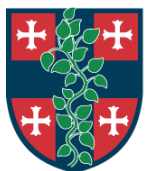


# The Holy Eucharist

September 29th, 2024

9:30 a.m.

Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost



ST. PETER'S  
EPISCOPAL  
CHURCH

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*We seek to worship God, welcome all, and serve Christ in one another.*

Welcome to St. Peter's Church! Our worship service can be found in the Red Book of Common Prayer, beginning on page 355. The hymns can be found in the blue Hymnal. Hymn numbers preceded by an "S" are service music, and can be found in the front of the hymnal. If you would like to use a kneeler, feel free to take one from the back wall of the sanctuary.

**Please keep cell phones silent.**

**OPENING CHIME**

*A bell will chime to signal a period of silence so that we can center ourselves and prepare for worship.*

**PRELUDE**

BE THOU MY VISION

EDWARD BOUGHTON

**PROCESSIONAL**

ST. PETERSBURG

HYMN 574

**LITURGY OF THE WORD****OPENING SENTENCES**

BCP 355

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

People And blessed be God's Kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

**COLLECT FOR PURITY**

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

**GLORIA**

HYMN S280

**COLLECT OF THE DAY**

O God, you declare your almighty power chiefly in showing mercy and pity: Grant us the fullness of your grace, that we, running to obtain your promises, may become partakers of your heavenly treasure; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

**SCRIPTURE READING****ESTHER 7:1-6, 9-10; 9:20-22**

The king and Haman went in to feast with Queen Esther. On the second day, as they were drinking wine, the king again said to Esther, "What is your petition, Queen Esther? It shall be granted you. And what is your request? Even to the half of my kingdom, it shall be fulfilled." Then Queen Esther answered, "If I have won your favor, O king, and if it pleases the king, let my life be given me-- that is my petition-- and the lives of my people-- that is my request. For we have been sold, I and my people, to be destroyed, to be killed, and to be annihilated. If we had been sold merely as slaves, men and women, I would have held my peace; but no enemy can compensate for this damage to the king." Then King Ahasuerus said to Queen Esther, "Who is he, and where is

he, who has presumed to do this?" Esther said, "A foe and enemy, this wicked Haman!" Then Haman was terrified before the king and the queen.

Then Harbona, one of the eunuchs in attendance on the king, said, "Look, the very gallows that Haman has prepared for Mordecai, whose word saved the king, stands at Haman's house, fifty cubits high." And the king said, "Hang him on that." So they hanged Haman on the gallows that he had prepared for Mordecai. Then the anger of the king abated.

Mordecai recorded these things, and sent letters to all the Jews who were in all the provinces of King Ahasuerus, both near and far, enjoining them that they should keep the fourteenth day of the month Adar and also the fifteenth day of the same month, year by year, as the days on which the Jews gained relief from their enemies, and as the month that had been turned for them from sorrow into gladness and from mourning into a holiday; that they should make them days of feasting and gladness, days for sending gifts of food to one another and presents to the poor.

#### **PSALM 124**

If the Lord had not been on our side, \*  
let Israel now say;

If the Lord had not been on our side, \*  
when enemies rose up against us;

Then would they have swallowed us up alive \*  
in their fierce anger toward us;

Then would the waters have overwhelmed us \*  
and the torrent gone over us;

Then would the raging waters \*  
have gone right over us.

Blessed be the Lord! \*

he has not given us over to be a prey for their teeth.

We have escaped like a bird from the snare of the fowler; \*  
the snare is broken, and we have escaped.

Our help is in the Name of the Lord, \*  
the maker of heaven and earth.

**SECOND READING****JAMES 5:13-20**

Are any among you suffering? They should pray. Are any cheerful? They should sing songs of praise. Are any among you sick? They should call for the elders of the church and have them pray over them, anointing them with oil in the name of the Lord. The prayer of faith will save the sick, and the Lord will raise them up; and anyone who has committed sins will be forgiven. Therefore confess your sins to one another, and pray for one another, so that you may be healed. The prayer of the righteous is powerful and effective. Elijah was a human being like us, and he prayed fervently that it might not rain, and for three years and six months it did not rain on the earth. Then he prayed again, and the heaven gave rain and the earth yielded its harvest.

