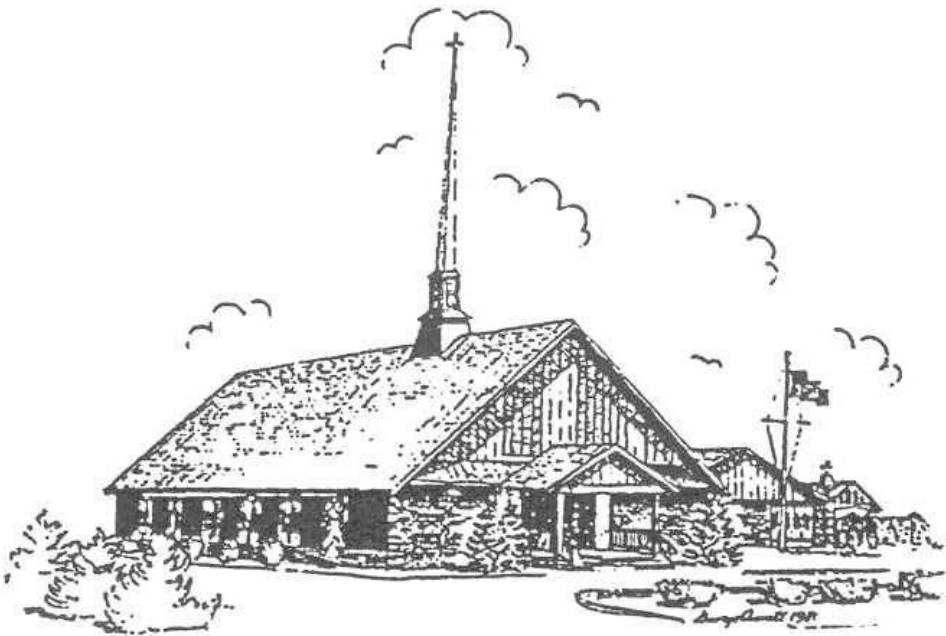


The Holy Eucharist: Rite II

*The Seventh Sunday after Pentecost ~ Proper 12
and
The Baptism of
Layla Lynn Barron*



*The Episcopal Church of the Holy Innocents
27 July, 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. We hope you'll join us for Coffee Hour following the service!

The Parish Notices

Prelude

Voluntary

Please use this time for quiet prayer and contemplation

Entrance Hymn

This is My Father's World (insert)

Franklin L. Sheppard

THE WORD OF GOD

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

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

Celebrant There is one Body and one Spirit;

People **There is one hope in God's call to us;**

Celebrant One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;

People **One God and Father of all.**

The Collect of the Day:

BCP, p. 231

O God, the protector of all who trust in you, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy: Increase and multiply upon us your mercy; that, with you as our ruler and guide, we may so pass through things temporal, that we lose not the things eternal; 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)

Hosea 1:2-10

When the LORD first spoke through Hosea, the LORD said to Hosea, "Go, take for yourself a wife of whoredom and have children of whoredom, for the land commits great whoredom by forsaking the LORD." So he went and took Gomer daughter of Diblaim, and she conceived and bore him a son.

And the Lord said to him, "Name him Jezreel; for in a little while I will punish the house of Jehu for the blood of Jezreel, and I will put an end to the kingdom of the house of Israel. On that day I will break the bow of Israel in the valley of Jezreel." She conceived again and bore a daughter. Then the Lord said to him, "Name her Lo-ruhamah, for I will no longer have pity on the house of Israel or forgive them. But I will have pity on the house of Judah, and I will save them by the Lord their God; I will not save them by bow, or by sword, or by war, or by horses, or by horsemen."

When she had weaned Lo-ruhamah, she conceived and bore a son. Then the Lord said, "Name him Lo-ammi, for you are not my people and I am not your God." Yet the number of the people of Israel shall be like the sand of the sea, which can be neither measured nor numbered; and in the place where it was said to them, "You are not my people," it shall be said to them, "Children of the living God."

