

ST. PETER'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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THE FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
Holy Eucharist Rite II
August 29, 2021 ~ 10:00 am



WELCOME!

Greetings! We are delighted that you have joined us for our worship service, and so very thankful to be together in-person or virtually! 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.

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

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Processional: Come Away To The Skies, My Beloved, vs 1-4 (Hymn #213)



1. Come a - way to the skies, my be - lov - ed, a - rise and re - joice in the
2. Now with sing - ing and praise, let us spend all the days, by our hea - ven - ly
3. For the glo - ry we were first cre - a - ted to share, both the na - ture and
4. We with thanks do ap - prove the de - sign of that love which hath joined us to



1. day thou wast born; on this fes - ti - val day, come ex - ult - ing a -
2. Fa - ther be - stowed, while his grace we re - ceive from his boun - ty, and
3. king - dom di - vine! Now cre - a - ted a - gain that our lives may re -
4. Je - sus' Name; so u - ni - ted in heart, let us nev - er - more



- 1. way, and with sing - ing to Zi - on re - turn.
- 2. live to the hon - or and glo - ry of God.
- 3. main, through - out time and e - ter - ni - ty thine.
- 4. part, till we meet at the feast of the Lamb.

The Greeting

(BCP Page 355)

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

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

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

(BCP Page 355)

The Celebrant says

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 ~ 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.

Collect of the Day: The Fourteenth Sunday After Pentecost, Proper 17 (BCP Pages 233)

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People *And also with you.*

Celebrant Let us pray.

Lord of all power and might, the author and giver of all good things: Graft in our hearts the love of your Name; increase in us true religion; nourish us with all goodness; and bring forth in us the fruit of good works; 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*)

A Reading from Song of Solomon 2:8-13

The voice of my beloved!

Look, he comes,

leaping upon the mountains,

bounding over the hills.

My beloved is like a gazelle

or a young stag.

Look, there he stands

behind our wall,

gazing in at the windows,

looking through the lattice.

My beloved speaks and says to me:

"Arise, my love, my fair one,

and come away;

for now the winter is past,

the rain is over and gone.

The flowers appear on the earth;

the time of singing has come,

and the voice of the turtledove

is heard in our land.

The fig tree puts forth its figs,

and the vines are in blossom;

they give forth fragrance.

Arise, my love, my fair one,

and come away."

Celebrant The Word of the Lord.

People ***Thanks be to God.***

PSALM 45:1-2, 7-10

(BCP Pages)

Read alternately by whole verse.

My heart is stirring with a noble song;
let me recite what I have fashioned for the king;
my tongue shall be the pen of a skilled writer.

*You are the fairest of men;
grace flows from your lips,
because God has blessed you for ever.*

Your throne, O God, endures for ever and ever,
a scepter of righteousness is the scepter of your kingdom;
you love righteousness and hate iniquity.

*Therefore God, your God, has anointed you
with the oil of gladness above your fellows.*

All your garments are fragrant with myrrh, aloes, and cassia,
and the music of strings from ivory palaces makes you glad.

*Kings' daughters stand among the ladies of the court;
on your right hand is the queen,
adorned with the gold of Ophir.*

The flowers appear on the earth;
the time of singing has come ...



Song of Solomon 2:12. NRSV

A Reading from James 1:17-27

Every generous act of giving, with every perfect gift, is from above, coming down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change. In fulfillment of his own purpose he gave us birth by the word of truth, so that we would become a kind of first fruits of his creatures.

You must understand this, my beloved: let everyone be quick to listen, slow to speak, slow to anger; for your anger does not produce God's righteousness. Therefore rid yourselves of all sordidness and rank growth of wickedness, and welcome with meekness the implanted word that has the power to save your souls.

But be doers of the word, and not merely hearers who deceive themselves. For if any are hearers of the word and not doers, they are like those who look at themselves in a mirror; for they look at themselves and, on going away, immediately forget what they were like. But those who look into the perfect law, the law of liberty, and persevere, being not hearers who forget but doers who act—they will be blessed in their doing.

