St. Peter's Episcopal Church Hebron, CT

Rev. Ronald Kolanowski, Rector

The 23rd Sunday after Pentecost ~ November 1, 2026 ~ Holy Eucharist Rite 2

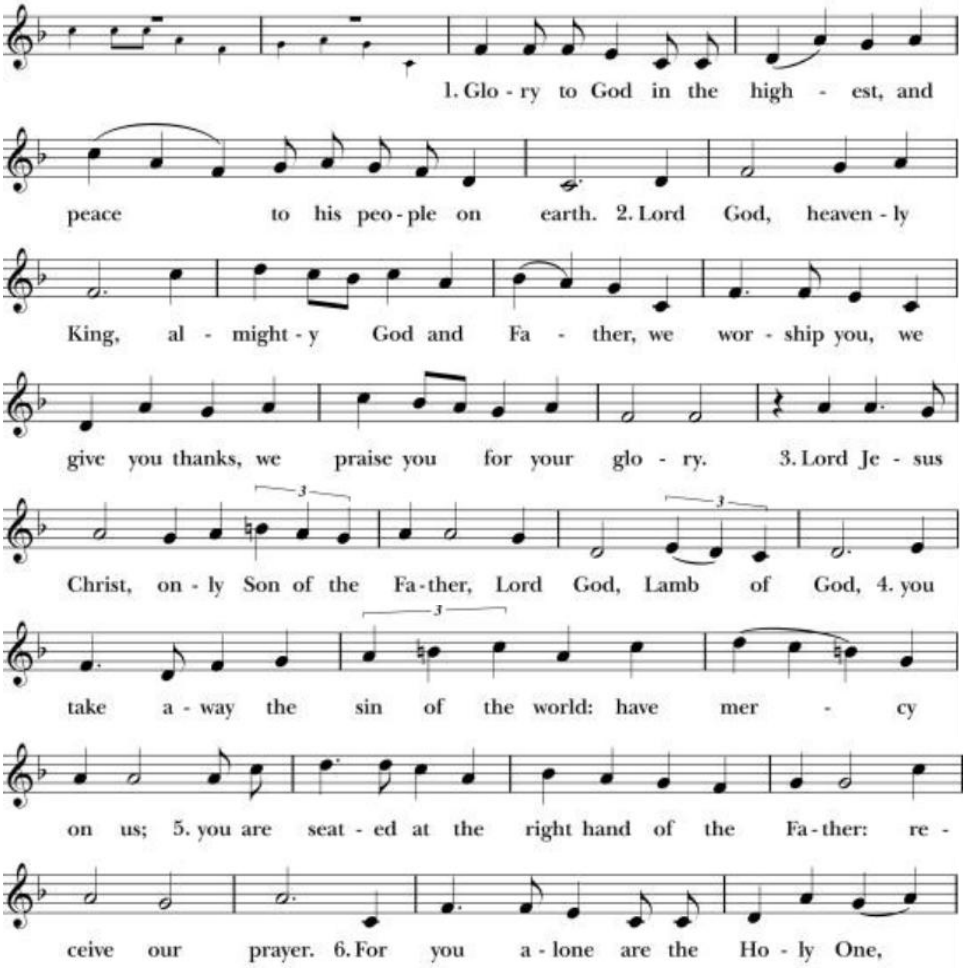
OPENING HYMN: # 287 "FOR ALL THE SAINTS" (VERSE 1,2,8)

