

SAINT LUKE’S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

RITE II – HOLY EUCHARIST THE SECOND SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY 18 JANUARY 2026 – 10:00AM

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*God calls us the people of St. Luke’s
to open wide our doors in the name of Christ:
To all who are young or old and need counsel:
To all who are strong and want a task;
To all who are lonely, weak or mourn and need comfort;
To all who are sinful and need a Savior;
To all who are weary and need rest;
To all who are left out and need acceptance;
To all who are grateful and need a place to give thanks and pray;
To all who are called by worship of the Lord into community outreach;
To all in Christ’s name we say “WELCOME.”*

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ORDER OF SERVICE

PRELUDE

O Lamm Gottes
(O Lamb of God, innocent) P. 393

PACHELBEL

OPENING HYMN #443

From God Christ’s deity came forth

SALEM HARBOR

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Blessed are you, our holy and living God.
You come to your people and set us free.

COLLECT FOR PURITY

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.** Let us pray: *(A moment of silence.)* Almighty God, whose Son our Savior Jesus Christ is the light of the world: Grant that your people, illumined by your Word and Sacraments, may shine with the radiance of Christ's glory, that he may be known, worshiped, and obeyed to the ends of the earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE WORD OF GOD

(Please be seated for the readings.)

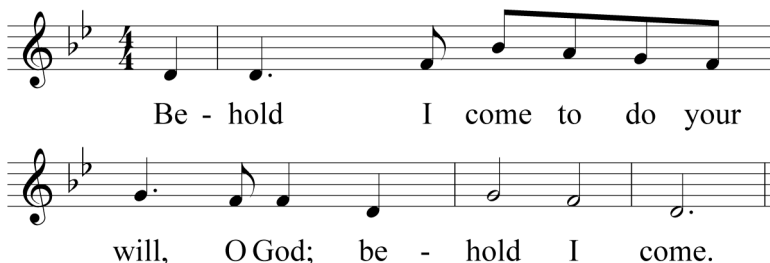
THE HEBREW SCRIPTURE**ISAIAH 49:1-7**

Listen to me, O coastlands, pay attention, you peoples from far away! The LORD called me before I was born, while I was in my mother's womb he named me. He made my mouth like a sharp sword, in the shadow of his hand he hid me; he made me a polished arrow, in his quiver he hid me away. And he said to me, "You are my servant Israel, in whom I will be glorified." But I said, "I have labored in vain, I have spent my strength for nothing and vanity; yet surely my cause is with the LORD, and my reward with my God."

And now the LORD says, who formed me in the womb to be his servant, to bring Jacob back to him, and that Israel might be gathered to him, for I am honored in the sight of the LORD, and my God has become my strength--he says, "It is too light a thing that you should be my servant to raise up the tribes of Jacob and to restore the survivors of Israel; I will give you as a light to the nations, that my salvation may reach to the end of the earth."

Thus says the LORD, the Redeemer of Israel and his Holy One, to one deeply despised, abhorred by the nations, the slave of rulers, "Kings shall see and stand up, princes, and they shall prostrate themselves, because of the LORD, who is faithful, the Holy One of Israel, who has chosen you."

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 40**PORTLAND PSALTER**

¹ I waited patiently upon the LORD; *
 he stooped to me and heard my cry.

² He lifted me out of the desolate pit, out of the mire and clay; *
 he set my feet upon a high cliff and made my footing sure. **REFRAIN**

³ He put a new song in my mouth, a song of praise to our God; *
 many shall see, and stand in awe, and put their trust in the LORD.

⁴ Happy are they who trust in the LORD! *
 they do not resort to evil spirits or turn to false gods. **REFRAIN**

⁵ Great things are they that you have done, O LORD my God!
 how great your wonders and your plans for us! *
 there is none who can be compared with you.

⁶ Oh, that I could make them known and tell them! *
 but they are more than I can count. **REFRAIN**

⁷ In sacrifice and offering you take no pleasure *
 you have given me ears to hear you;

⁸ Burnt-offering and sin-offering you have not required, *
 and so I said, "Behold, I come. **REFRAIN**

⁹ In the roll of the book it is written concerning me: *
 'I love to do your will, O my God; your law is deep in my heart.'"

¹⁰ I proclaimed righteousness in the great congregation; *
 behold, I did not restrain my lips; and that, O LORD, you know. **REFRAIN**

THE EPISTLE

1 CORINTHIANS 1:1 – 9

Paul greets the members of the Christian community in Corinth and offers thanksgiving for their growth in Christ. He reminds these disciples of their high calling and expresses his gratitude for their spiritual enrichment.

