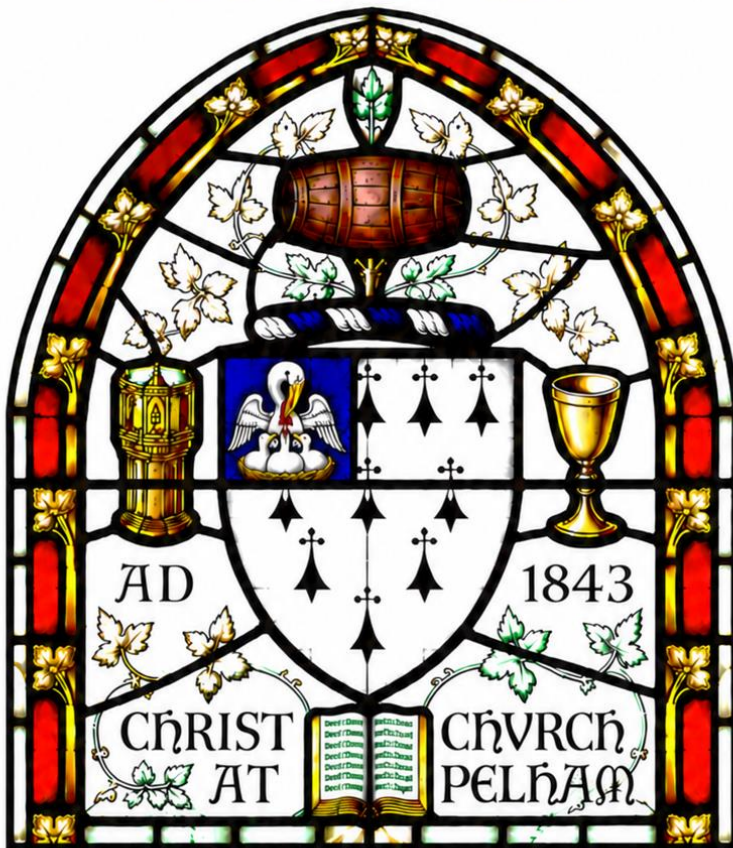


# THE PARISH OF CHRIST THE REDEEMER

PELHAM, NEW YORK



THE 20TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST  
(PROPER 23A, TRACK 1)

THE HOLY EUCHARIST  
10:00 AM, OCTOBER 11, 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.

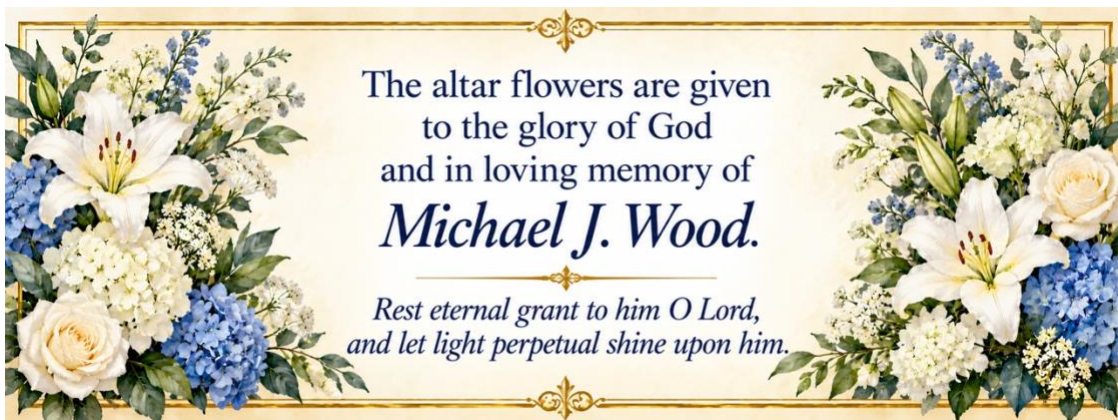
## ABOUT TODAY'S SERVICE

The Holy Eucharist, the principal act of Christian worship on the Lord's Day and other major Feasts, and Daily Morning and Evening Prayer, as set forth in the Book of Common Prayer, 1979, are the regular services appointed for public worship in the Episcopal Church. At Christ Church we celebrate the Holy Eucharist every Sunday, and also on Holy Days and other occasions. 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.



