

NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

October 4, 2026



The Parable of the Vineyard (1611) Abel Grimmer (Flemish, c. 1570–c. 1620)

Christ Church

Woodbury, New Jersey

A Parish in the Diocese of New Jersey

Saturday 4:30 pm & Sunday 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 10 am service. An usher will be happy to escort you there. **The Child Care Room 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.

Adult Forum is usually held during Coffee Hour in the Upper Parish Hall 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 Bible Study Adult Bible Study continues on Mondays at 8:00 pm via Zoom. We have a lot of great discussions and would love to have everyone who is able to join!

A Lift is available for those who require assistance in reaching the Upper and Lower Parish Halls . 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 NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
Holy Eucharist: Rite I— Saturday 4:30 & Sunday 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
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THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

the people are seated
The First Lesson: Isaiah 5:1-7..... Bulletin p. 5

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the people are seated
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the people standing
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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
<i>Said by all</i>	
<i>Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts:</i>	
<i>Heaven and earth are full of thy glory.</i>	
<i>Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High.</i>	
<i>Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.</i>	
<i>Hosanna in the highest.</i>	
<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.	
<i>Celebrant and People</i>	
<i>Lord, I am not worthy that thou shouldest come under my roof: but speak the word only, and my soul shall be healed.</i>	
<i>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.</i>	
Post Communion Prayer	BCP 339
The Blessing	BCP 339
<i>the people standing</i>	
Dismissal	BCP 340
<i>Celebrant</i>	Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
<i>People</i>	<i>Thanks be to God.</i>



THE NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Holy Eucharist: Rite I, 10:00 am

THE ENTRANCE RITE

Prelude: Improvisation

The Congregation stands when the bell is rung.

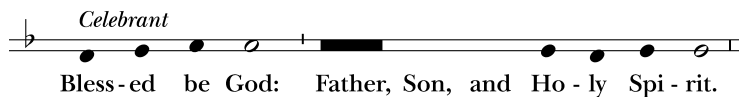
Processional Hymn 518 "Christ is made the sure foundation" *Westminster Abbey*

Introit.....*Mode VII*

Have mercy upon me, O Lord, for I have called daily upon thee: for thou, O Lord, art gracious and merciful, and plenteous in thy lovingkindness toward all them that call upon thee. (*Ps*) Bow down thine ear, O Lord, and hear me: for I am poor and in misery . Glory be..., As it was..., Have mercy upon me...,

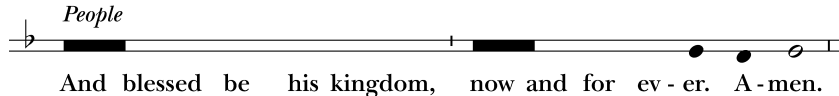
Opening AcclamationS76 Hymnal

Celebrant



Bless - ed be God: Father, Son, and Ho - ly Spi - rit.

People



And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ev - er. A - men.

The Collect for PurityBCP 323

Summary of the Law.....BCP 324

Kyrie..... (*see H. Willan Music Supplement*)

Gloria in excelsis (*see H. Willan Music Supplement*)

COLLECT OF THE DAY (Proper 22)

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

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

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, who art always more ready to hear than we to pray, and art wont to give more than either we desire or deserve: Pour down upon us the abundance of thy mercy, forgiving us those things whereof our conscience is afraid, and giving us those good things which we are not worthy to ask, but through the merits and mediation of Jesus Christ thy Son 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 Isaiah 5:1-7

Lector A reading from the Prophet Isaiah

Let me sing for my beloved a love song concerning his vineyard: My beloved had a vineyard on a very fertile hill. He dugged it and cleared it of stones, and planted it with choice vines; he built a watchtower in the midst of it, and hewed out a wine vat in it; and he looked for it to yield grapes, but it yielded wild grapes. And now, O inhabitants of Jerusalem and men of Judah, judge, I pray you, between me and my vineyard. What more was there to do for my vineyard, that I have not done in it? When I looked for it to yield grapes, why did it yield wild grapes? And now I will tell you what I will do to my vineyard. I will remove its hedge, and it shall be devoured; I will break down its wall, and it shall be trampled down. I will make it a waste; it shall not be pruned or hoed, and briers and thorns shall grow up; I will also command the clouds that they rain no rain upon it. For the vineyard of the LORD of hosts is the house of Israel, and the men of Judah are his pleasant planting; and he looked for justice, but behold, bloodshed; for righteousness, ut behold, a cry!

