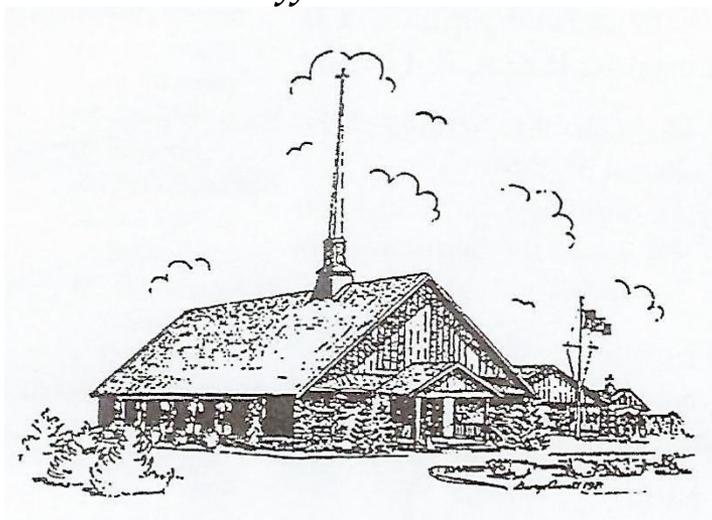


*The Episcopal  
Diocese  
of New Jersey  
at  
Holy Innocents' Episcopal*



*The Holy Eucharist  
with  
Confirmations, Receptions, and  
Reaffirmations*



*The Episcopal Church of The Holy Innocents  
in the Borough of Beach Haven, New Jersey  
19 September, 2021 ~ 9:30 AM*

*Holy Innocents' acknowledges that we gather on the traditional land of the Lenni-Lenape people and we honor with gratitude the land itself and the life of the Lenni-Lenape Tribe.*

Welcome to Holy Innocents' service of worship. Wherever you are on your spiritual journey, you are welcomed here! We are connected, spiritually and emotionally, and visually, even when we cannot all gather in person. This liturgy is structured with the common good in mind—distanced, masked, and many connecting via livestream—while also honoring the patterns of traditional worship and common prayer, even as we experience spiritual communion with God and one another.

If you are new to Holy Innocents' and would like to learn more, please connect with one of the clergy.

Grace and peace to you!

*In The Episcopal Church, all baptized Christians are welcomed to receive Holy Communion. BCP means The Book of Common Prayer (Red Book).*

*\* Indicates to stand as you are able*

**Prelude**     *Voluntary*

## THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

**\*Opening Hymn #112 (LEVAS)** *Come Holy Ghost*

Rabanus Maurus

*The people standing, the celebrant says*

*Bishop:*        Blessed be God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

*Assembly:*   **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever. Amen.**

*Bishop:*        There is one Body and one Spirit;

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

*Bishop:*        One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;

*Assembly:*   **One God and Father of all.**

### **Collect of the Day**

*Bishop:*        The Lord be with you.

*Assembly:*   **And also with you.**

*Bishop:*        Let us pray.

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

**The First Lesson**

**Jeremiah 11:18-20**

It was the LORD who made it known to me, and I knew;  
then you showed me their evil deeds.

But I was like a gentle lamb  
led to the slaughter.

And I did not know it was against me  
that they devised schemes, saying,

"Let us destroy the tree with its fruit,  
let us cut him off from the land of the living,  
so that his name will no longer be remembered!"

But you, O LORD of hosts, who judge righteously,  
who try the heart and the mind,

let me see your retribution upon them,  
for to you I have committed my cause.

*Reader:* The Word of the Lord.

*All:*     **Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm 54**    (*Read responsively by whole verse*)

**BCP, p. 659**

- 1 Save me, O God, by your Name; \*  
in your might, defend my cause.
- 2 Hear my prayer, O God; \*  
give ear to the words of my mouth.
- 3 For the arrogant have risen up against me,  
and the ruthless have sought my life, \*  
those who have no regard for God.
- 4 Behold, God is my helper; \*  
it is the Lord who sustains my life.
- 5 Render evil to those who spy on me; \*  
in your faithfulness, destroy them.

6 I will offer you a freewill sacrifice \*  
and praise your Name, O LORD, for it is good.  
7 For you have rescued me from every trouble, \*  
and my eye has seen the ruin of my foes.

