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RITE I - HOLY EUCHARIST 8:00 AM
PENTECOST 10 - PROPER 15
17 AUGUST 2025

*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."*

ORDER OF SERVICE

PRELUDE

*Prière à Notre-Dame
(from Suite Gothique, Op. 25)*

BOËLLMANN

OPENING ACCLAMATION:

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

COLLECT FOR PURITY (*Congregation recites together.*)

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 with thy spirit.** Let us pray: (*Silence is appropriate.*) Almighty God, who hast given thy only Son to be unto us both a sacrifice for sin and also an example of godly life: Give us grace that we may always most thankfully receive that his inestimable benefit, and also daily endeavor ourselves to follow the blessed steps of his most holy life; through the same thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee 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 TESTAMENT LESSON

ISAIAH 5:1–7

In our opening lesson the prophet sings a sad parable about God's vineyard, Israel, and the destruction which must now come upon it. Despite all God's loving care, this vineyard brought forth only sour grapes. The Lord looked for right judgment and found wrong. God hoped for justice and instead heard cries of distress.

Let me sing for my beloved my love-song concerning his vineyard: My beloved had a vineyard on a very fertile hill. He dug it and cleared it of stones, and planted it with choice vines; he built a watchtower in the midst of it, and hewed out a wine vat in it; he expected it to yield grapes, but it yielded wild grapes. And now, inhabitants of Jerusalem and people of Judah, judge between me and my vineyard. What more was there to do for my vineyard that I have not done in it? When I expected it to yield grapes, why did it yield wild grapes? And now I will tell you what I will do to my vineyard. I will remove its hedge, and it shall be devoured; I will break down its wall, and it shall be trampled down. I will make it a waste; it shall not be pruned or hoed, and it shall be overgrown with briars and thorns; I will also command the clouds that they rain no rain upon it. For the vineyard of the Lord of hosts is

the house of Israel, and the people of Judah are his pleasant planting; he expected justice, but saw bloodshed; righteousness, but heard a cry!

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

PSALM 80: 8-11, 18

A lament and a plea to the Lord, the shepherd of Israel, that the Lord will restore God's ravaged vineyard.

⁸ You have brought a vine out of Egypt;*
you cast out the nations and planted it.

⁹ **You prepared the ground for it;*
it took root and filled the land.**

¹⁰ The mountains were covered by its shadow*
and the towering cedar trees by its boughs.

¹¹ **You stretched out its tendrils to the Sea*
and its branches to the River.**

¹⁸ **Restore us, O Lord God of hosts;*
show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.**

THE EPISTLE

HEBREWS 11:29–12:2

In the earlier portions of this eleventh chapter of the Letter to the Hebrews, the Preacher of this Epistle “started low” with a definition of faith. Then he proceeded to “go slow” by recounting in some detail the stories of Abel, Enoch, Noah, the patriarchs, and Moses. Now it is time to quicken the pace, to “reach higher” and a reading of even the English translation discloses that the Preacher is doing just that. Instead of stories, we now get phrases; instead of more languid narration, we get the sharp staccato beat of crisp declarations. The Preacher begins to preach his sermon with a rhythm that is familiar to the African American community.

By faith the people passed through the Red Sea as if it were dry land, but when the Egyptians attempted to do so they were drowned. By faith the walls of Jericho fell after they had been encircled for seven days. By faith Rahab the prostitute did not perish with those who were disobedient, because she had received the spies in peace. And what more should I say? For time would fail me to tell of Gideon, Barak, Samson, Jephthah, of David and Samuel and the prophets—who through faith conquered kingdoms, administered justice, obtained promises, shut the mouths of lions, quenched raging fire, escaped the edge of the sword, won strength out of weakness, became mighty in war, put foreign armies to flight. Women received their

dead by resurrection. Others were tortured, refusing to accept release, in order to obtain a better resurrection. Others suffered mocking and flogging, and even chains and imprisonment. They were stoned to death, they were sawn in two, they were killed by the sword; they went about in skins of sheep and goats, destitute, persecuted, tormented— of whom the world was not worthy. They wandered in deserts and mountains, and in caves and holes in the ground. Yet all these, though they were commended for their faith, did not receive what was promised, since God had provided something better so that they would not, apart from us, be made perfect. Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, who for the sake of the joy that was set before him endured the cross, disregarding its shame, and has taken his seat at the right hand of the throne of God.