Lector The Word of the Lord.

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

The people remain seated.

Gradual Psalm 80:7-14.....George Holden (1788-1865)

Read responsively at the 4:30 pm & 8:00 am Mass

Turn us again, thou God of hosts *
shew the light of thy countenance, and we shall be whole.

Thou hast brought a vine out of Egypt *
thou hast cast out the heathen, and planted it.

Thou madest room for it *
and when it had taken root it filled the land.

The hills were covered with the shadow of it *
and the boughs thereof were like the goodly cedar-trees.

She stretched out her branches unto the sea *
and her boughs unto the river.

Why hast thou then broken down her hedge *
that all they that go by pluck off her grapes?

The wild boar out of the wood doth root it up *
and the wild beasts of the field devour it.

*Turn thee again, thou God of hosts, look down from heaven *
behold, and visit this vine;*

And the place of the vineyard that thy right hand hath planted *
and the branch that thou madest so strong for thyself.

The Epistle Philippians 3:4B-14

Lector A reading from the Apostle Paul to the Philippians.

Though I myself have reason for confidence in the flesh also. If any other man thinks he has reason for confidence in the flesh, I have more: circumcised on the eighth day, of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew born of Hebrews; as to the law a Pharisee, as to zeal a persecutor of the church, as to righteousness under the law blameless. But whatever gain I had, I counted as loss for the sake of Christ. Indeed I count everything as loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things, and count them as refuse, in order that I may gain Christ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own, based on law, but that which is through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God that depends on faith; that I may know him and the power of his resurrection, and may share his sufferings, becoming like him in his death, that if possible I may attain the resurrection from the dead. Not that I have already obtained this or am already perfect; but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. Brethren, I do not consider that I have made it my own; but one thing I do, forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, I press on toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

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

The people standing

Alleluia and Verse*Mode VI*

Alleluia. Alleluia. O Sing unto the Lord a new song: for he hath done marvelous things. Alleluia.

Sequence Hymn 448 “O Love how, how broad”.....*Deus tuorum militum*

The Holy Gospel Matthew 21:33-46

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

People

Glory be to thee, O Lord.

Jesus said, “Hear another parable. There was a householder who planted a vineyard, and set a hedge around it, and dug a wine press in it, and built a tower, and let it out to tenants, and went into another country. When the season of fruit drew near, he sent his servants to the tenants, to get his fruit; and the tenants took his servants and beat one, killed another, and stoned another. Again he sent other servants, more than the first; and they did the same to them. Afterward he sent his son to them, saying, ‘They will respect my son.’ But when the tenants saw the son, they said to themselves, ‘This is the heir; come, let us kill him and have his inheritance.’ And they took him and cast him out of the vineyard, and killed him. When therefore the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?” They said to him, “He will put those wretches to a miserable death, and let out the vineyard to other tenants who will give him the fruits in their seasons.” Jesus said to them, “Have you never read in the scriptures: ‘The very stone which the builders rejected has become the head of the corner; this was the Lord’s doing, and it is marvelous in our eyes’? Therefore I tell you, the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a nation producing the fruits of it.” When the chief priests and the Pharisees heard his parables, they perceived that he was speaking about them. But when they tried to arrest him, they feared the multitudes, because they held him to be a prophet.

The Gospel of the Lord.

People

Praise be to thee, O Christ.