Paul, called to be an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and our brother Sosthenes, To the church of God that is in Corinth, to those who are sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be saints, together with all those who in every place call on the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, both their Lord and ours: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that has been given you in Christ Jesus, for in every way you have been enriched in him, in speech and knowledge of every kind-- just as the testimony of Christ has been strengthened among you-- so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ. He will also strengthen you to the end, so that you may be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. God is faithful; by him you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

THE HOLY GOSPEL

JOHN 1:29-42

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.
Glory be to thee, O Lord.

John saw Jesus coming toward him and declared, “Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world! This is he of whom I said, ‘After me comes a man who ranks ahead of me because he was before me.’ I myself did not know him; but I came baptizing with water for this reason, that he might be revealed to Israel.” And John testified, “I saw the Spirit descending from heaven like a dove, and it remained on him. I myself did not know him, but the one who sent me to baptize with water said to me, ‘He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain is the one who baptizes with the Holy Spirit.’ And I myself have seen and have testified that this is the Son of God.”

The next day John again was standing with two of his disciples, and as he watched Jesus walk by, he exclaimed, “Look, here is the Lamb of God!” The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus. When Jesus turned and saw them following, he said to them, “What are you looking for?” They said to him, “Rabbi” (which translated means Teacher), “where are you staying?” He said to them, “Come and see.” They came and saw where he was staying, and they remained with him that day. It was about four o’clock in the afternoon. One of the two who heard John speak and followed him was Andrew, Simon Peter’s brother. He first found his brother Simon and said to him, “We have found the Messiah” (which is translated Anointed). He brought Simon to Jesus, who looked at him and said, “You are Simon son of John. You are to be called Cephas” (which is translated Peter).

The Gospel of the Lord
Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON

THE REV. DR. BENJAMIN A. SHAMBAUGH, RECTOR

AN AFFIRMATION OF FAITH BASED ON THE WRITINGS OF DR. KING

The Affirmation and Prayers are from the United Presbyterian Church <http://www.godweb.org/kingprayers.htm>
The Confession is from Enriching our Worship by Church Publishing of the Episcopal Church

I refuse to believe that we are unable to influence the events which surround us.

I refuse to believe that we are so bound to racism and war, that peace, brotherhood and sisterhood are not possible.

I believe there is an urgent need for people to overcome oppression and violence, without resorting to violence and oppression.

I believe that we need to discover a way to live together in peace, a way which rejects revenge, aggression and retaliation. The foundation of this way is love.

I believe that unarmed truth and unconditional love will have the final word in reality. I believe that right temporarily defeated is stronger than evil triumphant.

I believe that peoples everywhere can have three meals a day for their bodies, education and culture for their minds, and dignity, equality and freedom for their spirits.

I believe that what self-centered people have torn down, other-centered people can build up.

By the goodness of God at work within people, I believe that brokenness can be healed. "And the lion and the lamb shall lie down together, and everyone will sit under their own vine and fig tree, and none shall be afraid."

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Martin King had a dream. The ideals of justice and freedom and the belief that all are created equal in the eyes of God are noble principles. But they are meaningless unless they become the personal possession of each one of us.

For Zion's sake I will not keep silent. I will struggle with myself. I will not rest until the dream of justice and freedom becomes my personal dream. I must realize that I am not an innocent bystander. I can help realize the dream by my action, or delay it by inaction.

Martin's dream of a day when people from all races and nations, even the offspring of slaves and former slave owners, can sit at a table as brothers and sisters and find ways of transforming their differences into assets. That was Martin's dream. What is your dream?

My dream is that one day soon I will find a way to stop just celebrating the dream and start living it. It must become a part of my daily life; or nothing much will change.

The dream is not about an ideal world; it is about the real world. Martin King's poetic refrain, "I Have a Dream," is a call for us to remember the real world where injustice abounds.

When I am in the shelter of my home I must remember the homeless. When I eat, I must remember the hungry. When I feel secure I must remember the insecure. When I see injustice I must remember that it will not stop unless I stop it.

We lift to you those who have asked us for prayers of healing and comfort, all those on our parish prayer list (*pause*), the members of our armed forces serving at home and abroad, and all those affected by violence and war. We pray for the people of Ukraine, Israel, Gaza, and Venezuela, for the people of Minneapolis and Portland, and for people right here at home. for the end of anti-Semitism and all forms of hatred, and for the outpouring of peace. I have a dream!

I also have a dream. I have a dream that the Holy Spirit will arouse in me that very flame of righteousness that caused Martin King to become a living sacrifice for the freedom and liberation of all of God's Children. Then I will be able to resist injustice everywhere I see it, even within myself.

