



May 14, 2017

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite I
10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite II

Saint Peter's Episcopal Church
Hebron, Connecticut

Guest Celebrant: The Rev. James Speer
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8:00 a.m. HOLY EUCHARIST Rite I

WE COME TOGETHER TO PROCLAIM THE WORD OF GOD

We Glorify God

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ is risen.
People ***The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.***

The collect for purity and summary of the law BCP page 323
The Gloria BCP page 324
The Collect for Fifth Sunday of Easter BCP page 173

We Listen to God's Word

The Readings for Fifth Sunday of Easter (*The readings may be found on the last page of the bulletin*)
The Sermon

We Proclaim Our Belief

The Nicene Creed BCP page 326

We Offer Prayers of Intercession, Thanksgiving and Confession

The Prayers of the People BCP page 329
Following the Prayers of the People please join in saying a prayer for guidance during our time of transition:

Almighty and everliving God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth, hear our prayers for this parish family. Grant us, in this time of transition, the grace to ask what thou would have us to do. Grant peace and confidence to the uncertain. Guide us as we discern the needs of our parish family and your mission for St. Peter's. Inspire our witness to Jesus Christ and bring us all to be of one heart and mind within your holy church; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

We Are Reconciled to One Another through God's Love and Forgiveness

The Peace

WE COME TOGETHER TO CELEBRATE THE HOLY COMMUNION

We Offer Our Gifts to God

Bread and wine for our Eucharistic meal are brought to the altar on behalf of the gathered body.
The ushers collect the offering of gifts from the people and present them at the altar as an offering to God

We Proclaim Our Faith

The Eucharistic Prayer I BCP page 333
The Lord's Prayer BCP page 336

We Share Communion

The Breaking of the Bread and Invitation to Communion BCP page 337

We Are Sent Out Into the World

The Prayer of Mission BCP page 339
The Easter Blessing (*May be found on page 3 of this bulletin*)

The Dismissal Let us go forth in the name of the risen Christ. Alleluia. Alleluia.
People ***Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia.***

10:00 a.m. HOLY EUCHARIST Rite II

Prelude: "Tiento XX de falsas"

Juan Bautista Cabanilles

WE COME TOGETHER TO PROCLAIM THE WORD OF GOD

We Glorify God

Gathering Hymn #518 "Christ is made the sure foundation"

Westminster Abby

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People ***The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.***

The Collect for Purity

BCP page 355

Glory to God: #S-280 "Glory to God"

Powell

The Collect for Fifth Sunday in Easter

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We Listen to God's Word

The Readings for Fifth Sunday of Easter (*The readings may be found on the last page of the bulletin*)

Sequence Anthem: "Built on a Rock"

Jay Althouse

The Sermon

The Rev. Jim Speer

We Proclaim Our Belief

The Nicene Creed

BCP page 358

We Offer Prayers of Intercession and Thanksgiving

The Prayers of the People (Form III)

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;

That we all may be one.

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

That your Name may be glorified by all people.

We pray for Justin, the Archbishop of Canterbury; Michael, the Presiding Bishop;

Ian and Laura, our bishops; for Perry our priest; and for all bishops, priests & deacons;

That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world.

That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

That our works may find favor in your sight.

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;

That they may be delivered from their distress.

Give to the departed eternal rest;

Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise your saints who have entered into joy;

May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

Please join in saying a prayer for guidance during our time of transition:

Almighty and everliving God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth, hear our prayers for this parish family. Grant us, in this time of transition, the grace to ask what thou would have us to do. Grant peace and confidence to the uncertain. Guide us as we discern the needs of our parish family and your mission for St. Peter's. Inspire our witness to Jesus Christ and bring us all to be of one heart and mind within your holy church; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

After the Intercessor has added prayers from our prayer list on behalf of our parish, members of the congregation are invited to add their own prayers of intercession and thanksgiving either silently or out loud.

We Are Reconciled to One Another through God's Love and Forgiveness

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of God be always with you.
People ***And also with you.***

WE COME TOGETHER TO CELEBRATE THE HOLY COMMUNION

We Offer Our Gifts to God

Offertory Hymn #490 "I want to walk as a child of the light"

Houston

Bread and wine for our Eucharistic meal are brought to the altar on behalf of the gathered body.

