

SAINT LUKE'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH
RITE I - HOLY EUCHARIST 8:00 AM
PENTECOST 18 - PROPER 23
12 OCTOBER 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

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.*) Lord, we pray thee that thy grace may always precede and follow us, and make us continually to be given to all good works; through 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

JEREMIAH 29:1, 4-7

This passage is one of four letters recorded in this chapter of the prophet. The imminent and happy end of the Babylonian domination was announced not only in Palestine but also in Babylon. This is the first of the letters written by Jeremiah to those in exile. The context of praying for the welfare of the captor state was shocking to the Israelites. The thrust of Jeremiah's message: Yahweh can be worshiped in Babylon, for God protects his people even outside Palestine; Yahwism has finally burst through the enclosure of the Holy Land into a more universal approach.

These are the words of the letter that the prophet Jeremiah sent from Jerusalem to the remaining elders among the exiles, and to the priests, the prophets, and all the people, whom Nebuchadnezzar had taken into exile from Jerusalem to Babylon. Thus says the Lord of hosts, the God of Israel, to all the exiles whom I have sent into exile from Jerusalem to Babylon: Build houses and live in them; plant gardens and eat what they produce. Take wives and have sons and daughters; take wives for your sons, and give your daughters in marriage, that they may bear sons and daughters; multiply there, and do not decrease. But seek the welfare of the city where I have sent you into exile, and pray to the Lord on its behalf, for in its welfare you will find your welfare.

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

PSALM 66:1-12

A hymn of praise and thanksgiving to God who rules in majesty and delivers the Lord's people.

¹ Be joyful in God, all you lands; *
sing the glory of his Name; sing the glory of his praise.

² **Say to God, "How awesome are your deeds! ***
because of your great strength your enemies cringe before you.

³ All the earth bows down before you, *
sings to you, sings out your Name.”
⁴ **Come now and see the works of God, ***
how wonderful he is in his doing toward all people.

⁵ He turned the sea into dry land,
so that they went through the water on foot, *
and there we rejoiced in him.

⁶ **In his might he rules for ever;**
his eyes keep watch over the nations; *
let no rebel rise up against him.

⁷ Bless our God, you peoples; *
make the voice of his praise to be heard;
⁸ **Who holds our souls in life, ***
and will not allow our feet to slip.

⁹ For you, O God, have proved us; *
you have tried us just as silver is tried.
¹⁰ **You brought us into the snare; ***
you laid heavy burdens upon our backs.

¹¹ You let enemies ride over our heads;
we went through fire and water; *
but you brought us out into a place of refreshment.

¹² **I will enter your house with burnt-offerings**
and will pay you my vows, *
which I promised with my lips and spoke
with my mouth when I was in trouble.

THE EPISTLE

2 TIMOTHY 2:8-15

In this reading Paul bids Timothy to be a faithful worker, reminding himself and others of Jesus' resurrection and the new life that is to be known with him. Although Paul is shut up in prison, the gospel is free in the world. The apostle reflects on his own sufferings and encourages his younger associate in his role of leadership. Especially should he warn his people to avoid disputes over words. The verses which begin, "If we died with him, we shall live with him" seem part of an early Christian hymn.

Remember Jesus Christ, raised from the dead, a descendant of David—that is my gospel, for which I suffer hardship, even to the point of being chained like a criminal. But the word of God is not chained. Therefore I endure everything for the sake of the elect, so that they may also obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus, with eternal glory. The saying is sure: If we have died with him, we will also live with him; if we en-

dure, we will also reign with him; if we deny him, he will also deny us; if we are faithless, he remains faithful— for he cannot deny himself. Remind them of this, and warn them before God that they are to avoid wrangling over words, which does no good but only ruins those who are listening. Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved by him, a worker who has no need to be ashamed, rightly explaining the word of truth.

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

SEQUENCE HYMN #567

Thine arm, O Lord, in days of old

THE HOLY GOSPEL *(Please stand.)*

LUKE 17:11-19

In the Gospel story Jesus' command brings about the cleansing of ten lepers, but only one, a Samaritan, returns to give thanks. Jesus is on the way to his destiny in Jerusalem. The narrative illustrates the power of the reign of God to give a new lease on life. The lepers, who were formerly outcasts, would now be allowed to return home. But only a despised Samaritan recognizes that a life of gratitude and faith is now possible. Physical healing is but a first step. He becomes whole and finds salvation.

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

Glory be to thee, O Lord.

On the way to Jerusalem Jesus was going through the region between Samaria and Galilee. As he entered a village, ten lepers approached him. Keeping their distance, they called out, saying, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!" When he saw them, he said to them, "Go and show yourselves to the priests." And as they went, they were made clean. Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice. He prostrated himself at Jesus' feet and thanked him. And he was a Samaritan. Then Jesus asked, "Were not ten made clean? But the other nine, where are they? Was none of them found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?" Then he said to him, "Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well."

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

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

God can always use even seemingly hopeless situations for good. God has proclaimed his love for us. We can trust him with all our cares and concerns. We pray for The Church of the Province of Uganda and St. John's, Springfield Gardens.

Lord, heal the Church of all its splits and divisions, and bless its growth towards unity; heal it of all unhealthy introspection and bless its commitment to loving outreach.

Have pity on us, Lord: **you alone can save us.**

May our society be mindful of those who have particular difficulties; may our laws testify to our sense of justice, honor and integrity; may the world's leaders be wisely advised and honestly motivated.

