

SAINT LUKE’S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

RITE II - HOLY EUCHARIST & HOLY BAPTISM

PENTECOST 22 - PROPER 27

9 NOVEMBER 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

PRELUDES

*Ein feste Burg ist unser Gott
A Mighty Fortress Is Our God (BWV 565)*

BACH

OPENING HYMN #404

We will extol you, ever-blessed Lord

OLD 124TH

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.
And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever.
There is one Body and one Spirit;
There is one hope in God’s call to us;
One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;
One God and Father of all.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.** Let us pray: *(A moment of silence.)* O God, whose blessed Son came into the world that he might destroy the works of the devil and make us children of God and heirs of eternal life: Grant that, having this hope, we may purify ourselves as he is pure; that, when he comes again with power and great glory, we may be made like him in his eternal and glorious kingdom; where he 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

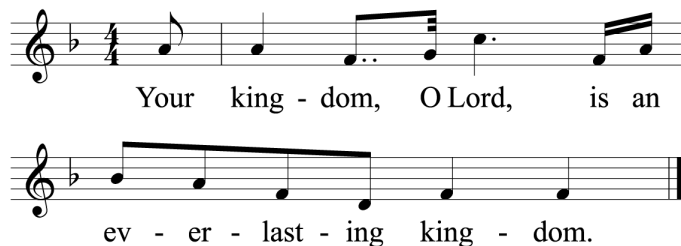
HAGGAI 1: 15B-2:9

The date is October 17, 520 BC. The prophecy is an encouragement to the people. The primacy of God and his house, already contrasted with the self-centered interests of the people in 1:2-9, is used here as a motive of encouragement to the builders of the Temple. The people are asked to continue in their giving so that God's house, the Temple can be rebuilt in glory, wonder and the people of Israel will be blessed.

In the seventh month, on the twenty-first day of the month, the word of the Lord came by the prophet Haggai, saying: Speak now to Zerubbabel son of Shealtiel, governor of Judah, and to Joshua son of Jehozadak, the high priest, and to the remnant of the people, and say, Who is left among you that saw this house in its former glory? How does it look to you now? Is it not in your sight as nothing? Yet now take courage, O Zerubbabel, says the Lord; take courage, O Joshua, son of Jehozadak, the high priest; take courage, all you people of the land, says the Lord; work, for I am with you, says the Lord of hosts, according to the promise that I made you when you came out of Egypt. My spirit abides among you; do not fear. For thus says the Lord of hosts: Once again, in a little while, I will shake the heavens and the earth and the sea and the dry land; and I will shake all the nations, so that the treasure of all nations shall come, and I will fill this house with splendor, says the Lord of hosts. The silver is mine, and the gold is mine, says the Lord of hosts. The latter splendor of this house shall be greater than the former, says the Lord of hosts; and in this place I will give prosperity, says the Lord of hosts. The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 145: 1-5, 18-22

A hymn of praise to the Lord, mighty in deeds, yet tender and compassionate.



- ¹ I will exalt you, O God my King, *
and bless your Name for ever and ever.
- ² Every day will I bless you *
and praise your Name for ever and ever. **Refrain**
- ³ Great is the Lord and greatly to be praised; *
there is no end to his greatness.
- ⁴ One generation shall praise your works to another *
and shall declare your power. **Refrain**
- ⁵ I will ponder the glorious splendor of your majesty *
and all your marvelous works.
- ¹⁸ The Lord is righteous in all his ways *
and loving in all his works. **Refrain**
- ¹⁹ The Lord is near to those who call upon him, *
to all who call upon him faithfully.
- ²⁰ He fulfills the desire of those who fear him; *
he hears their cry and helps them. **Refrain**
- ²¹ The Lord preserves all those who love him, *
but he destroys all the wicked.
- ²² My mouth shall speak the praise of the Lord; *
let all flesh bless his holy Name for ever and ever. **Refrain**

THE EPISTLE

2 THESSALONIANS 2: 1-5, 13-17

In this reading Paul gives thanks for the Thessalonian converts whom God has called to salvation, and he urges them to stand firm in the traditions he has taught them and in the good works which the Lord encourages them to do. Paul had earlier instructed these disciples that there must be a fierce struggle between good and evil before the coming of the Lord.

