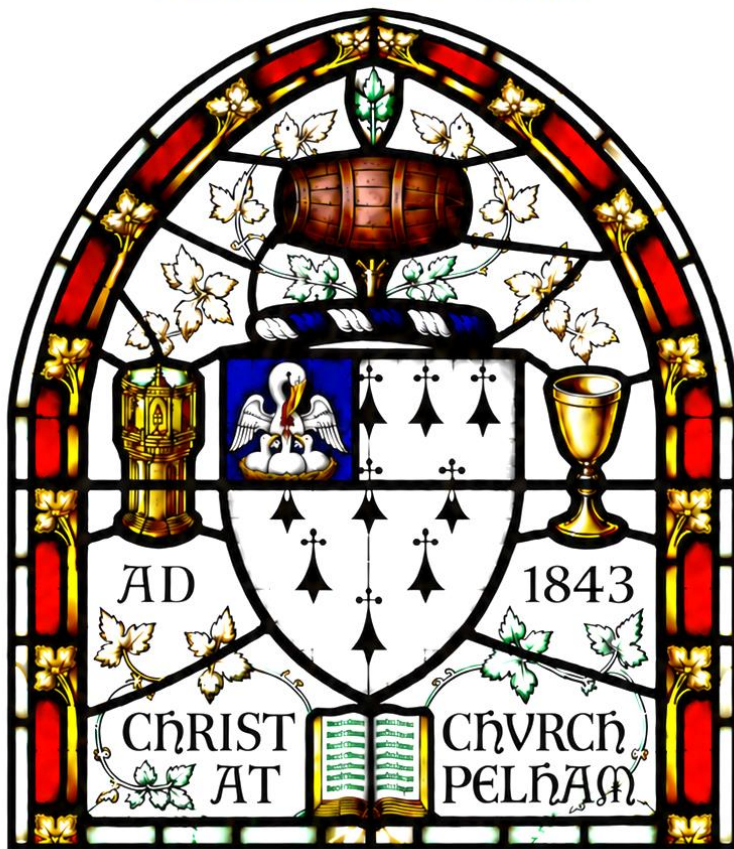


THE PARISH OF CHRIST THE REDEEMER

PELHAM, NEW YORK



THE 18TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
(PROPER 21A, TRACK 1)

HOLY BAPTISM & THE HOLY EUCHARIST
10:00 AM, SEPTEMBER 27, 2026



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CHILDREN, NURSERY CARE, AND SUNDAY SCHOOL

Sunday School is at 10am during the academic year. Sunday School children join the rest of the congregation for the Holy Communion. Scan the QR code to register for Sunday School. Childcare is available in the Nursery every Sunday during the 10am Eucharist.

ABOUT CHRIST CHURCH

The Parish of Christ the Redeemer (known as Christ Church) is the Episcopal Church in Pelham, New York. The Episcopal Church is part of the Anglican Communion which is made up of 85 million people in over 165 countries and is the third largest Christian denomination in the world. Christ Church was founded in 1843 and is the first house of worship in Pelham. This building was consecrated on September 15, 1843, the original church building was expanded in 1910, and the sanctuary was reconstructed in 1968 to allow for the current, more intimate worship space. Our congregation draws primarily from Pelham, New Rochelle, Mount Vernon, and the Bronx, and includes people from diverse denominational and cultural backgrounds.

ABOUT THE SEASON AFTER PENTECOST

This period in the Church year is known as “The Season after Pentecost” or “Ordinary Time.” The term “ordinary” refers to how the New Testament passages are generally read in order or in sequence, as opposed to being arranged by specific theme as in other seasons. During this season the Gospel passages focus on Jesus’ ministry, how he is revealed to the world as the Christ, and what he teaches to his followers. In Year A (the first in a three-year cycle: A, B & C) most of the Gospel passages are from the Gospel according to Matthew.

When Track 1 is used, the Old Testament Lesson is read in thematic sequence throughout the summer, in Year A we will read from the Pentateuch (first five books of the Bible). The New Testament Lesson is independent of these readings and is almost always taken from one of the Letters in the New Testament that reflects the common life and mission of the first Christian community.

ABOUT HOLY BAPTISM & TODAY'S SERVICE

Today we celebrate the Baptism of Nkiru Joelle Alimole. Holy Baptism is full initiation by water and the Holy Spirit into Christ's Body the Church. The bond which God establishes in Baptism is indissoluble. Holy Baptism is the sacrament by which God adopts us as his children and makes us members of Christ's Body, the Church, and inheritors of the kingdom of God. The outward and visible sign in Baptism is water, in which the person is baptized in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. The inward and spiritual grace in Baptism is union with Christ in his death and resurrection, birth into God's family the Church, forgiveness of sins, and new life in the Holy Spirit. It is required that we renounce Satan, repent of our sins, and accept Jesus as our Lord and Savior. Infants are baptized so that they can share citizenship in the Covenant, membership in Christ, and redemption by God. Promises are made for them by their parents and sponsors, who guarantee that the infants will be brought up within the Church, to know Christ and be able to follow him. Holy Baptism is appropriately administered within the Eucharist as the chief service on a Sunday or other feast.

