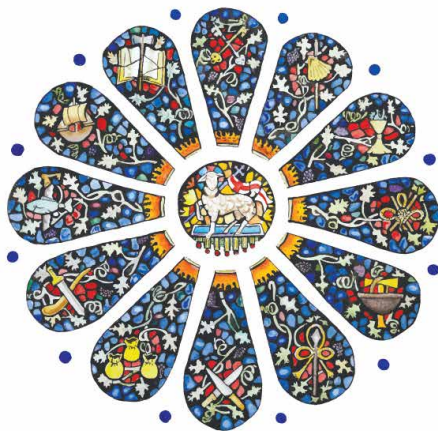


ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



St. Elizabeth's

EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF RIDGEWOOD

welcome home

SUNDAY, AUGUST 9, 2026

10:00 A.M.

HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE TWO

THE WEEK OF AUGUST 9 - AUGUST 14

Sunday

10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist Worship Service (Church)

11:15 a.m. Lemonade & Iced Tea Hour (Parish Hall)

Monday

8:30 a.m. Morning Prayer (Zoom*)

Tuesday

8:30 a.m. Morning Prayer (Zoom*)

10:00 a.m. Summer Storytime (Parish Hall)

5:30 p.m. Food for the Spirit (Parish Hall)

Wednesday

8:30 a.m. Morning Prayer (Zoom*)

7:00 p.m. Evening Needlecrafters (Parish Hall)

Thursday

8:30 a.m. Morning Prayer (Zoom*)

10:00 a.m. Morning Needlecrafters (Parish Hall)

Friday

8:30 a.m. Morning Prayer (Zoom*)

Morning Prayer is on Zoom only, Monday through Friday at 8:30 a.m.

Questions? Contact Jim Alimena at jim.alimena@gmail.com

**Morning Prayer Zoom - Meeting ID: 858 4728 7483 Password: Morning*

WELCOME

Cooling Station and Water

If the church is too hot for your comfort, you may sit in the Chapel where there is air conditioning and watch the livestreamed service on the large wall-mounted TV. Water is available in the hallway between the Narthex and the Chapel and by the bathrooms and elevator.

Baptism

The upcoming baptism dates are August 23, September 13, October 11, November 1, and November 22. If you are interested in baptism for yourself or a child, please contact Rev. Andy for more information.

Families with Young Children Welcome!

Quiet activity "pew bags" and Children's Worship materials are available outside the Narthex. A staffed nursery for infants-5 years is open upstairs (2nd floor). Changing tables are in all restrooms.

Summer Parish Office Hours

Summer office hours are 9 a.m. - 2 p.m.
Monday - Friday. Either Stephanie or Grace will be in the office during those times.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Summer Storytime

Tuesday, August 11 at 10 a.m.
(Parish Hall)

Join us for a fun-filled Storytime designed especially for children ages 8 and under! Bring your little ones for a morning of imagination, friendship, and faith in a welcoming and joyful environment. Each session includes an engaging story, a creative craft, and a tasty snack as we learn, create, and grow together. All children are welcome—bring a friend!

Food for the Spirit

Tuesday, August 11 at 5:30 p.m.
Dessert Board
(Parish Hall)

Once a month this summer, gather with us for food, fellowship, and conversation as we explore the things that truly nourish us. As we create a different themed board each month, we'll reflect on what feeds our minds, bodies, and spirits, how to let go of the things that drain us, and how to cultivate the things that bring life and joy. We will also explore and try different spiritual practices together as part of our time.

Blessing Shelf

School's out, hunger isn't. Let's fill the shelves this summer! No child should spend summer hungry. Help us to fill empty plates and hearts! Donate rice, instant noodles, canned food, dry foods, cooking oil, sugar, salt, breakfast items, and snacks. Every donation makes a difference no matter how big or small. The collection period is from August 2–September 20. Contact Emily Olkowski at olkowskiemily@hotmail.com with any questions.

Volunteer with St. Paul's CDC Men's Emergency Shelter, Paterson

Monday, August 17
5:30 p.m.

The Outreach Committee needs volunteers to prepare and serve dinner for 35 homeless men working to rebuild their lives. St. Elizabeth's provides meals on the third Monday of each month, including a main dish, sides, dessert, and breakfast items. Please use the QR code to sign up.



