

# ST. PETER'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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*The Rev. James W. Friedel*  
FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY  
January 31, 2021 ~ 9:00 a.m.



## WELCOME!

Greetings! We are delighted that you have joined us for our worship service, and so very thankful to be together! Whether you are a member, a frequent visitor, or are visiting St. Peter's for the first time, we feel blessed by your presence.

We invite your questions regarding our ministries and life in the Episcopal Church. Please know that all baptized Christians are welcome to receive Holy Communion during our worship. Father Jim will guide us through Communion.

*Thank you for helping us help you stay safe by following the guidelines on the back of this bulletin.*

We are so glad you could be with us today and hope you will join us again.

HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE II  
FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY  
January 31, 2021 ~ 9:00 a.m.

*All stand as are able.*

Processional: O Love, How Deep, How Broad, How High

*(Hymn #448)*



1. O love, how deep, how broad, how high, how pass - ing  
2. For us bap - tized, for us he bore his ho - ly  
3. For us he prayed; for us he taught; for us his  
4. For us to wick - ed hands be - trayed, scourged, mocked, in  
5. For us he rose from death a - gain; for us he  
6. All glo - ry to our Lord and God for love so



1. thought and fan - ta - sy, that God, the Son of God, should  
2. fast and hun - gered sore; for us temp - ta - tions sharp he  
3. dai - ly works he wrought: by words and signs and ac - tions,  
4. pur - ple robe ar - rayed, he bore the shame - ful cross and  
5. went on high to reign; for us he sent his Spi - rit  
6. deep, so high, so broad; the Trin - i - ty whom we a -



1. take our mor - tal form for mor - tals' sake.  
2. knew; for us the tempt - er o - ver - threw.  
3. thus still seek - ing not him - self, but us.  
4. death; for us gave up his dy - ing breath.  
5. here to guide, to strength - en, and to cheer.  
- 6. dore for ev - er and for ev - er - more.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

*(BCP Page 355)*

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

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

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.*

# Glory To God (Hymn S-280)

1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and  
peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly King, al -  
- might - y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your  
glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord  
God, Lamb of God, 4. you take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy  
on us; 5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our  
prayer. 6. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the  
Lord, 7. you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly spi - rit, in the  
glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

## The Collect of the Day: Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany

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

Almighty and everlasting God, you govern all things both in heaven and on earth: Mercifully hear the supplications of your people, and in our time grant us your peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

**THE LESSONS** (You may be seated.)

**THE FIRST READING: Deuteronomy 18:15-20**

Moses said: The Lord your God will raise up for you a prophet like me from among your own people; you shall heed such a prophet. This is what you requested of the Lord your God at Horeb on the day of the assembly when you said: "If I hear the voice of the Lord my God any more, or ever again see this great fire, I will die." Then the Lord replied to me: "They are right in what they have said. I will raise up for them a prophet like you from among their own people; I will put my words in the mouth of the prophet, who shall speak to them everything that I command. Anyone who does not heed the words that the prophet shall speak in my name, I myself will hold accountable. But any prophet who speaks in the name of other gods, or who presumes to speak in my name a word that I have not commanded the prophet to speak — that prophet shall die."

*Celebrant* The Word of the Lord.

*People* *Thanks be to God.*

**THE PSALM 111**

(BCP Page 754)

*Let us read responsively by the whole verse.*

1 Hallelujah!

I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart,  
in the assembly of the upright, in the congregation.

2 *Great are the deeds of the LORD!*

*they are studied by all who delight in them.*

3 His work is full of majesty and splendor,  
and his righteousness endures for ever.

4 *He makes his marvelous works to be remembered;*  
*the LORD is gracious and full of compassion.*

5 He gives food to those who fear him;  
he is ever mindful of his covenant.

6 *He has shown his people the power of his works*  
*in giving them the lands of the nations.*

7 The works of his hands are faithfulness and justice; \*  
all his commandments are sure.

(Continued)

*8 They stand fast for ever and ever,  
because they are done in truth and equity.*

9 He sent redemption to his people;  
he commanded his covenant for ever;  
holy and awesome is his Name.

*10 The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom;  
those who act accordingly have a good understanding;  
his praise endures for ever.*

**THE SECOND READING: I Corinthians 8:1-13**

Now concerning food sacrificed to idols: we know that “all of us possess knowledge.” Knowledge puffs up, but love builds up. Anyone who claims to know something does not yet have the necessary knowledge; but anyone who loves God is known by him.