The people are seated

The Sermon Fr. Civalè

The people standing

The Nicene CreedBCP 327

A Litany of Thanksgiving:

The leader and people pray responsively

Intercessor

Let us give thanks to God our Father for all his gifts so freely bestowed upon us. For the beauty and wonder of thy creations, in earth and sky and sea,

People

We thank thee, O Lord.

For all that is gracious in the lives of men and woman, revealing the image of Christ,

We thank thee, O Lord.

For our daily food and drink, our homes and families, and our friends,

We thank thee, O Lord.

For minds to think, and hearts to love, and hands to serve,

We thank thee, O Lord.

For health and strength to work, and leisure to rest and play,
We thank thee, O Lord.

For the brave and courageous, who are patient in suffering and faithful in adversity,
We thank thee, O Lord.

For all valiant seekers of truth, liberty and justice,
We thank thee, O Lord.

For the communion of saints, in all times and places,
We thank thee, O Lord.

Above all, we give thee thanks for the great mercies and promises given to us in Christ Jesus our Lord:

To him be praise and glory, with thee, O Father, and the Holy Spirit, now and for ever. Amen

Silence

The People may add their own petitions.

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

The people kneeling
The Confession of Sin BCP 330

Celebrant

The peace of the Lord be al-ways with you.

People

And with thy spi - rit.

The Peace

All are invited briefly to greet one another with a sign of peace.





Christ Church Stewardship Prayer

Almighty God, we thank thee for all of the gifts that thou hast given us; our lives, our loved ones, and all that we have, and all that we are. Most of all we thank thee for Jesus, thy son and our redeemer who came among us to show us the way to eternal life. Jesus was the perfect steward of thy gifts, showing that complete trust in thee is the most important part of following him. May the offerings of our time, talent, and resources be made in the spirit of sacrifice that Jesus taught us by his life and death for us. Who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever, Amen

THE HOLY COMMUNION

the people standing

Offertory Sentence.....*Tone II*

Look down, O Lord, to help me; let them be ashamed, and confounded together, that seek after my soul to destroy it: look down. O Lord to help me.

the people sitting

Offertory Anthem “The Call ”Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872 - 1958)

Come, my way, my truth, my life:
Such a way as gives us breath;
Such a truth as ends all strife,
Such a life as killeth death.
Such a strength as makes his guest.

Come, my joy, my love, my heart:
Such a joy as none can move,
Such a love as none can part,
Such a heart as joys in love.

Come, my light, my feast, my strength:
Such a light as shows a feast,
Such a feast as mends in length,
Such a strength as makes his guest.

Offertory Hymn 483 “The Head that once was crowned with thorns”.....*St. Magnus*

Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer II BCP 340

Sursum corda S112 Hymnal

Celebrant *People*

The Lord be with you. And with thy spi - rit.

Celebrant *People*

Lift up your hearts. We lift them up un - to the Lord.

Celebrant

Let us give thanks un - to our Lord God.

People

It is meet and right so to do.

Sanctus et Benedictus qui venit(See *H. Willan Music Supplement*)

the people kneel for the canon of the Mass

The Great Amen S118 Hymnal

Celebrant *People*

A-men.

The Lord's Prayer S119 Hymnal

The people kneeling.

Fraction

Celebrant

Al - le - lu - ia. Christ our Pass - o - ver is sac - ri - ficed for us;

People

There-fore let us keep the feast. Al - le - lu - ia.

Agnus Dei(See *H. Willan Music Supplement*)

Prayer of Humble Access.....BCP 337

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. the people kneeling

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. the people kneeling

Communion Sentence.....*Tone I*

O Lord, I will make mention of thy righteousness only, thou God, hast taught me from my youth up until now: forsake me not, O God, in my old age, when I am gray bearded.

