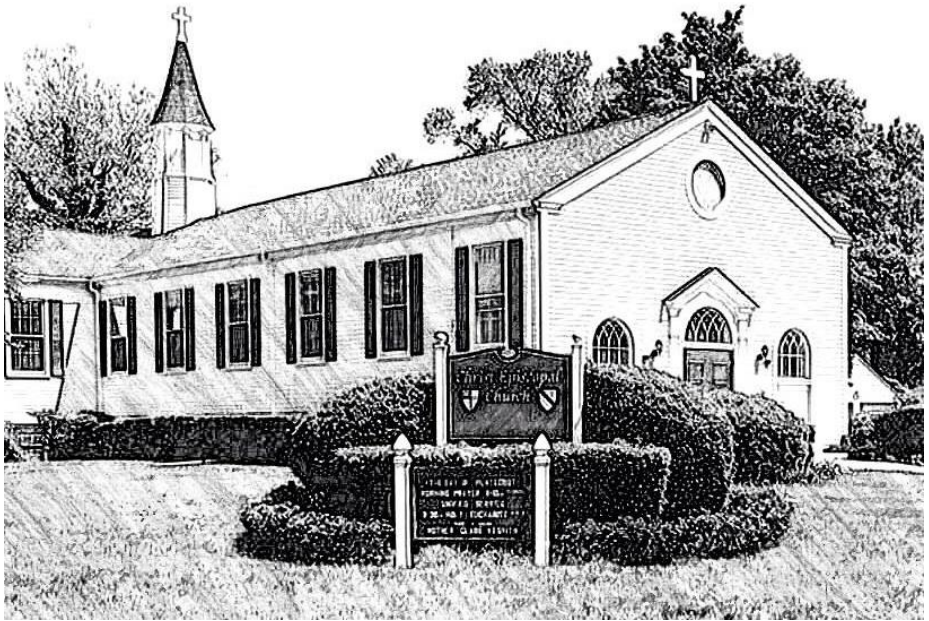


Christ Episcopal Church



**The 17th Sunday after Pentecost
September 15, 2024**

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

12 Prospect Street
Babylon, New York

The 17th Sunday after the Pentecost

Proper 19B, Track 2

September 15, 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

Opening Hymn Hymnal 7, v 1
Christ whose glory fills the skies

Opening Acclamation BCP p 323

Collect for Purity

The Gloria BCP p 324

The Collect of the Day *See readings insert*

The Collect for Christ Church *See readings insert*

THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Isaiah 50:4-9

PSALM 116:1-8 *See readings insert*

THE EPISTLE James 3:1-12

THE HOLY GOSPEL Mark 8:27-38

The Sermon Mother Catherine Wieczorek

Nicene Creed BCP p 326

The Prayers of the People
Response: *Lord, hear our prayer*

The Confession of Sin & the Absolution. BCP p 330

The Peace

THE LITURGY OF THE TABLE

Offertory Hymn <i>Take up your cross</i>	Hymnal 675
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	
Closing Hymn <i>Christ whose glory fills the skies</i>	Hymnal 7 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 7
Christ whose glory fills the skies

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 Isaiah 50:4-9

PSALM 116:1-8 *See readings insert*

THE EPISTLE James 3:1-12

Gospel Acclamation *Halle Halle Halleluia* *Summer booklet*
Verse: *I am the Resurrection, live in me*

THE HOLY GOSPEL Mark 8:27-38

The Sermon Mother Catherine Wieczorek

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

THE LITURGY OF THE TABLE

Offertory Hymn <i>Take up your cross</i>	Hymnal 675
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>Strengthen for service</i>	Hymnal 312
Post Communion Prayer	<i>Summer booklet</i>
Announcements, Blessings & Acknowledgements	
The Blessing	
Recessional Hymn <i>O Jesus I have promised</i>	Hymnal 655
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 19, Year B, Track 2

The Collect

O God, because without you we are not able to please you, mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for 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: Isaiah 50:4-9

The Lord God has given me
the tongue of a teacher,
that I may know how to sustain
the weary with a word.
Morning by morning he wakens--
wakens my ear
to listen as those who are taught.
The Lord God has opened my ear,
and I was not rebellious,
I did not turn backward.
I gave my back to those who struck me,
and my cheeks to those who pulled out the beard;
I did not hide my face
from insult and spitting.
The Lord God helps me;
therefore I have not been disgraced;

therefore I have set my face like flint,
and I know that I shall not be put to shame;
he who vindicates me is near.
Who will contend with me?
Let us stand up together.
Who are my adversaries?
Let them confront me.
It is the Lord God who helps me;
who will declare me guilty?

Psalm 116:1-8

- 1 I love the Lord, because he has heard the voice of my
supplication, *
because he has inclined his ear to me whenever I called
upon him.
- 2 The cords of death entangled me;
the grip of the grave took hold of me; *
I came to grief and sorrow.
- 3 Then I called upon the Name of the Lord: *
"O Lord, I pray you, save my life."
- 4 Gracious is the Lord and righteous; *
our God is full of compassion.
- 5 The Lord watches over the innocent; *
I was brought very low, and he helped me.
- 6 Turn again to your rest, O my soul, *
for the Lord has treated you well.
- 7 For you have rescued my life from death, *
my eyes from tears, and my feet from stumbling.
- 8 I will walk in the presence of the Lord *
in the land of the living.

