



February 28, 2016

THE THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT
8:00 a.m. HOLY EUCHARIST Rite I
10:00 a.m. HOLY EUCHARIST Rite II

Saint Peter's Episcopal Church
Hebron, Connecticut
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THE THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT
8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite I

A PENITENTIAL ORDER

We Prepare Ourselves with Reflection and Confession to Observe a Holy Lent

Celebrant Bless the Lord who forgiveth all our sins

People ***His mercy endureth forever.***

The Decalogue and Summary of the Law

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The Confession and Absolution

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THE WORD OF GOD

We Listen to God's Word

The Collect for the Day and Readings from the Lectionary (*Readings may be found on the last page of the bulletin*)

The Sermon

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We Proclaim Our Belief

The Nicene Creed

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We Offer Prayers of Intercession, and Thanksgiving

The Prayers of the People

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

The Peace

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

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The people come forward to receive the bread and the wine

The Communion

We Are Sent Out Into the World

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The Lenten Blessing:

Holy eternal Majesty,
Holy incarnate Word,
Holy abiding Spirit,
Bless you for evermore. ***Amen.***

The Dismissal

Let us bless the Lord.

People

Thanks be to God.

10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite II

A PENITENTIAL ORDER

We Prepare Ourselves with Reflection and Confession to Observe a Holy Lent

Opening Hymn #392 “Come, we that love the Lord”

Celebrant Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins

People ***His mercy endures forever.***

The Decalogue and Summary of the Law

The Confession and Absolution

Kyrie: WLP #840 “Kyrie”

Vineyard Haven

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Pulkingham

THE WORD OF GOD

We Listen to God’s Word

The Collect for the Day and Readings from the Lectionary (*Readings may be found on the last page of the bulletin*)

Sequence Anthem: “Be Still and Know that I am God”

Lantz

The Sermon

The Reverend Everett Perine

We Proclaim Our Belief

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We Offer Prayers of Intercession, and Thanksgiving

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

The Peace

THE HOLY COMMUNION

We Offer Our Gifts to God

Offertory Hymn #143 (verses 1-4) "The glory of these forty days"

Erhalt uns, Herr

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

We Proclaim Our Faith

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 Come Together to Share Communion

The Breaking of the Bread: **WLP #825** "Bless the Lord my soul" (*Sung 3 times*)

Taize

Musical notation for the hymn "Bless the Lord my soul" in 4/4 time. The first system shows the melody and bass line with the lyrics: "Bless the Lord my soul and bless God's ho - ly name." The second system continues the melody and bass line with the lyrics: "Bless the Lord my soul, Who leads me in - to life."

The Invitation to Communion (*The people come forward to receive the bread and the wine*)

The Communion

Communion Hymn: "Jesus, remember me" (*Sung 3 times*)

Taize

Musical notation for the hymn "Jesus Remember Me" in 3/4 time. The title is "Jesus Remember Me" and it is an "Ostinato Refrain". The melody and bass line are shown with the lyrics: "Je - sus, re - mem - ber me when you come in - to your King - dom." and "Je - sus, re - mem - ber me when you come in - to your King - dom." Below the notation, it says "Text: Luke 23:42; Taize Community, 1981" and "Tune: Jacques Berthier, 1923-1994". It also includes copyright information: "© Copyright 1981 Les Presses de Taizé, GIA Publishing" and "© 1981, Les Presses de Taizé, GIA Publications, Inc., agent". A note says "Used with permission. OneLicense.net #A-700319 All rights reserved".

We Are Sent Out Into the World

The Post Communion Prayer

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The Lenten Blessing: Holy eternal Majesty,
Holy incarnate Word,
Holy abiding Spirit,
Bless you for evermore. *Amen.*

Closing Hymn #344 "Lord, dismiss us with thy blessing"

Sicilian Mariners

The Dismissal

Let us bless the Lord.

People

Thanks be to God.

*During Lent, a Service for Healing will follow the conclusion of the Holy Eucharist.
After the dismissal, anyone who wishes to participate in this service is invited to gather at the altar rail
for a time of silent prayer and meditation.*

A SERVICE FOR HEALING

A Word about the Ministry of Healing

The ministry of healing is part of the sacramental life of the Episcopal Church and all people, whether baptized or not, are welcome to come and receive this sacrament.

This sacrament emerges from our belief that the love of God through the presence of the Holy Spirit has the power to heal our emotional, physical and spiritual suffering.