Have pity on us, Lord: **you alone can save us.**

Walk about our homes with your gifts of peace, patience, forgiveness and joy; help us through the disappointments and tragedies, and celebrate with us in all our festivities, for you are our most honored guest. Have pity on us, Lord: **you alone can save us.**

We pray for all suffering from leprosy and other infectious and life-threatening diseases. Give courage to the long-term and chronically ill and give respite to those who are at their wits' end. We lift in prayer those for whom we have been asked to pray, 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, the Congo, Sudan, 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 pray for all victims of gun violence, and for the will to work to heal divisions, change hatred into hope, and end gun violence once and for all.

Have pity on us, Lord: **you alone can save us.**

We remember those who have died, especially *Glen F. Stonemetz, Jr. and Debra A. Miller, in whose memory the altar flowers are given to the glory of God by Bruce & Colleen Stonemetz*; we also pray for the repose of the soul of *Jerry Keeler*, and we think of their loved ones who miss them. May this earthly death be a birth into the eternal joy of heaven.

Have pity on us, Lord: **you alone can save us.**

With great thankfulness we praise you for your constant faithfulness to us, your recognition of our deepest thoughts, and your desire for our healing and wholeness. Give your love to those who this week celebrate birthdays: *Christine Fewell, Amy Fleming, Max Goer, Johnny Hadden, John Watson, Alexis Vargas, August Vargas*; and anniversaries: *Nick & Kristen Conlin, James & Francine Muller, Costas Panagopoulos & Mark Ruggiero, Frank & Marilyn Tillinghast, Steve & Connie Thomas, Brian Craig & Michael Swerdlow.*

Have pity on us, Lord: **you alone can save us.**

Hear these words, O Lord, as you hear and understand the unspoken thoughts of our hearts and minds, and grant their fulfillment through Christ our 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

Where Are the Nine?

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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 MUSIC

Keep in Mind

DEISS

HYMN #397 *Now thank we all our God*

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

***Eucharistic Ministers:** Charles Riggi,
Merle McDonald-Aaron (Prayers)
First Reading: Martha Murray
Second Reading: Kirby Marcantonio
Altar Guild: Jen Talbot, Pat Wilson*

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, Jeffrey Lane, Lloyd Ibert,
Mark Gregory, Mary Libby, Jose, David, Edmond L. Craig, III,
Ron Chapman, Jane Maynard*

*Wine used for communion today was donated in memory of
Wilbert Edgar, Craig Robinson and George Luhring
by Anne Edgar and Dale Phillips*

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THE 2026 STEWARDSHIP CAMPAIGN

How do I pledge? You can pledge in several ways:

Complete a pledge card and return it by regular mail.

Go to the St. Luke’s website at stlukeseasthampton.org and find the Pledging tab on the left side of the homepage. Click on the blue button at the bottom of the Pledging page to fill out your pledge information online.

Venmo! Donations can be sent by Venmo to username StLukesEHNY weekly, monthly or annually.

Bring your completed pledge card to the altar on “Pledge In-Gathering Sunday,” which is **Sunday, October 19th**. A special coffee hour will follow the 8:00 and 10:00 am services.

NOTICES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE FELLOWSHIP COMMITTEE INVITES YOU TO VISIT THREE JEWELS OF AMAGANSETT

Saturday, October 25

10am The East End Classic Boat Society (Amagansett)

10:30am The Amagansett Life Saving Station

11:30am The Marine Museum

Hot Chocolate and donuts will be served.

Sign up to attend. For info: lucykazickas@gmail.com

A CONVERSATION ABOUT PEACE: SUNDAY OCT. 26TH FROM 5:30-7:30

At the Unitarian Universalist Congregation -- 977 Bridge Hampton/Sag Harbor Turnpike in Bridgehampton. Participants: Dr. Asma Rashid, Islamic Center of the Hamptons, Jim Vrettos -- Sociologist, Criminologist and host of The Radical Imagination cable television show on LTV, The Rev. Dr. Ben Shambaugh -- Rector, St. Luke's Episcopal Church in East Hampton, Rabbi Jan Ohrbach --Gesher|Bridge Schul in Bridgehampton. Our event will address the issue of how we can learn to better address our differences through civil debate and dialogue rather than the polarization, rage, disrespect and violence that has come to permeate American society. We've brought together a panel of spiritual leaders from a variety of belief traditions who will offer their wisdom, humanity and guidance toward a healing of America's soul and lead us to a more loving and transformative way of relating to each other.

ALTAR FLOWERS

There are a few slots available in the calendar for flower dedication on the altar, including next Sunday, October 19th. If you are interested in filling one, please contact Tara in the office at 631-329-0990 or office@stlukeseasthampton.org

HISTORIC SOCIETY LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS

The Historical Society is looking for volunteers for their House Tour on Nov. 29th. See Lys Marigold for details.

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

Come and discuss the lessons read at Sunday morning services.

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.

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.

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

October 24 - Halloween Celebration, 6pm

October 25 - Amagansett Highlights Tour, 10am

November 8 - Harvest Supper, 5:30pm

November 22 - Share the Harvest Farmer's Market, 10am-2pm

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The St Luke's Fellowship Committee
is hosting a **Pot Luck**

Harvest Supper

Saturday, November 8, 2025

5:30 - 7:30pm

at the home of
Lucy and Joe Kazickas

5 Hamlin Lane
Amagansett, NY

for more info: lucykazickas@gmail.com



Children Welcome!

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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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