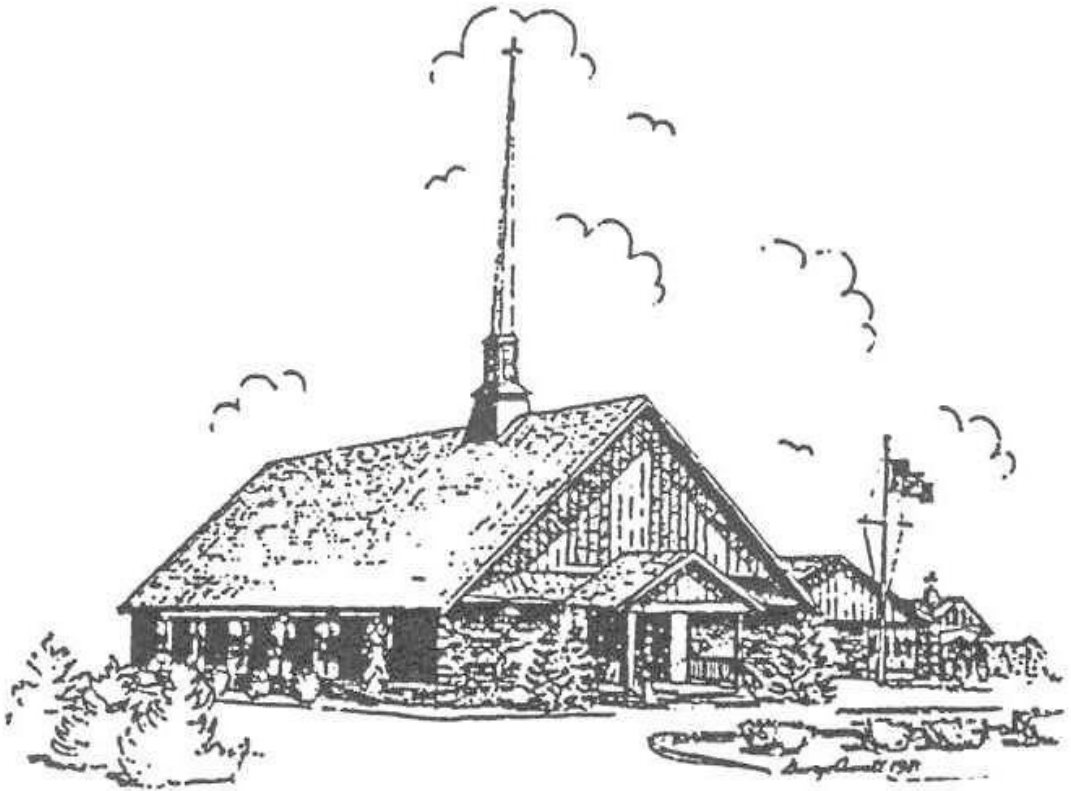


The Holy Eucharist: Rite II

The Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost



The Episcopal Church of The Holy Innocents

16 August, 2026 ~ 9:30 AM

Welcome! *Our service materials are in the Book of Common Prayer or BCP (Red Book); the 1982 Hymnal (Blue Book); and Lift Every Voice and Sing II (hymnal with the red spine.)* 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

Welcome

THE WORD OF GOD

Entrance Hymn #671 *Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound* NEW BRITAIN

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

People **And blessed be God's Kingdom, now and forever. 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)* *Gloria in excelsis*

Robert Powell

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty God, you have given your only Son to be for us a sacrifice for sin, and also an example of godly life: Give us grace to receive thankfully the fruits of his redeeming work, and to follow daily in the blessed steps of his most holy life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

First Lesson *(Please be seated)*

Genesis 45:1-15

Joseph could no longer control himself before all those who stood by him, and he cried out, "Send everyone away from me." So no one stayed with him when Joseph made himself known to his brothers. And he wept so loudly that the Egyptians

heard it, and the household of Pharaoh heard it. Joseph said to his brothers, “I am Joseph. Is my father still alive?” But his brothers could not answer him, so dismayed were they at his presence.