Hence, as to the eating of food offered to idols, we know that “no idol in the world really exists,” and that “there is no God but one.” Indeed, even though there may be so-called gods in heaven or on earth—as in fact there are many gods and many lords—yet for us there is one God, the Father, from whom are all things and for whom we exist, and one Lord, Jesus Christ, through whom are all things and through whom we exist.

It is not everyone, however, who has this knowledge. Since some have become so accustomed to idols until now, they still think of the food they eat as food offered to an idol; and their conscience, being weak, is defiled. “Food will not bring us close to God.” We are no worse off if we do not eat, and no better off if we do. But take care that this liberty of yours does not somehow become a stumbling block to the weak. For if others see you, who possess knowledge, eating in the temple of an idol, might they not, since their conscience is weak, be encouraged to the point of eating food sacrificed to idols? So by your knowledge those weak believers for whom Christ died are destroyed. But when you thus sin against members of your family, and wound their conscience when it is weak, you sin against Christ. Therefore, if food is a cause of their falling, I will never eat meat, so that I may not cause one of them to fall.

*Celebrant* The Word of the Lord.

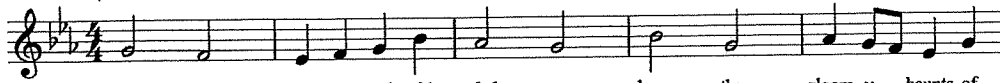
*People* *Thanks be to God.*

# THE GOSPEL

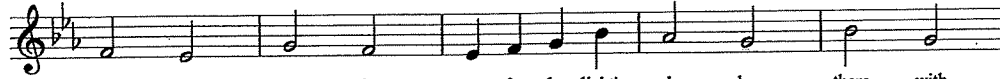
Please stand as are able.

## GOSPEL HYMN: Deck Thyself, My Soul, With Gladness

(Hymn #339)



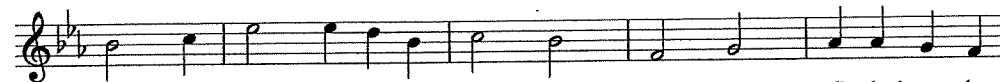
1. Deck thy - self, my soul, with glad - ness, leave the gloom-y haunts of  
2. Sun, who all my life dost bright - en; Light, who dost my soul en-  
3. Je - sus, Bread of life, I pray thee, let me glad - ly here o-



1. sad - ness, come in - to the day-light's splen - dor, there with  
- 2. light - en; Joy, the best that an - y know - eth; Fount, whence  
- 3. bey thee; nev - er to my hurt in - vit - ed, be thy



1. joy the prais - es ren - der un - to him whose grace un - bound - ed  
2. all my be - ing flow - eth; at thy feet I cry, my Ma - ker,  
3. love with love re - quit - ed; from this ban - quet let me mea - sure,



1. hath this won - drous ban-quet found - ed; high o'er all the heavens he  
2. let me be a fit par - ta - ker of this bless - ed food from  
3. Lord, how vast and deep its trea - sure; through the gifts thou here dost



1. reign - eth, yet to dwell with thee he deign - eth.  
2. hea - ven, for our good, thy glo - ry giv - en.  
3. give me, as thy guest in heaven re - ceive me.

## GOSPEL READING: Mark 1:21-28

*Celebrant* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

*People* *Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

Jesus and his disciples went to Capernaum; and when the sabbath came, he entered the synagogue and taught. They were astounded at his teaching, for he taught them as one having authority, and not as the scribes. Just then there was in their synagogue a man with an unclean spirit, and he cried out, "What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are, the Holy One of God." But Jesus rebuked him, saying, "Be silent, and come out of him!" And the unclean spirit, convulsing him and crying with a loud voice, came out of him. They were all amazed, and they kept on asking one another, "What is this? A new teaching— with authority! He commands even the unclean spirits, and they obey him." At once his fame began to spread throughout the surrounding region of Galilee.

*Celebrant* The Gospel of the Lord.

*People* *Praise to you, Lord Christ.*

*Please be seated for the Homily.*

## Homily

*The Rev. James W. Friedel*

*All standing as are able.*



*(BCP Page 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.*

*Our Worship continues with the Prayers of the People*

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE - Form VI**

(BCP Pages 392-393)

*The Leader and People pray responsively*

In peace we pray to you, Lord God.