Communion Motet “Prayer to Jesus”George Oldroyd (1886 - 1951)

Jhesu, since Thou me made and bought, Be Thou my love and all my thought,
And help that I may to Thee be brought, Withouten Thee I may do nought.
Jhesu, since Thou must do Thy will, And naething is that Thee may let,
with Thy grace my heart fulfil, my love and my liking in Thee is set.
Jhesu at Thy will I pray that I might be, All my heart fulfil, with
perfect love to Thee. That I have done ill Jhesu forgive Thou me, And
suffer me never to spill Jhesu for pity, Amen.

Communion Hymn 313 “Let thy blood in mercy poured”*Jesus, meine Zuversicht*
the people kneeling

Post Communion Prayer BCP 339

The Blessing.....BCP 339
The people standing

The DismissalS 174 Hymnal

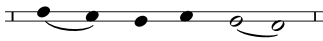
Processional Hymn 545“Lo, what a cloud of witnesses!”.....*St. Fulbert*

Celebrant



Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People



Thanks be to God.

Postlude Improvisation

Those Who
Serve Today

8:00 am

Celebrant: The Rev. Lawrence Civale

Server & Chalice: Doreen Mills

Lector: Maureen Carrigan

Ushers: Mark Hendricks

10:00 am

Celebrant: The Rev. Lawrence Civale

Organist: Matthew Glandorf

Master of Ceremonies: Steve Lewis

Crucifer: Joey Lyden

1st Server: Thomas Piskun

2nd Server: Rebecca Piskun

Torches:

Thurifer: Brandon Gorman

Acolyte Master: Robertta Shomo

Chalice Bearers: Steve Lewis & TBD

Lector I & Intercessor: Jim Bathurst

Lector II: Mary Beth Bathurst

Ushers: Steve Shomo & Sam Buck

Childcare: Jennifer Allbright

Vestry Lock up: Tori Wishnick

Notewriter: Marilyn McGeoch

Food Bank: Doug & Carol Hill

Vestry Counters: Team 2: Tori Wishnick

Prayer List

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

Pray for those who are in immediate need, especially: John, Wesley, Nancy, Aimee, Bill, Edward, Baby Mark, Baby Anderson, Khoury, Don, John, Luke, Baby Emily, Francine, Mary C., Luke, Averil, Phil, Jack, Terry, J.J., Maureen, Louise, Janet, Krista, Rich, Dottie, Hughie, Easton, Mike, Warren, David, Steve, Mike, Gloria.

Pray for those with enduring needs: Pat, Gwen, Joy, Stephen, Sandie, Shirley, Ella Beth, Becca, Barbara T, Joshua, Anne, Doreen, Barbara, Mary Sue, Joseph, Sammy Jo, Jillian, Amanda, Tara, Jackson, Jack, Ed, Jason, Samuel, Michael, Alex, Paul, Baby Rick, Tom, Mary, Bruce, Ivan, Andy, 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.

Pray for those that are serving in our armed forces: Omar, CJ, Jacob

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



LITURGICAL NOTES ON HONORING THE CROSS

The cross or crucifix is the most powerful symbol in our lives as Christians. We are reminded of Christ's sacrificial love and his victory over sin, brokenness and death. We are reminded that we are a people reconciled and in covenant with Christ and each other by means of our baptism. As we gaze upon the cross, it should fill us with gratitude, joy, and thanksgiving for Christ's work on our behalf.

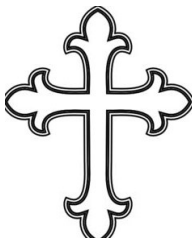
The Special Role of the Processional Cross

As the cross leads the opening procession, it symbolizes that Christ is in our midst and faithfully gathers us as a united people, His Church. We move from our lives outside to a visibly united life around the altar where we worship and where we are nourished to do the work we are called to do. We should be focused on the cross, not only in procession, but on the altar throughout the Mass. As the cross passes by we bow and turn toward the altar. We don't wait until the rest of the procession passes by because the cross and what is going to happen on the altar is now our focus.

