

SAINT LUKE'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

RITE II - HOLY EUCHARIST PENTECOST 15 - PROPER 20 21 SEPTEMBER 2025 - 10:00AM

*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

Prelude in Classic Style

YOUNG

OPENING HYMN #375

Give praise and Glory unto God

DU LEBENSBROT

OPENING ACCLAMATION

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

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.

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS DEO

HYMNAL S-278

WILLIAM MATHIAS

COLLECT OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.** Let us pray: (*A moment of silence.*) Grant us, Lord, not to be anxious about earthly things, but to love things heavenly; and even now, while we are placed among things that are passing away, to hold fast to those that shall endure; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

THE WORD OF GOD

(Please be seated for the readings.)

THE HEBREW TESTAMENT LESSON

JEREMIAH 8:18 -9:1

This is another section from Jeremiah not used in the previous lectionary. It contains some of the most poignant and memorable utterances of Jeremiah. He expresses his own personal involvement in the foretold events. On the one hand he felt his own helplessness to do more to strike home a sense of the inevitability of coming catastrophe. Alongside this he was deeply aware that he would be personally caught up in every aspect of the suffering inflicted upon God's people. Israel, through its divine election, had a great potential, yet all of this potential was to be lost because the people lacked the will to follow in God's ways and amend their lives.

My joy is gone, grief is upon me, my heart is sick. Hark, the cry of my poor people from far and wide in the land: "Is the Lord not in Zion? Is her King not in her?" ("Why have they provoked me to anger with their images, with their foreign idols?") "The harvest is past, the summer is ended, and we are not saved." For the hurt of my poor people I am hurt, I mourn, and dismay has taken hold of me. Is there no balm in Gilead? Is there no physician there? Why then has the health of my poor people not been restored? O that my head were a spring of water, and my eyes a fountain of tears, so that I might weep day and night for the slain of my poor people!

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

PSALM 79: 1 - 9

PORTLAND PSALTER

A prayer to the Lord in a time of grievous trouble.



¹ O God, the heathen have come into your inheritance;
they have profaned your holy temple; *
they have made Jerusalem a heap of rubble.

² They have given the bodies of your servants as food for the birds of the air, *
and the flesh of your faithful ones to the beasts of the field. **Antiphon**

³ They have shed their blood like water on every side of Jerusalem, *
and there was no one to bury them.

⁴ We have become a reproach to our neighbors, *
an object of scorn and derision to those around us. **Antiphon**

⁵ How long will you be angry, O Lord? *
will your fury blaze like fire for ever?

⁶ Pour out your wrath upon the heathen who have not known you *
and upon the kingdoms that have not called upon your Name. **Antiphon**

⁷ For they have devoured Jacob *
and made his dwelling a ruin.

⁸ Remember not our past sins; let your compassion be swift to meet us; *
for we have been brought very low. **Antiphon**

⁹ Help us, O God our Savior, for the glory of your Name; *
deliver us and forgive us our sins, for your Name's sake. **Antiphon**

THE EPISTLE

1 TIMOTHY 2:1-7

In this lesson disciples are called upon to pray for all, including political rulers, so that Christians may lead peaceable and moral lives. It is God's will that everyone should find salvation. Jesus is the mediator between the one God and humanity; he has sacrificed himself for the freedom of all. Paul has been appointed an apostle to make his saving work known to the Gentiles. During this period the newly born Christian movement was a tiny part of society which felt that it needed peaceful conditions to spread its gospel. It usually took a positive view of the functions of the state in maintaining peace and justice.

First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for everyone, for kings and all who are in high positions, so that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and dignity. This is right and is acceptable in the sight of God our Savior, who desires everyone to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. For there is one God; there is also one mediator between God and humankind, Christ Jesus, himself human, who gave himself a ransom for all—this was attested at the right time. For this I was appointed a herald and an apostle (I am telling the truth, I am not lying), a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth.

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

SEQUENCE HYMN #390

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

LOBE DEN HERREN

THE HOLY GOSPEL (Please stand.)

LUKE 16:1-13

Our Gospel is the story of the steward who, when dismissed for mismanagement, showed himself to be very shrewd. This is followed by teaching about Mammon, that is, worldly wealth. The joke would be on us if we fastened on the details of the story. The man's obviously dishonest behavior forces us to look more deeply for what is admirable about him—his readiness to face up to reality, together with his unquenchable hopefulness in the

face of calamity. This is to be the attitude of Jesus' followers as the kingdom with its time of challenge and judgment approaches. The teaching on money suggests that disciples must know it's significance, but never serve it.

