



# **Saint Peter's Episcopal Church**

Hebron, Connecticut

The Rev. Ronald Kolanowski, Rector

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September 20, 2026 ~ Rite 1 ~ 8:00 a.m.

The 17<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

## **OPENING ACCLAMATION**

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

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

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## **GLORY BE TO GOD**

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## **COLLECT OF THE DAY:**

**Grant us, Lord, not to be anxious about earthly things, but to love things heavenly; and even now, while we are placed among things that are passing away, to hold fast to those that shall endure; 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: EXODUS 16:2-15**

The whole congregation of the Israelites complained against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness. The Israelites said to them, "If only we had died by the hand of the Lord in the land of Egypt, when we sat by the fleshpots and ate our fill of bread; for you have brought us out into this wilderness to kill this whole assembly with hunger."

Then the Lord said to Moses, "I am going to rain bread from heaven for you, and each day the people shall go out and gather enough for that day. In that way I will test them, whether they will follow my instruction or not. On the sixth day, when they prepare what they bring in, it will be twice as much as they gather on other days." So Moses and Aaron said

to all the Israelites, “In the evening you shall know that it was the Lord who brought you out of the land of Egypt, and in the morning you shall see the glory of the Lord, because he has heard your complaining against the Lord. For what are we, that you complain against us?” And Moses said, “When the Lord gives you meat to eat in the evening and your fill of bread in the morning, because the Lord has heard the complaining that you utter against him—what are we? Your complaining is not against us but against the Lord.”

Then Moses said to Aaron, “Say to the whole congregation of the Israelites, ‘Draw near to the Lord, for he has heard your complaining.’” And as Aaron spoke to the whole congregation of the Israelites, they looked toward the wilderness, and the glory of the Lord appeared in the cloud. The Lord spoke to Moses and said, “I have heard the complaining of the Israelites; say to them, ‘At twilight you shall eat meat, and in the morning you shall have your fill of bread; then you shall know that I am the Lord your God.’”

In the evening quails came up and covered the camp; and in the morning there was a layer of dew around the camp. When the layer of dew lifted, there on the surface of the wilderness was a fine flaky substance, as fine as frost on the ground. When the Israelites saw it, they said to one another, “What is it?” For they did not know what it was. Moses said to them, “It is the bread that the Lord has given you to eat.”

Reader: The Word of the Lord

People: **Thanks be to God**

**THE PSALM: PSALM 105:1-6, 37-45**

***Confitemini Domino***

**1 Give thanks to the Lord and call upon his Name; \*  
make known his deeds among the peoples.**

- 2 Sing to him, sing praises to him, \*  
and speak of all his marvelous works.**
- 3 Glory in his holy Name; \*  
let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice.**
- 4 Search for the Lord and his strength; \*  
continually seek his face.**
- 5 Remember the marvels he has done, \*  
his wonders and the judgments of his mouth,**
- 6 O offspring of Abraham his servant, \*  
O children of Jacob his chosen.**
- 37 He led out his people with silver and gold; \*  
in all their tribes there was not one that stumbled.**
- 38 Egypt was glad of their going, \*  
because they were afraid of them.**
- 39 He spread out a cloud for a covering \*  
and a fire to give light in the night season.**
- 40 They asked, and quails appeared, \*  
and he satisfied them with bread from heaven.**
- 41 He opened the rock, and water flowed, \*  
so the river ran in the dry places.**
- 42 For God remembered his holy word \*  
and Abraham his servant.**
- 43 So he led forth his people with gladness, \*  
his chosen with shouts of joy.**
- 44 He gave his people the lands of the nations, \*  
and they took the fruit of others' toil,**
- 45 That they might keep his statutes \*  
and observe his laws. Hallelujah!**

## **THE SECOND LESSON: PHILIPPIANS 1:21-30**

To me, living is Christ and dying is gain. If I am to live in the flesh, that means fruitful labor for me; and I do not know which I prefer. I am hard pressed between the two: my desire is to depart and be with Christ, for that is far better; but to remain in the flesh is more necessary for you. Since I am convinced of this, I know that I will remain and continue with all of you for your progress and joy in faith, so that I may share abundantly in your boasting in Christ Jesus when I come to you again.

