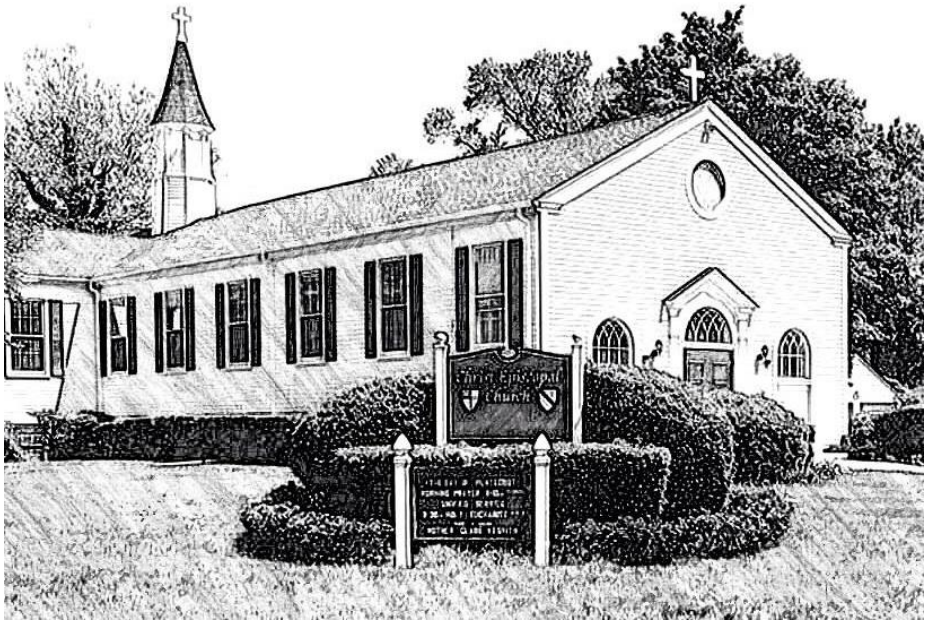


Christ Episcopal Church



**The Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost
August 4, 2024**

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

12 Prospect Street
Babylon, New York

The 11th Sunday after the Pentecost

Proper 13B, Track 2

August 4, 2024

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

Book of Common Prayer, page 323

[We ask that during the service you mute all electronic devices]

Prelude

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

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| Opening Hymn <i>Guide me O thou great Jehovah</i> | Hymnal 690, v 1 |
| Opening Acclamation | BCP p 323 |
| Collect for Purity | |
| Collect for Christ Church | <i>See readings insert</i> |
| The Gloria | BCP p 324 |
| The Collect of the Day | <i>See readings insert</i> |
| THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON | Exodus 16:2-4, 9-15 |
| PSALM 78:23-29 | <i>See readings insert</i> |
| THE EPISTLE | Ephesians 4:1-16 |
| THE HOLY GOSPEL | John 6:24-35 |
| The Sermon | Mother Catherine Wieczorek |
| Nicene Creed | BCP p 326 |
| The Prayers of the People <i>Response: Lord, hear our prayer</i> | |
| The Confession of Sin & the Absolution | BCP p 330 |
| The Peace <i>Please greet one another with a sign of peace</i> | |

THE LITURGY OF THE TABLE

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| Offertory Hymn <i>O Jesus joy of loving hearts</i> | Hymnal 649 |
| Offertory Response <i>All creatures of our God and King</i> | Hymnal 400, v 7 |
| Eucharistic Prayer 2 | BCP p 340 |
| The Lord's Prayer | BCP p 336 |
| The Breaking of the Bread | BCP p 337 |
| Post Communion Prayer | BCP p 339 |
| Announcements, Blessings & Acknowledgements | |
| The Blessing | |
| Recessional Hymn <i>Guide me O thou great Jehovah</i> | Hymnal 690, v 2-3 |
| Dismissal Celebrant: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. <i>People: Thanks be to God!</i> | |
| Postlude | |

10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite II

Summer Service Booklet – Enriching Our Worship, Prayer 1

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Prelude

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Processional Hymn Hymnal 460
Alleluia! Sing to Jesus

Opening Acclamation *Summer booklet*

Song of Praise *Summer booklet*
Glory to you, O Lord

The Collect of the Day *See readings insert*

The Collect for Christ Church *See readings insert*

THE OLD TESTAMENT READING Exodus 16:2-4, 9-15

PSALM 78:23-29 *See readings insert*

THE EPISTLE Ephesians 4:1-16

Gospel Acclamation *Halle Halle Halleluia* *Summer booklet*
Verse: *I am the Bread of Heaven, feed on me.*