The processional cross takes on a special meaning during the closing procession as well. We are a people who have been nourished and strengthened. As we leave the church, we leave entrusting our lives to the One who has nourished us and who goes before us. We are a united people in faith, led by Christ, moving out into the world with a duty to spread the Gospel as that Body of Christ.

The Gospel Procession

You may notice at the 10:00 Mass we no longer lead the Gospel procession with the cross. This is because our sole focus is on the Gospel itself. Instead of bowing and turning as the cross goes by, we may bow and turn as the Gospel book goes by. This shows that we are now focused in a special way on hearing the teachings of Jesus and hearing about his life, passion, death and resurrection.



Upcoming Events

Monday <i>Feria</i>	October 5	6:00 PM	AA
Tuesday <i>William Tyndale, Priest & Martyr, 1536</i>	October 6	NOON 8:00 PM	AA Meeting AA Meeting
Wednesday <i>Feria</i>	October 7	10:00 AM	Mass & Sacrament of Healing
Thursday <i>Feria</i>	October 8	6:30 PM 8:00 PM	Mass AA Meeting
Friday <i>Robert Grosseteste, Bishop of Lincoln, 1253</i>	October 9	5:30 PM	Evening Prayer
Saturday <i>Feria</i> <i>Eve of the Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost</i>	October 10	 4:30 PM	 Vigil Mass
Sunday <i>The Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost</i>	October 11	8:00 AM 10:00 AM	Mass Choral Mass

Designated Monthly Offerings

OctoberAll Soul's
November.....Thanksgiving

Readings for the Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost—October 11, 2026