## SUPPORT CHRIST CHURCH: HOW TO GIVE

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## 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.*

Fall Suite

Bischof

## ENTRANCE HYMN (#390)

*All stand and sing the hymn as the ministers enter.*

*Descant*

4 Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me a -

1 Praise to the Lord, the Al - might - y, the King of cre -  
2 Praise to the Lord; o - ver all things he glo - rious - ly  
3 Praise to the Lord, who doth pros - per thy way and de -  
4 Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me a -

dore him! All that hath life and breath come now with

a - tion; O my soul, praise him, for he is thy  
reign - eth: borne as on ea - gle - wings, safe - ly his  
fend thee; sure - ly his good - ness and mer - cy shall  
dore him! All that hath life and breath come now with

prais - es be - fore him! Let the a - men sound from his

health and sal - va - tion: join the great throng, psal - ter - y,  
 saints he sus - tain - eth. Hast thou not seen how all thou  
 ev - er at - tend thee; pon - der a - new what the Al -  
 prais - es be - fore him! Let the a - men sound from his

peo - ple a - gain; glad - ly for ev - er a - dore him.

or - gan, and song, sound - ing in glad ad - o - ra - tion.  
 need - est hath been grant - ed in what he or - dain - eth?  
 might - y can do, who with his love doth be - friend thee.  
 peo - ple a - gain; glad - ly for ev - er a - dore him.

Section: Praise to God

Words: Joachim Neander (1650–1680); tr. Hymnal 1940, alt.

Music: Lobe den Herren, melody from Erneuernten Gesangbuch, 1665; harm. The Chorale Book for England, 1863; desc.

Craig Sellar Lang (1891–1971)

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## OPENING ACCLAMATION

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

*People* And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

## 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 - mighty 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  
glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

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.

Lord, we pray that your grace may always precede and follow us, that we may continually be given to good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

*All* **Amen.**

## FIRST LESSON: EXODUS 32:1-14

*All are seated.*

*Reader*

A Reading from Exodus.

When the people saw that Moses delayed to come down from the mountain, the people gathered around Aaron, and said to him, “Come, make gods for us, who shall go before us; as for this Moses, the man who brought us up out of the land of Egypt, we do not know what has become of him.” Aaron said to them, “Take off the gold rings that are on the ears of your wives, your sons, and your daughters, and bring them to me.” So all the people took off the gold rings from their ears, and brought them to Aaron. He took the gold from them, formed it in a mold, and cast an image of a calf; and they said, “These are your gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt!” When Aaron saw this, he built an altar before it; and Aaron made proclamation and said, “Tomorrow shall be a festival to the Lord.” They rose early the next day, and offered burnt offerings and brought sacrifices of well-being; and the people sat down to eat and drink, and rose up to revel. The Lord said to Moses, “Go down at once! Your people, whom you brought up out of the land of Egypt, have acted perversely; they have been quick to turn aside from the way that I commanded them; they have cast for themselves an image of a calf, and have worshiped it and sacrificed to it, and said, ‘These are your gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt!’” The Lord said to Moses, “I have seen this people, how stiff-necked they are. Now let me alone, so that my wrath may burn hot against them and I may consume them; and of you I will make a great nation.” But Moses implored the Lord his God, and said, “O Lord, why does your wrath burn hot against your people, whom you brought out of the land of Egypt with great power and with a mighty hand? Why should the Egyptians say, ‘It was with evil intent that he brought them out to kill them in the mountains, and to consume them from the face of the earth’? Turn from your fierce wrath; change your mind and do not bring disaster on your people. Remember Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, your servants, how you swore to them by your own self, saying to them, ‘I will multiply your descendants like the stars of heaven, and all this land that I have promised I will give to your descendants,

and they shall inherit it forever.” And the Lord changed his mind about the disaster that he planned to bring on his people.

The Word of the Lord.