If any think they are religious, and do not bridle their tongues but deceive their hearts, their religion is worthless. Religion that is pure and undefiled before God, the Father, is this: to care for orphans and widows in their distress, and to keep oneself unstained by the world.

Celebrant The Word of the Lord.
People *Thanks be to God.*

THE GOSPEL *Please stand as are able.*

GOSPEL HYMN: Take My Life

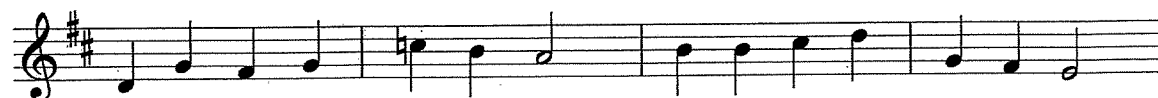
(Hymn #707)



1. Take my life, and let it be con - se - crat - ed, Lord, to thee;
2. Take my voice, and let me sing al - ways, on - ly, for my King;



1. take my mo - ments and my days, let them flow in cease - less praise.
2. take my in - tel - lect, and use ev - ery power as thou shalt choose.



1. Take my hands, and let them move at the im - pulse of thy love;
2. Take my will, and make it thine; it shall be no long - er mine.



1. take my heart, it is thine own; it shall be thy roy - al throne.
2. Take my - self, and I will be ev - er, on - ly, all for thee.

The Gospel Reading: Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

The congregation remains standing as are able.

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

People *Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

When the Pharisees and some of the scribes who had come from Jerusalem gathered around him, they noticed that some of his disciples were eating with defiled hands, that is, without washing them. (For the Pharisees, and all the Jews, do not eat unless they thoroughly wash their hands, thus observing the tradition of the elders; and they do not eat anything from the market unless they wash it; and there are also many other traditions that they observe, the washing of cups, pots, and bronze kettles.) So the Pharisees and the scribes asked him, "Why do your disciples not live according to the tradition of the elders, but eat with defiled hands?" He said to them, "Isaiah prophesied rightly about you hypocrites, as it is written,

‘This people honors me with their lips,
but their hearts are far from me;
in vain do they worship me,
teaching human precepts as doctrines.’

You abandon the commandment of God and hold to human tradition."

Then he called the crowd again and said to them, "Listen to me, all of you, and understand: there is nothing outside a person that by going in can defile, but the things that come out are what defile." For it is from within, from the human heart, that evil intentions come: fornication, theft, murder, adultery, avarice, wickedness, deceit, licentiousness, envy, slander, pride, folly. All these evil things come from within, and they defile a person."

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

People *Praise to you, Lord Christ.*



NICENE
CREED

All stand 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.*

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE ~ Form III

(BCP Page 387)

The Leader and People pray responsively (You may sit or kneel as are able)

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;
That we all may be one.

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;
That your Name may be glorified by all people.

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;
That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;
That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;
That our works may find favor in your sight.

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;
That they may be delivered from their distress.

Give to the departed eternal rest;
Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;
May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

Silence

The Collect at the Prayers

(BCP Page 394, #1)

The Celebrant says

Lord, hear the prayers of your people; and what we have asked faithfully, grant that we may obtain effectually, to the glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Confession of Sin

(BCP Page 360)

The Celebrant says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. 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)

All stand as are able.

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People And also with you.

The Celebrant and People will greet one another in the name of the Lord.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

You may be seated as the Altar is prepared for Holy Communion.

Offertory Anthem: Deep Within

David Haas

Doxology

Praise to God

(Hymn #380)

Please stand as are able

The musical notation is written on three staves in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The lyrics are: Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host: praise Fa-ther, Son, and Ho-ly Ghost.

The Great Thanksgiving Eucharistic Prayer C (*People remain standing.*) (BCP Pages 369-372)

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 says

God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.
Glory to you for ever and ever.