The ushers collect the offering of gifts and present them at the altar as an offering to God

Celebrant All things come of thee, O Lord.
People ***And of thine own have we given thee.***

We Give God Thanks

The Eucharistic Prayer A

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The Sanctus: #S-130 "Holy, holy, holy Lord"

Schubert

The Lord's Prayer

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We Share Communion

The Breaking of the Bread: **Fraction Anthem #S-154**

Hurd

The people come forward to receive the bread and the wine

Communion Anthem: "Adagio"

John Bennett

We Are Sent Out Into the World

The Prayer of Mission

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The Easter Blessing

May Almighty God, who has redeemed us and made us children through the resurrection of the Son our Lord, bestow upon you the riches of God's blessing. ***Amen.***

May God, who through the water of baptism has raised us from sin into newness of life, make you holy and worthy to be united with Christ for ever. ***Amen.***

May God, who has brought us out of bondage to sin into true and lasting freedom in the Redeemer, bring you to your eternal inheritance. ***Amen.***

And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. ***Amen.***

Mission Hymn #194 "Jesus lives! Thy terrors now"

St. Albinus

The Dismissal Let us go forth in the name of the risen Christ. Alleluia. Alleluia.
People ***Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia.***

The Episcopal Church welcomes all worshippers, regardless of age or denomination, to join us at the altar rail for Communion. If you choose not to receive the Sacrament, we invite you to come forward at the time of Communion to receive a blessing. If you are unable to come to the Communion rail, please inform the usher and Communion will be brought to you at your pew. Note for persons with allergies or medical conditions: Consecrated gluten-free wafers are available at Communion from the priest on request.

Note: Our gluten-free wafers are also free of wheat, casein, dairy, nut, egg, yeast and soy.

Postlude: "Dialogo per Organo"

Adriano Banchieri

PARISH FAMILY REMEMBRANCES AND THANKSGIVINGS ~ MAY 14, 2017

We pray for our clergy: Justin, the Archbishop of Canterbury; Michael, the Presiding Bishop; Ian and Laura, the Bishops of Connecticut; Father Jim Speer, our celebrant today, and for all bishops, priests and deacons;

In St Peter's Cycle of Prayer we pray for all our parish family and especially for those who celebrate their birthdays this week: Joan Hamilton (5/17), Georgette Conrad (5/19), Lydia Myers (5/14), Mark Houle (5/20);

In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer we pray for St. Andrew's, New Haven; St. James', New Haven; St. John's, New Haven; St. Luke's, New Haven; Companions in Mission for Publishing & Communication, Education for Ministry leaders and students

Current Prayer List

Prayers added the week of May 14: Lee Grenier; John Burton; Ralph, Jackie; Christine Flanagan, Carolyn Mencucci; Edward Murray, Susie, Henry Jones, Sam Docker, Michael Docker, Nicole, Brian, Taylor and Brian Benson, The Caprara Family; Dawn; Christina; Sandra Hastings; The MacDonough Family; Rod & Janice Lambeth; Charles; The Conrad families, Deanne & John Bowen; Danielle, Chantelle and Kayleigh; Louis Domingue, Bob and Barbara LaMay, Jim Vicevich, Bob & Bev Winter, Connie Rich, Florence Coulombe, Mike Duval, and Donna Doyker; Aly, Steffi; Susan; Elizabeth, Kim, Andrée, Dianna Tedesco; the Bossi and Liska families, Barbara and Family; Maidey and Ken, Everette; Jeanne, Sam; Helen and Family; Karen Emmons;

Prayers added the week of May 7: Joan Hamilton, Dianne Sayers & Linda Sayers Reynolds, Keith; Karen L., Barbara; Mike, Tom; Sienna Roper; Jim & Marilyn Kew, Phil, Toni; Stephanie; Irene; Victoria, Paulette Likoudis, Bill, Walter, Melissa, Maidey, Jane, Jim & Bernie, Anna C.; John & the Romero family; Kelly; Tiffany Nicole, Chris; John & Sue; Lauren, Jeni, Kile, Lianie, Dana; Gina; Eva & Bill; The Gentino Family; Justin, Stephanie; Grace; Peter, the Kell family; Sam Downey;

