

**SAINT LUKE'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH**  
**RITE I - HOLY EUCHARIST - 8:00 AM**  
**THE FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY**  
**8 FEBRUARY 2026**

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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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**THE ORDER OF WORSHIP**

**PRELUDE**

*Prelude in Classic Style*

**YOUNG**

**OPENING ACCLAMATION**

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.  
And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

**COLLECT FOR PURITY**

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

Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ saith: Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it: Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

**Christ, have mercy upon us.**

Lord, have mercy upon us.

### COLLECT OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.** Let us pray: (*Silence is appropriate.*) Set us free, O God, from the bondage of our sins, and give us the liberty of that abundant life which you have made known to us in your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

### THE WORD OF GOD

*(Please be seated for the readings from the Scripture.)*

#### THE HEBREW SCRIPTURE

**ISAIAH 58:1 - 12**

Shout out, do not hold back!

Lift up your voice like a trumpet!

Announce to my people their rebellion,  
to the house of Jacob their sins.

Yet day after day they seek me  
and delight to know my ways,

as if they were a nation that practiced righteousness  
and did not forsake the ordinance of their God;

they ask of me righteous judgments,  
they delight to draw near to God.

“Why do we fast, but you do not see?

Why humble ourselves, but you do not notice?”

Look, you serve your own interest on your fast day,  
and oppress all your workers.

Look, you fast only to quarrel and to fight  
and to strike with a wicked fist.

Such fasting as you do today  
will not make your voice heard on high.

Is such the fast that I choose,  
a day to humble oneself?

Is it to bow down the head like a bulrush,  
and to lie in sackcloth and ashes?

Will you call this a fast,  
a day acceptable to the LORD?

Is not this the fast that I choose:  
    to loose the bonds of injustice,  
    to undo the thongs of the yoke,  
to let the oppressed go free,  
    and to break every yoke?

Is it not to share your bread with the hungry,  
    and bring the homeless poor into your house;  
when you see the naked, to cover them,  
    and not to hide yourself from your own kin?

Then your light shall break forth like the dawn,  
    and your healing shall spring up quickly;  
your vindicator shall go before you,  
    the glory of the LORD shall be your rear guard.

Then you shall call, and the LORD will answer;  
    you shall cry for help, and he will say, Here I am.

If you remove the yoke from among you,  
    the pointing of the finger, the speaking of evil,  
if you offer your food to the hungry  
    and satisfy the needs of the afflicted,  
then your light shall rise in the darkness  
    and your gloom be like the noonday.

The LORD will guide you continually,  
    and satisfy your needs in parched places,  
    and make your bones strong;

and you shall be like a watered garden,  
    like a spring of water,  
    whose waters never fail.

Your ancient ruins shall be rebuilt;  
    you shall raise up the foundations of many generations;  
you shall be called the repairer of the breach,  
    the restorer of streets to live in.

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

## PSALM 112

<sup>1</sup> Hallelujah! Happy are they who fear the Lord \*  
    and have great delight in his commandments!

<sup>2</sup> Their descendants will be mighty in the land; \*  
    the generation of the upright will be blessed.

<sup>3</sup> Wealth and riches will be in their house, \*  
and their righteousness will last for ever.

<sup>4</sup> **Light shines in the darkness for the upright;** \*  
**the righteous are merciful and full of compassion.**

<sup>5</sup> It is good for them to be generous in lending \*  
and to manage their affairs with justice.

<sup>6</sup> **For they will never be shaken;** \*  
**the righteous will be kept in everlasting remembrance.**

<sup>7</sup> They will not be afraid of any evil rumors; \*  
their heart is right; they put their trust in the Lord.

<sup>8</sup> **Their heart is established and will not shrink,** \*  
**until they see their desire upon their enemies.**

<sup>9</sup> They have given freely to the poor, \*  
and their righteousness stands fast for ever;  
they will hold up their head with honor.

<sup>10</sup> **The wicked will see it and be angry;**  
**they will gnash their teeth and pine away;** \*  
**the desires of the wicked will perish.**

## THE EPISTLE

## 1 CORINTHIANS 2:1 - 16

When I came to you, brothers and sisters, I did not come proclaiming the mystery of God to you in lofty words or wisdom. For I decided to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ, and him crucified. And I came to you in weakness and in fear and in much trembling. My speech and my proclamation were not with plausible words of wisdom, but with a demonstration of the Spirit and of power, so that your faith might rest not on human wisdom but on the power of God.