**The Epistle**

**James 3:13-4:3,7-8a**

Who is wise and understanding among you? Show by your good life that your works are done with gentleness born of wisdom. But if you have bitter envy and selfish ambition in your hearts, do not be boastful and false to the truth. Such wisdom does not come down from above, but is earthly, unspiritual, devilish. For where there is envy and selfish ambition, there will also be disorder and wickedness of every kind. But the wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, willing to yield, full of mercy and good fruits, without a trace of partiality or hypocrisy. And a harvest of righteousness is sown in peace for those who make peace. Those conflicts and disputes among you, where do they come from? Do they not come from your cravings that are at war within you? You want something and do not have it; so you commit murder. And you covet something and cannot obtain it; so you engage in disputes and conflicts. You do not have, because you do not ask. You ask and do not receive, because you ask wrongly, in order to spend what you get on your pleasures. Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you.

*Reader:* The Word of the Lord.

*All:* **Thanks be to God.**

**\*Sequence Hymn #482** *Lord of All Hopefulness*

SLANE

**\*The Holy Gospel**

**Mark 9:30-37**

*Deacon:* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

*People:* **Glory to you, Lord Christ**

Jesus and his disciples passed through Galilee. He did not want anyone to know it; for he was teaching his disciples, saying to them, "The Son of Man is to be betrayed into human hands, and they will kill him, and three days after being killed, he will rise again." But

they did not understand what he was saying and were afraid to ask him. Then they came to Capernaum; and when he was in the house he asked them, "What were you arguing about on the way?" But they were silent, for on the way they had argued with one another who was the greatest. He sat down, called the twelve, and said to them, "Whoever wants to be first must be last of all and servant of all." Then he took a little child and put it among them; and taking it in his arms, he said to them, "Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me."

*Deacon:* The Gospel of the Lord.

*People:* **Praise to you, Lord Christ.** (*All are seated*)

**The Sermon**

**The Rt. Rev. William "Chip" Stokes**

### **CONFIRMATIONS, RECEPTIONS, and REAFFIRMATIONS**

*Confirmation is the rite in which we express a mature commitment to Christ by a solemn, public reaffirmation of our Baptismal promises, and receive strength from the Holy Spirit through prayer and the laying on of hands by a bishop. The rite of Reception is similar, for those Baptized adults coming to the Episcopal Church from another Christian communion. Reaffirmation is for those who have been baptized and confirmed in the Episcopal Church (or any member church in the Anglican Communion) and wish to recommit themselves to the Christian life of faith may choose to reaffirm their baptismal covenant with the bishop.*

### **PRESENTATION and EXAMINATION of the CANDIDATES**

*The parish formally presents its candidates for Confirmation, Reception, and Reaffirmation to the Bishop.*

*Bishop:* The Candidates will now be presented.

*Assembly:* **We present Skyla Neff-Willems, Jean Nelson,  
for Confirmation.**

**We present Barbara Bishop, Christopher Harris, Angela  
Partridge-Hala, Leila Sullivan, Kristin Tengal, and  
Barbara Wheeler to be received into The Episcopal  
Church.**

**We present Marie Bregler to reaffirm her faith.**

*After the candidates have been presented, the Bishop asks the candidates:*

*Bishop:* Do you reaffirm your renunciation of evil?

*Candidates:* **I do.**

*Bishop:* Do you renew your commitment to Jesus Christ?

*Candidates:* **I do.**

*After all have been presented. The Bishop addresses the congregation saying*

*Bishop:* Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support these persons in their life in Christ?

*Assembly:* **I do.**

### **THE BAPTISMAL COVENANT**

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

*Bishop* Do you believe in God the Father?

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

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

*Assembly* **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.**

*Bishop* Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

*Assembly* **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.**

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

*The Celebrant then says to the Congregation*

*Bishop* Let us now pray for these persons who have renewed their commitment to Christ.

## PRAYERS FOR THE CANDIDATES

BCP, p. 305



*Cantor* Deliver them, O Lord, from the way of sin and death.



*Assembly* **Lord, hear our prayer.** (*This response is sung after each petition.*)

*Cantor* Open their hearts to your grace and truth.

*Assembly* **Lord, hear our prayer.**

*Cantor* Fill them with your holy and life-giving Spirit.

*Assembly* **Lord, hear our prayer.**

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

*Assembly* **Lord, hear our prayer.**

*Cantor* Teach them to love others in the power of the Spirit.

