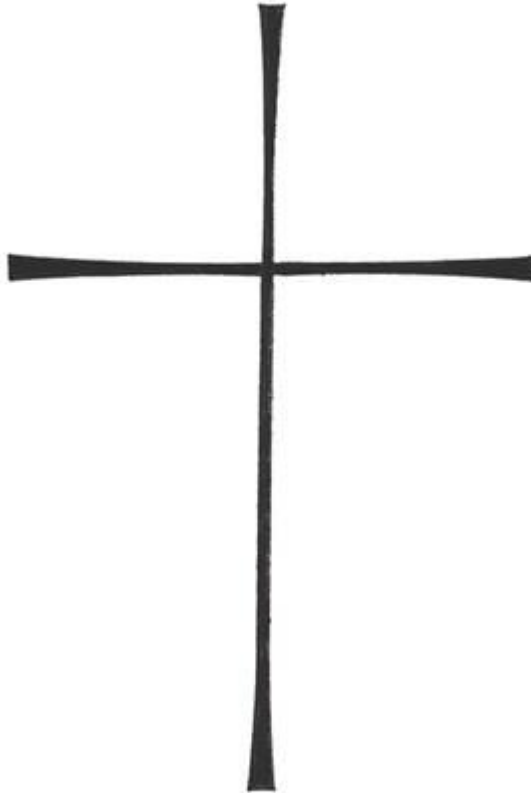


THE PARISH OF CHRIST THE REDEEMER  
PELHAM, NEW YORK



THE SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT  
THE HOLY EUCHARIST  
10:00 AM, MARCH 16, 2025

## 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.

## TODAY'S SERVICE

Lent is the season when the Church prepares to celebrate Holy Baptism at the *Easter Triduum*. During Lent the Church invites her members to participate in the works of the Spirit that will help bring to faith those who are preparing to die and to rise in Christ. For those who are already baptized, prayer, penance and active works of mercy are the ordinary means by which the Christian community helps its members prepare for the *Triduum*. According to the gospels of Matthew, Mark and Luke, Jesus Christ spent 40 days fasting in the desert, where he endured temptation by Satan. Lent may have originated as a mirroring of this, fasting 40 days as preparation for Easter. Every Sunday (including each Sunday in Lent) is observed as a Feast of Our Lord Jesus Christ, commemorating his resurrection, and thus every Sunday is considered a feast day on which fasting is inappropriate. Christians are called by the Church to observe the ordinary weekdays of Lent by special acts of discipline and self-denial in commemoration of the crucifixion of the Lord. In addition, the ordinary Fridays of Lent are traditionally days of abstinence from flesh meats. Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are traditionally days of strict fasting and abstinence.

Throughout Lent our service begins with a Penitential Rite. On the First Sunday in Lent the Great Litany is offered as the Penitential Rite. On the other Sundays in Lent the Penitential Rite is the Confession and Decalogue.

## CHILDREN, NURSERY CARE, AND SUNDAY SCHOOL

Children of all ages are always welcome in church. Also, childcare is available in the Nursery every Sunday during the 10:00 AM Holy Eucharist. Sunday School is offered during the academic year from September until June. Sunday School begins at 10:00 AM each Sunday. After the children's service and Sunday School activities, the children join the rest of the congregation for the Holy Communion.



### NEW OR VISITING?

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### SUPPORT CHRIST CHURCH: HOW TO GIVE

The majority of our operating budget is funded by donations. Ushers will pass the collection plate during the Offertory music midway through today's service, and you are invited to make a donation to support Christ Church. If you prefer, you can give online by scanning the QR code or texting an amount to **914-351-2001**.