Isaiah 25:1-9
Psalm 23
Philippians 4:1-9
Matthew 22:1-14

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RSV Bible Translation

UPCOMING EVENTS & SPECIAL MASSES AT CHRIST CHURCH

Saturday Evenings: Vigil Mass - 4:30 pm

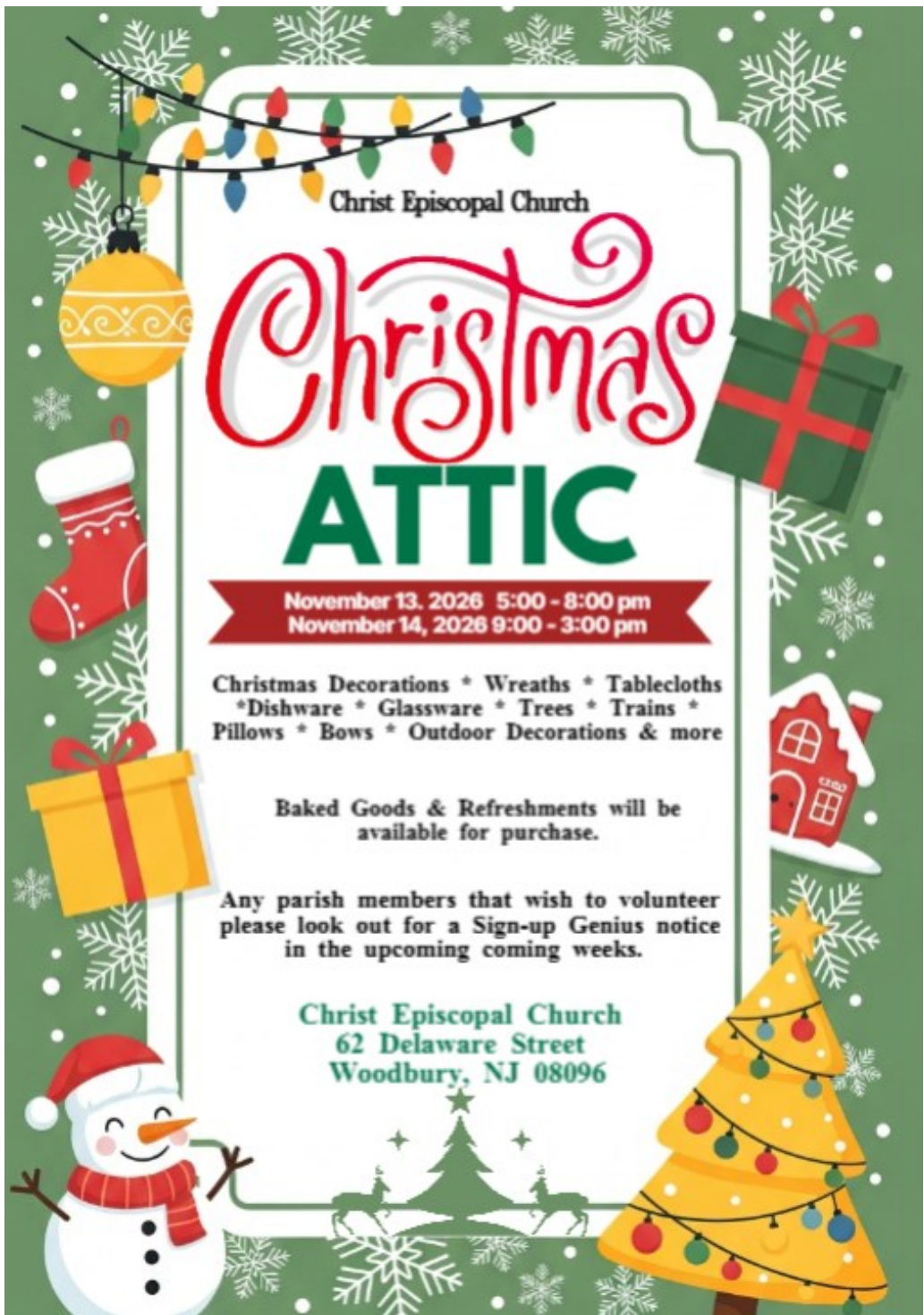
November 1 All Saints' Day

November 2 All Souls' Day- Requiem Mass 6:30 pm

November 13 Christmas Attic 5:00 - 8:00 pm

November 14 Christmas Attic 9:00 am- 3:00 pm





Christmas Attic

We are just weeks away from our Christmas Attic event on Friday, 11/13 and Saturday, 11/14. Your donations are sorted and ready to be set up in the parish hall. The Signup Genius will soon be available. Pictures of last year's Christmas Attic at St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Doylestown, PA will be on display in the upper assembly room this coming Sunday so that you can see what our next step will look like.

An important part of the Christmas Attic will be the Check Out teams. We will need three Check-out teams, one for Friday evening, and two shifts on Saturday. Each team will have four volunteers. Volunteer #1 will take the price tags from the items being purchased. Volunteer 2 will total the amount using a calculator/adding machine. Volunteer 3 will be the cashier to receive the cash or check payment for the items that will then be passed to Volunteer 4, who, if needed, will wrap and bag the items. If you are interested in being part of one of our three check-out teams, please sign up on the Signup Genius.

The check out area will need newspaper, bubble wrap, tissue paper, shoe boxes, small – medium-size delivery boxes, and shopping bags. You may bring them to the parish hall the week before the Christmas Attic.

Christmas Attic Posters and postcards are being prepared and will soon be available for your distribution to places where you shop or dine. Remember to 'check out' the many opportunities that will be available to serve and enjoy this event with our parish family.



+ Christ Episcopal Church +
Woodbury, NJ

GAME NIGHT

Fourth Thursday of the Month!



6:30 PM

Join us for
Mass

7:00 - 8:30 PM

Game Night in
the Parish Hall



We have games,
or bring your own!



Bring a snack
or two to share
at the snack table.



Good games.
Good snacks.
Great company.

= All are welcome! =
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What's The Buzz About?

The ECW at Christ Church meets the third (3rd) Wednesday of every month at 7:00 pm. 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.



2026-2027

(ECW)

Episcopal Church Women

Registration

ALL Women of the Parish are Welcome!

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: (Home): _____

(Cell): _____

Email: _____

Birthday (month/day): _____

☐ I can provide transportation to ECW meetings.

