

SAINT LUKE'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH
RITE I - HOLY EUCHARIST - 8:00 AM
THE FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT
22 MARCH 2026

*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."*

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

*Today our worship starts with the Penitential Order,
which places the Confession at the beginning of the service.*

PRELUDE

Clair de Lune
(Mvt. 3 from **Suite bergamasque**)

DEBUSSY

THE PENITENTIAL ORDER:

BCP P. 319

Bless the Lord who forgiveth all our sins.
His mercy endureth forever.

THE PENITENTIAL ORDER

Hear what our Lord Jesus 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. *Matthew 22:37-40*

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor. (*Silence may be kept.*) **Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against thee in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we**

have left undone. We have not loved thee with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of thy Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in thy will, and walk in thy ways, to the glory of thy Name. 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.**

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 with thy spirit.** Let us pray: (*Silence is observed.*) Gracious Father, whose blessed Son Jesus Christ came down from heaven to be the true bread which gives life to the world: Evermore give us this bread, that he may live in us, and we in him; who lives and reigns with you and 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

EZEKIEL 37:1-14

The hand of the LORD came upon me, and he brought me out by the spirit of the LORD and set me down in the middle of a valley; it was full of bones. He led me all around them; there were very many lying in the valley, and they were very dry. He said to me, "Mortal, can these bones live?" I answered, "O Lord GOD, you know." Then he said to me, "Prophecy to these bones, and say to them: O dry bones, hear the word of the Lord. Thus says the Lord GOD to these bones: I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live. I will lay sinews on you, and will cause flesh to come upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and you shall live; and you shall know that I am the LORD."

So I prophesied as I had been commanded; and as I prophesied, suddenly there was a noise, a rattling, and the bones came together, bone to its bone. I looked, and there were sinews on them, and flesh had come upon them, and skin had covered them; but there was no breath in them. Then he said to me, "Prophecy to the breath, prophecy, mortal, and say to the

breath: Thus says the Lord GOD: Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe upon these slain, that they may live.” I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived, and stood on their feet, a vast multitude.

Then he said to me, “Mortal, these bones are the whole house of Israel. They say, ‘Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are cut off completely.’ Therefore prophesy, and say to them, Thus says the Lord GOD: I am going to open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people; and I will bring you back to the land of Israel. And you shall know that I am the LORD, when I open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people. I will put my spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you on your own soil; then you shall know that I, the LORD, have spoken and will act,” says the LORD.

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

PSALM 130

DE PROFUNDIS

¹ Out of the depths have I called to you, O LORD;
LORD, hear my voice; *
let your ears consider well the voice of my supplication.

² **If you, LORD, were to note what is done amiss, *
O Lord, who could stand?**

³ For there is forgiveness with you; *
therefore you shall be feared.

⁴ **I wait for the LORD; my soul waits for him; *
in his word is my hope.**

⁵ My soul waits for the LORD,
more than watchmen for the morning, *
more than watchmen for the morning.

⁶ **O Israel, wait for the LORD, *
for with the LORD there is mercy;**

⁷ **With him there is plenteous redemption, *
and he shall redeem Israel from all their sins.**

THE EPISTLE

ROMANS 8:6-11

To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. For this reason the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law-- indeed it cannot, and those who are in the flesh cannot please God. But you are not in the flesh; you are in the Spirit, since the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not

have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. But if Christ is in you, though the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also through his Spirit that dwells in you.

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

SEQUENCE HYMN #508

Breathe on me, Breath of God

THE HOLY GOSPEL

(Please stand, if able.)

JOHN 11:1-45

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

Glory be to thee, O Lord.

Now a certain man was ill, Lazarus of Bethany, the village of Mary and her sister Martha. Mary was the one who anointed the Lord with perfume and wiped his feet with her hair; her brother Lazarus was ill. So the sisters sent a message to Jesus, "Lord, he whom you love is ill." But when Jesus heard it, he said, "This illness does not lead to death; rather it is for God's glory, so that the Son of God may be glorified through it." Accordingly, though Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus, after having heard that Lazarus was ill, he stayed two days longer in the place where he was.

Then after this he said to the disciples, "Let us go to Judea again." The disciples said to him, "Rabbi, the Jews were just now trying to stone you, and are you going there again?" Jesus answered, "Are there not twelve hours of daylight? Those who walk during the day do not stumble, because they see the light of this world. But those who walk at night stumble, because the light is not in them." After saying this, he told them, "Our friend Lazarus has fallen asleep, but I am going there to awaken him." The disciples said to him, "Lord, if he has fallen asleep, he will be all right." Jesus, however, had been speaking about his death, but they thought that he was referring merely to sleep. Then Jesus told them plainly, "Lazarus is dead. For your sake I am glad I was not there, so that you may believe. But let us go to him." Thomas, who was called the Twin, said to his fellow disciples, "Let us also go, that we may die with him."

