The Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost ~ October 5, 2024

Opening Hymn: #660 "O Master, let me walk with thee"

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

People: And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever Glory to God #S-280



Celebrant: The Lord be with you

People: And also with you

Collect of the Day: Almighty and everlasting God, you are always more ready to hear than we to pray, and to give more than we either desire or deserve: Pour upon us the abundance of your mercy, forgiving us those things of which our conscience is afraid, and giving us those good things for which we are not worthy to ask, except through the merits and mediation of Jesus Christ our Savior; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen*.

The First Reading: Habakkuk 1:1-4, 2:1-4

The oracle that the prophet Habakkuk saw.

O Lord, how long shall I cry for help, and you will not listen? Or cry to you "Violence!" and you will not save? Why do you make me see wrong-doing and look at trouble?

Destruction and violence are before me; strife and contention arise. So the law becomes slack and justice never prevails.

The wicked surround the righteous--therefore judgment comes forth perverted.

I will stand at my watchpost, and station myself on the rampart; I will keep watch to see what he will say to me, and what he will answer concerning my complaint. Then the Lord answered me and said: Write the vision; make it plain on tablets, so that a runner may read it. For there is still a vision for the appointed time; it speaks of the end, and does not lie. If it seems to tarry, wait for it; it will surely come, it will not delay.

Look at the proud! Their spirit is not right in them, but the righteous live by their faith.

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

The Psalm: Psalm 37:1-10

- 1 Do not fret yourself because of evildoers; * do not be jealous of those who do wrong.
- 2 For they shall soon wither like the grass, * and like the green grass fade away.
- 3 Put your trust in the Lord and do good; * dwell in the land and feed on its riches.
- 4 Take delight in the Lord, * and he shall give you your heart's desire.
- 5 Commit your way to the Lord and put your trust in him, * and he will bring it to pass.
- 6 He will make your righteousness as clear as the light * and your just dealing as the noonday.
- 7 Be still before the Lord * and wait patiently for him.
- 8 Do not fret yourself over the one who prospers, * the one who succeeds in evil schemes.
- 9 Refrain from anger, leave rage alone; * do not fret yourself; it leads only to evil.
- 10 For evildoers shall be cut off, *
 but those who wait upon the Lord shall possess the land.

The Second Reading: 2 Timothy 1:1-14

Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, for the sake of the promise of life that is in Christ Jesus,

To Timothy, my beloved child:

Grace, mercy, and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord.

I am grateful to God-- whom I worship with a clear conscience, as my ancestors did-- when I remember you constantly in my prayers night and day. Recalling your tears, I long to see you so that I may be filled with joy. I am reminded of your sincere faith, a faith that lived first in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice and now, I am sure, lives in you. For this reason I remind you to rekindle the gift of God that is within you through the laying on of my hands; for God did not give us a spirit of cowardice, but rather a spirit of power and of love and of self-discipline.

Do not be ashamed, then, of the testimony about our Lord or of me his prisoner, but join with me in suffering for the gospel, relying on the power of God, who saved us and called us with a holy calling, not according to our works but according to his own purpose and grace. This grace was given to us in Christ Jesus before the ages began, but it has now been revealed through the appearing of our Savior Christ Jesus, who abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel. For this gospel I was appointed a herald and an apostle and a teacher, and for this reason I suffer as I do. But I am not ashamed, for I know the one in whom I have put my trust, and I am sure that he is able to guard until that day what I have entrusted to him. Hold to the standard of

sound teaching that you have heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. Guard the good treasure entrusted to you, with the help of the Holy Spirit living in us.

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: Luke 17:5-10

The apostles said to the Lord, "Increase our faith!" The Lord replied, "If you had faith the size of a mustard seed, you could say to this mulberry tree, `Be uprooted and planted in the sea,' and it would obey you.

"Who among you would say to your slave who has just come in from plowing or tending sheep in the field, 'Come here at once and take your place at the table'? Would you not rather say to him, 'Prepare supper for me, put on your apron and serve me while I eat and drink; later you may eat and drink'? Do you thank the slave for doing what was commanded? So you also, when you have done all that you were ordered to do, say, 'We are worthless slaves; we have done only what we ought to have done!"

