

# ST. PHILIP'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Easthampton, Massachusetts

*Be careful: If you come here, you will grow.*



Elizabeth Wang

Daily Morning Prayer: Rite Two

**The Sixth Sunday after Pentecost**

[Proper 9]

**5 July 2026 at 10:00 a.m.**

**NOTES ON THE LITURGY:** “The Daily Office” is a phrase that indicates a basic quality of a Christian’s life: namely, that prayer is a “daily” activity; and that keeping these prayers is a fundamental “duty” (which is what the word “office” means) of the baptized. Taken from the ancient monastic practice of praying seven times a day, the Prayer Book tradition has combined the three main elements of this monastic worship [which are: the saying of the 1) psalms; 2) reading the scriptures; 3) offering the prayers] to punctuate each threshold experience of the day with a particular “God-awareness” in terms of Morning Prayer, Noonday Prayer, Evening Prayer, and Compline.

Stemming from our baptismal promise “to keep the Apostles’ teaching and fellowship, the breaking of bread, and the prayers,” [BCP, page 304], the Daily Offices are most appropriately led by the laity. In this occasion when our priest is away, the St. Philip’s community has the opportunity not only to exercise this prayer ministry but also for some to be introduced to the Daily Office tradition and experience.

**Prelude**                    “Prelude on a Theme of Orlando Gibbons”                    Charles Villiers Stanford

**Community Notices**

**The Entrance Rite**

**Opening Hymn #8**                    “Morning has broken”                    *Bunessan*  
*The Hymnal, 1982*

*Unison or harmony*

1 Morn-ing has bro - ken like the first morn - ing,  
 2 Sweet the rain’s new fall sun - lit from hea - ven,  
 3 Mine is the sun - light! Mine is the morn - ing

black-bird has spo - ken like the first bird.  
 like the first dew - fall on the first grass.  
 born of the one light E - den saw play!

Praise for the sing - ing! Praise for the morn - ing!  
 Praise for the sweet - ness of the wet gar - den,  
 Praise with e - la - tion, praise ev - ery morn - ing,

Praise for them, spring - ing fresh from the Word! \_\_\_\_\_  
 sprung in com - plete - ness where his feet pass. \_\_\_\_\_  
 God's re - cre - a - tion of the new day! \_\_\_\_\_

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*The People remain STANDING.*

### Opening Sentences

*Officiant:* Almighty God, by whose grace alone we are accepted and called to your service: Strengthen us by your Holy Spirit and make us worthy of our calling; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

*Philippians 1:2*

### Confession of Sin

*The Officiant says to the People*

In silence, let us acknowledge those things that separate us from God and from one another. Then publicly and aloud (kneeling as you are able), let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Silence is kept for a time. Then, the Officiant leads the People.*

GOD OF ALL MERCY,  
**we confess that we have sinned against you,  
 opposing your will in our lives.  
 We have denied your goodness in each other,  
 in ourselves, and in the world you have created.  
 We repent of the evil that enslaves us,**

the evil we have done,  
 and the evil done on our behalf.  
 Forgive, restore, and strengthen us  
 through our Savior Jesus Christ,  
 that we may abide in your love  
 and serve only your will. Amen.

*Officiant:* Almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us all our sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen us in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep us in eternal life. **Amen.**

## THE INVITATORY

*ALL STAND*

*Officiant:* Lord, open our lips.

*People:* **And our mouth shall proclaim your praise**

*Officiant and People:*

**Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:  
 as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen. Alleluia.**

**VENITE: #S35**

“Come, let us sing to the Lord”

*Jack Noble White  
 The Hymnal, 1982*

1. Come, let us sing to the  
 Lord; — let us shout for joy to the Rock of our sal -  
 va - tion. — 2. Let us come be - fore his pres - ence with thanks - giv - ing —  
 — and raise a loud shout to him with psalms. — 3. For the  
 Lord is a great God, — and a great King a - bove all

gods. 4. In his hand are the caverns of the earth, and the heights of the hills are his also. 5. The sea is his, for he made it, and his hands have mold-ed the dry land. 6. Come, let us bow down, and bend the knee, and kneel be-fore the Lord our Ma-ker. 7. For he is our God, and we are the peo-ple of his pas-ture and the sheep of his hand. Oh, that to-day you would heark-en to his voice!

