

# 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



# St. Bartholomew's Anglican Church

## Fifth Sunday of Easter 29<sup>th</sup> April 2018

Dear Friends,

Following our Readings today, we might consider how best to show our 'love'.

Is it by actions or words? Well the correct answer is both! Many of us may find it easier to express our love by doing something rather than by speaking directly to a person. Within families, for instance, we often show our love by offering gifts or by doing tasks around the home.

Yet, at same time, we seldom say the words that show true love and affection. In this case, loving by deeds becomes an easier option than the more direct love expressed in sincerely spoken words.

So let's all make sure we express our love this week in words to our loved ones (as well as continue to demonstrate it with action!).

With blessings,

Philip

### AA Meetings:

Open Meetings take place in the Church Centre (to the left of the Church) in English on Tuesdays and Fridays at 6pm.

For more information call:

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### Contacts

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**Music Director:** Ombeline Collin

**Church Pianist:** Michael Parisot

**2018 Worshippers Fund:** 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.

As we did last year, we are asking our regular worshippers to consider making a contribution towards our annual expenses of the Church, which we expect will be higher in 2018 than in previous years given the burden after Hurricane Irma. We are suggesting a donation of \$250 per worshipper or \$500 per family to help us. In 2017 the Worshippers Fund raised over \$20k. There are 3 ways to donate:

1. Send a check to the Friends (envelopes are available in the Church and the address is listed below)
2. Online via the Church website (see back page)
3. Directly to the Church (please see or contact Philip for details).

**Methods 1 and 2 are donations to our US 501(3)c, which are tax deductible for US citizens.**

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**The First Letter of John – Ch 4**

Beloved, let us love one another, because love is from God; everyone who loves is born of God and knows God. Whoever does not love does not know God, for God is love. God's love was revealed among us in this way: God sent his only Son into the world so that we might live through him.

In this is love, not that we loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins.

Beloved, since God loved us so much, we also ought to love one another. No one has ever seen God; if we love one another, God lives in us, and his love is perfected in us. By this we know that we abide in him and he in us, because he has given us of his Spirit.

And we have seen and do testify that the Father has sent his Son as the Savior of the world.

God abides in those who confess that Jesus is the Son of God, and they abide in God. So we have known and believe the love that God has for us.

God is love, and those who abide in love abide in God, and God abides in them. Love has been perfected among us in this: that we may have boldness on the Day of Judgment, because as he is, so are we in this world.

There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear; for fear has to do with punishment, and whoever fears has not reached perfection in love.

We love because he first loved us. Those who say, "I love God," and hate their brothers or sisters, are liars; for those who do not love a brother or sister whom they have seen, cannot love God whom they have not seen.

The commandment we have from him is this: those who love God must love their brothers and sisters also.

**The Gospel according to John – Ch 15**

Jesus said to his disciples:

"I am the true vine, and my Father is the vine grower. He removes every branch in me that bears no fruit.

"Every branch that bears fruit he prunes to make it bear more fruit.

"You have already been cleansed by the word that I have spoken to you. Abide in me as I abide in you. Just as the branch cannot bear fruit by itself unless it abides in the vine, neither can you unless you abide in me.

"I am the vine, you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing.

"Whoever does not abide in me is thrown away like a branch and withers; such branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned.

"If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask for whatever you wish, and it will be done for you.

"My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples."

**A Tempest**

by

**Emily Dickinson****(1830-1886)**

An awful tempest mashed the air,  
The clouds were gaunt and few;  
A black, as of a spectre's cloak,  
Hid heaven and earth from view.

The creatures chuckled on the roofs  
And whistled in the air,  
And shook their fists and gnashed their teeth,  
And swung their frenzied hair.

The morning lit, the birds arose;  
The monster's faded eyes  
Turned slowly to his native coast,  
And peace was Paradise!.

**Notre Père (Our Father)**

Notre Père, qui es aux cieux,  
que ton nom soit sanctifié,  
que ton règne vienne.

Que ta volonté soit faite  
sur la terre comme au ciel.

Donne-nous aujourd'hui notre pain de ce jour.

Pardonne-nous nos offenses  
comme nous pardonnons aussi  
à ceux qui nous ont offensés.

Et ne nous laisse pas entrer dans la tentation,  
mais délivre-nous du mal.

Car c'est à toi qu'appartiennent  
le règne, la puissance et la gloire  
dans les siècles des siècles.

Amen

**Today's Hymns****Processional:** Praise My Soul the King of Heaven #422**Gradual:** Kum Ba Yah #289**Reflection:** He is Lord #204**Recessional:** Praise Him #421