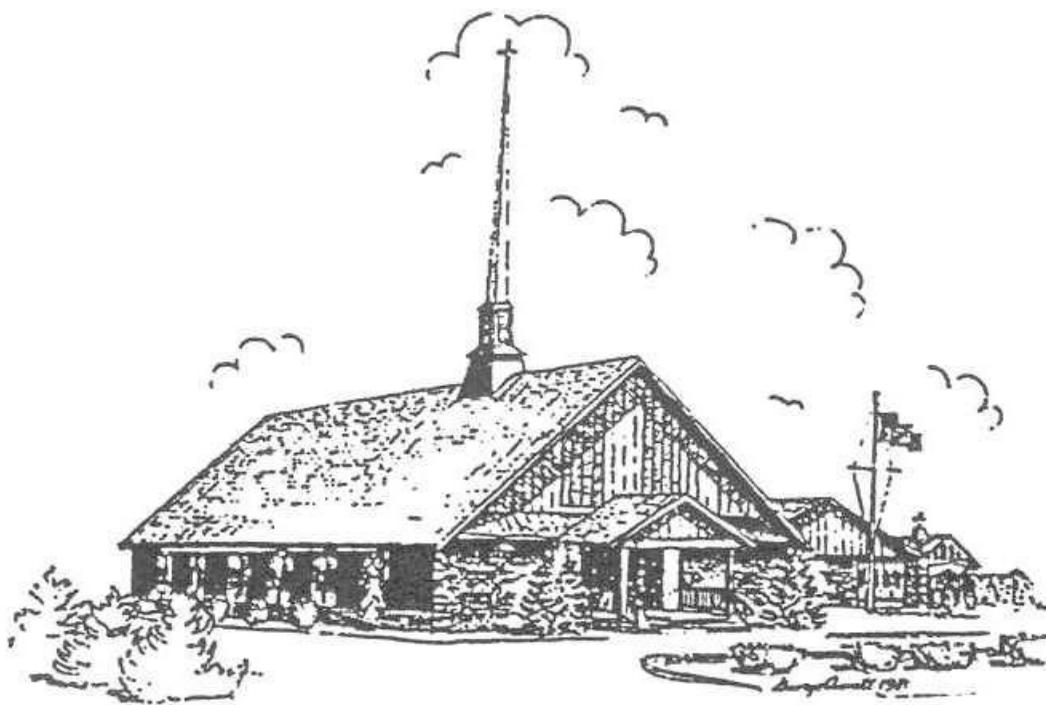


The Holy Eucharist: Rite II

The Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost ~ Proper 25



The Episcopal Church of The Holy Innocents

26 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 #665 *All My Hope in God is Founded vv. 1,2 & 5* MICHAEL

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:

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Almighty and everlasting God, increase in us the gifts of faith, hope, and charity; and, that we may obtain what you promise, make us love what you command; 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)*

Joel 2:23-32

O children of Zion, be glad
and rejoice in the LORD your God;
for he has given the early rain for your vindication,
he has poured down for you abundant rain,
the early and the later rain, as before.
The threshing floors shall be full of grain,
the vats shall overflow with wine and oil.

I will repay you for the years
that the swarming locust has eaten,
the hopper, the destroyer, and the cutter,
my great army, which I sent against you.

You shall eat in plenty and be satisfied,
and praise the name of the LORD your God,
who has dealt wondrously with you.

And my people shall never again be put to shame.

You shall know that I am in the midst of Israel,
and that I, the LORD, am your God and there is no other.

And my people shall never again
be put to shame.

Then afterward

I will pour out my spirit on all flesh;
your sons and your daughters shall prophesy,
your old men shall dream dreams,
and your young men shall see visions.

Even on the male and female slaves,
in those days, I will pour out my spirit.

I will show portents in the heavens and on the earth, blood and fire and
columns of smoke. The sun shall be turned to darkness, and the moon to
blood, before the great and terrible day of the LORD comes. Then everyone
who calls on the name of the LORD shall be saved; for in Mount Zion and in
Jerusalem there shall be those who escape, as the LORD has said, and among
the survivors shall be those whom the LORD calls.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 65 (*Read in unison*)

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1 You are to be praised, O God, in Zion; *
to you shall vows be performed in Jerusalem.

