

THE FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY
February 9, 2020 – 8:00 A.M.
THE HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE II

Organ Prelude

THE WORD OF GOD

Opening Sentences

stand

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

People: **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

Priest: There is one body and one Spirit;

People: **There is one hope in God's call to us;**

Priest: One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;

People: **One God and Father of all.**

The Collect for Purity

Priest: 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 in Excelsis

All: **Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's people on earth.
Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.
For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

The Collect of the Day

Priest: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Priest: Let us pray.

O God of unchangeable power and eternal light: Look favorably on your whole Church, that wonderful and sacred mystery; by the effectual working of your providence, carry out in tranquility the plan of salvation; let the whole world see and know that things which were cast down are being raised up, and things which had grown old are being made new, and

that all things are being brought to their perfection by him through whom all things were made, your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

People: **Amen.**

The Lessons

Lector: A Reading from The First Letter of Paul to the Corinthians. (2: 1-12) *sit*

When I came to you, brothers and sisters, I did not come proclaiming the mystery of God to you in lofty words or wisdom. For I decided to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ, and him crucified. And I came to you in weakness and in fear and in much trembling. My speech and my proclamation were not with plausible words of wisdom, but with a demonstration of the Spirit and of power, so that your faith might rest not on human wisdom but on the power of God. Yet among the mature we do speak wisdom, though it is not a wisdom of this age or of the rulers of this age, who are doomed to perish. But we speak God's wisdom, secret and hidden, which God decreed before the ages for our glory. None of the rulers of this age understood this; for if they had, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory. But, as it is written, "What no eye has seen, nor ear heard, nor the human heart conceived, what God has prepared for those who love him" — these things God has revealed to us through the Spirit; for the Spirit searches everything, even the depths of God. For what human being knows what is truly human except the human spirit that is within? So also no one comprehends what is truly God's except the Spirit of God. Now we have received not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit that is from God, so that we may understand the gifts bestowed on us by God.

The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 112: 1-9

- 1 Hallelujah!
Happy are they who fear the Lord
and have great delight in his commandments!
- 2 **Their descendants will be mighty in the land;
the generation of the upright will be blessed.**
- 3 Wealth and riches will be in their house,
and their righteousness will last for ever.

- 4 **Light shines in the darkness for the upright;
the righteous are merciful and full of compassion.**
- 5 It is good for them to be generous in lending
and to manage their affairs with justice.
- 6 **For they will never be shaken;
the righteous will be kept in everlasting remembrance.**
- 7 They will not be afraid of any evil rumors;
their heart is right;
they put their trust in the Lord.
- 8 **Their heart is established and will not shrink,
until they see their desire upon their enemies.**
- 9 They have given freely to the poor,
and their righteousness stands fast for ever;
they will hold up their head with honor.

All: **Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

Priest: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew. *stand*
(5: 13-20)

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

Jesus said, "You are the salt of the earth; but if salt has lost its taste, how can its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything, but is thrown out and trampled under foot. You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hid. No one after lighting a lamp puts it under the bushel basket, but on the lampstand, and it gives light to all in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven. Do not think that I have come to abolish the law or the prophets; I have come not to abolish but to fulfill. For truly I tell you, until heaven and earth pass away, not one letter, not one stroke of a letter, will pass from the law until all is accomplished. Therefore, whoever breaks one of the least of these commandments, and teaches others to do the same, will be called least in the kingdom of heaven; but whoever does them and teaches them will be called great in the kingdom of heaven. For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven."

Priest: The Gospel of the Lord.

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

The Sermon: The Reverend Luke Jernagan

sit

The Nicene Creed

stand

All: **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 Ending of a Pastoral Relationship

Luke: On the thirteenth day of September, 2013, I was inducted by Bishop George Wayne Smith as rector of St. Peter's Church. I have, with God's help and to the best of my abilities, exercised this trust, accepting its privileges and responsibilities.

After prayer and careful consideration, it now seems to me that I should leave this charge, and I publicly state that my tenure as rector of St. Peter's Church ends this day.

Vestry Do you, the people of St. Peter's, recognize and accept the conclusion of
Member: this pastoral relationship?

All: **We do.**

Vestry O God, you have bound us together for a time as pastor and people to work
Member: for the advancement of your kingdom in this place: We give you humble and hearty thanks for the ministry which we have shared in these years now past.

We thank you for your patience with us despite our blindness and slowness of heart. We thank you for your forgiveness and mercy in the face of our many failures.

Especially we thank you for your never-failing presence with us through these years, and for the deeper knowledge of you and of each other which we have attained.

We thank you for those who have been joined to this part of Christ's family through baptism. We thank you for opening our hearts and minds again and again to your Word, and for feeding us abundantly with the Sacrament of the Body and Blood of your Son.

Now, we pray, be with those who leave and with us who stay; and grant that all of us, by drawing ever nearer to you, may always be close to each other in the communion of your saints. All this we ask for the sake of Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord.

All: **Amen.**

We exchange the Peace at the altar rail after receiving Communion.