Today's liturgy is from the red *Book of Common Prayer* 1979. All hymns are taken from the blue *Hymnal* 1982 or other authorized hymnals for use in the Episcopal Church. All hymns are reprinted with permission under OneLicense.net A713125.



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The flowers are given to the glory of God
and in loving memory of
ELIZABETH ANNE KANE
by her mother Emily.



ORGAN PRELUDE

The prelude is offered before worship as a form of prayer. Once the prelude begins, please refrain from conversation in the church or outside the Sacristy.

Pièce D'Orgue BWV 572

Johann Sebastian Bach 1685-1750

PROCESSION HYMN (#618)

All stand and sing the hymn as the ministers enter.

Unison

1 Ye watch - ers and ye ho - ly ones, bright ser - aphs, cher - u -
2 O high - er than the cher - u - bim, more glo - rious than the
3 Re - spond, ye souls in end - less rest, ye pa - tri - archs and
4 O friends, in glad - ness let us sing, su - per - nal an - thems

Harmony *Unison*

bim, and thrones, raise the glad strain, Al - le - lu - ia! Cry
 ser - a - phim, lead their prais - es, Al - le - lu - ia! Thou
 pro - phets blest, Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Ye
 ech - o - ing, Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! To

out, do - min - ions, prince - doms, powers, vir - tues, arch - an - gels, an - gels'
 bear - er of the e - ter - nal Word, most gra - cious, mag - ni - fy the
 ho - ly twelve, ye mar - tyrs strong, all saints tri - um - phant, raise the
 God the Fa - ther, God the Son, and God the Spi - rit, Three in

Harmony

choirs, Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le -
 Lord, Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le -
 song, Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le -
 One, Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le -

Unison

lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
 lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
 lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
 lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Words: John Athelstan Laurie Riley (1858–1945)

Music: Lasst uns erfreuen, melody from Auserlesene Catholische Geistliche Kirchengeseng, 1623; adapt. and harm. Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872–1958)

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OPENING SENTENCES

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

People **And blessed be God's 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.**

COLLECT FOR PURITY

Celebrant Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord.

All **Amen.**



BRIEF WELCOME & SUNDAY SCHOOL PROCESSION

All remain standing for a very brief welcome from the Priest. During the following Song of Praise, the Sunday School students go to their classes. Sunday School children will rejoin the rest of the congregation for the Holy Communion. Scan the QR code to register for Sunday School. Childcare is available in the Nursery every Sunday during the 10am Eucharist.

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS (S-280)

All sing the song of praise.

1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and
peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly
King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we
give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus
Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you
take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy
on us; 5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -
ceive our prayer. 6. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One,
you a - lone are the Lord, 7. you a - lone are the Most
High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the



Title: Canticle 20, Glory to God: *Gloria in excelsis*
Music: Robert Powell (b. 1932), rev.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, you declare your almighty power chiefly in showing mercy and pity: Grant us the fullness of your grace, that we, running to obtain your promises, may become partakers of your heavenly treasure; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

All **Amen.**

FIRST LESSON: EXODUS 17:1-7

All are seated.

Reader A Reading from Exodus.

From the wilderness of Sin the whole congregation of the Israelites journeyed by stages, as the Lord commanded. They camped at Rephidim, but there was no water for the people to drink. The people quarreled with Moses, and said, “Give us water to drink.” Moses said to them, “Why do you quarrel with me? Why do you test the Lord?” But the people thirsted there for water; and the people complained against Moses and said, “Why did you bring us out of Egypt, to kill us and our children and livestock with thirst?” So Moses cried out to the Lord, “What shall I do with this people? They are almost ready to stone me.” The Lord said to Moses, “Go on ahead of the people, and take some of the elders of Israel with you; take in your hand the staff with which you struck the Nile, and go. I will be standing there in front of you on the rock at Horeb. Strike the rock, and water will come out of it,

so that the people may drink.” Moses did so, in the sight of the elders of Israel. He called the place Massah and Meribah, because the Israelites quarreled and tested the Lord, saying, “Is the Lord among us or not?”

The Word of the Lord.

People

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 78:1-4, 12-16

The Psalm is sung by the choir to an Anglican Chant by David Hurd.

Hear my teaching, O my people; *
incline your ears to the words of my mouth.
I will open my mouth in a parable; *
I will declare the mysteries of ancient times.
That which we have heard and known,
and what our forefathers have told us, *
we will not hide from their children.
We will recount to generations to come
the praiseworthy deeds and the power of the Lord, *
and the wonderful works he has done.
He worked marvels in the sight of their forefathers, *
in the land of Egypt, in the field of Zoan.
He split open the sea and let them pass through; *
he made the waters stand up like walls.
He led them with a cloud by day, *
and all the night through with a glow of fire.
He split the hard rocks in the wilderness *
and gave them drink as from the great deep.
He brought streams out of the cliff, *
and the waters gushed out like rivers.

