

The Second Sunday in Lent ~ March 1, 2026

St. Peter's Episcopal Church

Hebron, CT 06248-0513

The Rev. Ronald J. Kolanowski, Rector

THE SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT

HOLY EUCHARIST – RITE 2

10:00 A.M., MARCH 1, 2026

Opening Hymn: #142 “Lord, who throughout these forty days”

A Penitential Order

Celebrant: Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

People: *His mercy endures for ever.*

The Decalogue

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

Confession of Sin

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Absolution

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S- 86 Kyrie Eleison

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The Collect of the Day: O God, whose glory it is always to have mercy: Be gracious to all who have gone astray from your ways, and bring them again with penitent hearts and steadfast faith to embrace and hold fast the unchangeable truth of your Word, Jesus Christ your Son; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

The First Reading: Genesis 12:1-4a

The Lord said to Abram, “Go from your country and your kindred and your father’s house to the land that I will show you. I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you, and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. I will bless those who bless you, and the one who curses you I will curse; and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed.”

So Abram went, as the Lord had told him; and Lot went with him.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

The Psalm: Psalm 121

Levavi oculos

1 I lift up my eyes to the hills; *

from where is my help to come?

2 My help comes from the Lord, *

the maker of heaven and earth.

3 He will not let your foot be moved *

and he who watches over you will not fall asleep.

4 Behold, he who keeps watch over Israel *

shall neither slumber nor sleep;

5 The Lord himself watches over you; *

**the Lord is your shade at your right hand,
6 So that the sun shall not strike you by day, *
nor the moon by night.**

**7 The Lord shall preserve you from all evil; *
it is he who shall keep you safe.**

**8 The Lord shall watch over your going out and your coming in, *
from this time forth for evermore.**

The Second Lesson: Romans 4:1-5, 13-17

What then are we to say was gained by Abraham, our ancestor according to the flesh? For if Abraham was justified by works, he has something to boast about, but not before God. For what does the scripture say? “Abraham believed God, and it was reckoned to him as righteousness.” Now to one who works, wages are not reckoned as a gift but as something due. But to one who without works trusts him who justifies the ungodly, such faith is reckoned as righteousness. For the promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation.

For this reason it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (for he is the father of all of us, as it is written, “I have made you the father of many nations”) —in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sequence Anthem

Celebrant: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ

The Holy Gospel John 3:1-17

There was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. He came to Jesus by night and said to him, “Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God.” Jesus answered him, “Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above.” Nicodemus said to him, “How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother’s womb and be born?” Jesus answered, “Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. Do not be astonished that I said to you, ‘You must be born from above.’ The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit.” Nicodemus said to him, “How can these things be?” Jesus answered him, “Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things?

“Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen; yet you do not receive our testimony. If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness,

so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

“For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.

“Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.”

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

Sermon

The Rev. Ronald J. Kolanowski

The Apostles Creed

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth;**

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

**He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the Virgin Mary.**

**He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.**

He descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again.

**He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Priest: For what else shall we pray this day?

The Peace

Celebrant: The Peace of the Lord be always with you

People: And also with you.

Holy Communion

The Offertory

Offertory Hymn: #671 “Amazing grace”

The Doxology is sung while the offering is brought to the altar.

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer I (from Enriching Our Worship)

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Celebrant: It is truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks, all-holy God, source of life and fountain of mercy... Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we sing:

Sanctus #S-130

Schubert, arr. Proulx

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and

might, Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,
 God of power and might, hea - ven and earth are
 full, full of your glo - ry. Ho -
 san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na
 in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes
 in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na
 in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Celebrant: Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life. You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love....Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me.” Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

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

Celebrant: Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine...
Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever.

All: AMEN.

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say:
The Lord's Prayer (in unison) BCP, page 364
The Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant: Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.
People: Therefore, let us keep the feast.

