

# *Christ Episcopal Church*



*Held in the Hands of God...  
Reaching our Hands out to others*

## ***Eighth Sunday after Pentecost and Lammass Sunday***

Sunday, July 31, 2022

8:00 & 10:00 a.m.

12 Prospect Street

Babylon, New York



# **Eighth Sunday after Pentecost & Lammastide Sunday**

Proper 13, Year C

**July 31, 2022**

## **8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite I**

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# **Eighth Sunday after Pentecost & Lammas Sunday**

Proper 13, Year C

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## **10:00 a.m. Holy Communion, Rite II**

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### ***Prelude***

#### ***Opening Hymn Sing praise to God***

Hymnal 408

1 Sing praise to God who reigns above,  
the God of all creation,  
the God of power, the God of love,  
the God of our salvation;  
with healing balm my soul he fills,  
and every faithless murmur stills:  
to God all praise and glory.

2 What God's almighty power hath made,  
his gracious mercy keepeth;  
by morning glow or evening shade  
his watchful eye ne'er sleepeth.  
Within the kingdom of his might, lo!  
all is just and all is right:  
to God all praise and glory.

3 Let all who name Christ's holy Name  
give God all praise and glory;  
let all who know his power proclaim  
aloud the wondrous story!  
Cast each false idol from its throne,  
the Lord is God, and he alone:  
to God all praise and glory.

### **The Word of God**

#### ***Opening Acclamation***

*Presider* Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.

*People* *Glory to God for ever and ever. Amen.*

#### ***Song of Praise Canticle 13***

Glory to you, O Lord *Benedictus es, Domine*

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The musical score is arranged in three systems. The first system features a vocal line in G major and 12/8 time, with lyrics 'Glo-ry to you, O Lord, glo-ry to you, O Lord.' The piano accompaniment consists of a right hand with chords and a left hand with a steady eighth-note bass line. The second system continues the vocal line with lyrics 'you are wor - thy of praise.' The piano accompaniment continues with similar textures. The third system shows the piano accompaniment concluding with a series of chords in the right hand and a final bass note in the left hand.

Glory to you, Lord God of our **fathers**; \*  
you are worthy of praise; glory to **you**.  
Glory to you for the radiance of your holy **Name**; \*  
we will praise you and highly exalt you for **ever**. *Refrain*

Glory to you in the splendor of your **temple**; \*  
on the throne of your majesty, glory to **you**.  
Glory to you, seated between the **Cherubim**; \*  
we will praise you and highly exalt you for **ever**. *Refrain*

Glory to you, beholding the **depths**; \*  
in the high vault of heaven, glory to **you**.  
Glory to you, Father, Son, and Holy **Spirit**; \*  
we will praise you and highly exalt you for **ever**. *Refrain*

***The Collect of the Day***

*Presider* The Lord be with you.

*People* And also with you.

*Presider* Let us pray.

Let your continual mercy, O Lord, cleanse and defend your Church; and, because it cannot continue in safety without your help, protect and govern it always by your goodness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen*.

***Old Testament*** A Reading from Ecclesiastes

Vanity of vanities, says the Teacher, vanity of vanities! All is vanity. I, the Teacher, when king over Israel in Jerusalem, applied my mind to seek and to search out by wisdom all that is done under heaven; it is an unhappy business that God has given to human beings to be busy with. I

saw all the deeds that are done under the sun; and see, all is vanity and a chasing after wind. I hated all my toil in which I had toiled under the sun, seeing that I must leave it to those who come after me -- and who knows whether they will be wise or foolish? Yet they will be master of all for which I toiled and used my wisdom under the sun. This also is vanity. So I turned and gave my heart up to despair concerning all the toil of my labors under the sun, because sometimes one who has toiled with wisdom and knowledge and skill must leave all to be enjoyed by another who did not toil for it. This also is vanity and a great evil. What do mortals get from all the toil and strain with which they toil under the sun? For all their days are full of pain, and their work is a vexation; even at night their minds do not rest. This also is vanity.

