

October 15, 2017



**THE 19<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST (Proper 23)**

**8:00 a.m. HOLY EUCHARIST Rite I**

**10:00 a.m. HOLY EUCHARIST Rite II**

**Saint Peter's Episcopal Church**

**Hebron, Connecticut**

**Celebrant: The Rev. Jim Speer**

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**8:00 a.m. HOLY EUCHARIST (RITE I)**  
**THE WORD OF GOD**

**The Opening Acclamation, The Collect for Purity &**

**Summary of the Law** BCP page 323

**Lord have mercy upon us** BCP page 324

**The Collect of the Day (Proper 23)** BCP page 183

**The Lessons (page 5-7)**

**The Sermon**

**The Rev. James Speer**

**The Nicene Creed** BCP page 326

**The Prayers of the People** BCP page 329

**Prayer for Guidance (said in unison):**

Almighty and ever-living 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*

**Confession of Sin** BCP page 331

**The Peace**

**THE HOLY COMMUNION**

**The Offertory**

**The Great Thanksgiving:**

Eucharistic Prayer 1 BCP page 333

The Lord's Prayer BCP page 336

**The Breaking of the Bread** BCP page 337

The Communion

**The Blessing**

**The Dismissal:** Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

*People: Thanks be to God.*

**10:00 a.m. HOLY EUCHARIST (RITE II)**

*Prelude: "Fantasia II in A minor"*

*Johann Jakob Froberger*

**Opening Hymn: #645 "The King of Love my Shepherd is"**

*St. Colomba*

**The Opening Acclamation, The Collect for Purity &**

**Summary of the Law** BCP page 355

**Hymn of Praise: Hymn #1 (verse 1)**

*Christe sanctorum*

*Father, we praise thee, now the night is over,  
active and watchful, stand we all before thee;  
singing we offer prayer and meditation:  
thus we adore thee.*

**The Collect of the Day** (*Proper 23*)

BCP page 234

**The Lessons** (*page 5-7*)

**Sequence Anthem: "My Shepherd Will Supply My Need"**

*Mack Wilberg*

**The Sermon**

**The Rev. James Speer**

**The Nicene Creed**

BCP page 358

**The Prayers of the People, form VI**

BCP page 392

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**Confession of Sin**

BCP page 393

**The Peace**

**THE HOLY COMMUNION**

The Offertory

**Offertory Hymn: #321 "My God, thy table now is spread"**

*Rockingham*

**The Great Thanksgiving:**

Eucharistic Prayer A

BCP page 361

**Sanctus: #S-125**

*Proulx*

The Lord's Prayer

BCP page 364

**The Breaking of the Bread**

BCP page 364

The Communion

**Communion Music: "Récite en fa"**

*Louis Marchand*

Post Communion Prayer (*said in unison*)

BCP page 365

**Closing Hymn: #7 "Christ, whose glory fills the skies"**

*Rattisbon*

**The Blessing**

**The Dismissal:** Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

*People: Thanks be to God.*

*Postlude: "Fugue in E minor"*

*Johann Pachelbel*

# Please join us for refreshments and fellowship after the service

## Parish Family Remembrances and Thanksgivings

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

**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 Perkins (10/16), George Dagon (10/15), Meg Dagon (10/8), Adam Paggioli (10/15), Gehrig Bartiss (10/18);

**In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer,** we pray for All Saint's, Cornwall; St. James's, West Hartford; St. John's, West Hartford; St. Paul's Mission of the Deaf, West Hartford; Ministries with older adults.

## Parish Prayer List

**Prayers added the week of October 15:** Sue; Linda H., Bob, Larry and all hurricane victims; Jessica Starkey; Wendy; Linda, Margie; June & Bill;

**Prayers added the week of October 8:** Frank Sloan; Joan, Melissa; Barbara Potterton; Natalie Perry; Sam & Grace Downey; The Conrad families, Luther Gibson, Deanne & John Bowen; Brian, Connie, Lynn; Danielle, Chantelle and Kayleigh; Jim Vicevich, Bob & Bev Winter, Florence Coulombe, and Mike Duval; Irene, Jeni, Mary Jo, Gloria; Lianie; Kyle;

**Prayers added the week of October 1:** V.F., R. Bettancourt, S.F., C. Farren, T. Jeter, E. Caron, N. Vidal, Henry Jones, S. Hicks;

**Prayers for the deceased: The Rt. Rev. Arthur Walmsley**

**Prayer List:** Our new Prayer Ministry will confidentially and faithfully pray for those on our prayer list. While individuals will continue to be included on our prayer list for a month, we will publish only the most recent additions in the bulletin.