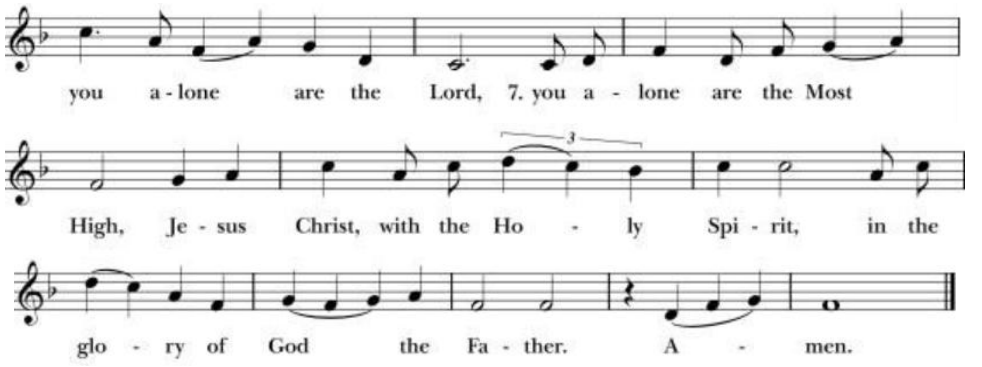
OPENING ACCLAMATION

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

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

GLORY TO GOD #S-280 (POWELL)





Celebrant: The Lord be with you
People: And also with you
Celebrant: Let us pray

COLLECT OF THE DAY:

Almighty God, you have knit together your elect in one communion and fellowship in the mystical body of your Son Christ our Lord: Give us grace so to follow your blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living, that we may come to those ineffable joys that you have prepared for those who truly love you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting. Amen.

THE FIRST LESSON: REVELATION 7:9-17

After this I, John, looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. They cried out in a loud voice, saying, "Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!" And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, singing, "Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen."

Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?" I said to him, "Sir, you are the one that knows." Then he said to me, "These are they who have come out of the great

ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

"For this reason they are before the throne of God, and worship him day and night within his temple, and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them. They will hunger no more, and thirst no more; the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching heat; for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of the water of life, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

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

THE PSALM: PSALM 34:1-10,22

**1 I will bless the LORD at all times; *
his praise shall ever be in my mouth.**
**2 I will glory in the LORD; *
let the humble hear and rejoice.**
**3 Proclaim with me the greatness of the LORD; *
let us exalt his Name together.**
**4 I sought the LORD, and he answered me *
and delivered me out of all my terror.**
**5 Look upon him and be radiant, *
and let not your faces be ashamed.**
**6 I called in my affliction and the LORD heard me *
and saved me from all my troubles.**
**7 The angel of the LORD encompasses those who fear him, *
and he will deliver them.**
**8 Taste and see that the LORD is good; *
happy are they who trust in him!**
**9 Fear the LORD, you that are his saints, *
for those who fear him lack nothing.**
**10 The young lions lack and suffer hunger, *
but those who seek the LORD lack nothing that is good.**
**22 The LORD ransoms the life of his servants, *
and none will be punished who trust in him.**

THE SECOND LESSON: 1 JOHN 3:1-3

See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

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

SEQUENCE ANTHEM

THE HOLY GOSPEL: MATTHEW 5:1-12

Deacon: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ

People: Glory be to you, Lord Christ

When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying:

"Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
"Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.
"Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.
"Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.
"Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.
"Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.
"Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.
"Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
"Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you."

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

SERMON **THE REV. RONALD KOLANOWSKI**

COMMEMORATION OF OUR SAINTS

You are invited to come forward and light a candle for your beloved saints who now stand in the presence of God. As you light the candle, please state the name of the person being remembered.

Leader: As we recall the blessed ones who have gone before us, let us offer prayers to God who adorns the poor with victory.

Leader: With the angels and archangels and the spirits of the blessed.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Leader: With Mary, mother of Jesus and bearer of God.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Leader: With the holy patriarchs, prophets, apostles, and martyrs.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Leader: With all the saints, witnesses to the gospel.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Leader: For our bishops Jeff and Laura; our priest Fr. Ron, and our deacons Donna and Marge, for this holy gathering, for the people of God in every place.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Leader: For all nations, tribes, peoples, and languages.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Leader: For the sick and the suffering, the hungry and the thirsty, the poor and the meek and all those who are persecuted and those who are listed in the bulletin who asked for our prayers.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Leader: For those who have died from this congregation, who were loved ones of members of this congregation, or were buried or memorialized in this church since All Saints Day last year, especially Diane Accomando, Carolyn Aubin, Len Babin, Norma Berek, Claire Bracaglia, Rev. June Carlson, Nancy Davis, William DeCosta, Gary Heard, Bruce John, Ron Johnson, Dylan Keefe, Judy Knowlton, Judy Knox, Michael L., Gary Larson, Gail Mangiafico, Robert ManWarren, Moose McKelvy, Marianne Moore, John Ostrout, Roberto Rodegher, Lynne Sandahl, Linda Snarski, Barbara Steele, Linda Swift, and Jean Vigezzi

People: Lord, have mercy.