THE HOLY GOSPEL John 6:24-35

The Sermon Mother Catherine Wiczorek

Nicene Creed BCP p 358

Prayers of the People
Response: *Lord, Hear our prayer*

The Confession of Sin & the Absolution *Summer booklet*

The Peace
Please greet one another with a sign of peace

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| Offertory Response <i>All creatures of our God and King</i> | Hymnal 400, v 7 |
| Eucharistic Prayer ENRICHING OUR WORSHIP PRAYER 1 | <i>Summer booklet</i> |
| Sanctus <i>Holy, holy, holy Lord</i> | <i>Summer booklet</i> |
| The Lord's Prayer | BCP p 364 |
| The Breaking of the Bread | |
| Fraction Anthem <i>Whoever eats this bread</i> | <i>Summer booklet</i> |
| Post Communion Hymn <i>Shepherd of Souls</i> | Hymnal 343 |
| Post Communion Prayer | <i>Summer booklet</i> |
| Announcements, Blessings & Acknowledgements | |
| The Blessing | |
| Recessional Hymn <i>Guide me, O thou great Jehovah</i> | Hymnal 690 |
| Dismissal <i>Celebrant</i> Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. <i>People.</i> <i>Thanks be to God!</i> | |
| Postlude | |

The Lessons Appointed for Proper 13, Year B, Track 2

The Collect

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.*

The Collect for Christ Church

Gracious and loving God, you know the plans you have for us. In times of change and transition, you are our refuge and our strength. Send the inspiration of your Holy Spirit to guide the people of Christ Church Babylon, our Wardens, Vestry members and Clergy, as well as the Diocese of Long Island to rightly discern your will and to follow the path you have designed for this parish community; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Old Testament: Exodus 16:2-4, 9-15

The whole congregation of the Israelites complained against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness. The Israelites said to them, "If only we had died by the hand of the Lord in the land of Egypt, when we sat by the fleshpots and ate our fill of bread; for you have brought us out into this wilderness to kill this whole assembly with hunger."

Then the Lord said to Moses, "I am going to rain bread from heaven for you, and each day the people shall go out and gather enough for that day. In that way I will test them, whether they will follow my instruction or not."

Then Moses said to Aaron, "Say to the whole congregation of the Israelites, 'Draw near to the Lord, for he has heard your complaining.'" And as Aaron spoke to the whole congregation of the Israelites, they looked toward the wilderness, and the glory of the Lord appeared in the cloud. The Lord spoke to Moses and said, "I have heard the complaining of the Israelites; say to them, 'At twilight you shall eat meat, and in the morning you shall have your fill of bread; then you shall know that I am the Lord your God.'"

In the evening quails came up and covered the camp; and in the morning there was a layer of dew around the camp. When the layer of dew lifted, there on the surface of the wilderness was a fine flaky substance, as fine as frost on the ground. When the Israelites saw it, they said to one another, "What is it?" For they did not know what it was. Moses said to them, "It is the bread that the Lord has given you to eat."

Psalm 78:23-29

- 23 So he commanded the clouds above *
and opened the doors of heaven.
- 24 He rained down manna upon them to eat *
and gave them grain from heaven.
- 25 So mortals ate the bread of angels; *
he provided for them food enough.
- 26 He caused the east wind to blow in the heavens *
and led out the south wind by his might.
- 27 He rained down flesh upon them like dust *
and winged birds like the sand of the sea.
- 28 He let it fall in the midst of their camp *
and round about their dwellings.
- 29 So they ate and were well filled, *
for he gave them what they craved.

The Epistle: Ephesians 4:1-16

I therefore, the prisoner in the Lord, beg you to lead a life worthy of the calling to which you have been called, with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, making every effort to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the one hope of your calling, one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all, who is above all and through all and in all. But each of us was given grace according to the measure of Christ's gift. Therefore it is said,

"When he ascended on high he made captivity itself a captive;
he gave gifts to his people."

(When it says, "He ascended," what does it mean but that he had also descended into the lower parts of the earth? He who descended is the same one who ascended far above all the heavens, so that he might fill all things.) The gifts he gave were that some would be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some pastors and teachers, to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, until all of us come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to maturity, to the measure of the full stature of Christ. We must no longer be children, tossed to and fro and blown about by every wind of doctrine, by people's trickery, by their craftiness in deceitful scheming. But speaking the truth in love, we must grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ, from whom the whole body, joined and knit together by every ligament with which it is equipped, as each part is working properly, promotes the body's growth in building itself up in love.