*Assembly* **Lord, hear our prayer.**

*Cantor* Send them into the world in witness to your love.

*Assembly* **Lord, hear our prayer.**

*Cantor* Bring them to the fullness of your peace and glory.

*Assembly* **Lord, hear our prayer.**

*Bishop* Almighty God, we thank you that by the death and resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ you have overcome sin and brought us to yourself, and that by the sealing of your Holy Spirit you have bound us to your service. Renew in these your servants the covenant you made with them at their Baptism. Send them forth in the power of that Spirit to perform the service you set before them; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

*All* **Amen.**

## LAYING ON OF HANDS

**BCP, 418**

*The Bishop invites candidates forward. Sponsors and family, please be seated and remain in place during this time. The Bishop lays hands upon each one and says*

### **For Confirmation**

Strengthen, O Lord, your servant N. with your Holy Spirit; empower *him/her* for your service; and sustain *him/her* all the days of *his/her* life. **Amen.**

*or this*

Defend, O Lord, your servant N. with your heavenly grace, that he/she may continue yours forever, and daily increase in your Holy Spirit more and more, until he/she comes to your everlasting kingdom. **Amen.**

### **For Reception**

N., we recognize you as a member of the one holy catholic and apostolic Church, and we receive you into the fellowship of this Communion. God the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, bless, preserve, and keep you. **Amen.**

### **For Reaffirmation**

N., may the Holy Spirit, who has begun a good work in you, direct and uphold you in the service of Christ and his kingdom. **Amen.**

When the rites have been completed for all the candidates, all stand as able. The Bishop concludes with this prayer:

*Bishop* Almighty and everliving God, let your fatherly hand ever be over these your servants; let your Holy Spirit ever be with them; and so lead them in the knowledge and obedience of your Word, that they may serve you in this life, and dwell with you in the life to come; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*All* Amen.

**HYMN**

*Will you come and follow me* ♦ *sung by all*

TUNE: *Kelvingrove*



1. "Will you come and fol - low me if I but call your name?  
2. "Will you leave your - self be - hind if I but call your name?  
3. "Will you let the blind - ed see if I but call your name?  
4. "Will you love the you you hide if I but call your name?  
5. Lord, you sum - mons ech - oes true when you but call my name.



Will you go where you don't know and nev - er be the same?  
Will you care for cruel and kind and nev - er be the same?  
Will you let the pris - ners free and nev - er be the same?  
Will you quell the fear in - side and nev - er be the same?  
Let me turn and fol - low you and nev - er be the same.



Will you let my love be shown, will you let my name be known,  
Will you risk the hos - tile stare, should your life at - tract or scare?  
Will you kiss the lep - er clean, and do such as this un - seen,  
Will you use the faith you've found to re - shape the world a - round,  
In your com - pa - ny I'll go where you love and foot - steps show.



will you let my life be grown in you and you in me?"  
Will you let me an - swer pray'r in you and you in me?"  
and ad - mit to what I mean in you and you in me?"  
through my sight and touch and sound in you and you in me?  
Thus I'll move and live and grow in you and you in me.

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**\*The Peace** (*All stand*)

*Bishop* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*All* And also with you.

## The Parish Notices

**Blessing of ECW (Episcopal Church Women) Honoree:**

*Maggie Aftanis*

## THE HOLY EUCHARIST

**Offertory** *An offering of money is received. All undesignated funds collected during this day will go to support the Bishop's Discretionary Fund.*

**Anthem:** *Take my Life, Lord*

Anna Laura Page

**\*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 B**

BCP, p. 367

*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 everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Through Jesus Christ our Lord; Because in Jesus Christ our Lord you have received us as your sons and daughters, made us citizens of your kingdom, and given us the Holy Spirit to guide us into all truth. 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-130** *(All sing)*

Franz Peter Schubert

*(The People may stand or kneel)*

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

brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

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

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

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

### **The Lord's Prayer**

**BCP, p. 364**

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**

*Celebrant:* Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

*People:* **Therefore let us keep the feast.**

*(All baptized Christians are welcomed to receive Holy Communion. Diocesan guidelines allow the Holy Sacraments in one kind only. Bread will be offered and Wine will be placed on the altar for adoration.)*

### **Music During Communion**

**Hymn 154 (LEVAS)** *Taste and See*

James E. Moore, Jr.