Only, live your life in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ, so that, whether I come and see you or am absent and hear about you, I will know that you are standing firm in one spirit, striving side by side with one mind for the faith of the gospel, and are in no way intimidated by your opponents. For them this is evidence of their destruction, but of your salvation. And this is God's doing. For he has graciously granted you the privilege not only of believing in Christ, but of suffering for him as well-- since you are having the same struggle that you saw I had and now hear that I still have.

Reader: The Word of the Lord

**People: Thanks be to God**

## **THE HOLY GOSPEL: MATTHEW 20:1-16**

Deacon: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ

**People: Glory be to thee, O Lord**

Jesus said, "The kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire laborers for his vineyard. After agreeing with the laborers for the usual daily wage, he sent them into his vineyard. When he went out about nine o'clock, he saw others standing idle in the marketplace; and he said to them, 'You also go into the vineyard, and I will pay you whatever is right.' So they went. When he went out again about noon and about three o'clock, he did the same. And about five o'clock he went out and found others standing around; and he said to

them, ‘Why are you standing here idle all day?’ They said to him, ‘Because no one has hired us.’ He said to them, ‘You also go into the vineyard.’ When evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his manager, ‘Call the laborers and give them their pay, beginning with the last and then going to the first.’ When those hired about five o’clock came, each of them received the usual daily wage. Now when the first came, they thought they would receive more; but each of them also received the usual daily wage. And when they received it, they grumbled against the landowner, saying, ‘These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat.’ But he replied to one of them, ‘Friend, I am doing you no wrong; did you not agree with me for the usual daily wage? Take what belongs to you and go; I choose to give to this last the same as I give to you. Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or are you envious because I am generous?’ So the last will be first, and the first will be last.”

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

**SERMON**

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**THE PEACE**

Celebrant: The Peace of the Lord be always with you

**People: And with thy spirit.**

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### THE HOLY COMMUNION

**GREAT THANKSGIVING EUCHARISTIC PRAYER I**

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**POST-COMMUNION PRAYER**

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**BLESSING**

**THE DISMISSAL**

*All are welcome at St. Peter's. We respect the dignity of every human being.  
We encourage you to join together for coffee and cookies in Phelp's Hall.*



### The Prayers and Thanksgivings for September 20, 2026

**In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer**, we pray for we pray for St. John's, Stamford; Calvary, Stonington; St. Mark's, Storrs; Children & children's ministries. Rhythms of Grace & ministries for children with special needs; The Anglican Church of Australia.

**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 this week:** those celebrating birthdays: Victoria Fisk (9/21), Allison Forrest (9/22), Dan Osmond (9/22), Scott Sullivan (9/24), Chuck Eaton (9/26), and those celebrating anniversaries.

**In St Peter's Cycle of Prayer**, we pray for all our parish family, especially those in any need or difficulty, Vicki Burch, Jeni Gorcenski, Paul LaTour, Ron & Dean Johnson, Andrew Riley, and those on our Continuing Prayer List.

**We pray for the deceased.** We pray especially for Gail Mangiafico, Rob Mangiafico’s mother, Ron Johnson, Dan Johnson’s brother, and Norma Berek, who was buried at St. Peter’s Cemetery this week. The Sanctuary Candle is giving in loving memory of John Augustus by Amy Stone.

**The Yellow Rose** at the altar is given in honor of Sam Forrest and Andrew Riley, during their deployments. (Reminder: If sending a card or care package overseas, an international stamp is required. Contact the church office for their addresses.)