**The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.
Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Then Jesus said to the disciples, "There was a rich man who had a manager, and charges were brought to him that this man was squandering his property. So he summoned him and said to him, 'What is this that I hear about you? Give me an accounting of your management, because you cannot be my manager any longer.' Then the manager said to himself, 'What will I do, now that my master is taking the position away from me? I am not strong enough to dig, and I am ashamed to beg. I have decided what to do so that, when I am dismissed as manager, people may welcome me into their homes.' So, summoning his master's debtors one by one, he asked the first, 'How much do you owe my master?' He answered, 'A hundred jugs of olive oil.' He said to him, 'Take your bill, sit down quickly, and make it fifty.' Then he asked another, 'And how much do you owe?' He replied, 'A hundred containers of wheat.' He said to him, 'Take your bill and make it eighty.' And his master commended the dishonest manager because he had acted shrewdly; for the children of this age are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than are the children of light. And I tell you, make friends for yourselves by means of dishonest wealth so that when it is gone, they may welcome you into the eternal homes. "Whoever is faithful in a very little is faithful also in much; and whoever is dishonest in a very little is dishonest also in much. If then you have not been faithful with the dishonest wealth, who will entrust to you the true riches? And if you have not been faithful with what belongs to another, who will give you what is your own? No slave can serve two masters; for a slave will either hate the one and love the other, or be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and wealth."

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

THE SERMON

THE REV. DR. BENJAMIN A. SHAMBAUGH, RECTOR

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

“If you cannot be trusted with worldly riches, or even small amounts of money, then you will not be trusted with spiritual riches either.” As God has taught us, let us pray for the coming of the kingdom in every situation. We pray for the Province of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan and St. John’s, Flushing.

We long for the Church to be pure and holy, alight with God’s love and compassion, and free from behavior which is unworthy of God’s chosen people.

God our Father: **let your kingdom come.**

We long for the nations to be wisely governed, with just laws and a sense of vision which reflects the best of human nature. We long for peace and mutual respect in each community throughout the world.

God our Father: **let your kingdom come.**

We long for our homes to be filled with God’s love, so we are happy to put ourselves out for others, to listen with full attention, and to value one another. We long to clear away anything in our life-style which competes with God for our commitment.

God our Father: **let your kingdom come.**

We long for those who feel neglected or rejected by society to know God’s love and acceptance of them. We long for all those in pain and distress to be comforted and relieved, 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 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. We pray for an end of the war in Gaza, for the children and all those who are hungry, and suffering there. We continue to pray for the Episcopal Hospital in Gaza and its work and ministry in the most challenging of circumstances. We pray for all victims of gun violence, for their families, and for the will to work to heal divisions, change hatred into hope, and end gun violence once and for all.

God our Father: **let your kingdom come.**

We long for the dying to recognize their need of God and his power to save; for those who have died, especially *for Julian & Rosalie Abbott, in whose memory the altar flowers are given to the glory of God by Merle McDonald-Aaron*, that all the deceased be judged with mercy and rest in God's eternal peace. We pray for the repose of the soul of *Ramon Torres*.
God our Father: **let your kingdom come.**

We give you thanks, Lord God, for your teaching and your example which opens our eyes to your truth. We ask abundant blessing this week on *Alexandra McCormack & Adam Berger*, married at St. Luke's yesterday, for those who celebrate birthdays, especially *Mardie Gorman, Katherine Tochilin, Richard Swanson, Philip Tutino, Sienna Bowen*; and those celebrating anniversaries: *Justin & Aimee Geehreg, John & Kathleen McNally, Charles & Michele Riggi, Conor & Katherine Tochilin, Richard & Carolina Swanson*.
God our Father: **let your kingdom come.**

O Just God, one God, we live in this world and look for the world to come. Teach us what to ask for and give us all we need. Make us life-givers with you who build your dominion here, in the name of 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 you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your 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.**

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Look with Eyes that See Forever

BLERSCH

PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS

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

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER B

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.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, God Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, for you are the source of light and life, you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

SANCTUS

HYMNAL S-128
(The congregation may stand or kneel)

WILLIAM MATHIAS

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, 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; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, 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."

Therefore, according to his command,

**We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;**

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with St. Luke and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **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.**

AGNUS DEI

HYMNAL S-165

WILLIAM MATHIAS

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 MUSIC

There is a balm in Gilead

ARR. HELVEY

HYMN #488

Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart

ALLES IST AN GOTTES SEGEN

POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

BCP 366

Let us pray: **Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.**

THE BLESSING

Henri Frederic Amiel (1821-1881)

Life is short, and we do not have much time to gladden the hearts of those who make the journey with us. So be swift to love, and make haste to be kind and the blessing of God, who made us, who loves us, and who travels with us be with you now and forever.