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

SEQUENCE HYMN #545

Lo! what a cloud of witnesses

THE HOLY GOSPEL (Please stand.)

LUKE 12:49–56

In our Gospel passage Jesus foresees difficult times ahead: his own ordeal and the necessity of division even within families. He has come to bring the purifying fire of judgment, and must himself first undergo the baptism of suffering and death. Before there is any peace on earth, hard decisions leading to ruptures have to be made. The people should be like good weather-watchers in reading the signs of the times.

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

Glory be to thee, O Lord.

Jesus said, “I came to bring fire to the earth, and how I wish it were already kindled! I have a baptism with which to be baptized, and what stress I am under until it is completed! Do you think that I have come to bring peace to the earth? No, I tell you, but rather division! From now on five in one household will be divided, three against two and two against three; they will be divided: father against son and son against father, mother against daughter and daughter against mother, mother-in-law against her daughter-in-law and daughter-in-law against mother-in-law.” He also said to the crowds, “When you see a cloud rising in the west, you immediately say, ‘It is going to rain’; and so it happens. And when you see the south wind blowing, you say, ‘There will be scorching heat’; and it happens. You hypocrites! You know how to interpret the appearance of earth and sky, but why do you not know

how to interpret the present time?”

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise be to thee, O Christ.**

THE SERMON

THE REV. CN. CLAIRE WOODLEY

THE NICENE CREED

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth, of all that is,
seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father, God from God,
Light from Light, true God from true God,
begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father.**

Through him all things were made.

**For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made fully human.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again in accordance
with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the
dead, and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.**

**With the Father and the Son he is worshiped
and glorified.**

He has spoken through the Prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

**We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

When we fix our eyes on Jesus our lives will reflect his nature. God is close to us as we pray. He is attentive to us now. We pray for the Scottish Episcopal Church and Province II—Diocese of Haiti.

Lord, whenever you weep over our harshness, make your tears melt our

hearts of stone. Whenever you grieve over our double standards, shock us into honesty again. Make us receptive to your teaching, willing to take your risks and eager to run with our eyes fixed on Jesus.

Lead us, Lord: **to walk in your ways.**

Whenever the news overwhelms us, nudge us to fervent prayer. Whenever leaders meet to negotiate peace, be present at their discussions. Breathe your values into our thinking, tear down the divisive barriers and renew us to lead the world into loving.

Lead us, Lord: **to walk in your ways.**

Whenever tempers are frayed and patience is wearing thin, give us space to collect ourselves and try again. Whenever the demands of family and friends remind us of our limitations, minister graciously through our weakness and teach us the humility of apologizing.

Lead us, Lord: **to walk in your ways.**

Whenever people are enveloped by pain or desolate grief or total exhaustions, bring refreshment and peace, tranquility and hope. Wherever the grip of the past prevents free movement into the future, bring release and healing. We remember all those who have asked for our prayers, 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 end of anti-Semitism and all forms of hate, for the people of Ukraine, Israel, Gaza, Iran, and all troubled areas of the world.

Lead us, Lord: **to walk in your ways.**

Whenever the dying are fearful and distressed, give comfort and reassurance on that last journey. Bless those who care for them and those who mourn their going. In mercy receive the dead into the life of your heaven, *especially Janet & Harry Thomas, in whose memory the altar flowers are given today to the glory of God by their family*, and prepare us, through our lives now, for eternity. We pray for the repose of the soul of *Anne Strasburg*.