THE SECOND LESSON: PHILIPPIANS 2:1-13

Reader

A Reading from the Letter of Paul to the Philippians.

If then there is any encouragement in Christ, any consolation from love, any sharing in the Spirit, any compassion and sympathy, make my joy complete: be of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility regard others as better than yourselves. Let each of you look not to your own interests, but to the interests of others. Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death—even death on a cross. Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father. Therefore, my beloved, just as you have always obeyed me, not only in my presence, but much more now in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling; for it is God who is at work in you, enabling you both to will and to work for his good pleasure.

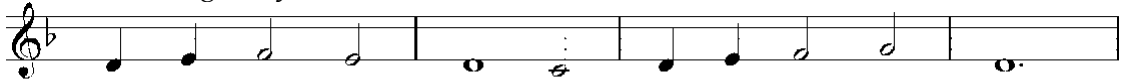
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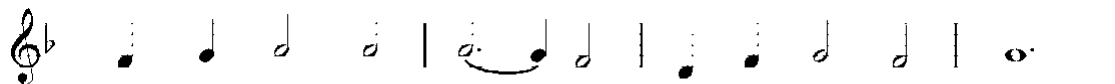
People

Thanks be to God.

SEQUENCE HYMN (#435)

All stand and sing the hymn.





1 ev - ery tongue con - fess him King of glo - ry now;
2 from the lips of sin - ners, un - to whom he came,
3 through all ranks of crea - tures, to the cen - tral height,
4 name with awe and won - der and with bat - ed breath;
5 all that is not ho - ly, all that is not true;
6 with his Fa - ther's glo - ry o'er the earth to reign;



1 'tis the Fa - ther's plea - sure we should call him Lord
2 faith - ful - ly he bore it spot - less to the last,
3 to the throne of God - head, to the Fa - ther's breast;
4 he is God the Sa - vior, he is Christ the Lord,
5 crown him as your Cap - tain in temp - ta - tion's hour;
6 for all wreaths of em - pire meet up - on his brow,



1 who from the be - gin - ning was the might - y Word.
2 brought it back vic - to - rious, when from death he passed;
3 filled it with the glo - ry of that per - fect rest.
4 ev - er to be wor - shipped, trust - ed, and a - dored.
5 let his will en - fold you in its light and power.
6 and our hearts con - fess him King of glo - ry now.

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THE HOLY GOSPEL: MATTHEW 21:23-32

All remain standing for the Gospel.

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

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

When Jesus entered the temple, the chief priests and the elders of the people came to him as he was teaching, and said, “By what authority are you doing these things, and who gave you this authority?” Jesus said to them, “I will

also ask you one question; if you tell me the answer, then I will also tell you by what authority I do these things. Did the baptism of John come from heaven, or was it of human origin?" And they argued with one another, "If we say, 'From heaven,' he will say to us, 'Why then did you not believe him?' But if we say, 'Of human origin,' we are afraid of the crowd; for all regard John as a prophet." So they answered Jesus, "We do not know." And he said to them, "Neither will I tell you by what authority I am doing these things. "What do you think? A man had two sons; he went to the first and said, 'Son, go and work in the vineyard today.' He answered, 'I will not'; but later he changed his mind and went. The father went to the second and said the same; and he answered, 'I go, sir'; but he did not go. Which of the two did the will of his father?" They said, "The first." Jesus said to them, "Truly I tell you, the tax collectors and the prostitutes are going into the kingdom of God ahead of you. For John came to you in the way of righteousness and you did not believe him, but the tax collectors and the prostitutes believed him; and even after you saw it, you did not change your minds and believe him."

The Gospel of the Lord.

People

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON

All are seated for the sermon by the Rev. Matthew Hoxsie Mead, Rector.

THE PRESENTATION AND EXAMINATION OF THE CANDIDATE

The Candidates are now presented.

Celebrant The Candidate will now be presented.

Parents & Godparents **I present Nkiru Joelle Alimole to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.**

Then the Celebrant asks Parents and Godparents to speak on behalf of the child.

Celebrant Will you be responsible for seeing that the child you present is brought up in the Christian faith and life?

Parents & Godparents **I will, with God's help.**

Celebrant Will you by your prayers and witness help this child to grow into the full stature of Christ?

Parents & Godparents **I will, with God's help.**

Celebrant Do you renounce Satan and all the spiritual forces of wickedness that rebel against God?

Parents & Godparents **I renounce them.**

Celebrant Do you renounce the evil powers of this world which corrupt and destroy the creatures of God?

Parents & Godparents **I renounce them.**

Celebrant Do you renounce all sinful desires that draw you from the love of God?

Parents & Godparents **I renounce them.**

Celebrant Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Savior?

Parents & Godparents **I do.**

Celebrant Do you put your whole trust in his grace and love?

Parents & Godparents **I do.**

Celebrant Do you promise to follow and obey him as your Lord?

