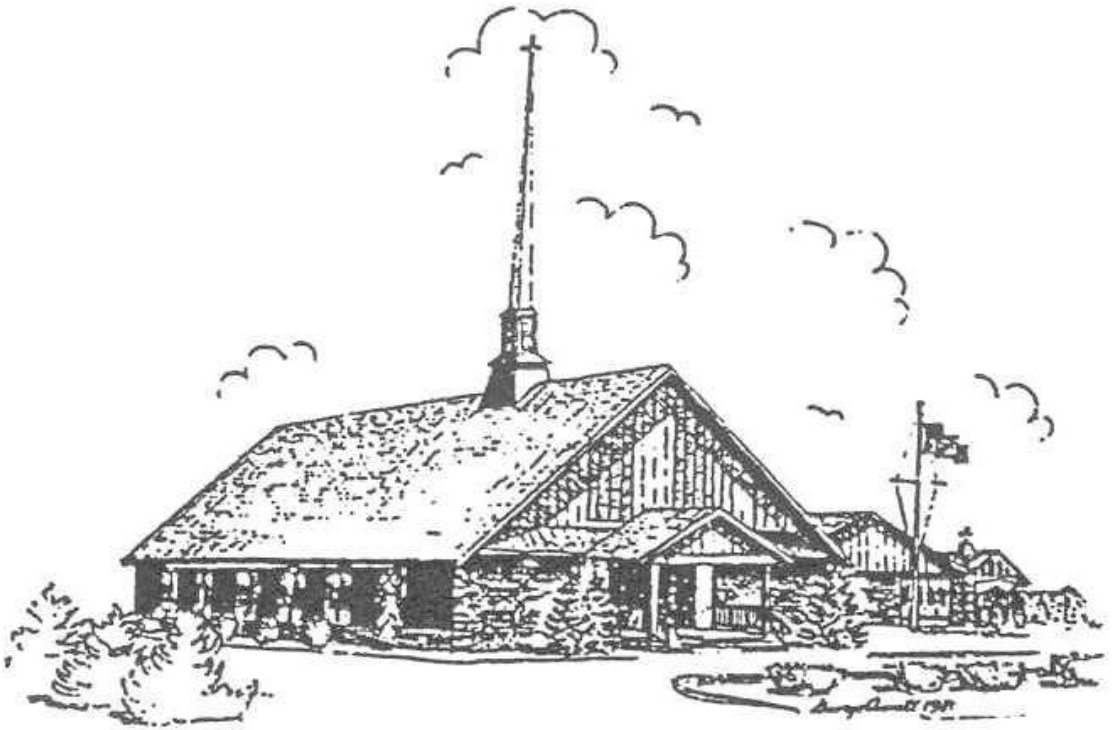


The Holy Eucharist: Rite II

The Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost ~ Proper 24



The Episcopal Church of The Holy Innocents

19 October, 2025 ~ 9:30 AM

Welcome! In The Episcopal Church, all baptized Christians are welcomed to receive Holy Communion. **BCP** means The Book of Common Prayer (Red Book). You'll find the BCP and Hymnals in the pew rack in front of you.

Prelude

Voluntary

Please use this time for quiet prayer and contemplation

Parish Notices

THE WORD OF GOD

Entrance Hymn #423 *Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise*

ST. DENIO

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit

People **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen**

Celebrant 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. *All: Amen.*

Gloria S-280 *(all sing)* *Glory to God*

Robert Powell

The Collect of the Day:

BCP, p. 235

Almighty and everlasting God, in Christ you have revealed your glory among the nations: Preserve the works of your mercy, that your Church throughout the world may persevere with steadfast faith in the confession of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

The First Lesson *(Please be seated)*

Jeremiah 31:27-34

The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will sow the house of Israel and the house of Judah with the seed of humans and the seed of animals. And just as I have watched over them to pluck up and break down, to overthrow, destroy, and bring evil, so I will watch over them to build and to plant, says the LORD. In those days they shall no longer say:

"The parents have eaten sour grapes,
and the children's teeth are set on edge."

