



August 2, 2020
The Ninth Sunday after Pentecost 9:00 a.m.
MORNING PRAYER Rite 2
Saint Peter's Episcopal Church
Hebron, Connecticut
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**THE NINTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST (*Proper 13*)
9:00 A.M. MORNING PRAYER ~ RITE 2**

(All stand as the Officiant enters)

Opening Music: (Music only, no singing) #522 "Glorious things of thee are spoken"

Officiant: Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in your sight, O Lord, my strength and my redeemer (*Psalm 19:14*).

Confession of Sin

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Officiant Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

All kneel. Silence is kept.

All **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.**

Officiant: Almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us all our sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen us in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep us in eternal life. *Amen.*

All stand.

The Invitatory and Psalter

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Officiant Lord, open our lips.

People **And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.**

All **Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.**

Officiant: Worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness: Come let us adore him.

Jubilate (Psalm 100) *The Officiant leads the people in saying Psalm 95 in unison.*

Be joyful in the Lord, all you lands; *

serve the Lord with gladness and come before his presence with a song.

Know this: The Lord himself is God; *

he himself has made us, and we are his;

we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.

Enter his gates with thanksgiving; go into his courts with praise; *

give thanks to him and call upon his Name.

For the Lord is good; his mercy is everlasting; *

and his faithfulness endures from age to age.

The Readings and Canticles *(All are seated as the Reader leads the people in the readings)*

The Psalm for the Day: Psalm 17:1-7,16

1 Hear my plea of innocence, O LORD; give heed to my cry; *

listen to my prayer, which does not come from lying lips.

2 Let my vindication come forth from your presence; *

let your eyes be fixed on justice.

3 Weigh my heart, summon me by night, *

melt me down; you will find no impurity in me.

4 I give no offense with my mouth as others do; *

I have heeded the words of your lips.

5 My footsteps hold fast to the ways of your law; *

in your paths my feet shall not stumble.

6 I call upon you, O God, for you will answer me; *

incline your ear to me and hear my words.

7 Show me your marvelous loving-kindness, *

**O Savior of those who take refuge at your right hand
from those who rise up against them.**

16 But at my vindication I shall see your face; *

when I awake, I shall be satisfied, beholding your likeness.

The First Lesson: Genesis 32:22-31

The same night Jacob got up and took his two wives, his two maids, and his eleven children, and crossed the ford of the Jabbok. He took them and sent them across the stream, and likewise everything that he had. Jacob was left alone; and a man wrestled with him until daybreak. When the man saw that he did not prevail against Jacob, he struck him on the hip socket; and Jacob's hip was put out of joint as he wrestled with him. Then he said, "Let me go, for the day is breaking." But Jacob said, "I will not let you go, unless you bless me." So he said to him, "What is your name?" And he said, "Jacob." Then the man said, "You shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel, for you have striven with God and with humans, and have prevailed." Then Jacob asked him, "Please tell me your name." But he said, "Why

is it that you ask my name?" And there he blessed him. So Jacob called the place Peniel, saying, "For I have seen God face to face, and yet my life is preserved." The sun rose upon him as he passed Penuel, limping because of his hip.

The Second Song of Isaiah (*Isaiah 55:6-11*)

**Seek the Lord while he wills to be found; *
call upon him when he draws near.
Let the wicked forsake their ways *
and the evil ones their thoughts;
And let them turn to the Lord, and he will have compassion, *
and to our God, for he will richly pardon.
For my thoughts are not your thoughts, *
nor your ways my ways, says the Lord.
For as the heavens are higher than the earth, *
so are my ways higher than your ways, and my thoughts than your thoughts.
For as rain and snow fall from the heavens *
and return not again, but water the earth,
Bringing forth life and giving growth, *
seed for sowing and bread for eating,
So is my word that goes forth from my mouth; *
it will not return to me empty;
But it will accomplish that which I have purposed, *
and prosper in that for which I sent it.
Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: *
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.**

The Second Lesson: Romans 9:1-5

I am speaking the truth in Christ-- I am not lying; my conscience confirms it by the Holy Spirit-- I have great sorrow and unceasing anguish in my heart. For I could wish that I myself were accursed and cut off from Christ for the sake of my own people, my kindred according to the flesh. They are Israelites, and to them belong the adoption, the glory, the covenants, the giving of the law, the worship, and the promises; to them belong the patriarchs, and from them, according to the flesh, comes the Messiah, who is over all, God blessed forever. Amen.

