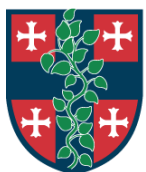


The Holy Eucharist

September 8th, 2024

9:30 a.m.

Sixteenth 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 silenced.

OPENING CHIME

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

Pianist Today is Charles Woodbury

PROCESSIONAL

Moscow

Hymn371

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

Grant us, O Lord, to trust in you with all our hearts; for, as you always resist the proud who confide in their own strength, so you never forsake those who make their boast of your mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

SCRIPTURE READING**PROVERBS 22:1-2, 8-9, 22-23**

A good name is to be chosen rather than great riches,
and favour is better than silver or gold.

The rich and the poor have this in common:
the Lord is the maker of them all.

Whoever sows injustice will reap calamity,
and the rod of anger will fail.

Those who are generous are blessed,
for they share their bread with the poor.

Do not rob the poor because they are poor,
or crush the afflicted at the gate;
for the Lord pleads their cause
and despoils of life those who despoil them.

Psalm 125

Those who trust in the Lord are like Mount Zion, *
which cannot be moved, but stands fast for ever.
The hills stand about Jerusalem; *
so does the Lord stand round about his people,
from this time forth for evermore.
The scepter of the wicked shall not hold sway over the land allotted to
the just, *
so that the just shall not put their hands to evil.
Show your goodness, O Lord, to those who are good *
and to those who are true of heart.
As for those who turn aside to crooked ways,
the Lord will lead them away with the evildoers; *
but peace be upon Israel.

Second Reading

James 2:1-10, [11-13], 14-17

My brothers and sisters, do you with your acts of favoritism really believe in our glorious Lord Jesus Christ? For if a person with gold rings and in fine clothes comes into your assembly, and if a poor person in dirty clothes also comes in, and if you take notice of the one wearing the fine clothes and say, "Have a seat here, please," while to the one who is poor you say, "Stand there," or, "Sit at my feet," have you not made distinctions among yourselves, and become judges with evil thoughts? Listen, my beloved brothers and sisters. Has not God chosen the poor in the world to be rich in faith and to be heirs of the kingdom that he has promised to those who love him? But you have dishonored the poor. Is it not the rich who oppress you? Is it not they who drag you into court? Is it not they who blaspheme the excellent name that was invoked over you?

You do well if you really fulfill the royal law according to the scripture, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." But if you show partiality, you commit sin and are convicted by the law as transgressors. For whoever keeps the whole law but fails in one point has become accountable for all of it.[For the one who said, "You shall not commit

adultery,” also said, “You shall not murder.” Now if you do not commit adultery but if you murder, you have become a transgressor of the law. So speak and so act as those who are to be judged by the law of liberty. For judgment will be without mercy to anyone who has shown no mercy; mercy triumphs over judgment.]

What good is it, my brothers and sisters, if you say you have faith but do not have works? Can faith save you? If a brother or sister is naked and lacks daily food, and one of you says to them, “Go in peace; keep warm and eat your fill,” and yet you do not supply their bodily needs, what is the good of that? So faith by itself, if it has no works, is dead.

GOSPEL GRADUAL

Celtic Allelula

SPH 4

GOSPEL LESSON

Mark 7:24-37

Jesus set out and went away to the region of Tyre. He entered a house and did not want anyone to know he was there. Yet he could not escape notice, but a woman whose little daughter had an unclean spirit immediately heard about him, and she came and bowed down at his feet. Now the woman was a Gentile, of Syrophenician origin. She begged him to cast the demon out of her daughter. He said to her, “Let the children be fed first, for it is not fair to take the children’s food and throw it to the dogs.” But she answered him, “Sir, even the dogs under the table eat the children’s crumbs.” Then he said to her, “For saying that, you may go—the demon has left your daughter.” So she went home, found the child lying on the bed, and the demon gone.

Then he returned from the region of Tyre, and went by way of Sidon towards the Sea of Galilee, in the region of the Decapolis. They brought to him a deaf man who had an impediment in his speech; and they begged him to lay his hand on him. He took him aside in private, away from the crowd, and put his fingers into his ears, and he spat and touched his tongue. Then looking up to heaven, he sighed and said to him, “Ephphatha,” that is, “Be opened.” And immediately his ears were opened, his tongue was released, and he spoke plainly. Then Jesus ordered them to tell no one; but the more he ordered them, the more zealously they proclaimed it. They were astounded beyond measure, saying, “He has done everything well; he even makes the deaf to hear and the mute to speak.”

SERMON

The Rev. Denis Brunelle

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

PRAYERS FOR OUR NEW PRIEST, MARY-BETH MILLS-CURRAN

GRACIOUS GOD, YOU SENT JESUS TO PROCLAIM TO ALL THE GOOD NEWS OF YOUR KINGDOM, AND THROUGH HIM INSPIRED INDIVIDUALS TO SOW THE SEEDS OF YOUR CHURCH: GUIDE US AS WE WELCOME THE REV. MARY BETH MILLS-CURRAN, AS WE WORK WITH HER TO CONTINUE THE MISSION YOU HAVE GIVEN US TO DO, GIVE US THE GIFTS TO WORK TOGETHER TO ACCOMPLISH YOUR WILL, BREATHE YOUR LIFE-GIVING SPIRIT INTO ALL OF US AS WE JOIN TOGETHER IN SPREADING THE GOSPEL OF YOUR INCLUSIVE LOVE, HELP US TO UNDERSTAND THE DEEP LONGINGS OF THE PEOPLE AROUND US, AND ENABLE US TO FEED THEM THROUGH THE LIVING PRESENCE OF JESUS CHRIST OUR SAVIOR, IN WHOSE POWER WE SET FORTH AND IN WHOSE NAME WE PRAY. AMEN.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

BCP 360

EXCHANGE OF PEACE

BCP 360

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERTORY HYMN

ST. DENIO

Hymn 423

PRESENTATION OF GIFTS

LITURGY OF THE TABLE



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

S129

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.

Prayer for Spiritual Communion

In union with the faithful gathered at every altar of the Church where the bread and wine are offered this day, including those of us who are present virtually, we offer praise and thanksgiving for creation and all the blessings of this life. We believe that Jesus is truly present in the Breaking of the Bread, the Holy Sacrament of Communion, and in ways too numerous to imagine. We unite ourselves with you, Jesus, and embrace you with all our hearts, souls, and minds. Nothing can separate us from you; nor are we separated from one another. Amen.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

COMMUNION HYMN

ROCKINGHAM

HYMN 321

Now

HYMN 333

POST COMMUNION HYMN SURELY THE PRESENCE OF THE LORD IS IN THIS PLACE SPH 17

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

ST. MATTHEW

HYMN 567

DISMISSAL

Our worship is over, and so our service begins!

Parish Prayers

Our Parish Prayer List:

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 Trevorow, Brian Paciulan, Nancy Wood.

Pray during this week for our parish families:

Bonne Amico
Chris and Leila Bacho
Beth and Dan Baker

Assisting in the Service of Worship today are:

Lay Eucharistic Minister

Karen Furtado

Lector

Noel Cartwright

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Mickey Knox/Joan Randall

Usher

Leila Bacho

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