- 2 To you that hear prayer shall all flesh come, *
because of their transgressions.
- 3 Our sins are stronger than we are, *
but you will blot them out.
- 4 Happy are they whom you choose
and draw to your courts to dwell there! *
they will be satisfied by the beauty of your house,
by the holiness of your temple.
- 5 Awesome things will you show us in your righteousness,
O God of our salvation, *
O Hope of all the ends of the earth
and of the seas that are far away.
- 6 You make fast the mountains by your power; *
they are girded about with might.
- 7 You still the roaring of the seas, *
the roaring of their waves,
and the clamor of the peoples.
- 8 Those who dwell at the ends of the earth will tremble at your marvelous signs; *
you make the dawn and the dusk to sing for joy.
- 9 You visit the earth and water it abundantly;
you make it very plenteous; *
the river of God is full of water.
- 10 You prepare the grain, *
for so you provide for the earth.
- 11 You drench the furrows and smooth out the ridges; *
with heavy rain you soften the ground and bless its increase.
- 12 You crown the year with your goodness, *
and your paths overflow with plenty.
- 13 May the fields of the wilderness be rich for grazing, *
and the hills be clothed with joy.

14 May the meadows cover themselves with flocks,
and the valleys cloak themselves with grain; *
let them shout for joy and sing.

The Epistle

2 Timothy 4:6-8,16-18

I am already being poured out as a libation, and the time of my departure has come. I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. From now on there is reserved for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give me on that day, and not only to me but also to all who have longed for his appearing.

At my first defense no one came to my support, but all deserted me. May it not be counted against them! But the Lord stood by me and gave me strength, so that through me the message might be fully proclaimed and all the Gentiles might hear it. So I was rescued from the lion's mouth. The Lord will rescue me from every evil attack and save me for his heavenly kingdom. To him be the glory forever and ever. Amen.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

Sequence Hymn LEVAS #139 (*please stand*) *Pass Me Not, O Gentle Savior*

William H. Doane

The Holy Gospel

Luke 18:9-14

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

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ**

Jesus told this parable to some who trusted in themselves that they were righteous and regarded others with contempt: "Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. The Pharisee, standing by himself, was praying thus, 'God, I thank you that I am not like other people: thieves, rogues, adulterers, or even like this tax collector. I fast twice a week; I give a tenth of all my income.' But the tax collector, standing far off, would not even look up to heaven,

**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 The Revs: Geoffrey G. West and Clarke P. French in the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer and in The Anglican Communion, The Church in Wales. 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 *Be Thou My Vision*

arr. Alice Parker

Presentation of the Gifts *(All stand)*

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

The Blessing of the Pledges: *Let us Pray*

Gracious and loving God, we understand that You call us to be the stewards of Your abundance, the caretakers of all You have entrusted to us. Help us always to use Your gifts wisely and teach us to share them generously. May our faithful stewardship bear witness to the love of Christ in our lives. *Amen.*

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:

Sanctus S-129 *(all sing)*

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord

Robert Powell

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 at Communion

Hymn LEVAS #151 *(all sing)* *One Bread, One Body* John B. Boley, SJ

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 of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. *Amen.*

Hymn #637 *How Firm A Foundation, Ye Saints of the Lord* vv. 1,4&5 LYONS

Dismissal

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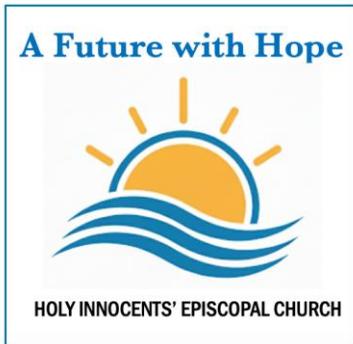
Postlude

Voluntary

Serving Today: *Crucifer* ~ John Wall **Lector** ~ George Waldner

Ushers ~ Bob Weidmann, Leila Sullivan **Chalice Bearer** ~ George Waldner

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.



Reminder: There will be a brunch this morning in Martin Hall following the service to celebrate the successful completion of this year's campaign. All are welcome!!