RECESSIONAL HYMN #470

There's a wideness in God's mercy

BEECHER

THE SENDING FORTH

Go in the peace to love and serve of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE

Immortal, invisible, God only wise

ARR. CORNELL

Wine used for communion today was donated in memory of Gina Lincks Dau by Herman Dau

Eucharistic Ministers: *Jeffrey Sussman (Second Reading), Laura Traphgaen (Prayers)*

First Reading: *Courtney Wood*

Greeters: *Lys Marigold, Martha Murray*

Acolytes: *Sydney Bowden, Amayrani Martinez*

Altar Guild: *Lynn Jerome, Diane Tutino*

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

*George Kneip, Ken Miller, Evelina Langdale, Paulette Brinka, Adele Sadiq, Julie Nielson,
Ed Krug, Charles Lewis, Robbie Balnis, Nick Marlin, Keith Scott, Courtney Wessling,
Deidre Henderson, Ralph Gibson, Martin Foggo*

NOTICES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Sunday School has begun the fall session. Join Father Ben for “The Gathering” in Hoie Hall at 9:45am. Registration is open to all children from Pre-K—6th Grade. For registration forms or more info, talk to Christian Education Director Colleen Stonemetz: christianed@stlukeseasthampton.org.

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

Does Hell Exist? Join Salvatore Tocci at the Adult Forum on Sunday September 28th as we discuss Jesus’ parable in Luke’s Gospel about the rich man who dies and pleads to Abraham to save him from his torment in Hades. Is there a place of eternal punishment for those sinners who never repent?

FREE YOGA CLASSES

Free Yoga classes will be 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!

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.

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.

CHOIR COMEBACK

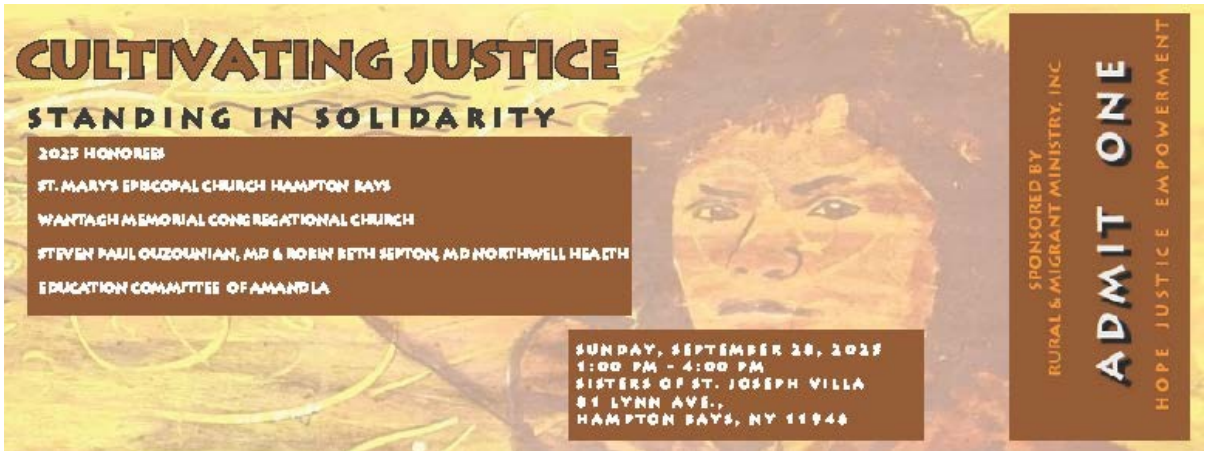
We will have a pickup choir at the 10am service on the first Sunday of each month. Rehearsal will be after the 10am service the week before. For more information, contact Bobby Peterson.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

October 3 - East Hampton Healthcare Foundation Health Fair, 10am - 2pm
October 5 - Pet Sunday, 10am service
October 9 - Second Annual Community Conversation by Zoom, 7pm
October 24 - Halloween Celebration, 6pm

SUPPORT RURAL AND MIGRANT MINISTRIES

You are invited to join the Rural & Migrant Ministry's Cultivating Justice Fundraising Lunch on Sunday, Sept. 28, 1–4 PM at the Sisters of St. Joseph Villa in Hampton Bays.



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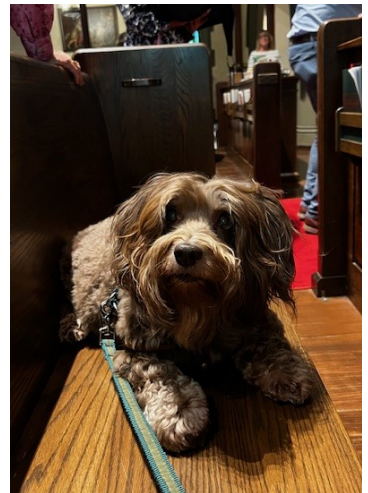
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PET SUNDAY

Pet Sunday is October 5. Mark your calendars and bring all your human and animal friends!



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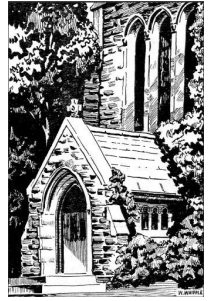
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REGULAR SCHEDULE OF WORSHIP

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

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