Reader The Word of the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 85 (*Read in unison*)

BCP p. 708

- 1 You have been gracious to your land, O LORD, *
you have restored the good fortune of Jacob.
- 2 You have forgiven the iniquity of your people *
and blotted out all their sins.
- 3 You have withdrawn all your fury *
and turned yourself from your wrathful indignation.
- 4 Restore us then, O God our Savior; *
let your anger depart from us.
- 5 Will you be displeased with us for ever? *
will you prolong your anger from age to age?
- 6 Will you not give us life again, *
that your people may rejoice in you?
- 7 Show us your mercy, O LORD, *
and grant us your salvation.

- 8 I will listen to what the LORD God is saying, *
for he is speaking peace to his faithful people
and to those who turn their hearts to him.
- 9 Truly, his salvation is very near to those who fear him, *
that his glory may dwell in our land.
- 10 Mercy and truth have met together; *
righteousness and peace have kissed each other.
- 11 Truth shall spring up from the earth, *
and righteousness shall look down from heaven.
- 12 The LORD will indeed grant prosperity, *
and our land will yield its increase.
- 13 Righteousness shall go before him, *
and peace shall be a pathway for his feet.

The Epistle

Colossians 2:6-15, (16-19)

As you have received Christ Jesus the Lord, continue to live your lives in him, rooted and built up in him and established in the faith, just as you were taught, abounding in thanksgiving.

See to it that no one takes you captive through philosophy and empty deceit, according to human tradition, according to the elemental spirits of the universe, and not according to Christ. For in him the whole fullness of deity dwells bodily, and you have come to fullness in him, who is the head of every ruler and authority. In him also you were circumcised with a spiritual circumcision, by putting off the body of the flesh in the circumcision of Christ; when you were buried with him in baptism, you were also raised with him through faith in the power of God, who raised him from the dead. And when you were dead in trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made you alive together with him, when he forgave us all our trespasses, erasing the record that stood against us with its legal demands. He set this aside, nailing it to the cross. He disarmed the rulers and authorities and made a public example of them, triumphing over them in it. [Therefore do not let anyone condemn you in matters of food and drink or of observing festivals, new moons, or sabbaths. These are only a shadow of what is to

come, but the substance belongs to Christ. Do not let anyone disqualify you, insisting on self-abasement and worship of angels, dwelling on visions, puffed up without cause by a human way of thinking, and not holding fast to the head, from whom the whole body, nourished and held together by its ligaments and sinews, grows with a growth that is from God.]

Reader The Word of the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

Sequence Hymn #613 *(Please stand)* *Thy Kingdom Come, O God!* ST. CECILIA

The Holy Gospel

Luke 11:1-13

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

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ**

Jesus was praying in a certain place, and after he had finished, one of his disciples said to him, "Lord, teach us to pray, as John taught his disciples." He said to them, "When you pray, say:

Father, hallowed be your name.

Your kingdom come.

Give us each day our daily bread.

And forgive us our sins,

for we ourselves forgive everyone indebted to us.

And do not bring us to the time of trial."

And he said to them, "Suppose one of you has a friend, and you go to him at midnight and say to him, 'Friend, lend me three loaves of bread; for a friend of mine has arrived, and I have nothing to set before him.' And he answers from within, 'Do not bother me; the door has already been locked, and my children are with me in bed; I cannot get up and give you anything.' I tell you, even though he will not get up and give him anything because he is his friend, at least because of his persistence he will get up and give him whatever he needs.

"So I say to you, Ask, and it will be given you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened for you. For everyone who asks receives, and everyone who searches finds, and for everyone who knocks, the door

will be opened. Is there anyone among you who, if your child asks for a fish, will give a snake instead of a fish? Or if the child asks for an egg, will give a scorpion? If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!"

