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LOOKING AHEAD:

We are joining with Lyndhurst Presbyterian, in the Open Table Program. This involves possibly one evening per week. We have 3 volunteers, and need 2 or 3 more. Please give this outreach project your careful consideration.

October 09: Blessing of the animals. Please bring your pets to be blessed from **noon to 4:00 pm**.

October 09: St. Bart's Boutique sale from 10:00 am to 6:00 pm

October 10: St. Bart's Boutique sale from 10:00 am to 1:00 pm

October 17: JumpStart! - Ohio

The 2015 Vestry/Clergy Leadership Conference. Saturday, October 17, 2015
9:00 am to 3:30 pm at Kalahari Conference Center just south of Sandusky, OH
Entrance B - Zambezi Room. Registration Cost (including lunch) is \$15 for one person. To register go to: <http://2015vcconference.eventbrite.com>.
For additional information call: 216 774 0476

November 8: SHANO will again present the Kirkin' of the Tartans after the 10:30 a.m. service. If you have a tartan you would like to present, please contact Dorothea Kingsbury. All are welcome to participate. There will be a potluck lunch in the parish hall with Scottish entertainment following the service. A sign up sheet posted outside the kitchen.

November 20: Celebration of New Ministry of Fr. Stephen Secaur and St. Bartholomew Episcopal Church, at 7:00 pm. Bishop Arthur B. Williams is Celebrant, Clergy Red Stoles. Reception follows in the Parish Hall.

Thank you very much for all the donations to our Bountiful Blessing Boutique Sale. Also, thank you to those who have volunteered to bake so that we can add a bake sale to the boutique sale.

We will be setting up for the sale Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, October 6, 7 and 8. We welcome your help during the set up and for the sale :

**Friday, October 9th from 10 am to 6 pm and
Saturday, October 10 from 10 am to 1 pm.**

We will especially grateful **help Sunday, October 4th** for those who will remove the white tables and set up the old tables. Again, we ask your help at 1 pm on **Saturday, October 10th**. **To clean up and exchange the tables.**

Celebrant: The Rev. Stephen Secaur
Eucharistic Ministers: Betsy Limmex (8:00) and Wendy Charny (10:30)
Lectors: Diane Bellas (8:00) Gloria Knapp, Tom Robinson (10:30)
Acolyte: Lucy Bailey
Ushers: Jack and Betty Rendlesham
Teller: Tom Robinson *Organist:* Aleksandr Leybkind

THE NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

04 October 2015

Welcome! Please enter the nave quietly and reverently as there may be people already in prayer and contemplation.

Thank you for worshiping with us today. Your presence is important to all of us. If you are just passing through, we wish you Godspeed on your travels and hope that you will join us whenever you return. If you live in this area and are new to this parish, we welcome you and invite you to make Saint Bartholomew your church home. If you are a long-time member who has been gone for a while, welcome home--we've missed you! And if you are a member of this parish who generally shows up every week, thank you for your commitment to our parish family--well done, good and faithful servant!

About Today's Lessons

The primary theme today in the Gospel is marriage. Here we are not to think simplistically of the varied forms of the human institution of marriage found in different periods of history. We are instead focused on the biblical understanding of God's will for marriage as a union between two people which creates a new, complex personality out of the two. Jesus' disapproval of divorce is clear and uncompromising. We may note that, in the words of Professor Reginald Fuller, "It is often the current institutionalized form of marriage that many people are really rejecting, not marriage as intended by God."

The first reading continues our exploration of the part of the Hebrew scriptures known as the Writings. Today we begin reading the Book of Job, a brief story that seeks to understand why bad things happen to good people. We are introduced to Job and to the strange wager between God and Satan that leads to the testing of righteous Job's faith.

We find in our worship that the Christian message is a call to put aside the conventions of human society and to take up the new life of God's kingdom. That new life calls us to rethink all aspects of our ways of living, even our views of marriage. Those who live in committed lifetime relationships must be certain that what they seek is the relationship God wills and not simply the conventional understanding of the world.

Our worship together is the clearest sign that we are responding to God's call to be different from the world even as we live in it. A gathering of people which welcomes everyone to a common table is not conventional. It is a sign of God's kingdom.

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Worship through the Week

A guide for Prayer and Study at Home

We pray for those who are infirm, and for the continued healing of:

Richard and Mary, Ben and Dorothy, Frank, Kristen, Ed and Drew, Michelle and Josh, Laura and Jeff, Jonathan Dana Leila and family, Dottie, Betty, Bill, Fr. Jim, Maisie, Rob, Carol, Lou, Will, Jan, Kelly, Kim, Jean, Alice, Shirley, Lauren, John, Gavin, Marie, Cathy, Laura, Brian, Kevin, Laurie, Jane, Vince, Jim, Annie, Tom, Val, Ali, LaDell, Shirley, Alfred, Beth, Liam, Pat, Brooke, Brigid, Kenny, Jessica, Jill, Theresa, Julie, Charlotte, Heidi, Julie, Kenny, Mary Allen, Halle, Leslie, ...