Parents & Godparents **I do.**

The Celebrant addresses the entire congregation, saying

Celebrant Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support these persons in their life in Christ?

All **We will.**

THE BAPTISMAL COVENANT

All remain standing.

Celebrant Let us join with these persons who are committing themselves to Christ and renew our own baptismal covenant.

Celebrant Do you reaffirm your renunciation of evil and renew your commitment to Jesus Christ?

All **I do.**

Celebrant Do you believe in God the Father?

All **I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

Celebrant Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

All **I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.**

**He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the Virgin Mary.**

**He 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,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

Celebrant Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

All **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.**

Celebrant Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?

All **I will, with God's help.**

Celebrant Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

All **I will, with God's help.**

Celebrant Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

All **I will, with God's help.**

Celebrant Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

All **I will, with God's help.**

Celebrant Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?

All **I will, with God's help.**

Celebrant Let us now pray for these persons who are to receive the Sacrament of new birth.

PROCESSION TO THE FONT & PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

The following prayers are sung as the ministers, candidate, and sponsors proceed to the font. All are invited to come forward to the font to watch the Baptism.

Celebrant Deliver them from the way of sin and death,



People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Celebrant Open their hearts to your grace and truth.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Celebrant Fill them with your holy and life-giving Spirit.
People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

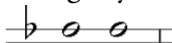
Celebrant Keep them in the faith and communion of your holy Church.
People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Celebrant Teach them to love others in the power of the Spirit.
People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Celebrant Send them into the world in witness to your love.
People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Celebrant Bring them to the fullness of your peace and glory.
People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Celebrant Grant, O Lord, that all who are baptized into the death of Jesus Christ your Son may live in the power of his resurrection and look for him to come again in glory; who lives and reigns now and for ever.



People **A-men.**

THANKSGIVING OVER THE WATER

All remain standing. The Celebrant blesses the water, first singing

Celebrant 
The Lord be with you.

People 
And al - so with you.

Celebrant 
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People 
It is right to give him thanks and praise.

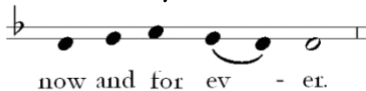
Celebrant

We thank you, Almighty God, for the gift of water. Over it the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation. Through it you led the children of Israel out of their bondage in Egypt into the land of promise. In it your Son Jesus received the baptism of John and was anointed by the Holy Spirit as the Messiah, the Christ, to lead us, through his death and resurrection, from the bondage of sin into everlasting life.

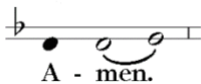
We thank you, Father, for the water of Baptism. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in his resurrection. Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit. Therefore in joyful obedience to your Son, we bring into his fellowship those who come to him in faith, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Now sanctify this water, we pray you, by the power of your Holy Spirit, that those who here are cleansed from sin and born again may continue for ever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Savior.

To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory,



Celebrant



People

THE BAPTISM

The candidate is presented by name to the Celebrant who then pours water upon the candidate:

Nkiru, I baptize you in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

All

Amen.

Celebrant

Let us pray.

Heavenly Father, we thank you that by water and the Holy Spirit you have bestowed upon these your servants the forgiveness of sin and have raised them to the new life of grace. Sustain them, O Lord, in your Holy Spirit. Give them an inquiring and discerning heart, the courage and will to

persevere, a spirit to know and to love you, and the gift of joy and wonder in all your works.

All

Amen.

ANOINTING WITH CHRISM & PRESENTATION OF CANDLE

The Celebrant lays his hand on the person's head, marking on the forehead the sign of the cross.

Nkiru, you are sealed ✠ by the Holy Spirit in Baptism and marked as Christ's own for ever.

All

Amen.

The baptismal candle is lit from the Paschal Candle and presented to the newly baptized.

Nkiru, you have been enlightened by Christ. Walk always as a child of the light and keep the flame of faith alive in your heart. When the Lord comes, may you go out to meet him with all the saints in the heavenly kingdom.

All

Amen.

BAPTISM HYMN (# 671)

The ministers, candidate, and sponsors return in procession to altar rail. During the procession, all are sprinkled with holy water as a reminder of Baptism and the congregation sings the hymn.

1 A - maz - ing grace! how sweet the sound, that
2 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and
3 The Lord has prom - ised good to me, his
4 Through man - y dan - gers, toils, and snares, I
* 5 When we've been there ten thou - sand years, bright

1 saved a wretch like me! I once was lost but
 2 grace my fears re - lieved; how pre - cious did that
 3 word my hope se - cures; he will my shield and
 4 have al - rea - dy come; 'tis grace that brought me
 5 shin - ing as the sun, we've no less days to

1 now am found, was blind but now I see.
 2 grace ap - pear the hour I first be - lieved!
 3 por - tion be as long as life en - dures.
 4 safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.
 5 sing God's praise than when we'd first be - gun.

Section: The Christian Life

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WELCOME OF THE NEWLY BAPTIZED

Celebrant Let us welcome the newly baptized.