*People*

**Thanks be to God.**

## **PSALM 106:1-6, 19-23**

*The Psalm is sung by the choir to an Anglican Chant by Thomas Jackson.*

Hallelujah!

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good, \*  
for his mercy endures for ever.

Who can declare the mighty acts of the Lord \*  
or show forth all his praise?

Happy are those who act with justice \*  
and always do what is right!

Remember me, O Lord, with the favor you have for your people, \*  
and visit me with your saving help;

That I may see the prosperity of your elect  
and be glad with the gladness of your people, \*  
that I may glory with your inheritance.

We have sinned as our forebears did; \*  
we have done wrong and dealt wickedly.

Israel made a bull-calf at Horeb \*  
and worshiped a molten image;

And so they exchanged their Glory \*  
for the image of an ox that feeds on grass.

They forgot God their Savior, \*  
who had done great things in Egypt,  
Wonderful deeds in the land of Ham, \*  
and fearful things at the Red Sea.

So he would have destroyed them,  
had not Moses his chosen stood before him in the breach, \*  
to turn away his wrath from consuming them.

## THE SECOND LESSON: PHILIPPIANS 4:1-9

*All are seated.*

*Reader*

A Reading from the Letter of Paul to the Philippians.

My brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved. I urge Euodia and I urge Syntyche to be of the same mind in the Lord. Yes, and I ask you also, my loyal companion, help these women, for they have struggled beside me in the work of the gospel, together with Clement and the rest of my co-workers, whose names are in the book of life. Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. Keep on doing the things that you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, and the God of peace will be with you.

The Word of the Lord.

*People*

**Thanks be to God.**

## SEQUENCE HYMN (#382)

*All stand and sing the hymn.*

1 King of glo - ry, King of peace, I will love thee;  
2 Where - fore with my ut - most art, I will sing thee;  
3 Seven whole days, not one in seven, I will praise thee;

*Tenor or soprano ad libitum*

3 Seven whole days, not one in seven, I will praise thee;

and that love may nev - er cease, I will move thee.  
and the cream of all my heart, I will bring thee.  
in my heart, though not in heaven, I can raise thee.

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Thou hast grant - ed my re - quest, thou hast heard me;  
Though my sins a - gainst me cried, thou didst clear me;  
Small it is in this poor sort to en - roll thee;

Small it is in this poor sort to en - roll thee;

thou didst note my work - ing breast, thou hast spared me.  
and a - lone, when they re - plied, thou didst hear me.  
e'en e - ter - ni - ty's too short to ex - tol thee.

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Section: Praise to God

Words: George Herbert (1593–1633)

Music: General Seminary, David Charles Walker (b. 1938)

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## THE HOLY GOSPEL: MATTHEW 22:1-14

*All remain standing for the Gospel.*

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

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

Once more Jesus spoke to the people in parables, saying: “The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding banquet for his son. He sent his slaves to call those who had been invited to the wedding banquet, but they would not come. Again he sent other slaves, saying, ‘Tell those who have been invited: Look, I have prepared my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves have been slaughtered, and everything is ready; come to the wedding banquet.’ But they made light of it and went away, one to his farm, another to his business, while the rest seized his slaves, mistreated them, and killed them. The king was enraged. He sent his troops, destroyed those murderers, and burned their city. Then he said to his slaves, ‘The wedding is ready, but those invited were not worthy. Go therefore into the main streets, and invite everyone you find to the wedding banquet.’ Those slaves went out into the streets and gathered all whom they found, both good and bad; so the wedding hall was filled with guests. “But when the king came in to see the guests, he noticed a man there who was not wearing a wedding robe, and he said to him, ‘Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding robe?’ And he was speechless. Then the king said to the attendants, ‘Bind him hand and foot, and throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.’ For many are called, but few are chosen.”