As to the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and our being gathered together to him, we beg you, brothers and sisters, not to be quickly shaken in mind or alarmed, either by spirit or by word or by letter, as though from us, to the effect that the day of the Lord is already here. Let no one deceive you in any way; for that day will not come unless the rebellion comes first and the lawless one is revealed, the one destined for destruction. He opposes and exalts himself above every so-called god or object of worship, so that he takes his seat in the temple of God, declaring himself to be God. Do you not remember that I told you these things when I was still with you? But we must always give thanks to God for you, brothers and sisters beloved by the Lord, because God chose you as the first fruits for salvation through sanctification by the Spirit and through belief in the truth. For this purpose he called you through our proclamation of the good news, so that you may obtain the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. So then, brothers and sisters, stand firm and hold fast to the traditions that you were taught by us, either by word of mouth or by our letter. Now may our Lord Jesus Christ himself and God our

Father, who loved us and through grace gave us eternal comfort and good hope, comfort your hearts and strengthen them in every good work and word.
The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

SEQUENCE HYMN #404

We will extol you, ever-blessed Lord

OLD 124TH

THE HOLY GOSPEL *(Please stand.)*

LUKE 20: 27—38

In the Gospel the Sadducees ask a question about the legal status after the resurrection of a woman who had been married to a succession of brothers. Jesus replies that resurrection means a different existence from earthly life and that it depends on a God who has a personal and living relationship with all people. The Sadducees did not believe in resurrection from death, and they attempted to make the idea seem absurd by posing this question based on the law's requirement that a man should marry his brother's childless widow. Jesus cuts through their apparent cleverness. There is no need for marriage after the resurrection. What is more, the Bible continues to speak of the patriarchs as though they were still alive before God. In this Jesus perceives a profound truth about God's unfailing care.

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

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Some Sadducees, those who say there is no resurrection, came to him and asked him a question, "Teacher, Moses wrote for us that if a man's brother dies, leaving a wife but no children, the man shall marry the widow and raise up children for his brother. Now there were seven brothers; the first married, and died childless; then the second and the third married her, and so in the same way all seven died childless. Finally the woman also died. In the resurrection, therefore, whose wife will the woman be? For the seven had married her." Jesus said to them, "Those who belong to this age marry and are given in marriage; but those who are considered worthy of a place in that age and in the resurrection from the dead neither marry nor are given in marriage. Indeed they cannot die anymore, because they are like angels and are children of God, being children of the resurrection. And the fact that the dead are raised Moses himself showed, in the story about the bush, where he speaks of the Lord as the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob. Now he is God not of the dead, but of the living; for to him all of them are alive."

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

THE SERMON

THE REV. DR. BENJAMIN A. SHAMBAUGH, RECTOR

HOLY BAPTISM

PRESENTATION AND EXAMINATION OF THE CANDIDATE

Ronin Thomas Allen Bucknam

Priest: The Candidate for Holy Baptism will now be presented.

Parents and Sponsors: I present NN. to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.

Will you be responsible for seeing that your child is brought up in the Christian faith and life?

Parents and Sponsors: I will, with God's help.

Will you by your prayers and witness help *him* to grow into the full stature of Christ?

Parents and Sponsors: I will, with God's help.

Do you renounce Satan and all the spiritual forces of wickedness that rebel against God?

I renounce them.

Do you renounce the evil powers of this world which corrupt and destroy the creatures of God?

I renounce them.

Do you renounce all sinful desires that draw you from the love of God?

I renounce them.

Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept Him as your Savior?

I do.

Do you put your whole trust in His grace and love?

I do.

Do you promise to follow and obey Him as your Lord?

I do.

Will you, this congregation of St. Luke's, who witness these vows do all in your power to support *this child* in *his* life in Christ?

Congregation: We will.

Let us join with *he* who is committing *himself* to Christ and renew our own baptismal covenant.

THE BAPTISMAL COVENANT

Do you believe in God the Father?

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary.

**He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.**

Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?

I will, with God's help.

Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

I will, with God's help.

Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

I will, with God's help.

Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

I will, with God's help.

Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?

I will, with God's help.

PRAYERS FOR THE CANDIDATE

Let us now pray for this child who is to receive the Sacrament of new birth.

Deliver *him*, O Lord, from the ways of sin and death.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Open *his* heart to your grace and truth.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Fill *him* with your holy and life-giving Spirit.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Keep *him* in the faith and communion of your holy Church.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Teach *him* to love others in the power of the Spirit.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Send *him* into the world in witness to your love.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Bring *him* to the fullness of your peace and glory.