Fraction Anthem "Jesus Remember Me"

The musical score is for a Fraction Anthem titled "Jesus Remember Me". It is written in 3/4 time and the key signature has two flats (B-flat and E-flat). The score consists of four staves. The top two staves are for the vocal line, and the bottom two staves are for the piano accompaniment. The lyrics are: "Jesus, remember me when you come in-to your king dom." The chord markings above the vocal line are Cm, Fm/Ab, Bb, and Eb. The piano accompaniment features a steady bass line and chords that support the vocal melody.

Priest: Behold Who You Are as the Body of Christ.
People: May we become what we receive.

Post-Communion Prayer

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Celebrant: Let us pray.

The Closing Prayer

Closing Hymn: #691 “My faith looks up to thee”

Dismissal

People: Thanks be to God.

Postlude

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Remembrances and Thanksgivings for March 1, 2026

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

In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we pray for Good Shepherd, Hartford; Grace, Hartford; Haven Community, Hartford; Prison ministry & prison chaplains; the ECCT Faith Behind Bars & Beyond Ministry Network; and *The Anglican Episcopal Church in Japan*

In St Peter's Cycle of Prayer, In St Peter's Cycle of Prayer, we pray for all our parish family, especially for Cindy Brinkman, Marge Roccoberton, Maria Amara, Steve Konopka, Claire Bracaglia and for those who are listed in our Continuing Prayers list that you would heal all injuries, comfort all grief, and settle all wrongs. We pray for those who have died.

We pray for those who celebrate their birthdays this week: especially Andrew Goulet (3/1), Darlene McDonald (3/5), and for those celebrating anniversaries.

We pray for the deceased.

Continuing Prayer List

Ann, Dolores, Michael H, Carolyn Aubin, Eileen, Bonnie R., Renee, Fran, Sarah, Leslie Vallee, Kelly Johnson, Mario, Maria, John Lumsden, Rosemarie, David Rigby, Roberto Rodegher, Len & Kim Begin, Sheila, Peter & Barbara Farren, Andrew, Adrian Mandeville, Neal, Loretta, 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, Ann Valerio.



Wednesday in Lent

4:30-6:15 p.m.

Feb 25, March 4, 11, 18 and 25

Soup for the Body, Soul, and Spirit

4:30 Love and Kindness Mindful Meditation

In this time of division, noise and competing voices for our time and our minds we find it difficult often to slow down, to find silence amid the chaos and feed our spirit. Our own parishioner Carissa Johnson who is both a Christian and a practicing Buddhist skilled in the art of meditation will provide a space for us to find solace and silence as we invite love and kindness into our soul through this half hour of peace. Even if you have never meditated before this is an opportunity for you to try on this practice in the familiar space of our beautiful church.

5:00p.m. Stations of the Cross

Following the meditation session at 5p.m. we will hold the ancient Lenten observance of the Stations of the Cross. The stations follow The Via Dolorosa, literally “the sorrowful way.” It is the traditional route in Jerusalem that tradition tells us our Lord traveled on the day of His crucifixion with 14 stations beginning with Jesus being condemned to death by Pilate, to the place of His burial in the tomb on Mount Calvary. The sessions will be led by JoAnn Osmond with the assistance of other parishioners.

5:30-6:15p.m. Soup and Bread Supper

Following the stations of the cross we will gather in the parish hall for a simple soup and bread supper. We will have both fresh and gluten free bread. We will end by 6:15 since the Scouts will be coming in to set up for their 7p.m. meeting in the hall.

Upcoming

Community Conversation

Church Street Commons

Learn about the planned mixed-income housing development
to be built on Church Street in Hebron.

March 12, 2026

6:30 - 8pm

St. Peter's Episcopal Church Phelps
Hall, 60 Church Street

PANELISTS

Ron Kolanowski, pastor of St. Peter's Church and vice president
of Commons CDC

Rob Mangiafico, president, Commons CDC

Kathy Dorgan, architect for Church Street Commons and principal
of Dorgan Architecture & Planning in Storrs

Senator Cathy Osten, State Senator for the 19th District
(unless legislative matters preclude her attendance)

Brock Williams, senior project manager for Grow America



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**St. Peter's Sanctuary Performing Arts
Invites You to a Post Maple Fest Event
St. Patrick's Day Cabaret & Dinner with
"The Callithumpians"**



Sunday, March 22, 2026 4-6p.m.