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

Homily *(Please be seated)*

The Rev. Peter De Franco

The Baptism of Layla Lynn Barron

(Congregation remains seated for now)

Presentation and Examination of the Candidate for Baptism

Celebrant The Candidate for Holy Baptism will now be presented.

Family **I present Layla Lynn Barron to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.**

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

Family **I will, with God's help.**

Celebrant Will you by your prayers and witness help this child to grow into the full stature of Christ?

Family **I will, with God's help.**

The Renunciations and Affirmations

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

Family **I renounce them.**

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

Family **I renounce them.**

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

Family **I renounce them.**

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

Family **I do.**

Celebrant Do you put your whole trust in his grace and love?

Family **I do.**

Celebrant Do you promise to follow and obey him as your Lord?

Family **I do.**

Celebrant Addressing the Congregation, Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support these persons in their life in Christ?

All **We will.**

Celebrant Let us join those who are committing themselves to Christ and renew our own baptismal covenant.

The Baptismal Covenant *(Please stand)*

Celebrant Do you believe in God the Father?

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

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

People **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.**

Celebrant Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

People **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.**

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

People **I will, with God's help.**

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

People **I will, with God's help.**

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

People **I will, with God's help.**

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

People **I will, with God's help.**

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

People **I will, with God's help.**

(Priest, parents, godparents and children to be baptized, move to the font.)

Prayers for the Candidates *(Remain standing)*

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

A Person appointed leads the following petitions

Leader Deliver her, O Lord, from the way of sin and death.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Open her heart to your grace and truth.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Fill her with your holy and life-giving Spirit.
People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Keep her in the faith and communion of your holy Church.
People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Teach her to love others in the power of the Spirit.
People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Send her into the world in witness to your love.
People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Bring her to the fullness of your peace and glory.
People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Celebrant 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 forever. *All: Amen.*

Thanksgiving over the Water *(Remain standing)*

An Appointed person pours water into the font. The Celebrant blesses the water, first saying

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

Celebrant 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.

At the following words, the Celebrant touches the water

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 forever 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. All: **Amen.**

The Baptism *(Remain standing)*

The Parents and Godparents present the child by name to the Celebrant, who then pours water upon her, saying

Layla Lynn, I baptize you in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. All: **Amen.**

Then the Priest places a hand on the child's head, marking on the forehead the sign of the cross using Chrism and saying,

Layla Lynn, you are sealed by the Holy Spirit in Baptism and marked as Christ's own forever. All: **Amen.**

Celebrant Let us pray. Heavenly Father, we thank you that by water and the Holy Spirit you have bestowed upon this your child the forgiveness of sin, and have raised her to the new life of grace. Sustain her, O Lord, in your Holy Spirit. Give her 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. All: **Amen.**

Celebrant Let us welcome the newly baptized!

Celebrant and People **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.**

The Peace *(All stand)*

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory Hymn #295 (*please be seated*) *Sing Praise to Our Creator*

CHRISTUS

Presentation of the Gifts (*All stand*)

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

The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer A

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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 him thanks and praise.**

Celebrant It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and every where to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. For by water and the Holy Spirit you have made us a new people in Jesus Christ our Lord, to show forth your glory in all the world. 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 S-129 (*all sing*) *Holy, Holy, Holy Lord*

Robert Powell

Celebrant Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world. On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, 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 we proclaim the mystery of faith:

All Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Celebrant We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. 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. *All: 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

Postcommunion Prayer *(Please stand)*

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Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the

Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Blessing

May God give to you and to all those whom you love his comfort and his peace, his light and his joy, in this world and the next; 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 #60 (LEVAS)

How Great Thou Art

Swedish Folk Melody

Dismissal

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Postlude

Voluntary

Please join us in Martin Hall for Coffee & Fellowship

Serving Today

Crucifer ~ Rob Meyer **Lector** ~ Kay De Cicco

Ushers ~ Bob Weidmann, Gail Jacobsen **Chalice Bearer** ~ Kay De Cicco

Parish Prayer List – July 27, 2025

PLEASE NOTE: *This is the last Sunday in July. All names will be removed from the prayer list unless you have requested to leave them on. If you need to add or remove a name, please contact Lisa Halpin, our Parish Administrator by **Wednesday, July 30th.***

