



August 9, 2020
The Tenth Sunday after Pentecost 9:00 a.m.
MORNING PRAYER Rite 2
Saint Peter's Episcopal Church
Hebron, Connecticut
The Rev. Ronald Kolanowski, Rector
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**THE TENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST (*Proper 14*)
9:00 A.M. MORNING PRAYER ~ RITE 2**

(All stand as the Officiant enters)

Opening Music: (Music only, no singing) #410 Praise my soul the King of Heaven"

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 105, 1-6, 16-22, 45b

1 Give thanks to the LORD and call upon his Name; *
make known his deeds among the peoples.

2 Sing to him, sing praises to him, *
and speak of all his marvelous works.

3 Glory in his holy Name; *
let the hearts of those who seek the LORD rejoice.

4 Search for the LORD and his strength; *
continually seek his face.

5 Remember the marvels he has done, *
his wonders and the judgments of his mouth,

6 O offspring of Abraham his servant, *
O children of Jacob his chosen.

16 Then he called for a famine in the land *
and destroyed the supply of bread.

17 He sent a man before them, *
Joseph, who was sold as a slave.

18 They bruised his feet in fetters; *
his neck they put in an iron collar.

19 Until his prediction came to pass, *
the word of the LORD tested him.

20 The king sent and released him; *
the ruler of the peoples set him free.

21 He set him as a master over his household,
as a ruler over all his possessions,

22 To instruct his princes according to his will
and to teach his elders wisdom.

45 Hallelujah!

The First Lesson: Genesis 37:1-4, 12-28

Jacob settled in the land where his father had lived as an alien, the land of Canaan. This is the story of the family of Jacob.

Joseph, being seventeen years old, was shepherding the flock with his brothers; he was a helper to the sons of Bilhah and Zilpah, his father's wives; and Joseph brought a bad report of them to their father. Now Israel loved Joseph more than any other of his children, because he was the son of his old age; and he had made him a long robe with sleeves. But when his brothers saw that their father loved him more than all his brothers, they hated him, and could not speak peaceably to him.

Now his brothers went to pasture their father's flock near Shechem. And Israel said to Joseph, "Are not your brothers pasturing the flock at Shechem? Come, I will send you to them." He answered, "Here I am." So he said to him, "Go now, see if it is well with your brothers and with the flock; and bring word back to me." So he sent him from the valley of Hebron.

He came to Shechem, and a man found him wandering in the fields; the man asked him, "What are you seeking?" "I am seeking my brothers," he said; "tell me, please, where they are pasturing the flock." The man said, "They have gone away, for I heard them say, 'Let us go to Dothan.'" So Joseph went after his brothers, and found them at Dothan. They saw him from a distance, and before he came near to them, they conspired to kill him. They said to one another, "Here comes this dreamer. Come now, let us kill him and throw him into one of the pits; then we shall say that a wild animal has devoured him, and we shall see what will become of his dreams." But when Reuben heard it, he delivered him out of their hands, saying, "Let us not take his life." Reuben said to them, "Shed no blood; throw him into this pit here in the wilderness, but lay no hand on him" —that he might rescue him out of their hand and restore him to his father. So when Joseph came to his brothers, they stripped him of his robe, the long robe with sleeves that he wore; and they took him and threw him into a pit. The pit was empty; there was no water in it.

Then they sat down to eat; and looking up they saw a caravan of Ishmaelites coming from Gilead, with their camels carrying gum, balm, and resin, on their way to carry it down to Egypt. Then Judah said to his brothers, "What profit is it if we kill our brother and conceal his blood? Come, let us sell him to the Ishmaelites, and not lay our hands on him, for he is our brother, our own flesh." And his brothers agreed. When some Midianite traders passed by, they drew Joseph up, lifting him out of the pit, and sold him to the Ishmaelites for twenty pieces of silver. And they took Joseph to Egypt.

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 10:5-15

Moses writes concerning the righteousness that comes from the law, that “the person who does these things will live by them.” But the righteousness that comes from faith says, “Do not say in your heart, ‘Who will ascend into heaven?’” (that is, to bring Christ down) “or ‘Who will descend into the abyss?’” (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). But what does it say? “The word is near you, on your lips and in your heart” (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); because if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved.

The scripture says, “No one who believes in him will be put to shame.” For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him. For, “Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.”

But how are they to call on one in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in one of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone to proclaim him? And how are they to proclaim him unless they are sent? As it is written, “How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!”

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 acclaim 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 14:22-33

Jesus made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, but by this time the boat, battered by the waves, was far from the land, for the wind was against them. And early in the morning he came walking toward them on the sea. But when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were terrified, saying, "It is a ghost!" And they cried out in fear. But immediately Jesus spoke to them and said, "Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid."

Peter answered him, "Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water." He said, "Come." So Peter got out of the boat, started walking on the water, and came toward Jesus. But when he noticed the strong wind, he became frightened, and beginning to sink, he cried out, "Lord, save me!" Jesus immediately reached out his hand and caught him, saying to him, "You of little faith, why did you doubt?" When they got into the boat, the wind ceased. And those in the boat worshiped him, saying, "Truly you are the Son of God."

Reflection

The Reverend Ronald Kolanowski

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: Grant to us, Lord, we pray, the spirit to think and do always those things that are right, that we, who cannot exist without you, may by you be enabled to live according to your will; 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) #390 Praise to the Lord the Almighty”

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. 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: #608 “Eternal Father strong to save” (music only no singing)

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

People: Thanks be to God

St. Peter's Prayer List

We pray for all those who have died especially for all those around the world who have died as a result of Covid-19;

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. - 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 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.