Prayers added the week of April 30: Jeremy, Gareth Bromell, Liz, John, Kathleen, Bill & June, Wendy, Phil Patros; Jennifer, Frank Tomlinson; Derek, Nicky and Jackie, Cheryl F., Matt; Jules Bessette; Ruth Wilson, Diane; Joe, Cee-Cee; Dorothy; Dick Sage, Kathy; Julia, Dave; a Dear Friend; Emil & Annie; Ms. Kamins; Barbara Potterton;

We pray for all caregivers who selflessly give of themselves to care for loved-ones;

We pray for all people suffering hunger, fear & displacement due to war and natural disaster;

We pray for all with financial problems; those who have lost their jobs and homes; for the well-being of our families during life's changes; all who have suffered trauma; those who are ill, lonely or grieving; our veterans; all who travel; all those suffering with cancer; anyone who is hospitalized or disabled; those affected by natural disasters; and all abused, neglected and missing children.

We pray for law enforcement officers.

We pray for healing and peace.

We pray for our whole nation: for peace, non-violence, and healing

We pray for our service men and women throughout the world.

We pray for all who have died.

We give thanks for the many blessings of our lives and the joy we experience in our relationship with God.

We are happy to welcome back Fr. Jim Speer who, a few years ago, joined us on Sundays to celebrate the Holy Eucharist during Fr. Perry's illness. Please be sure to come to coffee hour to say Hello and Welcome Back

Stewardship Corner

Our Vision:

**“Welcoming all.
Serving our Community.
Connecting with Others”**

We are "Serving our Community" locally and throughout the World

- The Food donations in May are designated for the **Marlborough Food Pantry**.
- We are also always accepting clothing, magazines (cut off the address label, please), kitchen utensils and items for personal hygiene for the **Brooklyn Bridge project** which helps men recently released from prison to re-enter society.
- **Cathie Litwin is currently representing St. Peter's on the local Andover, Columbia, Hebron, Marlborough (ACHM) Hunger Action Team.** The group is responding to the hunger needs that confront our communities. Watch for more updates and how you can be a part of the response!
- **Candace, Emma and Tim O'Shea have joined Jack Gasper in participating in the newly created Adventure Trail sponsored jointly by AHM and St. Peter's.** The trail is located on St. Peter's property that lies adjacent to the large parking area across the street from the church. We invite you to take some time later this year to experience the trail for yourself and perhaps be involved the future development of the site.

If you or someone you know from St. Peter's is serving our community, please let us know.

*We would like to let others know how you are living out your call
to participate with God in God's mission to the world!*

Parish News

Youth Group Formation:

St. Peter's is beginning a **youth group** for middle, high school (and above) youth! There will be a short meeting on **MAY 21 after the 10 a.m. service** to discuss our plans. Please join us.

The Plant and Garden sale was another humdinger! The Hall looked like a Botanical Garden! Many, many thanks are due to all the helpers, too numerous to mention, who helped unload, set up, help with sales, cash out, clean up and reload. If I have forgotten anything forgive me.
You were all wonderful and so appreciated.

Thank you!

Community Dinner May 20th - St. Peter's next dinner will be the internationally acclaimed **Italian Dinner**. Help is always needed with set up and preparation, serving and clean-up. Please speak with Marcia or Chuck Eaton to see how you can help

Photos for Directory – If you would like your picture to appear in our new Directory but you don't have a photograph, Kathy Kniep will be available at coffee hour to snap your photo.

Women's Club - The next meeting of the St. Peter's Women's Club will be held on Monday, May 15th at 7:00 at Candace O'Shea's home, 106 Jennifer Drive, Hebron. We'd like to plan some fun events for the summer. If you have a suggestion, bring it along! You can call Candace at 860-228-4156 for directions or more info. Come join us for good food and good conversation. Everyone is welcome!