### PLEDGE FOR 2025 TODAY

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## ORGAN PRELUDE

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

Lenten Lament

Bischof

## PROCESSION HYMN (#143)

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



- 1 The glo - ry of these for - ty days we  
2 A - lone and fast - ing Mo - ses saw the  
3 So Dan - iel trained his mys - tic sight, de -  
4 Then grant us, Lord, like them to be full  
\*5 O Fa - ther, Son, and Spi - rit blest, to



- 1 ce - le - brate with songs of praise; for Christ, through whom all  
2 lov - ing God who gave the law; and to E - li - jah,  
3 liv - ered from the li - ons' might; and John, the Bride - groom's  
4 oft in fast and prayer with thee; our spi - rits strength - en  
5 thee be ev - ery prayer ad - dressed, who art in three - fold



- 1 things were made, him - self has fast - ed and has prayed.  
2 fast - ing, came the steeds and char - i - ots of flame.  
3 friend, be - came the her - ald of Mes - si - ah's name.  
4 with thy grace, and give us joy to see thy face.  
5 Name a - dored, from age to age, the on - ly Lord.

Words: Latin, 6th cent.; tr. Maurice F. Bell (1862–1947), alt.

Music: *Erhalt uns, Herr*, melody from *Geistliche Lieder*, 1543; harm. Johann Sebastian Bach (1685–1750)

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Meter: LM

## THE PENITENTIAL ORDER

*All remain standing.*

*Celebrant* Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

*People* **His mercy endures for ever.**

*The People kneel (as you are able)*

*Celebrant* Hear the commandments of God to his people: I am the Lord your God who brought you out of bondage. You shall have no other gods but me.

*People* **Amen. Lord have mercy.**

*Celebrant* You shall not make for yourself any idol.

*People* **Amen. Lord have mercy.**

*Celebrant* You shall not invoke with malice the Name of the Lord your God.

*People* **Amen. Lord have mercy.**

*Celebrant* Remember the Sabbath day and keep it holy.

*People* **Amen. Lord have mercy.**

*Celebrant* Honor your father and your mother.

*People* **Amen. Lord have mercy.**

*Celebrant* You shall not commit murder.

*People* **Amen. Lord have mercy.**

*Celebrant* You shall not commit adultery.

*People* **Amen. Lord have mercy.**

*Celebrant* You shall not steal.

*People* **Amen. Lord have mercy.**

*Celebrant* You shall not be a false witness.  
*People* **Amen. Lord have mercy.**

*Celebrant* You shall not covet anything that belongs to your neighbor.  
*People* **Amen. Lord have mercy.**

*Celebrant* Jesus said, “The first commandment is this: Hear, O Israel: The Lord your God is the only Lord. Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength. The second is this: Love your neighbor as yourself. There is no commandment greater than these.”  
*All* **Amen.**

*Deacon* Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.  
*All* **Most merciful God,  
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, X 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.**

*All stand*

# KYRIE ELEISON

All sing Hymnal S-91, Lord, have mercy (*English for the Greek* “Kyrie eleison”).

Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Lord, have mer - cy up -

on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -

on us. Christ, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -

on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

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## COLLECT OF THE DAY

*All remain standing.*

*Celebrant*      The Lord be with you

*People*          **And also with you.**

*Celebrant*      Let us pray.

O God, whose glory it is always to have mercy: Be gracious to all who have gone astray from your ways, and bring them again with penitent hearts and steadfast faith to embrace and hold fast the unchangeable truth of your Word, Jesus Christ your Son; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

*All*                **Amen.**

## THE FIRST LESSON: GENESIS 15:1-12,17-18

*All are seated.*

*Reader*          A Reading from the Genesis.

The word of the LORD came to Abram in a vision, "Do not be afraid, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great." But Abram said, "O Lord GOD, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?" And Abram said, "You have given me no offspring, and so a slave born in my house is to be my heir." But the word of the LORD came to him, "This man shall not be your heir; no one but your very own issue shall be your heir." He brought him outside and said, "Look toward heaven and count the stars, if you are able to count them." Then he said to him, "So shall your descendants be." And he believed the LORD; and the LORD reckoned it to him as righteousness. Then he said to him, "I am the LORD who brought you from Ur of the Chaldeans, to give you this land to possess." But he said, "O Lord GOD, how am I to know that I shall possess it?" He said to him, "Bring me a heifer three years old, a female goat three years old, a ram three years old, a turtledove, and a young pigeon." He brought him all these and cut them in two, laying each half over against the other; but he did not cut the birds in two. And when birds of prey came down on the carcasses, Abram drove



them away. As the sun was going down, a deep sleep fell upon Abram, and a deep and terrifying darkness descended upon him. When the sun had gone down and it was dark, a smoking fire pot and a flaming torch passed between these pieces. On that day the LORD made a covenant with Abram, saying, "To your descendants I give this land, from the river of Egypt to the great river, the river Euphrates."