But all shall die for their own sins; the teeth of everyone who eats sour grapes shall be set on edge.

The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt-- a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the LORD. But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the LORD: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, "Know the LORD," for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the LORD; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 119:97-104 (*Read in unison*)

BCP, p. 771

- 97 Oh, how I love your law! *
all the day long it is in my mind.
- 98 Your commandment has made me wiser than my enemies, *
and it is always with me.
- 99 I have more understanding than all my teachers, *
for your decrees are my study.
- 100 I am wiser than the elders, *
because I observe your commandments.
- 101 I restrain my feet from every evil way, *
that I may keep your word.
- 102 I do not shrink from your judgments, *
because you yourself have taught me.
- 103 How sweet are your words to my taste! *
they are sweeter than honey to my mouth.

104 Through your commandments I gain understanding; *
therefore I hate every lying way.

The Epistle

2 Timothy 3:14-4:5

As for you, continue in what you have learned and firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it, and how from childhood you have known the sacred writings that are able to instruct you for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. All scripture is inspired by God and is useful for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, so that everyone who belongs to God may be proficient, equipped for every good work.

In the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who is to judge the living and the dead, and in view of his appearing and his kingdom, I solemnly urge you: proclaim the message; be persistent whether the time is favorable or unfavorable; convince, rebuke, and encourage, with the utmost patience in teaching. For the time is coming when people will not put up with sound doctrine, but having itching ears, they will accumulate for themselves teachers to suit their own desires, and will turn away from listening to the truth and wander away to myths. As for you, always be sober, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, carry out your ministry fully.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

Sequence Hymn #470 *There's a Wideness in God's Mercy*

BEECHER

The Holy Gospel

Luke 18:1-8

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

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ**

Jesus told his disciples a parable about their need to pray always and not to lose heart. He said, "In a certain city there was a judge who neither feared God nor had respect for people. In that city there was a widow who kept coming to him and saying, 'Grant me justice against my opponent.' For a while he refused; but later he

said to himself, 'Though I have no fear of God and no respect for anyone, yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will grant her justice, so that she may not wear me out by continually coming.'" And the Lord said, "Listen to what the unjust judge says. And will not God grant justice to his chosen ones who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long in helping them? I tell you, he will quickly grant justice to them. And yet, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?"

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

The Sermon

(Please be Seated)

The Rev. Peter De Franco

The Nicene Creed

(Please Stand)

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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 man.

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 *From the Diocese of Central Pennsylvania*
(*The people may stand or kneel*)

Celebrant Let us pray to God the Almighty, from whom all good things flow.

Silence

Leader We offer a prayer of thanks for people everywhere who labor for the spread of the Gospel. May we be joined with them heart to heart, and hand to hand. We ask for the grace to remember that every act of kindness, however simple, builds the Kingdom of God.

People **God of all goodness, hear our prayer.**

Leader We offer a prayer of gratitude for the bishops and others who lead Christian communities around the world, especially Sarah, The Archbishop of Canterbury-designate, Sean, our Presiding Bishop, Sally, our Bishop and Peter our Supply Priest. May they be faithful pastors and wise guides. We pray for our Search Committee and Vestry that they may call a faithful pastor for our church.

People **God of all goodness, hear our prayer.**

Leader We offer a prayer of support for the leaders of the nations, especially Colleen our Mayor, Philip our Governor, and Donald our President. May they have zeal for justice and abundant mercy. We ask for the grace to recall that we also share in the stewardship of creation.

People **God of all goodness, hear our prayer.**

Leader We offer a prayer of hope for the needs of our nearest neighbors. May we have the eyes to see their needs and the hands to help meet them. We ask for the grace to follow in our Lord's footsteps, working to bring hope and new life to the world.