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.*

## NICENE CREED

*All stand and join in saying the Nicene Creed.*

*Celebrant*

We believe in one God,

*All*

**the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,**

**the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made,  
of one Being with the Father.**

**Through him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation**

**he came down from heaven:**

**by the power of the Holy Spirit**

**he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,  
and was made man.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;**

**he suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again**

**in accordance with the Scriptures;**

**he ascended into heaven**

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

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,**

**who proceeds from the Father and the Son.**

**With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.**

**He has spoken through the Prophets.**

**We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.  
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.  
We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

## **THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

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

*Deacon* Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;  
*People* **That your Name may be glorified by all people.**

*Deacon* We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;  
*People* **That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.**

*Deacon* We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;  
*People* **That there may be justice and peace on the earth.**

*Deacon* Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;  
*People* **That our works may find favor in your sight.**

*Deacon* Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;  
*People* **That they may be delivered from their distress.**

*Deacon* Give to the departed eternal rest;  
*People* **Let light perpetual shine upon them.**

*Deacon* We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;  
*People* **May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.**

*Deacon* Let us pray for our own needs and those of others. I invite you to add your own petitions said silently or aloud.

*The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.*

*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, Jane, and Sandy. We pray for those in our Armed Services. We also pray for those who have died, especially Michael Wood.*

*We give thanks for those celebrating birthdays this week, especially Bates Bland (10/13), Etta Gumbs (10/11) Courtney McGrory (10/15), Patrick Moore (10/12), and Heather Reische (10/11).*

## **CONFESSION OF SIN**

*All kneel (as able).*

*Deacon* Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Silence may be kept.*

*Celebrant* Most merciful God,  
*All* **we confess that we have sinned against you  
in thought, word, and deed,  
by what we have done,  
and by what we have left undone.  
We have not loved you with our whole heart;  
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.  
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.  
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,  
have mercy on us and forgive us;  
that we may delight in your will,  
and walk in your ways,  
to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

*Celebrant* Almighty God have mercy on you, ✠ forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.

*All* **Amen.**

## THE PEACE

*All stand.*

*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.*

## 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 bread and wine are prepared and an offering is taken.*

Cantate Domino

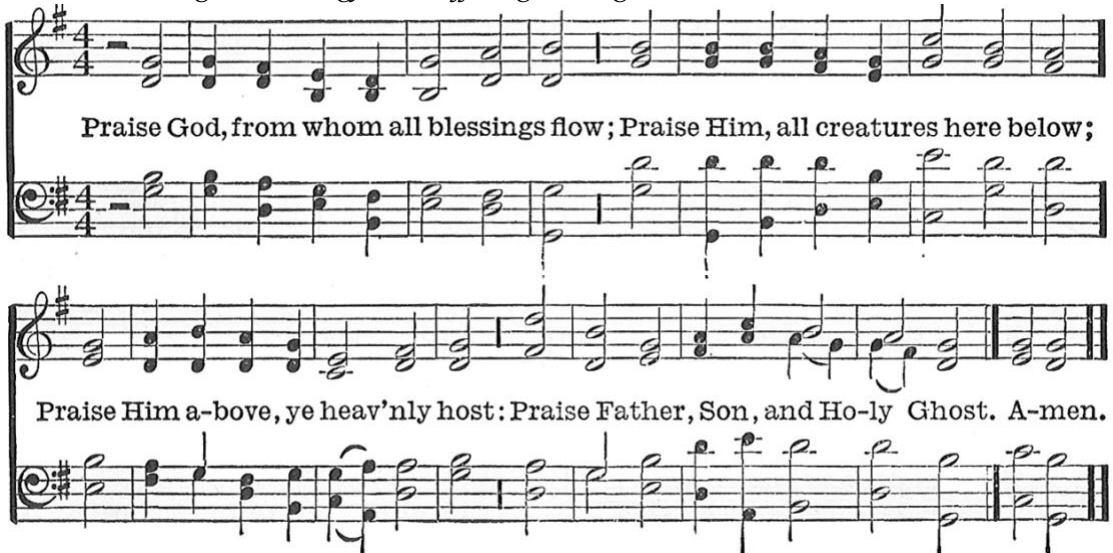
Giuseppe Ottavio Pitoni 1657-1743

Cantate Domino canticum novum;  
laus eius in ecclesia sanctorum.  
Laetetur Israel in eo qui fecit eum,  
et filiae Sion exsultent in rege suo.