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*The People SIT for the Psalm.*

**The Psalm 45:11-18** *Eruclavit cor meum*

11 “Hear, O daughter; consider and listen closely;  
forget your people and your father’s house.

**12 The king will have pleasure in your beauty;  
he is your master; therefore do him honor.**

13 The people of Tyre are here with a gift;

the rich among the people seek your favor.”

**14 All glorious is the princess as she enters;  
her gown is cloth-of-gold.**

15 In embroidered apparel she is brought to the king;  
after her the bridesmaids follow in procession.

**16 With joy and gladness they are brought,  
and enter into the palace of the king.**

17 “In place of fathers, O king, you shall have sons;  
you shall make them princes over all the earth.

**18 I will make your name to be remembered  
from one generation to another;  
therefore nations will praise you for ever and ever.”**

## THE LESSONS

**Old Testament:**

Genesis 24:34-38, 42-49, 58-67

Jean Blakeman, Lector

The servant said to Laban, “I am Abraham’s servant. The LORD has greatly blessed my master, and he has become wealthy; he has given him flocks and herds, silver and gold, male and female slaves, camels and donkeys. And Sarah my master’s wife bore a son to my master when she was old; and he has given him all that he has. My master made me swear, saying, ‘You shall not take a wife for my son from the daughters of the Canaanites, in whose land I live; but you shall go to my father’s house, to my kindred, and get a wife for my son.’

“I came today to the spring, and said, ‘O LORD, the God of my master Abraham, if now you will only make successful the way I am going! I am standing here by the spring of water; let the young woman who comes out to draw, to whom I shall say, ‘Please give me a little water from your jar

to drink,’ and who will say to me, ‘Drink, and I will draw for your camels also’ —let her be the woman whom the LORD has appointed for my master’s son.’

“Before I had finished speaking in my heart, there was Rebekah coming out with her water jar on her shoulder; and she went down to the spring, and drew. I said to her, ‘Please let me drink.’ She quickly let down her jar from her shoulder, and said, ‘Drink, and I will also water your camels.’ So I drank, and she also watered the camels. Then I asked her, ‘Whose daughter are you?’ She said, ‘The daughter of Bethuel, Nahor’s son, whom Milcah bore to him.’ So I put the ring on her nose, and the bracelets on her arms. Then I bowed my head and worshiped the LORD, and blessed the LORD, the God of my master Abraham, who had led me by the right way to obtain the

daughter of my master's kinsman for his son. Now then, if you will deal loyally and truly with my master, tell me; and if not, tell me, so that I may turn either to the right hand or to the left."

And they called Rebekah, and said to her, "Will you go with this man?" She said, "I will." So they sent away their sister Rebekah and her nurse along with Abraham's servant and his men. And they blessed Rebekah and said to her, "May you, our sister, become thousands of myriads; may your offspring gain possession of the gates of their foes." Then Rebekah and her maids rose up, mounted the camels, and followed the man; thus the servant took Rebekah,

and went his way. Now Isaac had come from Beer-lahai-roi, and was settled in the Negeb. Isaac went out in the evening to walk in the field; and looking up, he saw camels coming. And Rebekah looked up, and when she saw Isaac, she slipped quickly from the camel, and said to the servant, "Who is the man over there, walking in the field to meet us?" The servant said, "It is my master." So she took her veil and covered herself. And the servant told Isaac all the things that he had done. Then Isaac brought her into his mother Sarah's tent. He took Rebekah, and she became his wife; and he loved her. So Isaac was comforted after his mother's death.

*Lector:* Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.  
*People:* **Thanks be to God.**


*Silence is kept for a time. Then in response to the lesson, STANDING, ALL SING the Canticle.*

**Canticle #S180**

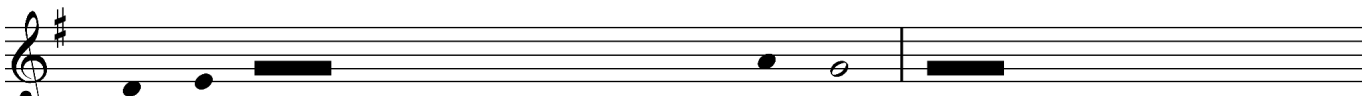
"Benedictus es, Domine"

Bruce E. Ford  
*The Hymnal, 1982*


*Antiphon*




Pro-claim the great-ness of the Lord our God: he is the Ho-ly One.