Final Friday Family Dinner & Games

Friday, August 28 at 6 p.m.
(Parish Hall)

Bring the whole family and join us for an evening of food, fun, and fellowship! Enjoy a delicious casual dinner, connect with friends old and new, and challenge each other with games for all ages. RSVP to bvanemburgh@stesridgewood.org.

Progressive Dinner

Saturday, October 3
Save the date!

THE ORDER OF SERVICE

THE CALL TO WORSHIP

PRELUDE *Sonata in D minor, K.9*

Domenico Scarlatti
(1685-1757)

*The Prelude is the first act of worship and sets the tone for all that follows in the service.
You are invited to pause from the busyness of life and connect with God during this
sacred time.*

OPENING HYMN 376 “Joyful, joyful, we adore thee”

THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

BCP 355

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

People: **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

BCP 355

GLORIA, Hymnal S-280

THE COLLECT

BCP 232

Grant to us, Lord, we pray, the spirit to think and do always those things that are right, that we, who cannot exist without you, may by you be enabled to live according to your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

THE FIRST LESSON

Romans 10:5-15

Moses writes concerning the righteousness that comes from the law, that “the person who does these things will live by them.” But the righteousness that comes from faith says, “Do not say in your heart, ‘Who will ascend into heaven?’” (that is, to bring Christ down) “or ‘Who will descend into the abyss?’” (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). But what does it say?

“The word is near you,

on your lips and in your heart”

(that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); because if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved. The scripture says, “No one who believes in him will be put to shame.” For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him. For, “Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.”

But how are they to call on one in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in one of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone to proclaim him? And how are they to proclaim him

unless they are sent? As it is written, “How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!”

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

HYMN 529 “In Christ there is no East or West”

Verses 1-2

THE GOSPEL

Matthew 14:22-33

Response before the Gospel: **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, but by this time the boat, battered by the waves, was far from the land, for the wind was against them. And early in the morning he came walking toward them on the sea. But when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were terrified, saying, “It is a ghost!” And they cried out in fear. But immediately Jesus spoke to them and said, “Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid.”

Peter answered him, “Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water.” He said, “Come.” So Peter got out of the boat, started walking on the water, and came toward Jesus. But when he noticed the strong wind, he became frightened, and beginning to sink, he cried out, “Lord, save me!” Jesus immediately reached out his hand and caught him, saying to him, “You of little faith, why did you doubt?” When they got into the boat, the wind ceased. And those in the boat worshiped him, saying, “Truly you are the Son of God.”

Response after the Gospel: **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

HYMN 529 “In Christ there is no East or West”

Verse 3

THE HOMILY

The Rev. Andy Olivo

THE NICENE CREED

BCP 358

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE, FORM VI

BCP 392

THE ABSOLUTION

BCP 360

THE PEACE

BCP 360

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE HOLY COMMUNION



*An offering is taken at this time. You may place
your offering in the plate as it is passed or use the QR
code to donate securely online.*

THE OFFERTORY *Messiah*

How beautiful are the feet

Text: Romans 10:15

Jeffrey Castellano, tenor

*George Frideric Handel
(1685-1759)*

DOXOLOGY, Hymnal 380, stanza 3

Praise God from whom all blessings flow

Praise God all creatures here below,

Praise God above ye heavenly host,

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, Amen

Celebrant: All things come of thee, O Lord.

People: And of thine own have we given thee.

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER A

BCP 361

PROPER PREFACE OF GOD THE HOLY SPIRIT

BCP 378

For by water and the Holy Spirit you have made us a new people in Jesus Christ our Lord, to show forth your glory in all the world.

SANCTUS, Hymnal S-129

The Congregation may remain standing or kneel after the singing of the Sanctus.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

BCP 364

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

THE PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS

BCP 337

We do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord whose property is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

AGNUS DEI, Hymnal S-163

Sung while the Clergy prepare the communion vessels.

