

**The Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost ~ September 14, 2025**

**Holy Eucharist, Rite 1**

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

***People: And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen***

**The Kyrie**

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**Lord, have mercy upon us.**

***Christ, have mercy upon us.***

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**The Gloria**

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**Glory be to God on high,**

**and on earth peace, good will towards men.**

**We praise thee, we bless thee,**

**we worship thee, we glorify thee,**

**we give thanks to thee for thy great glory,**

**O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty.**

**O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ;**

**O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,**

**that takest away the sins of the world,**

**have mercy upon us.**

**Thou that takest away the sins of the world,**

**receive our prayer.**

**Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father,**

**have mercy upon us.**

**For thou only art holy; thou only art the Lord;**

**thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost,**

**art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

***People: And with thy spirit***

Celebrant: Let us pray.

**Collect of the Day: O God, because without you we are not able to please you, mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.**

### **The First Lesson: Exodus 32:7-14**

The Lord said to Moses, "Go down at once! Your people, whom you brought up out of the land of Egypt, have acted perversely; they have been quick to turn aside from the way that I commanded them; they have cast for themselves an image of a calf, and have worshiped it and sacrificed to it, and said, 'These are your gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt!'" The Lord said to Moses, "I have seen this people, how stiff-necked they are. Now let me alone, so that my wrath may burn hot against them and I may consume them; and of you I will make a great nation."

But Moses implored the Lord his God, and said, "O Lord, why does your wrath burn hot against your people, whom you brought out of the land of Egypt with great power and with a mighty hand? Why should the Egyptians say, 'It was with evil intent that he brought them out to kill them in the mountains, and to consume them from the face of the earth'? Turn from your fierce wrath; change your mind and do not bring disaster on your people. Remember Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, your servants, how you swore to them by your own self, saying to them, 'I will multiply your descendants like the stars of heaven, and all this land that I have promised I will give to your

descendants, and they shall inherit it forever.'"And the Lord changed his mind about the disaster that he planned to bring on his people.

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

### **The Psalm: Psalm 51:1-11**

- 1 Have mercy on me, O God, according to your loving-kindness; \*  
in your great compassion blot out my offenses.**
- 2 Wash me through and through from my wickedness \*  
and cleanse me from my sin.**
- 3 For I know my transgressions, \*  
and my sin is ever before me.**
- 4 Against you only have I sinned \*  
and done what is evil in your sight.**
- 5 And so you are justified when you speak \*  
and upright in your judgment.**
- 6 Indeed, I have been wicked from my birth, \*  
a sinner from my mother's womb.**
- 7 For behold, you look for truth deep within me, \*  
and will make me understand wisdom secretly.**
- 8 Purge me from my sin, and I shall be pure; \*  
wash me, and I shall be clean indeed.**
- 9 Make me hear of joy and gladness, \*  
that the body you have broken may rejoice.**
- 10 Hide your face from my sins \*  
and blot out all my iniquities.**
- 11 Create in me a clean heart, O God, \*  
and renew a right spirit within me.**

### **The Second Lesson: 1 Timothy 1:12-17**

I am grateful to Christ Jesus our Lord, who has strengthened me,

because he judged me faithful and appointed me to his service, even though I was formerly a blasphemer, a persecutor, and a man of violence. But I received mercy because I had acted ignorantly in unbelief, and the grace of our Lord overflowed for me with the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners-- of whom I am the foremost. But for that very reason I received mercy, so that in me, as the foremost, Jesus Christ might display the utmost patience, making me an example to those who would come to believe in him for eternal life. To the King of the ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory forever and ever. Amen.

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: Luke 15:1-10**

All the tax collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to Jesus. And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, "This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them."

So he told them this parable: "Which one of you, having a hundred sheep and losing one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness and go after the one that is lost until he finds it? When he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders and rejoices. And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and neighbors, saying to them, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep that was lost.' Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who need no repentance.

"Or what woman having ten silver coins, if she loses one of them, does not light a lamp, sweep the house, and search carefully until she finds it? When she has found it, she calls together her friends and neighbors, saying, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found the coin that I had lost.' Just so, I tell you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents."

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

**Sermon**

**Douglas Bowman**

**The Nicene Creed**

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**We believe in one God,**

**the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,**

**God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,  
begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father.**

**Through him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven:**

**by the power of the Holy Spirit**

**he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;**

**he suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again**

**in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.**

**With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.  
He has spoken through the Prophets.  
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.  
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.  
We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

**Prayers of the People 14th Sunday of Pentecost BCP p. 328**

Let us pray for the whole state of Christ's Church and the world.

*The Reader concludes the Prayers with these words:*

Grant these our prayers, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate. **Amen.**

**Confession BCP p. 331**

**Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned  
against thee in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done,  
and by what we have left undone.**

**We have not loved thee with our whole heart;  
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.**

**We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.**

**For the sake of thy Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us  
and forgive us; that we may delight in thy will,  
and walk in thy ways, to the glory of thy Name. Amen.**

**Absolution**

**Celebrant:** Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all those who with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## **The Peace**

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

***People: And with thy spirit***

## **Announcements**

## **The Holy Communion**

### **The Offertory**

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

### **The Great Thanksgiving**

#### **Eucharistic Prayer 1**

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Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

***People: And with thy spirit.***

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

***People: We lift them up unto the Lord.***

Celebrant: Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

***People: It is meet and right so to do.***

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God.