*Silence*

For all people in their daily life and work;  
*For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.*

For this community, the nation, and the world;  
*For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.*

For the just and proper use of your creation;  
*For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.*

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;  
*For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.*

For the peace and unity of the Church of God;  
*For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.*

For Justin, the Archbishop of Canterbury, Michael, our presiding Bishop, David our Diocesan Bishop; Rayford, our Assisting Bishop, and Jim, our Rector; and all bishops and other ministers;  
*For all who serve God in his Church.*

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

*Silence*

*The People may add their own petitions.*

Hear us Lord;  
*For your mercy is great.*

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

*Silence*

*The people may add their own thanksgiving.*

We will exalt you, O God our King;  
*And praise your Name for ever and ever.*

We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

*Silence*

*The people may add their own petitions.*

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;  
*Who put their trust in you.*

### Confession of Sin

(BCP Pages 392-393)

We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

*Silence may be kept.*

*Leader and People*

*Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father;  
in your compassion forgive us our sins,  
known and unknown,  
things done and left undone;  
and so uphold us by your Spirit  
that we may live and serve you in newness of life,  
to the honor and glory of your Name;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen*

*The Celebrant says*

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins  
through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all  
goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in  
eternal life. *Amen.*

### The Peace

(BCP Page 360)

*Celebrant* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People* *And also with you.*

### THE HOLY COMMUNION

#### The Great Thanksgiving - Eucharistic Prayer B

(BCP Page 367)

*Please stand as are able.*

*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 him thanks and praise.*

*The Celebrant proceeds*

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Because in the mystery of the Word made flesh, you have caused a new light to shine in our hearts, to give the knowledge of your glory in the face of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

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:

*Celebrant and People*

# Sanctus

*Hymn S-130*

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 in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who  
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na  
in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

*The congregation may kneel or sit as the prayer continues.*

*The Celebrant continues*

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

*Celebrant and People*

*We remember his death,  
We proclaim his resurrection,  
We await his coming in glory;*

*The Celebrant continues*

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with Peter and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. *AMEN*

### THE LORD'S PRAYER (C-114)

*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.*

## The Breaking of the Bread

(BCP Page 364)

*Celebrant* Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

*People* *Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.*

*Celebrant* The Gifts of God for the People of God.  
Take them in remembrance that Christ died for  
you.

*As you remain seated please listen for instructions for receiving communion.*

## COMMUNION HYMNS

*Instrumental*

## The Post Communion Prayer of Thanksgiving

(BCP Page 365)

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

*Celebrant and People*

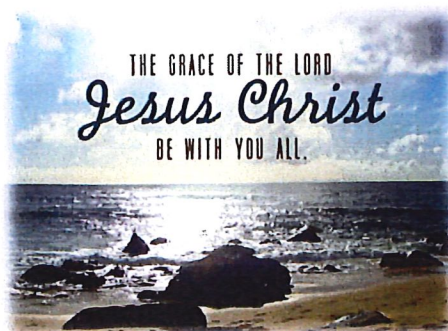
*Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of  
your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the  
Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us  
strength and courage to love and serve you with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

## Birthday and Anniversary Blessing

### The Blessing

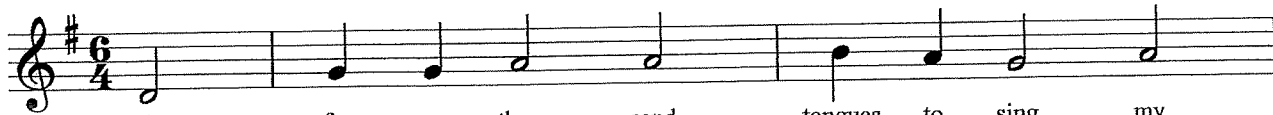
*Celebrant*

May Christ, the Son of God, be manifest in you, that your lives may be a light to the world; and may  
the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain  
with you always. *Amen.*

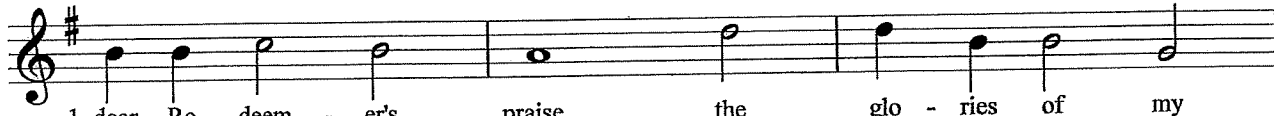


# Recessional: O For A Thousand Tongues to Sing

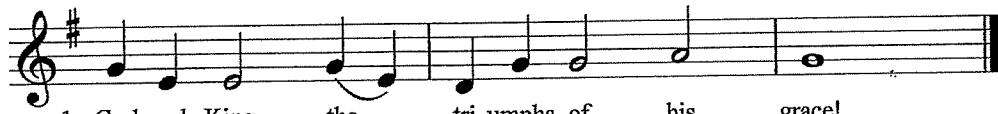
(Hymn #493)