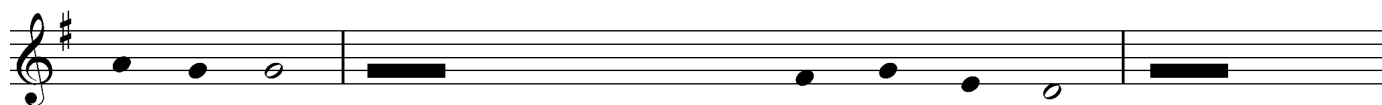
1. Bless-ed art thou, O Lord God of our fa-ters; praised and exalted above



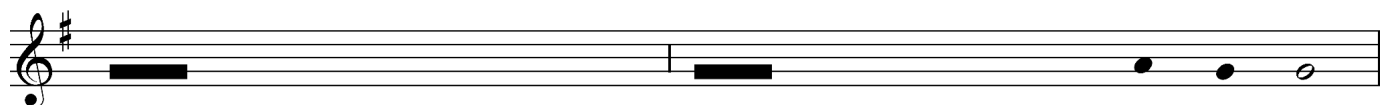
all for ev-er. 2. Blessed art thou for the Name of thy Maj-es-ty;



praised and exalted above all for ev-er. 3. Blessed art thou in the temple of thy



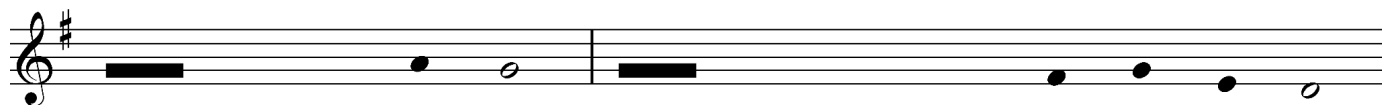
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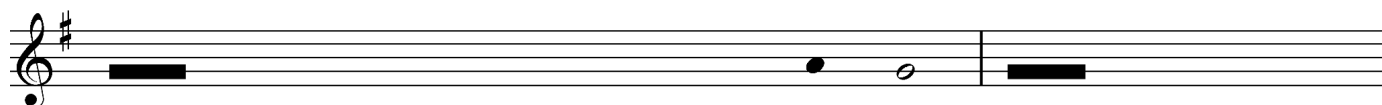
thou that beholdest the depths, and dwellest between the Cher - u - bim;



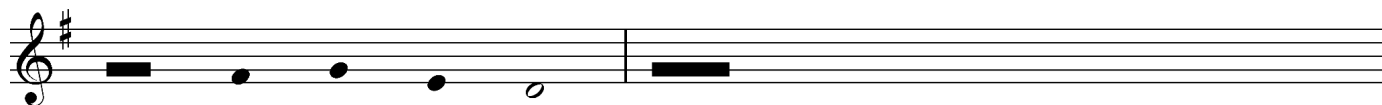
praised and exalted above all for ev - er. 5. Blessed art thou on the glorious



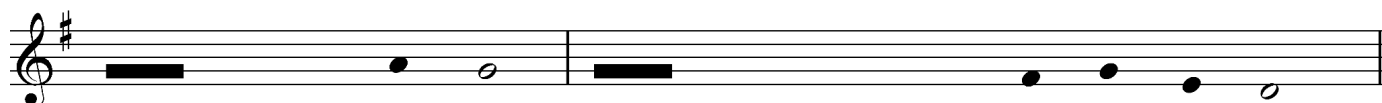
throne of thy king - dom; praised and exalted above all for ev - er.



6. Blessed art thou in the firmament of hea - ven; praised and exalted



above all for ev - er. 7. Blessed art thou, O Father,



Son, and Holy Spi - rit; praised and exalted above all for ev - er. [Ant.]

*Antiphon*



Pro-claim the great - ness of the Lord our God: he is the Ho - ly One.

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*In the Morning Prayer service, the Gospel is announced and the People are SEATED to listen.*

**The Gospel Lesson:**

Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30

Karen Banta, Lector

Jesus said to the crowd, "To what will I compare this generation? It is like children sitting in the marketplaces and calling to one another,

'We played the flute for you, and you did not dance; we wailed, and you did not mourn.'

For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, 'He has a demon'; the Son of

Man came eating and drinking, and they say, 'Look, a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners!' Yet wisdom is vindicated by her deeds."

At that time Jesus said, "I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and the intelligent and have revealed them to infants; yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. All things have been handed over to me by my Father; and no one

knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him.

"Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."

*Lector:* Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

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

*Silence is kept for time. Then, in response to the Gospel lesson, STANDING, ALL SING the following*

**Canticle #679**

"Surely it is God who saves me"

*Thomas Merton  
The Hymnal, 1982*

1 Sure - ly it is God who saves me; trust - ing him, I shall not  
2 Make his deeds known to the peo - ples; tell out his ex - alt - ed  
fear. For the Lord de - fends and shields me and his sav - ing  
Name. Praise the Lord, who has done great things; all his works his  
help is near. So re - joice as you draw wa - ter from sal -  
might pro - claim. Zi - on, lift your voice in sing - ing; for with  
va - tion's liv - ing spring; in the day of your de -  
you has come to dwell, in your ve - ry midst, the



liv - erance thank the Lord, his mer - cies sing.  
great and Ho - ly One of Is - ra - el.

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## The Sermon

Rebecca Taylor, Senior Warden

## Sermon Musical Reflection

“Morning Has Broken”

*Bunessan*,

setting by Dom Andrew Moore

*Silence is kept for a time. Then, at the Officiant’s invitation, all STAND and say the Creed.*

## The Apostles’ Creed

*Officiant:* Let us stand and confess what we believe in the words of the Apostles’ Creed.

*Officiant:* I BELIEVE IN GOD, THE FATHER ALMIGHTY,

*People:* creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God’s only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the Virgin Mary,  
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,  
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will come again to judge the living and the dead.  
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. Amen.

## THE PRAYERS *[kneeling or standing]*

*Officiant:* The Lord be with you.

*People:* And also with you.

*Officiant:* Let us pray.

OUR FATHER IN HEAVEN,  
hallowed be your Name,

your kingdom come,  
your will be done,

on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins  
as we forgive those  
who sin against us.

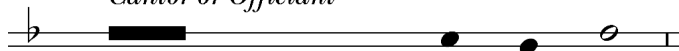
Save us from the time of trial,  
and deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power,  
and the glory are yours,  
now and for ever. Amen

*Then all join in the singing of the Suffrages*

### The Suffrages A #S52

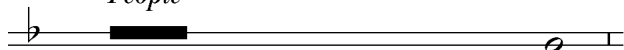
*The Hymnal, 1982*

*Cantor or Officiant*

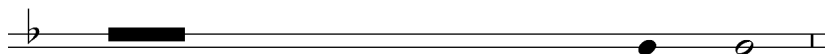


V. Show us your mer - cy, O Lord;

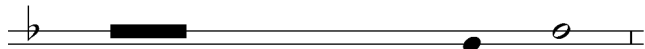
*People*



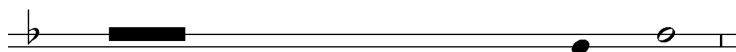
R. And grant us your salva - tion.



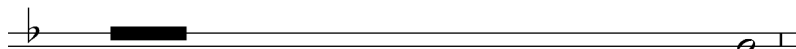
V. Clothe your ministers with right - eous - ness;



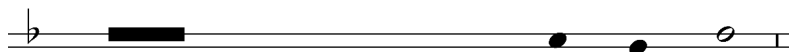
R. Let your people sing with joy.



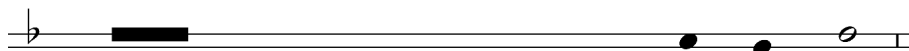
V. Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;



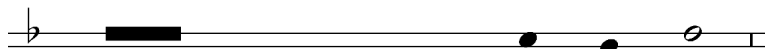
R. For only in you can we live in safe - ty.



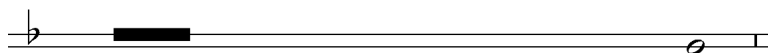
V. Lord, keep this nation un - der your care;



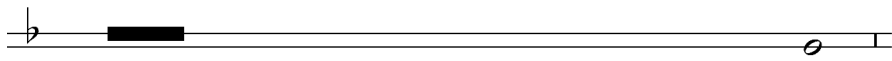
R. And guide us in the way of jus - tice and truth.



V. Let your way be known up - on earth;



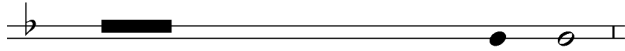
R. Your saving health among all na - tions.