The Gospel: John 6:24-35

The next day, when the people who remained after the feeding of the five thousand saw that neither Jesus nor his disciples were there, they themselves got into the boats and went to Capernaum looking for Jesus.

When they found him on the other side of the sea, they said to him, "Rabbi, when did you come here?" Jesus answered them, "Very truly, I tell you, you are looking for me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves. Do not work for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures for eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For it is on him that God the Father has set his seal." Then they said to him, "What must we do to perform the works of God?" Jesus answered them, "This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent." So they said to him, "What sign are you going to give us then, so that we may see it and believe you? What work are you performing? Our ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written, 'He gave them bread from heaven to eat.'" Then Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but it is my Father who gives you the true bread from heaven. For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world." They said to him, "Sir, give us this bread always."

Jesus said to them, “I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.”

Prayer List for Sunday, August 2024

Let us offer prayers of healing, comfort and strength

Bill D., Bob C., Karen, Lydia, Phil B., Sandy, Sr. Joy, Ray & Betsy, Caleb, Vivienne, Evelynne; Thomas, Vera, Courtney, Joshua, Ken, Jason, Lisa, Carol, Dottie Z., Diane, Mike, Moby B, Mary P. For all those affected by international violence, conflict, and war. We continue to pray for our parish as we work toward the best solution regarding our needed structural repair.

We pray for all who are struggling economically, for those who are unemployed and under-employed, those searching for employment, those who are hungry and food insecure, those who are homeless or fear eviction or foreclosure, and those looking for housing.

Let us offer prayers of thanksgiving

We give thanks for the 50th anniversary of women’s ordination to the priesthood in the Episcopal Church. We give thanks and and pray for all those involved in feeding ministries and homeless ministries, especially for our Nourish Babylon volunteers and all those who support the various feeding ministries in the Babylon area.

Let us celebrate with and pray for this week’s birthdays

Nathaniel Boning (8/6), in celebration of his birthday the altar flowers and candles are given today. Karen Chung (8/8), Denise Scarf (8/9)

Let us pray for those who have died

Especially, we remember Nicholas Fondriest, and all who have died as a result of gun violence and racial violence.

Assisting Our Worship

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| | 8:00 a.m. | 10:00 a.m. |
| Eucharistic Minister: | Fred Reuther | |
| Lector/s: | | |
| Server/s: | | Hannah Boning, Eden Verni-Vazzano Blosome Whyte |
| Greeter: | | |
| Coffee Hour Coordinator: | | |

Announcements

Church Directory

We are working on a parish directory! Please welcome those who get in touch with you to verify your contact information. We need a headshot photo of your family!

Altar Flowers & Gifts

Gifts of flowers at the Altar, Sanctuary Lamp, Wine, Bread and Candles can be made each week in thanksgiving or celebration or in someone's honor or memory. Please see the binder at the Chapel entrance for additional details, or contact the office at 631-661-5757.

Blessing of the Backpacks

The Babylon Interfaith Clergy Cluster will host the Blessing of the Backpacks on August 15th at 6:00pm at the Argyle Park Gazebo. There will be a collection bin for school supplies and a back to school to-go snack will be provided. Please consider joining us! Donations of pencils, black pens, highlighters, paper, binders, notebooks, tissues and hand sanitizers are appreciated!

Digital Giving Options

Scan this QR code to access our online giving site through Realm Giving:



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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 both upstairs and 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
Healing Service, 1st Sundays following the Eucharist

The 10:00 a.m. service is also livestreamed

Sunday School meets at 9:45am on the 1st & 3rd Sundays for Pre-K through 8th grade

Church Officers and Vestry

Kathy Hannan (2025)

Martha Richardson (2025)

Michelle Taormina, Treasurer

Martha Richardson, Clerk

John Altieri (2027)

Martha Richardson (2026)

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Debbie Szala (2025)

Clergy and Staff

The Rt. Rev. Lawrence C. Provenzano, Bishop of Long Island

The Rev. Catherine L. Wiczorek

Dr. Christopher Hopkins, Minister of Music

Ms. Marie Rivera, Parish Administrator

Parish Office Hours:

Wednesday & Thursday, 10:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.
and by appointment

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