The Word of the Lord.

*People*

**Thanks be to God.**

## **PSALM 27**

### *Dominus illuminatio*

*All are seated. The Psalm is sung by the choir and is plainchant VIII.1.*

The LORD is my light and my salvation;  
whom then shall I fear? \*  
the LORD is the strength of my life;  
of whom then shall I be afraid?  
When evildoers came upon me to eat up my flesh, \*  
it was they, my foes and my adversaries, who  
stumbled and fell.  
Though an army should encamp against me, \*  
yet my heart shall not be afraid;  
And though war should rise up against me, \*  
yet will I put my trust in him.  
One thing have I asked of the LORD;  
one thing I seek; \*  
that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life;  
To behold the fair beauty of the LORD \*  
And to seek him in his temple.  
For in the day of trouble he shall keep me safe  
in his shelter; \*  
he shall hide me in the secrecy of his dwelling  
and set me high upon a rock.

Even now he lifts up my head \*  
above my enemies round about me.  
Therefore I will offer in his dwelling an oblation  
with sounds of great gladness; \*  
I will sing and make music to the LORD.  
Hearken to my voice, O LORD, when I call; \*  
have mercy on me and answer me.  
You speak in my heart and say, "Seek my face." \*  
Your face, LORD, will I seek.  
Hide not your face from me, \*  
nor turn away your servant in displeasure.  
You have been my helper;  
cast me not away; \*  
do not forsake me, O God of my salvation.  
Though my father and my mother forsake me, \*  
the LORD will sustain me.  
Show me your way, O LORD; \*  
lead me on a level path, because of my enemies.  
Deliver me not into the hand of my adversaries, \*  
for false witnesses have risen up against me,  
and also those who speak malice.  
What if I had not believed  
that I should see the goodness of the LORD \*  
in the land of the living!  
O tarry and await the LORD's pleasure;  
be strong, and he shall comfort your heart; \*  
wait patiently for the LORD.

## THE SECOND LESSON: PHILIPPIANS 3:17-4:1

*All remain seated.*

*Reader*

A Reading from the Letter of Paul to the Philippians.

Brothers and sisters, join in imitating me, and observe those who live according to the example you have in us. For many live as enemies of the cross of Christ; I have often told you of them, and now I tell you even with tears. Their end is destruction; their god is the belly; and their glory is in their shame; their minds are set on earthly things. But our citizenship is in heaven, and it is from there that we are expecting a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ. He will transform the body of our humiliation that it may be conformed to the body of his glory, by the power that also enables him to make all things subject to himself. Therefore, my brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved.

The Word of the Lord.

*People*

**Thanks be to God.**

## SEQUENCE HYMN (#474)

All stand and sing the hymn.



1 When I sur - vey the won - drous cross where the young  
2 For - bid it, Lord, that I should boast, save in the  
3 See, from his head, his hands, his feet sor - row and  
4 Were the whole realm of na - ture mine, that were an



Prince of Glo - ry died, my rich - est gain I  
cross of Christ, my God: all the vain things that  
love flow min - gled down! Did e'er such love and  
of - fering far too small; love so a - maz - ing,



count but loss, and pour con - tempt on all my pride.  
charm me most, I sac - ri - fice them to his blood.  
sor - row meet, or thorns com - pose so rich a crown?  
so di - vine, de - mands my soul, my life, my all.

