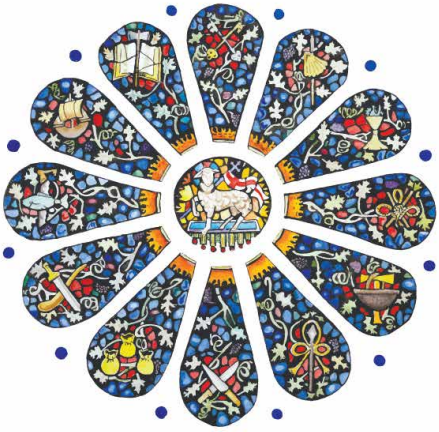
Twenty-Fifth Sunday after Pentecost



St. Elizabeth's

EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF RIDGEWOOD

welcome home

Sunday, November 15, 2026

10:00 a.m.

Holy Baptism, Family Service, and
Holy Eucharist: Rite Two

The Week of November 15 - November 21

Sunday

10:00 a.m. Family Service, Holy Baptism & Holy Eucharist Worship Service (Church)
11:15 a.m. Coffee Hour (Parish Hall)
11:30 a.m. Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)
12:00 p.m. Holley Center Pizza Party (Parish Hall)
2:00 p.m. Confirmation Class (Confirmation Room)

Monday

8:30 a.m. Morning Prayer (Zoom*)
5:30 p.m. Prepare & Serve Dinner, St. Paul's CDC Emergency Men's Shelter (Paterson)
6:30 p.m. Fall Rector's Class, Dinner, and Compline (Parish Hall)

Tuesday

8:30 a.m. Morning Prayer (Zoom*)
7:00 p.m. Vestry Meeting (Conference Room)

Wednesday

8:30 a.m. Morning Prayer (Zoom*)
12:00 p.m. Midweek Holy Eucharist (Chapel)

Thursday

8:30 a.m. Morning Prayer (Zoom*)
10:00 a.m. Needlecrafters (Parish Hall)
5:30 p.m. Children's Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)

Friday

8:30 a.m. Morning Prayer (Zoom*)

Saturday

10:00 a.m. Mini-Musicians (Basement Music Room)
Emmanuel Cancer Foundation Party - Teen Outreach

Morning Prayer is offered on Zoom only, Monday through Friday, at 8:30 a.m.
Questions? Contact Jim Alimena at jim.alimena@gmail.com
**Morning Prayer Zoom - Meeting ID: 858 4728 7483 Password: Morning*

Welcome

Families with Young Children Welcome!

Quiet activity "pew bags" and children's worship materials are available outside the Narthex. A staffed nursery for infants through age 5 is open upstairs (second floor). Changing tables are in all restrooms. The nursery attendant is Akshara Puli.

Baptism

The upcoming baptism dates are January 10 and February 7. If you are interested in baptism for yourself or a child, please contact Rev. Andy for more information.

Parish Office Hours

Office hours are 9 a.m.–4 p.m., Monday–Friday. Stephanie or Grace will be in the office during those hours.

Upcoming Events

TODAY: Holley Center Pizza Party
The Outreach Committee is hosting the youth residents of The YCS Holley Center for a Pizza Party on Sunday, November 15, from 12:00-1:30 p.m. The Holley Center, one of our Outreach Grant recipients, is a residential treatment center for children ages 5 to 14 who cannot safely reside at home. Please join us as a volunteer! Aside from eating pizza we will be decorating cupcakes and helping our guests with other fun craft projects.

Signs and Grace: An Introduction to the Sacraments
Rector's Fall Course, Dinner, and Compline
Monday, November 16 at 6:30 p.m.

Midweek Holy Eucharist
Wednesday, November 18, at 12:00 p.m. in the Chapel.

Emmanuel Cancer Foundation Party
Teen Outreach
Saturday, November 21

Sister Monica Clare Visits St. Elizabeth's
Sunday, November 22 at 11:30 a.m.
Join Sister Monica Clare, Sister Superior of the Society of St. John Baptist (Episcopal) in Mendham, NJ as she discusses her book "A Change of Habit" during Coffee Hour.

Interfaith Thanksgiving Service
Tuesday, November 24 at 7 p.m.
Friends To Friends Community Church
303 Prospect St., Ridgewood

Thanksgiving Day Eucharist
Thursday, November 26 at 10 a.m. in the Chapel

Give the Gift of Sight
St. Elizabeth's 11th grader, Shivani Heltzel, is working on her Girl Scout Gold Award project to help people who don't have access to proper eyeglasses. Her project will collect used prescription glasses, and there will be a donation bin at St. Elizabeth's from 10/4-11/29. Any donations are greatly appreciated!