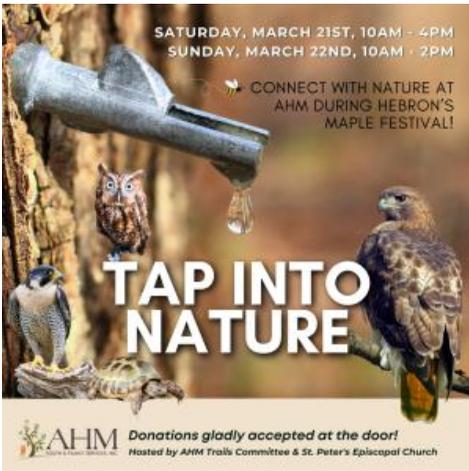
St. Peter's, 30 Church St.

**Evening of Celtic music & dinner of
meat or vegetarian stew and bread.**

You may bring alcoholic beverages.

Non-alcoholic beverages are served.

Suggested Donation \$15 Per Person



St. Peter's AHM Tap Into Nature Event 2026!

AHM Youth & Family Services and St. Peter's Episcopal Church partner each year to host the very popular "TAP INTO NATURE" event during Hebron's Maple Festival. Save the date for this year's event, scheduled to be held on Saturday, March 21st from 10 am – 4 pm and Sunday, March 22nd, from 10 am – 2 pm.

Tap Into Nature is located both indoors & outdoors at AHM Youth & Family Services, located at 25 Pendleton Drive in Hebron. **All ages are welcome!**

Tap Into Nature features both **indoor and outdoor** activities, weather permitting. This event is a day filled with fun for all ages; from young children to teens to parents and seniors. Everyone is welcome to attend! **AHM 25 Pendleton Drive, Hebron**

Saturday, March 15th, 10:00 am – 4:00 pm

- Blue Moon Raptors **11 am – 12:30 pm, & 1:30 pm – 3 pm**
- Riverside Reptiles
- Hebron Pollinator Pathway & Audubon Society Exhibit
- Maple Syrup Demonstration
- Animal Tracks & Signs
- Hebron's Paths & Trails & Composting 101
- Crafts & Activities indoor & outdoor!

Sunday, March 16th, 10:00 am – 2:00 pm

- Blue Moon Raptor – Birds of Prey **11:30 am – 1:00 pm**
- Riverside Reptiles
- Hebron Pollinator Pathway & Audubon Society Exhibit
- Outdoor Maple Syrup Demonstration
 - Hebron's Paths & Trails
 - Animal Tracks & Signs Composting 101
 - Crafts & Activities indoor & outdoor!

Daily Lenten Meditations – During the entire season of Lent, you are invited to use the daily online devotionals from Episcopal Nun Sister Monica Claire, Sister Superior of the Sisters of John the Baptist, Mendham, NJ. She has been asked to lead these devotions for all of us in The Episcopal Church on behalf of the Episcopal Relief and Development. Link to her daily online meditation and all the materials is:

<https://www.episcopalrelief.org/church-in-action/lent/>

On Going Activities

- **Balance Class: Mondays 10:15 a.m. \$5 per session.**
- **Cub Scouts: 1st Mondays 5:30-7 p.m.**
- **Hebron Greater Together Community Fund: 3rd Tuesdays 6-8 pm**
- **Buildings & Grounds: first Tuesdays, 7 p.m.**
- **Boy Scouts: Wednesdays, 7 p.m.**
- **Vestry: Third Thursdays, 6 p.m.**
- **BNI (Business Networking International): Fridays, 7:30-8:30 a.m.**