

THE THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

September 8, 2019 – 8:00 A.M.

THE HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE II

The Service begins on page 355 of The Book of Common Prayer.

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.**

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.

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.

People: **Amen.**

The Lessons

Lector: A Reading from The Book of the prophet Jeremiah. (18: 1-11) *sit*

The word that came to Jeremiah from the Lord: “Come, go down to the potter’s house, and there I will let you hear my words.” So I went down to the potter’s house, and there he was working at his wheel. The vessel he was making of clay was spoiled in the potter’s hand, and he reworked it into another vessel, as seemed good to him. Then the word of the Lord came to me: Can I not do with you, O house of Israel, just as this potter has done? says the Lord. Just like the clay in the potter’s hand, so are you in my hand, O house of Israel. At one moment I may declare concerning a nation or a kingdom, that I will pluck up and break down and destroy it, but if that nation, concerning which I have spoken, turns from its evil, I will change my mind about the disaster that I intended to bring on it. And at another moment I may declare concerning a nation or a kingdom that I will build and plant it, but if it does evil in my sight, not listening to my voice, then I will change my mind about the good that I had intended to do to it. Now, therefore, say to the people of Judah and the inhabitants of Jerusalem: Thus says the Lord: Look, I am a potter shaping evil against you and devising a plan against you. Turn now, all of you from your evil way, and amend your ways and your doings.

The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 139: 1-5, 12-17

- 1 Lord, you have searched me out and known me;
you know my sitting down and my rising up;
you discern my thoughts from afar.
- 2 **You trace my journeys and my resting-places
and are acquainted with all my ways.**
- 3 Indeed, there is not a word on my lips,
but you, O Lord, know it altogether.
- 4 **You press upon me behind and before
and lay your hand upon me.**

5 Such knowledge is too wonderful for me;
it is so high that I cannot attain to it.

12 **For you yourself created my inmost parts;
you knit me together in my mother's womb.**

13 I will thank you because I am marvelously made;
your works are wonderful, and I know it well.

14 **My body was not hidden from you,
while I was being made in secret
and woven in the depths of the earth.**

15 Your eyes beheld my limbs, yet unfinished in the womb;
all of them were written in your book;
they were fashioned day by day,
when as yet there was none of them.

16 **How deep I find your thoughts, O God!
how great is the sum of them!**

17 If I were to count them, they would be more in number than the sand;
to count them all, my life span would need to be like yours.

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 Luke. *stand*
(14: 25-33)

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

Now large crowds were traveling with Jesus; and he turned and said to them, “Whoever comes to me and does not hate father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, yes, and even life itself, cannot be my disciple. Whoever does not carry the cross and follow me cannot be my disciple. For which of you, intending to build a tower, does not first sit down and estimate the cost, to see whether he has enough to complete it? Otherwise, when he has laid a foundation and is not able to finish, all who see it will begin to ridicule him, saying, ‘This fellow began to build and was not able to finish.’ Or what king, going out to wage war against another king, will not sit down first and consider whether he is able with ten thousand to oppose the one who comes against him with twenty thousand? If he cannot, then, while the other is still far away, he sends a delegation and asks for the terms of peace. So therefore, none of you can become my disciple if you do not give up all your possessions.”

Priest: The Gospel of the Lord.

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

The Sermon: The Reverend Joseph Wallace-Williams

sit

The Nicene Creed

p. 358, *stand*

Prayers of the People

Lector: Let us pray for the church and the world, saying: Lord, have mercy.

kneel

Holy God, we pray for all your people, baptized in the name of Christ. Heal our divisions, and give us one mind in Christ. For this we pray to you, O Lord:

People: **Lord, have mercy.**

Lector: Stir up your church, including the Anglican Communion and Episcopal Church, Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury; Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Wayne, our Bishop; the members of the Diocese tasked with discerning a final slate of candidates to serve as our next bishop; Luke, Kelly and Joseph, our clergy; our parish staff; and this congregation. By your Spirit, help us make the power of the cross known to all, that people everywhere may see your great light. For this we pray to you, O Lord:

People: **Lord, have mercy.**

Lector: Lift from all people the burdens of poverty, war and injustice. Break every rod of oppression throughout the earth. For this we pray to you, O Lord:

People: **Lord, have mercy.**

Lector: Guide those who make and execute our laws, and those who maintain our safety, that all people may know their worth as your creation. For this we pray to you, O Lord:

People: **Lord, have mercy.**

Lector: Strengthen us to care for the poor, the imprisoned, the victims of natural disasters, and all who suffer. Open our hands and hearts to embrace all who are in need, especially the people served by our ministry partners: Beyond Housing, Bravely, Episcopal City Mission, The Haven of Grace and Outreach Haiti. For this we pray to you, O Lord:

People: **Lord, have mercy.**

Lector: Let all who suffer from sickness of body, mind, or spirit know your healing grace and love, remembering especially Emelie Liebendorfer, Bill McMahon, Bryan Miller, Marcia O'Hara, Libby Weinman and Eric Zoerb. For this we pray to you, O Lord:

People: **Lord, have mercy.**

Lector: We remember before you all whom we love but see no more, especially Bob Jones, Win Roulhac and Marianne Spiegelhalter. Give them eternal rest. For this we pray to you, O Lord:

People: **Lord, have mercy.**

Priest: Accept, O God, our thanks and praise for all the blessings of this life, and above all for the great mercies and promises given to us in Christ our Lord. By your Holy Spirit, show us how to serve you today, that all may know you by our love, through Christ our Lord.

All: **Amen.**

Priest: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

All: **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 Absolution

Priest: 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.

All: **Amen.**

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

Announcements

sit

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.

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: Eucharistic Prayer A

p. 361

Sanctus and Benedictus

p. 362

kneel

The Lord's Prayer

p. 364

Breaking of the Bread

p. 364

Administration of the Sacrament

sit

A Prayer of Thanksgiving

p. 365, *kneel*

The Blessing

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 by parishioners.

Lector/Eucharistic Ministers: Brig Buettner, Linda Morotz
Ushers: Rich Huck, Tony Randazzo
Altar Guild: Connie Lohr, Vicky Pruellage, Cheryl Gelstein, Nancy Grimes
Frances Gay, DeWayne Trainer
Counters: Tosca Schaberg, Lisa Acker

PRAYER LIST

For Parishioners: Bryan Miller and Libby Weinman.

For Family and Friends: Emelie Liebendorfer, Bill McMahon, Marcia O’Hara and Eric Zoerb.

For the Faithful Departed: Robert “Bob” McKittrick Jones III, George Edwin “Win” Roulhac III and Marianne Spiegelhalter.

For the Men and Women of the Armed Forces: Zach Greaa.

For those Committed to Our Ongoing Prayers: Susan Bartlett, Dana Brodeur, Donna Brookman, Chris Canepa, Elizabeth Clarke, Charlotte Constance, Robert Craft, Ed Dewein, Kathryn Dewein, Laura Munson-Dewein, Mary Edwards, Carol Fisher, Patty Hecker, Susan Kerkering, Doug McNair, Elizabeth Mendoza, Cheryl Meyer, Signe Myles, Jere Pastore, Scott Peterson, Louisa Rix, Jeffrey Rixleben, Sarah Roberts, Ray Sellenriek, Gerald Spencer, Jane St. John, Kathy Sheehan, Martine Smith, Jake Stromsborg, Buzz Wall, Dick Williams, Justin Williamson and Adam Wright.

TODAY...

FAMILIES – Children are always welcome in church! Childcare is available in the Little Building from 9-11:45. The service is also 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. The conversation continues today (and on the 22nd and 29th of September) on Reflections from Sabbatical by the Rector. Next Sunday’s topic is on St. Peter’s Church Outreach.

KIDS’ KICKOFF – Our children’s ministries resume their busy schedules this morning, beginning at 9:15 with Confirmation Class, and our 6th/7th graders will have class in the Little Building Youth Room. Everyone is welcome to join us for Children’s Chapel in Grace Chapel at 10:15. The new Sunday School program year begins this morning! Older students will be available to guide the younger ones to their classroom. During the 10:30 Worship Service 4th graders will receive Bibles, and Sunday School teachers will be commissioned. We are all excited about this new year of growing closer to God!

DO YOU KNOW A CHILD WHO LIKES TO SING? – David Sinden, the Director of Music, is available to meet with young people (age 7 and up) and their families who are interested in the St. Peter’s Choristers, our choir for young people. Please make your way to the organ console during the Organ Voluntary **after the 10:30 a.m. service today** to learn more about the choir and see where they rehearse. Or, contact David to arrange a more convenient time: dsinden@stpetersepiscopal.org; (314) 993-2306, ext. 105.

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@stpeterseiscopal.org) and a Shepherd will contact you within 24 hours.

FIRST RESPONDERS' BREAKFAST – The Men's Breakfast will host their annual Breakfast to honor First Responders this Tuesday, September 10th at 7:15 a.m. in the Undercroft. All are welcome!