All We receive you into the household of God.

Confess the faith of Christ crucified,

proclaim his resurrection,

and share with us in his eternal priesthood.

THE PEACE

Celebrant The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Then the Ministers and People greet one another in the name of the Lord.

PRAYER LIST

Our prayers are asked for Sean our Presiding Bishop, Matthew and Allen our Bishops, Father Matt our Rector, Mother Meredith, Deacon Chisara, and our Wardens, Officers, and Vestry members. We pray also for: Charles, Sara, Edward, Cathy, Annette, Patricia, M&D, Brian, Marion, Fronda, Coulby, Michael, Jane, and Sandy. We pray for those in our Armed Services. We also pray for those who have died. We give thanks for those celebrating birthdays this week: Sebastian Herr (9/30), Riley Salvatore (10/2), Paige Lavengood (10/2), Chazz Des Rault (10/3), Achidi Kisob (10/3), and Bryan Matthews (10/3).

WELCOME & OFFERTORY SENTENCE

All are seated. The announcements conclude with the offertory sentence.



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HOLY COMMUNION IN THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH

All baptized persons, including children, are full members of the Body of Christ and are invited to participate in every aspect of the service and receive the Holy Communion. Members of other Christian churches who are baptized are also invited to receive the Body and Blood of Christ. Persons who do not wish to receive Holy Communion are also invited to come forward with everyone else to receive a blessing (cross your arms over your chest to indicate that you want a blessing and not Holy Communion).

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

The choir sings the anthem as the gifts of bread and wine are prepared at the altar and an offering is taken.

Draw us in the Spirit's Tether

Harold Friedell 1905-1958

Draw us in the Spirit's tether; for when humbly, in your name,
Two or three are met together, you are in the midst of them:
Alleluia! Alleluia! Touch we now your garment's hem.

As disciples used to gather in the name of Christ to sup,
Then with thanks to God the giver break the bread and bless the cup:
Alleluia! Alleluia! So bind our friendship up.

All our meals and all our living make us sacraments of you,
that by caring, helping, giving we may be disciples true.
Alleluia! Alleluia! We will serve thee with faith anew!

OFFERTORY DOXOLOGY (#380, VS 3)

All stand and sing the Doxology as the offering is brought to the altar and blessed.

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below;

Praise Him a-bove, ye heav'nly host: Praise Father, Son, and Ho-ly Ghost. A-men.

Words: Thomas Ken (1637-1711)

Music: *Old 100th*, melody from *Pseaumes octante trois de David*, 1551, alt.; harm. after Louis Bourgeois (1510?-1561?)

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

All remain standing. The chanted parts may be said at the discretion of the Celebrant.

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And al - so with you.

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.



Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



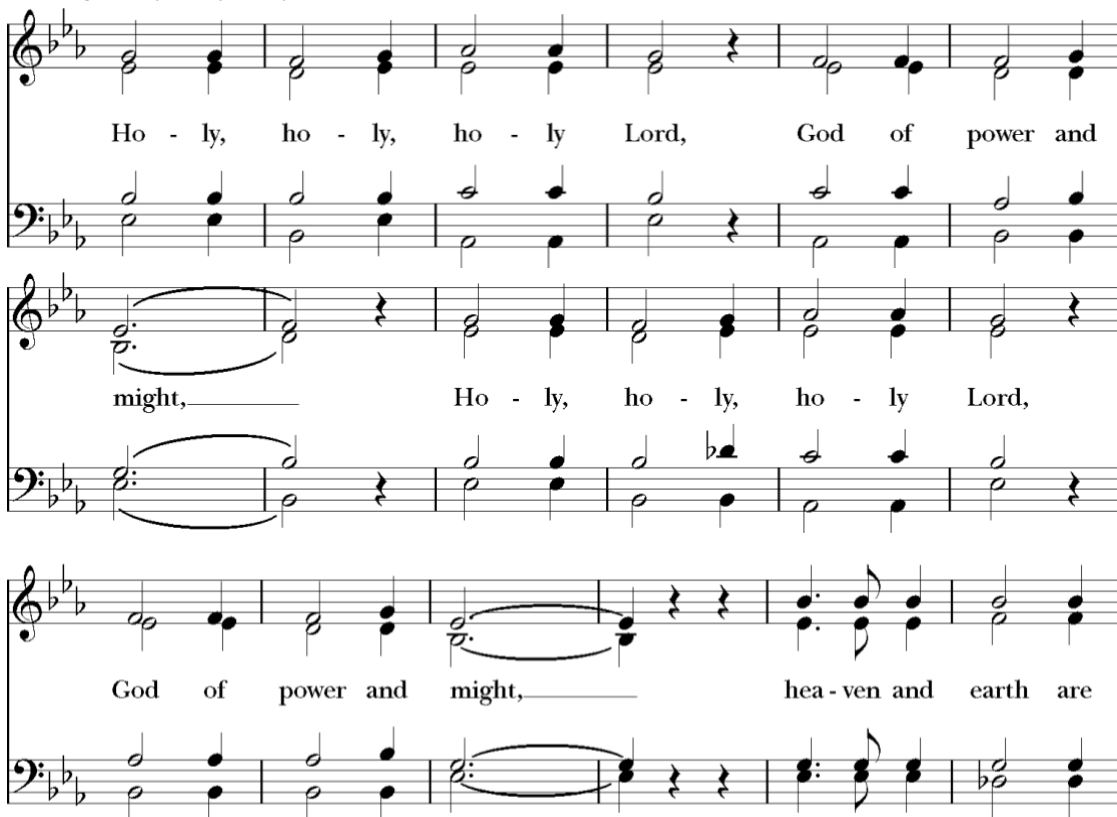
People It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Celebrant It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