*Sing to the Lord a new song;  
let his praise be heard in the congregation of the saints.  
Let Israel rejoice in him who made him,  
and let the daughters of Zion rejoice in their King.*

## 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.*



The musical notation is presented in six staves, alternating between the Celebrant and the People. Each staff begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The notes are represented by black dots on the staff lines, with horizontal lines indicating the pitch and duration of the notes. The lyrics are written below the corresponding staff.

*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.

Title: The Holy Eucharist II, Holy, holy, holy Lord: *Sanctus*  
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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

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.”

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

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

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.

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

now and for ev - er.

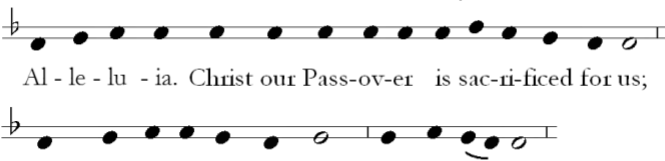
A - MEN.

*Celebrant*  
*All*

And now, as our Savior Christ hath taught us, we are bold to say,  
**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

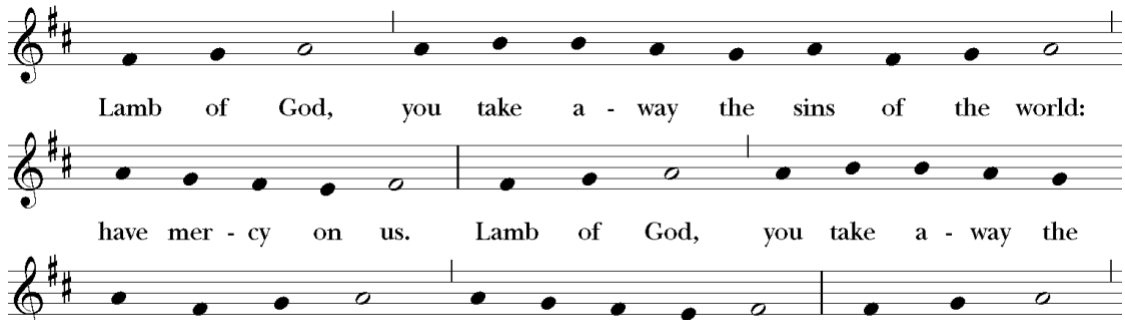
*The Celebrant breaks the consecrated bread. A period of silence is observed.*



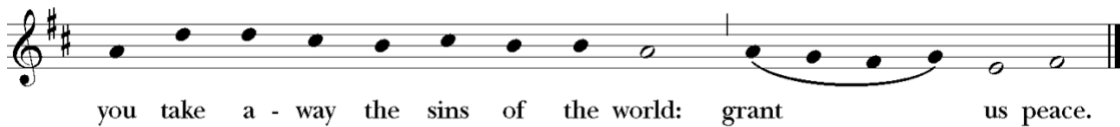
*Celebrant* Al - le - lu - ia. Christ our Pass-ov-er is sac-ri-ficed for us;

*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,



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## INVITATION TO HOLY COMMUNION

*The Celebrant invites the people 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).*

## ANTHEM AT THE COMMUNION

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

If ye love me

Tomas Tallis 1505-1585

If ye love me, keep my commandments,  
and I will pray the Father,  
and he shall give you another comforter,  
that he may bide with you forever,  
even the Spirit of truth.

## 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 (#525)

*All stand and sing the hymn.*

1 The Church's one foun - da - tion is Je - sus Christ her Lord;  
2 E - lect from ev - ery na - tion, yet one o'er all the earth,  
3 Though with a scorn - ful won - der men see her sore op - pressed,  
4 Mid toil and tri - bu - la - tion, and tu - mult of her war  
5 Yet she on earth hath un - ion with God, the Three in One,

1 she is his new cre - a - tion by wa - ter and the word:  
 2 her char - ter of sal - va - tion, one Lord, one faith, one birth;  
 3 by schi - sms rent a - sun - der, by her - e - sies dis - tressed;  
 4 she waits the con - sum - ma - tion of peace for ev - er - more;  
 5 and mys - tic sweet com - mun - ion with those whose rest is won.

