



ST. PETER'S CHURCH

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The Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost - 2 October 2022

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

Celebrant: + In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.
I will go unto the altar of our God:

All: Even unto the God of my joy and gladness.

*Hymn 400 *All creatures of our God and King* Lasst uns erfreuen

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 our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Glory to God **S280** [front of blue hymnal] **Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth. Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Lord Jesus Christ only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.** Let us pray. Collect of the Day **Almighty and everlasting God, you are always more ready to hear than we to pray, and to give more than we either desire or deserve: Pour upon us the abundance of your mercy, forgiving us those things of which our conscience is afraid, and giving us those good things for which we are not worthy to ask, except through the merits and mediation of Jesus Christ our Savior; 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 – **Habakkuk 1:1-4, 2:1-4

Psalm **37:1-10 [read at 8:00; sung at 10:00]

Second Reading – **2 Timothy 1:1-14

*Hymn 416 *For the beauty of the earth* Lucerna Laudoniae

*The Gospel – **Luke 17:5-10**

Sermon: Fr. Sam

*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 + [*The Leader and People pray responsively*]

+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 clergy; 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 Nation, 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 Curt Quaintance, Marjorie Hairsine, Karen Hartman, Diane Hope and Karen Reid who celebrate birthdays 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, Lane, Karen, Georgette, Joseph, Leah, Mary, John, Diana, Melissa, Peggy, Dawn, Stephanie, Sandi, Charles, Wendy, Frances, Amy, Cathy, John, Shawn, Ben, Cathy and Jenn.** (*You may add the names of the people who weigh in your heart at this time.*) 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 especially Winifred Murray. (*you may add names of people close to you who have died recently.*) 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.**

[*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.**

*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 *Morning has broken*

Doxology **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.

Celebrant: Pray, brethren, that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

All: *May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all God's holy Church.*

+ 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: ***Sanctus 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 Saint Peter, our patron, Saint Paul and 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, ***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.***

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

+Communion of the People Hymn **554** *Tis the gift to be simple* Simple Gifts
 Hymn **325** *Let us break bread together on our knees* Let Us Break Bread

+Post Communion Prayer Let us pray. ***Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.***

+The Blessing

Announcements

*Hymn 405

All things bright and beautiful

Royal Oak

*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, Lane Schultz, Karen Greene, Georgette Druckenmiller, Joseph Ndungu, Leah Githua, Mary Gibbons, John Coupe IV, Diana Novi, Melissa Boukalik, Peggy Green, Dawn Rhoads, Stephanie Green, Sandi Spadt, Charles Kemmerer, Wendy Hendrickson, Frances Stengel, Amy Foerster, Cathy Sullens, John, 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 for Curt Quaintance, Marjorie Hairsine, Karen Hartman, Diane Hope and Karen Reid who celebrate birthdays this week. • **For** all who have died, especially Winifred Murray.

Next Saturday - October 8th from 6 to 9pm Cristosal event/fundraiser at St. Peter's. There will be great Central American food. Also, Cristosal's director, Noah Bullock, will be the guest of honor. He will brief us on Cristosal's role in promoting socially just outcomes in the face of societal strife in Central America. Hope to see you on the 8th!

Coffee Hour Volunteers - We so enjoy our time after the service to have some fellowship with each other at Coffee Hour. Please consider lending a hand for a Sunday, by either arriving a little early for the service to help with set-up, or assisting with cleaning up. A sign-up sheet is available downstairs in the Smith Room. A few extras hands are always welcome!

Joyous News! A date has been set for Father Sam's installation service. Please save the date for **Saturday, October 29, 2022** for our celebration with the Bishop. The service will commence at **10:00 a.m.** and a reception will follow the service. We will all look forward to formally welcoming Father Sam as our new rector on that day.

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Habakkuk 1:1–4; 2:1–4

The oracle that the prophet Habakkuk saw. O Lord, how long shall I cry for help, and you will not listen? Or cry to you “Violence!” and you will not save? Why do you make me see wrongdoing and look at trouble? Destruction and violence are before me; strife and contention arise. So the law becomes slack and justice never prevails. The wicked surround the righteous—therefore judgment comes forth perverted.

I will stand at my watchpost, and station myself on the rampart; I will keep watch to see what he will say to me, and what he will answer concerning my complaint. Then the Lord answered me and said: Write the vision; make it plain on tablets, so that a runner may read it. For there is still a vision for the appointed time; it speaks of the end, and does not lie. If it seems to tarry, wait for it; it will surely come, it will not delay. Look at the proud! Their spirit is not right in them, but the righteous live by their faith.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 37:1-10



- 1 Do not fret yourself because of evil | doers; *
do not be jealous of those who do | wrong.
- 2 For they shall soon wither like the | grass, *
and like the green grass fade | away.
- 3 Put your trust in the Lord and do | good; *
dwell in the land and feed on its | riches.
- 4 Take delight in the | Lord, *
and he shall give you your heart's | desire.
- 5 Commit your way to the Lord and put your trust in | him, *
and he will bring it to | pass.
- 6 He will make your righteousness as clear as the | light *
and your just dealing as the | noonday.
- 7 Be still before the | Lord *
and wait patiently for | him.
- 8 Do not fret yourself over the one who | prospers, *
the one who succeeds in evil | schemes.
- 9 Refrain from anger, leave rage a | lone; *
do not fret yourself; it leads only to | evil.
- 10 For evildoers shall be cut | off, *
but those who wait upon the Lord shall possess the | land.

2 Timothy 1:1–14

Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, for the sake of the promise of life that is in Christ Jesus, To Timothy, my beloved child: Grace, mercy, and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord. I am grateful to God—whom I worship with a clear conscience, as my ancestors did—when I remember you constantly in my prayers night and day. Recalling your tears, I long to see you so that I may be filled with joy. I am reminded of your sincere faith, a faith that lived first in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice and now, I am sure, lives in you. For this reason I remind you to rekindle the gift of God that is within you through the laying on of my hands; for God did not give us a spirit of cowardice, but rather a spirit of power and of love and of self-discipline. Do not be ashamed, then, of the testimony about our Lord or of me his prisoner, but join with me in suffering for the gospel, relying on the power of God, who saved us and called us with a holy calling, not according to our works but according to his own purpose and grace. This grace was given to us in Christ Jesus before the ages began, but it has now been revealed through the appearing of our Savior Christ Jesus, who abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel. For this gospel I was appointed a herald and an apostle and a teacher, and for this reason I suffer as I do. But I am not ashamed, for I know the one in whom I have put my trust, and I am sure that he is able to guard until that day what I have entrusted to him. Hold to the standard of sound

teaching that you have heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. Guard the good treasure entrusted to you, with the help of the Holy Spirit living in us.

The Word of the Lord. ***Thanks be to God.***

Luke 17:5–10

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

The apostles said to the Lord, “Increase our faith!” The Lord replied, “If you had faith the size of a mustard seed, you could say to this mulberry tree, ‘Be uprooted and planted in the sea,’ and it would obey you. Who among you would say to your slave who has just come in from plowing or tending sheep in the field, ‘Come here at once and take your place at the table’? Would you not rather say to him, ‘Prepare supper for me, put on your apron and serve me while I eat and drink; later you may eat and drink’? Do you thank the slave for doing what was commanded? So you also, when you have done all that you were ordered to do, say, ‘We are worthless slaves; we have done only what we ought to have done!’ ”

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