

THE EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

August 3, 2025



The Parable of the Rich Fool, Rembrandt (1627)

Christ Church

Woodbury, New Jersey

A Parish in the Diocese of New Jersey

8:00 AM & 10:00 AM



Welcome to Visitors and Guests

We are delighted to have you with us today. The ushers will be glad to assist in any way they can to make your visit more comfortable. Please do take a moment to introduce yourself to the clergy at the door following the service and sign the guest book in the church porch / vestibule.

Child care is available during the 10am service for infants to age 4. Parents are given pagers. An usher will be happy to escort you there. **The nursery is open.**

Sunday School (from age 3 through grade 12) begins after children and young people receive Holy Communion or a Blessing at the Altar Rail during the 10am service, then proceed to their classrooms. **Sunday School for the 2024–2025 year has concluded.** We look forward to welcoming everyone back this fall!

Adult Forum is held in the Upper Assembly Room following the 10am service when Sunday School is in session, and ends at 12 noon when the children are dismissed from their classes. All are welcome to attend! **Adult Forum has concluded for the season.** We look forward to gathering again in Fall 2025!

Adult Bible Study Adult Bible Study has concluded for the summer. We are currently planning new sessions and will share details soon. Stay tuned!

A Lift is available for those who require assistance in reaching the Upper and Lower Assembly Rooms. The ushers will be glad to help with its operation.

Safety Precaution: Because there is no adult supervision in the parish house, children under the age of 13 leaving the service for any reason need to be accompanied by a parent or guardian.

Exiting and Entering—To avoid unnecessary distractions during the service, please try to exit and enter during a hymn if possible. (But we do understand that when urgent needs arise it may not be possible!)

*Let Reverence and Quietness
Characterize your Entrance into God's House*

THE EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
Holy Eucharist: Rite I - 8:00 am
THE ENTRANCE RITE

The congregation stands when the bell is rung.

Opening AcclamationBook of Common Prayer (BCP) 323

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

People **And Blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

The Collect for PurityBCP 323

Summary of the Law BCP 324

Kyrie & Gloria in excelsisBCP 324

The Collect of the Day (Proper 13) Bulletin p. 7

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

the people are seated

The First Lesson: Ecclesiastes 1:12-14, 2:18-22 Bulletin p. 8

the people remain seated

Gradual Psalm 49 *Audite hæc, omnes* Bulletin p. 8

The Epistle: Colossians 3:12-17 Bulletin p. 9

The people standing

The Holy Gospel: Luke 12:13-21 Bulletin p. 10

the people are seated

The Sermon The Rev. Dr. Jeffrey Kirk

the people standing

The Nicene Creed BCP 327

The Prayers of the People BCP 328

the people kneeling

Confession of Sin BCP 330

the people standing

The Peace BCP 332

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory Sentence

the people are seated until the Offering is brought forward, the people standing

At the Presentation:

Celebrant All things come of thee, O Lord.

People **And of thine own have we given thee. Amen.**

The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer II	BCP 340
Sursum corda	BCP 340
Sanctus et Benedictus qui venit	BCP 341

Said by all

***Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts:
Heaven and earth are full of thy glory.
Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High.
Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.***

<i>the congregation kneels for the canon of the Mass</i>	
The Great Amen	BCP 343
The Lord’s Prayer	BCP 336
Fraction	BCP 337
Agnus Dei	BCP 337
Prayer of Humble Access	BCP 337
Invitation to Communion	BCP 338

Behold the Lamb of God; Behold him that taketh away the sins of the world.

Celebrant and People

Lord, I am not worthy that thou shouldst come under my roof: but speak the word only, and my soul shall be healed.

All baptized Christians are invited to receive Holy Communion. Those who are not baptized or who do not wish to receive Communion are invited to come to the altar for a blessing, indicated by placing crossed hands over the chest.