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**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 and Families, Ann Valerio, Cindy Brinkman, Marge Roccoberton, Maria Amara, Gerry, Paula, Mary, Louis Domingue, Barbara Reifschneider, Rev. Don Hamer, The Char Families, Marianne Moore

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**On Going Activities**

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| 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 <sup>st</sup> Mondays   | 5:30-7:00 p.m. |
| Hebron Greater Together Community Fund:    | 3 <sup>rd</sup> Tuesdays  | 6:00-8:00 p.m. |
| Buildings & Grounds:                       | 1 <sup>st</sup> Tuesdays  | 7:00 p.m.      |
| Boy Scouts:                                | Wednesdays                | 7:00 p.m.      |
| Meditation Class:                          | 4 <sup>th</sup> Wednesday | 4:30 p.m.      |
| Finance Committee:                         | 2 <sup>nd</sup> Thursday  | 11:00 a.m.     |
| 200 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration: | 3 <sup>rd</sup> Thursdays | 5:00 p.m.      |
| Vestry:                                    | 3 <sup>rd</sup> Thursdays | 6:00 p.m.      |
| Women’s Club:                              | Sundays                   | TBD            |

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*There will be no Meditation Class this Wednesday, September 23, 2026.  
Please join us on October 28<sup>th</sup> when class resumes.*

# PUMPKIN FEST

A treasured St. Peter's Tradition!



## DATES & TIMES

**OCTOBER 3**   **OCTOBER 4**  
(Saturday)   (Sunday)  
 9:00am - 4:00pm   12:00pm - 4:00pm

## ACTIVITIES

FUN FOR ALL AGES!

  
**Tractor Hay Rides!**

  
**S'mores & Cider!**

  
**Face Painting!**

  
**Visit with a Donkey!**

**All children's activities are FREE!**

### HARVEST MARKET

Wonderful Selection for Sale!



**Pumpkins, Gourds, Squash, Mums, Cider**

### MORE GOODIES

Bake Table & Tag Sale!



**Pumpkins, Gourds, & Squash, Squ-up, Mums, Suums, Cider**

### VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Help us make this a success!  
 (Set-up, Baking, Selling, Activities, Kitchen, Clean-up).

**CONTACT MARCIA EATON: 860-228-3487**

A portion of our proceeds will be donated to Hebron Historical Society.

## Blessing of the Animals

### October 4, 2026 at 3:00 p.m.

### St. Peter's Memorial Garden

Join us for the annual blessing of our beloved pets, great and small (and children's stuffed critters).

For those who have lost a dear pet, there will be an internment of ashes as well.

Donations of pet foods will be greatly appreciated.











*Preparing for our*

# 200<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration

*October 10-18, 2026*

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## *Gathering for Memorabilia*

During our Anniversary Celebration we will display photos, clippings, artifacts and other St Peter's memorabilia in the parish hall. Join us on October 7 and October 8 from 2:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. to bring in your photos and other memorabilia to prepare them for display. Poster board and others materials for display and labeling will be provided. It also will be a good time simply to enjoy talking and laughing together about our St Peter's of the past, recent and not so recent.

## *Celebration Baking*

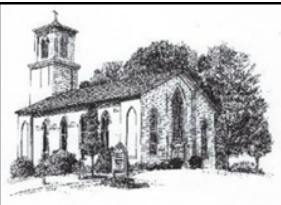
Copies of a booklet of vintage recipes are available at the back of the church. We hope that some of us will use these vintage recipes to prepare baked goods that will be offered as part of the festive coffee hour on October 18 when the bishop visits. As a way to prepare, we invite you to take a booklet home and practice the recipes ahead of the celebration. We also invite you bring your "test batches" to coffee hours during the next few weeks leading up to the celebration. We think it could be fun to try these recipes out — in the baking and in the eating.

