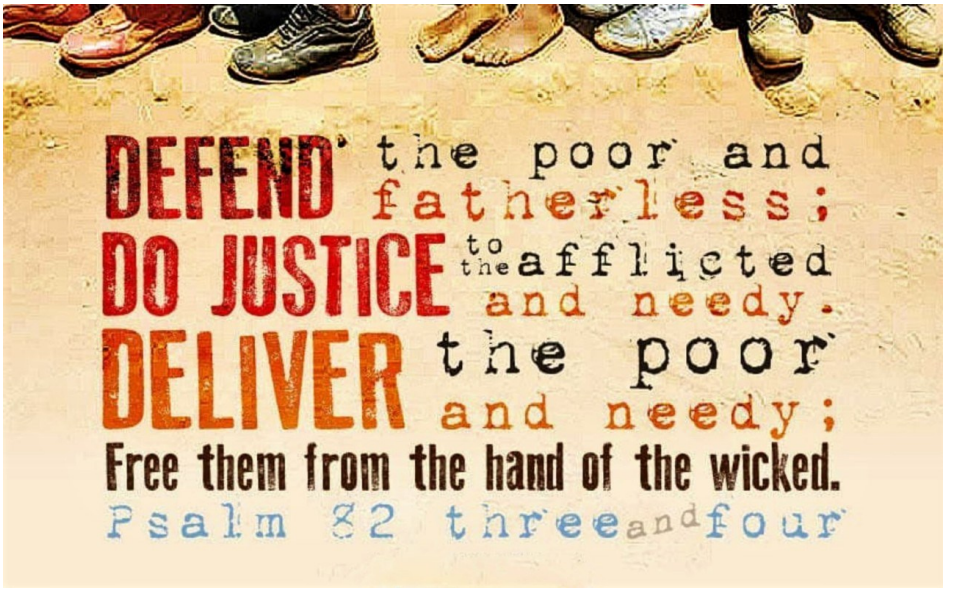
Morning Prayer
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CHRIST CHURCH

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WELCOME TO CHRIST CHURCH, an Episcopal parish of the worldwide Anglican Communion. We are glad you are here, and we invite you to enter fully into worship this morning, and to receive Holy Communion or a blessing at the communion rail. We invite you to ask questions, explore, and to make yourself known to those around you. Please pick up any other information about the parish located on the table in the back of the church. Tell us more about yourself by filling out one of the cards located in each pew. Help us to make this a place where God's grace is freely shared by all.

CHILDREN ARE WELCOME AT ALL SERVICES. Changing stations are available in both rest rooms at the Paterson Street entrance; you can get there through the side door of the church.

WE REJOICE that you have chosen to worship here this Pentecost season. If you would like to learn more about our Parish, please phone the Parish Office at 732.545.6262. Many of our upcoming events are listed on our web site, christchurchnewbrunswick.org; we hope that you decide to join us.

ABOUT THE LITURGY

Inclusive Language in Worship: Because language has the power to shape our thinking about God and one another, Christ Church makes every effort to bring the language of worship in line with biblical theology that affirms that the personhood of God embraces all that is truly female and male, and that men and women are equals. In our liturgy some historical texts that are widely known and loved are left unchanged.

INTERCESSIONS

AT EVERY CELEBRATION OF THE HOLY EUCHARIST prayer is offered with intercession for the Universal Church, the nation, the welfare of the world, the concerns of this community, those who suffer and those in any trouble, and the departed. Please feel free to add your own petitions during the prayers, either silently or aloud. If you would like to add a name to the prayer list, you may also fill out the form in the Prayers of the People book in the back of the Church.