WOMAN'S GUILD – Join us on Tuesday morning to visit and to work on projects. Bring your lunch! Yoga classes are at 11:00 each Tuesday morning. Our opening luncheon for the new program year will be at Neiman Marcus on Tuesday, September 17th at 11:30 a.m. Make your reservation by sending your check to Cheryl Meyer by Tuesday this week.

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.

YOUNG ADULTS – Young Adults BYOB (Bring Your Own Bible) will meet this Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. at Fallon's Irish Bar & Grill, 9200 Olive Blvd, #116.

BIBLE STUDY – Join us at 7:00 on Thursday mornings in the Elliot Room.

PRAYER GROUP – Come on Friday mornings at 10:00 for contemporary Bible Study of the Sunday readings and to pray for the needs of the parish and the world.

WE NEED YOU! – Help us make this program year the best yet! We are in need of parishioners willing to serve in the following areas: Sunday Breakfast crew; Sunday Hospitality team; gardening/building maintenance; Office assistance (answering phones, assembling parish mailings, etc.); as well as various project leadership during the program year (Giving Tree, Christmas and Easter flower delivery, Food Truck Sunday, etc.). Please contact Janet Rouse at janetr@stpeterseiscopal.org. Thank you!

ALTAR FLOWERS – If you would like to donate altar flowers for an upcoming Fall Sunday, it's easy to do from our website at <http://stpetersepiscopal.org/worship/sunday-flowers/> or by calling the Church Office. Thank you for your donation!

UPCOMING EVENTS...

ST. PETER'S DAY – **Next Sunday**, September 15th, we will celebrate our patronal feast during both worship services. After the 10:30 service the party will continue in the garden with a festive picnic, music, bounces houses and games for the kids, and fellowship for all. If you would like to help with food, set up, clean up or more on the big day, please contact the Church Office. **One way everyone can help is by bringing a side dish or dessert to share!**

WOMEN'S SPIRITUALITY GROUP – Calling all women who are eager to deepen their relationship with God in a whole new way. Mark your fall calendar for a 4-week series when we will explore ways to incorporate Twelve Step spirituality into our life even if we do not struggle with addiction. Parishioner Sabine McDowell will lead our discussion over supper on four Wednesday evenings, 6-8:00 p.m. on October 16th, 23rd, and 30th, and November 6th. This will be a good opportunity to spend time with sisters enriching our sense of dependency on God alone. To register contact Fr. Joseph.

WORLD FOOD DAY TEAM – We have spots available for rising 8th graders and Sr. High and Young Adults to join the World Food Day Team on Friday, November 1st at 6 p.m. in the Field House at John Burroughs School. RSVP to Fr. Joseph soon!

SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 8 - 15, 2019

Sunday	9/8		The Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost
		8:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist
		8:45-10:00	Parish Breakfast – Undercroft
		9:15 a.m.	Rector’s Forum – Undercroft
			Confirmation Class/6 th -7 th Grade Class
		10:15 a.m.	Children’s Chapel
		10:30 a.m.	Holy Eucharist/4 th Grade Bibles
			Sunday School Teacher Commissioning
		4:30 p.m.	St. Peter’s Playgroup Happy Family Hour
Tuesday	9/10	7:15 a.m.	Men’s Breakfast – join First Responders!
		12:15 p.m.	Woman’s Guild Lunch
		6:30 p.m.	Grief Group
Wednesday	9/11	1:00 p.m.	Searching for God in the Daily News
		5:30 p.m.	Holy Eucharist
		6:30 p.m.	Young Adults – off-campus
Thursday	9/12	7:00 a.m.	Bible Study
		6:00 p.m.	Choristers
		7:15 p.m.	Parish Choir
Friday	9/13	10:00 a.m.	Prayer Group
		9:00-4:00	Vestry Retreat – off-campus
Sunday	9/15		St. Peter’s Day
		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 Picnic

Be still, and know that I am God! *Psalm 46:10*

All things work together for good. *Romans 8:28*

Cast all your anxiety on him. *1 Peter 5:7*

Know that I am the Lord your God. *Exodus 6:7*

Trust in the Lord with all your heart. *Proverbs 3:5*

Open my eyes, so that I may behold wondrous things. *Psalm 119:18*

See what love the Father has given us. *1 John 3:1*

Create in me a clean heart, O God. *Psalm 51:10*

Honor your father and your mother. *Exodus 20:12*

Open your hand to the poor and needy. *Deuteronomy 15:11*

O how abundant is your goodness. *Psalm 31:19*

Love the Lord your God with all your heart. *Matthew 22:37*

Holy Bible, New Revised Standard Version