

## 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



### Parish Lunch Wednesday 12 noon

A chance to get to know our Priest-in-Residence. Meet in front of the Church



### Open Church Thursdays 4pm – 6pm

Our Priest-in-Residence will be in the Church to share a prayer or just be a listening ear



### 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



### The Way of the Cross Fridays 12 noon – 12.20pm (during Lent)

Come and follow Christ's journey depicted on the Church's 14 Stations of the Cross

**AA Group:** Open Meetings in the Church Centre in English on Tuesdays & Fridays at 6pm. For more information call: 0690 41 98 95 or 0690 54 17 99.

### Contacts

**Bishop:** The Right Revd Errol Brooks, D.N.E.C.A.

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**Church Pianist:** Michael Parisot

**Church Guitarist:** Lloyd Younger



## St. Bartholomew's Anglican Church

### Fourth Sunday in Lent 11<sup>h</sup> March 2018

Dear Friends,

Have you ever wondered how colours can affect us? You may know that there is a part of the retina and the brain specifically reserved for colour interpretation. And that then determines how we each react to different colours. I am sure few of you would disagree that the prevalent colours on St Barts of blue and green add to our inner calmness when we are on the island! In fact recent research has found a small effect of coloured light on heart rate and blood pressure: red light does seem to raise heart rate, while blue light lowers it. Let's make sure we keep the deep blue in sight this week!

We are very happy to welcome back Father John Rice and Mackie. If you need to contact them whilst they are here for the next four Sundays, the vicarage phone number is on the back of this bulletin.

With blessings,

Philip

**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 extra burden following 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 \$20,000. There are three 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.**

**Friends of St. Bartholomew's Anglican Church**

**Address:** 106 W River Rd, Rumson, New Jersey 07760

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**The Book of Numbers – Ch 21**

From Mount Hor they set out by the way to the Red Sea, to go around the land of Edom; but the people became impatient on the way. The people spoke against God and against Moses, "Why have you brought us up out of Egypt to die in the wilderness? For there is no food and no water, and we detest this miserable food." Then the Lord sent poisonous serpents among the people, and they bit the people, so that many Israelites died. The people came to Moses and said, "We have sinned by speaking against the Lord and against you; pray to the Lord to take away the serpents from us." So Moses prayed for the people. And the Lord said to Moses, "Make a poisonous serpent, and set it on a pole; and everyone who is bitten shall look at it and live." So Moses made a serpent of bronze, and put it upon a pole; and whenever a serpent bit someone, that person would look at the serpent of bronze and live.

**St Pauls Letter to the Ephesians – Ch 2**

You were dead through the trespasses and sins in which you once lived, following the course of this world, following the ruler of the power of the air, the spirit that is now at work among those who are disobedient.

All of us once lived among them in the passions of our flesh, following the desires of flesh and senses, and we were by nature children of wrath, like everyone else.

But God, who is rich in mercy, out of the great love with which he loved us :5 even when we were dead through our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ--by grace you have been saved - and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, so that in the ages to come he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus.

For by grace you have been saved through faith, and this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God - not the result of works, so that no one may boast. For we are what he has made us, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand to be our way of life.

**The Gospel according to John – Ch 3**

"And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

"For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life. "Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him. Those who believe in him are not condemned; but those who do not believe are condemned already, because they have not believed in the name of the only Son of God. And this is the judgment, that the light has come into the world, and people loved darkness rather than light because their deeds were evil.

"For all who do evil hate the light and do not come to the light, so that their deeds may not be exposed. But those who do what is true come to the light, so that it may be clearly seen that their deeds have been done in God."

**Colours:****by****Christina Rossetti***What is pink? a rose is pink**By a fountain's brink.**What is red? a poppy's red**In its barley bed.**What is blue? the sky is blue**Where the clouds float thro'.**What is white? a swan is white**Sailing in the light.**What is yellow? pears are yellow,**Rich and ripe and mellow.**What is green? the grass is green,**With small flowers between.**What is violet? clouds are violet**In the summer twilight.**What is orange? Why, an orange,**Just an orange!***Bestseller Book Club:****Mon 12<sup>th</sup> March, 6pm****Shadow of the Lions****by****Christopher Swann**

We will be discussing this 'page turning' literary thriller with the author, including a question and answer session.

Refreshments will be served and there will be NO plot spoilers, so reading the book beforehand is not necessary.

**Today's Hymns****Processional:** Morning Has Broken #337**Gradual** #242 Immortal Invisible**During Communion:** #412 Peace is Flowing (verses only)**Recessional:** #256 It's Me O Lord