☐ I would like a ride to ECW meetings.

Registration forms may be turned in on Homecoming Sunday, Sept 13th, or at our September 16th meeting, placed in the offering plate, or mailed to the church office, Attn: ECW, 62 Delaware St., Woodbury, NJ 08096. Yearly dues of \$15 is requested to help support ECW programs. We look forward to seeing everyone soon.

Mass Schedule Updates

A Vigil Mass to begin a trial run on Saturday, September 26th – December 20th



This fall Christ Church will offer three weekend Masses. Saturdays at 4:30 we will offer a short more contemplative celebration of the Eucharist which will include a sermon. We are adding the service to accommodate those families and individuals who often run into Sunday morning conflicts with sports and school and other activities. Ushers, Altar Guild and acolytes are not expected to attend unless they want to. This is a trial run. If it is well received, we will continue the service in the new year. The Vigil or Eve of a major Feast Day and Sunday has always been observed in the Church beginning the evening before- preferably after sundown. As you know the Roman Catholic Church has offered the Vigil Mass option for decades and it is increasingly popular in the Episcopal Church. The preference is always that one attends on Sunday morning itself, but there are times when conflicts might occur and the availability of a Saturday evening option is welcomed.

Adopt-a-Project: Caring for Our Parish Home

We continue to ask that you consider contributing to the Fund which will be used to address our facility and grounds needs. Donations of any amount are greatly appreciated. Just use the white envelopes in the pews and write in Adopt-a Project. The projects that we would like to complete are the shades in the Sunday School wing, repairing of the rear property gate, improving the walkway from the Rectory to the Church and the replacement of the utility shed. Thank you for helping us maintain our property.

Coffee Hour Hosts Needed for 2026–2027

Thank you to everyone who has already signed up to host Coffee Hour. If you have not yet volunteered, please review your schedule and choose a date that works well for you. To sign up, choose whichever option is most convenient: use the SignUpGenius QR code below; contact Mary Beth at jim5001@verizon.net or 609-412-0691; contact Jim at 609-472-2812; or add your name to the list in the Parish Hall.

On Sundays when no one is available to host, coffee, tea, fellowship, and learning will still be offered, although no food will be served.

Thank you for helping make Coffee Hour a warm and welcoming time for our parish family. Your hospitality helps create a joyful place to gather, connect, and grow in fellowship—we hope you will join us!



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.





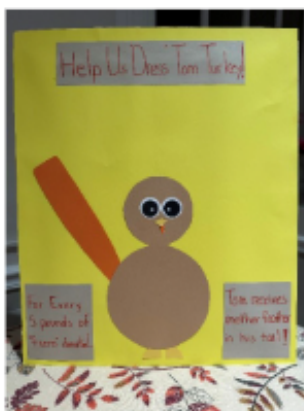
GWCM Special Collection

GWCM is collecting Thanksgiving Dinner “fixens” to give to their clients.

These Items Include:

Stuffing, Instant Mashed Potatoes, Vegetables (Potatoes, Yams, Onions, Squash, Carrots, Beans), Gravy, Cranberry Sauce, Rice, Corn Muffin Mix, Jell-O or Pudding Mix.

These items are separate from our weekly food bank donations. Please put them on the table in the back of Fellowship Hall. If you are not going upstairs, you can give them to an usher – just let them know it’s for Thanksgiving.



Help! Tom Turkey has no feathers! For every 5 pounds of food donated Tom will gain an extra feather! Let’s help him out by November 1st!

Gloucester County Senior Services Caregiver Support Program



LEAD by LOVE SUPPORT GROUP

A program for grandparents or older relatives raising a child under the age of 18.

An opportunity to receive resources and support among other grandparents or older relatives who are raising children under the age of 18. Group held in-person.

CAREGIVER SUPPORT GROUP

Connect with other caregivers, receive support, resources and solutions to common caregiving matters. Group held in-person.

GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP

A safe and inviting space where caregivers experiencing loss can come together and share feelings. Group held in-person.

CAREGIVER CONNECTION

Missed a support group? Caregiver Connection is an opportunity to ask questions virtually about available services or support.

For dates, times, locations or additional information please contact Stacy Reid at (856)686-8338 or sreid@co.gloucester.nj.us



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Caring for the Earth: Stories from Faith Communities

Faith communities across the country have active hope-filled ministries of Creation Care. If you're looking for inspiration for your own Creation Care ministry, this six-week online video and discussion series will offer you resources to build your own ministries of justice and compassion.



Each week you will receive an email with the week's video, discussion questions, and zoom link. When we meet, we will begin with a group viewing of the video of the week, followed by discussion. You are welcome to watch the video before class, and re-watch with the class during our meeting. This film series was created by Blessed Tomorrow, an ecumenical ministry of those, who are engaged in climate change ministries. (<https://blessedtomorrow.org/>).

If you are interested in participating in this class, please contact The Rev Ellen Rutherford at Trinity Church, Swedesboro (ecrutherford@juno.com) to add your name and email to the weekly emailing. You can join the group for a single class or for all of the sessions. We will meet on Tuesdays, at 7pm, on zoom

Oct 6	Called by Faith: How Will You Answer?
Oct 13	Seeds of Fire: Building Resilient Communities
Oct 20	Holy Water: Protecting What Connects and Sustains Us
Oct 27	Climate Justice: Scared Voice Rising
Nov 3	Healing Creation: Honoring Nature and Each Other
Nov 10	In-person Woodbury Convocation meeting – details TBA
Nov 17	Young Leaders: Creating Hope for the Future

If you are interested in participating in this series, send your name and your email to me at ecrutherford@juno.com. Following your registration, you will receive a zoom link and the video of the week, prior to each meeting.

The Rev Ellen Rutherford, Trinity Church, Swedesboro, ecrutherford@juno.com, 609-319-9234



Parish Office Business Hours

Monday - Friday

9:00 am - 3:00 pm

Email: parishadministrator@christchurchwoodbury.org

Phone: (856)845-0190

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. Civalé.

Rector

Fr. Lawrence Civalé

Email: frcivale@christchurchwoodbury.org

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

Father Civalé observes Tuesdays as his Sabbath.



Please Note

Effective immediately, please use the following email addresses to get in contact with us:

Father Civalé

frcivale@christchurchwoodbury.org

Jackie Fahr

parishadministrator@christchurchwoodbury.org

Please update your records.
Thank you.

Share your pictures....

If you attend a Christ church event, please take pictures and email them to the office: parishadministrator@christchurchwoodbury.org.

We will try to include them in our Quarterly Newsletter, website, social media and in our Annual Report.



Stay Connected – Update Your Email!



Christ Church sends out a weekly e-newsletter every Friday, filled with helpful updates including *Those Who Serve*, the Sunday bulletin, weekly readings, and upcoming events.

If you're not receiving it, be sure to check your spam or junk folder. To update your email address or be added to the mailing list, please send an email to parishadministrator@christchurchwoodbury.org

Let's stay connected as a church family!

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*A Parish of the Episcopal Diocese of New Jersey
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Service Schedule

Saturday 4:30 pm

Sunday: 8:00 AM & 10:00 AM

Wednesday: 10:00 AM Healing Mass

Thursday: 6:30 PM Mass (Except Summer)

Friday: 5:30 PM Evening Prayer

Sacrament of Penance (Confession)
by appointment

Rector

The Rev. Lawrence Civale

Our Vestry

Wardens: Tori Wishnick & Steve Lewis

Treasurer: Mark Novalsky

Clerk: Nathan Wishnick

Class of 2027

Jim Bathurst

Charles Lewis

Class of 2028

Brandon Gorman

Robertta Shomo

Nathan Wishnick

Class of 2029

Doreen Mills

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