People **God of all goodness, hear our prayer.**

Leader We offer a prayer of fellowship with all human labor. We ask for the grace to be able to see in all work a reflection of the hand that created all things.

People **God of all goodness, hear our prayer.**

Leader We offer a prayer of concern for all who suffer in body, mind, or spirit, especially all those on our Parish Prayer List and those we remember in silence (*Pause in silence*) May they have comfort and hope, and may we be instruments of God's peace in their lives.

People **God of all goodness, hear our prayer.**

Leader We offer a prayer of thanksgiving for our partners in mission, especially the Members and Ministry of the Subcommittee on Ordination and Reception of Spanish-speaking Persons in the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer and in The Anglican Communion, The Episcopal Church. May we stand shoulder to shoulder with them in sharing God's redeeming love.

People **God of all goodness, hear our prayer.**

Leader We offer a prayer of peace for all who have died, (*Pause in silence*) May they rest from all their labors, and may we join with them in the communion of the Blessed Virgin Mary and all the Saints.

People **God of all goodness, hear our prayer.**

Celebrant Merciful Father, guide our hands, gladden our hearts, raise us up on eagles' wings and accept these prayers for Jesus' sake. **Amen.**

Confession and Absolution

Celebrant Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Confession

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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.*

Absolution

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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 (*All stand*)

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory Anthem *Come, Jesus, Holy Son of God* arr. Hal Hopson

Presentation of the Gifts (*All stand*)

All things come of Thee, O Lord, and of Thine own have we given Thee

Eucharistic Prayer 3 (*Enriching Our Worship*)

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

All thanks and praise are yours at all times and in all places, our true and loving God; through Jesus Christ, your eternal Word, the Wisdom from on high by whom you created all things. You laid the foundations of the world and enclosed the sea when it burst out from the womb; You brought forth all creatures of the earth and gave breath to humankind. Wondrous are you, Holy One of Blessing, all you create is a sign of hope for our journey; And so as the morning stars sing your praises we join the heavenly beings and all creation as we shout with joy:

The Celebrant continues

Glory and honor are yours, Creator of all, your Word has never been silent; you called a people to yourself, as a light to the nations, you delivered them from bondage and led them to a land of promise.

Of your grace, you gave Jesus to be human, to share our life, to proclaim the coming of your holy reign and give himself for us, a fragrant offering. Through Jesus Christ our Redeemer, you have freed us from sin, brought us into your life, reconciled us to you, and restored us to the glory you intend for us.

We thank you that on the night before he died for us Jesus took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, gave it to his friends and said: "Take, eat, this is my Body, broken for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper Jesus took the cup of wine, said the blessing, gave it to his friends and said: "Drink this, all of you: this cup is the new Covenant in my Blood, poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me."

And so, remembering all that was done for us: the cross, the tomb, the resurrection and ascension, longing for Christ's coming in glory, and presenting to you these gifts your earth has formed and human hands have made, we acclaim you, O Christ:

Celebrant and People

**Dying, you destroyed our death. Rising, you restored our life.
Christ Jesus, come in glory!**

The Celebrant continues

Send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts of bread and wine that they may be to us the Body and Blood of your Christ.

Grant that we, burning with your Spirit's power, may be a people of hope, justice and love. Giver of Life, draw us together in the Body of Christ, and in the fullness of time gather us with Mary, the Mother of God and all your people into the joy of our true eternal home.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, we worship you our God and Creator in voices of unending praise.

Celebrant and People

Blessed are you now and for ever. AMEN

The Lord's Prayer

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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.*

The Breaking of the Bread

The Celebrant breaks the Consecrated Bread. The congregation observes a time of silence.

Fraction Anthem: S-154 *(all sing)*

Christ Our Passover

David Hurd

(All baptized Christians are welcomed to receive Holy Communion.)