Words: Isaac Watts (1674-1748)

Music: *Rockingham*, from *Second Supplement to Psalmody in Miniature*, ca. 1970; harm. Edward Miller (1731-1807)

Meter: LM

## THE HOLY GOSPEL: LUKE 13:31-35

*All remain standing for the Gospel.*

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

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

*Deacon* Some Pharisees came and said to Jesus, "Get away from here, for Herod wants to kill you." He said to them, "Go and tell that fox for me, 'Listen, I am casting out demons and performing cures today and tomorrow, and on the third day I finish my work. Yet today, tomorrow, and the next day I must be on my way, because it is impossible for a prophet to be killed outside of Jerusalem.' Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the city that kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to it! How often have I desired to gather your children together as a hen gathers her brood under her wings, and you were not willing! See, your house is left to you. And I tell you, you will not see me until the time comes when you say, 'Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.'"

The Gospel of the Lord.

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

## THE SERMON

*All are seated for the sermon by the Rev. Matthew 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 PRAYER OF THE PEOPLE**

*All stand. In the course of the silence after each bidding, the People may offer their own prayers, either silently or aloud.*

*Deacon* Let us pray for the Church and for the world.  
Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world. Lord, in your mercy

*People* **Hear our prayer.**

*Deacon* Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good. Lord, in your mercy

*People* **Hear our prayer.**

*Deacon* Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory. Lord, in your mercy

*People* **Hear our prayer.**

*Deacon* Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us. Lord, in your mercy

*People* **Hear our prayer.**

*Deacon*            Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation. Lord, in your mercy

*People*            **Hear our prayer.**

*Deacon*            We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom. Lord, in your mercy

*People*            **Hear our prayer.**

*The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.*

*Our prayers are asked for Sean our Presiding Bishop, Matthew, Allen, and Mary our Bishops, Father Matt our Rector, Deacon Chisara, and our Wardens, Officers, and Vestry members. We pray also for: Jill, Tom, Julie, Anne, Kristen, Ari, Jennifer, Marion, Elaine, Sheila, Amy, Alice, Barbara, Janet, Sandy, Beth, Ingrid, Didi, Joseph, Tim, Chris, Marilyn, Alison, Bob, Robert, Allison, Hildy, Jordan, Cathy, Tom, Bill, Mike, Sara, David, Drue, Kevin, Brian, Helen, and M&D.*

*Our prayers are also offered for Sean our Presiding Bishop, for Matthew, Allen, and Mary our Bishops, and for our Rector Matthew and our Deacon Chisara, and for all bishops and other ministers.*

*We pray for those in our Armed Services especially: Dylan, Gus, Chuck, Sam, Helen, Joseph, Philip, Jake, Matthew, Robert, Nicholas, Mitchel, Alec, Jonah, Tia, Tyrese, Terrence.*

*We give thanks for those celebrating birthdays this week, Stephen Kenworthy (3/16), Emme Johnson (3/18), John Gerken (3/19), Joe Keegan (3/19), Leo Eudicone (3/21), Braden Krumme (3/21), Kenzie Munro (3/22), and Axel Robinson (3/21).*



## 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 for a brief welcome and announcements. The announcements conclude with the offertory sentence. This week's schedule and additional announcements are at the back of the bulletin.*

## 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

*During the anthem the gifts of bread and wine are prepared at the altar and an offering is taken.*

God So Loved the World (The Crucifixion)

John Stainer 1840-1901

God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son,  
That whosoever believeth in Him should not perish,  
But have everlasting life.  
For God sent not His Son into the world to condemn the world,  
But that the world through Him might be saved.

## OFFERTORY IMPROVISATION

*All stand as the organist offers a Lenten improvisation and the offering is brought to the altar and blessed.*

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

*All remain standing.*

The musical notation consists of six staves, each with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The lyrics are written below the notes. The first staff is for the Celebrant, the second for the People, the third for the Celebrant, the fourth for the People, the fifth for the Celebrant, and the sixth for the People. The notes are primarily quarter and eighth notes, with some rests and slurs. The lyrics are: 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*      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 114)

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, Lord God of  
Hosts: Hea - ven and earth are full of thy glo - ry. Glo -  
ry be to thee, O Lord Most High. Bless - ed is he that com - eth  
in the name of the Lord. 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.

