



St. Peter's Episcopal Church Hebron, CT

Rev. Ronald Kolanowski, Rector

The Ninth Sunday after Pentecost ~ July 26, 2026 ~ Holy Eucharist Rite 2

OPENING HYMN: #488 "BE THOU MY VISION"

OPENING ACCLAMATION

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

People: And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

GLORY TO GOD

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.

**Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you,
we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.**

**Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you
take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at
the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.**

**For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are
the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the
Father. Amen.**

COLLECT OF THE DAY:

**O God, the protector of all who trust in you, without whom nothing is
strong, nothing is holy: Increase and multiply upon us your mercy; that,
with you as our ruler and guide, we may so pass through things
temporal, that we lose not the things eternal; 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: GENESIS 29:15-28

**Laban said to Jacob, "Because you are my kinsman, should you therefore
serve me for nothing? Tell me, what shall your wages be?" Now Laban had**

two daughters; the name of the elder was Leah, and the name of the younger was Rachel. Leah's eyes were lovely, and Rachel was graceful and beautiful. Jacob loved Rachel; so he said, "I will serve you seven years for your younger daughter Rachel." Laban said, "It is better that I give her to you than that I should give her to any other man; stay with me." So Jacob served seven years for Rachel, and they seemed to him but a few days because of the love he had for her.

Then Jacob said to Laban, "Give me my wife that I may go in to her, for my time is completed." So Laban gathered together all the people of the place, and made a feast. But in the evening he took his daughter Leah and brought her to Jacob; and he went in to her. (Laban gave his maid Zilpah to his daughter Leah to be her maid.) When morning came, it was Leah! And Jacob said to Laban, "What is this you have done to me? Did I not serve with you for Rachel? Why then have you deceived me?" Laban said, "This is not done in our country—giving the younger before the firstborn. Complete the week of this one, and we will give you the other also in return for serving me another seven years." Jacob did so, and completed her week; then Laban gave him his daughter Rachel as a wife.

Reader: The Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God

THE PSALM: PSALM 128

Beati omnes

**1 Happy are they all who fear the LORD, *
and who follow in his ways!**

**2 You shall eat the fruit of your labor; *
happiness and prosperity shall be yours.**

**3 Your wife shall be like a fruitful vine within your house, *
your children like olive shoots round about your table.**

**4 The man who fears the LORD *
shall thus indeed be blessed.**

**5 The LORD bless you from Zion, *
and may you see the prosperity of Jerusalem all the days of your life.**

**6 May you live to see your children's children; *
may peace be upon Israel.**

THE SECOND LESSON: ROMANS 8:26-39

The Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes with sighs too deep for words. And God, who searches the heart, knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God. We know that all things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to his purpose. For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the firstborn within a large family. And those whom he predestined he also called; and those whom he called he also justified; and those whom he justified he also glorified.

What then are we to say about these things? If God is for us, who is against us? He who did not withhold his own Son, but gave him up for all of us, will he not with him also give us everything else? Who will bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. Who is to condemn? It is Christ Jesus, who died, yes, who was raised, who is at the right hand of God, who indeed intercedes for us. Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will hardship, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? As it is written,

“For your sake we are being killed all day long;
we are accounted as sheep to be slaughtered.”

No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Reader: The Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God

SEQUENCE ANTHEM

THE HOLY GOSPEL: MATTHEW 13:31-33, 44-52

Deacon: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ

People: Glory be to thee, O Lord

Jesus put before the crowds another parable: “The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed that someone took and sowed in his field; it is the smallest of all the seeds, but when it has grown it is the greatest of shrubs and becomes a tree, so that the birds of the air come and make nests in its branches.”

He told them another parable: “The kingdom of heaven is like yeast that a woman took and mixed in with three measures of flour until all of it was leavened.”

“The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which someone found and hid; then in his joy he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field.

“Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant in search of fine pearls; on finding one pearl of great value, he went and sold all that he had and bought it.

“Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a net that was thrown into the sea and caught fish of every kind; when it was full, they drew it ashore, sat down, and put the good into baskets but threw out the bad. So it will be at the end of the age. The angels will come out and separate the evil from the righteous and throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

“Have you understood all this?” They answered, “Yes.” And he said to them, “Therefore every scribe who has been trained for the kingdom of heaven is like the master of a household who brings out of his treasure what is new and what is old.”

Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ

SERMON

THE REV. RONALD J. KOLANOWSKI

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PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Leader: Holy God, source of life and fire of love, in this season of Pentecost when we reflect again on what it means to be a community of faith and preach the gospel through our lives, we ask you to hear our prayer as we open our hearts to you.

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: Mark Eells (7/27), Eric Forrest (7/29), Eileen Lumsden (7/29), Len Matejek (7/30), Ronald Churney (7/31), Shawn Perkins (8/1), and those celebrating anniversaries, Dan & JoAnn Osmond (8/1).

~~ Silence ~~

Leader: Spirit of Love

People: Hear our prayer

We pray with thanks for all those in our community who support the well being of others. We pray for all our parish family, especially those in any need or difficulty, Louis Domingue (pronounced “Do-Mang”), Georgette’s brother; Betty’s friend, Moose; Lynne Sandahl; and those on our Continuing Prayer List.

~~ Silence ~~

Leader: Spirit of Love

People: Hear our prayer

We pray for the church; Sean, the Presiding Bishop; Jeff & Laura, the Bishops of Connecticut; for our priest Fr. Ron; for our deacons Donna and Marge; and for all bishops, priests and deacons. We pray for all who proclaim the Gospel to the ends of the earth and for all who seek the Truth. In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: St. John’s, Salisbury; Trinity, Seymour; Christ Church, Sharon; Curates, seminary interns, parish assistants & associates; The Anglican Church of Tanzania.

~~ Silence ~~

Leader: 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 ~~

Leader: Spirit of Love

People: Hear our prayer

We pray for your wonderful creation, the Earth, and its streams, trees, mountains and plants and for the animals of the Earth.

~ ~ Silence ~ ~

Leader: Spirit of Love

People: Hear our prayer

We pray for those who have died, especially for Judy Knox, Nancy Davis, Linda Swift, Carolyn Aubin. The Sanctuary Candle is given by the Kraemer Family in memory of all loved ones. We pray for those who suffer the loss of family, friends and neighbors that they may be comforted by those who love them.

~ ~ Silence ~ ~

Leader: Spirit of Love

People: Hear our prayer

We pray for those who do not understand or have not found Your love, that they may seek a deeper knowledge of You. May Your love find those who need You most.

~ ~ Silence ~ ~

Leader: Spirit of Love

People: Hear our prayer

For what else shall we pray this day?

THE PEACE OF THE LORD

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

HYMN: #671 "AMAZING GRACE, HOW SWEET THE SOUND"

DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

Praise him, all creatures here below;

Praise him above, ye heavenly host:

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

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.

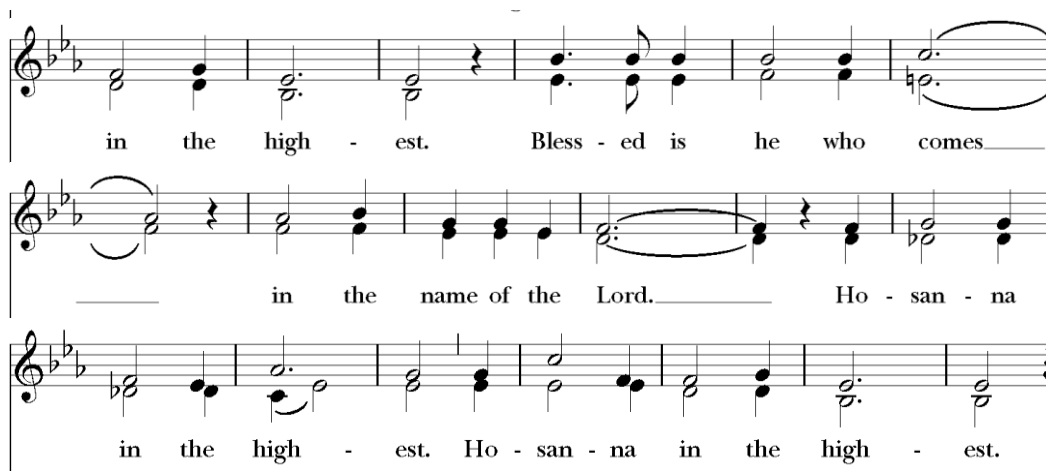
People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

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 "HOLY, HOLY, HOLY LORD"

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



EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER A

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Celebrant: Holy and gracious father, in your infinite love, you have created us for yourself....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: 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

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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.

