



ST. BARTHOLOMEW'S NEWSLETTER

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The Rector's Desk—Father Bill Oldland

A PRAYER FOR THE GOOD USE OF LEISURE

**"O GOD, IN THE COURSE OF THIS BUSY LIFE,
GIVE US TIMES OF REFRESHMENT AND PEACE;
AND GRANT THAT WE MAY SO USE OUR LEISURE
TO REBUILD OUR BODIES AND RENEW OUR
MINDS, THAT OUR SPIRITS MAY BE OPENED TO
THE GOODNESS OF YOUR CREATION; THROUGH
JESUS CHRIST OUR LORD. AMEN." BCP 825**

A PRAYER FOR THE RIGHT USE OF GOD'S GIFTS

**"ALMIGHTY GOD, WHOSE LOVING HAND HAS
GIVEN US ALL THAT WE POSSESS: GRANT US
GRACE THAT WE MAY HONOR YOU WITH OUR
SUBSTANCE, AND, REMEMBERING THE
ACCOUNT WHICH WE MUST ONE DAY GIVE, MAY
BE FAITHFUL STEWARDS OF YOUR BOUNTY,
THROUGH JESUS CHRIST OUR LORD. AMEN."
BCP 827**

The summer months are quickly coming upon us: the 2014-2015 school year will be in the books, summer vacation is beginning for many members of our parish family...most of us will be going to other destinations for a time of relaxation, refreshment and renewal. In fact, the scriptures encourage us to take time for this express purpose. It is called Sabbath time.

I know many of us might refer to Sundays as the Sabbath. Indeed, it is appropriate and correct to use the term, Sabbath, for that particular day. Our day of worship is to be a time set apart for the purpose of worshipping God and reflecting on our spiritual lives.

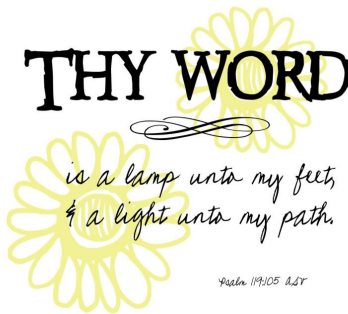
However, the word *Sabbath* also refers to a specific time during which we move away from our daily jobs and activities for the purpose of refreshment and renewal. It is a time for us to reconnect with God on a personal level and evaluate our relationships—with God and with our families, friends and neighbors. It is a time for personal reflection, prayer, good food, recreation and fun.

It might be just a little foreign to think of vacation in those terms. However, God created us to be whole people. As whole people prayer, reflection and worship are necessary. Yet, we also need recreation and fun. God created this world for us to be good stewards and to enjoy. What can be more enjoyable than going to our favorite spot and enjoying a good book, fishing or swimming? We are meant to enjoy a good summer rain and perhaps see the rainbow that might follow it. We are meant to be people of laughter sharing stories and good times with our friends and family. *(continued on page 3).*

Christian Education Offerings

Teachers for Christian Education Needed

The Christian Education Commission would like to thank everyone who has been involved in educating children and youth for the last year. We are also seeking additional individuals who have a desire to share their faith and who have a love for children and youth. It is our desire to build a comprehensive education program for members of St. Bartholomew's for all ages. A part of this program is the development of team teaching which requires additional teachers. The program will include Sunday School every Sunday morning and a Youth Program for 6th through 12th grades. The Commission is already beginning the process of seeking curriculum and materials. We need the assistance of those individuals to whom God has given the gift of education for children. If you are interested, please call Elizabeth (Beth) Guttry at 843-917-4460, or Father Bill.



faithfulness. It is our hope that we will increase in our desire for faithfulness in daily life. The class meets in the library immediately after the 10:00 am service of Holy Eucharist. Please mark Wednesday on your calendar and bring a friend to the class.

Adult Sunday School

We are continuing to offer Adult Sunday School during the summer months. There are two adult classes meeting at St. Bartholomew's on Sundays. One class meets in the Parish Hall and we are studying one of the lessons from the Sunday lectionary at this time. The other class meets in the library. They are using material from Christianity Rediscovered. Deacon Foster is leading this adult class for our young adults. Both classes begin at 9:15.