WEEKLY INTERCESSIONS

We remember in today's prayers:
The Sick and Others in Need— *Barb, Brianna, Dennis, Doreen, Edith, Erica, Florence, Georgia, Hansford, Jean, Jeannine, Jefferson, Jim, Julia, Kristen, Lori, Margaret, Pam, Pat, Robert, Rose, Stanford, Steve, Thalia, Theayer, Thelma, Timothy, Tisha, Vivian*
Anglican Cycle *– we pray for The Church of North India (United)*
Diocesan Cycle *– Churches in Transition*
Christ Church Ministry *– WomenSpirit*
Birthdays this week *– Linden Clarke, Gareth Dennis, Eleanor Forbes, Vanessa Garber, Martha Golfphin, Pamela Harbour, Mervis Johnson, Valerie LaPorte, Robert Lattimer, Janessa VanLoo, Inori Walsh-Hollis*

PASTORAL CARE

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If you would like to schedule home communion, please contact Rev. Hollis and she will arrange for either herself, or a Lay Eucharistic Visitor to bring communion to you. Please do not hesitate to contact either Rev. Hollis or Rev. Roberts if you know of someone who is in need of care or counseling.

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THE HOLY EUCHARIST

PRELUDE Lied L. Vierne

Please stand and sing at the Procession

ENTRANCE HYMN "I come with joy to meet my Lord" **The Blue *Hymnal* 1982, # 304**
vs 1-2 & 5



Officiant: The Lord is in his holy temple; let all the earth keep silence before him.

CONFESSION

Officiant: Let us confess our sins to God.

Silence may be kept.

God of all mercy,
we confess that we have sinned against you,
opposing your will in our lives.
We have denied your goodness in each other,
in ourselves, and in the world you have created.
We repent of the evil that enslaves us,
the evil we have done,
and the evil done on our behalf.
Forgive, restore, and strengthen us
through our Savior Jesus Christ,
that we may abide in your love
and serve only your will.

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

INVITATORY AND PSALTER

All stand

Officiant: O God, let our mouth proclaim your praise.
People: And your glory all the day long.
Praise to the holy and undivided Trinity, one God:
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.
Alleluia.

Venite ***Psalm 95:1-7***

Officiant: God is the Rock of our salvation:

People: O come let us worship.

Come, let us sing to the Lord; *
let us shout for joy to the Rock of our salvation.

Let us come before God's presence with thanksgiving *
and raise a loud shout to the Lord with psalms.
For you are a great God, *
you are great above all gods.
In your hand are the caverns of the earth, *
and the heights of the hills are yours also.
The sea is yours, for you made it, *
and your hands have molded the dry land.
Come, let us bow down, and bend the knee, *
and kneel before the Lord our Maker.
For you are our God, and we are the people of your pasture and the sheep of your hand. *
Oh, that today we would hearken to your voice!

Officiant: God is the Rock of our salvation:
People: O come let us worship.

PSALM 82

1 God takes his stand in the council of heaven; *
he gives judgment in the midst of the gods:
2 "How long will you judge unjustly, *
and show favor to the wicked?
3 Save the weak and the orphan; *
defend the humble and needy;
4 Rescue the weak and the poor; *
deliver them from the power of the wicked.
5 They do not know, neither do they understand;
they go about in darkness; *
all the foundations of the earth are shaken.
6 Now I say to you, 'You are gods, *
and all of you children of the Most High;
7 Nevertheless, you shall die like mortals, *
and fall like any prince.'"
8 Arise, O God, and rule the earth, *
for you shall take all nations for your own.

THE LESSONS

First Lesson: *Amos 7:7-17*

This is what he showed me: the Lord was standing beside a wall built with a plumb line, with a plumb line in his hand. And the Lord said to me, "Amos, what do you see?" And I said, "A plumb line." Then the Lord said, "See, I am setting a plumb line in the midst of my people Israel; I will never again pass them by; the high places of Isaac shall be made desolate, and the sanctuaries of Israel shall be laid waste, and I will rise against the house of Jeroboam with the sword." Then Amaziah, the priest of Bethel, sent to King Jeroboam of Israel, saying, "Amos has conspired against you in the very center of the house of Israel; the land is not able to bear all his words. For thus Amos has said, 'Jeroboam shall die by the sword, and Israel must go into exile away from his land.'" And Amaziah said to Amos, "O seer, go, flee away to the land of Judah, earn your bread there, and prophesy there; but never again prophesy at Bethel, for it is the king's sanctuary, and it is a temple of the kingdom." Then Amos answered Amaziah, "I am no prophet, nor a prophet's son; but I am a herdsman, and a dresser of sycamore trees, and the Lord took me from following the flock, and the Lord said to me, 'Go, prophesy to my people Israel.' "Now therefore hear the word of the Lord. You say, 'Do not prophesy against Israel, and do not preach against the house of Isaac." Therefore thus says the Lord: 'Your wife shall become a prostitute in the city, and your sons and your daughters shall fall by the sword, and your land shall be parceled out by line; you yourself shall die in an unclean land, and Israel shall surely go into exile away from its land.'"