When Jesus arrived, he found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb four days. Now Bethany was near Jerusalem, some two miles away, and many of the Jews had come to Martha and Mary to console them about their brother. When Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went and

met him, while Mary stayed at home. Martha said to Jesus, “Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. But even now I know that God will give you whatever you ask of him.” Jesus said to her, “Your brother will rise again.” Martha said to him, “I know that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day.” Jesus said to her, “I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?” She said to him, “Yes, Lord, I believe that you are the Messiah, the Son of God, the one coming into the world.”

When she had said this, she went back and called her sister Mary, and told her privately, “The Teacher is here and is calling for you.” And when she heard it, she got up quickly and went to him. Now Jesus had not yet come to the village, but was still at the place where Martha had met him. The Jews who were with her in the house, consoling her, saw Mary get up quickly and go out. They followed her because they thought that she was going to the tomb to weep there. When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him, “Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died.” When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. He said, “Where have you laid him?” They said to him, “Lord, come and see.” Jesus began to weep. So the Jews said, “See how he loved him!” But some of them said, “Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?”

Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. Jesus said, “Take away the stone.” Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, “Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead four days.” Jesus said to her, “Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?” So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upward and said, “Father, I thank you for having heard me. I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me.” When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, “Lazarus, come out!” The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth, and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, “Unbind him, and let him go.”

Many of the Jews therefore, who had come with Mary and had seen what Jesus did, believed in him.

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

AN AFFIRMATION OF FAITH FOR LENT
(from Daily Prayer for All Seasons)

**We believe that Jesus took the form of a servant,
so we commit ourselves to serve others.**

**We believe that God is love,
so we commit ourselves to reconciliation**

**We believe that Jesus gives us his Spirit,
so we commit ourselves to work in the world.**

**We believe that God is the light of life,
so we commit ourselves to bearing God's light in our world**

**We believe that the Spirit speaks through us,
so we commit ourselves to proclaim the good news
of abundant life in the world God loves.**

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

God of hope, help us who struggle in our daily work,
When we lose our purpose, **renew our hope in you.**
When we bow to hatred, **renew our trust in you.**
When we despair of bliss, **renew our joy in you.**
When we take offence at others, **renew our life in you.**
When we compromise our values, **renew our faith in you**
When we cherish regrets, **renew our freedom in you.**
When we surrender to despair, **renew our hope in you.**

As we accept your renewing love, we offer our prayers to you:

We offer prayers of healing and comfort for all our parishioners, especially those on our parish prayer list (*pause*), the members of our armed forces serving at home and abroad, and all those affected by violence, war, and anti-Semitism. We pray for the people of Ukraine, Israel, Gaza, and Iran, and for the outpouring of peace.

God of eternity, we remember those who, healed forever, live with you in the fullness of life. We pray that we too may come, by your grace, to share the life which has no ending.

Renew our life in you.

Lord, we thank you for the extent of your love which has no limits and no exceptions. We remember those who this week celebrate birthdays:

Ellen White, Alyssa Benton, Lucy Short, Susan Crandall, Dana O'Leary, Courtney Wood; and anniversaries, bless them with your abundant love.
Renew our joy in you.

Hold us, and all people, in your loving care
And may we be hope for others.

Renew and strengthen us, eternal God.
As we prepare for resurrection.

God of infinite mercy, we humbly implore you to look down on the nations now engaged in war. Do not count your people's sins against them, but grant them true repentance, that the lusts of the human heart may be conquered by your Spirit of gentleness and righteousness. Give wisdom to our leaders and steadfastness to our people. Watch over and defend our military that they may serve justly and honorably and may come safely home.

Look in pity on all who are suffering during this time of strife. Protect the defenseless, heal the wounded, and sustain the homeless and hungry. We grieve and lament the loss of all who have died, the 13 members of our armed forces who have died, and the 200 members who were wounded. And we pray for all Iranians, Israelis, and victims of war everywhere.

You commanded us to love our enemies, to do good to those who hate us, and to pray for those who persecute us. Give us courage to put that kind of love in action and to work for the peace that passes understanding which comes from you. **Amen.**

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY HYMN

Out of the Depths
Joy Jones, soprano

ROGERS

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.

COMMUNION HYMNS #335*I am the bread of life***#715***When Jesus wept, the falling tear***POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER**

Almighty and everliving 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.