Canticle 21 You are God

**You are God: we praise you; You are the Lord; we acclaim you;
You are the eternal Father: All creation worships you.
To you all angels, all the powers of heaven, Cherubim and Seraphim,
sing in endless praise:
Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

**The glorious company of apostles praise you.
The noble fellowship of prophets praise you.
The white-robed army of martyrs praise you.
Throughout the world the holy Church acclaims you; Father, of majesty
unbounded, your true and only Son, worthy of all worship, and the Holy
Spirit, advocate and guide.
You, Christ, are the king of glory, the eternal Son of the Father.
When you became man to set us free you did not shun the Virgin's womb.
You overcame the sting of death and opened the kingdom of heaven to all believers.
You are seated at God's right hand in glory.
We believe that you will come and be our judge.
Come then, Lord, and help your people, bought with the price of your own blood,
and bring us with your saints to glory everlasting.**

The Gospel: Matthew 14:13-21

Jesus withdrew in a boat to a deserted place by himself. But when the crowds heard it, they followed him on foot from the towns. When he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them and cured their sick. When it was evening, the disciples came to him and said, "This is a deserted place, and the hour is now late; send the crowds away so that they may go into the villages and buy food for themselves." Jesus said to them, "They need not go away; you give them something to eat." They replied, "We have nothing here but five loaves and two fish." And he said, "Bring them here to me." Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven, and blessed and broke the loaves, and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. And all ate and were filled; and they took up what was left over of the broken pieces, twelve baskets full. And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children.

Reflection

The Reverend Ben Brockman

The Apostles' Creed *(The Officiant leads the people in saying the Creed, all standing)*

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

The Prayers (*The Intercessor leads the people in the prayers. People may stand or kneel.*)

Intercessor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Intercessor: Let us pray.

The Lord's Prayer (*Said in unison.*)

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name,
thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.**

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil,

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Suffrages

Intercessor Show us your mercy, O Lord;

People **And grant us your salvation.**

Intercessor Clothe your ministers with righteousness;

People **Let your people sing with joy.**

Intercessor Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;

People **For only in you can we live in safety.**

Intercessor Lord, keep this nation under your care;

People **And guide us in the way of justice and truth.**

Intercessor Let your way be known upon earth;

People **Your saving health among all nations.**

Intercessor Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;

People **Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.**

Intercessor Create in us clean hearts, O God;

People **And sustain us with your Holy Spirit.**

Collect of the Day: Let your continual mercy, O Lord, cleanse and defend your Church; and, because it cannot continue in safety without your help, protect and govern it always by your goodness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

A Collect for Sundays

O God, you make us glad with the weekly remembrance of the glorious resurrection of your Son our Lord: Give us this day such blessing through our worship of you, that the week to come may be spent in your favor; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

A Collect for Peace

O God, the author of peace and lover of concord, to know you is eternal life and to serve you is perfect freedom: Defend us, your humble servants, in all assaults of our enemies; that we, surely trusting in your defense, may not fear the power of any adversaries; through the might of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

A Collect for Mission O God, you have made of one blood all the peoples of the earth, and sent your blessed Son to preach peace to those who are far off and to those who are near: Grant that people everywhere may seek after you and find you; bring the nations into your fold; pour out your Spirit upon all flesh; and hasten the coming of your kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Offertory Music: (music only, no singing) # 432 O praise ye the lord"

Prayers of the People

We pray for those whose lives closely touch our own that they may always be in our hearts and have joy and happiness in their lives, for those celebrating birthdays, or anniversaries at this time of isolation.

Silence

Spirit of Love

Hear our prayer.

We pray with thanks for all those in our community who support the well-being of others. We pray especially those who have requested our prayers: including Bob Kell; "Cousin" Phil and Norm H.; Cole, Alyssa and Kayden, Natalie Ware, Karen Thom; Cathie Litwin; Mary; and Alberta's daughter Joyce.

Silence

Spirit of Love

Hear our prayer.

We pray for the church; for our Presiding Bishop, Michael; for our bishops, Ian and Laura, for our deacon Donna and for all deacons and priests. We pray for all who proclaim the Gospel to the ends of the earth and for all who seek the Truth.

Silence

Spirit of Love

Hear our prayer.

We pray for all the leaders of the world that they may make wise choices for everyone and that they may lead us to honor one another and serve the common good, especially at this time of the terrible pandemic.