Therefore, with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

### **The Sanctus**

**Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts:**

**Heaven and earth are full of thy Glory.**

**Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High.**

**Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

Celebrant: All glory be to thee, Almighty God, our heavenly Father,  
For that thou, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus  
Christ to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption; who made  
there, by his one oblation of himself once offered, a full, perfect, and  
sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of the  
whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us  
to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and  
sacrifice, until his coming again...

By whom, and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, all honor  
and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. *AMEN.*

### **The Lord's Prayer**

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And now, as our Savior Christ hath 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.**

### **Breaking of the Bread**

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us

***People: Therefore, let us keep the feast. Alleluia.***

### **Agnus Dei**

**O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,  
have mercy upon us.**

**O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,  
have mercy upon us.**



**O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,  
grant us thy peace.**

**All: We do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord,  
trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great  
mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs  
under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord whose property is  
always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to  
eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood,  
that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. *Amen.***

### **Communion**

#### **Post-Communion Prayer**

**Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for  
that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual  
food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior  
Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and  
goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate  
in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all  
faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy  
everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly  
Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in  
that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast  
prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to  
whom with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory,  
world without end. *Amen.***

### **The Blessing**

#### **Dismissal**

***People: Thanks be to God.***

## **Prayers and Thanksgivings for the 14<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost**

*The Sanctuary Candle is given to the glory of God by Ellen and Curt Kraemer in honor of their 51<sup>st</sup> anniversary*

**We pray for our clergy:** Sean, the Presiding Bishop; Jeff & Laura, the Bishops of Connecticut; for our priest Ron; for Doug, our seminarian, for our deacons Marge & Donna; and for all bishops, priests and deacons.

**In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer** we pray for Epiphany, Stamford; St. Andrew's, Stamford; St. Francis', Stamford; The Province of New England: the Dioceses of Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, Vermont & Western Massachusetts. For their bishops, clergy, congregations, parish & diocesan staff. For Provincial Synod & all Provincial Networks; *The Anglican Church of South America*.

We pray for those whose lives closely touch our own. May they be in our hearts and have joy and happiness in their lives. We pray for those celebrating their birthdays this week (Stephen Mondrach 9/14, Francine Bloch 9/15, Christine Mangiafico 9/15, Nancy Bader 9/15, John Viklinetz 9/16, Robert ManWarren 9/20), and for those celebrating anniversaries, especially for Ellen and Curt Kraemer who are celebrating their 51<sup>st</sup> anniversary.

**In St Peter's Cycle of Prayer**, we pray for all our parish family and those who have requested our prayers: Dolores, Michael H., Eileen, Carolyn Aubin, and for those in our Continuing Prayer list, that you would heal all injuries, comfort all grief, and settle all wrongs.

**We pray for the deceased** remembering especially Christopher Beaudoin, whose funeral was held yesterday.

### **Continuing Prayer List**

Hannah Janowiak, Annette Cucchi, Lonni, Bonnie R., Renee, Fran, Sarah, Leslie Vallee, Kelly Johnson, Randy, Mario, Maria, John Lumsden, Rosemarie, Roberto Rodegher, Linda Snarski, Len & Kim Begin, Nancy Kirkham, Sheila, Peter & Barbara Farren, Andrew, Peggy Cobb & family, Adrian Mandeville, Neal, Loretta, Judy, Robin, Brenda, Richard Taylor, Jim, David Rigby, Judy Knox, Star, Norm, Aimee Goodrich, Justin, Derek Anderson, Janet Nixon, Bill D., Steve Dubin, Ryan, Marlin Corbean; Brian; Kathryn & Olivia; Caroline, Ron Lamp, Lou & Heidi Schluntz, Ambrosio Vidal & Family, Jeannette Farren, Rina Bettancourt; Susan Hicks & family,

### **On Going Activities**

- Balance Class: Mondays 10:30 a.m. \$5 per session.
- Cub Scouts: 1st Mondays 5:30-7 p.m.
- Hebron Greater Together Community Fund: 3<sup>rd</sup> Tues. 6-8 pm
- Buildings & Grounds: first Tuesdays, 7 p.m.
- Boy Scouts: Wednesdays, 7 p.m.
- Vestry: Third Thursdays, 6 p.m.

**Book Discussion:** Author Verna Dozier in “The Dream of God” explores the ways that humanity and the institutional church have strayed far from Jesus’s original message. Dozier encourages us to see Christianity not as creed or institution, but as “the vision of a new possibility for human life rooted in an ancient understanding of God and lived out by a Nazarene carpenter. Meetings will be held from **11:30-1 p.m. every Monday Sept. 8, through Nov.3.** The book is available on Amazon.

**"Thanksgiving in September" Community Dinner on September 20<sup>th</sup>.** Turkey, stuffing, cranberry sauce, etc. - all the usuals served at Thanksgiving. Mark your calendars! Sign-up sheets are available at the back of the church

**St. Peter's Episcopal Church Community Dinner**



***"Thanksgiving in September"***

***September 20th***

***4:00 p.m. until sold out.***

***Roast Turkey Breast Dinner***

**with stuffing, mashed potatoes, gravy, cranberry sauce,  
julienne carrots *à la Sandy Marshall*, dinner roll,  
plus our scrumptious dessert table**

***\$17 per dinner***

***For information 860-228-3244***

This is a take-out only dinner. No pre-orders from the public. A server will come to your vehicle which is in line; the server will take your order, money, and dessert choice. They will return to your vehicle and place your dinner(s) in your vehicle. You will not need to get out of your vehicle.

Non-Profit: Tara Farm Rescue in Coventry