POSTLUDE

Toccata in D minor

BÉLIER

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Eucharistic Ministers: *Martha Murray (First Reading),
Roy Parker (Prayers)*
Second Reading: *Marshall Watson*
Altar Guild: *Charles Riggi, Tina Sukapdjo*

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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,
Marguerite Kelly, John McNally, Terry Ash, Chance Lauer,
Mary Mason, Steve Scott, Caroline Firestone, Karen Bellow*

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NOTICES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

MORNING PRAYER 9AM ON TUESDAYS AND THURSDAYS DURING LENT

We will be having service of Morning Prayer at 9am on Tuesdays and Thursdays during Lent. This is lay led! It's easy and there's even an App for that, as well as "How to" instructions which can be found next to the sign up sheet in the fireplace room.

BIBLE STUDY –JEWISH SEDER AND CHRISTIAN ATONEMENT

In preparation for the Interfaith Seder, on March 30th, join Sal Tocci on Saturday March 28th as we explore the history and ritual of the Jewish Seder. On Saturday April 4th, we will discuss the theological question of why Jesus died. Do Paul and the Gospels say it was to atone for human sins? Or was it for some other reason? Both sessions will take place in the Vestry meeting room from 9:00 to 10:30. Those unable to attend can join via Zoom — you can find the link in our weekly email, or ask Sal Tocci.

LOOKING AHEAD - MARCH 30 AT 6PM - AN INTERFAITH SEDER WITH THE JEWISH CENTER OF THE HAMPTONS AND ST. LUKE'S

Rabbi Josh Franklin and Father Ben will lead an Interfaith Seder, at 6 pm on Monday of Holy Week in Hoie Hall. Registration is required via the QR code on the next page or at jcoh.org/interfaith. Cost \$20/person. There will be a limit of 116 persons so register soon.

A LENTEN SERIES WITH THE PECONIC DEANERY - THURSDAYS AT 7

On Thursdays during Lent, the clergy of the Peconic Deanery (the other Episcopal Churches on the East End) will be hosting a Lenten Series at 7 pm on zoom. The topic this year is the Spiritual tools for today: lessons from Jesus and civil rights leaders. Zoom: Meeting ID: 837 6688 5713, Passcode: ChChBible.

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

Come and discuss the lessons read at Sunday morning services.

YOGA CLASSES

Free Yoga classes for seniors at St. Luke's on Thursdays at noon.

A NEW WOMEN'S GROUP, MONDAY NIGHTS AT 7:00PM



For the Lenten season, St. Luke's will host a casual prayer gathering for women, with no pressure and just time to share thoughts in fellowship. Please join us on Monday evenings at 7:00pm. We will meet in the church for the opportunity and hope to lift one another up.

NEEDED: PARTICIPANTS TO JOIN IN READING THE PASSION PLAY ON PALM SUNDAY

At both the 8am and 10am services on Palm Sunday, March 29, we will be reading the Passion as a play. Interested in taking one of the parts? Contact Caroline Dean or Joan Branche.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS: SUMMER FAIR ON JULY 11

Please mark your calendars and plan to join us for St. Luke's annual Summer Fair on **Saturday, July 11, from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM** on the church lawn.

We are looking for new members to join the Summer Fair Auction Committee. If you would like to help with this important and fun part of the Fair, please contact Caroline Dean, Auction lead at Caroline.L.Dean@gmail.com.

We hope you will join us for this wonderful day of fellowship and community. All are welcome, and we look forward to celebrating together!



Episcopal Relief & Development invites you to develop Holy Habits this Lent.

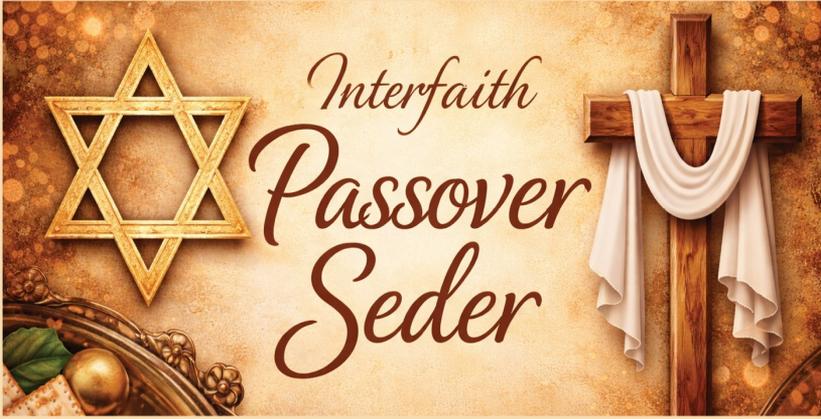
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Written by Sister Monica Clare, an Episcopal nun, author and unlikely TikTok star, our 2026 meditations offer an invitation to rediscover—or deepen—holy habits of prayer, worship and Scripture engagement. These holy habits provide a path to a life rooted in God, given shape, meaning and direction.