Post Communion Prayer	BCP 339
The Blessing	BCP 339
<i>the people standing</i>	
Dismissal	BCP 340

<i>Celebrant</i>	Let us go forth in the name of Christ.
<i>People</i>	<i>Thanks be to God.</i>



to thee for thy great glo - ry, 3. O Lord God, heaven - ly King,

God the Father Al-might - y. 4. O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Je - sus Christ;

O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Fa - ther,

5. that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy up - on us.

6. Thou that takest away the sins of the world, re - ceive our prayer.

7. Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Fa-ther, have mercy up - on us.

8. For thou on - ly art ho - ly; thou on - ly art the Lord; 9. Thou only, O Christ,

with the Ho-ly Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Fa-ther. A - men.

Music: *Old Scottish Chant*, from *Chants or Tunes for Particular Hymns*, 1763?, alt.

COLLECT OF THE DAY (Proper 13):

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People ***And with thy spirit.***

Celebrant Let us pray.

O Lord, we beseech thee, let thy continual pity cleanse and defend thy Church, and, because it cannot continue in safety without thy succor, preserve it evermore by thy help and goodness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. ***Amen.***

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

The people are seated

The First Lesson Ecclesiastes 1:12-14; 2:18-23

Lector A reading from Book of Ecclesiastes.

I the Preacher have been king over Israel in Jerusalem. And I applied my mind to seek and to search out by wisdom all that is done under heaven; it is an unhappy business that God has given to the sons of men to be busy with. I have seen everything that is done under the sun; and behold, all is vanity and a striving after wind. I hated all my toil in which I had toiled under the sun, seeing that I must leave it to the man who will come after me; and who knows whether he will be a wise man or a fool? Yet he will be master of all for which I toiled and used my wisdom under the sun. This also is vanity. So I turned about and gave my heart up to despair over all the toil of my labors under the sun, because sometimes a man who has toiled with wisdom and knowledge and skill must leave all to be enjoyed by a man who did not toil for it. This also is vanity and a great evil. What has a man from all the toil and strain with which he toils beneath the sun? For all his days are full of pain, and his work is a vexation; even in the night his mind does not rest. This also is vanity.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People ***Thanks be to God.***

The people remain seated.

Gradual Psalm 49 *Audite hæc, omnes*

The Psalm is said responsively by verse.

O hear ye this, all ye people; *
ponder it with your ears, all ye that dwell in the world;

High and low, rich and poor, *
one with another.

My mouth shall speak of wisdom, *
and my heart shall muse of understanding.

I will incline mine ear to the parable, *
and show my dark speech upon the harp.

Wherefore should I fear in the days of evil, *
when wickedness at my heels compasseth me round about?

There be some that put their trust in their goods, *
and boast themselves in the multitude of their riches.

But no man may deliver his brother, *
nor give a ransom unto God for him,

(For it cost more to redeem their souls, *
so that he must let that alone for ever;)

That he shall live alway, *
and not see the grave.

***For he seeth that wise men also die and perish together, *
as well as the ignorant and foolish,
and leave their riches for other.***

And yet they think that their houses shall continue for ever,
and that their dwelling-places shall endure from one generation to another; *
and call the lands after their own names.

***Nevertheless, man being in honour abideth not, *
seeing he may be compared unto the beasts that perish;***

This their way is very foolishness; *
yet their posterity praise their saying.

***They lie in the grave like sheep; death is their shepherd;
and the righteous shall have dominion over them in the morning: *
their beauty shall consume in the sepulchre, and have no abiding.***

But God hath delivered my soul from the power of the grave; *
for he shall receive me.

***Be not thou afraid, though one be made rich, *
or if the glory of his house be increased;***

For he shall carry nothing away with him when he dieth, *
neither shall his pomp follow him.

***For while he lived, he counted himself an happy man; *
and so long as thou doest well unto thyself,
men will speak good of thee.***

He shall follow the generation of his fathers, *
and shall never see light.

***Man that is in honour but hath no understanding *
is compared unto the beasts that perish.***

***Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; *
as it was in the beginning is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen***

The Epistle Colossians 3:12-17

Lector A reading from Paul's letter to the Colossians.