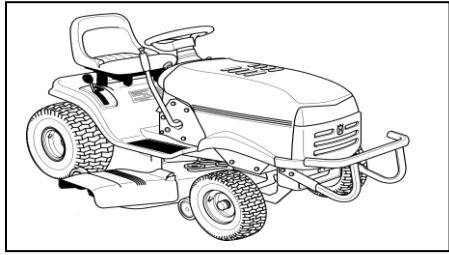
The Weekly Weeders are back in business again! Now that the weather is nice, come join us and help keep our Memorial Garden beautiful! We meet every Monday evening from 6:30 to 7:20. We do what we can in 50 minutes and close up shop at 7:30. Then we usually stick around and chat for a while - very nice! Bring your gardening gloves and whatever tools you normally use to weed like clippers, trowels, scratchers, rakes, etc., as well as a hat and bug spray. We have extra tools if you need them. It's a nice way to get outside, visit with friends, and keep our garden looking beautiful!

Parishioners who would love a visit or a card

- **Dianne Sayers' new address: Canterbury Woods, Apt. B302, 715 Renaissance Drive, Williamsville, NY 14221; (716-906-3738; dianne_sayers@yahoo.com (underscore between dianne and sayers)).**
- **Natalie Perry:** Natalie has moved in with Dan and Kelly Perry. 51 Cirillo Drive, Colchester 06415
- **Beverly Winters loves receiving cards!** So please think of her and send her a card.
Beverly Winters
Harrington Court
59 Harrington Court,
Colchester, CT 06415
- **Emil Caron** is at Marlborough Rehab Center and loves to receive cards.
Emil Caron
Marlborough Health and Rehabilitation Center
85 Stage Harbor Road
Marlborough, CT 06447

Vacation Bible School (VBS), an ecumenical fun-filled week for children (ages K-6), will be held at Gilead Congregational Church from July 24-28 from 9 a.m. to 12:30. Our theme this year is "Hero Central: Discovering your Strength in God". The mascot is Flame the Red Panda. Super Hero costumes, songs, arts and crafts, fun decorations, snacks, and another great missions' project are on tap for this year. Registration forms are on the back table. For more information, please call Barbara Parkyn 860-228-3860 or the office.

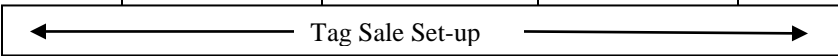
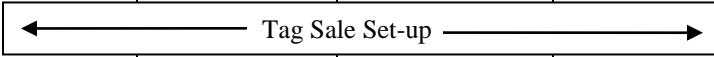
The grass is growing! Help needed!



The Building & Grounds Committee is looking for volunteers to help with cutting the grass at the Church/Phelps Hall and at the Rectory. We are down a few volunteers this coming year, and while we were able to keep up with the Church and Hall last year, the grass at the Rectory was only mowed a total of four times. Without additional volunteers, we may need to hire somebody to handle the Rectory.

A new John Deere riding lawn mower, self-propelled hand mower, and a gas trimmer are kept in the sheds at Phelps Hall and at the Rectory (yes, one set for each location, but no new John Deere at the Rectory) for your use. Gasoline is also stored in both sheds. We will gladly give you some orientation with the equipment so that you'll find it easy to operate. It takes approximately 2 hours at either location for one person to do, and about ½ that time for two people. We have had some couples volunteer, so feel free to talk your spouse into helping. We're asking that people volunteer to mow one of the locations a total of two times over the mowing season. Mowing is usually completed late in the week (Thursday, Friday, Saturday) at your convenience (several of the volunteers chose to mow after work). You will be provided a key to the shed so you may come and go as you please. We draft up a schedule for the entire mowing season, taking into account vacations and other unavailable time for each of the volunteers. The draft schedule is sent to all volunteers for a final review. This way, each volunteer will know weeks or months in advance of their schedule. Volunteers will have a list of contact phone numbers and emails in case an unexpected issue comes up, so they may switch mowing dates. Please feel free to contact Curt Kraemer (860-537-4517) without feeling that you're going to have to say yes. Please feel free to contact any member of the Building and Grounds Commission as well. Please give this some consideration, we're only talking about 4 hours of your time over a six-month period.