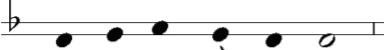
*Celebrant*

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 ✠ 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.

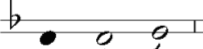
All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By ✠ him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father,

*Celebrant*



now and for ev - er.

*People*



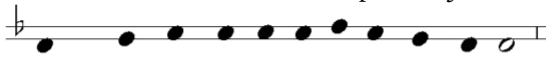
A - MEN.

*Celebrant*  
*All*

And now, as our Savior Christ has 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.

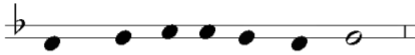
## THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

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



*Celebrant*

Christ our Pass-ov-er is sac-ri-ficed for us;



*People*

There-fore let us keep the feast.

*All sing "Lamb of God" (Hymn #S 158).*

O Lamb of God, that ta - kest a -  
way the sins of the world, have mer - cy up -

on us. O Lamb of God, that  
 ta - kest a - way the sins of the world, have  
 mer - cy up - on us. O Lamb of  
 God, that ta - kest a - way the sins of the  
 world, grant us thy peace.

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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).*

## COMMUNION VOLUNTARY

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

Agnus Dei

Thomas Morley 1557-1603

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nostri.

*Lamb of God, who take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.*

## POST COMMUNION 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. Amen.**

# POST COMMUNION HYMN (#370)

*All stand and sing the hymn.*



1. I bind un - to my - self to - day the strong Name



of the Trin - i - ty, by in - vo - ca - tion



of the same, the Three in One, and One in Three.



2. I bind this day to me for ev - er, by power of

\*3. I bind un - to my - self the power of the great

\*4. I bind un - to my - self to - day the vir - tues

\*5. I bind un - to mys - elf to - day the power of



faith, Christ's In - car - na - tion; his bap - tism in the  
love of cher - u - bim; the sweet "Well done" in  
of the star - lit heaven the glo - rious sun's life -  
God to hold and lead, his eye to watch, his



Jor - dan riv - er; his death on cross for my sal - va - tion;  
 judg - ment hour; the ser - vice of the ser - a - phim;—  
 giv - ing ray, the white - ness of the moon at even,—  
 might to stay, his ear to heark - en, to my need;—

his burst - ing from the spic - èd tomb; his rid - ing  
 con - fess - ors' faith, a - pos - tles' word, the pa - triarchs'  
 the flash - ing of the light - ning free, the whirl - ing  
 the wis - dom of my God to teach, his hand to

up the heaven - ly way; his com - ing at the  
 prayers, the pro - phets' scrolls; all good deeds done un -  
 wind's tem - pes - tuous shocks, the sta - ble earth, the  
 guide, his shield to ward; the word of God to

day of doom: I bind un - to my - self to - day.  
 to the Lord, and pu - ri - ty of vir - gin souls.  
 deep salt sea, a - round the old e - ter - nal rocks.  
 give me speech, his heaven - ly host to be my guard.

*The hymn continues on the next page.*

\*6. Christ be with me, Christ with - in me, Christ be - hind me,  
 Christ be - neath me, Christ a - bove me, Christ in qui - et,

Christ be - fore me, Christ be - side me, Christ to  
 Christ in dan - ger, Christ in hearts of all that

win me, Christ to com - fort and re - store me,  
 love me, Christ in mouth of friend and stran - ger.

7. I bind un - to my - self the Name, the strong Name  
of the Trin - i - ty, by in - vo - ca - tion  
of the same, the Three in One, and One in Three.  
Of whom all na - ture hath cre - a - tion, e - ter - nal  
Fa - ther, Spi - rit, Word: praise to the Lord of  
my sal - va - tion, sal - va - tion is of Christ the Lord.

Words: Att. Patrick (372–466); tr. Cecil Frances Alexander (1818–1895)  
Music: St. Patrick's Breastplate, Irish melody; adapt. Charler Villiers Stanford (1852–1924); St. 6, Deirdre, Irish melody; harm. Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872–1958)  
Meter: LMD

## SOLEMN PRAYER OVER THE PEOPLE & DISMISSAL

*All remain standing.*

*Celebrant*      Let us bow our heads and pray for God's blessing.