THE ADMINISTRATION OF COMMUNION

All baptized Christians are invited to receive the consecrated bread and wine at St. Elizabeth's. Those who are not baptized, or those who do not wish to receive communion, are invited to receive a blessing. Simply cross your arms over your chest when you come forward. Gluten-free hosts (bread) are available upon request. When directed by the Ushers, the Congregation is invited to receive the Eucharist at the altar rail or at the station on the floor. After you receive communion, return to your pew via the side aisles. If you need communion brought to you, please let the Ushers know.

MUSIC AT COMMUNION

HYMN 653 "Dear Lord and Father of mankind"

HYMN 379 "God is Love, let heaven adore him"

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

BCP 366

THE BLESSING

BCP 366

HYMN 608 "Eternal Father, strong to save"

THE DISMISSAL

BCP 366

Response: **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE *Chorale Preludes, Op. 122*
Blessed Ye Who Live in Faith

Johannes Brahms
(1833-1897)

PARTICIPANTS IN THE SERVICE

Crucifer: Karla Tombaugh

Torchbearers: Annabelle MacLaren, Lucas MacLaren

Lector: Annabelle MacLaren

Eucharistic Ministers: Don Taylor, Karla Tombaugh

Ushers: Bruce Firkins, Tom Palmer

Altar Guild: Karla Tombaugh, Gigo Lee-Taylor, Sue Reid

Lemonade & Iced Tea Hour: Diane Firkins

Nursery Attendant: Gabriella Ragazzo

Livestream Guild: Duncan LeMay

CHURCH SCHOOL 2026-2027

Join our Leadership Team

This fall, we're looking for new Church School Leadership Team members as several leaders will be graduating or moving on. All lesson materials are provided, including readings, discussion guides, activities, and crafts. Confirmed students in grades 9–10 may volunteer with an adult, and Confirmed students in grades 11–12 may volunteer in pairs. All volunteers must complete Safe Church training. Classes begin in mid-September. Questions? Contact Beth at bvanemburgh@stesridgewood.org.

PACS PATERSON SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE 26/27

Special Request from St. Elizabeth's Dickinson Fund

Committee: PACS Paterson School Supply Drive

Our parish is a strong supporter of PACS Paterson, and our help is needed as the plans for this new school year are being finalized.

We are collecting back-to-school supplies to support 730 students from K-8th grade at Philip's Academy Charter School of Paterson. You can use the QR code to access the Amazon Wish List for easy ordering. Items must be received by Wednesday, August 19.

Note: We are only collecting the specific items listed on the Wish List. Thank you in advance for your contribution towards these goals.



EPISCOPAL JEOPARDY

Did you miss Episcopal Jeopardy on July 19? We'll be running the questions by category each week and the answers the following week.

Category:	Episcopal 101	Category:	St. E's
100	Who is the first woman to serve as Archbishop of Canterbury? Archbishop Sarah Mullally	100	What is the cherished tradition that has been continued during the season of Advent that includes our children?
200	The group serves as the governing board of a parish and includes the Rector, Wardens, and elected members. Vestry	200	Rector Andy is the __ Rector at St. Elizabeth's.
300	Does the Episcopal Church have nuns and monks? Yes	300	What is St. E's slogan?
400	Name the two Sacraments of the Church and then name one of the Sacramental Rites. Sacraments: Baptism and Communion Sacramental Rites: Confirmation, Ordination, Holy Matrimony, Reconciliation of a Penitent, and Unction	400	Was the Rev. Robert Thomson the first Rector of St. E's?
500	What year was the Episcopal Church in America established? 1789	500	What year did St. E's become an independent parish?

With Thanksgiving for Faithful Ministry

The people of
St. Elizabeth's Episcopal Church
cordially invite you to a

Farewell Luncheon

Honoring the Rev. Melina Dezhbod

as we give thanks for faithful leadership,
compassionate pastoral care, and the many
blessings of shared ministry.

Sunday, August 30

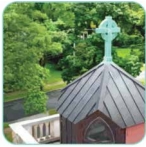
Following the 10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist
Parish Hall

Please join us for fellowship, gratitude, and the
opportunity to wish Rev. Melina every blessing
as God calls her to a new chapter in ministry.

Use the QR code to RSVP.



To give thanks to Rev. Melina's
ministry, you can contribute to a
purse that we will give to her. You
can give your gifts securely using the
QR code to the right or mail or drop
off a check in the parish office with
"Melina's purse" in the memo.