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.
People **Thanks be to God.**

The Song of Zechariah **Luke 1: 68-79**

Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel; *
you have come to your people and set them free.
You have raised up for us a mighty savior, *
born of the house of your servant David.

**Through your holy prophets you promised of old, that you would save us from our enemies, *
from the hands of all who hate us.
To show mercy to our forebears *
and to remember your holy covenant.
This was the oath you swore to our father Abraham, *
to set us free from the hands of our enemies,
Free to worship you without fear, *
holy and righteous before you, all the days of our life.
And you, child, shall be called the prophet of the Most High, *
for you will go before the Lord to prepare the way,
To give God's people knowledge of salvation *
by the forgiveness of their sins.
In the tender compassion of our God *
the dawn from on high shall break upon us,
To shine on those who dwell in darkness and the shadow of death, *
and to guide our feet into the way of peace.**

THE EPISTLE *Colossians 1:1-14*

Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and Timothy our brother, To the saints and faithful brothers and sisters in Christ in Colossae: Grace to you and peace from God our Father. In our prayers for you we always thank God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, for we have heard of your faith in Christ Jesus and of the love that you have for all the saints, because of the hope laid up for you in heaven. You have heard of this hope before in the word of the truth, the gospel that has come to you. Just as it is bearing fruit and growing in the whole world, so it has been bearing fruit among yourselves from the day you heard it and truly comprehended the grace of God. This you learned from Epaphras, our beloved fellow servant. He is a faithful minister of Christ on your behalf, and he has made known to us your love in the Spirit. For this reason, since the day we heard it, we have not ceased praying for you and asking that you may be filled with the knowledge of God's will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding, so that you may lead lives worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing to him, as you bear fruit in every good work and as you grow in the knowledge of God. May you be made strong with all the strength that comes from his glorious power, and may you be prepared to endure everything with patience, while joyfully giving thanks to the Fa-

ther, who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light. He has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.
People **Thanks be to God.**

GRADUAL HYMN "The Lord my God my shepherd is" **The Blue *Hymnal* 1982, # 663 vs 1-3**



THE GOSPEL Luke 10:25-37

Officiant: A Reading from the Gospel According to Luke.

Just then a lawyer stood up to test Jesus. "Teacher," he said, "what must I do to inherit eternal life?" He said to him, "What is written in the law? What do you read there?" He answered, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind; and your neighbor as yourself." And he said to him, "You have given the right answer; do this, and you will live." But wanting to justify himself, he asked Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?" Jesus replied, "A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and fell into the hands of robbers, who stripped him, beat him, and went away, leaving him half dead. Now by chance a priest was going down that road; and when he saw him, he passed by on the other side. So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. But a Samaritan while traveling came near him; and when he saw him, he was moved with pity. He went to him and bandaged his wounds, having poured oil and wine on them. Then he put him on his own animal, brought him to an inn, and took care of him. The next day he took out two denarii, gave them to the innkeeper, and said, 'Take care of him; and when I come back, I will repay you whatever more you spend.' Which of these three, do you think, was a neighbor to the man who fell into the hands of the robbers?" He said, "The one who showed him mercy." Jesus said to him, "Go and do likewise."

Officiant: Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON Jonathan Gloster, People's Warden

THE APOSTLES' CREED BCP p. 96

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

THE PRAYERS

Officiant Hear our cry, O God.
People **And listen to our prayer.**
Officiant Let us pray.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your Name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins,
as we forgive those
who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial,
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and for ever. Amen.