*Silence is observed.*

*Celebrant*      Keep this your family, Lord, with your never-failing mercy, that relying solely on the help of your heavenly grace, they may be upheld by your divine protection; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

*People*          **Amen.**

*Deacon*        Let us bless the Lord.

*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.*

Lenten Procession

Bischof

### Dr. J's Music Notes

The Crucifixion: A Meditation on the Sacred Passion of the Holy Redeemer by John Stainer is an oratorio for a SATB choir and organ composed in 1887, with text by WJ Sparrow Simson. Structurally, it is based on the traditional format of the Passions by J. S. Bach, with a Biblical narrative interspersed with choruses, solos and hymns reflecting on the Passion story. The work premiered on 24 February 1887 and continues to be performed today with God So Loved the World its most famous piece.

# This Week at Christ Church

## **Sunday, March 16, The Second Sunday in Lent**

- 8:00 am – Said Eucharist Rite I (Church)
- 10:00 am – Choral Eucharist Rite II (Church)
- 11:30 am – 1:00 pm – DOK Meeting (Library)
- 5:00 pm – Said Eucharist (Church)

## **Monday, March 17, St. Patrick's Day**

- 5:15 pm – Said Eucharist (Church)
- 8:30 pm – Evening Prayer (Zoom)

## **Tuesday, March 18**

- 10:30 am – Morning Prayer (Zoom)

## **Wednesday, March 19, Saint Joseph's Day**

- 5:15 pm – Said Eucharist (Church)
- 6:00 pm - 7:30 pm – Vestry Meeting (Library)

## **Thursday, March 20**

- 8:00: am – Rector's Bible Study (Zoom)
- 10:00 am – Lectionary Bible Study (Library)
- 5:00 pm - 5:30 pm – Children's Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)
- 5:30 pm - 7:00 pm – Confirmation Class (Library)

## **Sunday, March 23, The Third Sunday in Lent**

### **Scout Sunday**

- 8:00 am – Said Eucharist Rite I (Church)
- 10:00 am – Choral Eucharist Rite II (Church)
- 8:30am to 12:00pm Sausage & Pancake Breakfast provided by the Scouts (\$10 per person)
- 5:00 pm – Said Eucharist (Church)

# Parish Updates

## **Stewardship (as of February 10)**

We have 115 Pledges for \$504,285. Please make your pledge for 2025. **Our Goal is 150 Pledges and a balanced budget.** Thank you to everyone who has already made a pledge; your generosity and support are greatly appreciated!

## **The Artist of the Month will be Suzy Bradford**

Suzy Bradford grew up sailing on the Texas Gulf Coast and when she graduated with a bachelors in coastal engineering and moved to the northeast, she realized that the inspiration of being on and around the water never really goes away, no matter what part of the world you are in. The different facets of sailing and the beauty and power of water influence much of her art. Suzy used art as an outlet throughout school and has continued to expand her skills in acrylic and watercolor while working as a full-time engineer along Long Island Sound.

## **We need Coffee Hour Hosts: Volunteer today!**

Are you interested in hosting Coffee Hour? There are two ways you can host Coffee Hour at 10am. 1) Provide food (snacks for adults and kids, milk, juices, etc.) that totals about \$75-\$150. 2) Donate \$200 to the Coffee Hour Fund, and we will cater it for you. You can sponsor an entire coffee hour on your own or join forces with others to get to the total food or dollars needed. Contact Marie Main if you want to donate for a catered Coffee Hour. If you want to sign up to provide food, simply sign up on the sheet in the parish hall.

