

St. Peter's Church

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WELCOME to St. Peter's Church. We are glad you are here! The clergy and laity welcome all joining us for worship this morning in the Name of Christ. If you are new to our parish, please introduce yourself to the clergy and sign our guest book and give us a chance to get to know you. Please, join us in the celebration of the Holy Eucharist. All who seek God and are drawn to Christ are welcome at the Lord's Table. Come forward to the communion rail, stand or kneel to receive the bread in your hand. If you wish to receive only a blessing, cross your hands over your heart and the Priest will bless you.

Mission Statement: We are an inclusive, forward-looking Episcopal parish that seeks to grow in Christ through worship, education and fellowship, serves Christ by ministering to local and global communities and shares Christ in following His command to "Love one another as I have loved you." **Vision Statement:** Our vision at St. Peter's is to be an inclusive, vibrant Christian community honoring our Episcopal heritage by achieving excellence in worship, mission, education and fellowship.

+ We Gather In God's Presence +

[Silence for prayer and preparation] [* indicates all standing - + indicates all kneeling - **indicates all sitting]

Prelude

*Hymn **410** Praise my soul the King of heaven

Laudia anima

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

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

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

*Hymn of Praise 558

Faith of our fathers!

St. Catherine

The Lord be with you. And also with you. Let us pray. Collect of the Day O Lord, make us have perpetual love and reverence for your holy Name, for you never fail to help and govern those whom you have set upon the sure foundation of your loving-kindness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

+ We Listen To The Word Of God +

**First Reading - 1 Kings 19:1-4

Psalms **42, 43 read in unison at 8:00 and 10:00

**Second Reading - Galatians 3:23-29

*Hymn **493** O for a thousand tongues to sing

Azmon

*The Gospel - Luke 8:26-39

Sermon Fr. Sam

[Following the sermon, please observe a few moments of silence]

*The Nicene Creed We believe in one God, 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.

+ We Ask God To Listen To Our Prayers +

+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, we pray for Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury; Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Daniel, our Bishop; for this gathering; for all ministers, especially Sam our Rector; for David, our retired priest; Joseph, our Deacon; the Vestry; the congregation; and all those who participate in the ministries of the church. Lord, in your mercy: *Hear our prayer*.

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. We pray for our world leaders, especially Joseph, the President of our Country, Tom, the Governor of our Commonwealth; Antonio, the Secretary General of the United Nations and the men and women who are serving in our armed forces. We pray that they may work together to achieve justice and peace in the world. Lord, in your mercy: *Hear our prayer*.

Pray for all who struggle for freedom and wholeness around the world especially for the migrants and victims of human trafficking, and those who are fleeing violence, religious persecution and ethnic cleansing. Pray for our work in God's mission both in our neighborhood and in El Salvador with Cristosal Foundation. Lord, in your mercy: *Hear our prayer.*

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, *Hear our prayer*.

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. We ask your blessing especially for Michael Nagy, Tracy Parker, Brittany Alling, Robert Parker and Gary Russell who celebrate birthdays this week; Matthew and Annette Kiernan, Dave and Sue Meadows who celebrate wedding anniversaries this week. Lord, in your mercy, *Hear our prayer*.

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit. We remember especially: John, Pat, Peter, Joan, Vernet, Lane, Joyce, Karen, Georgette, Joseph, Leah, Mary, John, Diana, Melissa, Peggy, Carol, Dawn, Stephanie, Sandi, Charles, Shawn, Ben, Cathy and Jenn. (You may add the names of the people who weigh in your heart at this time.) silence Give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation. Lord, in your mercy, Hear our prayer.

We commend to your mercy all who have died, (you may add names of people close to you who have died recently.) silence 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, **Hear our prayer.**

This Father's Day we remember the many sacrifices fathers make for their children and families, and the ways--both big and small--they lift children to achieve dreams thought beyond reach.

So too, we remember all those who have helped fill the void when fathers pass early or are absent; grandfathers and uncles, brothers and cousins, teachers, pastors and coaches and the women of our families.