Although we may ask for a specific healing, we realize that it is God who decides how this healing is to occur. Healing may come to us in the form of physical recovery, emotional well-being or spiritual wholeness.

The power of the healing service lies not with our expectation of results, but rather with our desire to allow the Spirit of God who dwells within us to transform our lives and help us to accept the healing power of God's love.

Celebrant O God, be in our hearts and on our lips as we come before you seeking your healing love.

Silence is kept

Celebrant Brothers and sisters in Christ, if you wish to seek prayer, for yourself, on behalf of someone or for a crisis in the world, you are invited to receive the laying on of hands. Jesus says, "Come to me all you who are troubled and I will give you rest." So come, you who are burdened by regrets and anxieties, you who are broken in body or in spirit, you who feel deeply within yourselves the divisions and injustices of our world. Come, for Jesus invites us to bring him our brokenness.

*Those who wish for laying-on of hands and anointing for healing may come forward.
When all have received the sacrament of healing, the celebrant continues.*

Celebrant God of compassion and love,
People **We offer you all of our suffering and pain. Give us strength to bear our weakness, healing even when there is no cure, peace in the midst of turmoil and love to fill the spaces of our lives. Glory to God, from whom all love flows, glory to Jesus, who showed his love through suffering, and glory to the Holy Spirit, who brings light to the darkest places. Amen.**

Celebrant God love you and have mercy upon you; through the cross of Christ, pardon you and set you free. Know that you are forgiven and be at peace. God forgives you. Forgive others. Forgive yourself. In the name of the Lover of Souls, the Beloved, and the Love that exists between them, may the peace of God be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Go in peace, giving thanks for the healing power of God's love.

Wednesday Evening Lenten Service: If you are looking to find some quiet time or time devoted to a simple Lenten discipline, please consider joining us during Lent for our Wednesday evening service. It begins at 7 p.m. with the Way of the Cross - a prayerful procession around the church, stopping at various "stations at crosses" to reflect on aspects of Jesus walk to the cross, death and burial. This is followed by our normal evening Communion service which includes a service of laying-on of hands and anointing with oil for healing. Periods of silence will be maintained throughout the service for those wishing to make "Being Silent with God" part of their Lenten discipline (please see last page of bulletin).
Feel free to contact Father Perry for more information.

PARISH FAMILY REMEMBRANCES AND THANKSGIVINGS February 28, 2016

We pray for our clergy: Justin, the Archbishop of Canterbury; Michael, the Presiding Bishop; Ian and Laura, the Bishops of Connecticut; and Perry our Priest;

In St Peter's Cycle of Prayer we pray for our parish family, remembering especially those who celebrate their birthdays this week: Henry Jones (3/3), Barbara Alexander (3/5)

In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer we pray for St. David's, Gales Ferry; St. James', Glastonbury; St. Luke's, Glastonbury; Christ Church, Greenwich; Prison ministry and prison chaplains; the ECCT Faith Behind Bars network

Current Prayer List

Prayers added the week of February 28: The MacDonough Family; Alberta; Rod & Janice Lambeth; Charles; The Conrad families, especially Garland; Deanne & John Bowen; Danielle, Chantelle and Kayleigh; Jim Vicevich, Bob & Bev Winter, Bonnie Eells, Flo Columbe, Bob & Ginny Wanagel, Gina, Priscilla, Connie Rich, Rita Mae, Carol & Bing; Aly, Steffi; Susan; Elizabeth, Kim, Andrée, Gail & Ed Stanko, Dianna Tedesco; Bossi and Liska families, Barbara and Family; Maidey and Ken, Everette; Jeanne, Sam; Karen Sandahl; Karen Ostly; Helen and Family; Karen Emmons;

Prayers added the week of February 21: Claire; Lauren, Jeni, Kile, Lianie, Dana; Gina; Eva & Bill; The Gentino Family, Priscilla Bronke, Jane Donnelly and family; Justin, Stephanie; Grace, Phil Patros; Cathy Gerke; Peter, the Kell family; Janet Kay; Sam Downey;

Prayers added the week of February 14: The Davis & Carino families; the Kraemer family; Sharon, Christina; Douglas Pimm; Marge Caton, Marion and Family; Anne Marie Henderson; the Opocensky Family; John Hickleton, Laurie Finn; Luke; Luz, Johanna, Dorothy; Dick Sage, Aceynath Porter; Kathy; Julia, Dave; a Dear Friend; Emil; 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, especially those currently seeking refuge in Europe.