Lord, hear our prayer.

We pray for 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, 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.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Grant, O Lord, that all who are baptized into the death of Jesus Christ your Son may live in the power of his resurrection and look for him to come again in glory; who lives and reigns now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE BLESSING OF THE WATER

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give him thanks and praise.

We thank you, Almighty God, for the gift of water. Over it the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation. Through it you led the children of Israel out of their bondage in Egypt into the land of promise. In it your Son Jesus received the baptism of John and was anointed by the Holy Spirit as the Messiah, the Christ, to lead us, through his death and resurrection, from the bondage of sin into everlasting life. We thank you, Father, for the water of Baptism. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in his resurrection. Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit. Therefore in joyful obedience to your Son, we bring into his fellowship those who come to him in faith, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Now sanctify this water, we pray you, by the power of your Holy Spirit, that those who here are cleansed from sin and born again may continue for ever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Savior. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE BAPTISM

Priest: Name this child.

N. I baptize you in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

NN., you are sealed by the Holy Spirit in Baptism and marked as Christ's own for ever. Amen.

Receive the Light of Christ. Bring this flame burning brightly back to heaven when you meet your Lord and Savior face to face. **Amen.**

Let us pray. Heavenly Father, we thank you that by water and the Holy Spirit you have bestowed upon *this* your *servant* the forgiveness of sin, and have raised *him* to the new life of grace. Sustain *him*, O Lord, in your Holy Spirit. Give *him* an inquiring and discerning heart, the courage to will and to persevere, a spirit to know and to love you, and the gift of joy and wonder in all your works. **Amen.**

Let us welcome the newly baptized:

We receive you into the household of God. Confess the faith of Christ crucified, proclaim his resurrection, and share with us in his eternal priesthood.

PRESENTATION TO THE COMMUNITY - HYMN #490

I want to walk as a child of the light

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

God of the Living, In Whose Eyes
(Tune: *MELITA*)

ELLERTON/DYKES

PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS

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

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER C

The Lord be with you.

Lift up your hearts.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

And also with you.

We lift them to the Lord.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.

Glory to you for ever and ever.

At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.

By your will they were created and have their being.

From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.

Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.

Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

By his blood, he reconciled us.

By his wounds, we are healed.

And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

SANCTUS

Holy, holy, holy Lord...
(The congregation may kneel or stand.)

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And so, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, 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, gave thanks, 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."

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,
We celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of his coming.

Lord God of our Fathers and Mothers, God of Abraham and Sarah, Isaac and Rebekah, Jacob, Leah and Rachel; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.

Accept these prayers and praises, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation. **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 HYMNS #66 *Come, thou long-expected Jesus*

STUTTGART

#341 *For the bread which you have broken*

OMNI DIE

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 #486

Hosanna to the living Lord!

HOSANNA

THE SENDING FORTH

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

Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE

The God of Abraham Praise

BURKHARDT

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Eucharistic Ministers: Brian Craig (First Reading), Jeffrey Sussman (Second Reading)

Prayers: Caroline Dean

Greeters: Hersey & Quincy Egginton

Altar Guild: Merle McDonald-Aaron, Holly Whitmore

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

*George Kneip, Ken Miller, Evelina Langdale, Paulette Brinka, Adele Sadiq, Julie Nielson,
Charles Lewis, Robbie Balnis, Nick Marlin, Keith Scott, Courtney Wessling,
Deidre Henderson, Martin Foggo, Jeffrey Lane, Lloyd Ibert, Mark Gregory, Mary Libby,
Jose, David, Edmond L. Craig, III, Joanne*

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**BLESS THOSE WHO THIS WEEK ARE CELEBRATING
BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES:**

Hunter Gary, Ally Schaefer, Regina Lynch, Suzanne Thorsen

**THE FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR TODAY ARE GIVEN TO THE GLORY OF GOD
IN LOVING MEMORY OF:**

Eleanor & Ernie Nelson by Mark Nelson & Anthony Rosina

We pray for the repose of the soul of Diana Forgione.