1 from heaven he came and sought her to be his ho - ly bride;  
 2 one ho - ly Name she bless - es, par - takes one ho - ly food,  
 3 yet saints their watch are keep - ing, their cry goes up, "How long?"  
 4 till with the vi - sion glo - rious her long - ing eyes are blessed,  
 5 O hap - py ones and ho - ly! Lord, give us grace that we

1 with his own blood he bought her, and for her life he died.  
 2 and to one hope she press - es, with ev - ery grace en - dued.  
 3 and soon the night of weep - ing shall be the morn of song.  
 4 and the great Church vic - to - rious shall be the Church at rest.  
 5 like them, the meek and low - ly, on high may dwell with thee.

Section: The Church

Words: Samuel John Stone (1839–1900)

Music: Aurelia, Samuel Sebastian Wesley (1818–1876)

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## BLESSING & DISMISSAL

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

...and the blessing of God Almighty ✠ 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.*

Explosions (transcribed for organ by Justin Bischof)

Stephen Paulus 1949-2014

### Dr. J's Notes

Stephen Paulus was one of the most distinguished and prolific American composers of his generation, celebrated particularly for his extraordinary contribution to choral, vocal, operatic, and sacred music. Born in Minnesota and educated at the University of Minnesota, Paulus became a central figure in American musical life, composing more than 500 works, including operas, oratorios, orchestral and chamber works, concertos, and an extensive body of music for chorus and organ. His music is admired for its expressive immediacy, rich harmonic language, lyrical writing, and remarkable sensitivity to text. Paulus achieved international recognition with operas including *The Postman Always Rings Twice* and received commissions and performances from many of the nation's leading musical institutions and artists. His choral anthem *Pilgrims' Hymn*, from the opera *The Three Hermits*, became one of his most cherished compositions and was sung at the funerals of Presidents Ronald Reagan and Gerald Ford. Paulus also maintained an important relationship with the organ, writing substantial solo works as well as music combining the instrument with chorus and orchestra.

# **This Week at Christ Church**

**Sunday, October 11, 20th Sunday after Pentecost**

8:00am: Said Eucharist (Church)

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

*Preacher: Father Matt*

**Monday, October 12**

8:00pm: Evening Prayer (Zoom)

**Tuesday, October 13**

10:30am: Morning Prayer (Zoom)

**Wednesday, October 14**

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

6:00pm: Vestry Meeting (Library)

**Thursday, October 15**

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

10:00am: Lectionary Bible Study (Library)

**Sunday, October 18, Saint Luke's Day**

8:00am: Said Eucharist (Church)