Leader: For our city and those who live in it, and for our families, companions, and all those we love; for those who celebrate their birthdays this week: James Celio (11/1) and John Marshall (11/1).

People: Lord, have mercy.

Leader: For our ancestors and all who have gone before us in faith.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Leader: Lifting our voices with all creation, with the Blessed Virgin Mary and all the saints, let us offer ourselves and one another to the living God through Christ.

People: To you, O Lord.

All: Almighty Father, today we keep the festival of your holy city, the heavenly Jerusalem, our mother. Around your throne the saints, our brothers and sisters, sing your praise for ever. Their glory fills us with joy, and their communion with us in your Church gives us inspiration and strength as we hasten on our pilgrimage of faith, eager to meet them. With their great company we praise your glory. Amen.

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 *(THE LOOSE OFFERING THIS SUNDAY IS DESIGNATED FOR THE RECTOR'S DISCRETIONARY FUND)*

Celebrant: Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God

OFFERTORY HYMN: # 293 "I SING A SONG OF THE SAINTS OF GOD"

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.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING **BCP PAGE 361**

Celebrant: The Lord be with you. **People: And also with you.**

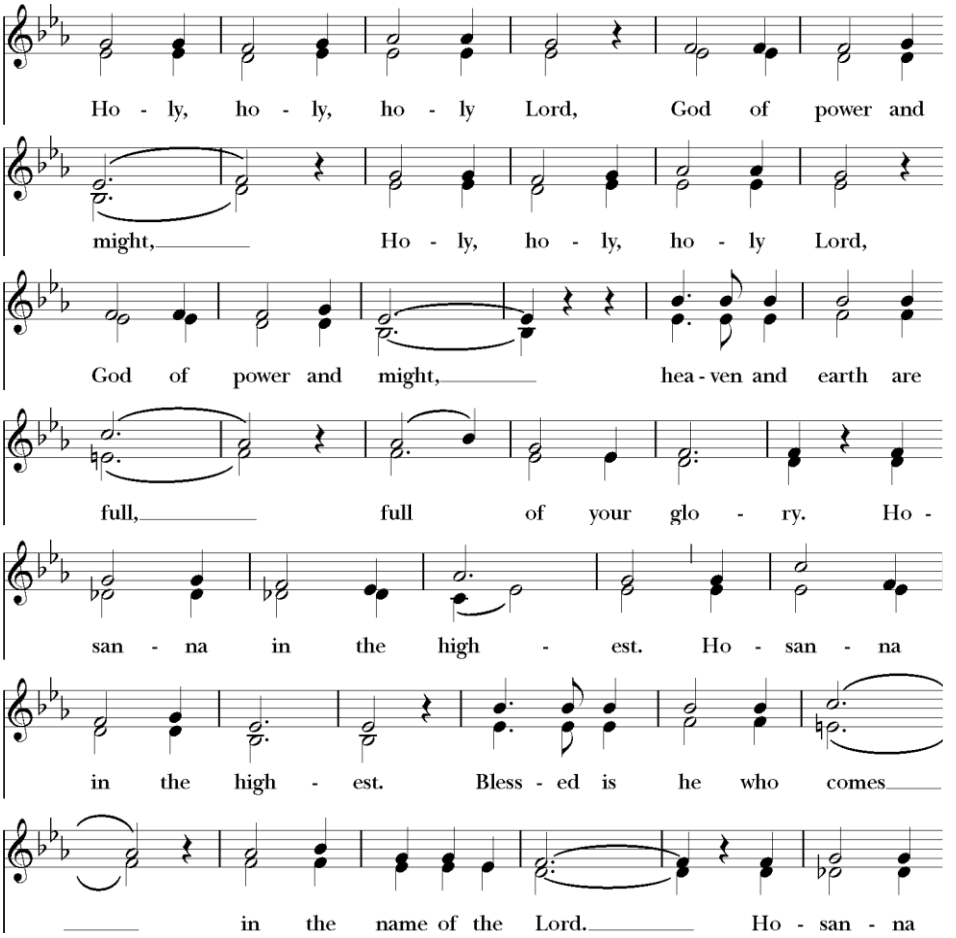
Celebrant: Lift up your hearts. **People: We lift them to the Lord.**