COMMUNION

POST COMMUNION PRAYER (*in unison*)

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our lord. Amen.

THE BLESSING

CLOSING HYMN: #615

“THE KINGDOM COME”

DISMISSAL

People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!



PRAYERS & THANKSGIVINGS FOR JULY 26, 2026

In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we pray for St. John’s, Salisbury; Trinity, Seymour; Christ Church, Sharon Curates, seminary interns, parish assistants & associates; The Anglican Church of Tanzania.

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

We pray for those who celebrate their birthdays this week: Mark Eells (7/27), Eric Forrest (7/29), Eileen Lumsden (7/29), Len Matejek (7/30), Ronald Churney (7/31), Shawn Perkins (8/1), and those celebrating anniversaries, Don and JoAnn Osmond (8/1).

In St Peter’s Cycle of Prayer, we pray for all our parish family, especially those in any need or difficulty, Louis Domingue (pronounced “Do-Mang”), Georgette’s brother; Betty’s friend, Moose; Lynne Sandahl; and those on our Continuing Prayer List.

We pray for the deceased. We pray especially for Judy Knox, Nancy Davis, Linda Swift, Carolyn Aubin. The **Sanctuary Candle** is given by the Kraemer Family in memory of all loved ones.

CONTINUING PRAYER LIST

Ann, Dolores, Michael H, Bonnie R., Renee, Fran, Sarah, Leslie Vallee, Kelly Johnson, Maria, John Lumsden, Rosemarie, David Rigby, Len & Kim Begin, Peter & Barbara Farren, Andrew, Adrian Mandeville, Neal, Robin, Richard Taylor, Star, Norm, Aimee Goodrich, Justin, Derek Anderson, Janet Nixon, Bill D., Steve Dubin, Marlin Corbean; Brian; Kathryn & Olivia; Caroline, Ron Lamp, Lou & Heidi Schluntz, Ambrosio Vidal & Family, Jeannette Farren, Rina Bettancourt; Susan Hicks & family, Ann Valerio, Cindy Brinkman, Marge Roccoberton, Maria Amara, Gerry, Paula, Mary

ON GOING ACTIVITIES

Balance Class: \$5 per session	Mondays	10:15 a.m.
Connect:	Mondays	2:00 p.m.
Weekly Weeders:	Mondays	4:00 p.m.
Cub Scouts:	1 st Mondays	5:30-7:00 p.m.
Hebron Greater Together Community Fund:	3 rd Tuesdays	6:00-8:00 p.m.
Buildings & Grounds:	1 st Tuesdays	7:00 p.m.
Boy Scouts:	Wednesdays	7:00 p.m.
Meditation Class: (No class on July 22)	4 th Wednesday	4:30 p.m.
200 th Anniversary Celebration:	3 rd Thursdays	5:00 p.m.
Vestry:	3 rd Thursdays	6:00 p.m.



Mini-Bake Sale: Fr. Ron's Blueberry Lemon Custard Pie

Father Ron will be baking pies at the end of the month for those who wish to sample them. These pies are rich like a cheesecake and can be refrozen just like ice cream or custard. Each pie is \$18 and will go to benefit the newly created fund to put a bathroom in the back of church. You can reserve your pies by July 27, by calling the office (860-228-3244). Pies can be picked up on Saturday, August 1 and Sunday, August 2.

August 15th 2026, 4:00 p.m.

Lasagna Dinner

St. Peter's Episcopal Church, 30 Church Street (Rte 85), Hebron CT

Menu: Lasagna, Bratwurst, Salad, Roll and Dessert

A portion of the proceeds will be donated to: *Andover Food Bank.*

Cost: \$18 per person. This is a take-out only dinner.

200th Anniversary Celebration

From October 10-18 we will celebrate the 200th anniversary of our St. Peter's Church building. Part of that celebration will be a display in Phelps Hall of photos, clippings of Peter's people and memorabilia. If you have photos or clippings from former days, please look through them and set some aside. Later this summer, we will bring anyone with photos together to mount them for display. The end result: Imagine Phelps Hall as a gallery of photos and clippings and artifacts of St. Peters of the past 200 years. If you have questions or comments call or email John Loge (203) 988-1645, John.p.loge@gmail.com. Celebration committee members are John Loge, Gayle Kataja, Sue Ostrout, Kath Talbot, Trisha Beatty, Kim Sullivan, Chuck and Marcia Eaton, and Fr. Ron.