St. Peter's Episcopal Church and School

Our Mission: We give glory to God by knowing Christ and making Him known to others.

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WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Wednesday, September 15

5:15 pm - The Holy Eucharist: Rite Two also streaming online

Sunday, September 19

8:00 am - The Holy Eucharist: Rite One 10:00 am - The Holy Eucharist: Rite Two

also streaming online

The Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost: Proper 19

The Holy Eucharist: Rite Two

September 12, 2021 10:00 AM

The Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Welcome to St. Peter's Episcopal Church. Today's liturgy is similar in theme to the feast of the Holy Cross (September 14), which always falls near this Sunday of the Church year. The Gospel reading is Peter's acknowledgement of Jesus as the Messiah, which was followed by Jesus' first prediction of his crucifixion and resurrection. Jesus calls his followers to pattern their own lives on his, sharing in the self-giving love which leads to the Cross.

In the Wisdom writings of the Hebrew scriptures which we are using in our first readings during this period, the term "wisdom" is not simply a function of thought but is the personification of God. Strikingly, God, as Holy Wisdom, is feminine. The person who would be truly wise will live in God. God, Holy Wisdom, will give us her counsel and guidance.

The second lesson is again drawn from the Epistle of James, an intensely practical discourse on Christian living. In today's reading, James exhorts us to learn self control, especially in our speaking. The tongue, when disciplined, is used to glorify God, but when undisciplined, can cause hurt and damage.

The People of God enact in song, story, and sacrament their unity with Jesus dying and rising in their midst. In baptism and Eucharist we join him in his death and resurrection. We speak and sing our praise to him in our worship and in our lives of ministry, acceptance, and love for all people.

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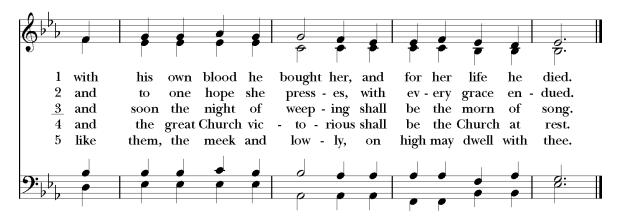
The red *Book of Common Prayer* (BCP) is our source of Liturgy and is indicated by BCP page numbers. Our hymns are found in the blue *Hymnal 1982* as printed selections from it and other supplemental hymnals, including, but not limited to, *Lift Every Voice and Sing (LEVAS)*, *Voices Found (VF)*, *Wonder, Love, Praise (WLP)*, My Heart Sings Out (MHSO) and Enriching Our Music (EOM)

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The Holy Eucharist: Rite Two

All stand for the processional hymn.





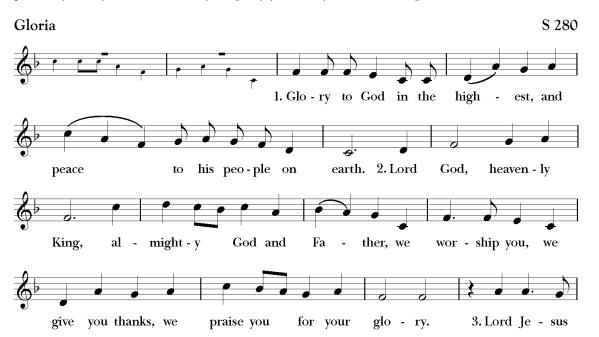
All standing, the Celebrant says

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

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

The Celebrant says the 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.





The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, because without you we are not able to please you, mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The people sit.

The First Reading

Proverbs 1:20-33

Wisdom cries out in the street; in the squares she raises her voice.

At the busiest corner she cries out; at the entrance of the city gates she speaks:

"How long, O simple ones, will you love being simple?

How long will scoffers delight in their scoffing and fools hate knowledge?

Give heed to my reproof;

I will pour out my thoughts to you; I will make my words known to you.

Because I have called and you refused, have stretched out my hand and no one heeded,

and because you have ignored all my counsel and would have none of my reproof,

I also will laugh at your calamity; I will mock when panic strikes you,

when panic strikes you like a storm, and your calamity comes like a whirlwind, when distress and anguish come upon you.

Then they will call upon me, but I will not answer; they will seek me diligently, but will not find me.