Put on then, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, compassion, kindness, lowliness, meekness, and patience, forbearing one another and, if one has a complaint against another, forgiving each other; as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. And above all these put on love, which binds everything together

in perfect harmony. And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in the one body. And be thankful. Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, teach and admonish one another in all wisdom, and sing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs with thankfulness in your hearts to God. And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

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

The people standing
Sequence Hymn 516 “Come down, O Love Divine”*Down Ampney*
The Holy Gospel Luke 12:13-21

People The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.
Glory be to thee, O Lord.

One of the multitude said to him, “Teacher, bid my brother divide the inheritance with me.” But he said to him, “Man, who made me a judge or divider over you?” And he said to them, “Take heed, and beware of all covetousness; for a man’s life does not consist in the abundance of his possessions.” And he told them a parable, saying, “The land of a rich man brought forth plentifully; and he thought to himself, ‘What shall I do, for I have nowhere to store my crops?’ And he said, ‘I will do this: I will pull down my barns, and build larger ones; and there I will store all my grain and my goods. And I will say to my soul, Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; take your ease, eat, drink, be merry.’ But God said to him, ‘Fool! This night your soul is required of you; and the things you have prepared, whose will they be?’ So is he who lays up treasure for himself, and is not rich toward God.”

People The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise be to thee, O Christ.

The people are seated
The Sermon The Rev. Dr. Jeffrey Kirk

The people standing
The Nicene Creed BCP 327

The Prayers of the People: Form III

The leader and People pray responsively

Intercessor Father, we pray for thy holy Catholic Church;
People **That we all may be one.**

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve thee;
That thy Name may be glorified by all people.

Invitation to Communion BCP 338

Behold the Lamb of God; Behold him that taketh away the sins of the world.

Celebrant and People

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Communion Sentence

Communion Hymn 701 “Jesus, all my gladness” *Jesu, meine Freude*

the people kneeling

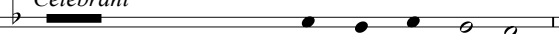
Post Communion Prayer BCP 339

The Blessing.....BCP 339

The people standing

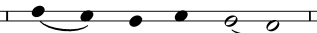
The Dismissal S 174 Hymnal

Celebrant



Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People



Thanks be to God.

Processional Hymn 542 “Christ is the world’s true light”..... *St. Joan*

Postlude: *Trumpet Tune*..... Frederick Swann (1931-2022)



**Thank you to The Rev. Dr. Jeffrey Kirk
for being our Celebrant today.**

**Today we welcome Fred Astmann as supply organist.
We are honored by his presence and grateful for his help.**

Those Who
Serve Today

8:00 am

Server & Chalice: Jeff Wenzel
Lector: Bernie Lasoski
Ushers: Mark Hendricks & Steve Shomo

10:00 am

Celebrant: The Rev. Dr. Jeffrey Kirk
Organist: Fred Astmann
Master of Ceremonies: Steve Lewis
Crucifer: Joey Lyden
1st Server: Thomas Piskun
2nd Server: Rebecca Piskun
Acolyte Master: Emily Piskun
Chalice Bearers: Doreen Mills & Steve Lewis
Lector I & Intercessor: Ed Ferrell
Lector II: Tori Wishnick
Ushers: Chris Piskun & Mike Sanchez
Nursery: Jennifer Allbright
Vestry Lock up: Doreen Mills
Notewriter: Marilyn McGeoch
Food Bank: Charles Lewis
Vestry Counters: Team 1:
Doreen Mills, Mark Novalsky, Nathan Wishnick



Prayer List

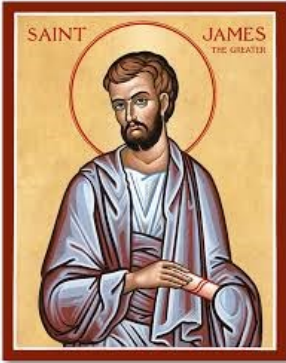
Pray for those who are sick or in any other adversity.

