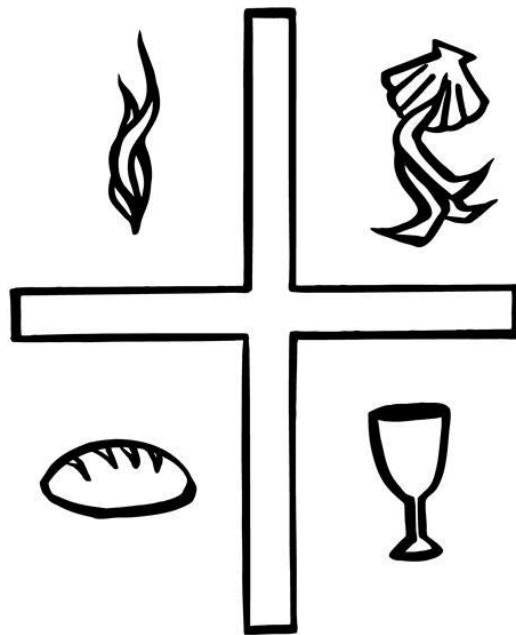


CHRIST CHURCH PARISH
EPISCOPAL

8:00 AM

The Holy Eucharist, Rite I: The Seventh Sunday of Easter

May 17, 2026



WELCOME

Christ Church is an Episcopal Parish in the Diocese of Massachusetts. We welcome and honor the God-given gifts that make us unique as individuals and strong as community. You and your family are welcome regardless of age, ethnicity, sexual orientation, marital status or prior religious affiliation.

Hearing assistance devices are available in labeled baskets by the sanctuary entrances.

The Word of God

The service begins on page 323 of the Book of Common Prayer (BCP). All stand as the ministers enter.

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

The Celebrant prays the Collect for Purity.

All remain standing and pray the Gloria together:

THE GLORIA

BCP p. 324

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And with thy spirit.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

*The Celebrant prays the Collect of the Day. The people respond: **Amen.***

FIRST READING

Acts 1:6-14

*After each reading, the reader says "The Word of the Lord," and the people respond: **Thanks be to God.***

PSALM 68:1-10, 33-36

BCP p. 676

SECOND READING

1 Peter 4:12-14, 5:6-11

GOSPEL

John 17:1-11

All stand. Before the Gospel is proclaimed, the Deacon or Celebrant says:

The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to John.

*The people respond: **Glory be to thee, O Lord.***

After the Gospel is proclaimed, the Deacon or Celebrant says:

The Gospel of the Lord.

*People: **Praise be to thee, O Christ.***

THE SERMON

The Rev. Deacon James Thomas

The people sit. Silence may follow.

THE CREED	<i>All stand.</i>	BCP p. 326
THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE, FORM IV		BCP p. 388
CONFESSION OF SIN		BCP p. 331
THE PEACE		BCP p. 332
ANNOUNCEMENTS		

The Holy Communion

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

If you wish to make a gift to support the ministries of Christ Church Parish, you may place your offering in the plate, or scan the QR code to the right to donate online. Thank you!



EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER II	BCP p. 340
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THE LORD'S PRAYER	BCP p. 336
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THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

A moment of silence is held.

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People: **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

THE PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS	BCP p. 337
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INVITATION

Celebrant: Wherever you are on your journey, you are welcome at God's table. The Gifts of God for the People of God.

The people come forward to receive Holy Communion or a blessing.

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER	BCP p. 339
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BLESSING

DISMISSAL

The people respond: **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia.**

Announcements

**Please keep the following people in your prayers during the coming week.
Any names added this week are in bold.**

For the repose of the soul of Anita Chase; Anita Trottier; Barbara Hulme; Carol MacPhee; Christ Church Thrift Shoppe; David Flynn; David Mann; Donna Eby; Dorothy Smith; Elizabeth Liuzzi; Ellen Nordquist; Evelyn Ferioli; Francis Ferioli; Forrest Berardi; Greta Couter; Heidi Hunter; James Elksnin; Jim Kelly; John Powderly; John Steele; Karen Guerra; Katharine LiBretto; Kathy Rust; Kenny Blackwell; Kesha Nielsen; Kim Stevenson; Kristin Denker; Laurie Ghelfi Smith; Linda Quigley; Mark Ouellette; Mark Poster; Peter Trenouth; Polly Chadwick; Raymond Reid; **for the repose of the soul of Ruth Ghelfi**; Sandy Underhill; Skip Nielsen; Stephanie "Petie" Blanchard; Suzanne and Dave Salois; Sylvia Wade; Theodora DeGaust; Tom Perry; Valerie B. Pflock

We ask your prayers for those serving in the military and their families:
Aidan McKinney, Andrew Barton, Austin Vico, Harry Morini, Joel Carveiro, Josh Zabin, Peter Leone

In our Diocesan cycle of prayer, we pray for:

Churches of the Concord River Deanery
St. John's Chapel, Groton School, Groton
St. Michael's Church, Holliston
St. Paul's Church, Hopkinton
St. Luke's Church, Hudson

Please help us with SUNDAY PARKING - On Sunday mornings, please be mindful of one another and leave the main church lot for those who need it most, as accessible parking spots for people with disabilities and families with infants are limited.

Additional parking is always available on Lothrop Street. The Cartmell-Davis lot across from the church on Grant Street is also available to Christ Church worshipers on Sundays. Thank you!

Global Disaster & Humanitarian reality – 2026 Two weeks ago, we hosted a presentation by Bill Schmidt (ret., FEMA) and Paul Bolton (senior scientist, Johns Hopkins; ret.; formerly with USAID). Following the presentation, we asked Bill and Paul to provide a brief written summary of their key talking points to share. You can find that summary along with sample letters to Congress in Keeping Connected. If you are interested in learning more, please contact Anne McManus mannereggiestir@gmail.com or Connie Melahoures conmel@aol.com.

Week At - A - Glance * May 17, 2026 – May 24, 2026

SUNDAY	8:00 AM	Holy Eucharist Rite I – The Seventh Sunday of Easter
	9:00 AM	Church School, Grades PreK-5
	9:00 AM	Adult Sunday School
	9:00 AM	Youth Formation
	10:00 AM	Holy Eucharist Rite II – The Seventh Sunday of Easter
	11:30 AM	Ice Cream Social and Celebration of Church School and Youth Group's Year of Learning
	4:00 PM	Confirmation and Reception
MONDAY	9:00 AM	Morning Prayer – Facebook Live
	10:30 AM – 11:30 AM	Fore & Aft
TUESDAY	10:30 AM – 11:30 AM	Fore & Aft
WEDNESDAY	9:00 AM	Morning Prayer – Facebook Live
	10:30 AM – 11:30 AM	Fore & Aft
	5:00 PM	Parish Ministry Network
THURSDAY	10:00 AM	Bible Study
	10:30 AM – 11:30 AM	Fore & Aft
	12:00 PM – 1:15 PM	Food Pantry
	1:00 PM	Faith Based Book Study
	4:00 PM – 5:15 PM	Food Pantry
FRIDAY	9:00 AM	Morning Prayer – Facebook Live
SATURDAY	10:00 AM – 11:15 AM	Food Pantry
	5:00 PM	Holy Eucharist Rite II – Pentecost
SUNDAY	8:00 AM	Holy Eucharist Rite I – Pentecost
	10:00 AM	Holy Eucharist Rite II + Baptism – Pentecost
	11:30 AM	Coffee Hour

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