Announcements

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THE HOLY COMMUNION

All baptized persons are invited to receive Communion.

If you would like to receive gluten-free bread, let the priest know at the altar rail.

Those not receiving Communion are welcome to come forward for a blessing.

The Offertory (*Hymn 380, stanza 3*)

Old 100th, *stand*

**All: 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. Amen.**

The Great Thanksgiving

Priest: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Priest: Lift up your hearts.

People: **We lift them to the Lord.**

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

People: **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

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

Through the great shepherd of your flock, Jesus Christ our Lord; who after his resurrection sent forth his apostles to preach the Gospel and to teach all nations; and promised to be with them always, even to the end of the ages.

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:

All: **Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

kneel

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, 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 we proclaim the mystery of faith:

All:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

Priest:

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him.

Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. 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.**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

All: **Our Father, who art in heaven,
 hallowed be thy Name,
 thy kingdom come,
 thy will be done,
 on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
 as we forgive those
 who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
 but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
 and the power, and the glory,
 for ever and ever. Amen.**

The Breaking of the Bread

Priest: Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

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

The Administration of the Sacrament

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A Prayer of Thanksgiving

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All: **Almighty God, we thank you for feeding us with the holy food of the
Body and Blood of your Son, and for uniting us through him in the
fellowship of your Holy Spirit. We thank you for raising up among us
faithful servants of your Word and Sacraments. We thank you
especially for the work of Luke among us, and the presence of his
family here. Grant that both he and we may serve you in the days
ahead, and always rejoice in your glory, and come at length into your
heavenly kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

The Blessing

Priest: May God, who has led us in the paths of justice and truth, lead us still,
and keep us in his ways. **Amen.**

May God, whose Son has loved us and given himself for us, love us still,
and establish us in peace. **Amen.**

May God, whose Spirit unites us and fills our hearts with joy, illumine us
still, and strengthen us for the years to come. **Amen.**

And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be upon you and remain with you for ever. **Amen.**

The Dismissal

stand

Priest: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Organ Voluntary

*The altar flowers are given to the glory of God
in thanksgiving for the ministry of The Reverend Luke Jernagan.*

Lector/Eucharistic Ministers:

Bud Wilson, Ann Babington

Ushers:

Tony Randazzo, Rich Huck

Altar Guild:

Connie Lohr, Susan Schettler

Claudia McMillan, Cheryl Gelstein, Nancy Grimes

Counters:

Bonnie and Jerry Freeland

PRAYER LIST

For Parishioners: Brooke Erwin, Bryan Miller and Carl Schuldt.

For Family and Friends: Chris Canepa, Lucy Dolan, Clayton Hicks, Rory Sabbah and Rebecca Tyler.

For the Faithful Departed: Marie Schmitz and John Shepley.

For the Men and Women of the Armed Forces: Zach Greata and Matt Robinson.

For those Committed to Our Ongoing Prayers: Michelle Arthur, Donna Brookman, Arlene Burnham, Elizabeth Clarke, Kathryn Dewein, Greg Evans, Carol Fisher, Samantha Forsko, Karen Goddard, Patty Hecker, Laney Johnson, Bob Kenny, Susan Kerker, Madelyn Lane, Ann McDonald, Bill McMahon, Elizabeth Mendoza, Cheryl Meyer, Signe Myles, Louisa Rix, Jeffrey Rixleben, Sarah Roberts, Kathy Sheehan, Gerald Spencer, Wayne Spohr, Jane St. John, Julie Stephenson, Rolla Wetzels and Dick Williams.

TODAY...

FAMILIES – Children are always welcome in church! Childcare is available in the Little Building from 9-11:45. If your child needs a break, the service is live-streamed in the Undercroft. A baby-changing station is available in the middle Undercroft restroom.

CHILDREN’S CHAPEL – All ages, please join us in Grace Chapel, 10:15 to 10:25 a.m. each Sunday before Sunday School.

PARISH BREAKFAST – Come enjoy a hot breakfast in the Undercroft today, served from 8:45 until 10:00. The cost is \$5 per person or \$20 per family.

RECTOR’S FORUM meets each Sunday morning, 9:15-10:00 a.m. in the Undercroft. Everyone is welcome!

<p>PARISH CELEBRATION – Join us for lunch today in the Undercroft following the 10:30 worship service, to celebrate Luke’s ministry among us. No reservations are necessary—come and bring your family. All are welcome!</p>
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CHORAL EVENSONG – St. Peter’s is pleased to host the fourth annual joint service sung by the Choirs of the Church of St. Michael and St. George and St. Peter’s **today at 5:00 p.m.** The choirs will sing music by William Walton and Malcolm Boyle.

THIS WEEK...

NEWS DEADLINE – Please submit news to the Church Office by noon on Tuesdays.

ST. PETER’S CARES – Need a ride, a meal or a prayer? St. Peter’s has a ministry that can help – that’s St. Peter’s Cares! Leave a voicemail or email (314-993-2306, ext. 125 or shepherd@stpetersepiscopal.org) and a Shepherd will contact you within 24 hours.