*Ecclesiastes 1:2, 12-14; 2:18-23*

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

*People* Thanks be to God

### ***Psalm 49:1-11***

- 1 Hear this, all you peoples;  
hearken, all you who dwell in the world, \*  
you of high degree and low, rich and poor together.
- 2 My mouth shall speak of wisdom, \*  
and my heart shall meditate on understanding.
- 3 I will incline my ear to a proverb \*  
and set forth my riddle upon the harp.
- 4 Why should I be afraid in evil days, \*  
when the wickedness of those at my heels surrounds me,
- 5 The wickedness of those who put their trust in their goods, \*  
and boast of their great riches?
- 6 We can never ransom ourselves, \*  
or deliver to God the price of our life;
- 7 For the ransom of our life is so great, \*  
that we should never have enough to pay it,
- 8 In order to live for ever and ever, \*  
and never see the grave.
- 9 For we see that the wise die also;  
like the dull and stupid they perish \*  
and leave their wealth to those who come after them.
- 10 Their graves shall be their homes for ever,  
their dwelling places from generation to generation, \*  
though they call the lands after their own names.
- 11 Even though honored, they cannot live for ever; \*  
they are like the beasts that perish.

### ***Epistle*** A Reading from the Letter of Paul to the Colossians

If you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth, for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory.

Put to death, therefore, whatever in you is earthly: fornication, impurity, passion, evil desire, and greed (which is idolatry). On account of these the wrath of God is coming on those who are

disobedient. These are the ways you also once followed, when you were living that life. But now you must get rid of all such things-- anger, wrath, malice, slander, and abusive language from your mouth. Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have stripped off the old self with its practices and have clothed yourselves with the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge according to the image of its creator. In that renewal there is no longer Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave and free; but Christ is all and in all!

*Colossians 3:1-11*

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

*People* Thanks be to God

**Gradual Hymn** *Open your ears, O faithful people*

Hymnal 536, v 1 & 2

1 Open your ears, O faithful people,  
Open your ears and hear God's word.  
Open your ears, O royal priesthood,  
God has come to you. *Refrain*

2 They who have ears to hear the message,  
They who have ears, then let them hear.  
They who would learn the way of wisdom,  
Let them hear God's word. *Refrain*

*Refrain*

God has spoken to his people, Hallelujah!  
And his word are words of wisdom, Hallelujah!  
God has spoken to his people, Hallelujah!  
And his words are words of wisdom, Hallelujah!

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

*People* *Glory to you, Lord Christ*

Someone in the crowd said to Jesus, "Teacher, tell my brother to divide the family inheritance with me." But he said to him, "Friend, who set me to be a judge or arbitrator over you?" And he said to them, "Take care! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; for one's life does not consist in the abundance of possessions." Then he told them a parable: "The land of a rich man produced abundantly. And he thought to himself, 'What should I do, for I have no place to store my crops?' Then he said, 'I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. And I will say to my soul, 'Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry.' But God said to him, 'You fool! This very night your life is being demanded of you. And the things you have prepared, whose will they be?' So it is with those who store up treasures for themselves but are not rich toward God."

*Luke 12:13-21*

*Presider* The Gospel of the Lord

*People* *Praise to you, Lord Christ*

**The Sermon**

Mother Nesmith

**Nicene Creed**

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 and Confession***

Form III, BCP p387

*The Leader and People pray responsively*

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;  
*That we all may be one.*

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;  
*That your Name may be glorified by all people.*

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;  
*That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.*

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;  
*That there may be justice and peace on the earth.*

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;  
*That our works may find favor in your sight.*

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;  
*That they may be delivered from their distress.*

Give to the departed eternal rest;  
*Let light perpetual shine upon them.*

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;  
*May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.*

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

*Silence*

*The leader may add any local intercessions and thanksgivings.*

We confess our sin, and the sins of our society, in the misuse of God's creation:

*Silence*

God our Father, we are sorry for the times when we have used your gifts carelessly, and acted ungratefully.

Hear our prayer, and in your mercy:

*Forgive us and heal us.*

We enjoy the fruits of the harvest, but forget that you have given them to us.

Hear our prayer, and in your mercy:

*Forgive us and heal us.*

We belong to a people who are full and satisfied, but ignore the cry of the hungry.

Hear our prayer, and in your mercy:

*Forgive us and heal us.*

We are thoughtless, and do not care enough for the world you have made.

Hear our prayer, and in your mercy:

*Forgive us and heal us.*

We store up goods for ourselves alone, as if there were no God and no heaven.

Hear our prayer, and in your mercy:

*Forgive us and heal us.*

*Presider*

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.