## Announcements

**Blessing of the Animals** – The celebration of the Blessing of the Animals, in honor of St. Francis of Assisi, the patron saint of animals, will be held today, October 15<sup>th</sup> at 2 p.m. in the Memorial Garden. We are welcoming donations of pet food and other “petly” items on that day. So, bring your critters, large and small and join the fun. Pray for good weather.

**Stewardship Letters** – If you haven’t received the 2018 pledge campaign letter and pledge sheet, please pick one up in the back of the church or call the office and one can be mailed out to you. Please send in your pledge by October 31st. Let’s get our finances on a strong foundation in preparation for the beginning of Fr. Ron’s commission. Thank you for your generous support! Barb and Rob

***St. Francis of Assisi: “For it is in giving that we receive.”***

### Upcoming Events:

- **St. Peter’s Trail Youth Group Clean-up** ~ October 21
- **Youth Group Pumpkin Walk** ~ October 27 on the St. Peter’s/AHM trail 7-9 p.m.
- **Halloween Party** ~ October 28 at Phelps Hall
- **All-Parish Fall Cleanup** ~ November 11

**SCHEDULE CHANGE - Fall Cleanup & Parish Breakfast – Saturday, November 11th**  
**St. Peter’s All-Parish Fall Clean-up November 11** beginning with breakfast at 7:30 a.m. New faces welcomed!!

Buildings & Grounds is planning our Fall cleanup of not only the Rectory, Church and Hall grounds, but also the Church and Hall building interiors. Exterior work will start at the Rectory, then onto the Church and Hall grounds, and will include the usual raking and sweeping up of the leaves and branches that have come down this fall. Interior cleanup will include cleaning all easily reachable surfaces (e.g., pew seats, pew book holders), vacuuming carpets, cleaning light fixtures (including the chandelier), just to name a few. Bring buckets, sponges, clean rags/towels, swiffer mops, and any other materials you can think of for a good fall (think “spring”) cleaning. This will be a major undertaking; something we have not done for at least one full year (we had NO spring cleanup this year!!), and we really need the FULL support of the Parish.

In appreciation of the Parish’s support, breakfast will be served (NO CHARGE – we will have a donation jar and all donations will go directly to the Kitchen Fund). Breakfast will be served from 7:30 am to 8:30 am; cleanup will begin promptly at 8:30 am.

In keeping with our current stewardship drive for St. Peters, it’s time for all parish members to be responsible for the upkeep of St. Peters buildings and grounds.

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## The Readings for the Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost (Proper 23)

### **The Collect**

Lord, we pray that your grace may always precede and follow us, that we may continually be given to good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. *Amen.*

### **Old Testament: Isaiah 25:1-9**

O LORD, you are my God; I will exalt you, I will praise your name; for you have done wonderful things, plans formed of old, faithful and sure. For you have made the city a heap, the fortified city a ruin; the palace of aliens is a city no more, it will never be rebuilt. Therefore, strong peoples will glorify you; cities of ruthless nations will fear you. For you have been a refuge to the poor, a refuge to the needy in their distress, a shelter from the rainstorm and a shade from the heat.

When the blast of the ruthless was like a winter rainstorm, the noise of aliens like heat in a dry place, you subdued the heat with the shade of clouds; the song of the ruthless was stilled. On this mountain the LORD of hosts will make for all peoples a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wines, of rich food filled with marrow, of well-aged wines strained clear. And he will destroy on this mountain the shroud that is cast over all peoples, the sheet that is spread over all nations; he will swallow up death forever. Then the Lord GOD will wipe away the tears from all faces, and the disgrace of his people he will take away from all the earth, for the LORD has spoken.

It will be said on that day, Lo, this is our God; we have waited for him, so that he might save us. This is the LORD for whom we have waited; let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation.

### **The Response: Psalm 23**

1 The LORD is my shepherd; \*

I shall not be in want.

2 He makes me lie down in green pastures \*

and leads me beside still waters.

3 He revives my soul \*

and guides me along right pathways for his Name's sake.

4 Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,

I shall fear no evil; \*

for you are with me;

your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

5 You spread a table before me in the presence of those who trouble me; \*

you have anointed my head with oil,

and my cup is running over.

6 Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, \*

and I will dwell in the house of the LORD forever.

## **The Epistle: Philippians 4:1-9**

My brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved.