Then Joseph said to his brothers, “Come closer to me.” And they came closer. He said, “I am your brother, Joseph, whom you sold into Egypt. And now do not be distressed, or angry with yourselves, because you sold me here; for God sent me before you to preserve life. For the famine has been in the land these two years; and there are five more years in which there will be neither plowing nor harvest. God sent me before you to preserve for you a remnant on earth, and to keep alive for you many survivors. So it was not you who sent me here, but God; he has made me a father to Pharaoh, and lord of all his house and ruler over all the land of Egypt. Hurry and go up to my father and say to him, ‘Thus says your son Joseph, God has made me lord of all Egypt; come down to me, do not delay. You shall settle in the land of Goshen, and you shall be near me, you and your children and your children’s children, as well as your flocks, your herds, and all that you have. I will provide for you there—since there are five more years of famine to come—so that you and your household, and all that you have, will not come to poverty.’ And now your eyes and the eyes of my brother Benjamin see that it is my own mouth that speaks to you. You must tell my father how greatly I am honored in Egypt, and all that you have seen. Hurry and bring my father down here.” Then he fell upon his brother Benjamin’s neck and wept, while Benjamin wept upon his neck. And he kissed all his brothers and wept upon them; and after that his brothers talked with him.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 133

BCP, p. 787

- 1 Oh, how good and pleasant it is, *
 when brethren live together in unity!
- 2 It is like fine oil upon the head *
 that runs down upon the beard,

3 Upon the beard of Aaron, *
and runs down upon the collar of his robe.
4 It is like the dew of Hermon *
that falls upon the hills of Zion.
5 For there the LORD has ordained the blessing: *
life for evermore.

The Epistle

Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32

I ask, then, has God rejected his people? By no means! I myself am an Israelite, a descendant of Abraham, a member of the tribe of Benjamin. God has not rejected his people whom he foreknew.

For the gifts and the calling of God are irrevocable. Just as you were once disobedient to God but have now received mercy because of their disobedience, so they have now been disobedient in order that, by the mercy shown to you, they too may now receive mercy. For God has imprisoned all in disobedience so that he may be merciful to all.

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

Matthew 15: 21-28

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

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ**

Jesus left that place and went away to the district of Tyre and Sidon. Just then a Canaanite woman from that region came out and started shouting, "Have mercy on me, Lord, Son of David; my daughter is tormented by a demon." But he did not answer her at all. And his disciples came and urged him, saying, "Send her away, for she keeps shouting after us." He answered, "I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel." But she came and knelt before him, saying, "Lord, help me." He answered, "It is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the dogs."

She said, "Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters' table." Then Jesus answered her, "Woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish." And her daughter was healed instantly.

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

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

The Sermon

(Please be Seated)

The Rev. Erin Morey

The Nicene Creed

(Please stand)

BCP, p. 358

**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: Form VI *(Please remain standing)*

BCP, p. 392

Celebrant Let us offer our prayers to God.

Silence

Leader For all people in their daily life and work;

People **For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.**

Leader For Colleen our Mayor, Mikie our Governor, and Donald our President;
for this community, the nation, and the world;

People **For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.**

Leader For the just and proper use of your creation;

People **For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.**

Leader For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

People **For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.**

Leader For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

People **For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.**

Leader We pray for Sean our Presiding Bishop; for Sally our Bishop, and for Erin
our Rector and for all bishops and other ministers;

People **For all who serve God in God's Church.**

Leader We pray for the special needs and concerns of this congregation especially
those on our Parish Prayer List: *Lara, Connie, Dennis, Debbie, Joe, Pat, Warren, Ann,
Judy, Meg, Rich, Charles, Doug, Ellis, Judy, Diane, Jeannine, Nellie, Will, Devin, Rick,
Scotty, Becka, Bob, Karen, Roy, Mike, Shirley, Ben, Tim, Mike, Karen, Walter, Kathy,
Johnny, Matthew, James, Sue, Joe, Jack, Dixie, Mary, Amy, Charles, Ellen, Oliver, Cindy,
Jacob, Xavier, Rachel, Pat, Eleri, Sherry, Cynthia, Jo-Anne, Susie, Connor, Philip, Sean,
Ellen, Eileen, Charles, Kitty.* We remember the poor, all victims of climate change, the

sick, the shut-in, all caregivers, the grieving, and all those we name now, either silently or aloud. We pray for all those who serve in the military and other dangerous professions, and all who work for peace.