Before Lunch Book Talk
Tuesday, December 1, at noon in the Garden Room and on Zoom. The group will be discussing *Theo of Golden: A Novel* by Allen Levi followed by lunch (bring your own).
Meeting ID: 823 8050 3238
Passcode: Book

Advent Quiet Day with Mary Ann Archer
Friday, December 4, at 9 a.m. in the Chapel

Advent Lessons and Carols
Sunday, December 13 at 4:00 p.m.

Christmas Tree Lighting and Caroling
Wednesday, December 16 at 5:30 p.m.

Children's Christmas Pageant
Dress Rehearsal: Saturday, December 19 at 8:30 a.m.
Pageant Call Time: Sunday, December 20 at 9:30 a.m.

Blessing Shelf
Just Diapers & Wipes
St. Paul's Paterson
Diapers are an essential need in the City of Paterson. With a growing population contending with food insecurity, items for infants and toddlers is an associated need. This program provides diapers and wipes to anyone in need. Please donate diapers in sizes newborn to seven and wipes from 11/16-12/31.

The Order of Service

The Call to Worship

Prelude *Sonata in D minor, K.9* *Domenico Scarlatti (1685-1759)*

The Prelude is the first act of worship and sets the tone for all that follows. You are invited to pause from the busyness of life and connect with God during this sacred time.

Opening Hymn 655 "O Jesus, I have promised"

The Opening Acclamation *BCP 299*

Celebrant: Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
People: **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**
Celebrant: There is one Body and one Spirit;
People: **There is one hope in God's call to us;**
Celebrant: One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;
People: **One God and Father of all.**

The Collect *BCP 236*

Blessed Lord, who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning: Grant us so to hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The First Lesson *1 Thessalonians 5:1-11*

Now concerning the times and the seasons, brothers and sisters, you do not need to have anything written to you. For you yourselves know very well that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night. When they say, "There is peace and security," then sudden destruction will come upon them, as labor pains come upon a pregnant woman, and there will be no escape! But you, beloved, are not in darkness, for that day to surprise you like a thief; for you are all children of light and children of the day; we are not of the night or of darkness. So then let us not fall asleep as others do, but let us keep awake and be sober; for those who sleep sleep at night, and those who are drunk get drunk at night. But since we belong to the day, let us be sober, and put on the breastplate of faith and love, and for a helmet the hope of salvation. For God has destined us not for wrath but for obtaining salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, who died for us, so that whether we are awake or asleep we may live with him. Therefore encourage one another and build up each other, as indeed you are doing.

Lector: The Word of the Lord.
All: **Thanks be to God.**

Hymn 551 "Rise up, ye saints of God!" *Verses 1-2*

The Gospel *Matthew 25:14-30*

Response before the Gospel: **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus said, "It is as if a man, going on a journey, summoned his slaves and entrusted his property to them; to one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away. The one who had received the five talents went off at once and traded with them, and made five more talents. In the same way, the one who had the two talents made two more talents. But the one who had received the one talent went off and dug a hole in the ground and hid his master's money. After a long time the master of those slaves came and settled accounts with them. Then the one who had received the five talents came forward, bringing five more talents, saying, 'Master, you handed over to me five talents; see, I have made five more talents.' His master said to him, 'Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.' And the one with the two talents also came forward, saying, 'Master, you handed over to me two talents; see, I have made two more talents.' His master said to him, 'Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.' Then the one who had received the one talent also came forward, saying, 'Master, I knew that you were a harsh man, reaping where you did not sow, and gathering where you did not scatter seed; so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here you have what is yours.' But his master replied, 'You wicked and lazy slave! You knew, did you, that I reap where I did not sow, and gather where I did not scatter? Then you ought to have invested my money with the bankers, and on my return I would have received what was my own with interest. So take the talent from him, and give it to the one with the ten talents. For to all those who have, more will be given, and they will have an abundance; but from those who have nothing, even what they have will be taken away. As for this worthless slave, throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.'"