Pray for those who are in immediate need, especially: Dottie, Joseph, Hughie, Larry, Betty, Easton, Mike, Warren, David, Darrah, Rosie, Steve, Fran, Mike, Gloria.

Pray for those with enduring needs: Sammy Jo, Jillian, Jill, Amanda, Tara, Jackson, Jack, Ed, Jason, Samuel, Michael, Alex, Paul, Baby Rick, Tom, Mary, Bruce, Ivan, Andy, Joy, Kathi, Sean, Maya, Miguel, Carl, Linda, Douglas, Alfred, Sally, Ariella, David, Téó and Peter, Pat, Anne, Josephine, Ronald, Tony, Jordan, Mason, David, Sue, Barbara, Michael, Tyler and Laura, Marjorie, Jacob, Michele, Stephanie, Riley, Julia, Susan, June, Amy, Kathleen, Cora, Debbie, Norman, Tracey, Ginger, Candi, Becky, Carter, Rose, Adam, Dick, Daniel, Michael, Brad and Susan, Kathi, Lynn, Ralph, Peggy, Audrey, Sissy, Averil.

Please advise the Parish Office of any names that no longer need to be on this list. Thank you.

Weekday Services this Week



Wednesday, August 6

The Transfiguration of our Lord

10:00 AM Healing Mass

Thursday, August 7

John Mason Neale

6:30 PM Evening Prayer

Friday, August 8

Dominic, Priest and Friar

5:30 pm Evening Prayer

The Sacrament of Penance

The Sacrament of Penance (Confession) and spiritual counsel are always available by appointment. Please don't hesitate to reach out to Fr. Civale.

Readings for the Eighth Sunday after Pentecost, Proper 14

First Reading: Genesis 15:1-6

Second Reading: Hebrews 11:1-3:8-16

Gospel: Luke 12:32-40

*Please note Christ Church uses the RSV Bible Translation



Fr. Civale is Out of the Office



Fr. Civale will be out of the office until Friday, August 22nd.

For pastoral emergencies, please contact the church office or reach out directly to Fr. Glenn Druce at (619) 751-5556.

Upcoming Events

Monday <i>Jean-Baptiste Vianney</i>	August 4	6:00 PM	AA
Tuesday <i>Oswald King of Northumbria</i>	August 5	NOON	AA Meeting
		8:00 PM	AA Meeting
Wednesday <i>The Transfiguration of our Lord Jesus Christ</i>	August 6	10:00 AM	Mass with Prayers for Healing
Thursday <i>John Mason Neale, Priest</i>	August 7	6:30 PM	Evening Prayer
		7:00 PM	Executive Committee
		8:00 PM	AA Meeting
Friday <i>Dominic. Priest and Fiar</i>	August 8	5:30 pm	Evening Prayer
Sunday <i>The Ninth Sunday after Pentecost</i>	August 10	8:00 AM	Mass
		10:00 AM	Mass

Parish Office Business Hours



Monday: 9 am - 1 pm

Tuesday: 9 am - 3 pm

Wednesday: 9 am - 12 pm

Friday: 9 am - 3 pm

Thursday: by appointment

Saturday: by appointment

Priest-in-Charge

Fr. Lawrence Civale

Email: frcivale@christchurch.woodburynj.org

Cell Phone: (617) 947-3261, in case of a pastoral emergency.

Fr. Civale tries to keep Monday as his Sabbath day.



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ECW (Episcopal Church Women)



The ECW at Christ Church meets the third (3rd) Wednesday of every month at 7:00 pm; meetings will resume in September. All women who attend Christ Church are considered members of the ECW. Since 1871, the National Episcopal Church Women, ECW, have championed women's rights and the Christian foundation of God and family. They are a ministry of the Episcopal Church and celebrate that Episcopalians believe in a loving, liberating, and life-giving God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

Brotherhood of St. Andrew



The Brotherhood at Christ Church meets the third (3rd) Thursday of every month at 7:00 pm. They are on a break for the summer and meetings will resume in September. Join The Brotherhood of St. Andrew for prayer, study, and service. The Brotherhood of St. Andrew is an international ministry of men within the Anglican Communion with the commission of spreading Christ's kingdom among men and youth.