Silence

Spirit of Love

Hear our prayer.

We pray for all those on the front lines of serving our communities, the health care professionals, the law enforcement and first responders, those in our stores and shops, those who deliver things to us and provide transportation to others who put themselves in danger for the common good.

Silence

Spirit of Love

Hear our prayer.

We pray for your wonderful creation, the Earth, and its streams, trees, mountains and plants. We pray that the animals of the Earth may freely enjoy these resources.

Silence

Spirit of Love

Hear our prayer.

We pray for those who have died remembering especially Jean Ahrens, the mother of our Bishop Laura Ahrens. We pray for those who suffer the loss of family, friends, and neighbors, especially those who died of the virus and those dying alone in hospitals and nursing homes, that they may be comforted by those who love them. Let them discover Your love, through the care and support of others.

Silence

Spirit of Love

Hear our prayer.

The General Thanksgiving (all standing)

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Officiant: In thanksgiving for the many blessings of our lives, let us pray.

All: Almighty God, Father of all mercies, we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks for all your goodness and loving-kindness to us and to all whom you have made. We bless you for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all for your immeasurable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ; for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory. And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies, that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives, by giving up ourselves to your service, and by walking before you in holiness and righteousness all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory throughout all ages. Amen.

The Officiant concludes the service with the following prayer.

A Prayer of St. Chrysostom

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Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication to you; and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name you will be in the midst of them: Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come life everlasting. **Amen.**

Announcements

Blessing

Closing music: # 690 "Guide me O thou great Jehovah" (music only no singing)

Officiant: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God

Many thanks to the Rev. Ben Brockman for officiating today.

St. Peter's Prayer List

We pray for all those who have died remembering especially Jean Ahrens, the mother of our Bishop Laura Ahrens;

Continuing Prayer List: Sharon; Tim Redden; "Cousin" Phil and Norm H.; Cole, Stephen and Victoria, Alyssa and Kayden, Cathie Litwin, Mary; Loretta Ickes, Joyce leombruno, Cheryl and Bruce, Val and Stephen, Mark and Tina, John and Dottie, Gloria, Maryellyn, Gary, J and J, Arlene, Judy P., Bill, John M., George A., Mark P., Liz, Nancy, Katy, Chris; Sarah McCracken, Ginny Hellstrom, Jacob Mika; Alice & Bob; John; Cailin and son Connor Campbell; Richard; Flora; Alice Wentz; Donna Gray; Daryl Cook; Kyle Buttice, Ethan; Megan Sulzinski, Janet Kay; Lorraine Nelson; Ella; Liz for healing; Bill S. for healing; Patty Sullivan; Marcia Brown; Bobbie Marston; Joan Conley; Alex Trebek; Jeanette Wade; Ambrosio Vidal and family; Susan Hicks and family; Jeannette Farren and family; Grace Jensen; Becky, June; Ella & Nelson; James; Rina Bettancourt; Joyce L.; John & Family.

Calendar

***Zoom Meetings: Coffee Hours – Wednesdays at 10 a.m. - July 29; August 5 canceled; meetings resume August 12, 19, 26.**

***Pulled Pork Dinner: Saturday, August 15, 4:30 until sold out, Drive-by pick-up. Adults \$14. Please have exact money or check.**

***Finance Committee Meeting: 10 a.m. Thursday August 13th**

***Pastoral Committee Meeting: 1:00 p.m. Thursday August 13th with proper safety guidelines and masks, etc. New members are welcome. Please talk with Cathie Litwin or Fr. Ron, if you are interested and have questions.**

***Steeplechase** August 15 is a virtual fundraiser to benefit local Windham charities: WAIM, the NO-Freeze and Perception Programs. St. Peter's Hebron will participate with a 5-mile walk on a local rail trail. The teams that raise the most money will get a trophy and publicity. Please post our walk on FB, Twitter or Instagram and mention WAIM, No Freeze & Perception. Please support our team's effort with an online donation using this link <https://www.pledgereg.com/steeple-chase-bike-tour>. For any questions please contact Amy Stone amyjean53@sbcglobal.net or 860-228-0854

***Clothing Drive at Hebron Historical Society**

During this time of COVID many regular outlets have suspended clothing drives. However, the Historical Society at the Old Towne Hall will be holding two drives: August 9 and September 19. All types of clothing and fabrics including shoes are welcome. Even if they are in bad condition. Items unsuited to be passed on will be sold in bulk for scrap cloth.