Wednesday Bible and Book Studies

The Wednesday Class has just completed its study on Proverbs. We are going to continue to meet during the summer months. We have chosen for our next discussion, "Women of the Bible." We are going to review the lives of the women in the Bible who were considered faithful to the word of God. We will also examine a few who were unfaithful as well. By examining the lives of these women we hope to see how the scriptures define

Sunday School for Children and Youth

Two new classes have begun for the younger members of our congregation. Alice Rumpf is teaching the youngest members of the class using the Sunday lessons in the Godly Play room. Our older youth of acolyte age will begin to meet with Martha Flowers in the Canterbury Room. At this time we are revamping the program for our middle and high school students. Stay tuned for news as we develop this aspect of our Christian education program.

Attendance for Worship Services from April 27th through May 22nd

04/28	HE/healing	6:00 pm	9	
04/29	HE I	10:00	8	
05/03	HE I	8:00	10	Easter 5
	HE II	10:30	62	
05/05	HE/healing	6:00 pm	6	
05/06	HE/healing	10:00	6	
05/10	HE I	8:00	15	Easter 6
	HE II	10:30	72	
05/12	HE/healing	6:00 pm	7	
05/13	HE/healing	10:00	4	
05/14	HE II	6:00 pm	8	Ascension Day
05/17	HE I	8:00	10	Easter 7
	HE II	10:30	70	
05/19	HE II	6:30 pm	8	
05/20	HE/ healing	10:00	5	
05/24	HE I	8:00	10	Pentecost
	HE II	10:30	60	

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The Rector's Desk, cont.

I believe that sometimes we forget God created JOY. Joy is supposed to be a part of our daily lives. Sometimes when we get into the business of our daily lives at work, at home or at school, we let the busy schedule overshadow our joy.

The purpose of time away is to recapture the joy that God has given us. In recapturing that joy, we are to take it into our daily lives rejoicing in what God has provided for us and celebrating the wonderful gift of life God has given us.

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To that end, I offer the two prayers above as we begin this season of our lives. The first prayer is to remind us of the meaning of this time of Sabbath. I offer it as a prayer to help begin our day. I also offer the second prayer thanking God for the many gifts that we have received. It reminds us to give thanks to God for these gifts as we use them for God's glory. I hope and pray we have a wonderful summer and some great vacations. Remember to thank God daily, smile at everyone you meet, laugh heartily, eat well, rest when tired and enjoy God's creation to the fullest. I pray each of us will have a safe summer vacation and a wonderful time of rest and relaxation in God.

In His Holy Name,
Father Bill+



Precious Moments

Outreach

Relief for Nepal

Compassionate God, draw near to our brothers and sisters in Nepal in this time of sorrow and anguish, comfort those who mourn, strengthen those who are weary, encourage those in despair, and lead us all to fullness of life; through the same Jesus Christ, our Savior and Redeemer, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever. Amen.

On April 25th, a massive 7.8 magnitude earthquake struck Nepal northwest of the capital city, Kathmandu. Another massive 7.3 magnitude earthquake struck raising the number of fatalities to over 8,600. By itself, the second earthquake caused more than 1,000 injuries. Rescue workers are continuing to make their way into remote areas to provide aid. Many survivors are in need of shelter, food, water and sanitation. According to BBC, thousands are living in make-shift tents which are not expected to outlast the summer monsoon due to start next month.

St. Bartholomew's is sending our donations to ARDF, working with ACROSS, to provide relief to our brothers and sisters in Nepal. According to ARDF, \$40,000 has been raised so far. To donate, write "Nepal" in the memo line of your check.

Fill a Bottle, Save a Life

"For I know the plans I have for you...They are plans for good...to give you a future and hope." Jeremiah 29:11

Located in the Narthex are baby bottles waiting to be filled with loose change (or a check) to help support Carolina Family Planning Centers. There is also a basket set out ready to receive baby blankets, clothes or other baby items to be delivered to CFPC as well (see carolinafamilyplanning.org for suggested items to give).

Bring your bottles and/or baby gifts back by Father's Day (Sunday, May 21). Thank you for being involved with this ministry.

