 AM: Holy Eucharist and Confirmation

*Liturgy from The Book of Alternative Services*

*Hymns from Common Praise*

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**Processional Hymn 302 “They Did Not Build in Vain”**

**(Darwall)**

Children’s Prayer

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of  
the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**And also with you.**

There is one body and one Spirit,

**There is one hope in God’s call to us.**

Collect of the Day: Merciful God, help us to follow the example of your faithful  
servant Barnabas, who, seeking not his own renown but the well-being of your  
Church, gave generously of his life and substance for the relief of the poor and  
the spread of the gospel; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns  
with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

A Short History of St. Barnabas

Deanne Dare

Collect for Thanksgiving of a Parish

The Rev. Kersi Bird

Almighty God, watchful and caring, our source and our end, all that we are and all that we have are yours. Accept us now, as we give thanks to you for this place where we have come to praise your name, to ask your forgiveness, to know your healing power, to hear your word, and to be nourished by the body and blood of your Son. Be present always to guide and to judge, to illumine and to bless your people. This we pray in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Prayers for Thanksgiving of a Parish

Dawn Jones

For the Church universal, of which these buildings are a visible symbol,  
**We thank you, Lord.**

For your presence whenever two or three have gathered in your name,  
**We thank you, Lord.**

For this place where we may be still and know that you are God,  
**We thank you, Lord.**

For the fulfilling of our desires and petitions as you see best for us,  
**We thank you, Lord.**

For our past and a vision of the future that lies ahead,  
**We thank you, Lord.**

For the gift of the Holy Spirit and new life in baptism,  
**We thank you, Lord.**

For the pardon of our sins when we have fallen short of your glory,  
**We thank you, Lord.**

For the holy eucharist in which we have a foretaste of your eternal kingdom,  
**We thank you, Lord.**

For the blessing of our vows and the crowning of our years with your goodness,  
**We thank you, Lord.**

For the faith of those who have gone before us and for our encouragement by their perseverance,  
**We thank you, Lord.**

For all the benefactors of this place who have died in the peace of Christ and are at rest especially,  
**We thank you, Lord.**

For the fellowship of all your saints, and especially for Barnabas, our patron,

**We thank you, Lord.**

Bishop: O God, from living and chosen stones you prepare an everlasting dwelling place for your majesty. Grant that in the power of the Holy Spirit those who serve you here may always be kept within your presence. This we pray through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and ever. **Amen.**

1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Genesis 12:1-9

Stephen Martin

The Lord said to Abram, "Go from your country and your kindred and your father's house to the land that I will show you. I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you, and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. I will bless those who bless you, and the one who curses you I will curse; and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed."

So Abram went, as the Lord had told him; and Lot went with him. Abram was seventy-five years old when he departed from Haran. Abram took his wife Sarai and his brother's son Lot, and all the possessions that they had gathered, and the persons whom they had acquired in Haran; and they set forth to go to the land of Canaan.

When they had come to the land of Canaan, Abram passed through the land to the place at Shechem, to the oak of Moreh. At that time the Canaanites were in the land. Then the Lord appeared to Abram, and said, "To your offspring I will give this land."

So he built there an altar to the Lord, who had appeared to him. From there he moved on to the hill country on the east of Bethel, and pitched his tent, with Bethel on the west and Ai on the east; and there he built an altar to the Lord and invoked the name of the Lord. And Abram journeyed on by stages toward the Negeb.

Choir Anthem: "Somewhere in the Silence"

Martin

Psalm 33:1-12

Dawn Jones

**Refrain: By the word of the Lord were the heavens made.**

Rejoice in the Lord, you righteous; it is good for the just to sing praises. Praise the Lord with the harp; play to him upon the psaltery and lyre. Sing for him a new song; sound a fanfare with all your skill upon the trumpet. **Refrain**

For the word of the Lord is right, and all his works are sure. He loves righteousness and justice; the loving kindness of the Lord fills the whole earth.

**Refrain**

By the word of the Lord were the heavens made, by the breath of his mouth all the heavenly hosts. He gathers up the waters of the ocean as in a water-skin and stores up the depths of the sea. **Refrain**

Let all the earth fear the Lord; let all who dwell in the world stand in awe of him. For he spoke, and it came to pass; he commanded, and it stood fast. **Refrain**

The Lord brings the will of the nations to naught; he thwarts the designs of the peoples. But the Lord's will stands fast for ever, and the designs of his heart from age to age. Happy is the nation whose God is the Lord! happy the people he has chosen to be his own! **Refrain**

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: Acts 11:19-30, 13:1-3

David Parker

Now those who were scattered because of the persecution that took place over Stephen travelled as far as Phoenicia, Cyprus, and Antioch, and they spoke the word to no one except Jews. But among them were some men of Cyprus and Cyrene who, on coming to Antioch, spoke to the Hellenists also, proclaiming the Lord Jesus. The hand of the Lord was with them, and a great number became believers and turned to the Lord. News of this came to the ears of the church in Jerusalem, and they sent Barnabas to Antioch.