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 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, remembering especially Julia.

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

What's Happening at St. Peter's

Youth Confirmation Classes have begun: The first meeting of the youth confirmation classes was held this past Sunday February 21 with 9 youth participating. A schedule of classes is now available. It is not too late to join! Any youth in high school who would like to join the class is welcome and should contact Father Perry as soon as possible. For more information feel free to contact either Father Perry or Judi Babin.

Attention any adults desiring to be baptized or interested in Confirmation: Father Perry will be scheduling Adult Inquiry Classes soon for anyone interested in exploring matters of faith including knowing more about the traditions of the Episcopal Church. These classes are advised for people wishing to be baptized or becoming members of the Episcopal Church (by Reception or Confirmation). If you are interested or want more information, please contact him.

Easter Flower sign-up - *Altar Flowers for Easter*



There is now a sign-up sheet at the back of the church for the purchase of Easter Flowers to be used to decorate the church on Easter morning as Memorials or Thanksgivings for special blessings, please write your information clearly on the sign-up form so it can be put in the Easter flower booklet with no mistakes. Lilies, tulips, daffodils, hydrangeas and pansies will all be available, as usual. Checks should be made out to St. Peters Church, and put in the envelope in church or given to Claire in the office (not placed in the offertory box, please).

If you have any questions please contact the office or speak with Marcia or Chuck Eaton.

The Polish Dinner – The new season of Community Dinners kicks-off on March 19, 4:00 p.m. until sold out. \$14 per adult, \$6 children. Sign-up sheet will be in church. Please join in with supplies or help with set-up, clean-up etc. and come to eat! Menu: Pirogues, cabbage rolls, sauerkraut, kielbasa, polish bread, pickled beets, applesauce and sour cream, beverages and the dessert table. For any questions, please call Chuck & Marcia Eaton.

Folding Chairs available - A generous donation from Milton Porter was given to the church with a request it go towards purchasing new padded chairs for Phelps Hall. This has allowed the vestry to purchase 135 padded chairs. We now have an excess of steel unpadded chairs and will offer them to parish members. They are against the windows in the Hall and are labeled for the taking. Members may take them. We are offering them for free or you may make a small donation to the kitchen fund. The Vestry.

Sewing Machine for sale – A pre-owned sewing machine with advanced capabilities regarding embroidery stitching is for sale in Phelps Hall. Anyone interested in examining it or purchasing it may see it on Sunday or call the office. It may be purchased for a donation (the amount to be determined by the purchaser) to Father Perry's "Rector's Discretionary Fund." Any questions regarding the machine's history may be addressed to Stephanie Wheeler.

A Parishioner is in need of a babysitter with a driver's license to take care of two little girls, ages 4 & 6 for after school in Colchester. Mondays would start at 2pm and the other days start at school pick up, 3pm. One week would be Monday, Tuesday and Friday and the other week would be Wednesday and Thursday. Duties include picking them up at school and taking them to dance and piano lessons. Please call the office if you or someone you know might be interested.

Lenten Wine Ingathering

Lent is the time the Altar Guild holds the annual "Wine Ingathering," a time during which we collect wine to be blessed and used at our celebrations of the Holy Eucharist. Please consider giving a donation of Cream Sherry during Lent to be used throughout the year for Holy Communion. You may leave the wine on the back table in the church anytime during Lent. If you are unsure about which wine to buy, please speak with Fr. Perry or call the office.



Help us to brighten up Phelps Hall!

The vestry recently voted to support a project put forth by Buildings & Grounds to install new ceiling tiles in Phelps Hall and to replace our fluorescent lighting with new, energy efficient LED bulbs. Our aim would be to create a brighter, cheerier atmosphere for our community dinners and fundraising events. We are providing an opportunity for parishioners to support this project by "funding" the cost of one or more boxes of tiles at \$40 each. 30 boxes of tiles will be needed to complete the work. Please submit any donation of cash or check to the office or treasurer (to insure proper credit) and designate it as "Ceiling & Lighting Project." We would love your support!

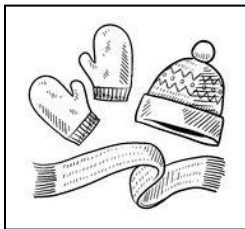
Questions? Please contact Rick Marks, Jack Gasper or any other member of the vestry.