CFPC exists to assist men and women through unplanned pregnancies, to promote alternatives to abortion, to train in parenting skills, to offer abstinence education, to offer help and hope and is committed to presenting the Gospel of Jesus Christ in both word and deed. CFPC currently has centers in Hartsville, Darlington and Dillon.

Prayer Needs

Please remember to keep in your daily prayers all of the following members of our church family and our community:

Margaret Coker
Garrison Murph
Rhonda Shere
Michael Starling
Charlie Griffin
Joy Rambo

Shelia Colclough
Anna Rogers
Warrington Williams
David Pyle
Kathryn Farrow
Ann Wise

Geri Jarrot
Willie Saleeby
Joyce Holt Barcher
Hollis Youngner
Tonya Rainey



PASTORAL CARE – If you know of any member of St. Bartholomew's with a special need at any time such as illness, birth, death of a family member, or any emotional or spiritual need, please call the rector (843-910-3875) or the office (843-332-8765).

Announcements



*Do you have a
"Best-Kept Secret Family Recipe?"*

Ann Malone is collecting recipes for a new Church Cookbook. Contact her to share your family's favorite recipes!

Ann Malone: ahmalone@bellsouth.net



St. Bartholomew's is using a new resource from Right Now Media. Bible Studies and sermon series are available for in-church and in-home streaming and viewing. Also included are workshops by such authors as Dave Ramsey (*Life. Money. Legacy.*) A library of videos for children is available with animated films such as *Veggie Tales*,

What's in the Bible, *Adventures in Odyssey*, and more. The office will send invitations for you to set up your profile—if you would like access to these resources, find the sign-up sheet in the narthex.

For more information about Right Now Media, go to rightnowmedia.org.



St. Bartholomew's Church

Bearer's of Christ's reconciliation and redemption into the world.

Go to **stbartholomews-hartsville.org**
and check out our *New* look!
New Features/Updates include:

Church Calendar
Learn and Play
Newsletter

*The website is still under construction,
Please contact the office if you have any
questions or suggestions. Thank you!*

Photographers Needed

Do you like snapping pictures? We need volunteers to take pictures at church events and send digital copies to the office for our bulletin board, publications on the web and in newsletters. If you are interested in volunteering your photography skills, please contact Fr. Bill.





SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
31 Trinity Sunday 8:00 am HE I 9:15 Sunday School 9:45 Choir Practice 10:30 HE II	1 9-12 pm Learn & Play	2 9-12 pm Learn & Play 10:00 am Alzheimer's Support Group (Library) 4:30 pm DOK (Parish Hall) 6:00 pm Healing Service	3 9-12 pm Learn & Play 10 HE I 11 Bible Study (library) 6 pm Choir Practice	4 9-12 pm Learn & Play 11:00 am Morningside 12:00 pm Jubilate	5 Office Closed 9-12 pm Learn & Play	6
7 Pentecost 2 8:00 HE I 9:15 Sunday School 9:45 Choir Practice 10:30 HE II 11:45 Coffee/Fellowship	8 9-12 pm Learn & Play	9 9-12 pm Learn & Play 6:00 pm Healing Service	10 9-12 pm Learn & Play 10 HE I 11 Bible Study (library) 6 pm Choir Practice	11 9-12 pm Learn & Play	12 Office Closed 9-12 pm Learn & Play	13 9-1 pm Hartsville Good Living Market
14 Pentecost 3 8:00 HE I 9:15 Sunday School 9:45 Choir Practice 10:30 HE II 11:45 Coffee/Fellowship	15 9-12 pm Learn & Play	16 9-12 pm Learn & Play 6:00 pm Healing Service	17 9-12 pm Learn & Play 10 HE I 11 Bible Study (library) 6 pm Choir Practice	18 9-12 pm Learn & Play 6:00 pm Fostering Families Dinner	19 Office Closed 9-12 pm Learn & Play	20
21 Pentecost 4 Father's Day 8:00 HE I 9:15 Sunday School 9:45 Choir Practice 10:30 HE II 11:45 Coffee/Fellowship 12:00 pm Vestry mtg	22 9-12 pm Learn & Play	23 9-12 pm Learn & Play 6:00 pm Healing Service	24 9-12 pm Learn & Play 10 HE I 11 Bible Study (library) 6 pm Choir Practice	25 9-12 pm Learn & Play 12:00 pm Scotia Village 6:00 pm Fostering Families Dinner	26 Office Closed 9-12 pm Learn & Play	27
28 Pentecost 5 8:00 HE I 9:15 Sunday School 9:45 Choir Practice 10:30 HE II 11:45 Coffee/Fellowship 12:00 Youth Outing	29 Learn & Play OFF	30 Learn & Play OFF 6:00 pm Healing Service	1 Learn & Play OFF 10 HE I 11 Bible Study (library) 6 pm Choir Practice	2 Learn & Play OFF	3 Office Closed Learn & Play OFF	4 Independence Day
5 Pentecost 6 8:00 am HE I 9:15 Sunday School 9:45 Choir Practice 10:30 HE II 11:45 Fourth of July Celebration (Lawn)						