REMEMBRANCES FOR ALL SAINTS' DAY
not previously printed

Vera Crandall
Kenneth Crandall
Frances Hillman
Robert Hillman
Jeffrey Taylor
Christopher Taylor
Ellen & Ted Harvey

NOTICES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

STEWARDSHIP UPDATE

We have received 94 pledges which total \$354,240. Our goal for 2026 is \$575,000, so there is more to be done! Remember, you can return a pledge card to the office or go to our website [here](#) to pledge anytime. ***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.

HELP FOR JAMAICA

Balfour Sangster, pastor of the Church of God 7th Day Jamaican congregation that worships in St Peter's Chapel in Spring, has sent an urgent appeal for hurricane relief in the aftermath of the catastrophic impact of Hurricane Melissa. His hometown of Savanna La Mar, where he and Sonia own a house and where many of his family still live, was among the hardest hit. 90% of the houses in the area are without a roof, houses built of lumber were all blown down, and many of his immediate relatives, many with school-aged children, are homeless and in need of urgent food supplies and water. While items are being shipped down, the greatest need is financial.

The Church of 7th Day is soliciting assistance, with a goal of raising \$100,000. Checks may be made out to Balfour Sangster, 98 Fort Pond Blvd, East Hampton, NY 11937. Thank you for your generosity. Sonia will be going to Jamaica at the end of the month and Balfour will be going in December. They have still not heard from all of their family, including Balfour's 85-year-old sister, Josephine. Please keep her and the people of Jamaica in your prayers.

SAL TOCCI CLASS—RESCHEDULED

Want to go to heaven? Just as with any destination, you must know where it is before you can get there. Did Jesus say that heaven was “up there” somewhere in the sky? Join Salvatore Tocci as we explore what Jesus said about heaven in the gospels and how Paul and the church fathers changed its meaning. Our trip to heaven will take place on **Friday, November 21st from 9:00–10:30am** in the Vestry room.

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

Come and discuss the lessons read at Sunday morning services.

DIOCESAN CONVENTION NOVEMBER 14-15

For all about convention, click here! <https://www.dioceseli.org/convention>. Your delegates are Brian Craig, Georgiana Slade Mellgard, Dan Mason (St. Peter's) and Caroline Dean (Alternate). This is also the team that will vote for the next bishop of Long Island in April.

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.

NOVEMBER OUTREACH FOR FOOD INSECURITY

This month please consider donating to the East End food pantries to help those in our community who can't afford basic food needs. St. Luke's will match your donations from our Outreach budget. Note which of the three area pantries you want your donation to go to on the memo line of your check and we'll do the rest. Thank you for your continued generosity.

TURKEYS FOR THANKSGIVING DINNER

Our neighbors in faith and location, The First Presbyterian Church, East Hampton, has asked us to provide the turkeys (as many as 8!) for the community Thanksgiving dinner they prepare and serve on Thanksgiving. Consider those less fortunate when you're doing your Thanksgiving shopping and purchase a second turkey to share with our struggling neighbors. Bring it to St. Luke's or First Presbyterian during business hours this month and it will be roasted and served to an appreciative crowd on Thanksgiving!

NO THANKSGIVING DAY SERVICE HERE THIS YEAR

In order to allow Father Ben to visit family, we will not be having a Thanksgiving Day service at St. Luke's. We will have Thanksgiving music and prayers at our services on Sunday, November 23.

A SPECIAL APPEAL FROM THE SPRINGS FOOD PANTRY

Thank you so much for your ongoing support of The Springs Food Pantry. Because of the recent cutbacks, we have decided to give our recipients IGA gift cards, so families have the dignity and flexibility to shop for their own holiday needs.

St. Lukes could help us by holding a special monetary collection prior to Thanksgiving to help offset the cost of these **Thanksgiving gift cards**. Based on the number of families we expect to serve, our total cost this year will be **\$14,125**. The gift cards—given in denominations of **\$25, \$50, and \$75**, depending on family size—would be presented on Wednesday, Nov. 26 along with our normal distribution of pantry staple groceries, fresh produce, fruit, milk and eggs.

Another thoughtful way St. Luke's could contribute would be by providing **sweet treats**—cookies, pies, cake or pudding mixes—that we could distribute to families during the Thanksgiving or Christmas holidays. We're so grateful for your willingness to partner with us in caring for the community.

Holly Reichart-Wheaton, springsfoodpantry@gmail.com

HELPING ALL LOCAL FOOD PANTRIES

In this period when SNAP Benefits are ending and Federal workers and contractors are not getting paid, the need in our community is greatly increasing and our local food pantries are in need of help. Because they buy in bulk, the best way to help is through financial support rather than donation of food items. The food pantries, with links to the donation pages, are listed below. Volunteers are always welcome as well.