We pray for those who have died to this life and are born into your heaven, especially *Vi & Bill Johnson, in whose memory the altar flowers have been given to the glory of God by Margo & Art McKenna. We pray for the repose of the souls of Jim Darrell, Pat Regan and Gordon Grant.* Comfort those who miss their physical presence, and bring us all to share in the fullness of your life. **Amen.**

We give you thanks for all that points us towards the beauty of your love, and draws us closer to you. This week we remember those who celebrate birthdays: *Charlotte Bennett, Vincent Vigorita, Stephen K. Lynch, Jr., Sandy Conklin;* and anniversaries: *Charles & Christine Fewell;* bless them with your abundant love. **Amen.**

THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives. We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created. We repent of the evil we have done and the evil done on our behalf. Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ, that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

The peace of the Lord be always with you. **And also with you.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Pie Jesu (from Requiem)
Joy Jones, soprano Carla Wesby, soprano

WEBBER

PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS
All things come from You, O Lord,
And of Your own have we given to You.

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER C

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.**

God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.
Glory to you for ever and ever.

At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.
By your will they were created and have their being.

From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.
Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.

Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.
By his blood, he reconciled us.
By his wounds, we are healed.

And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

SANCTUS

Holy, holy, holy Lord...
(The congregation may kneel or stand.)

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And so, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, 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, gave thanks, 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."

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,
We celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of his coming.

Lord God of our Fathers and Mothers, God of Abraham and Sarah, Isaac and Rebekah, Jacob, Leah and Rachel; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.

Accept these prayers and praises, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation. **Amen.**

THE LORD’S PRAYER

As our Savior 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, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.**

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

AGNUS DEI

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COMMUNION ANTHEMS

Gracious Spirit, Heavenly Dove

PURIFOY

Behold the Lamb

WILLETT

POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER *(The people may stand or kneel.)* Let us pray: **Eternal God, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now in-**

to the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE BLESSING

Go forth into the world in peace, be of good courage. Hold fast to that which is good. Render to no one evil for evil. Strengthen the fainthearted. Support the weak, help the afflicted, honor all persons. Love and serve the Lord, rejoicing always in the power of the Holy Spirit. And may the blessing of God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit be with you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

RECESSIONAL HYMN #599

Lift every voice and sing

LIFT EVERY VOICE

THE SENDING FORTH

Go in the peace to love and serve of the Lord.
Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE

Toccata on “Veni Creator”

DEMESSIEUX

Eucharistic Ministers: *Lys Marigold (First Reading), Dianne Benson (Prayers)*

Second Reading: *Kirby Marcantonio*

Acolytes: *Amayrani Martinez, Victor de Avila*

Greeters: *Brian Craig, Jim Blauvelt*

Altar Guild: *Gail & Roy Parker, Diane Russo*

THE FOLLOWING REQUEST OUR PRAYERS FOR GOD’S LOVING AND HEALING MERCY:

George Kneip, Ken Miller, Evelina Langdale, Charles Lewis, Robbie Balnis, Nick Marlin, Keith Scott, Courtney Wessling, Martin Foggo, Jeffrey Lane, Mark Gregory, Mary Libby, Jose, David, Edmond L. Craig, III, Joanne, Jack, Michael Swerdlow, Mary Mason, Rachelle Rainville, Sara Babin, Laurie Rosen, Denny Kiner, Margeurite Kelly, Jean Budd, John McNally, Terry Ash

NOTICES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

MARTIN LUTHER KING INTERFAITH CELEBRATION TODAY

This year the annual MLK program will be held on Jan 18 at 4pm at Calvary Baptist Church, 60 Spinner Lane, East Hampton. The Rev. Trevon Ferguson, Calvary's new pastor, will be the host. Father Ben will give the welcome. A light supper will follow. All are welcome!

LUNCH VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR MAUREEN'S HAVEN OUTREACH

Come and join us! Sundays, January 4, 11, 18, 25 after 10am service. Wednesdays, January 7, 14, 21, 28 after 10am service. There is a signup sheet in the fireplace room for making lunches or delivering them to Bridgehampton. For more information, see Tina Giles or Hersey Egginton. Any donations to help with this outreach would be appreciated. Suggestions: small bottles of water, juice boxes, chips, cookies, bread, hand warmers, granola bars, fruit, sandwich bags, inspirational messages on a card, turkey, ham, cheese, baked goods etc. (Leave items labeled "Bag Lunch" on the cart in the coat closet.)