# Outreach & Service

## **Outreach Request - Food Pantry**

Parishioners are invited to donate any of the following items on or before the FIRST Sunday of each month: Healthy cereal (grocery store size, no Costco or BJs boxes); Shelf-stable milk \*; 14-16oz. cans of fruit, corn, peas, or beans; 6oz. cans of tuna; 1lb. packages of rice \*; Pasta and 14-25oz. PLASTIC jars of spaghetti sauce; Reusable bags such as Fresh Direct Bags!!!; *PLEASE - NO odd, old, opened or expired food.*

# Coming Events

## **Lenten Quiet Day: Reflections on the Passion in Matthew, Mark, Luke & John**



Saturday, April 5 from 9am to 4pm. A Quiet Day is a day of silence and reflection. On this day Father Matt will offer four reflections, one on each of the Passion Narratives found in the Gospels of Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John. The cost of the Quiet Day is \$20 and covers the cost of breakfast and lunch.

## **Holy Week & Easter 2025: April 13-20**

Palm Sunday is April 13 (8am & 10am), Agape Dinner / Maundy Thursday is April 17 (6pm / 7:30pm), Good Friday is April 18 (12pm), Holy Saturday / Easter Eve is April 19 (10am / 7:30pm), and Easter Sunday is April 20 (9am & 11:15am).

## **Maundy Thursday Mediterranean Feast: April 17: 5:30pm**



Maundy Thursday Agape Mediterranean Feast (catered) begins at 5:30pm. We will have lamb and chicken kabobs, humus, stuffed grape leaves, Greek and lentil salads, and many other Middle Eastern dishes. The Choir is encouraged to come at 5:30 so they can eat before rehearsal. Maundy Thursday Mass begins at 7:30pm. \$25 per adult, children and teens eat free. Please RSVP with the QR Code.

## **Mother's Day Dessert Auction: Sunday, May 11, 11:00am**

Mark your calendars for our next Outreach Dessert Auction.

## **Bishop Visitation & Confirmation: Sunday, May 18, 4:00pm**

The Right Rev. Mary Glasspool, Bishop Assistant of the Diocese of New York will be with us on May 18 at 4pm to offer confirmation. All are encouraged to attend. Adults who want to be confirmed or received into the Episcopal Church, speak to Fr. Matt ASAP.

## **Father Matt's Steak House Night / Ascension Day: Thursday, May 29, 6pm / 7:30pm**



Celebrate Ascension Day with our Father Matt's Steakhouse Night at 6pm. We will have more than 30 pounds of prime rib eye steak, cooked to order by Father Matt and as much steak as you can eat. We will also have a baked potato bar, caprese salad (tomatoes, mozzarella, basil), and a selection of cheeses, desserts, red and white wines, beer, and soda. \$25 per person, children and teens are free. Please RSVP with the

QR Code. The Feast is followed by Mass with Hymns at 7:30pm.

## **Confirmation Class Meeting Dates**

- Thursday, March 20, 5:30pm – 7:00pm
- Sunday, April 6, 5:00pm – 7:00pm
- Sunday, April 27, 5:00pm – 7:00pm
- Thursday, May 8, 5:30pm – 7:00pm
- Sunday, May 18, 4:00pm – Confirmation & Visitation with the Right Rev. Mary Glasspool, Bishop Assistant of the Diocese of New York – The entire congregation is encouraged to attend!

## **Children's Choir**

Weekly Children's Choir (2<sup>nd</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup> grades) rehearses Thursdays from 5:00-5:30 pm. The coming Sunday and Holy Day singing schedule for the Children's Choir includes Easter Sunday at 9am, and at the 10am service on Sundays March 2, March 30, May 18, and June 8. The choir is growing, and we would love for your child to join us! Please talk to our Music Director Dr. Justin Bischof for more information.



## **Youth Group**

Contact Evan Felicetti for upcoming event info.

## **Friends of Music Concert Season 2024-2025**



Five concerts celebrating the 5th Anniversary of Christ Church's Juget-Sinclair organ. Four internationally acclaimed concert organists who are also leading New York City area Episcopalian organists. A wine and cheese reception will take place after the concerts. To purchase tickets please use this QR code.

**Wednesday March 26th, 2025, 7:00 - 8:15 pm** - Organ Concert by David Enlow, Organist & Choirmaster, Church of the Resurrection, New York City.