Response after the Gospel: **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

Hymn 551 "Rise up, ye saints of God!" *Verse 3*

The Homily *The Rev. Andy Olivo*

The Presentation and Examination of the Candidates *BCP 301*
Emmett Kotorac Pereira and Brandy Mae Schaefer

The Baptismal Covenant *BCP 304*

The Prayers for the Candidates *BCP 305*

The Thanksgiving over the Water *BCP 306*

The Baptism *BCP 307*

Hymn 490 "I want to walk as a child of the light"

Welcoming the Newly Baptized *BCP 308*

The Peace *BCP 308*

Announcements

The Holy Communion

An offering is taken at this time. You may place your offering in the plate as it is passed or use the QR code to donate securely online.

The Offertory *Joyfully Sing!* *Words and Music by Allen Pote*
Youth & Children's Choirs

Joyfully sing, sing praises to God.
Joyfully lift up your voice.
For God has created a wonderful world.
Joyfully sing and rejoice!

Be thankful for mountains, meadows and trees,
rambling rivers and billowing seas.
Summer and winter, autumn and spring,
with hearts that are grateful, we will sing!

For high flying birds, and creatures that crawl,
each living thing from the largest to small.
But mostly of all, how thankful are we
that God has created you and me, you and me.

Joyfully, joyfully, joyfully sing.
Sing of the joy that life can bring.
We are God's children and happy are we,
that God has created you and me!

Doxology, Hymnal 380, stanza 3

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host:
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Celebrant: All things come of thee, O Lord.
People: **And of thine own have we given thee.**

Eucharistic Prayer A *BCP 361*

Proper Preface of Baptism *BCP 381*

Because in Jesus Christ our Lord you have received us as your sons and daughters, made us citizens of your kingdom, and given us the Holy Spirit to guide us into all truth.

Sanctus, Hymnal S-129

The congregation may remain standing or kneel after the singing of the Sanctus.

The Lord's Prayer *BCP 364*

The Breaking of the Bread

The Prayer of Humble Access *BCP 337*

We do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord whose property is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

Agnus Dei, Hymnal S-163

Sung while the clergy prepare the Communion vessels.

The Administration of Communion

All baptized Christians are invited to receive the consecrated bread and wine at St. Elizabeth's. Those who are not baptized, or those who do not wish to receive Communion, are invited to receive a blessing. Simply cross your arms over your chest when you come forward. Gluten-free hosts (bread) are available upon request. When directed by the ushers, the congregation is invited to receive the Eucharist at the altar rail or at the station on the floor. After you receive Communion, return to your pew via the side aisles. If you need Communion brought to you, please let the ushers know.

Music at Communion

Hymn 617 "Eternal Ruler of the ceaseless round"
Hymn 632 "O Christ, the Word Incarnate"
Hymn 9 "Not here for high and holy things"

Post Communion Prayer *BCP 365*

The Blessing *BCP 366*

Hymn 680 "O God, our help in ages past"

The Dismissal *BCP 366*

Response: **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude *Sonata in D Major, H. XVI:37* *Franz Joseph Haydn*
Finale- Presto ma non troppo *(1732-1809)*

Participants in the Service

Crucifer: Ellis Cole

Torchbearers: Anne Jordan, Lucas MacLaren

Lector: Edith Jordan

Eucharistic Ministers: Debra Anderson, Jim Alimena, Pilar Meola

Ushers: Jeff Marchetti, Tim Graham

Altar Guild: Mary Wynn Seiter, Debra Anderson, Sue Reid

Coffee Hour: Sandy Sullivan

Nursery Attendant: Akshara Puli

Livestream Guild: Matthew Hoffman

Memorials and Honoraria

The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God and in thanksgiving for the life and love of Brian Dowling by his grateful family; in loving memory of Patricia Scheelje Reinauer and B. Franklin Reinauer by their children, grandchildren, great-grandchildren; in celebration of the baptism of Brandy Mae by Beth Abrahamson; and in celebration of the baptism of Emmett Kotorac Pereira.

Mary Szurly is our flower memorial coordinator. Contact the parish office if you are interested in honoring a loved one with altar flowers.

St. E's Christmas Pageant

Calling all angels, sheep, shepherds, camels, and heralds!

All are welcome to join us for our Annual Christmas Pageant, to be held on Sunday, December 20th. While speaking roles are assigned to our older children, we welcome all the angels, sheep, shepherds, camels, and heralds!

Open to children aged 3 and up.

Contact Beth Van Emburgh at bvanemburgh@stesridgewood.org with questions or to sign up!

Church School 2026-2027

Registration is open on our website! Class leaders are still needed. Please consider growing in faith alongside your children. All materials and lessons are provided. Classes cannot take place without two adult leaders in each class. Contact Beth for more information at bvanemburgh@stesridgewood.org.