THE SUFFRAGES

V. Help us, O God our Savior;
R. Deliver us and forgive us our sins.
V. Look upon your congregation;
R. Give to your people the blessing of peace.
V. Declare your glory among the nations;
R. And your wonders among all peoples.
V. Do not let the oppressed be ashamed and turned away;
R. Never forget the lives of your poor.
V. Continue your loving kindness to those that know you;
R. And your favor of those who are true of heart.
V. Satisfy us by your loving-kindness in the morning;

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

O Lord, mercifully receive the prayers of your people who call upon you, and grant that they may know and understand what things they ought to do, and also may have grace and power faithfully to accomplish them; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

A COLLECT FOR SUNDAY

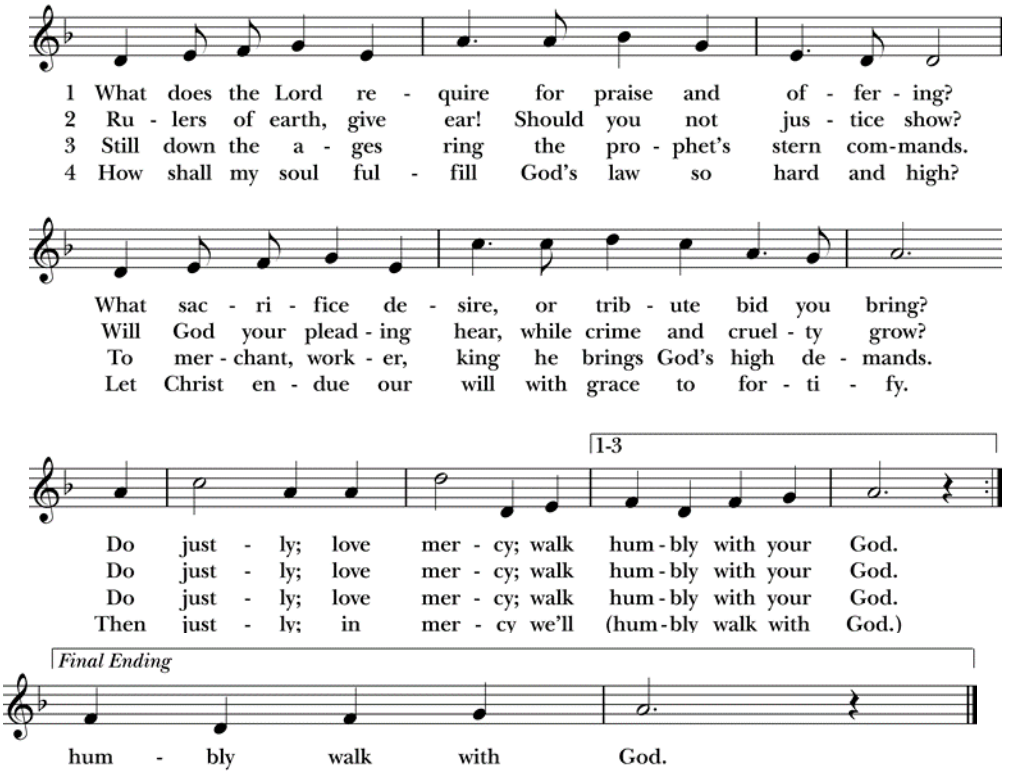
O God, you make us glad with the weekly remembrance of the glorious resurrection of your Son our Lord: Give us this day such blessing through our worship of you, that the week to come may be spent in your favor; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

A PRAYER FOR MISSION

Lord Jesus Christ, you stretched out your arms of love on the hard wood of the cross that everyone might come within the reach of your saving embrace: So clothe us in your Spirit that we, reaching forth our hands in love, may bring those who do not know you to the knowledge and love of you; for the honor of your Name. **Amen.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERTORY HYMN "What does the Lord require" **The Blue *Hymnal* 1982, # 605**



