

St. Peter's Episcopal Church

The Celebration of All Saints Sunday ~ November 3, 2019

Holy Eucharist ~ 10:00 a.m.

Prelude

Opening Hymn: #287 "For all the saints"

Celebrant: Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit

People: **And Blessed be his kingdom, now & forever. Amen**

Hymn of Praise: #390 "Praise to the Lord" (vs.1 & 4)

The Collect of the Day: Almighty God, you have knit together your elect in one communion and fellowship in the mystical body of your Son Christ our Lord: Give us grace so to follow your blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living, that we may come to those ineffable joys that you have prepared for those who truly love you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting. Amen.

The First Lesson: Revelation 7:9-17

After this I, John, looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands.

They cried out in a loud voice, saying,

"Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!" And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, singing,

"Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen."

Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?" I said to him, "Sir, you are the one that knows." Then he said to me, "These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

"For this reason, they are before the throne of God, and worship him day and night within his temple, and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them.

They will hunger no more, and thirst no more; the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching heat; for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of the water of life, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

Reader: The Word of the Lord

People: **Thanks be to God**

The Response: Psalm 34:1-10,22

- 1 I will bless the LORD at all times; *
his praise shall ever be in my mouth.
- 2 I will glory in the LORD; *
let the humble hear and rejoice.
- 3 Proclaim with me the greatness of the LORD; *
let us exalt his Name together.
- 4 I sought the LORD, and he answered me *
and delivered me out of all my terror.
- 5 Look upon him and be radiant, *
and let not your faces be ashamed.
- 6 I called in my affliction and the LORD heard me *
and saved me from all my troubles.
- 7 The angel of the LORD encompasses those who fear him, *
and he will deliver them.
- 8 Taste and see that the LORD is good; *
happy are they who trust in him!
- 9 Fear the LORD, you that are his saints, *
for those who fear him lack nothing.
- 10 The young lions lack and suffer hunger, *
but those who seek the LORD lack nothing that is good.
- 22 The LORD ransoms the life of his servants, *
and none will be punished who trust in him.

The Second Lesson: 1 John 3:1-3

See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

Reader: The Word of the Lord **People: Thanks be to God**

Celebrant: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
People: Glory be to thee, O Lord

The Holy Gospel: Matthew 5:1-12

When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying:

"Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
 "Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.
 "Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.
 "Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.
 "Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.
 "Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.
 "Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.
 "Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
 "Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you."

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord ***People: Praise be to thee, O Christ***

**The Sermon
 Renewal of Baptismal Vows**

**The Rev. Ronald K. Kolanowski
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Celebrant Do you reaffirm your renunciation of evil and renew your commitment to Jesus Christ?

***People* I do.**

Celebrant Do you believe in God the Father?

***People* I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

Celebrant Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

People **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.**

Celebrant Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

People 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.

Celebrant Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?

People I will, with God's help.

Celebrant Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

People I will, with God's help.

Celebrant Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

People I will, with God's help.

Celebrant Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

People I will, with God's help.

Celebrant Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?

People I will, with God's help.

The Celebrant concludes the Renewal of Vows as follows:

May Almighty God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has given us a new birth by water and the Holy Spirit, and bestowed upon us the forgiveness of sins, keep us in eternal life by his grace, in Christ Jesus our Lord. *Amen.*

Commemoration of Our Saints

You are invited to come forward and light a candle for your beloved saints who now stand in the presence of God. As you light the candle please state the name of the person being remembered.

Leader: As we recall the blessed ones who have gone before us, let us offer prayers to God who adorns the poor with victory.

Leader: With the angels and archangels and the spirits of the blessed.

Lord, have mercy.

Leader: With Mary, mother of Jesus and bearer of God.

Lord, have mercy.

Leader: With the holy patriarchs, prophets, apostles, and martyrs.

Lord, have mercy.

Leader: With all the saints, witnesses to the gospel.

Lord, have mercy.

Leader: For our bishops Ian, and Laura; for Fr. Ron and Deacon Donna, for this holy gathering, for the people of God in every place.

Lord, have mercy.

Leader: For all nations, tribes, peoples, and languages.

Lord, have mercy.

Leader: For the sick and the suffering, the hungry and the thirsty, the poor and the ;

Lord, have mercy.