### **Postcommunion Prayer** *(Stand or kneel)*

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.*

### **\*Episcopal Blessing**

*Bishop* Our help is in the name of the Lord

*Assembly* **The maker of heaven and earth.**

*Bishop* Blessed be the name of the Lord.

*Assembly* **From this time forth for ever more.**

*The Bishop blesses the Assembly. All respond: Amen.*

**\*Closing Hymn #390** *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty* LOBE DEN HERREN

### **\*Dismissal**

**BCP, p. 366**

*Deacon* Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

*Assembly* **Thanks be to God.**

### **Postlude**

Please join us outside in The Pebble Yard for a “to-go” reception!

## **PARTICIPANTS IN THE LITURGY**

### **Presider & Preacher**

The Right Reverend William “Chip” Stokes, Bishop of the Diocese of New Jersey

### **Assisting**

The Very Rev. Dr. Caroline Carson, Rector

The Rev. Dr. Judith S. Krom, Deacon

### **Bishop’s Chaplains**

Deacon Judy Krom

Rob Meyer

### **Musicians**

Ellen Dondero, Minister of Music

The Choir of Holy Innocents’

John Dondero, Trumpet

Skyla Neff-Willems, Flute

### **Crucifer**

John Wall

### **Lector**

Diane Carter

### **Ushers & Greeters**

Mike Fahner, Bob Weidmann

### **Flowers**

Sherry Johnson

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Barbara Wheeler  
Skyla Neff-Willems

**Parish Prayer List – September 19, 2021**

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

Jean & Keith Acin	Matt Adams	Beth C.
Beverlee	Eddie Boll	Borrone Family
Jackson Brackett	Marie Bregler	Joan Connolly
Judy Contreras	Lynn Cowper	Mary Ann Crewdson
Davis Family	Dennis	Carol Dobbins
Meg Dougher	Ella	Faye
Carol Frake	Frank	Fran Harris
Shirley Hickey	Hillary	Harold & Cheryl Hawkes
Joyce Hillyer	Kara Hughes	Janet
Jeannine	Joan, Susan & Bob	Claire Johns
John Johnson, Jr.	Karen G.	Karen & DJ
Robin Koch	Cyndi Lamon	Alan Lee
Diane Lee	Lauren & Ed	Lindsey
Melody Long	Lorraine & Drew	Cecily Lovas
Kurt Martin	Mary Ann	Mary Jane
Butch McCaffrey	Scott Mitchell	Virginia Nicholas
Maryanne O.	Sharon Osborn	TJ Patton
Patty	Lucien Picard	Pinky
Carol Ann Renzland	Kathy Rice	Lara Sparks Deitz
Matt Starr	Marie Stasik	Bill Todd
Robert Thomas	Colin Walker	Wendy
Ann White	Rebecca Whitley	Rits
Sherri		

**Those serving in the military and other dangerous professions:**

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

**Birthdays:** Melissa Wall (09/20), Kerry Horlemann (09/21)

**Anniversaries:** Rich & Colette Southwick (09/20)

**Altar Flowers:** Today's altar flowers are given in loving memory of Evelyn & Bob Taylor by Diane Entrikin and family and also to the Glory of God.

**WEEKLY ONLINE CALENDAR September 20<sup>th</sup> – September 25<sup>th</sup>**

20 – Mon	Morning Prayer	9:00 AM
21 – Tues	Evening Prayer (FB)	6:00 PM
23 – Thurs	<i>Anita Bentley Service</i>	11:00 AM
	Book Study (Rectory)	2:00 PM
	Congregational Dinner (Sign-up)	6:30 PM
	Compline (FB Live)	9:00 PM
24 – Fri	<i>Parish Office Closed</i>	
	Kids Korner (FB)	7:00 PM
25 – Sat	<i>Mike Davis Funeral at LEHYC</i>	3:00 PM
	(The interment is at HI at 1:00 PM)	
	Psalms with Dcn. Judy (FB Live)	7:00 PM



**TICKETS AVAILABLE NOW!!**

Our Annual Auction date has been set for **THURSDAY, OCTOBER 14<sup>th</sup>** and we will return to the Shell!! *Thank you Tom & Sherry Hughes and the Shell for hosting us!* Tickets are on sale now from Maggie Aftanis on Sunday or from Lisa Halpin in the Parish Office Monday-Thursday 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Contact: Maggie Aftanis at 609-492-5271 for more info.

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