The Celebrant continues with the Proper Preface assigned for the day.

Celebrant Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

All sing "Holy, holy, holy" (#S 130)



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and
 might, Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,
 God of power and might, hea - ven and earth are

full, full of your glo - ry. Ho -

san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na

in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes

in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na

in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

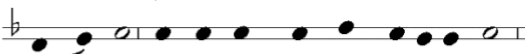
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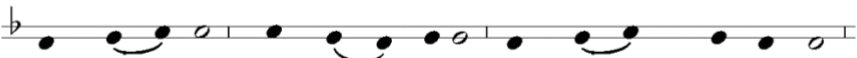
The people stand or kneel.

Celebrant Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, “Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.”

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, “Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me.”

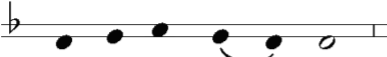
Celebrant  There-fore we proclaim the myst-er-y of faith:

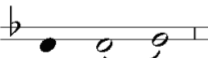
People  Christ has died. Christ is ris-en. Christ will come a-gain.

Celebrant We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him.

Sanctify X us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By X him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father,

Celebrant 
now and for ev - er.

People 
A - MEN.

Celebrant And now, as our Savior Christ hath taught us, we are bold to say,
All **Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy Name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated bread. A period of silence is observed.

Celebrant Al - le - lu - ia. Christ our Pass-ov-er is sac-ri-ficed for us;

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

All sing “Lamb of God” (Hymn #S 161).

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world:
have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sins of the world: have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God,
you take a - way the sins of the world: grant us peace.

Title: The Holy Eucharist II, Fraction Anthem: Lamb of God: *Agnus Dei*
 Music: From *New Plainson*; David Hurd (b. 1950)
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INVITATION TO HOLY COMMUNION

The Celebrant invites the people X to receive the Holy Communion. All baptized persons, including children, are invited to receive Holy Communion. Members of other Christian churches who are baptized are also invited to receive the Body and Blood of Christ. Persons who do not wish to receive Holy Communion are invited to come forward with everyone else to receive a blessing (cross your arms over your chest to indicate that you want a blessing).

SUNDAY SCHOOL RESUMES AFTER COMMUNION

Sunday School Children return with their teachers to class after Holy Communion.

ANTHEM AT THE COMMUNION

During the ministration of Holy Communion, the choir sings the anthem.

Locus Iste

Anton Bruckner xxx Sebastian Bach 1685-1750

Locus iste a Deo factus est,
inaestimabile sacramentum,
irreprehensibilis est.

*This place was made by God,
a priceless sacrament;
it is without reproach.*

POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

All kneel as you are able.

Celebrant

Let us pray.

All

**Almighty and everliving God,
we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food
of the most precious Body and Blood
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;
and for assuring us in these holy mysteries
that we are living members of the Body of your Son,
and heirs of your eternal kingdom.
And now, Father, send us out
to do the work you have given us to do,
to love and serve you
as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.
To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,
be honor and glory, now and for ever.**

POST COMMUNION HYMN (#324)

All stand and sing the hymn.



1 Let all mortal flesh keep silence, and with fear and
2 King of kings, yet born of Ma - ry, as of old on
3 Rank on rank the host of hea - ven spreads its van - guard
4 At his feet the six - winged ser - aph; cher - u - bim with

trem - bling stand; pon - der noth - ing earth - ly -
earth he stood, Lord of lords in hu - man
on the way, as the Light of Light de -
sleep - less eye veil their fac - es to the

mind - ed, for with bless - ing in his hand
ves - ture, in the Bo - dy and the Blood
scend - eth from the realms of end - less day,
Pres - ence, as with cease - less voice they cry,

Christ our God to earth de - scend - eth,
he will give to all the faith - ful
that the powers of hell may va - nish
"Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

our full hom - age to de - mand.
his own self for heav - en - ly food.
as the dark - ness clears a - way.
Al - le - lu - ia, Lord Most High!"

Section: Holy Eucharist

Words: Liturgy of St. James; para. Gerard Moultrie (1829–1885)

Music: Picardy, French carol, 17th cent.; melody from Chansons populaires des Provinces de France, 1860;
harm. after The English Hymnal, 1906

Meter: 87. 87. 87

BLESSING & DISMISSAL

The Celebrant blesses the people with a seasonal or other blessing, which concludes as follows.