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THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Leader **Let us pray to our God, saying "Hear our prayer," let us pray for our own needs and the needs of others.**

The Leader requests the prayers of the People of God for the world, the mission of the Church, and for those individuals who have asked for or need our prayers. If you would like to add a name to the prayer list, please fill out the form in the Prayers of the People book in the back of the Church.
After the last petition, the Presider adds a concluding Collect

THE GENERAL THANKSGIVING BCP p. 101

Almighty God, Father of all mercies,
we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks
for all your goodness and loving-kindness
to us and to all whom you have made.
We bless you for our creation, preservation,
and all the blessings of this life;
but above all for your immeasurable love
in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ;
for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory.
And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies,
that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise,
not only with our lips, but in our lives,
by giving up our selves to your service,
and by walking before you
in holiness and righteousness all our days;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,
be honor and glory throughout all ages. Amen.

A Prayer of St. Chrysostom BCP p. 102

Officiant: Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication to you; and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name you will be in the midst of them: Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come life everlasting. **Amen.**

FINAL HYMN "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation"

The Blue *Hymnal* 1982, # 390





Officiant: Let us bless the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.
Officiant: Glory to God whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine: Glory to God from generation to generation in the Church, and in Christ Jesus for ever and ever. **Amen.**

POSTLUDE Tuba Tune C.S. Lang

Parish Notes

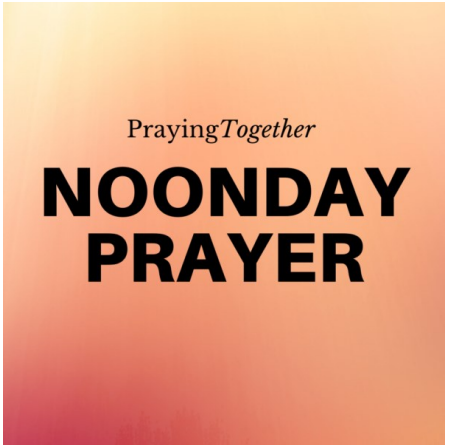
Parish Schedule for July 13– July 19, 2025

Parish Summer Office Hours This Week:
Tuesday – 9:30am to 3:00pm
Friday – 9:30am to 1:00pm

Sunday **9:30 a.m.** **Holy Eucharist, Sanctuary**

Wednesday 12:00p.m. **Noonday Prayer, Zoom**
7:30 p.m. WomenSpirit, Zoom

*Join Us AFTER THE 10:30 AM Service for Coffee Hour in the Nicholas Room



Noonday Prayer has a new Zoom link!

Join us every Wednesday at 12:00pm for Noonday Prayer via Zoom

New Zoom Link:
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Join members of Christ Church Sunday, July 20th after the 9:30am service for a "Packing Party"!

Supplies will be packed for the Choice Food and Resource Center during Coffee Hour.

Can't make it to the packing party, but want to help? Donations of diapers in sizes 4, 5, 6, and 7 as well as adult incontinence products in all sizes are in constant demand.

Donations can be made via Zelle or check please note "diaper donation" or "Choice Food and Resource Center in the subject line.

RSVP to Rev. Joanna's farewell party by using the link in the weekly email today!



Invitation: Central NJ Faith Communities Against Christian Nationalism @ Mon Jul 14, 2025 2pm - 3pm (EDT)

Zoom Meeting Link
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ECS is proud to honor Christ Church's very own **Catherine Ambos** at the 2025 ECS Gala — a night dedicated to honoring faithful advocacy in underserved communities.

Thursday, September 18, 2025
The Pines Manor, Edison, NJ
Tickets: $175 per person

Join us in celebrating Catherine's remarkable contributions by attending the gala and sitting with the Christ Church table.

Reserve your seat now using the link in the weekly email.

JULY 13, 2025
FIFTH SUNDAY
AFTER PENTECOST

taking faith home

Showing care to a stranger.

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

These passages are related to the Lectionary texts for this Sunday.