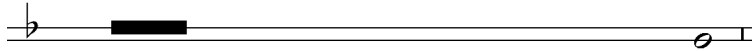
V. Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgot-ten;



R. Nor the hope of the poor be ta - ken a - way.



V. Create in us clean hearts, O God;



R. And sustain us with your Holy Spi - rit.

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**The Collects:**

Jean Blakeman, Intercessor

*The Collect for the Day:*

O God, you have taught us to keep all your commandments by loving you and our neighbor: Grant us the grace of your Holy Spirit, that we may be devoted to you with our whole heart, and united to one another with pure affection; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

*A Prayer for the Parish*

Almighty and everliving God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth, hear our prayers for this parish family. Strengthen the faithful, arouse the careless, and restore the penitent. Grant us all things necessary for our common life, and bring us all to be of one heart and mind within your holy Church; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

*A Prayer for our Country*

Almighty God, who has given us this good land for our heritage: We humbly beseech you that we may always prove ourselves a people mindful of your favor and glad to do your will. Bless our land with honorable industry, sound learning, and pure manners. Save us from violence, discord, and confusion; from pride and arrogance, and from every evil way. Defend our liberties, and fashion into one united people the multitudes brought hither out of many kindreds and tongues. Endue with the spirit of wisdom those to whom in your Name we entrust the authority of government, that there may be justice and peace at home, and that, through obedience to your law, we may show forth your praise among the nations of the earth. In the time of prosperity, fill our hearts with thankfulness, and in the day of trouble, suffer not our trust in you to fail; all which we ask through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

*A Prayer for Good Use of Leisure*

O God, in the course of this busy life, give us times of refreshment and peace; and grant that we may so use our leisure to rebuild our bodies and renew our minds, that our spirits may be opened to the goodness of your creation; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

*A Prayer for Agriculture*

Almighty God, we thank you for making the earth fruitful, so that it might produce what is needed for life: Bless those who work in the fields; give us seasonable weather; and grant that we may all share the fruits of the earth, rejoicing in your goodness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

*At the Intercessor's bidding, the People may offer their prayers silently or aloud.*

*A Prayer for Mission:*

Almighty and everlasting God, by whose Spirit the whole body of your faithful people is governed and sanctified: Receive our supplications and prayers which we offer before you for all members of your holy Church, that in their vocation and ministry they may truly and devoutly serve you; through our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

**The General Thanksgiving**

*Book of Common Prayer, pg 101*

*Officiant:* ALMIGHTY GOD, FATHER OF ALL MERCIES,

*People:* **we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks  
for all your goodness and loving-kindness  
to us and to all whom you have made.  
We bless you for our creation, preservation,  
and all the blessings of this life;  
but above all for your immeasurable love  
in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ;  
for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory.  
And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies,  
that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise, not  
only with our lips, but in our lives,  
by giving up our selves to your service,  
and by walking before you  
in holiness and righteousness all our days;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,  
be honor and glory throughout all ages. Amen.**

*A Prayer of St. Chrysostom*

Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication to you; and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name you will be in the midst of them: Fulfill now, O Lord,

our desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come life everlasting. *Amen.*

*The liturgy concludes with this.*

*Officiant:* Let us bless the Lord.

**People:** Thanks be to God.

*The Officiant concludes the liturgy with the following.*

Glory to God whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine: Glory to God from generation to generation in the Church, and in Christ Jesus for ever and ever. *Amen.* *Ephesians 3:20, 21*

*STANDING, please join in singing the closing hymn.*

**Closing Hymn #719**

“O beautiful, for spacious skies”

*Materna*

*The Hymnal, 1982*

1 O beau - ti - ful for spa - cious skies, for am - ber waves of grain,  
2 O beau - ti - ful for he - roes proved in lib - er - at - ing strife,  
3 O beau - ti - ful for pa - triot dream that sees be - yond the years

for pur - ple moun - tain ma - jes - ties a - bove the fruit - ed plain!  
who more than self their coun - try loved, and mer - cy more than life!  
thine al - a - bas - ter ci - ties gleam, un - dimmed by hu - man tears!

A - mer - i - ca! A - mer - i - ca! God shed his grace on thee,  
 A - mer - i - ca! A - mer - i - ca! God mend thine ev - ery flaw,  
 A - mer - i - ca! A - mer - i - ca! God shed his grace on thee,

and crown thy good with bro-ther-hood from sea to shin - ing sea.  
 con - firm thy soul in self-con - trol, thy lib - er - ty in law.  
 and crown thy good with bro-ther-hood from sea to shin - ing sea.