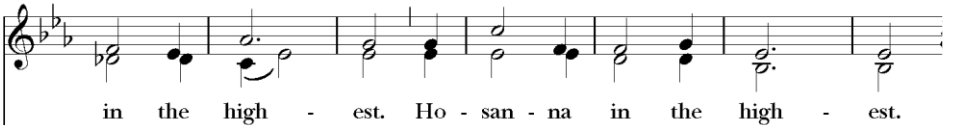
Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

Celebrant: It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and every-where to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

SANCTUS: S-130 "HOLY, HOLY, HOLY LORD" **PROULX**





EUCHARISTIC PRAYER A **BCP, PAGE 362**

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 **BCP Page 364**

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD **BCP PAGE 337**

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: # 618 "YE WATCHERS AND YE HOLY ONES"

DISMISSAL

People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

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 November 1, 2026

In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we pray for St. Paul's, Westbrook; Emmanuel, Weston; Christ & Holy Trinity, Westport Persons employed by The Episcopal Church. For the Presiding Bishop & the President of the House of Deputies Iglesia Anglicana de la Region Central de America.

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: James Celio (11/1) and John Marshall (11/1) 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, Estela Hernandez, Laurel and Mark Houle's daughter-in-law; Pat Larson; Kelsey J, Michon, and Donna McCormak and those on our Continuing Prayer List.

We pray for the deceased. We pray especially for Erica Baez' Aunt, Diane Accomando and Erica Baez' Uncle, William DeCosta.

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, Jeni, Paul LaTour, Art Engler, Tim, Erica Baez, John Viklinetz

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 addresses.)

On Going Activities:

Balance Class: $5 per session		Mondays	10:15 a.m.
Book Club:		Mondays	11:30 a.m.
Connect:		Mondays	2:00 p.m.
Weekly Weeders:		Mondays	4:00 p.m.
Cub Scouts:	1st	Mondays	5:30-7:00 p.m.
Hebron Greater Together Community Fund:	3rd	Tuesdays	6:00-8:00 p.m.
Hall Committee:	4th	Tuesdays	6:00 p.m.
Buildings & Grounds:	1st	Tuesdays	7:00 p.m.
Boy Scouts:		Wednesdays	7:00 p.m.
Meditation Class:	4th	Wednesday	4:30 p.m.
Worship Committee:	3rd	Thursdays	5:00 p.m.
Vestry:	3rd	Thursdays	6:00 p.m.

Upcoming Events:

November 1: Day of the Dead Luncheon: Día de los Muertos

This Sunday at noon we will honor our ancestors and those we've lost with a brief memorial and luncheon following the 10am service. Please bring pictures and memorabilia of those you love for our Día de los Muertos altar in the hall.

November 1: Take Home your photos and memorabilia

Please take home any items that were on display from the 200th anniversary this week or Sunday. We are trying to take down and pack all the items that were displayed. Please take yours very soon. Thank you for your participation in this display it was amazing.

November 8: Purple Sunday (Alzheimer's and related diseases Sunday).

You are encouraged to wear purple and honor those in your life with dementia.

November 15: Veterans Day Sunday.

We remember in prayer our veterans and those in service to our nation in our armed forces.

Hebron Chorus: November 13, 7:00p.m. Gilead Church

The Hebron Chorus will do this year's fall concert at Gilead Congregational Church in Hebron. The theme is "The Songs We Carry." There are three St. Peter's parishioners in the chorus. Please come show your support.

Hebron Community Chorus Presents

The Songs We Carry

Friday, November 13th, 2026 at 7:00 pm
Gilead Congregational Church
672 Gilead St., Hebron, CT
Suggested Donation $20