And we offer our thanksgivings for your many blessings upon us especially for:

The September 27th offering of \$1,458.00 and the attendance was 48.

The birthdays of Nancy Nicholls, ...

The anniversary of ...

We pray for those serving in the Armed Forces...

Lt. Colonel Dan Knaup, Corporal Jason Thompson, Major David Marcinski, Sgt. Mark Ditchman, Pvt 2nd Class Kyle Lewis, Col. Howard Pearce, Quartermaster Mike Thoumire, Lieutenant Joanna Chmielecki, Staff Sgt. Paul Workman, Seaman Kyle Knowlton, Senior Airman Rebecca Voigt, Pvt. Jack Rolf, Lance Corporal Anthony Worst.

We also bless thy holy Name for all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear, especially:

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and those who have died this week in the service of their country.

Outreach – Giving Tree: For the month of **October** we will be collecting **peanut butter and jams or jelly**.

Thanks so much for the outpouring of gifts to the Giving Tree.

The Shawl Ministry: Do you like to knit, crochet and pray? Please consider joining a group of women from St. Bart's and other surrounding churches as we create prayer shawls. We meet here at St. Bart's at 7:00 p.m. every 1st and 3rd Wednesday. As shawls are created, we share shawl stories and pray over each shawl. If you know of an individual, a group or an institution that may benefit from a shawl blessed with love and prayers, please let one of us know or pick one up in the library.

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Strengthen the faithful, arouse the careless, and restore the penitent. Grant us all things necessary for our common life, and bring us all to be of one heart and mind within your holy Church; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

If there is an enclosure (envelope or separate sheet) in the announcement folder, and you do not plan to use it at this time, please leave it on the table in back, instead of the trash. We can save a lot of paper that way. Thanks!

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

05	Monday	6:00 pm	Yoga with Betty Rendlesham
		2:00 - 7:00 pm	The Groovy Garfoose
06	Tuesday	7:30 pm	Jewelry Making Class
			William Tyndale, 1536, and Miles Coverdale, 1568
07	Wednesday	3:00 pm	Office Open Franco
		6:00 pm	Jenny Dance
08	Thursday	7:00 pm	SHANO monthly meeting (D. Kingsbury)
			Henry Melchoir Muhlenberg, Lutheran Pastor in N.A. 1787
09	Friday	2:00 - 7:00 pm	The Groovy Garfoose (Music Therapy)
		4:30 pm	West Side Shared Ministry - St. Luke's
10	Saturday	7:00 pm	Prayer Shawl Ministry
			William Dwight Porter Bliss, Priest, 1926
11	Sunday	8:00 am	Thursday Morning Cleaning Crew
		8:00 am	Office open - Boyd
09	Friday	6:00 pm	Yoga with Betty Rendlesham
			Wilfred Thomason Grenfell, Medical Missionary, 1940
10	Saturday	9:00 am	Morning Prayer
		10:00 - 6:00 pm	Boutique Sale
11	Sunday		Vida Dulton Scudder, Educator and Witness for Peace, 1954
		10:00 - 1:00 pm	Boutique Sale
11	Sunday		THE TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
		8:00 am	Holy Eucharist, Rite I
11	Sunday	9:15 am	Bible Study
		9:15 am	Choir Practice
11	Sunday	10:30 am	Holy Eucharist, Rite II

This Week's Readings

From the Daily Office for the week of October 5th through October 11th, 2015

Monday: Psalm 106:1-18; 106:19-48 2 Kings 21:1-18; 1 Cor. 10:14-11:1; Matt. 8:28-34	Friday: Psalm 140, 142; 141, 143:1-11 2 Kings 23:36-24:17; 1 Cor. 12:12-26; Matt 9:27-34
Tuesday : Psalm 120, 121, 122, 123, 124, 125, 126, 127 - 2 Kings 22:1-13; 1 Cor. 11:2,17-22; Matt. 9:1-8	Saturday: Psalm 137:1-6, 144, 104 Jer. 35:1-19; 1 Cor. 12:27-13:3; Matt 9:35-10:4
Wednesday : Psalm 119:145-176; 128, 130 2 Kings 22:14-23:3; 1 Cor. 11:23-34; Matt. 9:9 -17	Sunday: Psalm 118, 145 2 Kings 20:1-21; Acts 12:1-17; Luke 7:11-17
Thursday: Psalm 131, 132, 133; 134, 135 2 Kings 23:4-25; 1 Cor. 12:1-11; Matt. 9:18-26	

How to use the Daily Office: For each day, the Psalms are split into AM (morning) and PM (evening) readings by the "&" You may read them this way or together at one time. Optional readings are in [brackets]. Below the Psalms you have an Old Testament, New Testament, and Gospel reading for each day. The entire Bible can be read in two years following this format from the Book of Common Prayer.