Yet among the mature we do speak wisdom, though it is not a wisdom of this age or of the rulers of this age, who are doomed to perish. But we speak God's wisdom, secret and hidden, which God decreed before the ages for our glory. None of the rulers of this age understood this; for if they had, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory. But, as it is written,

“What no eye has seen, nor ear heard,  
nor the human heart conceived,  
what God has prepared for those who love him”—

these things God has revealed to us through the Spirit; for the Spirit searches everything, even the depths of God. For what human being

knows what is truly human except the human spirit that is within? So also no one comprehends what is truly God's except the Spirit of God. Now we have received not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit that is from God, so that we may understand the gifts bestowed on us by God. And we speak of these things in words not taught by human wisdom but taught by the Spirit, interpreting spiritual things to those who are spiritual.

Those who are unspiritual do not receive the gifts of God's Spirit, for they are foolishness to them, and they are unable to understand them because they are spiritually discerned. Those who are spiritual discern all things, and they are themselves subject to no one else's scrutiny.

"For who has known the mind of the Lord so as to instruct him?"

But we have the mind of Christ.

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

**SEQUENCE HYMN**

*Eye Has Not Seen*

**BULLETIN P. 12**

**THE HOLY GOSPEL** *(Please stand.)*

**MATTHEW 5:13 - 20**

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

Jesus said, "You are the salt of the earth; but if salt has lost its taste, how can its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything, but is thrown out and trampled under foot."

You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hid. No one after lighting a lamp puts it under the bushel basket, but on the lampstand, and it gives light to all in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven.

"Do not think that I have come to abolish the law or the prophets; I have come not to abolish but to fulfill. For truly I tell you, until heaven and earth pass away, not one letter, not one stroke of a letter, will pass from the law until all is accomplished. Therefore, whoever breaks one of the least of these commandments, and teaches others to do the same, will be called least in the kingdom of heaven; but whoever does them and teaches them will be called great in the kingdom of heaven. For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven."

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

## AFFIRMATION OF FAITH AND PRAYERS FOR BLACK HISTORY MONTH

Today we are using an *Affirmation of Faith* from *Daily Prayer for All Seasons* approved by the General Convention and Black History Month from the Church of England <https://www.churchofengland.org/sites/default/files/2021-10/liturgical-resources-for-black-history-month-final.pdf>

### AN AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

**We are not alone; we live in God's world.**

**We believe in God: who has created and is creating, who has come in Jesus, the Word made flesh, to reconcile and make new, who works in us and others by the Spirit.**

**We trust in God.**

**We are called to be the Church: to celebrate God's presence, to live with respect in creation, to love and serve others, to seek justice and resist evil, to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen, our judge and our hope.**

**In life, in death, in life beyond death, God is with us. We are not alone. Thanks be to God.**

### THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

God of all peoples, whose Son reached across the ethnic boundaries between Samaritan, Roman and Jew, help us to break down the barriers in our communities, enable us to see the reality of racism and bigotry, and free us to challenge and uproot it from ourselves, our society and our world.

**Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.**

We pray for all victims of racial hatred, anti-Semitism and other forms of discrimination, and we seek your protection for those affected in our churches, our schools, our places of work and our communities.

**Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.**

We pray for all in our world, of whatever race or background, who suffer the horrors of modern slavery. Your Son came to bring good news to the poor and freedom for the oppressed. We pray for all working to combat modern slavery and to end human trafficking: for governments and agencies, for Church and other faith leaders, for businesses, charities and in-

dividuals.

Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for ourselves. May we be voices against oppression and channels of the transforming power of the gospel. Open our hearts to all who suffer in our midst but out of sight. Help us to work for a world where human beings are valued, where no one is enslaved, and no one used against their will for another's pleasure or need.

Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We pray that we may know the power of reconciliation. Wherever there is division between us and others, we pray that we may all be led to reconciliation. We pray for all who work to bring communities together in ways that are just and equal for all.

Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

As we pray for reconciliation, we pray also for restoration. We pray for those whose spirits and communities have been weighed down by racism. Guide us as we strive to ensure everyone has equal dignity. We pray for those on our parish prayer list, and for *Vincent & Mary Byrnes and Joe & Joan Iannone, in whose memory the altar flower shave been given to the Glory of God by Rob & Kathy Byrnes.*

Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for those this week celebrating birthdays: *Brian Niggles, Andrea Robinson, Robert Schurr, Carl Gatlin, Jr., Barbara Ascher:* and anniversaries: *Jeffrey & Barbara Sussman.*

Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

### **PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND LAMENT**

God of all, we confess that we have inherited a faith that was used to justify the theft of native lands and the enslavement of your people. We recognize that we are worshipping on what was the home of the Montaukett people, that some of the money that built this church and this town came from industry related to slavery, and that slavery occurred right here, in plain sight. From this sin, we ask for deliverance.