Visit our website to subscribe to daily emails, download a PDF, read the meditations and access a Group Study Guide to reflect on the meditations and Scripture with others.



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TELLING THE STORY TOGETHER

MONDAY, MARCH 30 | 6:00-8:00PM



Rabbi Josh Franklin

The Jewish Center of the Hamptons and St. Luke's Episcopal Church invite you to join us for a meaningful Interfaith Passover Seder, an evening of learning, ritual, and shared reflection.



Cantor Debra Stein, Rabbi

The Passover seder is one of the most iconic and enduring Jewish rituals—a storytelling experience centered on memory, redemption, and the ongoing human journey from slavery to freedom. For Christians, the symbols of the seder resonate deeply with familiar rituals and narratives, including those surrounding Jesus and the Last Supper. Eggs, matzah, and bread—whether matzah or wafer—carry layers of meaning that speak across traditions, inviting conversation rather than comparison.



Benjamin Shambaugh
Rector, St. Luke's

Together, we will explore how these shared symbols illuminate both our similarities and our differences, and how the universal message of Passover—liberation, dignity, and hope—continues to speak powerfully in our world today.

- MEMBERS OF ST. LUKES AND JCOH ONLY
- \$20 PER PERSON - BUFFET STYLE DINNER
- LOCATION: HOIE HALL, ST. LUKE'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

REGISTER



Register at jcoh.org/interfaith



Peconic Deanery

Lent

Study

Series

Spiritual tools for today: lessons from Jesus and civil rights leaders.

Time: 7:00pm - Study Session; and 8:00pm - Compline.

Thursdays: Feb. 19, 26; March 12, 19 & 26.

Zoom: Meeting ID: 837 6688 5713 & Passcode: ChChBible

February 19: Benjamin Shambaugh, Rector of St. Luke's in East Hampton

Lessons from the Liberation Theology of Howard Thurman, Gustavo Gutierrez, and James Cone.

February 26: Charles McCarron, Rector of St. Mary's on Shelter Island

A Lenten Meditation on Justice: From the Desert to the Garden (Inspired by the writings of Leonardo Boff).

March 5: Justin Falciani, Rector of St. Mary's in Hampton Bays

"How can Christian hope inspire us in our personal life today?" A discussion inspired by chapter 6 on Hope in Evelyn Underhill's The House of the Soul.

March 12: Chris Jubinski, Rector of St. Mark's in Westhampton Beach

Episcopal Saints: Bishop Paul Jones, Deaconess Harriet Bedell, Seminarian Jonathan Myrick Daniels, and Queen Lili'uokalani.

March 19: Roger Joslin, Vicar of Church of the Redeemer and Holy Trinity Church

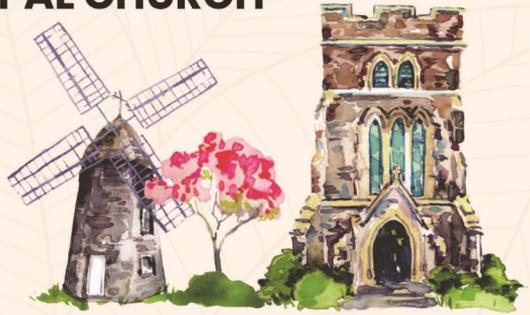
"I felt my legs were praying" reflections on The Prophets by Abraham Joshua Heschel.

March 26: Cecily Broderick, Rector Elect of Christ Church in Sag Harbor

Walking in the Footsteps of Pauli Murray and Taking Up Our Cross to Follow Jesus: Reflecting on the Life of a Saint and Matthew 25:31-46.

ST. LUKE'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

HOLY WEEK



SERVICES

MARCH 29

Palm Sunday

8:00 AM & 10:00 AM

APRIL 2

Maundy Thursday

7:30 PM

APRIL 3

Good Friday

NOON

APRIL 4

Holy Saturday / Easter Vigil

Christ Church, Sag Harbor

5:00 PM

APRIL 5

Easter Sunday

8:00 AM & 10:00 AM



All Services take place in the church and will be
livestreamed on our website, Facebook and YouTube



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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)

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The Rev. Dr. Benjamin A. Shambaugh, Rector

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