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord *People: Praise to you, Lord Christ*Sermon Brien Brown

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Prayers of the People for the Feast of St. Francis

We pray for the church; for our Presiding Bishop, Sean; for our bishops, Jeff and Laura, for Doug our seminarian; for Donna and Marge our deacons, for 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 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: Declan Anderson (10/5), Kim Davis (10/5), Pamela Atwood (10/6), Ronald Kolanowski 10/8), Walter Paul Albert (10/11); Timothy O'Shea (10/11); and those celebrating anniversaries. In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we pray for Trinity, Torrington; Christ Church, Trumbull; Trinity, Trumbull; All creatures great & small; *The Anglican Church of Tanzania*.

Silence

Lord in your mercy,

People: Hear our prayer.

God whose name is Love, you created this world and all that is in it. Look upon your creatures which delight us by their variety and beauty. Be with them in their struggle for existence, and shelter them from the dangers that surround them.

Silence

Lord in your mercy,

People: Hear our prayer.

Look upon the companion animals, O God, who share our homes and

our lives, and show us a love and loyalty few people can surpass. Bless them for the pleasure and companionship thy give, and protect all those who suffer neglect and cruelty.

Silence

Lord in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

Look upon us, O God, with love and mercy. Forgive our selfishness and our cruelty and forgive our abuse your creation, lead us back in your way of love. Transform the hearts of all of us who, out of ignorance or malice, use creation without respect so that we may be filled with your wisdom, love and mercy.

Silence

Lord in your mercy,

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

Lord in your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

We thank you for the gift of life, with all its blessings and sorrows. Shield the joyous, comfort and strengthen those in any need or trouble. We pray especially for Ann, Dolores, Michael H, Carolyn Aubin, Eileen, and for those who are on our Continuing Prayer list.

Lord in your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Bless those who have died, that joining with the company of all your saints we may rejoice in one unending song of praise.

Silence

Lord in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

Presider: For what else shall we pray this day?

Confession (in unison)

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Dedication of the new Altar Hanging

This is the offering which you shall receive from the people, blue and purple cloth, and finely woven linen.

O Lord my God, how excellent is your greatness

All: You are clothed with majesty and splendor

Let us pray: O glorious God, all your works proclaim your perfect beauty. Accept this altar hanging in honor of the people of Ukraine, and grant that it may adorn this sanctuary and show forth your glory; through Jesus Christ Our Lord. **Amen**

The Peace

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

People: And also with you.

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.

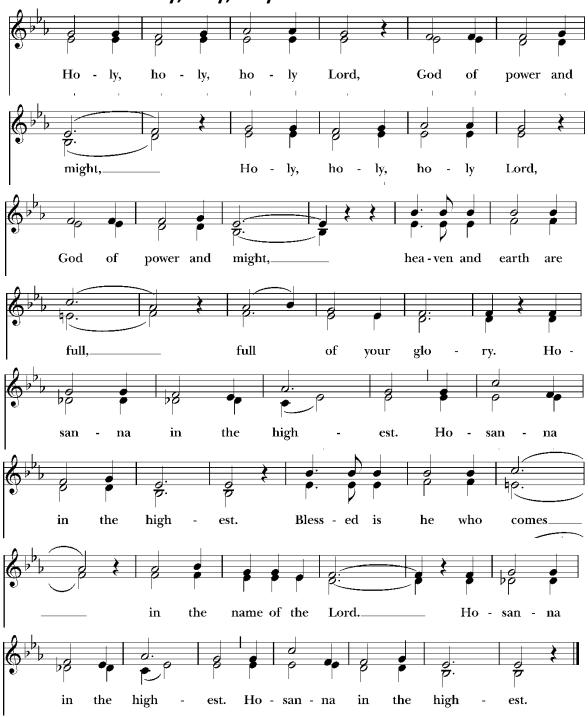
Offertory Hymn: #655 "O Jesus, I have promised"

The Great Thanksgiving

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Eucharistic Prayer A

Sanctus: S-130 "Holy, holy, holy Lord"



The Celebrant continues: Holy and Gracious Father... Therefore, we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

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

The Lord's Prayer

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The Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us

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

Fraction Anthem S-164



Post Communion Prayer The Blessing

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Recessional Hymn: LEVAS #189 "Great is thy faithfulness"

Dismissal

People: Thanks be to God

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Prayers and Thanksgivings for the 17th Sunday after Pentecost

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

In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer we pray for Trinity, Torrington; Christ Church, Trumbull; Trinity, Trumbull; All creatures great & small; The Anglican Church of Tanzania

In St Peter's Cycle of Prayer, we pray for all our parish family and those who have requested our prayers. We pray for those who have died. We pray for those who suffer the loss of family, friends, and neighbors that they may be comforted by those who love them.