My brothers and sisters, if anyone among you wanders from the truth and is brought back by another, you should know that whoever brings back a sinner from wandering will save the sinner's soul from death and will cover a multitude of sins.

**GOSPEL GRADUAL***Celtic Alleluia*

SPH 4

**GOSPEL****MARK 9: 38-50**

John said to Jesus, "Teacher, we saw someone casting out demons in your name, and we tried to stop him, because he was not following us." But Jesus said, "Do not stop him; for no one who does a deed of power in my name will be able soon afterward to speak evil of me. Whoever is not against us is for us. For truly I tell you, whoever gives you a cup of water to drink because you bear the name of Christ will by no means lose the reward.

"If any of you put a stumbling block before one of these little ones who believe in me, it would be better for you if a great millstone were hung around your neck and you were thrown into the sea. If your hand causes you to stumble, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life maimed than to have two hands and to go to hell, to the unquenchable fire. And if your foot causes you to stumble, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life lame than to have two feet and to be thrown into hell. And if your eye causes you to stumble, tear it out; it is better for you to enter the kingdom of God with one eye than to have two eyes and to be thrown into hell, where their worm never dies, and the fire is never quenched.

“For everyone will be salted with fire. Salt is good; but if salt has lost its saltiness, how can you season it? Have salt in yourselves, and be at peace with one another.”

**SERMON**

The Rev. Mary Beth Mills-Curran

*After the address, a bell will chime to institute a period of silent reflection. The bell will chime a second time to indicate the end of the reflection period.*

**NICENE CREED**

BCP 358

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE, FORM 6**

BCP 392

**CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION**

BCP 360

**THE PEACE**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**OFFERTORY ANTHEM**

LEAD ME LORD

S.S. WESLEY

**PRESENTATION OF GIFTS**

**LITURGY OF THE TABLE****THE GREAT THANKSGIVING**

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER B

BCP 367



We seek to wor-ship God, wel- come all,  
and serve Christ in one a- noth - er.

*All who yearn to be transformed and fed by God are welcome to receive the Sacrament of the Body and Blood of Christ at the Lord's Table. If you do not wish to receive communion but feel called to come forward for a blessing, please indicate so by crossing your arms across your chest. We have gluten free Eucharistic bread for people who are gluten intolerant.*

**SANCTUS**

S125

**THE LORD'S PRAYER**

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your Name,  
your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.  
Save us from the time of trial, And deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,  
now and for ever. Amen.

**COMMUNION HYMN**

GARDINER

HYMN 609

**POST COMMUNION HYMN**

SEASON OF HARVEST

SPH 15

**PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

Loving God, we give you thanks for restoring us in your image and nourishing us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood. Now send us forth a people forgiven, healed, renewed; that we may proclaim your love to the world and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

**BLESSING****RECESSIONAL**

SICILIAN MARINERS

HYMN 344

**DISMISSAL**

***Our worship is over, and so our service begins!***

**Parish Prayers**

**Our Parish Prayer List:**

Donna Soule, John Buckley, Bill Lannigan, Sammie E., Geri Hefferon, Patti Pzegeo, Jessa Haynes, Anne Harvey, Barbara (Sargent) Johnson, Cynthia Litchfield, Marjory Kelley, Dick Moher, Liz Lannigan, Roberta Smith, Charles Boulanger, Jessica C, Jennifer G, Bob Furtado, Karen Furtado, Prakash and Santhi Mathews, Robert Bringhurst, Anna Rich, Will Kullman, Dick Thompson, Ethel Neusch, Deanie Reinhardt, Justina Trevorrow, Brian Paciulan, Nancy Wood, John S.

**Pray during this week for our parish families:**

William & Katherine (“Kims”)  
 Elizabeth Broadhead  
 Stephen & Deborah Broadhead

**Assisting in the Service of Worship today are:**

<b>Lay Eucharistic Minister</b>	Penny Sullivan
<b>Lector</b>	Steve Young
<b>Altar Preparation</b>	Nyria Shaw/Judy Lenfest
<b>Usher</b>	Jackie Thesee
<b>Altar Flowers</b>	Jackie Thesee

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