		Week 1—June 7	Week 2—June 14	Week 3—June 21	Week 4—June 28	
 <i>Sunday</i> <i>Serving</i> <i>Schedules</i> 	Alter Servers	Le Flowers Floyd Finch	Tom Neville Marie Neville	Floyd Finch Bene Brockman	Le Flowers Martha Flowers	
	Lector	Bobby McGee	Brianna Douglas	Wayne Guttry	Carol Ann Godwin	
	Crucifer	Mac Guttry	Emma Graham	Will Guttry	Paul Lucas Ward	
	Acolytes	Sams Guttry McCanless Pennington	McKendrie Douglas Charlie Graham	Sams Guttry Sarah Cate Henderson	McKendrie Douglas McCanless Pennington	
	Cross Bearer	Mary Clare Pennington				
	Ushers	Keith Williamson Tim Anthony	Bobby McGee Le Flowers	James Ward & Sons	George Garbade Donnie Rainey	
	Altar Guild	Alice & Steve Rumpf				
	Care Team	Elise DesPortes				

SPECIAL EVENTS AND SERVICES IN MAY

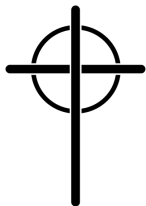
June 28th – **Immediately after the 10:30 service.** Youth Outing to Cheraw. We have been invited to go to a farm outside of Cheraw with a great cabin and fishing pond. We will leave as soon as the service is over. If you have them, bring a fishing rod and lures. We will have plenty to eat and lots of fun. The farm has some very interesting animals for us to see as well. Several members of the youth group from St. David's will be joining us.

July 5th – **Immediately after the 10:30 Service.** We are going to celebrate our nation's independence with hot dogs, apple pie, ice cream and lemonade at the church. Everyone is encouraged to dress comfortably to be outside. In case of high temperatures or inclement weather we will be in the parish hall. Please mark your calendars for this wonderful festival day.

July 26th – **Immediately after the 10:30 service.** Youth Outing to Le and Martha Flower's Property. We have been invited to the Flowers for an afternoon of fun, food and activities. There will be swimming, Frisbee, football, whiffle ball, fishing and kayaking. All you have to bring is a bathing suit, a change of clothes, a rod & reel (if you have one), an appetite, and a desire to have fun. Don't forget to invite a friend.

August 13th - **Youth Event – Lock-out** – On this Thursday afternoon and evening we will leave Hartsville for a night of food and fun. We gather at the church at 3:00 pm. we will go to the movies first. After the movies we will get some great food at Mellow Mushroom. Then we will head for the bowling alley. After bowling we will get some ice cream for dessert and then head back home. Please contact the Church office or Father Bill so we can be sure to arrange transportation. More details will be available as the event draws closer. Cost will be about \$20.00.

August 15th – **Coker College Student Move in Day** – St. Bartholomew's will be present on Saturday with water, popsicles and helping hands. Our goal is to minister to the students and their families as they move in to the dorms for the fall semester. Many hands make light work so please come and assist in this great Outreach project. Details concerning the time and where we will meet will be available as the event draws closer.



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