1. O for a thou - sand tongues to sing my  
2. My gra - cious Mas - ter and my God, as -  
3. Je - sus! the Name that charms our fears and  
4. He speaks; and, lis - tening to his voice, new  
5. Hear him, ye deaf; ye and voice - less ones, your  
6. Glo - ry to God and praise and love be



1. dear Re - deem - er's praise, the glo - ries of my  
2. sist me to pro - claim and spread through all the  
3. bids our sor - rows cease; 'tis mu - sic in the  
4. life the dead re - ceive, the mourn - ful bro - ken  
5. loos - ened tongues em - ploy; ye blind, be - hold, your  
6. now and ev - er given by saints be - low and



1. God and King, the tri - umphs of his grace!  
2. earth a - broad the hon - ors of thy Name.  
3. sin - ner's ears, 'tis life and health and peace.  
4. hearts re - joice, the hum - ble poor be - lieve.  
5. Sa - vior comes; and leap, ye lame, for joy!  
6. saints a - bove, the Church in earth and heaven.

## The Dismissal

*Celebrant*

*Alleluia.* Let us go forth into the world sharing the good news of God's love.

*All*

*Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia.*

*We are so thankful to those assisting us with the services this morning and this evening.*

**Lector and Lay Reader:** Elza LeBrun & Carol Frappier at 9:00 a.m.

**Ushers/Greeters:** Betty Williams and Kathryn Hamby

**Director of Music Ministries:** Meredith Carter

**Musical Assistance:** Alan Berkebile

*Handsewn face masks were created with love and donated by Martha Berkebile. Thank you, Martha!*

## ALL THINGS BRIGHT & BEAUTIFUL



*Jesus loves the little children of the world...*

The young ones at St. Peter's are growing up quickly!

Soon Lilly will be a **BIG SISTER!!**

(Congratulations to Stephanie & Luke Seidel.)

Athena is not a baby anymore. Benjamin is getting so tall.

Shawn has "teenager" written all over him

and Sienna is as pretty as can be!





The flowers at the Altar are placed to the glory of God in celebration of Jennie & David Taylor's 54th Wedding Anniversary.

The pandemic affected our schedule for Altar Flowers in 2020. Our last in-person service was March 22nd of last year. Because of this, we no longer had flowers delivered to the church. BUT we have flowers again. That is a happy thing. We are using our 2020 flower chart sign-up. If you purchased flowers and want the dedication changed please let us know. If you would like to purchase flowers in honor or in memory of a special someone or an event, please let us know. Altar flowers are \$50.

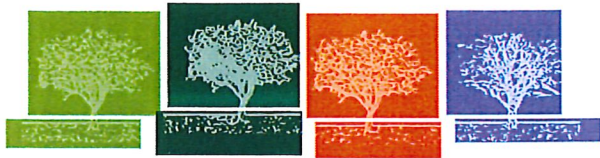
*Celebrating  
-WITH-  
you*

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO**  
Lynne McGee & Stacy Hanks  
on the 1st;  
Ann South on the 2nd;  
Rick Glassett & George Olexa  
on the 3rd; and  
Irma Jones on the 4th.

**HAPPY ANNIVERSARY TO**  
Jennie & David Taylor

**WE RECYCLE!**  
We can NOT reuse the service bulletins. If you do not want to take yours home, Please put in the recycling bin as you leave.  
**\*THANK YOU\***





## ANNUAL MEETING

**\*REMINDER\***  
Our Annual  
State-of-the-Church  
Report will follow the  
9:00 service this  
morning.

### IMPORTANT SAFETY ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### **HELP US HELP YOU STAY SAFE! PLEASE...**

**\*Wear your mask.**

**We have some available if needed.**

**\*We discourage you from engaging in physical contact such as shaking hands, hugging, fist bumping, high fiving, etc.**

**\*Thank you for practicing social distancing by standing/sitting 6 feet apart (unless you are in family units).**

**\*Use hand sanitizer!**

***UNTIL WE CAN HUG AGAIN, PLEASE BE SAFE!  
THANK YOU FOR YOUR HELP!***

#### **Prayers of the People**

Father Jim has set aside a time for special prayers and reflection on Monday mornings at 9:00 a.m. called "A Time for Prayer". It can be viewed on our Facebook page.

During this time he will be reading names of our Parish family and friends in need of prayer. Rather than printing this list each week, an updated list will be emailed to you on Fridays.

If you would like a hard copy there will be some available in the church office. If you would like one mailed to you, please let us know.

We ask your help in updating this list. If you know a name that needs to be added or one that needs to be removed, please contact the church office by phone (361)729-2649 or reply to the email you receive.

**THANK YOU!**