**Forgive us for where we have failed to understand, Lord, and in your mercy, set us free.**

Touch hearts that have been shriveled by generations of suppressed empathy, and eyes that have lost the ability to see brothers and sisters who suffer from systemic injustice.

**Forgive us for where we have failed to understand, Lord, and in your mercy, set us free.**

Grant us courage to renounce the false teaching that we can somehow know you without being committed to justice for all people.

**Forgive us for where we have failed to understand, Lord, and in your mercy, set us free.**

In your mercy, help us mourn the divisions among the body of your Son, and work for healing in the places where we gather to worship you.

**Forgive us for where we have failed to understand, Lord, and in your mercy, set us free.**

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

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

## THE HOLY COMMUNION

**OFFERTORY HYMN LEVAS #221**

*This Little Light of Mine*

**THE GREAT THANKSGIVING PRAYER I**

**BCP 333**

**THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**BCP 336**

**THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD**

**BCP 337**

## THE INVITATION TO HOLY COMMUNION

Words of welcome (from the Iona Community): “Come to this table, you who have much faith and you who would like to have more; you who have been here often and you who have not been here for a long time; you who have tried to follow Jesus and you who have failed. Come. It is Christ who invites us to meet him here.” Gluten-free hosts are available for those who need them. If you do not wish to receive wine, or only wish a blessing, cross your hands over your chest as you come forward.

**HYMN #325**      *Let us break bread together on our knees***THE POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER**

Let us pray. Almighty and ever living God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

**THE BLESSING & SENDING FORTH**

The peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be amongst you, and remain with you always. Amen.

Let us go in peace to love and serve the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

*Eucharistic Ministers: Roy Parker (First Reading),  
Dan Mongan (Prayers)  
Second Reading: Marshall Watson  
Altar Guild: Lynn Jerome, Diane Tutino*

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

*George Kneip, Ken Miller, Jeffrey Lane, Mark Gregory, Mary Libby,  
Edmond L. Craig, III, Joanne, Jack, Michael Swerdlow, Denny Kiner,  
Margeurite Kelly, John McNally, Terry Ash, Chance Lauer*

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## **NOTICES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **ALTAR FLOWER DEDICATION**

The next two Sundays are available for Altar Flower Dedication. If you would like to sign up, please email Tara Brinka, Parish Administrator, at [office@stlukeseasthampton.org](mailto:office@stlukeseasthampton.org)

### **BIBLE STUDY—WHO KILLED JESUS?**

Join us on **Saturday March 7<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 to 10:30** as we investigate the question: Who killed Jesus? The three suspects are the Jews, the Jewish religious authorities, and the Romans. A “prosecutor” will present evidence against each suspect, while a “defense lawyer” will give reasons to exonerate. Both “lawyers” will provide evidence from the letters of Paul, the Gospels, and the historical record. You will be the jury. After hearing all the evidence, you must reach a unanimous decision as to who is guilty. The “trial” will take place in the Vestry meeting room. Those not able to attend can watch the proceedings live with this link: <https://us02web.zoom.usj/83381404394pwd=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**.

## MARK YOUR CALENDARS

February 12 - THFM Concert, 6pm, Hoie Hall  
February 17 - Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper, 6pm, Hoie Hall  
February 18 - Ash Wednesday 10am, 7pm, Ashes to Go 7am, 12pm  
March 6 - EHHF Healthcare Fair, 10am-2pm, Hoie Hall  
March 7 - Bible Study with Sal Tocci, 9-10:30am, Vestry Room  
March 30 - Seder Supper with JCOH, details to come