Rooted in Faith. Growing in Grace.

2027 Pledge Meter



Stewardship Committee:

Bruce Firkins, Denise Barrand, Christopher Aquilino, Denise Vollkommer, Steve Gorey, Susan Munhall, and Lauren Winter

How do I make a pledge?

Our 2027 Stewardship campaign is under way. You should have received a pledge card and a letter from the Stewardship Committee in your mailbox. If you did not receive one, baskets of pledge cards are available in the Narthex and outside the parish office. You can return your card to the parish office or pledge online with the QR code on the card or below. Thank you for helping our roots grow deeper.

How does my pledge support the church's mission in the community and beyond?

In our community, every dollar goes to mission. Our outreach, operations, community programs, and pastoral care are all member-supported ministries. Our budget describes how we share our resources with our neighbors.

Use the QR Code to pledge online.

Parish Prayer List

Al
Alex Casazza
Alice
Amy Brink
Anita
Anne
Barbara
Bill Brancato
Blanca Rojano
Bob
Bob Bell
Bob C.
Brianna and Cole Harrison
Bruce
Bruce Neandross
Carol
Catherine
Catherine O'Connell
Chris
Chris C.
Christian
Christina Olkowski
Claire
Connie
Cookie C.
Danielle Neri
Danikka Dillon and Family
David Barrand
David Hawthorne
David Y.
Dawn
Denny
Diane and Frank Barletta
Diane Pring
Dick Davies
Donna
Doris
Dorothea Hickey
Edith
Effie
Elizabeth Sofia
Evelyn and Steve Dyke
Family of Mary Ann DeGraw
Francine Pascal
Frank
Frederick Bruno
Gaye
Genesis and family
George and Shelley Mackey
Gretchen
Gunnip Family
Jack
Jaime
Jamie Whaley
Jane Winer
Joan
Joanne
John Berryman
John Mills
Juan
Julie and Jim Robertson
June Bové
Justine and Tom Boylan
Kate
Ken Erlich
Ken Thiess
Kim Heitzenrater
Lequan and Stephen Dudzik
Linda
Lois Chapman
Lora Salt
Marcus Noble
Margaret
Marty Melamed
Mary
Mary Ann Newcomb and Family
Matthew Garcia
Michael Colling
Midge
Milt
Mina
Nancy Schrempp
Nancy Teichman
Pat
Pauline Fiore and Family
Penny
Peter Flannery
Prasse Family
Qian (Chen) Liu
Quinn
Richard Brunelle
Rick
Robbie
Robert
Robyn Pring
Rochelle Kilzy
Rod Geant
Ruthie
Sarah
Sarah
Segovia Pasichniak
Sofia
Sophie
Sue VanderPloeg
The Rev. Dean Weber
Thomas Maloney
Valerie
Vincent Colling
Vincent Desimone
Virginia DuDeck
Virginia Leahy
Wes Pace
Winston
Yochio Kurahashi

We remember those who have died, especially Ruth Bowen Ryder, Rebecca Jarvis Detmer, Pebble Rock Curtin, Sr. Maureen Mitten, David S. Lewis, Frankye Crump, Anthony J. DiSanto, Lawrence Fox, Lucille Joel, and Susan Van Emburgh.

St. Elizabeth's Staff and Vestry

Rector
The Rev. Andy Olivo
Associate Priests
The Rev. Susan Schink
The Rev. Dr. Richard Sloan
Organist and Choirmaster
Garah Landes
Associate Choirmaster
Jennifer Hommez
Associate for Children, Youth, and Family Ministries
Beth Van Emburgh
Director of Finance and Administration
Grace Arscott
Parish Life Coordinator
Stephanie Doyle
Sexton
Fredy Reyes
Soloists
Jeffrey Castellano, Alicia Luick,
Daniel Peretto, Anastasia Swope
Wardens
Sandy Sullivan '28, Mike Dickson '27
Treasurer
Steve Gorey
Assistant Treasurer
Denise Barrand
Clerk
Catherine Carter
Vestry

Denise Barrand '27
Catherine Cardew '27
Bruce Firkins '27
Steve Gorey '27
Steve Anderson '28
Joan Cooke '28
Jeremy Sabella '28
Elizabeth Thauer '28
Christopher Aquilino '29
Catherine Carter '29
Stacy Wilson '29
Lauren Winter '29

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