...and the blessing of God Almighty X the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always.

People **Amen.**

Then the Deacon dismisses the Congregation.

Deacon Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People **Thanks be to God.**

PROCESSIONAL VOLUNTARY

All remain standing as the altar party processes from the Sanctuary during the Postlude. Once the altar party has departed, please be seated and be courteous to those who are listening to the music by remaining quiet.

Gigue Fugue BWV 577

Bach

Dr. J's Notes

Harold Friedell was a distinguished American organist, composer, conductor, and educator. He taught at both The Juilliard School and Union Theological Seminary, composed numerous choral anthems and works for solo organ, and was a prominent leader in the American Guild of Organists. His music remains firmly rooted in the Anglican choral tradition, marked by expressive text setting and a rich harmonic language. In 1946, Friedell was appointed Organist and Master of the Choir at St. Bartholomew's Church on Park Avenue, a position he held for the remainder of his career. His years at St. Bartholomew's placed him at the center of one of the country's most distinguished church music programs. Friedell died suddenly of a heart attack on February 17, 1958, while walking to the train station in Hastings-on-Hudson following a heavy snowstorm the previous evening. His funeral was held at St. Bartholomew's Church on February 20, and he was buried in Sleepy Hollow Cemetery in Tarrytown.

This Week at Christ Church

Sunday, September 27, 18th Sunday after Pentecost

8:00am: Said Eucharist (Church)

10:00am: Choral Eucharist & Sunday School (Church / Parish House)

Preacher: Father Matt

4:00pm: Evensong for Michaelmas

5:00pm: Pizzeria Night (Undercroft)

Preacher: Michael Moynihan

Monday, September 28

5:15pm: Said Eucharist (Garden/Bolton)

8:00pm: Evening Prayer (Zoom)

Tuesday, September 29, St. Michael & All Angels

10:30am: Morning Prayer (Zoom)

5:15pm: Said Eucharist (Garden/Bolton)

Wednesday, September 30

5:15pm: Said Eucharist (Garden/Bolton)

Men's Group Bagged Lunch Ministry (Undercroft)

Thursday, October 1

8:00am: The Rector's Bible Study (Zoom)

10:00am: Lectionary Bible Study (Library)

Sunday, October 4, 19th Sunday after Pentecost

8:00am: Said Eucharist (Church)

10:00am: Choral Eucharist & Sunday School (Church / Parish House)

12:00pm: Blessing of Animals & Pet Adoption

Preacher: Mother Meredith



Pizza-Evensong-Angels! Sunday, September 27, at 4:00pm. Our Parish Choir will sing Evensong for Michaelmas. After we will have Pizza & Games in the Undercroft with members of the Saint Michael's Conference. Michaelites – mark your calendars. All are welcome! . **Adult \$10 / Children & Teens free.**



THE MISSIONARY CHURCH... BOTH **THERE** AND **HERE!**

A Conversation with

Sr. Gwendolyn Hoeffel, RSCJ

50 Years a Missionary in Japan



WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 28 • 6:00 PM

CHRIST CHURCH PELHAM



How can each of us be a missionary today?



Japanese refreshments will be served!

—★ CELEBRATING ★—
250TH
ANNIVERSARY
—★ OF THE ★—
UNITED STATES
★ ORCHESTRA CONCERT ★
AT CHRIST CHURCH PELHAM
Wednesday, October 21, 2026
7:00–9:00 pm

The poster features a stone church with red doors and windows, set against a night sky with fireworks. An American flag is visible on the right. In the foreground, there are two violas and a trumpet resting on a sheet of music titled "America, The Beautiful".

COMING EVENTS

SEPTEMBER–DECEMBER 2026

CHRIST CHURCH PELHAM

SEPTEMBER

- 9/11 Requiem Mass for September 11, 2001 • 5:15pm
- 9/12 James Kenworthy Funeral • 10am
- 9/13 Blessing of Backpacks • 10am
- 9/13 Ministry Fair • After Each Service
- 9/14 Holy Eucharist for Holy Cross Day • 5:15pm
- 9/15 Car Show Planning Meeting • 6:30pm
- 9/20 Choir Sunday, Sunday School & Walter's Hotdogs • 10am–1pm
- 9/20 Meet the Artist: Dorothy Cancellieri • 11am–1pm
- 9/21 Holy Eucharist for Saint Matthew's Day • 5:15pm
- 9/27 Michaelmas Evensong & Pizzeria Night • 4pm–7pm
- 9/29 Holy Eucharist for the Feast of Saint Michael & All Angels • 5:15pm