Parish Prayer List – October 26, 2025

PLEASE NOTE: *This is the last Sunday in October. 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, October 29th**.*

Lara Sparks Deitz
Christian Balint

Mary Ann Crewdson
Christine Hendricks

Dennis
Warren Lamon

Ann White	Pierro Family	Lovas Family
Debbie & Joe Reising	Connie	Joe
Peg Appleget	Dcn. Judy	Lynne Weidmann
Meg Neff	Rob Meyer	Tino
Florence Lamon	Melanie Harman	Pat
Kathy Rice	Jessie	Rich Cashel
Charles Sullivan	Doug Hunter	JoAnn King
Ellis Barbieri	Judy Hamilton	Cindy Wood
Diane	Ray M.	Gia
Jeannine	Phil	Frank
Fran Iozzi	Johnny Johnson, Jr.	Bill Bentley
Dr. John	Scott	Nellie Riley
Mike Phillips	Adam Boulderstone	Chris Mercer
Katie Gillis	Frank, III	Will Locovare
Pilar Wolfe	Ollie	Milt
Ben Giannico	Mary Jane Mannherz	Bill O'Connell
Glenn Servetah	Mary K.	Pat Strocchia
George Balch	Barbara Wheeler	Devin Hone
Barbara	Rose Federici	Rick Rosenbaum
Scotty Camarote		

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 27 – October 31

27 – Mon	NO Morning Prayer	
	Chair Yoga	9:15 AM-10:15 AM
28 – Tues	Ladies Exercise Group	9:15 AM-10:15 AM
30 – Thurs	Ladies Exercise Group	9:15 AM-10:15 AM
	NO Book/Bible Study ~ Resumes Nov. 6th	
	“Clam Diggers” AA Group	7:30 PM
	Compline (FB)	9:00 PM
31 – Fri	<i>Parish Office Closed</i>	

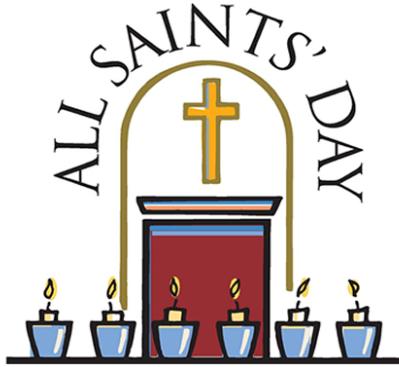
Birthdays: Mike Melega (10/27), Britton Carrigan (11/01)

All Saints' Day

All Saints' Day commemorates all saints, known and unknown, on Nov. 1. It is one of the seven principal feasts of the church year, and one of the four days recommended for the administration of baptism. All Saints' Day speaks to us of the Communion of the Saints and we recognize and celebrate our relationship, not only with those around us today, but also with all those who have gone before us in all times and places. Our English word "saint" literally means "holy." Thus, All Saints' Day is tied in with the belief in the Communion of Saints, that all of God's people, in this earthly life and in the various states of the larger life, are connected in one communion. In other words, traditional Christians believe that the Saints of God are just as alive as you and I, and are constantly praying on our behalf.



At Holy Innocents', we have traditionally designated this day for remembering our saints and loved ones through a special offering that supports the work of the Altar Guild. The Guild maintains the elements of worship used in our liturgies which include candles, wine, wafers, host wafers, oils, vestment care, etc. Your gift to the Altar Guild will ensure the setting of our Lord's table. Checks may be made out to Holy Innocents' with a memo to All Saint's Day. Memorials received by **Wednesday, October 29th** will be acknowledged in the **All Saints' Sunday bulletin on November 2nd**. Thank you.



If you wish to memorialize loved ones with a donation to support our Altar Guild, please fill out the information below and place it in the offering plate or in the lockbox outside the church office.

Please **PRINT** the donor and recipient names **clearly** and please note **“All Saints’ Day”** in the check memo.

YOUR NAME: _____

TELEPHONE #: _____

DONATION AMT: _____

IN MEMORY OF: _____

In order to have all the Memorials
acknowledged in the All Saints’ Day bulletin,
return this form to the office no later than **OCTOBER 29TH**



- 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



Donate your way.

Give one time, anytime or
set up a recurring donation.

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- Dave White, *Jr. Warden* pacsman1965@comcast.net

<i>Vestry Class of 2025</i>	<i>Vestry Class of 2026</i>	<i>Vestry Class of 2027</i>
Judy Contreras	Larry Peacock	Vince Contreras
Bruce Hillyer	Barbara Wheeler	Melissa Wall
Bill Kehr	Leila Sullivan	Debbie Hunter

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