East Hampton Food Pantry

159 Pantigo Road, East Hampton, NY 11937 (631) 324-2300

Food Distribution: Every Tuesday, 1-6pm

<https://app.etapestry.com/onlineforms/EastHamptonFoodPantryInc/donate.html>

Springs Food Pantry

5 Old Stone Hwy, East Hampton, NY 11937 (631) 324-4791

Food distribution and pick up is every Wednesday, 1:30 - 6:30pm

<https://www.springsfoodpantry.com/donations>

The Montauk Food Pantry

St. Therese Parish Center 67 South Essex Street Montauk, NY 11954

Food distribution is Every Other Tuesday -- November 4, 18;

December 2, 16, 30

Walk-up and Drive-Thru visits are welcome from 3:30-6:00pm

<https://www.montaukfoodpantry.org/donate/>

Long Island Cares (several locations)

<https://www.licares.org>

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

November 14-15 - Diocesan Convention

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

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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
Sponsored by the**

EAST HAMPTON FIRE DEPARTMENT



FREE for all!



Handicapped Accessible



As we journey together in faith, the Episcopal Diocese of Long Island—encompassing the communities of Brooklyn, Queens, Nassau, and Suffolk counties—is preparing to welcome a new spiritual leader. This process is not merely administrative; it represents a deeply sacred moment for our entire community, calling us to reflect, pray, and discern together.

The Profile developed by the Search Committee revealed some interesting facts about our Diocese and the Search Process:

A Mosaic of Cultures:

Our diocese embodies the vibrant diversity of God’s creation. With 128 parishes offering worship in 13 different languages, we are truly a mosaic of cultures. This diversity enriches our faith community and reflects the unique character of the people we serve.

Ministry in Action:

We are blessed with eight ministry corporations, including St. John’s Episcopal Hospital and the George Mercer Jr. Memorial School of Theology. Through these ministries, we are committed to serving both the physical and spiritual needs of our neighbors, demonstrating our dedication to holistic care and the well-being of all whom we encounter.

Justice and Mercy:

At the heart of our diocesan mission is a commitment to justice and mercy. We strive for racial reconciliation, environmental stewardship, and community justice, firmly rooted in the Gospel’s call to love and serve all people. These priorities guide us as we work toward a more just and compassionate world.

Seeking a Bishop of Vision:

Our search is focused on finding a leader grounded in prayer, empathy, and courage. We seek someone who can honor our rich traditions while also embracing transformation and guiding us through the complexities of modern ministry. This new bishop will play a vital role in fostering spiritual growth, supporting change, and holding space for both tradition and innovation.

The journey toward new leadership includes several important milestones.

Key Dates

- October 15, 2025: Deadline for nominations by others
- October 31, 2025: Deadline for direct applications by candidate
- January 9-11, 2026: Discernment retreat with semi-finalist candidates
- Late January 2026: Slate for final candidates prepared for Joint Oversight Committee
- March 2026: Meet and Greet final candidates throughout the Diocese

Discernment Timeline

The Electing Convention is scheduled for April 18, 2026, with the consecration of the new bishop planned for September 19, 2026. These dates mark significant steps as we prepare for this transition.

Listening to the Spirit:

Throughout this process, we have made a concerted effort to listen to the voices across our diocese from Brooklyn to Montauk. Through 9 Zoom meetings hosting 144 participants, and 7 in-person listening sessions with 230 participants, as well as a survey that gathered responses from over 900 parishioners, members have been able to share their hopes, dreams, and prayers for the future of our community. These insights were invaluable in the creation of the profile, and we hold dear the insights gained as we continue to discern together.

An Invitation to Prayer:

We ask all members of the diocese to hold this process in daily prayer. Please remember the Search Committee, those discerning a call to leadership, and the Bishop whom God is already preparing to walk alongside us. We pray together: **“Come, Holy Spirit, guide our hearts and minds as we seek a shepherd who will lead with wisdom, humility, and love.”**

To stay informed and receive updates on the search process, please visit the [Bishop Search page](#) where you will find the full version of the profile. Together, let us walk in faith and hope as we prepare for this significant moment in our diocesan journey.

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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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