WOMAN’S GUILD – Join us this Tuesday for lunch at 12:15 p.m., followed by a Valentine celebration. Yoga meets at 11:00 a.m. each Tuesday.

MEN’S BREAKFAST – Join us in the Undercroft for good food and fellowship this Tuesday at 7:15 a.m.

BOOK GROUP – Join us in the Elliot Room this Tuesday at 2:00 p.m. to discuss *The Huntress*, by Kate Quinn. All are welcome.

SEARCHING FOR GOD IN THE DAILY NEWS meets on Wednesdays at 1:00 p.m. in the Conference Room across from the office. Come explore the lively intersection where theology meets current events.

BIBLE STUDY – Join us at 7:00 a.m. on Friday, February 14th in the Elliot Room. That's right, our Thursday group is moving to Fridays at 7:00 a.m. Join us!

ANNUAL GIVING CAMPAIGN – We have reached \$1,041,480, 74% of our goal! Thank you to the 291 families who have pledged support to date. It is so important to have the support of all parishioners. Please help us wrap up our 2020 campaign by sending in your pledge, or pledge online at www.stpetersepiscope.org. Thanks!

ST. JOHN'S PEACE MEAL – If you would like to cook and/or serve dinner for St. John's Peace Meal at St. John's Tower Grove **this Saturday**, February 15th, contact Bill Gilbert, turkgobble@aol.com or 314-283-5288. Volunteers must be at least 12 years old.

UPCOMING EVENTS...

ST. PETER'S INTERIM RECTOR – The Rev. Dr. Robert J. Voyle will be our Interim Rector beginning on March 1st. Rob was born and ordained in New Zealand. After ordination, he moved to the United States, met and married his wife Kim. They currently live in Oregon, twenty miles west of Portland. Rob wrote, "My personal mission as a follower of Jesus is to be helpful, humorous and healing." You can find out more about him at appreciativeway.com/faculty/robbio.cfm. Thank you for your continued prayers during this time of transition. – Jeanie Davis, Senior Warden

SEARCH COMMITTEE – The parishioners serving on the Rector Search Committee are: Chris Knight, Chair; the Rev. Susie Skinner, Chaplain; John Bradley; Mokie Carmichael; Laurie Haffenreffer; Hedy Lee; Sally Lemkemeier; Danny Orthwein; Charlie Peters; Susan Schettler; Rachel Sokolich and DeWayne Trainer.

LENT MADNESS – Join clergy, staff and parishioners in the "saintly smackdown" known as Lent Madness! During the season of Lent, thirty-two saints do battle to see who will win the coveted Golden Halo. Fill out your bracket today! **To participate, donate \$20 for Outreach and submit your completed bracket to the Church Office by Shrove Tuesday, February 25th.** Bracket sheets and instructions are **available at the breakfast tables and Welcome Table on Sunday mornings**, in the Church Office, and on our website. There will be a small prize, and bragging rights for the winner. Come to the Rector's Forum on February 16th to learn about some of this year's saintly contenders, and join in the Lenten fun!

ST. PETER’S MISSION TRIP – Our youth Mission Trip is expanded to include **ALL** parishioners 8th grade and up! Join a few of our St. Peter’s Youth and their parents as they head to the Appalachian region of Kentucky, June 14-20. This inter-generational trip will offer a great opportunity for anyone looking to do God’s work and grow together in service. The cost of the trip is \$750, with the first half due **by February 20**. Contact Fr. Joseph, josephww@stpetersepiscopal.org to register or to get more information.

SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK OF FEBRUARY 9 - 16, 2020

Sunday	2/ 9		The Fifth Sunday after The Epiphany
		8:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist
		8:45-10:00	Parish Breakfast – Undercroft
		9:15 a.m.	Rector’s Forum – Undercroft
		10:15 a.m.	Children’s Chapel
		10:30 a.m.	Holy Eucharist
		11:30 a.m.	Parish Lunch
Tuesday	2/11	5:00 p.m.	Evensong
		7:15 a.m.	Men’s Breakfast
		12:15 p.m.	Woman’s Guild Lunch
		2:00 p.m.	Book Group
Wednesday	2/12	4:15 p.m.	Choristers
		1:00 p.m.	Searching for God in the Daily News
		5:30 p.m.	Holy Eucharist
Thursday	2/13	6:30 p.m.	Young Adults – off-campus
		5:15 p.m.	Probationers
		6:00 p.m.	Choristers
		7:15 p.m.	Parish Choir
Friday	2/14	7:00 a.m.	Bible Study
		10:00 a.m.	Prayer Group
Saturday	2/15	2:00 p.m.	St. John’s Peace Meal
Sunday	2/16		The Sixth Sunday after The Epiphany
		8:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist
		8:45-10:00	Parish Breakfast – Undercroft
		9:15 a.m.	Rector’s Forum – Undercroft
		10:15 a.m.	Children’s Chapel
		10:30 a.m.	Holy Eucharist