



The 20th Sunday of Pentecost
8:00 a.m. HOLY EUCHARIST Rite I
Saint Peter's Episcopal Church
Hebron, Connecticut
The Rev. Ronald Kolanowski, Rector

The 20th Sunday after Pentecost ~ October 26, 2025
Rite 1 ~ 8:00 a.m.

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

People: And blessed be his kingdom now and forever

Glory be to God

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Collect of the Day Almighty and everlasting God, increase in us the gifts of faith, hope, and charity; and, that we may obtain what you promise, make us love what you command; 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: Sirach 35:12-17

Give to the Most High as he has given to you, and as generously as you can afford. For the Lord is the one who repays, and he will repay you sevenfold. Do not offer him a bribe, for he will not accept it and do not rely on a dishonest sacrifice; for the Lord is the judge, and with him there is no partiality. He will not show partiality to the poor; but he will listen to the prayer of one who is wronged. He will not ignore the supplication of the orphan, or the widow when she pours out her complaint.

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

The Psalm: Psalm 84:1-6

1 How dear to me is your dwelling, O Lord of hosts! *

**My soul has a desire and longing for the courts of the Lord;
my heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God.**

2 The sparrow has found her a house

**and the swallow a nest where she may lay her young; *
by the side of your altars, O Lord of hosts,
my King and my God.**

3 Happy are they who dwell in your house! *

they will always be praising you.

4 Happy are the people whose strength is in you! *

whose hearts are set on the pilgrims' way.

5 Those who go through the desolate valley

will find it a place of springs, *

for the early rains have covered it with pools of water.

6 They will climb from height to height, *

and the God of gods will reveal himself in Zion.

The Second Reading: 2 Timothy 4:6-8,16-18

I am already being poured out as a libation, and the time of my departure has come. I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. From now on there is reserved for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give me on that day, and not only to me but also to all who have longed for his appearing.

At my first defense no one came to my support, but all deserted me. May it not be counted against them! But the Lord stood by me and gave me strength, so that through me the message might be fully proclaimed and all the Gentiles might hear it. So I was rescued from the lion's mouth. The Lord will rescue me from every evil attack and save me for his heavenly kingdom. To him be the 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 18:9-14

Jesus told this parable to some who trusted in themselves that they were righteous and regarded others with contempt: "Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. The Pharisee, standing by himself, was praying thus, 'God, I thank you that I am not like other people: thieves, rogues, adulterers, or even like this tax collector. I fast twice a week; I give a tenth of all my income.' But the tax collector, standing far off, would not even look up to heaven, but was beating his breast and saying, 'God, be merciful to me, a sinner!' I tell you, this man went down to his home justified rather than the other; for all who exalt themselves will be humbled, but all who humble themselves will be exalted."

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

Sermon

The Rev. Ronald Kolanowski

The Nicene Creed (<i>said in unison</i>)	BCP, p. 326
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The Peace

Celebrant: The Peace of the Lord be always with you

People: And with thy spirit

The Holy Communion

The Great Thanksgiving	BCP, p. 333
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Eucharistic Prayer I

The Breaking of the Bread	BCP, p. 337
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Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

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The Blessing

The Dismissal

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Prayers and Thanksgivings for the 20^h 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 Holy Spirit, West Haven; St. Paul's, Westbrook; Diocesan Episcopal Church Women & Diocesan Altar Guild. For local ECW chapters & parish altar guilds; *The Church in Wales*

We pray for those who celebrate their birthdays this week: David St. Laurent 10/30, George Raasumaa-Boots 10/28, Dianne Sayers 10/30, James Celio 11/1, John Marshall 11/1, and for those celebrating anniversaries.

In St Peter's Cycle of Prayer, we pray for all our parish family and Especially for those who have requested our prayers: Bob ManWarren, John Viklinetz, and for those in our Continuing Prayer list, that you would heal all injuries, comfort all grief, and settle all wrongs.

We pray for those who have died, remembering especially Bob McHugh, Sarah Brown and Nancy Kirkham.

Continuing Prayer list

Ann, Dolores, Michael H, Carolyn Aubin, Eileen, 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, Richard Taylor, Jim, 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.

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 are 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: New "Care Package"

Ministry: The Connections Committee is starting a new ministry for those young adults you know who are in college, technical school or the military (we are trying to be inclusive).

We plan on sending each person a care package. 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 living away or commuting. 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 community.

Please send their names, addresses, and whether the person who would receive our gift has any food allergies. Please send the information to us at office@stpetershebron.com, please put "Student/Military Ministry" in the subject line.

· **Fresh, new garb for St. Peter's worker bees:**

From October 17 through November 7th, we will be able to order St. Peter's shirts, hats, aprons, sweatshirts, and possibly jackets on-line. The last ordering was in 2021. And this will probably be the last for a while! so get ready!!

[St. Peter's Episcopal Church Store](#)

I have also pasted below a QR code that links to the store. This might be useful to promote the store sales.