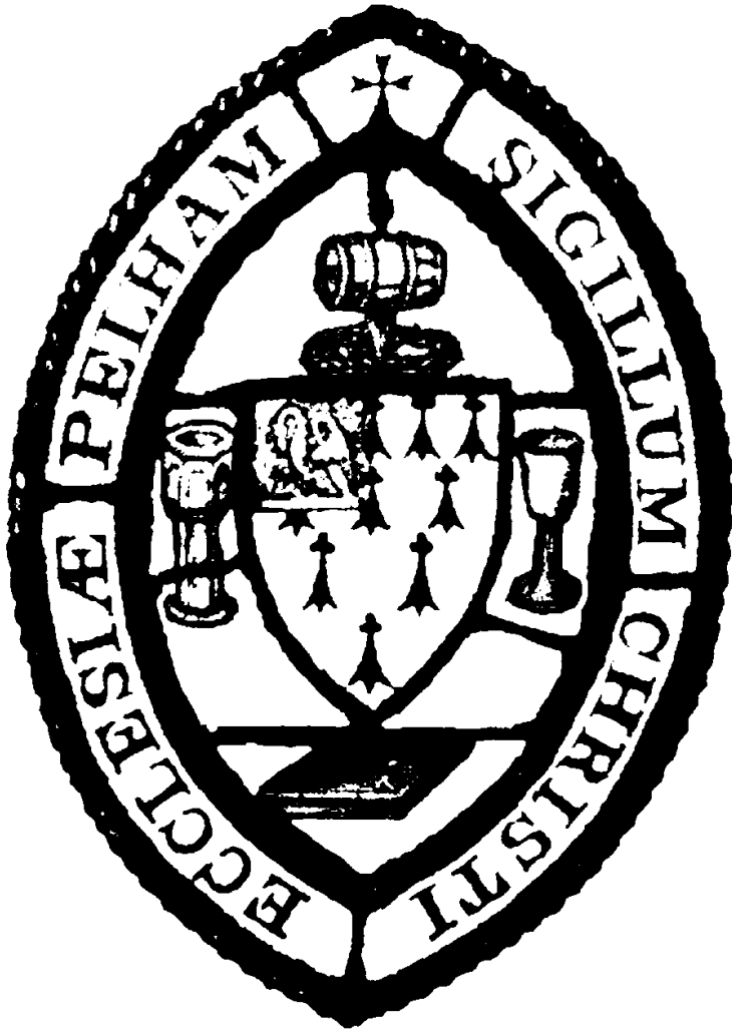
**Wednesday May 7th, 2025, 7:00 - 8:15 pm** - Organ Concert by Stephen Tharp; Artist-in-Residence (2015-2024); St. James Madison Avenue.

**Our Next Friends of Music Concert**  
**Wednesday, March 26, at 7pm-8:15pm**

**Join us as we continue to celebrate**  
**the 5th Anniversary of**  
**Christ Church's Juget-Sinclair Organ, Op. 51.**

**David Enlow, organist**  
**Director of Music, Church of the Resurrection NYC**  
**Followed by a Festive Reception**

**Buy tickets today by scanning the QR Code above!**



# CHRIST CHURCH

Episcopal/Anglican

## Clergy & Staff

The Reverend Matthew Hoxsie Mead, *Rector*  
The Reverend Deacon Chisara Alimole, *Deacon*  
Ms. Marie Main, *Parish Administrator*  
Dr. Justin Bischof, *Director of Music & Organist*  
Mr. Evan Felicetti, *Director of Children's Ministries*  
Mr. Walter Roberts, *Vergers 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*  
J.D. Calder, *Senior Warden*; Etta Gumbs, *Junior Warden*  
Allison Bodenmann, *Treasurer*; John Fox, *Assistant Treasurer*; Jean Gruener, *Clerk*  
Jennifer Hawks Bland, Stephen Dolan, Robert Boyer, Charlette Finch,  
Curtis Chase, Jack Kraft, Andy DesRault, Robert Landis, Barbara Zambelli

## Worship Schedule

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

## The Parish of Christ the Redeemer

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As members of the Body of Christ, we are dedicated to spiritual growth and committed  
to serving God through worship and service to our community and the world.*