I urge Euodia and I urge Syntyche to be of the same mind in the Lord. Yes, and I ask you also, my loyal companion, help these women, for they have struggled beside me in the work of the gospel, together with Clement and the rest of my co-workers, whose names are in the book of life.

Rejoice in the Lord always; again, I will say, Rejoice. Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. Keep on doing the things that you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, and the God of peace will be with you.

## **The Holy Gospel: Matthew 22:1-14**

Once more Jesus spoke to the people in parables, saying: “The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding banquet for his son. He sent his slaves to call those who had been invited to the wedding banquet, but they would not come. Again, he sent other slaves, saying, ‘Tell those who have been invited: Look, I have prepared my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves have been slaughtered, and everything is ready; come to the wedding banquet.’ But they made light of it and went away, one to his farm, another to his business, while the rest seized his slaves, mistreated them, and killed them. The king was enraged. He sent his troops, destroyed those murderers, and burned their city. Then he said to his slaves, ‘The wedding is ready, but those invited were not worthy. Go therefore into the main streets, and invite everyone you find to the wedding banquet.’ Those slaves went out into the streets and gathered all whom they found, both good and bad; so, the wedding hall was filled with guests. “But when the king came in to see the guests, he noticed a man there who was not wearing a wedding robe, and he said to him, ‘Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding robe?’ And he was speechless. Then the king said to the attendants, ‘Bind him hand and foot, and throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.’ For many are called, but few are chosen.”

## OCTOBER/NOVEMBER 2017

| SUNDAY   | MONDAY  | TUESDAY  | WEDNESDAY  | THURSDAY   | FRIDAY  | SATURDAY  |
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| <b>October 8</b><br><b>PENTECOST 18</b><br>Holy Eucharist<br>8 & 10<br>Church School 10<br>a.m   | <b>October 9</b><br>Weekly<br>Weeders 6:30-<br>7:20 pm  | <b>October 10</b>                                    | <b>October 11</b>  | <b>October 12</b>                                | <b>October 13</b>   | <b>October 14</b>   |
| <b>October 15</b><br><b>PENTECOST 19</b><br>Holy Eucharist<br>8 & 10<br>Church School 10<br>a.m.<br><br>“Blessing of the<br>Animals” 2 p.m.<br>Girl Scouts | <b>October 16</b><br>Women’s<br>Club 7 p.m.<br>O’Shea’s | <b>October 17</b>                                    | <b>October 18</b>  | <b>October 19</b><br>Vestry<br>Meeting 7<br>p.m. | <b>October 20</b>   | <b>October 21</b><br>Community<br>Dinner<br>“Octoberfest<br>”<br>4:30 p.m.                |
| <b>October 22</b><br><b>PENTECOST 20</b><br>Holy Eucharist<br>8 & 10<br>Church School 10<br>a.m<br>Reception to honor<br>Fr. Jim                           | <b>October 23</b>                                       | <b>October 24</b><br>Parish Kitchen<br>Update 7 p.m. | <b>October 25</b>  | <b>October 26</b>                                | <b>October 27</b><br>Youth Grp<br>“Pumpkin/<br>Lantern<br>Walk” 7-9<br>p.m. | <b>October 28</b><br>Parish<br>Hallowe’en<br>Party &<br>Service at<br>Phelps Hall<br>TTBD |
| <b>October 29</b><br><b>PENTECOST 21</b><br>Holy Eucharist<br>8 & 10<br>Church School 10<br>a.m<br>Girl Scouts   | <b>October 30</b>                                       | <b>October 31</b>                                    | <b>November 1</b><br>ALL SAINTS<br>DAY<br><br>B&G 7 P.M. | <b>November 2</b>                                | <b>November 3</b>   | <b>November 4</b>   |
| <b>November 5</b><br>ALL SAINTS<br>SUNDAY<br>Holy Eucharist<br>8 & 10<br>Church School 10<br>a.m   | <b>November 6</b>                                       | <b>November 7</b>                                    | <b>November 8</b>  | <b>November 9</b><br>Seniors 3-5                 | <b>November 10</b>  | <b>November 11</b><br>FALL<br>CLEAN-UP<br>7:30 a.m.<br>breakfast                          |
| <b>November 12</b><br><b>PENTECOST 23</b><br>Holy Eucharist<br>8 & 10<br>Church School 10<br>a.m   | <b>November 13</b>                                      | <b>November 14</b>                                   | <b>November 15</b>                                       | <b>November 16</b><br>Vestry Mtg 7<br>p.m.       | <b>November 17</b>  | <b>November 18</b>  |