For those who are fathers, we ask for wisdom and humility in the face of the task of parenting. Give them the strength to do well by their children and by You. We ask for Your blessings on them all and forgiveness where it is needed.

In Your Holy name, O God, we pray. *Amen.* [The celebrant adds a concluding collect]

*Confession and Absolution Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor. **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.

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. *Amen*.

Donald L.

The institution of a new chapter and admission of members Installation of Daughters of the King Officers Installation of Daughters of the King Chaplain

*Hymn **473** Lift high the cross Crucifer

*The Peace The peace of the Lord be always with you. And also with you.

Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.

Offertory Amazing Grace arr. Paul Bowman

Hymn 380 vs. 3 Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host: praise Father, Son, and Holy

Ghost.

+ We Share Holy Communion +

*The Great Thanksgiving [The people remain standing.]

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give him thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. 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 S125 Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.

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."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith: S135 Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

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, now and for ever. **S146** *AMEN*.

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

Lord's Prayer 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.

Christ our Passover S155 Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us; therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia, alleluia.

Prayer of humble access: We do not presume to come to this your table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in your abundant and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under your table; but you are the same Lord whose character is always to have mercy. Grant us, therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body, and our souls washed through his most precious blood, and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

+The Communion of the People

Hymn **686** Come, thou fount of every blessing

Hymn **325** Let us break bread together

Nettleton Let Us Break Bread +Post Communion Prayer Let us pray. Lord of the Feast, we thank you for gathering us as your people. We call to remembrance the many times we have been fed at your table and we lament our distance now. Be present Lord Jesus as you were present with your disciples, be known to us in the breaking of the bread, and may your Holy Spirit sustain us and all your Church until we can gather together again. We ask this for the sake of your love. Amen.

+ God Sends Us To Love and Serve Each Other +

+The Blessing

**Announcements

* Hymn **690** Guide me O thou great Jehovah Cwm Rhondda

*Dismissal

Postlude

Intercessions This Week - Please pray: • For those who are sick, or in any other adversity, John Burkhardt, Pat Howse, Peter Fifer, Joan Grunwell, Vernet Spence-Brown, Lane Schultz, Joyce Paster, Karen Greene, Georgette Druckenmiller, Joseph Ndungu, Leah Githua, Mary Gibbons, John Coupe IV, Diana Novi, Melissa Boukalik, Peggy Green, Carol Russell, Dawn Rhoads, Stephanie Green, Sandi Spadt, Charles Kemmerer, Danielle Jouenne, Shawn, Ben, Cathy and Jenn. • For the men and women who are serving in our armed forces. • For those with whom we give thanks especially, Michael Nagy, Tracy Parker, Brittany Alling, Robert Parker and Gary Russell who celebrate birthdays this week; Matthew and Annette Kiernan, Dave and Sue Meadows who celebrate wedding anniversaries this week. • For all who have died.

<u>Celebrate Our New Members</u> On Sunday, June 26 at the 10:00 service, we will introduce and recognize our newest members. We will have a special coffee hour and our newcomers will receive a blessing. Because of the pandemic restrictions, we did not have a celebration last year. If you have joined Saint Peter's within the past 2 years and would like to be recognized, please contact the church office at saintpetersphoenix@gmail.com or Judi Hans at JudithHans@comcast.net.

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1 Kings 19:1-4

Ahab told Jezebel all that Elijah had done, and how he had killed all the prophets with the sword. Then Jezebel sent a messenger to Elijah, saying, "So may the gods do to me, and more also, if I do not

make your life like the life of one of them by this time tomorrow." Then he was afraid; he got up and fled for his life, and came to Beersheba, which belongs to Judah; he left his servant there. But he himself went a day's journey into the wilderness, and came and sat down under a solitary broom tree. He asked that he might die: "It is enough; now, O Lord, take away my life, for I am no better than my ancestors."

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Psalm 42

¹ As the deer longs for the water-brooks, * so longs my soul for you, O God.