THE ADULT FORUM: 9:00-9:45 ON SUNDAY MORNINGS

Come and discuss the lessons read at Sunday morning services.

BIBLE STUDY—HOW DID EARLY CHRISTIANITY IMPACT JUDAISM?

Join Salvatore Tocci on Saturday February 7th from 9:00 to 10:30 in the Vestry room as we discuss how the spread of Christianity in the Roman Empire led to the persecution of the Jews. We will read passages from the New Testament and the historical record to examine how they portrayed the Jews.

Those not able to attend in person can join via Zoom with this link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83381404394> pwd=CqVBXLTT9RWapW4FbaMKRtvX2GteDp.1

LOOKING AHEAD - MARCH 30 - A COMBINED SEDER WITH THE JEWISH CENTER OF THE HAMPTONS AND ST. LUKE'S -

Rabbi Josh Franklin and Father Ben are looking at opportunities to do events together before Rabbi Josh leaves to his new congregation. One of these will be a combined Seder, Monday of Holy Week in Hoie Hall. Stay tuned for more information.

FREE YOGA CLASSES

Free Yoga classes are offered at St. Luke's on **Thursdays at noon**. Classes are specifically designed for people in their 60s, 70s, and 80s, though all adults are welcome!

STEWARDSHIP UPDATE
January 2026

Dear friends,

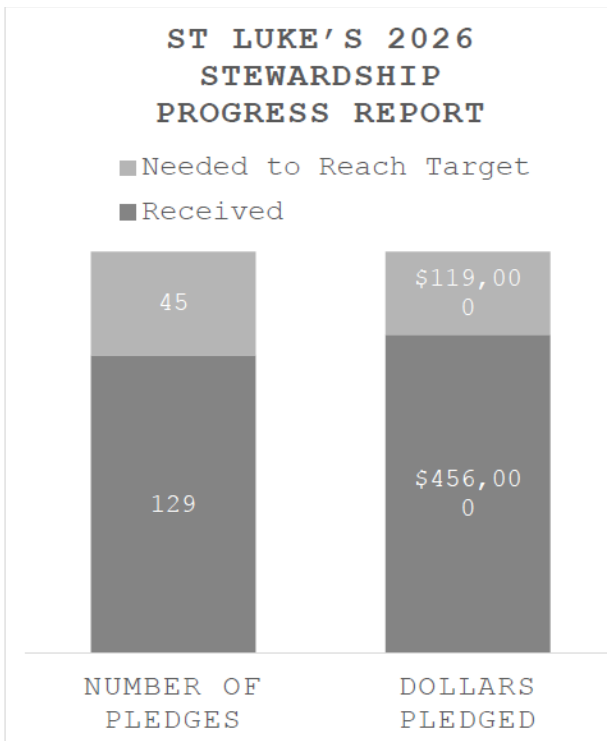
In a still infant new year the lingering glow of Christmas warms this season of Epiphanytide. Wintry days begin, just barely begin, to lengthen again. And it is a delight to report that many, many of you have already submitted stewardship commitments to St. Luke's for 2026. Thank you for your generous pledges!

We are four-fifths (80%) of the way to our 2026 pledge goal.

Making this a fit time for a gentle reminder. If you have not submitted a stewardship pledge for 2026, please remember to do that as soon as you are able. And if you discern that your existing pledge could be enhanced, that will be welcome. Father Ben and the vestry are deliberating upcoming budget matters, so pledging now is very timely.

We confidently look forward to hearing from all 37 members who pledged last year that have not yet submitted their 2026 pledge. If such members collectively pledge at least the same amount as last year we will readily achieve our aims. Please consider an increment to last year's pledge to account for inflation as well as members whose ability to pledge may have diminished.

Blessings of Epiphany,
Dan Mongan, Co-Chair



GREETERS AT 10AM

This lovely opportunity is open to everyone. It is another way to connect with one another, wear your Sunday best and get to know Oscar. Please sign up for a future date or email Dianne Benson at dianneb724@icloud.com for your place on the schedule.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

January 18 - Martin Luther King Service, Calvary Baptist Church
January 30 & 31, February 1 - This Land Is Your Land, Hoie Hall
February 3 - Community Dinner at EHFD, 5-7pm
February 6 - EHHF Healthcare Fair, 10am-2pm
February 7 - Bible Study with Sal Tocci, 9-10:30am
February 12 - Souper Supper at Most Holy Trinity 5-7
March 30 - Seder Supper with JCOH, details to come

CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH OF EAST HAMPTON

**ANNUAL ECUMENICAL
M.L.K. SCHOLARSHIP SERVICE**

SUNDAY, JANUARY 18TH 2026
4:00 PM
60 Spinner Lane, East Hampton, NY 11937

M.L.K. DAY CHAIRPERSON
SISTER AMANDA HAYES

KEYNOTE SPEAKER
REV. TREVON C. FERGUSON
PASTOR, CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH

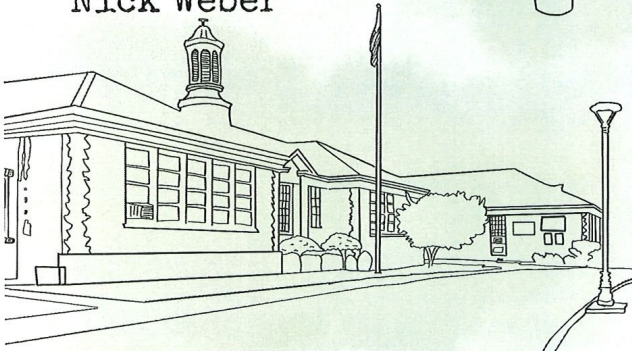
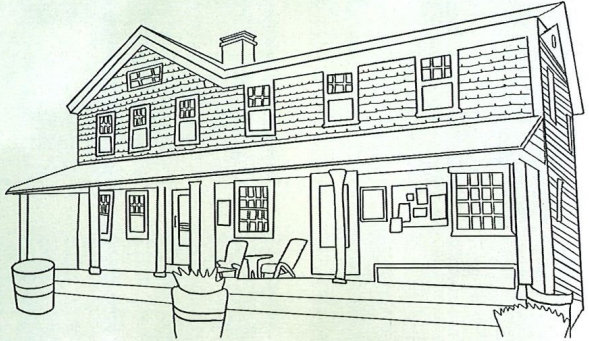
"If you can't fly, then run. If you can't run, then walk. If you can't walk, then crawl, but whatever you do, you have to keep moving."
-Martin Luther King Jr.

Accabonac Theater Project Presents

This Land Is Your Land

By Jonathan Shoemaker

A trio of short plays
directed by
Tracey Toomey McQuade
Jonathan Shoemaker
Nick Weber

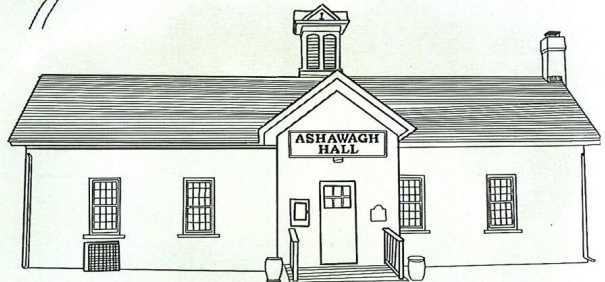



Performances

1/30 at 7pm

1/31 at 7pm

2/1 at 5pm



 Hoie Hall, St. Luke's Episcopal Church, East Hampton NY

Information and tickets at
www.accabonactheater.org

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FEBRUARY 12

MARCH 12 5 TO 7 PM

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& GRAZE**

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When: 5:00pm to 7:00pm

Tuesday, November 18, 2025

Tuesday, December 02, 2025

Tuesday, January 13, 2026

Tuesday February 03, 2026

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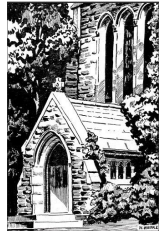
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REGULAR SCHEDULE OF WORSHIP

Sunday Eucharist - 8 a.m. (Rite I) & 10 a.m. (Rite II)

Wednesday Eucharist Service - 10 a.m. (Rite II)

Saturday at St. Peter's Chapel (Memorial Day-Labor Day) - 5:30 p.m. (Rite II)

VESTRY

Brian Craig, Senior Warden, David Mellgard, Junior Warden

Lucy Kazickas, Martha Murray, Eileen O'Reilly (2026)

John Hadden (Treasurer), Dan Mongan, Roy Parker (2027)

Caroline Dean, Hersey Egginton, Kitt Zuk (2028)

STAFF

The Rev. Dr. Benjamin A. Shambaugh, Rector

Robert Peterson, Music Director | Tara Brinka, Parish Administrator

Colleen Stonemetz, Christian Ed. Director | Oscar Giles, Verger

DIGITAL GIVING TO SUPPORT OUR MINISTRIES

Your time, talent, and treasure are vital for St. Luke's to bring the Good News of Christ Jesus to the people of East Hampton and the world. You can contribute via the QR code below or by using Venmo (@StLukesEHNY). Or you can support our ministries by giving via our parish website: www.stlukeseasthampton.org.



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