Lara Sparks Deitz

Mary Ann Crewdson

Dennis

Christian Balint

Christine Hendricks

Warren Lamont

Ann White

Pierro Family

Lovas Family

Debbie & Joe Reising

Connie

Joe

Peg Appleget

Dcn. Judy

Lynne Weidmann

Alycia Mullin

Meg Neff

Rob Meyer

Tino

Florence Lamont

Melanie Harman

Pat

Kathy Rice

Jessie

Rich

Charles Sullivan

Doug Hunter

Marie Kleber	JoAnn King	Ellis Barbieri
Judy Hamilton	Cindy Wood	Diane
Ray M.	Gia	Jeannine
Phil	Frank	Fran Iozzi
Johnny Johnson, Jr.	Bill Bentley	Dr. John
Cris Grapa	Scott	Margie Wilson
Jean & Keith Aclin	Nellie Riley	Adam Baulderstone
Chris Mercer	Katie Gillis	Frank, III
Will Locovare	Mary Jane Mannherz	Pilar Wolfe
Rob Grear	Ollie	Roselle D.
Family & Friends of Donna Kerrihard		

Those serving in the military and other dangerous professions:

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

WEEKLY ONLINE CALENDAR July 28 – Aug 1

28 – Mon	Morning Prayer (FB)	9:00 AM
	Yoga in MH	9:15 AM – 10:15 AM
29 – Tues	Ladies Exercise Group	9:15 AM – 10:15 AM
30 – Wed	Concerts on the Green ~ Suyat Band	7:30 PM
31 – 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
01 – Fri	<i>Parish Office Closed</i>	

Birthdays: Kris Anderson (07/27), Sharon Osborn (07/28), John Johnson (07/29)

Fr. Peter will offer prayers and anointing for healing in the chapel today immediately following the Holy Eucharist for anyone who would like this ministry. Persons can come into the chapel and request healing prayer for themselves or for others.

JOIN THE STREAM TEAM!! The Holy Innocent's Stream Team is asking for volunteers to serve as an occasional back-up, for streaming the 9:30 am Sunday Service on Facebook Live, when our primary and back up team members are unavailable. Please let Kim Sparks or Vince Contreras know if you are available and interested in helping out!

PRAYER MINISTRY

Our group is small but mighty. When we get a call that someone needs prayers, this group is ready to help you out! We not only pray for those on our parish prayer list, but we also have a confidential list that is only shared between our group. I am so honored to have this group in my life! There are some parishioners who can't make our monthly gathering in the chapel who are included in our list of prayer warriors. Trust me, we have seen prayers in action! If you want to join us – we meet next on **Wed., August 20th at 4:00PM** - all are welcome.

Remember, to notify Lisa in the office if you want your name put on our Parish Prayer List.

Judy Contreras Call, text or email me: 856-906-6725 or Judyc3956@gmail.com



BACKPACK & SCHOOL SUPPLIES DRIVE

Due Date: SUNDAY, AUGUST 10th

NEEDED:

1. Backpacks for students in Kindergarten thru High School.
(Emphasis on 6-12 as they are underserved)
2. School Supplies for the same age groups

Some will be distributed to Holy Name in Camden and some to the children involved in our Ocean County Sandwich Ministry.

The need is great, so please, be as generous as you are able.

Thank you, Maggie Aftanis & Alexa Fahner



SAVE THE DATE!

Our Annual Auction date has been set for

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 9th at 6:00pm

and we will return to the Shell.

Thank you Tom Hughes and the Shell for hosting us!

Tickets are \$75.00 and sales will begin in August.

Look for more information in your E-Pistle and Parish Post.

Contact: Maggie Aftanis at 609-492-5271



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