² My soul is athirst for God, athirst for the living God; *

when shall I come to appear before the presence of God?

³ My tears have been my food day and night, *

while all day long they say to me, "Where now is your God?"

⁴ I pour out my soul when I think on these things: *

how I went with the multitude and led them into the house of God,

⁵ With the voice of praise and thanksgiving, * among those who keep holy-day.

⁶ Why are you so full of heaviness, O my soul? *

and why are you so disquieted within me?

⁷ Put your trust in God; *

for I will yet give thanks to him, who is the help of my countenance, and my God.

⁸ My soul is heavy within me; *

therefore I will remember you from the land of Jordan, and from the peak of Mizar among the heights of Hermon.

⁹ One deep calls to another in the noise of your cataracts; *

all your rapids and floods have gone over me.

¹⁰ The Lord grants his loving-kindness in the daytime; *

in the night season his song is with me, a prayer to the God of my life.

¹¹ I will say to the God of my strength, "Why have you forgotten me? * and why do I go so heavily while the enemy oppresses me?"

¹² While my bones are being broken, *

my enemies mock me to my face;

¹³ All day long they mock me *

and say to me, "Where now is your God?"

¹⁴ Why are you so full of heaviness, O my soul? * and why are you so disquieted within me?

¹⁵ Put your trust in God; *

for I will yet give thanks to him, who is the help of my countenance, and my God.

Psalm 43

- ¹ Give judgment for me, O God, and defend my cause against an ungodly people; * deliver me from the deceitful and the wicked.
- ² For you are the God of my strength; why have you put me from you? * and why do I go so heavily while the enemy oppresses me?

³ Send out your light and your truth, that they may lead me, *

and bring me to your holy hill and to your dwelling;

- ⁴ That I may go to the altar of God, to the God of my joy and gladness; * and on the harp I will give thanks to you, O God my God.
- ⁵ Why are you so full of heaviness, O my soul? * and why are you so disquieted within me?

⁶ Put your trust in God; *

for I will yet give thanks to him, who is the help of my countenance, and my God.

Now before faith came, we were imprisoned and guarded under the law until faith would be revealed. Therefore the law was our disciplinarian until Christ came, so that we might be justified by faith. But now that faith has come, we are no longer subject to a disciplinarian, for in Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith. As many of you as were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ. There is no longer Jew or Greek, there is no longer slave or free, there is no longer male and female; for all of you are one in Christ Jesus. And if you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham's offspring, heirs according to the promise.

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Luke 8:26-39

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke. Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Then they arrived at the country of the Gerasenes, which is opposite Galilee. As he stepped out on land, a man of the city who had demons met him. For a long time he had worn no clothes, and he did not live in a house but in the tombs. When he saw Jesus, he fell down before him and shouted at the top of his voice, "What have you to do with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beg you, do not torment me" for Jesus had commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man. (For many times it had seized him; he was kept under guard and bound with chains and shackles, but he would break the bonds and be driven by the demon into the wilds.) Jesus then asked him, "What is your name?" He said, "Legion"; for many demons had entered him. They begged him not to order them to go back into the abyss. Now there on the hillside a large herd of swine was feeding; and the demons begged Jesus to let them enter these. So he gave them permission. Then the demons came out of the man and entered the swine, and the herd rushed down the steep bank into the lake and was drowned. When the swineherds saw what had happened, they ran off and told it in the city and in the country. Then people came out to see what had happened, and when they came to Jesus, they found the man from whom the demons had gone sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed and in his right mind. And they were afraid. Those who had seen it told them how the one who had been possessed by demons had been healed. Then all the people of the surrounding country of the Gerasenes asked Jesus to leave them; for they were seized with great fear. So he got into the boat and returned. The man from whom the demons had gone begged that he might be with him; but Jesus sent him away, saying, "Return to your home, and declare how much God has done for you." So he went away, proclaiming throughout the city how much Jesus had done for him.

[following the reading] The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**