*Amen.*

### ***The Peace***

*Presider* The peace of Christ be always with you.

*People* And also with you.

## **The Holy Communion**

### ***Offertory Sentence***

Walk in Love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, and offering and sacrifice to God.

*Ephesians 5:2*

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**Offertory Hymn** *A Lammastide Carol*

*tune Hymnal 82 (Of the Father's Love begotten)*

1 In the sacrament of offering,  
Gift and portion, token and kind,  
All we have is laid before the LORD:  
Heart and soul and body and mind.  
Now the Bread of Life is gi~ven,  
Now the wood has made the wine;  
And we gather to ado-re.

3 Jesus Christ the Son of Ma-ry:  
Bread of heaven, living and true:  
Bringing all into community;  
By his Spirit, living anew.  
Faithful shepherd of his pe~ople,  
Gave his life to save us all  
From the shadows at the do-or.

2 On a hillside of the Galilee,  
Hungry people gathered to hear  
Words of hope from the Messi-ah:  
Love and trust; and never you fear.  
Fish and bread and wine a ple~nty,  
Peace and fellowship divine,  
In the presence of the Lo-rd.

4 Now, two thousand years have come and gone,  
Countless millions honour his name;  
Bread is still the food of fellowship,  
Oil and wine together proclaim:  
Joy and healing to the na~tions,  
Darkness yields to life again,  
At his table evermo-re.

*The altar is prepared for the celebration and offering of the Eucharist Feast*

**Offertory Response**

*Presider* All things come from you, O Lord

*People* And of your own have we given back to you.

**Eucharistic Prayer EOW1**

*Presider* The Lord be with you.

*People* And also with you.

*Presider* Lift up your hearts.

*People* We lift them to the Lord.

*Presider* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

*Then, facing the Holy Table, the Presider proceeds*

It is truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks, all-holy God, source of life and fountain of mercy. You have filled us and all creation with your blessing and fed us with your constant love; you have redeemed us in Jesus Christ and knit us into one body. Through your Spirit you replenish us and call us to fullness of life.

Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we sing (say):

**Sanctus**

*tune Land of Rest (Hymnal 620)*

*Presider and People together*

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

*Then the Presider continues*

Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life. You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love. You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace. But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves; we would not see your goodness in the world around us;

and so we violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love. Yet you never ceased to care for us, and prepared the way of salvation for all people.

Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation. Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus. Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory. Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life.

*At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it or lay a hand upon it; and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing wine to be consecrated.*

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

As supper was ending, Jesus 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 poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

*Presider and People*

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

*The Presider continues*

Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine. By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ's Body in the world. Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your daughters and sons, that with The Glorious and Ever-Blessed Mary, Saints Francis and Clare, and all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name for ever.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. AMEN.

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

And now, as our Savior  
Christ has taught us,  
we are bold to say,

*People and Presider*

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***

*Presider* Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;  
*People* Therefore let us keep the feast.

**FRACTION ANTHEM** *Whoever eats this bread*

*Principal Canon*

Who - ev - er eats this bread will live for - ev - er.

Who - ev - er eats this bread will live for - ev - er.

*Secondary Canons*

This is the true bread which comes down from heaven, and gives life to the world.

***Invitation to Communion***

*Presider* The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

***Communion***

*A Prayer for those who are unable to physically receive the Body and Blood of Christ at this time.*

*Faithful God, in the wonder of your wisdom and love you fed your people in the wilderness with the bread of angels, and you sent Jesus to be the bread of life. Though I cannot consume these gifts of bread and wine, I thank you that I have received the sacrament of Christ's presence, the forgiveness of sins, and all other benefits of Christ's passion. By the power of the Holy Spirit, may I embody your desire and be renewed for your service. Through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.*

**Post-Communion Hymn** *Father, we thank thee who hast planted*

Hymnal 302

1 Father, we thank thee who hast planted  
thy holy Name within our hearts.  
Knowledge and faith and life immortal  
Jesus thy Son to us imparts.  
Thou, Lord, didst make all for thy pleasure,  
didst give us food for all our days,  
giving in Christ the Bread eternal;  
thine is the power, be thine the praise.