Words: Katherine Lee Bates (1859-1929), alt. Music: *Materna*, Samuel Augustus Ward (1848-1903).

Postlude

“Ricercare VI”

Pierluigi da Palestrina

***Be Careful: IF YOU COME HERE YOU WILL GROW***

**Prayer List**

Mary R., Robert S., Janice, Betty S. & Bob C., Cecilia D.,  
 Noah, Graciela & Baby Pru and Cristosal in El Salvador,  
 Patrick S., Josh, Andy, Megan, Maureen L.

Please keep in your prayers the groups that use our facility during the week,  
 including several AA groups (Sat-Weds).

**Birthdays**

Steve B ~ Jul 8  
 Bea B ~ Jul 10

## Announcements

July 5, 2026

### TODAY'S LITURGICAL MINISTERS

Steve Bailey, Officiant  
Rebecca Taylor, Preacher  
Weyehn Reeves, Crucifer  
Jean Blakeman, Karen Banta, Lectors  
Jean Blakeman, Intercessor  
Karen Banta, Organist  
Susan May, Tech Minister  
David & Joan Haines, Ushers  
Julie Flahive, Susan May, Counters

**Come over** to the Parish Hall after worship today for **COFFEE HOUR**, hosted by Mary and Joe Bianca. Thank you!

A **HEARTFELT THANK YOU** to all who participated, contributed, and assisted in Father Michael's celebration. Your commitment of time and talent to produce an unforgettable final liturgy service and retirement party for Father Michael is sincerely appreciated.

The **PARISH PROFILE COMMITTEE** continues to hold in-person discussions. See this week's N.O.W. for the questions the committee wishes to discuss with everyone.

**What Is THE BIBLE Anyway?** Join us on **Thursdays at 4:00** to experience a certain kind of answer to this question. An answer that is joyful and engaging. To get the **Zoom** link email Linda Moore at [bythegraceofgod@outlook.com](mailto:bythegraceofgod@outlook.com)

**FAMILIAR STRANGER**, a book by Tyler Staton, is what is being read in the **Sunday Pilgrims Group**. We meet on Zoom at 4:00 p.m. Sunday afternoon for one hour. Please contact Linda Moore. [BythegraceofGod@outlook.com](mailto:BythegraceofGod@outlook.com) for the Zoom link.

**JOIN THE ST. PHILIP'S CONNECT GROUP!** We share blessings, ask for prayers and help or favors. Ask a vestry member for more information.

**SEE CHURCH CALENDAR OF EVENTS** on our website at <https://www.stphilipseasthampton.org/upcoming-events>

**ST. PHILIP'S OFFERS COMPLINE ON FACEBOOK** Sunday through Friday at 8 pm. Please join us!

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**What is the N.O.W. (News Of the Week)?** Find our weekly newsletter, at <https://www.stphilipseasthampton.org/weekly-newsletter>. Subscribe and you'll receive the sermon every Monday and the N.O.W. every Thursday.

**SUNDAY LECTIONARY STUDY GROUP** meets on Zoom every Sunday at **8:15 a.m.** The gathering of the curious and the prepared reads, reviews, and discusses the scripture lessons that will be offered in the day's liturgy. The link will be printed in the bulletin announcement in the NOW. Please

join us in what has always been a lively and helpful discussion.

**TO JOIN SUNDAY SERVICE &/or  
LECTIONARY STUDY:**

The Sunday Service is on live-streamed on our website:

<https://www.stphilipseasthampton.org/live-stream-channel>

Lectionary Study is on Zoom:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83207829066?pwd=N0k0emc5NGkxdGFxQVpKMUNlaWJ>

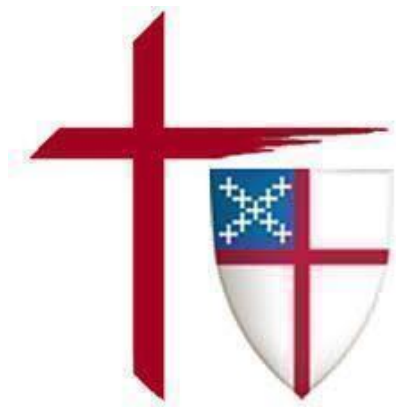
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**TO JOIN BY TELEPHONE:**

Audio conferencing participant (joining by telephone) will need to call:

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