Leader Hear us, Lord;

People **For your mercy is great.**

Leader We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life; for the beauty of your creation, and all the saints.

Leader We will exalt you, O God our King;

People **And praise your Name for ever and ever.**

Leader We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom, especially those we name now, either silently or aloud.

Leader Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

People **Who put their trust in you.**

Celebrant O God, who by the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ destroyed death and brought life and immortality to light: Grant that we, who have been raised with him, may abide in his presence and rejoice in the hope of eternal glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be dominion and praise for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The Confession of Sin

BCP, p. 360

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

Celebrant and People **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.**

The Absolution

Celebrant 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)*

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Announcements *(Please be seated)*

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory Hymn #691 *(Please be seated)* *My Faith Looks Up to Thee* OLIVET

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 God 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. For you are the source of light and life, you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord. 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 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,

Celebrant and People

We remember his death,

We proclaim his resurrection,

We await his coming in glory;

The Celebrant continues

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

Fraction Anthem: S-154 *(All sing) Christ Our Passover*

David Hurd

Communion

*You are invited to stand or kneel at the front rail to receive communion. You may receive the bread, the wine, or both. If you need a gluten free wafer please let the celebrant know.
If you need communion brought to you, please let an usher know.*

Music During Communion

Hymn LEVAS #201 *(All sing) I've Got Peace Like A River*

SPIRITUAL

Postcommunion Prayer *(Please stand)*

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

Hymn LEVAS #99

On Christ the Solid Rock

William B. Bradbury

Dismissal

Celebrant Alleluia, alleluia. Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.**

Postlude

Voluntary

Serving Today

Crucifer ~ *John Wall* **Lector** ~ *Alexa Fahner*

Ushers ~ *Melissa Wall, Sue Hughes* **Chalice Bearer** ~ *Alexa Fahner*

Parish Prayer List – August 16, 2026

PLEASE NOTE: *If you need to add a name, please contact Lisa Halpin, our Parish Administrator by Wednesday, August 19th*

Lara	Connie	Dennis	Debbie	Joe
Pat	Warren	Ann	Judy	Meg
Rich	Charles	Doug	Ellis	Judy
Diane	Jeannine	Nellie	Will	Devin
Rick	Scotty	Becka	Bob	Karen
Roy	Mike	Shirley	Ben	Tim
Mike	Karen	Walter	Kathy	Johnny
Matthew	James	Sue	Joe	Jack
Dixie	Mary	Amy	Charles	Ellen
Oliver	Cindy	Jacob	Xavier	Rachel
Pat	Eleri	Sherry	Cynthia	Jo-Anne
Susie	Connor	Philip	Sean	Ellen
Eileen	Charles	Kitty		

Those serving in the military and other dangerous professions:

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

Birthdays: Owen & William Vaughan (08/17), Martha Lodge (08/18)

Lisa White (08/20), Christine Burlaga (08/22), Lynn Borys (08/22)

Anniversaries: Bill & Ellen Kehr (08/22)

WEEKLY ONLINE CALENDAR August 17 – 21

17 – Mon	Morning Prayer (FB)	9:00 AM
	Chair Yoga in MH	9:15 AM – 10:15 AM
	Labyrinth Walk	10:30 AM
18 – Tues	Ladies Exercise Group	9:15 AM – 10:15 AM
	Mah Jongg in Martin Hall	1:00 PM
19 – Wed	Tai Chi in MH	9:30AM – 10:30 PM
	Prayer Ministry	4:00 PM
	BHCAP Summer Concert: <i>McLean Ave. Band</i>	7:30 PM
20 – Thurs	Ladies Exercise Group	9:15 AM – 10:15 AM
	Book Study in MH & Zoom	1:30 PM
	“Clam Diggers” AA Group	7:30 PM
	Compline (FB)	9:00 PM
21 – Fri	<i>Parish Office Closed</i>	



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