Sunday	**Luke 10:25-37**	**The good Samaritan**
Monday	**Deuteronomy 30:9-14**	**Choose life, not death**
Tuesday	**Colossians 1:1-14**	**A prayer of thanks**
Wednesday	**Genesis 39:6-23**	**God protects Joseph**
Thursday	**James 2:1-13**	**Warning against favorites**
Friday	**Leviticus 19:17-34**	**Living a holy life**
Saturday	**Psalm 25:1-10**	**A prayer for guidance**
Sunday	**Luke 10:38-42**	**Only one thing needed**

SCRIPTURE VERSE FOR THIS WEEK

Which of these three, do you think, was a neighbor to the man who fell into the hands of the robbers? He [a lawyer] said, "The one who showed him mercy." Jesus said to him, "Go and do likewise."
Luke 10:36-37 (NRSV)

PRAYERS AND BLESSING

A Prayer for the Week:
Merciful God, it is your will to show steadfast love and faithfulness; give us faith to show your love and mercy to others for the sake of Christ our Lord. Amen.

Mealtime Prayer:
Dear God, you feed all through your loving kindness; we thank you for feeding us today and for showing us how to be kind to others. In Christ Jesus we pray. Amen.

A Blessing to Give:
May God bless you to have mercy for all.

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JULY 13, 2025

taking faith home

HYMN OF THE WEEK

When the Poor Ones

WEEKLY MILESTONES

Take a moment to tell or think about a recent mountain high and/or valley low in your life.

CARING CONVERSATIONS

Discuss in your home, small group, or use for personal reflections:

- How would you describe a good neighbor?
- When someone is called a good Samaritan, what does that mean to you?

DEVOTIONS

Read: Luke 10:25-37.

A lawyer tried to trick Jesus by asking him, *"Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?"* (v. 25b). Jesus turned the tables and answered the lawyer with a question about what was written in the law. The lawyer gave a good answer that included the importance of loving *"your neighbor as yourself"* (v. 27). The lawyer fell into his own trap by asking another question: *"And who is my neighbor?"* (v. 29). He wanted to know who his neighbor was so he could identify who to care for. Jesus told the lawyer the parable of the Good Samaritan. In the story, the Samaritan, a foreigner, was the one who cared for the person in need. Ironically, for the lawyer, it was the foreigner who showed what it means to be a good neighbor. Instead of looking good in the exchange with Jesus, the lawyer looked ridiculous. The Samaritan showed that anyone who needs care is a good candidate to be one's neighbor.

Discuss: When have you shown care for someone who was not a family member, friend or acquaintance?

Pray: **Life-giving God, help us to be compassionate in our actions towards others that we may enjoy our life together and trust in your goodness through Christ our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

SERVICE

Jesus calls us to serve our neighbor in love. Based on the Daily Bible Readings and theme for this week, how can you show kindness to a stranger?

RITUALS AND TRADITIONS

Psalm 25 guides us in understanding how to live in a relationship with God, one that is filled with promises. Faith practices we do in our homes strengthen our relationships with one another and with God. One faith practice is to read scripture daily. Read Psalm 25 and circle those words or phrases that guide you to a personal, trusted relationship with God. Write the words from Psalm 25:4, *"Make me to know your ways, O Lord; teach me your paths"* on a paper. Place it beside your bed and recite the words each morning or night.

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	July 13	July 20
Presider		Joanna Hollis
Preacher	Jonathan Gloster	Daphne Roberts
Deacon	Daphne Roberts	Daphne Roberts
Organist	Suzanne McDonald	Suzanne McDonald
	9:30 A.M.	**9:30 A.M.**
Lector & Intercessor	Kevin Stansbury	Meegan Adames
LEM *LEM will read the Epistle*	Artie Phills	Mel Garber
Acolyte / Server		
Vestry Announcements	Jim Nichols	Meegan Adames
Usher		
Production Minister	Steve Caruso	Steve Caruso
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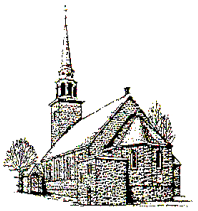
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EVERYONE IS WELCOME HERE.

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