Prepare the Way
Caring For Our Sacred Space



ST. ELIZABETH'S
PROJECT UPDATES

First Project Completed

On Friday, July 3, the replacement of our Parish House roof
was completed. We have only positive things to say about
Mayfair Remodeling. They completed the project efficiently,
professionally, and were a pleasure to work with throughout the
process. Stay tuned for more news on projects underway.

MEMORIALS AND HONORARIA

The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of David's
mother, Helen Barrand by David, Denise, and Drayton Barrand; and Dr. Patricia Healy
DeSear by her family.

*Mary Szurly is our flower memorial coordinator. Contact the church office if you are
interested in honoring a loved one with altar flowers.*

PARISH PRAYER LIST

Al	Evelyn & Steve Dyke	Midge
Alex Casazza	Family of Mary Ann	Milt
Alice	DeGraw	Nancy Schrempp
Amy Brink	Frank	Nancy Teichman
Anne	Frankye Crump	Pat
Barbara	Frederick Bruno	Paula Paulson
Bill Brancato	Gaye	Pauline Fiore & Family
Blanca Rojano	George & Shelley Mackey	Penny
Bob	Gretchen	Peter Flannery
Bob Bell	Gunnip Family	Prasse Family
Bob C.	Jack	Qian (Chen) Liu
Bruce	Jaime	Quinn
Bruce Neandross	Jamie Whaley	Richard Brunelle
Catherine	Jane Winer	Rick
Catherine O'Connell	Joanne	Robbie
Chris	John Berryman	Robert
Chris C.	John Mills	Robyn Pring
Christian	Juan	Rochelle Kilzy
Christina Olkowski	Julie & Jim Robertson	Ruth
Claire	June Bové	Ruthie
Connie	Justine and Tom Boylan	Sarah
Cookie C.	Kate	Sarah
Danikka Dillon & Family	Ken Thiess	Segovia Pasichniak
David Barrand	Kim Heitzenrater	Sophie
David Hawthorne	L Russ	Sr. Maureen Mitten
David Thurston	Lequan & Stephen Dudzik	Sue VanderPloeg
David Y.	Linda	The Rev. Dean Weber
Dawn	Lois Chapman	Thomas Maloney
Denny	Lora Salt	Valerie
Diane and Frank Barletta	Lori Cardinale	Vincent Colling
Diane Pring	Marcus Noble	Vincent Desimone
Dick Davies	Margaret	Virginia DuDeck
Donna	Maritza	Virginia Leahy
Doris	Marty Melamed	Wes Pace
Dorothea Hickey	Mary	Winston
Doug	Mary Ann Newcomb &	Yochio Kurahashi
Effie	Family	
Elizabeth Sofia	Matthew Garcia	
Ellen Ingber	Michael Colling	

We remember also those who have died, especially Pat DeSear, Norma Hensler, and Ted Wagner.

Prayer List Renewal

The prayer list has been refreshed for Pentecost. To add a name—whether for intercessions or thanksgivings—please contact the Parish Office.

ST. ELIZABETH'S STAFF & VESTRY

Rector

The Rev. D. Andrew Olivo

Assistant Rector

The Rev. Melina Dezhbod

Associate Priests

The Rev. Susan Schink

The Rev. Dr. Richard Sloan

Organist & Choirmaster

Garah Landes

Associate Choirmaster

Jennifer Hommez

Associate for Children, Youth, & Family Ministries

Beth Van Emburgh

Director of Finance & Administration

Grace Arscott

Parish Life Coordinator

Stephanie Doyle

Sexton

Fredy Reyes

Soloists

Jeffrey Castellano, Alicia Luick,

Daniel Peretto, Anastasia Swope

Wardens

Sandy Sullivan '28, Mike Dickson '27

Treasurer

Steve Gorey

Assistant Treasurer

Denise Barrand

Clerk

Catherine Carter

Vestry

Denise Barrand '27

Catherine Cardew '27

Bruce Firkins '27

Steve Gorey '27

Steve Anderson '28

Joan Cooke '28

Jeremy Sabella '28

Elizabeth Thauer '28

Christopher Aquilino '29

Catherine Carter '29

Stacy Wilson '29

Lauren Winter '29



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