Leader: For those who have died from this congregation, who were loved ones of members of this congregation, or were buried or memorialized in this church since All Saints Day last year, especially Damon, Joan Ahrens; Gabriel Aker; John Ordway Alden; Rayshard Brooks; Kyle Buttice; Mr. and Mrs. Cipolla; Michael Patuck Corcoran, Jr.; Patricia Anne Haines; Joe Hockhousen; **George Michael** Litwin; **Joseph James** Litwin; Phyllis Meshanic; Maitland Kenneth Moore; Glenn Moore; David Nelson; Gert Neuman; Nancy Nolan; Linda Sayers Reynolds; Jean Rohde; Elizabeth Skaats; Gilbert A. Soucy; Bob Thompson; Lynda Tommasi; Garry Van Neest; Marcos Veliz; Warren Wentz; Russell Wheeler; Alberta's friend Merv; and Lydia's friends Phil L., Jeff B., Art S.

Lord, have mercy.

Leader: For our city and those who live in it, and for our families, companions, and all those we love; for those who celebrate their birthdays this week: James Celio (11/1), C.J. Speno [11/1], Jack Gasper [11/4].

Lord, have mercy.

Leader: For our ancestors and all who have gone before us in faith.

Lord, have mercy.

Leader: Lifting our voices with all creation, with the Blessed Virgin Mary and all the saints, let us offer ourselves and one another to the living God through Christ.

To you, O Lord.

All: Almighty Father, today we keep the festival of your holy city, the heavenly Jerusalem, our mother. Around your throne the saints, our brothers and sisters, sing your praise for ever. Their glory fills us with joy, and their communion with us in your Church gives us inspiration and strength as we hasten on our pilgrimage of faith, eager to meet them. With their great company we praise your glory. Amen

The Peace

The Offertory

Offertory Hymn: #526 "Let saints on earth in concert sing"

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Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

Celebrant: God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.

People: Glory to you for ever and ever.

Celebrant: At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.

People: By your will they were created and have their being.

Celebrant: From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.

People: Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.

Celebrant: Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

People: By his blood, he reconciled us. By his wounds, we are healed.

Celebrant: And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

Sanctus: "Holy, holy, holy Lord"

Celebrant: And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." After supper, he took the cup of wine, gave thanks, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving.

People: We celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of his coming.

Lord God of our Fathers: God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

People: Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.

Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation. *AMEN.*

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

**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.

Celebrant: The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Communion Music

Post-Communion Prayer

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All: Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Blessing

Closing Hymn: #618 "Ye watchers and ye holy ones"

Dismissal

People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia.

St. Peter's Prayer List

We pray for all those who have died, remembering especially Damon, Kyle Buttice, Michael Patuck Corcoran, Jr. and Pam Atwood's cousin Patricia Anne Haines We pray for all those around the world who have died as a result of Covid-19;

Continuing Prayer List: Carolyn, her son Damon, and their family; Kate, Tammy Lopez; Teddi; Bill W.; Caroline; Russ Boehle, Sean, Emma; Janice, Jared and Jenna; Alberta's granddaughter, Jessica; Fr. Ron; Russ Wheeler; Tommy Docker, Loretta Ickes, Bob LaMay; Nelson Moore; Marianne Marsh; Daniel Paez, Kyle Ethan; Sharon, Tim Redden; "Cousin" Phil & Norm H.; Cole; Stephen & Victoria; Alyssa & Kayden, Mary; Loretta Ickes, Joyce leombruno, Cheryl & Bruce, Val & Stephen, Mark & Tina, John & Dottie, Gloria, Maryellyn, Gary, J & 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 & son Connor Campbell; Richard; Flora; Alice Wentz; Donna Gray; Daryl Cook; Megan Sulzinski, Janet Kay; Lorraine Nelson; Ella; Liz; Bill S.; Patty Sullivan; Marcia Brown; Bobbie Marston; Joan Conley; Alex Trebek; John & family; Jeanette Wade; Ambrosio Vidal and family; Susan Hicks & family; Jeannette Farren & family; Grace Jensen; Becky, June; Ella & Nelson; James; Rina Bettancourt; Joyce L.;

Many thanks to all the workers and contributors who made the Baked Ham dinner on Saturday a success!! Your support and efforts continue to be invaluable.

***The Stewardship Information packet** has been mailed out. If for some reason you haven't received it by now please call the office. You can watch Rob Mangiafico's video, recording community voices that express how much St. Peter's means to the community, if you use this link: <https://www.stpetershebron.com/impact>

*** Pies for Thanksgiving: Don't forget to order your pies (Apple or Pumpkin or both). Your order has to be received by November 7, 2020. The flyer is available on our website or, if you call the office, an order sheet can be mailed to you.**

Calendar

***Zoom Meetings: Coffee Hours: Wednesdays at 10 a.m.: Oct. 28; Nov. 4, 11, 18, 25
November 7: Deadline for ordering Pies.**

Roast Pork Tenderloin Dinner: November 7, 4:00-6:00 or until sold out.