When he came and saw the grace of God, he rejoiced, and he exhorted them all to remain faithful to the Lord with steadfast devotion; for he was a good man, full of the Holy Spirit and of faith. And a great many people were brought to the Lord. Then Barnabas went to Tarsus to look for Saul, and when he had found him, he brought him to Antioch. So it was that for an entire year they associated with the church and taught a great many people, and it was in Antioch that the disciples were first called 'Christians'.

At that time prophets came down from Jerusalem to Antioch. One of them named Agabus stood up and predicted by the Spirit that there would be a severe famine over all the world; and this took place during the reign of Claudius.

The disciples determined that according to their ability, each would send relief to the believers living in Judea; this they did, sending it to the elders by Barnabas and Saul. Now in the church at Antioch there were prophets and teachers: Barnabas, Simeon who was called Niger, Lucius of Cyrene, Manaen a member of the court of Herod the ruler, and Saul.

While they were worshipping the Lord and fasting, the Holy Spirit said, 'Set apart for me Barnabas and Saul for the work to which I have called them.' Then after fasting and praying they laid their hands on them and sent them off.

**Gradual Hymn 643 "Holy Spirit, Come with Power"**

**(Hyfrydol)**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ: St. Matthew 9:9-13, 18-26

The Rev. Kersi Bird

**Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

As Jesus was walking along, he saw a man called Matthew sitting at the tax booth; and he said to him, "Follow me."

And he got up and followed him. And as he sat at dinner in the house, many tax collectors and sinners came and were sitting with him and his disciples. When the Pharisees saw this, they said to his disciples, "Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?"

But when he heard this, he said, "Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. Go and learn what this means, 'I desire mercy, not sacrifice.' For I have come to call not the righteous but sinners."

While he was saying these things to them, suddenly a leader of the synagogue came in and knelt before him, saying, "My daughter has just died; but come and lay your hand on her, and she will live."

And Jesus got up and followed him, with his disciples. Then suddenly a woman who had been suffering from haemorrhages for twelve years came up behind him and touched the fringe of his cloak, for she said to herself, "If I only touch his cloak, I will be made well."

Jesus turned, and seeing her he said, "Take heart, daughter; your faith has made you well."

And instantly the woman was made well. When Jesus came to the leader's house and saw the flute players and the crowd making a commotion, he said, "Go away; for the girl is not dead but sleeping."

And they laughed at him. But when the crowd had been put outside, he went in and took her by the hand, and the girl got up. And the report of this spread throughout that district.

The Gospel of Christ.

**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Sermon

The Most Rev. Gregory Kerr-Wilson

Presentation and Examination

I present David Stephen Martin for confirmation.

Bishop: Do you reaffirm your renunciation of evil?

Stephen: I do.

Bishop: Do you renew your commitment to Jesus Christ?

Stephen: I do.

Bishop: Do you put your whole trust in his grace and love?

Stephen: I do, and with God's grace I will follow him as my Saviour and Lord.

Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support Stephen in his life in Christ?

**We will.**

Let us join with those who commit themselves again to Christ and renew our own baptismal covenant.

Do you believe in God the Father?

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

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

**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.**

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

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

Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?

**I will, with God's help.**

Will you persevere in resisting evil and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

**I will, with God's help.**

Will you proclaim by word and example the good news of God in Christ?

**I will, with God's help.**

Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbour as yourself?

**I will, with God's help.**

Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?

**I will, with God's help.**

Will you strive to safeguard the integrity of God's creation, and respect, sustain and renew the life of the Earth?

**I will, with God's help.**

The Intercession

Dawn Jones

Let us pray for those who are affirming their baptism, and for all the baptized everywhere, saying, "Lord, hear our prayer."

That they may be redeemed from all evil and rescued from the way of sin and death; in your mercy,

**Lord, hear our prayer.**

That the Holy Spirit may open their hearts to your grace and truth; in your mercy,

**Lord, hear our prayer.**

That they may be kept in the faith and communion of your holy Church; in your mercy,

**Lord, hear our prayer.**

That they may be sent into the world in witness to your love; in your mercy,

**Lord, hear our prayer.**

That they may be brought to the fullness of your peace and glory; in your mercy,

**Lord, hear our prayer.**

We pray for our Diocese: St. Peter, Okotoks: The Rev. Dr. Norbert Haukenfrers; Vocational & Transitional Deacons

We pray for those in need of God's healing gifts: Amy, Françoise, David, Evie, David D, Gwyneth, Amy, Don, Jeff, Chrissy and family, Val.

We pray for members of our parish family: Shui Wong; Donna Wright; Tyson and Bailey Zabel and family.

