St. Peter's Episcopal Church, Hebron, CT

The Celebration of All Saints Day ~ October 31, 2021 Holy Eucharist Rite 2 ~ 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 Gloria S-277: Glory to God: *Gloria in excelsis*

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: Isaiah 25:6-9

On this mountain the LORD of hosts will make for all peoples a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wines, of rich food filled with marrow, of well-aged wines strained clear.

And he will destroy on this mountain the shroud that is cast over all peoples, the sheet that is spread over all nations; he will swallow up death forever.

Then the Lord GOD will wipe away the tears from all faces, and the disgrace of his people he will take away from all the earth, for the LORD has spoken.

It will be said on that day, Lo, this is our God; we have waited for him, so that he might save us. This is the LORD for whom we have waited; let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation.

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

The Psalm: Psalm 24

1 The earth is the LORD's and all that is in it, * the world and all who dwell therein.

- 2 For it is he who founded it upon the seas * and made it firm upon the rivers of the deep.
- 3 "Who can ascend the hill of the LORD?" * and who can stand in his holy place?"
- 4 "Those who have clean hands and a pure heart, * who have not pledged themselves to falsehood, nor sworn by what is a fraud.
- 5 They shall receive a blessing from the LORD * and a just reward from the God of their salvation."
- 6 Such is the generation of those who seek him, * of those who seek your face, O God of Jacob.
- 7 Lift up your heads, O gates; lift them high, O everlasting doors; * and the King of glory shall come in.
- 8 "Who is this King of glory?" *
 - "The LORD, strong and mighty, the LORD, mighty in battle."
- 9 Lift up your heads, O gates; lift them high, O everlasting doors; * and the King of glory shall come in.

10 "Who is he, this King of glory?" * "The LORD of hosts, he is the King of glory."

The Second Lesson: Revelation 21:1-6a

I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "See, the home of God is among mortals. He will dwell with them as their God; they will be his peoples, and God himself will be with them; he will wipe every tear from their eyes. Death will be no more; mourning and crying and pain will be no more, for the first things have passed away." And the one who was seated on the throne said, "See, I am making all things new." Also he said, "Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true." Then he said to me, "It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end."

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Celebrant: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ *People: Glory be to thee, O Lord* **The Holy Gospel: John 11:32-44**

When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died." When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. He said, "Where have you laid him?" They said to him, "Lord, come and see." Jesus began to weep. So the Jews said, "See how he loved him!" But some of them said, "Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?"

Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. Jesus said, "Take away the stone." Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, "Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead four days." Jesus said to her, "Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?" So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upward and said, "Father, I thank you for having heard me. I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me." When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!" The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth, and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, "Unbind him, and let him go."

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

The Sermon Renewal of Baptismal Vows

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 meek and all those who are persecuted and those who are listed in the bulletin who asked for our prayers.

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 Bertha "Bobbie" Marston, To Ton, Ed Janowiak, Kathy Dinan, Shawn Lukaszewicz, Joyce Leonbruno, Jacob Provost, Richard Hagenow, Ed Murray, Paul Aruda, Lorraine Philippino, Millie Aruda, Everett Strickland, Connie Keefe, Marcos Veliq, Benjamin Ferreira & Domingo Zuniga, Jane Donnelly, Judy Platz, Ken Kraemer, Debbie Davis, Brad Doleys, Shawn Starkey, Everett Yaps, Kiki Eglinton, Judith Fowler, Carol Wells, Phyllis Meshanic, Russell Wheeler, Gallant, Ronald, Ralph Arthur Gerke, Russell Depatie Richard Woodbury, George Litwin, Joseph James Litwin and all the people who have died as a result of Covid-19.

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), Robert Kell (11/2), Rick Gray, Jr. (11/5). *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"

The Holy Communion

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Eucharistic Prayer A	BCP page 361
Sanctus: S-128 Holy, holy, holy Lord	
The Lord's Prayer	BCP, page 364
Fraction Anthem: S-169	
Communion Music	
Post-Communion Prayer (in unison)	BCP, page 365
The Blessing	
Closing Hymn: #618 "Ye watchers and ye holy ones"	
Dismissal	
People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia.	
Postlude	



St. Peter's Prayer List

<u>Continuing Prayer List</u>: Laura Beaudoin, Ginny Hellstrom, Sandra Whalen & Thomas Murray; Nelson Moore; Irene Jones; Al Piper; Brian, Kathryn and Olivia; Joan Hamilton, Caroline, Ron Lamp, Betty Dombrowski, Louis & Heidi Schluntz; Susan Hicks & family, Ambrosio Vidal, Jeannette Farren, Scott David, LEK, Erin Conley, Noel, Daryl, Scott Goodrich, Ella & Nicole, Tom Robbins, & Ti; Rina Bettancourt; Lois Roy; Jessica, Alberta's granddaughter; Louis Mangiafico; JoAnne Jones; Marcelo Orellana, Patricia Angelou.

Announcements

***The Stewardship Information packet** has been mailed out. If for some reason you haven't received it, please call the office.

*Northeast Region Convocation

The NE Region of Episcopal Churches in ECCT will hold our annual gathering on Sat., November 6 from 10-1. This is an online gathering and will focus on homelessness and marginalized communities in our region. We encourage you to register to gather with fellow Episcopalians from across our part of CT to explore this issue and get to know one another better. Here is the link to register for Convocation: <u>NE Region Fall</u> <u>Convocation</u>

*This is Sacred Ground: Building Racial Reconciliation through Education and Understanding. The program is made possible by a grant from the Hebron Greater Together Community Fund of the Hartford Foundation for Giving. The program, created by The Episcopal Church, consists of eleven intensive sessions spread over a six-month period, on Monday evenings starting November 1 at 7:00p.m. Due to the rising COVID cases, the program will be held online. Each educational session will be moderated by professional scholars, Dr. Benjamin Foster, Jr. and Dr. *Walton* Brown-*Foster*, and followed by small group discussions led by volunteer facilitators from the community. Registration is still open to anyone. Reserve your spot today by emailing Carol at Cgever260@gmail.com. Schedule of Sessions:

2021: Nov. 1, 15 & 29 2021; December 13, 2021 **2022**: January 10 & 24; February 7 & 21; March 7 & 21; April 4.

On-going Events Balancing Classes every Monday at 10:00 a.m. \$5 per session. Weekly Coffee Hour Wednesdays 10:00 a.m.

We invite folks to join us for our weekly zoom coffee hour. Join in & visit with long-time friends. Join Zoom Meeting: Join our Cloud HD Video Meeting

Up-Coming Events

*Roast Pork Tenderloin Dinner: Saturday November 13, 4:00 – 6:00 p.m. *St. Nicholas Fair: December 4. Save the date. More information to follow.