We pray for those who celebrate their birthdays this week, remembering especially Declan Anderson (10/5), Kim Davis (10/5), Pamela Atwood (10/6), Ronald Kolanowski 10/8); Walter Paul Albert (10/11); Timothy O'Shea (10/11); and for those celebrating anniversaries.

Continuing Prayer List

Bonnie R., Renee, Fran, Hannah Janowiak, Sarah, Leslie Vallee, Kelly Johnson, Randy, Mario, Maria, John Lumsden, Rosemarie, David Rigby, Roberto Rodegher, Linda Snarski, Len & Kim Begin, Nancy Kirkham, Sheila, Peter & Barbara Farren, Andrew, Peggy Cobb & family, Adrian Mandeville, Neal, Loretta, Judy, Robin, Brenda, Jim, Richard Taylor, 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

- Girl Scouts: occasional Sundays @ 4:30
- Brownies: monthly on Sundays at 2 p.m.
- Balance Class: Mondays 10:30 a.m. \$5 per session.
- Cub Scouts: 1st Mondays 5:30-7 p.m.
- Hebron Greater Together Community Fund: 3rd 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 on Verna Dozier's "The Dream of God." Meetings will be held from **11:30-1 p.m. every Monday Sept. 8, through Nov.3.** The book is available on Amazon.

New Ministry for College Students: The Connections Committee is starting a new ministry for students in college. We plan on sending each student a first semester Final Exam Survival Kit. The kits might include protein bars, granola, coffee, tea or cocoa, packages of mac and cheese, chewing gum, small hand-held games, playing cards, cozy crazy socks or perhaps a small stuffed animal. We would like to mail them out around Thanksgiving. In order to get this started we need to know the names of those young adults who are away at college or commuting to college. They could be a relative (grandchildren, nieces, and nephews included), a neighbor, friends or anyone you know who might appreciate being remembered by St. Peter's parish. Please send their names, college addresses, and if the person receiving our gift has any food allergies. Please send the information to us at office@stpetershebron.com, and put College Ministry in the subject.

PROUDLY WELCOMES "VOCE" AS IT LAUNCHES ITS 20TH ANNIVERSARY SEASON:



Saturday, October 11, 7:30p.m.

Mark Singleton,

Artistic Director and Voce invite you to join us as they open their 20th Anniversary Season with "Radiant Dawn" the first chapter in a season-long journey through Bridges, a theme celebrating connection, renewal, and hope. Reserve your seats today and experience the brilliance of Voce in concert! Scan the QR Code to purchase tickets or visit

www.voceinc.org

VOCE is one of the premier chamber choirs in Connecticut. They are based in Hartford at Emanuel Congregational Church. They donate much of their concert and recording proceeds to charity, in accordance with its philanthropic mission. We are delighted they are launching their 20th anniversary season with us in Hebron



While you can purchase tickets at the door, we encourage you to buy them in advance. Tickets are \$30 but you may offer less if you are unable to pay that amount. The concert will be followed by a reception in the parish hall. Purchase your tickets today. You will be glad you did, knowing some of

your purchase price will support a charity.

ALZHEIMER WALK: October 19, 2025

We encourage anyone who is able to be part of a St. Peter's team and participate in the **ALZ Walk on October 19 at Rentschler Field in East Hartford**. Hebron is again sponsoring team HEBRONROCKS ALZ. The following flyer contains a QR code where you can go to donate for our home team. If you have questions about the walk please contact: Tonya Maurer at multitasking@comcast.net. Donations are taken until the end of October.





FREE concert: 3pm Sun. Oct. 19th, 2025 by JASON

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"Autumn & All That Jazz!"

Second Congregational Church, UCC 1746 Boston Tpke - Coventry CT

Come to the Annual Pumpkin Festival at St. Peter's Saturday, October 4, 9-3 p.m. & Sunday, October 5, 12-4 p.m.

So many things to see and do ~ Something for everyone

Autumnal items for purchase:

- Pumpkins and Gourds of all shapes and sizes
- Mums 3 different sizes
- Bake Sale and delicious treats
- Apples and Cider from local farms
- Corn Stalks
- Vendors will be displaying their wares
- Crafts made by our parishioners
- Local Jams, Jellies, Relish, Honey and Maple Syrup
- Tag Sale with many Fall and Halloween items,

Stay for an EXCELLENT LUNCH: Hamburgers, Hot Dogs, Pulled Pork sandwiches, and more. Beverages including hot or cold cider.

Please come and support St. Peter's as well as our neighbors at United Brethren Synagogue

"All creatures great and small.....
The Lord God made them all"