Bishop: Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Bishop: Almighty God, we thank you that by the death and resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ you have overcome sin and brought us to yourself, and that by the sealing of your Holy Spirit you have bound us to your service. Renew in these your servants the covenant you made with them at their baptism. Send them forth in the power of that Spirit to perform the service you

set before them; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Bishop: Strengthen, O Lord, your servant, *Stephen*, with your Holy Spirit; empower *him* for your service; and sustain *him* all the days of *his* life. **Amen.**

Bishop: Almighty and everliving God, let your fatherly hand ever be over *this* your *servant*; let your Holy Spirit ever be with *him*; and so lead *him* in the knowledge and obedience of your word, that *he* may serve you in this life, and dwell with you in the life to come; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**And also with you.**

*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. Alternatively, you may e-transfer your offering to office@stbarnabas.ca.*

**Offertory Hymn 300 “Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation”**

**(Westminster Abbey)**

Prayer over the Gifts: Faithful God, accept all we offer you this day. Kindle in us the flame of love by which your apostle Barnabas bore witness to the gospel. This we ask in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

It is indeed right that we should praise you, gracious God, for you created all things. You formed us in your own image. When we turned away from you in sin, you did not cease to care for us, but opened a path of salvation for all people. You made a covenant with Israel, and through your servants Abraham and Sarah gave the promise of a blessing to all nations. Through Moses you led your people from bondage into freedom; through the prophets you renewed your promise of salvation. Therefore, with them, and with all your saints who have served you in every age, we give thanks and raise our voices to proclaim the glory of your name.

**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.**

Holy God, source of life and goodness, all creation rightly gives you praise. In the fullness of time, you sent your Son Jesus Christ, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He healed the sick and ate and drank with outcasts and sinners; he opened the eyes of the blind and proclaimed the good news of your kingdom to the poor and to those in need. In all things he fulfilled your gracious will.

On the night he freely gave himself to death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: 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. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me." Gracious God, his perfect sacrifice destroys the power of sin and death; by raising him to life you give us life for evermore.

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith.

**Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

Recalling his death, proclaiming his resurrection, and looking for his coming again in glory, we offer you, Father, this bread and this cup. Send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts, that all who eat and drink at this table may be one body and one holy people, a living sacrifice in Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Through Christ, with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory is yours, almighty Father, 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.**

"I am the bread of life," says the Lord. "Whoever comes to me will never be hungry; whoever believes in me will never thirst."

**Taste and see that the Lord is good; happy are they who trust in him!**

*All baptized persons are welcome to receive Communion. Please proceed to the base of the chancel steps as directed by a sidesperson; if you are unable to do so, remain seated in your pew and a priest will bring communion to you. After consuming the wafer, you will be offered wine in two kinds – the common cup or a small glass. Alternatively, you may touch the base of the chalice or receive a blessing.*

Communion Hymn 649 “Breathe on Me, Breath of God” (Trentham)

Communion Hymn 637 “Come, Holy Ghost, Our Souls Inspire”  
(Veni Creator Spiritus)

Communion Hymn 76 “Thee We Adore, O Hidden Saviour, Thee” (Adorno Te)

Prayer after Communion: God of justice, may we who have heard your word and received new life at your table, bear witness to your truth in the world, so that all may come to share in your kingdom. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. **Amen.**

All your works praise you, O Lord.  
**And your faithful servants bless you.**

**Gracious God we thank you for feeding us with the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ. May we, who share his body, live his risen life; we, who drink his cup, bring life to others; we, whom the Spirit lights, give light to the world. Keep us firm in the hope you have set before us, so that we and all your children shall be free, and the whole earth live to praise your name; through Christ our Lord. Amen**

The Blessing

Choir Anthem: “Closing Prayer” Besig

Words of Citation Kingsley Ibe

Announcements

**Recessional Hymn No. 528 “O God, Our Help in Ages Past” (St. Anne)**

Let us go forth in peace to love and serve the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**



We pray for Christ's Holy Catholic Church: ACC: The theological colleges and training programs within the Ecclesiastical Province of Ontario: Canterbury College, Huron University College, Renison College, the Anglican Studies Program at Saint Paul University, Thorneloe University, Trinity College, Wycliffe College. ELCIC: Luther College at the University of Regina and Luther College – High School. MOR: The School of Theology at Moravian University (formerly Moravian Theological Seminary and Lancaster Theological Seminary) in Bethlehem, PA.

We pray for our Companion Diocese of the Windward Isles: St. Patrick, Barrouallie with St. David, Our Lady of Perpetual Succour, All Saints, and Mary Magdalene, on St. Vincent: The Rev. Hanif Johnson.

CCLI Licence #11392823. Readings for June 14: Genesis 18:1-15, 21:1-7; Psalm 116:1, 10-17; Romans 5:1-8; Matthew 9:35-10:16

Please join us following the 10:15 AM service for a potluck lunch in celebration of St. Barnabas Day.

Sunday school will be held today and on June 14<sup>th</sup>, followed by our Sunday school picnic.

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