3 Watch o'er thy Church, O Lord, in mercy,  
save it from evil, guard it still,  
perfect it in thy love, unite it,  
cleansed and conformed unto thy will.  
As grain, once scattered on the hillsides,  
was in this broken bread made one,  
so from all lands thy Church be gathered  
into thy kingdom by thy Son.

**Post-communion Prayer**

*Presider* Let us pray.

*Presider and People together*

God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and one another; and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

**Blessing**

**Announcements**

**Recessional Hymn** *God of grace and God of glory*

Hymnal 594

1 God of grace and God of glory,  
on thy people pour thy power;  
crown thine ancient Church's story;  
bring her bud to glorious flower.  
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,  
for the facing of this hour,  
for the facing of this hour.

3 Cure thy children's warring madness,  
bend our pride to thy control;  
shame our wanton, selfish gladness,  
rich in things and poor in soul.  
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,  
lest we miss thy kingdom's goal,  
lest we miss thy kingdom's goal.

2 Lo! the hosts of evil round us  
scorn thy Christ, assail his ways!  
From the fears that long have bound us  
free our hearts to faith and praise:  
grant us wisdom, grant us courage,  
for the living of these days,  
for the living of these days.

4 Save us from weak resignation  
to the evils we deplore;  
let the gift of thy salvation  
be our glory evermore.  
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,  
serving thee whom we adore,  
serving thee whom we adore.

**Dismissal**

*Celebrant* Let us go forth into the world, walking in the Way of Love.  
*People* Thanks be to God!

**Postlude**

## Prayer List for Sunday, July 31, 2022

### ***Let us offer prayers of healing, comfort and strength for:***

Bill D., Bob C., Bob N., Bonnie H., Deb, Karen, Lydia, Mama Clare, Nora, Phil B., Ronnie, Sandy M., Elizabeth, Wayne, Sr. Joy, Earl & Lorraine, Lou-Ann, Penny, Jonathan, Michelle, Brianna and family, Maggie, Ralph, Robin, Audrey, Lillian, Virginia, Beth, Robert C., Genesis, Lena, Robert, Rosaria, Barbara, Ruth, Theresa, Joanne, Dottie Z., Linda, Diane T., Raleigh, Letitia, Liz, Ed, Jason, Carol, Nathaniel, Melissa, Ray & Betsy, Hannah, Mthr. Sonia Waters, Mthr. Vivian Lam

We continue our prayers for all across the United States and the globe suffering from Covid19 and its new variants, those who are hospitalized, and those who are in grief following the death of their loved ones from this disease.

We pray for all who are struggling economically during this time, for those who are unemployed and under-employed, those searching for employment, those who are hungry and food insecure, and those who are homeless or fear eviction or foreclosure. We give thanks for and pray for all those involved in feeding ministries and with the homeless ministry, especially for those volunteers who give of their energy and passion to Nourish Babylon.

We pray for our junior and senior high schools and for the whole community following sexual misconduct and predation allegations that have come to light in our local schools. We continue to pray for all who have been harmed emotionally, psychologically, spiritually, and physically.

### ***Let us celebrate and pray for those celebrating birthdays:***

Clare F. Nesmith, Carter Palmieri, Brendan Shepard, Nathaniel Boning

### ***Let us celebrate and pray for those celebrating anniversaries:***

***Let us pray for those who have died:*** We pray for the over 1,020,000 (one million, twenty thousand) who have died of Covid-19 in our country, those who have been killed in mass shootings in Uvalde, TX, Buffalo, NY, Los Angeles, CA, Tulsa, OK, Vestavia Hills, AL, and so many more places, for all who have died as a result of gun violence and racial violence, and all who have died in the war in Ukraine.

### **Prayer for the Human Family**

O God, you made us in your own image and redeemed us through Jesus your Son: Look with compassion on the whole human family; take away the arrogance and hatred which infect our hearts; break down the walls that separate us; unite us in bonds of love; and work through our struggle and confusion to accomplish your purposes on earth; that, in your good time, all nations and races may serve you in harmony around your heavenly throne; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen. BCP p 815*

### **Prayers for Ukraine**

Gracious God, we pray for the people of Ukraine and for all whose lives and livelihoods are endangered by war. May they be held in your loving care and protection, and given strength to endure what suffering or hardship may come. Transform the hearts and minds of those inflicting harm, and guide leaders and citizens to choose the way of peace. We ask this through your son Jesus, the true Prince of Peace. *Amen.*

