

October 22, 2017

THE 20TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST (Proper 24)

8:00 a.m. HOLY EUCHARIST Rite I
10:00 a.m. HOLY EUCHARIST Rite II

Saint Peter's Episcopal Church
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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 24) 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):

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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

Liturgy of Departure (hand-outs)

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

People: Thanks be to God.

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

Prelude: "A Mighty Fortress" (Rick Beaudoin, trumpet) arr. by Tim Rumsey

Opening Hymn: #544 "Jesus shall reign where'er the sun" Duke Street

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 24) BCP page 235

The Lessons (page 5-7) Sequence Anthem: "Be Joyful and Sing to the Lord" Jay Althouse

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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Offertory Hymn: #596 "Judge Eternal, throned in splendor" *Komm, O komm*

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: "Soul, Adorn thy Soul with Gladness" (Stephanie Wheeler, flute) Paul Munz

Post Communion Prayer (said in unison) BCP page 365

Closing Hymn: #594 "God of Grace and God of glory" *Cwm Rhondda*

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Postlude: "Fugue in C major" Johann Pachelbel

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**Today we are delighted to welcome the Choir from Gilead Congregational Church
as they join their voices to those of our Choir this Sunday.**

Parish Family Remembrances and Thanksgivings

*The Altar Candle is given to the glory of God by Curt & Ellen Kraemer in thanksgiving for
the birthday of their son, Richard Kraemer.*

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: Richard Kraemer (10/23), Ashley Oberlin (10/28)

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 22: Chin Osmond, V.F., R. Bettancourt, S.F., C. Farren, T. Jeter, E. Caron, N. Vidal, Henry Jones, S. Hicks;

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;

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

Please stop by the hall at coffee hour to have your picture taken by Bob LaMay (8 a.m.) or Kathy Kniep (10 a.m.).

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

“Generosity is the most natural outward expression of an inner attitude of compassion and loving-kindness.” – Dalai Lama XIV

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

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 and include pancakes, eggs (nothing fancy), bacon, sausage, bagels (with cream cheese), toast, orange and cranberry juices, coffee, tea and hot chocolate (with whipped cream); 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.

The Readings for the Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost (Proper 24)

The Collect

Almighty and everlasting God, in Christ you have revealed your glory among the nations: Preserve the works of your mercy, that your Church throughout the world may persevere with steadfast faith in the confession of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Old Testament: Isaiah 45:1-7

Thus says the LORD to his anointed, to Cyrus, whose right hand I have grasped to subdue nations before him and strip kings of their robes, to open doors before him--and the gates shall not be closed: I will go before you and level the mountains, I will break in pieces the doors of bronze and cut through the bars of iron, I will give you the treasures of darkness and riches hidden in secret places, so that you may know that it is I, the LORD, the God of Israel, who call you by your name.

For the sake of my servant Jacob, and Israel my chosen, I call you by your name, I surname you, though you do not know me. I am the LORD, and there is no other; besides me there is no god. I arm you, though you do not know me, so that they may know, from the rising of the sun and from the west, that there is no one besides me; I am the LORD, and there is no other. I form light and create darkness, I make weal and create woe; I the LORD do all these things.

The Response: Psalm 96:1-9

- 1 Sing to the LORD a new song; *
sing to the LORD, all the whole earth.
- 2 Sing to the LORD and bless his Name; *
proclaim the good news of his salvation from day to day.
- 3 Declare his glory among the nations *
and his wonders among all peoples.
- 4 For great is the LORD and greatly to be praised; *
he is more to be feared than all gods.
- 5 As for all the gods of the nations, they are but idols; *
but it is the LORD who made the heavens.
- 6 Oh, the majesty and magnificence of his presence! *
Oh, the power and the splendor of his sanctuary!
- 7 Ascribe to the LORD, you families of the peoples; *
ascribe to the LORD honor and power.
- 8 Ascribe to the LORD the honor due his Name; *
bring offerings and come into his courts.
- 9 Worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness; *
let the whole earth tremble before him.

The Epistle: 1 Thessalonians 1:1-10


Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy, To the church of the Thessalonians in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ: Grace to you and peace.

We always give thanks to God for all of you and mention you in our prayers, constantly remembering before our God and Father your work of faith and labor of love and steadfastness of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ. For we know, brothers and sisters beloved by God, that he has chosen you, because our message of the gospel came to you not in word only, but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and with full conviction; just as you know what kind of persons we proved to be among you for your sake. And you became imitators of us and of the Lord, for in spite of persecution you received the word with joy inspired by the Holy Spirit, so that you became an example to all the believers in Macedonia and in Achaia. For the word of the Lord has sounded forth from you not only in Macedonia and Achaia, but in every place your faith in God has become known, so that we have no need to speak about it. For the people of those regions report about us what kind of welcome we had among you, and how you turned to God from idols, to serve a living and true God, and to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead-- Jesus, who rescues us from the wrath that is coming.

The Gospel: Matthew 22:15-22

The Pharisees went and plotted to entrap Jesus in what he said. So they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, "Teacher, we know that you are sincere, and teach the way of God in accordance with truth, and show deference to no one; for you do not regard people with partiality. Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to the emperor, or not?" But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, "Why are you putting me to the test, you hypocrites? Show me the coin used for the tax." And they brought him a denarius. Then he said to them, "Whose head is this, and whose title?" They answered, "The emperor's." Then he said to them, "Give therefore to the emperor the things that are the emperor's, and to God the things that are God's." When they heard this, they were amazed; and they left him and went away.

OCTOBER/NOVEMBER 2017

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