The Epistle: James 3:1-12

Not many of you should become teachers, my brothers and sisters, for you know that we who teach will be judged with greater strictness. For all of us make many mistakes. Anyone who makes no mistakes in speaking is perfect, able to keep the whole body in check with a bridle. If we put bits into the mouths of horses to make them obey us, we guide their whole bodies. Or look at ships: though they are so large that it takes strong winds to drive them, yet they are guided by a very small rudder

wherever the will of the pilot directs. So also the tongue is a small member, yet it boasts of great exploits.

How great a forest is set ablaze by a small fire! And the tongue is a fire. The tongue is placed among our members as a world of iniquity; it stains the whole body, sets on fire the cycle of nature, and is itself set on fire by hell. For every species of beast and bird, of reptile and sea creature, can be tamed and has been tamed by the human species, but no one can tame the tongue-- a restless evil, full of deadly poison. With it we bless the Lord and Father, and with it we curse those who are made in the likeness of God. From the same mouth come blessing and cursing. My brothers and sisters, this ought not to be so. Does a spring pour forth from the same opening both fresh and brackish water? Can a fig tree, my brothers and sisters, yield olives, or a grapevine figs? No more can salt water yield fresh.

The Gospel: Mark 8:27-38

Jesus went on with his disciples to the villages of Caesarea Philippi; and on the way he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that I am?" And they answered him, "John the Baptist; and others, Elijah; and still others, one of the prophets." He asked them, "But who do you say that I am?" Peter answered him, "You are the Messiah." And he sternly ordered them not to tell anyone about him.

Then he began to teach them that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, "Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things."

He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? Indeed, what can they give

in return for their life? Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels.”

Prayer List for Sunday, September 15, 2024

Let us offer prayers of healing, comfort and strength

Bob C., Karen, Lydia, Phil B., Sandy, Sr. Joy, Ray & Betsy, Caleb, Vivienne, Evelynne; Thomas, Vera, Deb A., Nathaniel, Patricia, Robert Z., Heather G. 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 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.

We give thanks for those ordained to the Priesthood at the Cathedral of the Incarnation this weekend:

*Benjamin Brenkert
Jae Wan Chung
Douglas C. Mohrmann
Cameron Michael Walker
Sheng Wang*

Let us celebrate with and pray for those celebrating birthdays and anniversaries

*Shani Whyte (9/15), Tara Derenze (9/16), Jack Scharf(9/21).
Peter & Shannon Palmieri (9/16).*

The flowers on the altar are given for

George Richardson by Martha & Beth

Assisting Our Worship

	8:00 a.m.	10:00 a.m.
Eucharistic Minister:	Fred Reuther	Kathy/Martha
Lector/s:	David Cunningham	
Server/s:		Hannah Boning, Eden Verni-Vazzano
Greeter:	Bob Cunningham	Vince Verni-Vazzano
Coffee Hour Coordinator:		

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Announcements

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.

Update on Roof Repairs

On Wednesday, August 28th at 11:00 am, we met with three contractors, Anthony Natale, the senior construction manager of the Diocese, and Architect William Cohen for a walk through of the roof project. Bids are due by September 18th. Once the bids are received, they will be presented to the Trustees of the Diocese of Long Island and Bishop Provenzano for approval, which we hope to have officially by November. It is unclear at this point when work will begin, however the work is expected to take three months to complete. More to come!

Welcome Home Weekend

On Saturday, September 28th & Sunday, September 29th Christ Church will celebrate our Welcome Home Weekend! You are invited to a church wide clean up on Saturday beginning at 10am. Bring your cleaning supplies, gloves, masks, and an appetite as lunch will be provided! On Sunday, we will celebrate in a combined service at 9am.

2024 Autumn Plant Sale!

Please support Christ Episcopal Church through our Fall Plant Sale. Pre-Order forms are available today at the welcome table. Tulip and Daffodil bulbs will be on sale as well as an assortment of mums, pansies, and ornamental plants. Order forms must be submitted to the church office or emailed to jacbarnescec@gmail.com by **Wednesday, September 18th**. Pick up will be Friday, October 4th from 12pm-2pm, and Saturday, October 5th from 10am-3pm at Christ Church in Miller Hall.

Healing Service

Christ Church will host a Service of Prayer and Healing on Tuesday, October 1st, 2024 at 7:00 pm in the Community Room. Led by John Altieri & music provided by Chris Hopkins. All are welcome to come for healing prayers and anointing.

Blessing of the Animals

All God's creatures great and small, as well as their caretakers are invited to gather for ur service of the Blessing of the Animals on **Sunday, October 6th at 11am** on the front lawn, weather permitting. You are welcome to bring your beloved pet in person or a bring photo to be blessed!

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

Church Officers and Vestry

Kathy Hannan (2025)

Martha Richardson (2025)

Michelle Taormina, Treasurer

Martha Richardson, Clerk

John Altieri (2027)

Martha Richardson (2026)

Jackie Barnes (2025)

Michael DeBlasio (2027)

Michael Vazzano (2026)

Annette Lepsis (2025)

Lynn Simmons (2027)

Blosome Whyte (2026)

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:

Monday - Thursday, 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.
and by appointment

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