God of peace and justice, we pray for the people of Ukraine today. We pray for peace and the laying down of weapons. We pray for all those who fear for tomorrow, that your Spirit of comfort would draw near to them. We pray for those with power over war or peace, for wisdom, discernment and compassion to guide their decisions. Above all, we pray for your precious children, at risk and in fear, that you would hold and protect them. We pray in the name of Jesus, the Prince of Peace. *Amen.*

## Announcements

### Looking for Lay Weeders!

Have you noticed that our flower beds are not looking quite themselves? Our “Lay Weeder” has been recovering from back surgery, so we are in need of assistance for a mid-summer clean up of our flower beds and borders. Can you give a few minutes a week to dead-head flowers? That’s a plus! You are invited to be part of keeping our church grounds a beautiful, contemplative space in our Village.

### Vestry news

We have 2 interested parties for leasing our lower level for a childcare center, had a meeting with the Village of Babylon planning board at the end of June, and expect week. This past week, we have been working on finalizing the terms of the lease agreement for approval by the diocese. Keep praying for a positive outcome!

### Thursday Evening Bible Study

Our Thursday Evening Bible Study is on sabbatical over the summer, however we do have the materials to conclude the all-year program for 2021-2022 *Celebrating the Saints*. The study we have been in is the final year of the three-year program *Living Discipleship* and helps equip us to follow Jesus while learning more about the many of the named saints in The Episcopal Church’s calendar, studying the church’s history through the lens of these individuals who lived their lives following Christ. These materials will be available to you as a self-study, and we will gather one evening in September to review and discuss.

### Sabbatical Update

Mother Clare will be away all of the month of August. Next Sunday, The Very Rev. Eddie Alleyne, Sub-Dean of the Cathedral of the Incarnation in Garden City will be here, August 7. Then we will have a service of Ante-Communion (“before Communion”) on Sunday, August 28. On the following two Sundays Christ Church will be on the road, just like we were in May. On August 14, we will join the people of St. Ann’s, Sayville, for their 9:00am service ([www.saint-anns.org](http://www.saint-anns.org)); and Sunday, August 21, We will join the congregation of Grace Church, Massapequa, also at 9:00am (<https://www.gracechurchmassapequa.org>). In case of pastoral emergency, please contact the Warden, Diane Gaidon at 516-445-8841, or leave a message on the church voice mail. Mother will return to church for Sunday services on September 4.

### Offertory Hymn: A Lammastide Carol

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## **All Are Welcome**

Christ Episcopal Church of Babylon represents and celebrates the diversity that is Long Island. We welcome everyone and believe that there should be no outcasts in the Episcopal Church. Our welcome knows no boundaries of marital status, age, race, ethnicity, cultural or religious background, gender, gender identity, sexual orientation, economic condition, and physical or mental ability. Wherever you are on your journey of faith, there is a place for you at Christ Episcopal Church.

## **This is God's House...**

and we are blessed by the gift of your presence with us. In the Episcopal Church all baptized Christians are welcome to receive Communion. If you would like to receive a blessing instead, please let the priest know by crossing your arms in front of your chest when you come forward. Gluten-free bread is available; please ask at the communion rail.

## **Handicapped Accessibility**

Our building is equipped with a lift located in the Sanctuary Annex, and a handicapped bathroom located on the lower level. For full access of the building and to join us for Coffee Hour downstairs, please ask a Greeter for assistance.

## **Sunday Worship Schedule**

8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite I      10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite II  
Physical distancing protocols are requested and face covering are no longer mandatory.  
The 10:00 a.m. service is also livestreamed  
In-person Sunday School is suspended for the present time.

## **Church Officers and Vestry**

Diane Gaidon, Warden (2023)		Annette Lepsis, Clerk
Michelle Taormina, Treasurer		
Jackie Barnes (2025)	Vikki Boning (2024)	Marianne O'Connor (2023)
Annette Lepsis (2025)	Kathy Hannan (2024)	Lynn Simmons (2023)
	Vera Langstone (2024)	Blosome Whyte (2023)

## **Clergy and Staff**

The Rt. Rev. Lawrence C. Provenzano, Bishop of Long Island  
The Rev. E. Clare Nesmith, Rector

### **Parish Office Hours:**

Wednesday 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.  
and by appointment

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