Lead us, Lord: **to walk in your ways.**

Holy God, we love the beauty and goodness of your nature, and thank you for the gift of your Spirit to guide us to walk in your ways. We lift up to you those this week celebrating birthdays: *Kathleen Burns, Evan Schaefer*; and anniversaries: *Jeff Sharp & Doug Steinbrech, Ben & Shari Shambaugh, Will Ameringer & Kevin Byrne*.

Lead us, Lord: **to walk in your ways.**

O Lord, we have learned what to ask you through your Son, the peacemaker, the teacher of truth, who loved without limit. It is you that he revealed. We want to be like you in him, through whom we pray, Jesus the Lord. **Amen.**

THE CONFESSION, ABSOLUTION AND PEACE

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, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all those who with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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

THE HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Guide My Feet
Joy Jones, soloist

Arr. **CARTER**

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING PRAYER I

BCP 333

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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 ANTHEMS

God, Whose Purpose is to Kindle TRUEBLOOD/SMITH

HYMN #691 *My faith looks up to thee*

THE POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

Let us pray. 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. Alleluia. Alleluia!
Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Toccata
(from Suite Gothique, Op. 25)

BOËLLMANN

***Eucharistic Ministers:** Caroline Dean (First Reading),
Charles Riggi (Second Reading)
Prayers: Merle McDonald-Aaron
Altar Guild: Pat Hand, Charles Riggi*

WE WELCOME THE REV. CANON CLAIRE WOODLEY TODAY!

The Rev. Claire Woodley joins us today, while Father Ben is away. Newly retired, she is the former Diocesan Officer in charge of transitions and was the first person to suggest Father Ben look at St. Luke's. She is also the creator of the MAP program that produced very good outcomes here.

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

*Lloyd A. Ibert, Mark Gregory, George Kneip, Ken Detelich,
Tom Fleming, Deirdre Henderson, Jeffrey Lane, Cathy Roxbury,
Evelina Langdale, Mary Mason, Roberta Moran, Helen,
Nivia Maldonado Rodriquez, Ramon Torres Robles, Jim Brandi,
Ann Marie Salerno, Paulette Brinka, Anne Holton, Tony Puchta,
Jacki Powers, Mark D'Alessio, Luke Francis, Adele Sadiq,
Julie Nielson, Ed Krug, Charles Lewis, Richard H., Joanne,
Robbie Balmis*

NOTICES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

ST. PETER'S SUMMER SERVICES

Join us every Saturday at 5:30 pm, 465 Old Stone Highway, Springs

PRAYER LIST REFRESH

Our prayer list will be refreshed the first week of September. Please email the office with any names you would like to add or have remain at tower18@stlukeeasthampton.org.

SUNDAY SCHOOL BEGINS AGAIN SEPTEMBER 14—REGISTER NOW!

Sunday school for children ages 4 and up will begin on Sunday Sept. 14, 2025. We will meet at 9:45 in Hoie Hall for “The Gathering” with Fr. Ben, and then continue in the classrooms upstairs. Registration forms can be found on-line at www.stlukeeasthampton.org or you may contact Colleen Stonemetz, Dir. of Christian Education for forms and additional information.

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.

CHOIR COMEBACK

We will have a pickup choir at the 10am service on the first Sunday of each month. Rehearsal will be after the 10am service the week before. For more information, contact Bobby Peterson.

INGATHERING EVENT

It is tradition at St. Luke's to replenish the sacramental wine by asking parishioners to buy one or more bottles of Christian Brothers Tawny Port (carried at Park Place Liquors in East Hampton) in honor of or for remembrance of loved ones, or in gratitude for blessings received. There will be an ingathering of the wine to be blessed. When a new bottle is opened, the accompanying dedication will appear in the bulletin.