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

5:00pm–8:00pm: Oktoberfest

*Preacher: Father Matt*

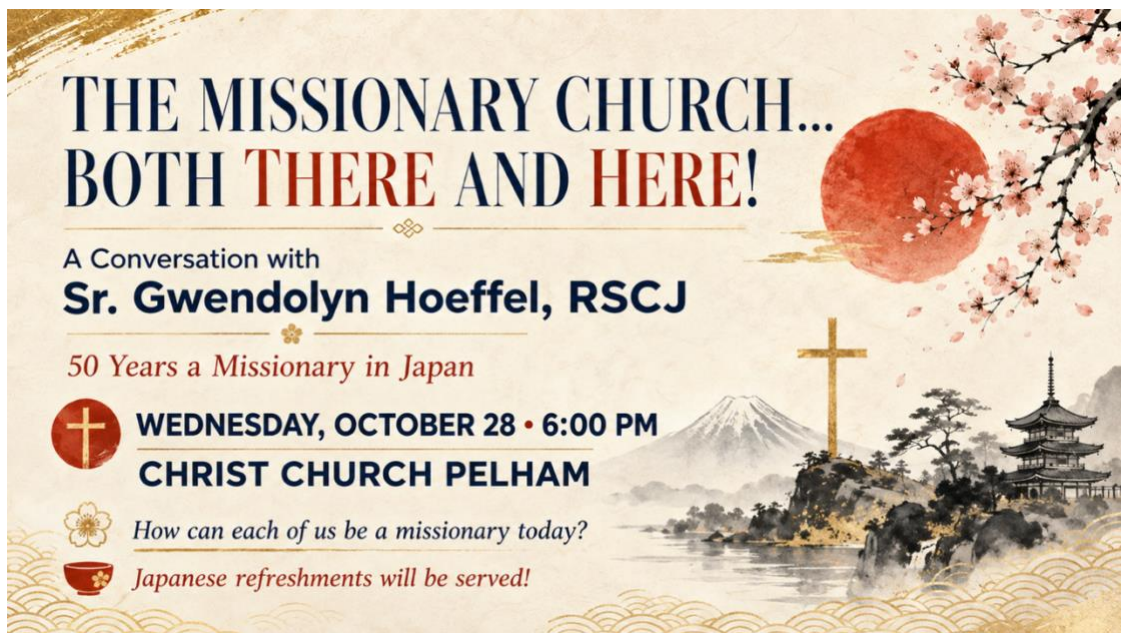


**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 18, 5PM!**

Our Stewardship Committee invites you to a free Oktoberfest on Sunday at 5pm. Father Matt (and others who are invited to help cook!) will provide a feast of Bratwurst, Kielbasa, Sage Sausage, Pretzels, Sauerkraut, Potato Salads, and Oktoberfest Beer, Wine, and Soda!

TVs will be set up for any NFL Football games as well. This event is free though we are asking people to RSVP, and you are welcome to make a donation to help cover the cost of the Event if you want.





# COMING EVENTS

OCTOBER–DECEMBER 2026

CHRIST CHURCH PELHAM

## OCTOBER

|       |                                                  |                               |
|-------|--------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| 10/18 | Oktoberfest                                      | 5pm–8pm                       |
| 10/18 | Saint Luke's Day                                 | <i>Normal Sunday Schedule</i> |
| 10/21 | Friends of Music - Orchestra Concert USA 250th   | 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!    | 6:00pm                        |

## NOVEMBER

|       |                                                     |                                 |
|-------|-----------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| 11/1  | All Saints' Day                                     | <i>Normal Sunday Schedule</i>   |
| 11/1  | Coat Drive Begins                                   | <i>Continues until 12/31/26</i> |
| 11/2  | Holy Eucharist for All Souls' Day                   | 5:15pm                          |
| 11/7  | Classic Car Show                                    | 10am                            |
| 11/15 | FOM - Mozart Requiem Choir & Orchestra              | 4pm–6pm                         |
| 11/20 | Thanksgiving Dinner                                 | 6pm–9pm                         |
| 11/23 | Interfaith Thanksgiving 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 w Choir & Orchestra  | 10pm                  |
| 12/25 | Christmas Day Mass with Carols                   | 10am                  |
| 12/31 | Coat Drive Concludes                             | <i>Begins 11/1/26</i> |

# 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*



## CLERGY & STAFF

The Reverend Matthew Hoxsie Mead, *Rector*  
The Reverend Meredith Hawkins, *Priest Associate*  
The Reverend Deacon Chisara Alimole, *Deacon*  
Ms. Marika Andersson, *Parish Administrator*  
Dr. Justin Bischof, *Director of Music & Organist*  
Mrs. Dawn Ryder, *Director of Children's & Family Ministries*  
Mr. Michael Moynihan, *Director of Adult Education*  
Mr. Walter Roberts, *Verger and Sexton*; Mr. Ed Blue, *Sexton*



## HONORARY CLERGY

The Rev. David Hoag, *Rector Emeritus*  
The Reverend Deacon Katie Lawrence, *Deacon Emerita*



## PARISH OFFICERS & VESTRY

The Reverend Matthew Hoxsie Mead, *Rector*  
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Margaret Bailey Cardwell, Curtis Chase, Stephen Dolan,  
Charlotte Finch, Robert Landis.



## 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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