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Logan Souther, Piano

Hoie Hall

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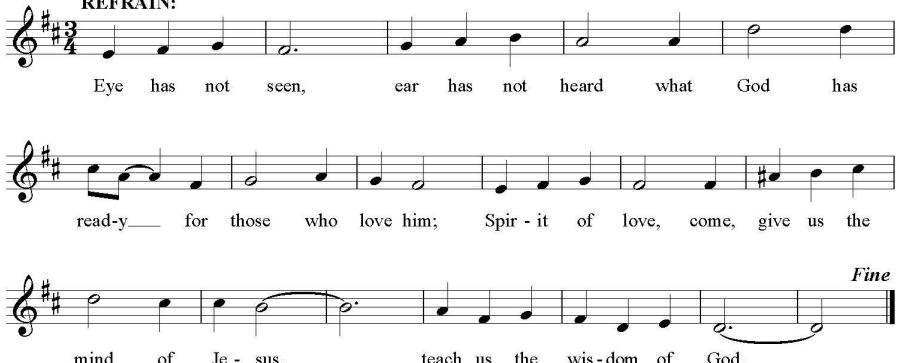
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# Eye Has Not Seen

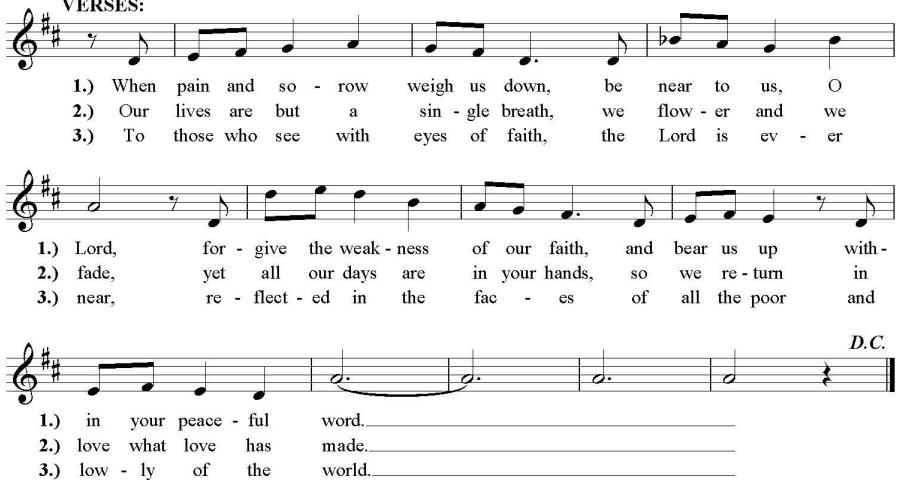
*Composed by  
Marty Haugen*

## REFRAIN:



Eye has not seen, ear has not heard what God has  
ready for those who love him; Spir-it of love, come, give us the  
mind of Je-sus, teach us the wis-dom of God. *Fine*

## VERSES:



1.) When pain and so - row weigh us down, be near to us, O  
2.) Our lives are but a sin - gle breath, we flow - er and we  
3.) To those who see with eyes of faith, the Lord is ev - er

1.) Lord, for - give the weak - ness of our faith, and bear us up with -  
2.) fade, yet all our days are in your hands, so we re - turn in  
3.) near, re - flect - ed in the fac - es of all the poor and

1.) in your peace - ful word.  
2.) love what love has made.  
3.) low - ly of the world. *D.C.*

*Ash Wednesday is February 18  
Miércoles de Ceniza.*



***ASHES TO GO***

*7:00 AM East Hampton Market  
12:00 PM Citarella's*

***ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICES AT ST LUKE'S***

*10:00 AM*

*7:00 PM*

*All are welcome*

*Todos son bienvenidos*

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JOIN US FOR THESE FREE COMMUNITY EVENTS

# Souper Social



A MONTHLY WINTER WARM UP

**JANUARY 8**

**FEBRUARY 12**

**MARCH 12 5 TO 7 PM**

*GET OUT*  
**GATHER**  
**& GRAZE**

**MOST HOLY TRINITY PARRISH HALL**  
**BUELL LANE, EAST HAMPTON**

# EAST HAMPTON FIRE DEPARTMENT

## COMMUNITY DINNER

### EVERYONE WELCOME



**When: 5:00pm to 7:00pm**

**Tuesday, November 18, 2025**

**Tuesday, December 02, 2025**

**Tuesday, January 13, 2026**

**Tuesday February 03, 2026**

**Tuesday, March 03, 2026**

**Where: 1 Cedar Street, East Hampton**  
**East Hampton Fire Department Rear Entrance**  
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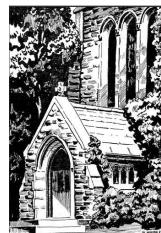
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## **REGULAR SCHEDULE OF WORSHIP**

**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](http://www.stlukeseasthampton.org).



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