St. Peter's Episcopal Church

Hebron, CT

The Fourth Sunday after Pentecost June 20, 2021 ~ Rite 2

Opening Hymn: #432 "O praise ye the Lord"

Opening Acclamation:

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Celebrant: Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit People: And blessed be his kingdom now and forever.

Hymn of Praise: #1 "Praise to the Lord" (vs.3)

Celebrant: The Lord be with you *People: And also with you.*

Collect of the Day: O Lord, make us have perpetual love and reverence for your holy Name, for you never fail to help and govern those whom you have set upon the sure foundation of your lovingkindness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen*.

The First Lesson: Job 38:1-11

The LORD answered Job out of the whirlwind:

"Who is this that darkens counsel by words without knowledge? Gird up your loins like a man,

I will question you, and you shall declare to me.

"Where were you when I laid the foundation of the earth?

Tell me, if you have understanding.

Who determined its measurements—surely you know!

Or who stretched the line upon it?

On what were its bases sunk,

or who laid its cornerstone when the morning stars sang together and all the heavenly beings shouted for joy?

"Or who shut in the sea with doors when it burst out from the womb? — when I made the clouds its garment, and thick darkness its swaddling band,
and prescribed bounds for it, and set bars and doors, and said, 'Thus far shall you come, and no farther, and here shall your proud waves be stopped'?" *Reader:* The Word of the Lord. *People:* Thanks be to God.

The Psalm: Psalm 107:1-3, 23-32

- 1 Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good, * and his mercy endures for ever.
- 2 Let all those whom the LORD has redeemed proclaim * that he redeemed them from the hand of the foe.
- 3 He gathered them out of the lands; * from the east and from the west, from the north and from the south.
- 23 Some went down to the sea in ships * and plied their trade in deep waters;
- 24 They beheld the works of the LORD * and his wonders in the deep.
- 25 Then he spoke, and a stormy wind arose, * which tossed high the waves of the sea.
- 26 They mounted up to the heavens and fell back to the depths; * their hearts melted because of their peril.
- 27 They reeled and staggered like drunkards * and were at their wits' end.
- 28 Then they cried to the LORD in their trouble, * and he delivered them from their distress.
- 29 He stilled the storm to a whisper * and quieted the waves of the sea.

30 Then were they glad because of the calm, * and he brought them to the harbor they were bound for.

- 31 Let them give thanks to the LORD for his mercy * and the wonders he does for his children.
- 32 Let them exalt him in the congregation of the people * and praise him in the council of the elders.

The Second Lesson: 2 Corinthians 6:1-13

As we work together with Christ, we urge you also not to accept the grace of God in vain. For he says,

"At an acceptable time I have listened to you, and on a day of salvation I have helped you."

See, now is the acceptable time; see, now is the day of salvation! We are putting no obstacle in anyone's way, so that no fault may be found with our ministry, but as servants of God we have commended ourselves in every way: through great endurance, in afflictions, hardships, calamities, beatings, imprisonments, riots, labors, sleepless nights, hunger; by purity, knowledge, patience, kindness, holiness of spirit, genuine love, truthful speech, and the power of God; with the weapons of righteousness for the right hand and for the left; in honor and dishonor, in ill repute and good repute. We are treated as impostors, and yet are true; as unknown, and yet are well known; as dying, and see-- we are alive; as punished, and yet not killed; as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, and yet possessing everything.

We have spoken frankly to you Corinthians; our heart is wide open to you. There is no restriction in our affections, but only in yours. In return-- I speak as to children-- open wide your hearts also.

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

Sequence Music

Celebrant: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ *People: Glory to you, Lord Christ*

The Holy Gospel: Mark 4:35-41

When evening had come, Jesus said to his disciples, "Let us go across to the other side." And leaving the crowd behind, they took him with them in the boat, just as he was. Other boats were with him. A great windstorm arose, and the waves beat into the boat, so that the boat was already being swamped. But he was in the stern, asleep on the cushion; and they woke him up and said to him, "Teacher, do you not care that we are perishing?" He woke up and rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, "Peace! Be still!" Then the wind ceased, and there was a dead calm. He said to them, "Why are you afraid? Have you still no faith?" And they were filled with great awe and said to one another, "Who then is this, that even the wind and the sea obey him?"

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord People: Praise to you, Lord Christ

Brief Reflection

The Rev. Ronald J. Kolanowski

The Nicene Creed

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Prayers of the People for Pentecost

Leader: Holy God, source of life and fire of love, in this season of Pentecost when we reflect again on what it means to be a community of faith and preach the gospel through our lives, we ask you to hear our prayer as we open our hearts to you.

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.

We pray for those celebrating their birthdays this week especially for Maria Amara (6/20) and Jeff Eells (6/21) and for those celebrating

anniversaries that, with meek heart and due reverence, they may hear and receive thy holy Word, truly serving thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of their life. In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer we pray for All Saints with Christ, Oakville; St. Saviour's, Old Greenwich; St. Ann's, Old Lyme; Camp Washington: staff, board, counselors, and camper

Silence

Spirit of Love **People: hear our prayer.**

We pray with thanks for all those in our community who support the well-being of others. We pray for those who have requested our prayers, especially for Scott David, LEK, Erin Conley, Francine Bloch, Louis Mangiafico; Lois Roy; also for: Sandra Whalen and Thomas Murray; JoAnne Jones; Marcelo Orellana, Patricia Angelou, Cheri Phelps, Scott Goodrich, Irene Jones, Celeste Moore, Nelson Moore; and for those who are listed on the bulletin insert.

Silence

Spirit of Love People: hear our prayer.

We pray for the church; for our Presiding Bishop, Michael; for our bishops, Ian and Laura, for our priest Ron, and our deacon Donna and all priests and deacons. 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 People: 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.

Silence

Spirit of Love **People: 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

People: hear our prayer.

We pray for those who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

Silence

Spirit of Love **People: hear our prayer.**

We pray for those who suffer the loss of family, friends and neighbors, 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 **People: hear our prayer.**

We pray for those who do not understand or have not found Your love, that they may seek a deeper knowledge of You. May Your love find those who need You the most.

Silence

Spirit of Love **People: hear our prayer.**

Prayer for Father's Day

All: For those men who have shaped our lives as fathers, both within our families and those without claim of family or kinship have served as fathers. For those men who have taught us, guided us, shaped us and molded us into servants of Christ our Lord. God our Father, in your wisdom you made all things. Bless the fathers in our lives, our community and our world. May those of us who are fathers model fatherly love and compassion as you have shown us by your example as our loving father. We ask this in the name of the most Holy Trinity one God world without end. Amen.

Priest: For what else shall we pray this day?

Celebrant: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor

The Confession

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The Peace

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you. *People: And also with you.*

Announcements

The Offertory

Celebrant: Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.

Offertory Hymn #535 "Ye servants of God, your Master proclaim"

The Holy Communion

The Great Thanksgiving Eucharistic Prayer A

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Sanctus: S-128 Holy, holy, holy Lord

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say, The Lord's Prayer BCP, page 364

The Breaking of the Bread Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us; *People: Therefore, let us keep the feast. Alleluia.*

> The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts, by faith, with thanksgiving.

Communion (The ushers will lead you out of your pews starting from the back center aisle).

Post Communion Prayer

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The Blessing

Recessional Hymn: #579 "Almighty Father, strong to save"

Dismissal

People: Thanks be to God

Postlude