OCTOBER

- 10/4 Blessing of the Animals • 11am–3pm
- 10/18 Oktoberfest • 5pm–8pm
- 10/18 Saint Luke's Day • Normal Sunday Schedule
- 10/21 Friends of Music—Orchestra Concert for USA 250th Anniversary • 7pm–9pm
- 10/23 Holy Eucharist for Saint James of Jerusalem Day • 10am
- 10/25 Children's Halloween Party • 11am–12pm
- 10/28 Holy Eucharist for Saints Simon & Saint Jude Day • 5:15pm
- 10/28 The Missionary Church... both There and Here! • 6pm

NOVEMBER

- 11/1 All Saints' Day • Normal Sunday Schedule
- 11/1 Coat Drive Begins • Continues until 12/31/26
- 11/2 Holy Eucharist for All Souls' Day • 5:15pm
- 11/7 Classic Car Show • 10am
- 11/15 Friends of Music—Mozart Requiem with Choir & Orchestra • 4pm–6pm
- 11/20 Thanksgiving Dinner • 6pm–9pm
- 11/23 Interfaith Thanksgiving Service at the Pelham Jewish Center • 7pm
- 11/26 Holy Eucharist for Thanksgiving Day • 10am
- 11/30 Holy Eucharist for Saint Andrew's Day • 5:15pm

DECEMBER

- 12/5 Christmas Quiet Day • 9am–4pm
- 12/9 Seniors Christmas Party • 12pm–2pm
- 12/13 Christmas Pageant • 4pm–5pm
- 12/20 Outreach Dessert Auction • 11am–12pm
- 12/20 Christmas Lessons and Carols • 4pm
- 12/21 Holy Eucharist for Saint Thomas's Day • 5:15pm
- 12/24 Christmas Eve Family Mass with Choir & Orchestra • 4pm
- 12/24 Christmas Eve Midnight Mass with Choir & Orchestra • 10pm
- 12/25 Christmas Day Mass with Carols • 10am
- 12/31 Coat Drive Concludes • Began 11/1/26

COMING EVENTS

JANUARY–MAY 2027

CHRIST CHURCH PELHAM

JANUARY

- 1/1** Holy Eucharist for the Feast of the Holy Name • 10am
- 1/6** Holy Eucharist for the Feast of the Epiphany • 5:15pm
- 1/18** Holy Eucharist for the Confession of Saint Peter • 5:15pm
- 1/25** Holy Eucharist for the Conversion of Saint Paul • 5:15pm
- 1/31** Blessing of Throats for Saint Blaise • 10am
- 1/31** Annual Meeting of the Parish • 11am

FEBRUARY

- 2/2** Holy Eucharist for the Feast of the Presentation • 5:15pm
- 2/7** Scout Sunday Pancake Breakfast • 8am–12:30pm
- 2/7** Evensong for Candlemas & Pizzeria Night • 4pm
- 2/9** Shrove Tuesday and Pancake Supper/Trivia Night • 6pm–7pm
- 2/10** Ash Wednesday Masses • 7am, 12pm, 6pm (choral)
- 2/14** Super Bowl and Chili Fest • 6:30pm
- 2/21** Friends of Music Concert: Justin Bischof, Organ • 7pm–8:30pm
- 2/24** Holy Eucharist for Saint Matthias' Day • 5:15pm
- 2/27** Lenten Quiet Day: The Passion Narratives • 9:30am–4pm

MARCH

- 3/14** Friends of Music: Film Music Favorites: Justin Bischof, Organ • 4pm–5pm
- 3/19** Holy Eucharist for Saint Joseph's Day • 10am
- 3/21** Palm Sunday: Sunday of the Passion—Masses • 8am, 10am
- 3/25** Maundy Thursday Agape Feast • 5:30pm–7:30pm
- 3/25** Maundy Thursday Liturgy and Watch of the Blessed Sacrament • 7:30pm
- 3/26** Good Friday Liturgy • 12pm
- 3/27** Holy Saturday Prayers & Blessing of the Garden of Resurrection • 10am
- 3/27** The Great Vigil of Easter • 7:30pm
- 3/28** Easter Sunday Masses • 9am, 11:15am
- 3/28** Easter Egg Hunt • 10:15am–11:15am

APRIL

- 4/5** Holy Eucharist for the Feast of the Annunciation • 5:15pm
- 4/18** Friends of Music Concert: Monica Berney, Organ • 4pm
- 4/26** Holy Eucharist for Saint Mark's Day • 5:15pm

MAY

- 5/1** Holy Eucharist for Saints Philip & James' Day • 10am
- 5/6** Ascension Day Service and Father Matt's Steakhouse Night • 6pm
- 5/23** Trinity Sunday and Recognition Sunday • 10am



CHRIST CHURCH

Episcopal / Anglican



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The Reverend Matthew Hoxsie Mead, *Rector*
The Reverend Meredith Hawkins, *Priest Associate*
The Reverend Deacon Chisara Alimole, *Deacon*
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WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Every Sunday at 8am & 10am: Holy Eucharist
Sundays as announced at 4pm: Holy Eucharist or Evensong
Wednesdays & Holy Days as announced at 5:15pm: Holy Eucharist



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