The Brotherhood of St. Andrew 2nd Annual Wine Tasting Event

2nd Annual Wine Tasting Event
Hosted by the Brotherhood of St. Andrew

Date: Thursday, August 21, 2025

Time: 7:00 PM

Location: Home of Mike & Darcie Sanchez
300 E Elm Street, Wenonah, NJ 08090

Cost: \$20 per person

Bring: One bottle of your favorite wine

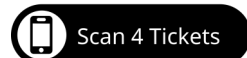
And: Your favorite appetizer to share

Come enjoy a relaxed evening of good wine, great food, and wonderful fellowship!

Please RSVP online:

<https://christchurchwoodbury.org/asp-products/brotherhood-wine-tasting>

Scan the QR code to RSVP easily!





Acolytes Wanted!

Calling all everyone entering 4th grade and up!

Do you—or someone you know—have a heart to serve, a curious spirit, and a desire to grow in faith?

Whether it's your **child, grandchild, relative, or friend**, we invite them to join our **Acolyte Ministry** at Christ Church!

Who Can Join?

Anyone entering **4th grade or older**

Why Be an Acolyte?

- Serve God in a meaningful way
- Build confidence and leadership skills
- Make new friends and grow in community

Acolyte Retreat Coming Soon!

We'll hold a fun and faith-filled **Saturday retreat later this summer** for training and fellowship (just a couple of hours)!

Interested?

Let **Emily Piskun** or **Robertta Shomo** know and we'll add you to the list, send retreat details, and include you in the **Fall acolyte schedule**.

Come be a light in worship — and learn to carry it!

Mark your Calendars!

All Members

Sunday, September 7

Blessing of the Back packs
Sunday School Registration

Sunday, September 14

Homecoming
Sunday School classes begin

Vestry Members

Saturday, October 25, 2025

Vestry Retreat

Convention Delegates

Saturday, November 22, 2025

Diocese of New Jersey Convention



We Can Do This!



Greater Woodbury Cooperative Ministries needs our help. Donations are especially needed at this time due to continued high numbers of clients. What an impact Christ Church could make if each family set a goal to bring 1 (one) item to church every week.

- ♥ **Breakfast** - cereal (hot or cold), pancake mix, syrup.
- ♥ **Lunch** - Peanut butter & jelly, mayonnaise, tuna, canned soup.
- ♥ **Dinner** - dried mashed potatoes, rice, pasta (spaghetti/macaroni), spaghetti sauce, macaroni & cheese, canned fruits and vegetables (greens, corn, carrots, beets, etc), juice, tea/coffee, crackers, pudding mix, cake mix & icing.
- ♥ Other items to donate – hand soap, toilet paper, feminine products, toothpaste, shampoo, deodorant, shaving items, laundry detergent, etc.



Please go to gwcm.org for more information and to see what else is needed.

Thank you for helping with this important ministry.

Share your pictures!

If you attend a Christ Church event, please take some pictures and email them to the office,

office@christchurch.woodburynj.org.

Maybe you will see them in our newsletter, website, social media and/or annual report.



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Service Schedule

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Wednesday: 10:00 AM Healing Mass
Thursday: 6:30 PM Evening Prayer
Friday: 5:30 PM Evening Prayer
Sacrament of Penance (Confession)
by appointment

Priest-in-Charge

The Rev. Lawrence Civale

Our Vestry

Wardens: Tori Wishnick & Steve Lewis

Treasurer: Mark Novalsky

Clerk: Gwen Simpson

Class of 2026

Doreen Mills
Gwen Simpson
Sherm Yeiter

Class of 2027

Jim Bathurst
Charles Lewis
Tori Wishnick

Class of 2028

Laura Erasmus
Robertta Shomo
Nathan Wishnick