At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.
By your will they were created and have their being.

From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.
Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.

Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.
By his blood, he reconciled us.
By his wounds, we are healed.

And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

Sanctus

Celebrant and People

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,

heaven and earth are full, full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

Hosanna in the highest.

You may stand or kneel as you are able.

The Celebrant continues

And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, 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, gave thanks, 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."

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,

*We celebrate his death and resurrection,
as we await the day of his coming.*

Lord God of our Fathers; God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.

The Celebrant continues

Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation. *AMEN.*

The Lord's Prayer

(C-114)

Celebrant As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

People and Celebrant

*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)

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.

A period of silence is kept.

Celebrant Alleluia, Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

Invitation to Communion

(BCP Page 364)

The Celebrant says

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 ~ Choir

HYMN: All the Riches of His Grace

(Hymn C-158)

HYMN: Coming to the Table

(Hymn C-160)

Post-Communion Prayer of Thanksgiving

(BCP Page 365)

The Celebrant says
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 Blessings

A Blessing

The Celebrant says

May the peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit be among you this day and remain with you always. *Amen.*



Recessional: Lord, Dismiss Us With Thy Blessing

(Hymn #344)



Lord, dis - miss us with thy bless - ing; fill our hearts with joy and peace;
Thanks we give and a - dor - a - tion for thy Gos - pel's joy - ful sound:
so that when thy love shall call us, Sa - vior, from the world a - way,



let us each, thy love pos - sess - ing, tri - umph in re - deem - ing grace:
may the fruits of thy sal - va - tion in our hearts and lives a - bound:
fear of death shall not ap - pall us, glad thy sum - mons to o - bey.



O re - fresh us, O re - fresh us, trav - eling through this wil - der - ness.
ev - er faith - ful, ev - er faith - ful to thy truth may we be found;
May we ev - er, may we ev - er reign with thee in end - less day.

The Dismissal

Celebrant Alleluia. Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.
All Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia.

*Thank you to all who helped and participated
in our services this morning.*



Lay Readers:

8:00 am ~ Cecelia Shannon

10:00 am ~ Norma & Lee Williams

Vestry Person of the Day: Steve Clarkson

Greeter/Usher:

8:00 am ~ Barbara & Mike Patton

10:00 am ~ Steve Clarkson

Director of Music Ministry: Meredith Carter

Musical Assistance: Alan Berkebile

The Ladies of our Altar Guild

COVID-19 Delta Variant and our Churches

Bishop Reed has released a Pastoral Letter to the Churches regarding the surge in illness caused by the Delta variant of the COVID-19 virus. The letter is a very good read with compassionate words from our Bishop along with scripture, prayer, and data about the virus. As of now our churches in the Episcopal Diocese of West Texas will continue to follow the Phase 2(d) Guidelines that are in place.

COPIES OF THE DIOCESAN PHASE 2(d) GUIDELINES ARE LOCATED AT EACH ENTRANCE.
You may find Bishop Reed's letter and other great information on their website: dwtx.org.

How delightful
is your love.

There will be a Memorial Service
for SE Kelly and his son Steven

St. Peter's Episcopal Church

Saturday, September 18th at 10:30 am



Flowers at the Altar today have been given
to the glory of God in memory of
Teresa Brightwell
by
her husband Charlie Brightwell
and her
daughter **Rebecca Wight**



Church Service Times

St. Peter's is offering the following services
and times:

MONDAYS

7:30 pm ~ An Order For Compline
(online only)

WEDNESDAYS

6:00 pm ~ The Holy Eucharist with
Prayers for Healing (in person only)

SUNDAYS

8:00 am ~ Rite I
(in person only)

10:00 am ~ Rite II
(in person and online)



Birthdays & Anniversaries

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Ken Craven on the 30th, Ray Gibson on the 31st,
Sally Summers on the 2nd and
Andrew Ehrlich on the 3rd

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

Lynne & Ken Magee on the 1st