COFFEE HOUR

The Pot-luck Coffee Hour has been so successful, we are keeping it going. Please continue to bring something to share! Don't forget to retrieve your serving dish/utensils at the end of coffee hour from the kitchen.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

August 20 & 21 - EEH Box Art Preview, Hoie Hall, 10am - 4pm

August 21 - EEH Box Art Reception, Hoie Hall, 5-7pm

August 23 - EEH Box Art Auction

September 6 - THFM Concert, Hoie Hall, 7pm

September 11 - THFM Concert, Sanctuary, 7pm

September 14 - THFM Concert, Hoie Hall, 4pm

**25th Annual
Box Art
Auction
2025** SATURDAY
AUGUST 23

ST. LUKE'S HOIE HALL
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**GREAT ART FOR
A GREAT CAUSE**



Box Art: Donna Corvi

AUCTION PREVIEW
Wednesday & Thursday
August 20 & August 21 • 10 am – 4 pm

PREVIEW RECEPTION
Wednesday, August 20 • 5 – 7 pm

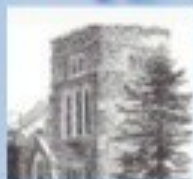
SILENT AUCTION & RECEPTION
Saturday, August 23 • 4:30 pm

**LIVE AUCTION CONDUCTED
BY LUCAS HUNT**
Saturday, August 23 • 6:00 pm

SPIRIT OF COMMUNITY AWARD
will be presented to Dr. Julie Rather

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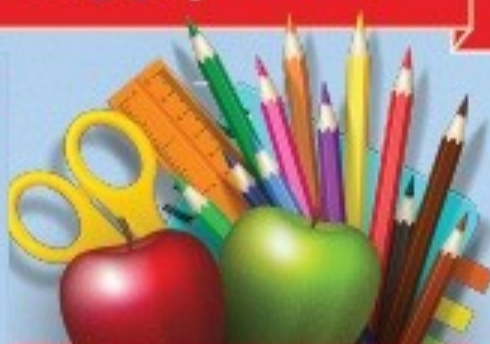


St Luke's Episcopal Church
presents

Back To School

Supply Drive

Worship with
us on Aug 24
from 10am -
12 noon &
receive
School
Supplies!!!



COLLECTION TIME
AUGUST 3 - 24

Supplies needed: back packs, lunch boxes,
markers, colored pencils, crayons, folders,
notebooks, etc....

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UPCOMING LISTENING SESSIONS

Each session will include opportunities for reflection, time of sharing, and prayer. Members of the Search Committee will be present to listen deeply and respectfully to all who attend.

SESSION	DATE	TIME	VENUE
Laity	Thursday, August 7	7 PM - 8:30 PM	Zoom
Clergy & Lay	Saturday, August 9	11 AM - 12:30 PM	St. Alban the Martyr, St. Albans
Clergy	Tuesday, August 12	7 PM - 8:30 PM	Zoom
Clergy & Lay	Saturday, August 24	1 PM - 2:30 PM	Church of the Advent, Westbury
Laity	Wednesday, August 27	7 PM - 8:30 PM	Zoom
Laity	Tuesday, September 2	7 PM - 8:30 PM	Zoom
Clergy & Lay	Sunday, September 7	1 PM - 2:30 PM	St. Luke & St. Matthew, Brooklyn
Clergy	Tuesday, September 9	7 PM - 8:30 PM	Zoom
Laity	Tuesday, September 10	7 PM - 8:30 PM	Zoom



To register for the Zoom sessions, scan the QR code or visit dioceseli.org/bishopsearch.
Registration for in-person sessions is not necessary.

Language-specific sessions, for those whose first language is not English, will be announced in due course.

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Mozart Symphony #36 - "Linz"

Also works by: Prokofiev & Barber
Saturday, 6 September 2025, 7PM
Hoie Hall, St. Luke's Episcopal Church

Tchaikovsky Serenade for Strings

Also works by: Stravinsky & Mozart
Thursday, 11 September 2025, 7PM
The Sanctuary, St. Luke's Episcopal Church

Beethoven Symphony #4

Also works by: Cimarosa & Berlioz
Sunday, 14 September 2025, 4PM
Hoie Hall, St. Luke's Episcopal Church



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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

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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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