MAY/JUNE

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
May 14 EASTER 5 Holy Eucharist 8 & 10 Church School	May 15 Weekly Weeders 6:30-7:20 pm Fundraising Mtg. 7 pm Cemetery Association Meeting 7 pm	May 16 Choir practice 6:30 pm	May 17	May 18	May 19	May 20 Interment Italian Dinner
May 21 EASTER 6 Rogation Sunday Holy Eucharist 8 & 10 Last day of Church School Girl Scouts (KS)	May 22 Weekly Weeders 6:30-7:20 pm	May 23 Choir practice 6:30 pm Boy Scouts 7 p.m.	May 24	May 25	May 26	May 27
May 28 EASTER 7 Holy Eucharist 8 & 10	May 29 Weekly Weeders 6:30-7:20 pm	May 30 Choir practice 6:30 pm	May 31	June 1	June 2	June 3
						
June 4 DAY OF PENTECOST Holy Eucharist 8 & 10	June 5 Weekly Weeders 6:30-7:20 pm	June 6 Choir practice 6:30 pm	June 7 Buildings & Grounds 7 p.m.	June 8	June 9 Tag Sale	June 10 Tag Sale
						
June 11 PENTECOST 1 (TRINITY SUNDAY) Holy Eucharist 8 & 10	June 12 Vestry 7 pm Weekly Weeders 6:30-7:20 pm	June 13 Choir practice 6:30 pm	June 14	June 15	June 16	June 17 Community Dinner

The Readings for the Fifth Sunday of Easter

The Collect

Almighty God, whom truly to know is everlasting life: Grant us so perfectly to know your Son Jesus Christ to be the way, the truth, and the life, that we may steadfastly follow his steps in the way that leads to eternal life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

The First Lesson: Acts 7:55-60

Filled with the Holy Spirit, Stephen gazed into heaven and saw the glory of God and Jesus standing at the right hand of God. "Look," he said, "I see the heavens opened and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God!" But they covered their ears, and with a loud shout all rushed together against him. Then they dragged him out of the city and began to stone him; and the witnesses laid their coats at the feet of a young man named Saul. While they were stoning Stephen, he prayed, "Lord Jesus, receive my spirit." Then he knelt down and cried out in a loud voice, "Lord, do not hold this sin against them." When he had said this, he died.

The Psalm: Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16

- 1 In you, O LORD, have I taken refuge;
let me never be put to shame; *
deliver me in your righteousness.
- 2 Incline your ear to me; *
make haste to deliver me.
- 3 Be my strong rock, a castle to keep me safe,
for you are my crag and my stronghold; *
for the sake of your Name, lead me and guide me.
- 4 Take me out of the net that they have secretly set for me, *
for you are my tower of strength.
- 5 Into your hands I commend my spirit, *
for you have redeemed me,
O LORD, O God of truth.
- 15 My times are in your hand; *
rescue me from the hand of my enemies,
and from those who persecute me.
- 16 Make your face to shine upon your servant, *
and in your loving-kindness save me."

The Epistle: 1 Peter 2:2-10

Like newborn infants, long for the pure, spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow into salvation— if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good.

Come to him, a living stone, though rejected by mortals yet chosen and precious in God's sight, and like living stones, let yourselves be built into a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. For it stands in scripture:

“See, I am laying in Zion a stone,
a cornerstone chosen and precious;
and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame.”

To you then who believe, he is precious; but for those who do not believe,
“The stone that the builders rejected
has become the very head of the corner”,
and

“A stone that makes them stumble,
and a rock that makes them fall.”

They stumble because they disobey the word, as they were destined to do.

But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's own people, in order that you may proclaim the mighty acts of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light.

Once you were not a people,
but now you are God's people;
once you had not received mercy,
but now you have received mercy.

The Gospel: John 14:1-14

Jesus said, “Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father's house there are many dwelling places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. And you know the way to the place where I am going.” Thomas said to him, “Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?” Jesus said to him, “I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. If you know me, you will know my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him.”

Philip said to him, “Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied.” Jesus said to him, “Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, ‘Show us the Father’? Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it.”