## *Name the Bell*

For our 200<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration, we will take part in a lovely tradition that dates back to the 10th century. There is a ceremony called "Naming the Bell. To our knowledge, the bell in our tower which was installed in 1831, was never named. This is the last day to submit suggestions. Forms can be located on the back table and can be placed in the collection plate or in the "Name Jar" **TODAY!** Next Sunday, **September 27<sup>th</sup> at 9:15**, we invite you to cast your vote in the hall during **one joint voting session**. The bell will be officially named by the Bishop at the Anniversary service on October 18th.

## *Anniversary Memorial Gifts*

As is our custom at Christmas and Easter we are inviting people to submit memorial names to be included in the program for the Anniversary Celebration. The form is located on the back table in the church and in your pew. Please return it to the church office no later than Friday, October 2. Funds collected will help defray the many expenses of the celebration week. We have received two donations totaling \$400 and another \$500 donation to come from another friend of the parish. Please be generous.



# SAINT PETER'S CHURCH

✦ CELEBRATING **200** YEARS ✦  
*of faith & fellowship*

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| <b>SAT</b><br>OCT 10 | <b>5:30 pm – 8:00 pm</b>  | <b>Potluck Founders Dinner</b><br><i>Rev. Samuel Peters will provide some history of the church, when it was built in the center of town, when our faith community was in the middle of community life. Open mic for additional stories &amp; memories</i>          |
| <b>SUN</b><br>OCT 11 | <b>10:00 am - 4:00 pm</b> | <b>1800's Living History Encampment</b><br><i>Revolutionary War camp reenactment. Priest will commission these British soldiers as done in 1750, as they'd prepare to serve King and country. (No Sounding Firearms)</i>                                            |
| <b>TUE</b><br>OCT 13 | <b>5:30 pm - 7:30 pm</b>  | <b>Presentation of St. Peter's History</b><br><i>Presented by John Baron of the Hebron Historical Society of St. Peter's role in the community when located in the center of the village. Approx 45 with open Q&amp;A.</i>                                          |
| <b>WED</b><br>OCT 14 | <b>4:30 pm - 5:30 pm</b>  | <b>Walking Tour of Cemetery</b> <i>Rain Date: Thu, Oct 15</i><br><i>Chuck Eaton will lead a walking tour of our historic cemetery and the graves with historical significance such as Governor Peters and first rector Samuel Peters.</i>                           |
| <b>FRI</b><br>OCT 16 | <b>6:00 pm - 8:00 pm</b>  | <b>Happy Hour &amp; Trivia Night</b><br><i>Test your St. Peter's knowledge with fun and fellowship, and light refreshments. Supervised Activities for children provided. All are welcome. BYOB.</i>                                                                 |
| <b>SAT</b><br>OCT 17 | <b>7:30 pm</b>            | <b>VOCE Concert: The Old Church</b><br><i>A premier choral ensemble of CT, and a concert series named in honor of our anniversary. Visit <a href="http://VOCEinc.org">VOCEinc.org</a> for tickets. A reception hosted by Sanctuary Performing Arts will follow.</i> |
| <b>SUN</b><br>OCT 18 | <b>10:00 am</b>           | <b>200th Anniversary Worship</b> <i>No 8am service.</i><br><i>Bishop Jeff Mello will lead us in worship &amp; rededicate the church in a special liturgy. This celebration will include special music, guest musicians, a festive coffee hour, and more.</i>        |

## **VOCE Revival: The Old Church**

**October 17, 7:30 p.m., at St. Peter's Church**

VOCE, the renowned Connecticut choral ensemble, returns to St. Peter to help us celebrate our 200th anniversary. Their performances are always uplifting and deeply moving. This fall, their concert series, "The Old Church", highlights centuries of sacred harmonies. Immerse yourselves in their unique blending of ancient and contemporary choral classics. Don't miss what will be a truly inspirational concert. Tickets can be purchased for \$30 at [VOCEinc.org](http://VOCEinc.org). A reception hosted by the Sanctuary Performing Arts will follow.