Here's what you can find on St. Peter's new website

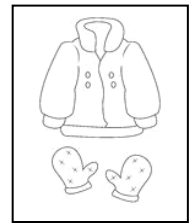
The website (www.stpetershebron.com) offers an always up to date calendar, upcoming events listed with details, news from Sue, the bulletin, the latest happenings, an updated photo gallery, and more!

- **Fr. Perry's sermons can be listened to on St. Peter's website?** If you missed Father Perry's sermon, or want to hear it again, feel free to listen from the website. Sermons may be found at: Services > Sunday Audio Sermons
- **Church School schedule on the website** - Weren't able to attend church one Sunday? Want to cover a church school topic more at home? The website has a schedule of church school topics including Bible verses, upcoming events and additional information. Just go to: About Us > Church School > Church School Schedule.
- **Easter Flower** sign-up under "Events"

Outreach



Let's Continue to Keep Connecticut's Children Warm!
Thank you all who have supported Samantha Sullivan's efforts to collect warm clothing for children in need. Over 350 items, contributed by St. Peter's parishioners, Were donated last week to Covenant to Care for Children and immediately distributed to children in the Hartford area.



The drive was so successful that Samantha will continue collecting clothes for a while longer. A box is in the narthex of the church for the collection of clothing: gently used and new coats and warm clothes sizes newborn to children's size 12. Call Kim at 860-202-8449 if you have any questions.

Can you imagine sleeping by the river in Willimantic?

Cold, wet, unsafe? Many of the Windham area's homeless live in makeshift camps along the Willimantic River all year long. The Windham Region No-Freeze Hospitality center seeks to provide a warm shelter for those in the community who are homeless and over the age of 18 from November 15th through April of each year. No one is turned away. We provide food, clothing, hygiene among other services. Donations to keep the center going are always welcome. If you are able to donate items to help please drop them off at our office: **75 Bridge Street, (First unit in the plaza) Willimantic, CT 06226** (Monday through Thursday from 1-4 pm)

Items that the shelter is in need of:

- Non-Instant Coffee, Sweetener, Non-Dairy Creamer, Hot Chocolate
- Paper products, Toilet paper, paper towels, napkins.
- Vinyl or plastic Pillow case covers
- Coffee cups (small size, disposable)
- Plastic utensils (spoons/forks)
- Socks (white preference)
- Men's boxer shorts all sizes
- Women's briefs – all sizes
- Razor blades
- Shaving Cream
- Toothbrushes
- Deodorant
- Women's hygiene products (pads, tampons)
- Plastic soap saver boxes
- Sweatpants/shirts (med/large/Xtra/XXtralrg)
- Laundry detergent (powder)
- Floor and bathroom cleaner
- Office supplies – Call to see the needs
- Gift Cards to Stop & Shop, BJ's Walmart, Staples and Home Depot of any value

FEBRUARY/MARCH 2016 CALENDAR

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
February 28 Lent 3 Holy Eucharist 8 & 10 a.m. Church School 9:55 Scouts (KS)	February 29	March 1 Choir 6:30-8 PM	March 2 B & G 7 pm Way of the Cross, Communion with Healing 7 pm	March 3	March 4 Fr. Perry Day off	March 5 Scouts (MC)
March 6 Lent 4 Holy Eucharist 8 & 10 a.m. Church School 9:55	March 7	March 8 Choir 6:30-8 PM	March 9 Way of the Cross, Communion with Healing 7 pm	March 10	March 11 Fr. Perry Day off	March 12
March 13 Lent 5 Holy Eucharist 8 & 10 a.m. Church School 9:55	March 14 Vestry 7 p.m.	March 15 Choir 6:30-8 PM	March 16 Way of the Cross, Communion with Healing 7 pm	March 17 Nursing Home visits	March 18 Fr. Perry Day off	March 19 Polish Dinner Scouts (MC)
March 20 Palm Sunday Holy Eucharist 8 & 10 Church School 9:55	March 21	March 22 Choir 6:30-8 PM	March 23 Tenebrae 7:30 pm	March 24 Maundy Thursday Liturgy 7:30 pm	March 25 Good Friday Liturgy 12 Noon & 7:30 pm	March 26 Holy Saturday
March 27 EASTER DAY Sunrise Service 6:30 am @ Gilead Congregational Holy Eucharist at 8 & 10 No Church School	March 28	March 29 Choir 6:30-8 PM	March 30	March 31		

The Readings for the Third Sunday in Lent

The Collect for the Third Sunday in Lent:

The Old Testament: Exodus 3:1-15

Moses was keeping the flock of his father-in-law Jethro, the priest of Midian; he led his flock beyond the wilderness, and came to Horeb, the mountain of God. There the angel of the LORD appeared to him in a flame of fire out of a bush; he looked, and the bush was blazing, yet it was not consumed. Then Moses said, "I must turn aside and look at this great sight, and see why the bush is not burned up." When the LORD saw that he had turned aside to see, God called to him out of the bush, "Moses, Moses!" And he said, "Here I am." Then he said, "Come no closer! Remove the sandals from your feet, for the place on which you are standing is holy ground." He said further, "I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob." And Moses hid his face, for he was afraid to look at God.

Then the LORD said, "I have observed the misery of my people who are in Egypt; I have heard their cry on account of their taskmasters. Indeed, I know their sufferings, and I have come down to deliver them from the Egyptians, and to bring them up out of that land to a good and broad land, a land flowing with milk and honey, to the country of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites. The cry of the Israelites has now come to me; I have also seen how the Egyptians oppress them. So come, I will send you to Pharaoh to bring my people, the Israelites, out of Egypt." But Moses said to God, "Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh, and bring the Israelites out of Egypt?" He said, "I will be with you; and this shall be the sign for you that it is I who sent you: when you have brought the people out of Egypt, you shall worship God on this mountain."

But Moses said to God, "If I come to the Israelites and say to them, 'The God of your ancestors has sent me to you,' and they ask me, 'What is his name?' what shall I say to them?" God said to Moses, "I AM WHO I AM." He said further, "Thus you shall say to the Israelites, 'I AM has sent me to you.'" God also said to Moses, "Thus you shall say to the Israelites, 'The LORD, the God of your ancestors, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you': This is my name forever, and this my title for all generations."

Psalm 63:1-8

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| 1 O God, you are my God; eagerly I seek you; *
my soul thirsts for you, my flesh faints for you,
as in a barren and dry land where there is no
water. | 5 My soul is content, as with marrow and fatness, *
and my mouth praises you with joyful lips, |
| 2 Therefore I have gazed upon you in your holy place *
that I might behold your power and your glory. | 6 When I remember you upon my bed, *
and meditate on you in the night watches. |
| 3 For your loving-kindness is better than life itself; *
my lips shall give you praise. | 7 For you have been my helper, *
and under the shadow of your wings I will
rejoice. |
| 4 So will I bless you as long as I live *
and lift up my hands in your Name. | 8 My soul clings to you; *
your right hand holds me fast. |

1 Corinthians 10:1-13

I do not want you to be unaware, brothers and sisters, that our ancestors were all under the cloud, and all passed through the sea, and all were baptized into Moses in the cloud and in the sea, and all ate the same spiritual food, and all drank the same spiritual drink. For they drank from the spiritual rock that followed them, and the rock was Christ. Nevertheless, God was not pleased with most of them, and they were struck down in the wilderness.

Now these things occurred as examples for us, so that we might not desire evil as they did. Do not become idolaters as some of them did; as it is written, "The people sat down to eat and drink, and they rose up to play." We must not indulge in sexual immorality as some of them did, and twenty-three thousand fell in a single day. We must not put Christ to the test, as some of them did, and were destroyed by serpents. And do not complain as some of them did, and were destroyed by the destroyer. These things happened to them to serve as an example, and they were written down to instruct us, on whom the ends of the ages have come. So if you think you are standing, watch out that you do not fall. No testing has overtaken you that is not common to everyone. God is faithful, and he will not let you be tested beyond your strength, but with the testing he will also provide the way out so that you may be able to endure it.

Luke 13:1-9

At that very time there were some present who told Jesus about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mingled with their sacrifices. He asked them, "Do you think that because these Galileans suffered in this way they were worse sinners than all other Galileans? No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all perish as they did. Or those eighteen who were killed when the tower of Siloam fell on them--do you think that they were worse offenders than all the others living in Jerusalem? No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all perish just as they did."

Then he told this parable: "A man had a fig tree planted in his vineyard; and he came looking for fruit on it and found none. So he said to the gardener, 'See here! For three years I have come looking for fruit on this fig tree, and still I find none. Cut it down! Why should it be wasting the soil?' He replied, 'Sir, let it alone for one more year, until I dig around it and put manure on it. If it bears fruit next year, well and good; but if not, you can cut it down.'"