Music During Communion

Hymn #325 *(all sing)* *Let Us Break Bread Together on Our Knees*

LET US BREAK BREAD

Postcommunion Prayer *(Please stand)* *(Enriching Our Worship 1)*

Loving God, we give you thanks for restoring us in your image and nourishing us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood. Now send us forth a people, forgiven, healed, renewed; that we may proclaim your love to the world and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

Blessing (*Common Worship*)

May the love of the Lord Jesus draw you to God, the power of the Lord Jesus strengthen you in God's service, the joy of the Lord Jesus fill your hearts; and the blessing and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. *Amen.*

Hymn #688 *A Mighty Fortress is Our God*

EIN FESTS BURG

Dismissal

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Postlude

Voluntary

Serving Today : *Crucifer ~ John Wall* **Lector** ~ *Leila Sullivan*

Ushers ~ *Dave White, Bob Weidmann* **Chalice Bearer** ~ *Leila Sullivan*

Please join us in Martin Hall for Coffee & Fellowship!

Parish Prayer List – October 19, 2025

PLEASE NOTE: *If you need to add or remove a name, please contact Lisa Halpin, our Parish Administrator by **Wednesday, October 22nd**.*

Lara Sparks Deitz
Christian Balint
Ann White
Debbie & Joe Reising
Peg Appleget
Meg Neff
Florence Lamon
Kathy Rice
Charles Sullivan
Ellis Barbieri
Diane
Jeannine
Fran Iozzi
Dr. John
Mike Phillips
Katie Gillis
Pilar Wolfe

Mary Ann Crewdson
Christine Hendricks
Pierro Family
Connie
Dcn. Judy
Rob Meyer
Melanie Harman
Jessie
Doug Hunter
Judy Hamilton
Ray M.
Phil
Johnny Johnson, Jr.
Scott
Adam Baulderstone
Frank, III
Ollie

Dennis
Warren Lamon
Lovas Family
Joe
Lynne Weidmann
Tino
Pat
Rich Cashel
JoAnn King
Cindy Wood
Gia
Frank
Bill Bentley
Nellie Riley
Chris Mercer
Will Locovare
Milt

Ben Giannico
Glenn Servetah
George Balch
Barbara
Scotty Camarote

Mary Jane Mannherz
Mary K.
Barbara Wheeler
Rose Federici

Bill O'Connell
Pat Strocchia
Devin Hone
Rick Rosenbaum

Those serving in the military and other dangerous professions:

Paul Bailey, Justin A. Dumhart, Joseph Alexander, Danny Melega, Andrew Wall,
Brandan White

WEEKLY ONLINE CALENDAR October 20 – October 25

20 – Mon	NO Morning Prayer	
	Chair Yoga	9:15 AM-10:15 AM
21 – Tues	Ladies Exercise Group	9:15 AM-10:15 AM
	ECW Meeting (Chapel/Meeting/Lunch)	11:30 AM
23 – Thurs	Ladies Exercise Group	9:15 AM-10:15 AM
	Book/Bible Study	2:00 PM
	“Clam Diggers” AA Group	7:30 PM
	Compline (FB)	9:00 PM
24 – Fri	<i>Parish Office Closed</i>	
25 – Sat	Robert & Donna Luttrell Committal Service	11:00 AM
	William Cowper Committal Service	2:00 PM

Birthdays: Danielle Dumhart (10/20), Katherine A. Wymbs (10/20), Joseph Culley (10/20)
Michael J. Wymbs (10/21)

Anniversaries: David & Karin Mitchell (10/20)



Oct. 26th – Blessing of the Pledges & Brunch Celebration
Nov. 2 – All Saints’ Sunday
Nov. 8 – Antiques Appraisal Day, hosted by the ECW 10:00am-2:00pm
Nov. 22 – Diocese of NJ Annual Convention (delegates attend)
Dec. 3 – ECW Christmas Luncheon at Buckalew’s-Time TBD
Dec. 6 – Messiah Sing at 4:00 p.m.
Dec. 12 – Festival of Nine Lessons & Carols 7:00pm

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