Because they hated knowledge and did not choose the fear of the Lord,

would have none of my counsel, and despised all my reproof,

therefore they shall eat the fruit of their way and be sated with their own devices.

For waywardness kills the simple, and the complacency of fools destroys them;

but those who listen to me will be secure and will live at ease, without dread of disaster."

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 19

- 1 The heavens declare the glory of God, * and the firmament shows his handiwork.
- 2 One day tells its tale to another, * and one night imparts knowledge to another.
- 3 Although they have no words or language, * and their voices are not heard.
- 4 Their sound has gone out into all lands, * and their message to the ends of the world.
- 5 In the deep has he set a pavilion for the sun; * it comes forth like a bridegroom out of his chamber; it rejoices like a champion to run its course.
- 6 It goes forth from the uttermost edge of the heavens and runs about to the end of it again; * nothing is hidden from its burning heat.
- 7 The law of the LORD is perfect and revives the soul; * the testimony of the LORD is sure and gives wisdom to the innocent.
- 8 The statutes of the LORD are just and rejoice the heart; * the commandment of the LORD is clear and gives light to the eyes.

- 9 The fear of the LORD is clean and endures for ever; * the judgments of the LORD are true and righteous altogether.
- 10 More to be desired are they than gold, more than much fine gold, * sweeter far than honey, than honey in the comb.
- 11 By them also is your servant enlightened, * and in keeping them there is great reward.
- 12 Who can tell how often he offends? * cleanse me from my secret faults.
- 13 Above all, keep your servant from presumptuous sins; let them not get dominion over me; * then shall I be whole and sound, and innocent of a great offense.
- 14 Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in your sight, *
 O LORD, my strength and my redeemer.

The Second Reading

James 3:1-12

Not many of you should become teachers, my brothers and sisters, for you know that we who teach will be judged with greater strictness. For all of us make many mistakes. Anyone who makes no mistakes in speaking is perfect, able to keep the whole body in check with a bridle. If we put bits into the mouths of horses to make them obey us, we guide their whole bodies. Or look at ships: though they are so large that it takes strong winds to drive them, yet they are guided by a very small rudder wherever the will of the pilot directs. So also the tongue is a small member, yet it boasts of great exploits.

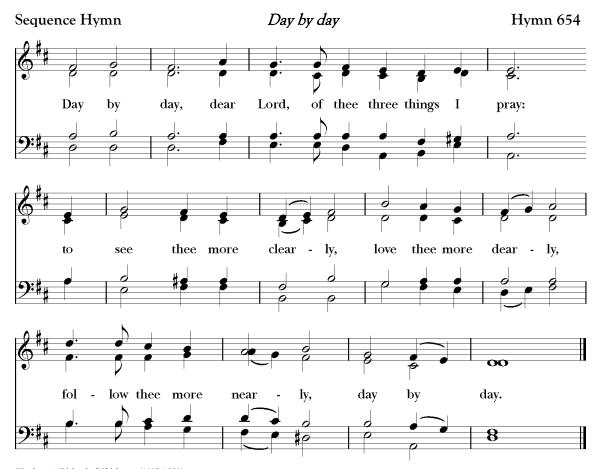
How great a forest is set ablaze by a small fire! And the tongue is a fire. The tongue is placed among our members as a world of iniquity; it stains the whole body, sets on fire the cycle of nature, and is itself set on fire by hell. For every species of beast and bird, of reptile and sea creature, can be tamed and has been tamed by the human species, but no one can tame the tongue—a restless evil, full of deadly poison. With it we bless the Lord and Father, and with it we curse those who are made in the likeness of God. From the same mouth

come blessing and cursing. My brothers and sisters, this ought not to be so. Does a spring pour forth from the same opening both fresh and brackish water? Can a fig tree, my brothers and sisters, yield olives, or a grapevine figs? No more can salt water yield fresh.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

All stand. The children are invited to process to Children's Chapel during the Sequence Hymn.



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The Holy Gospel Mark 8:27-38

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus went on with his disciples to the villages of Caesarea Philippi; and on the way he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that I am?" And they answered him, "John the Baptist; and others, Elijah; and still others, one of the prophets." He asked them, "But who do you say that I am?" Peter answered him, "You are the Messiah." And he sternly ordered them not to tell anyone about him.

Then he began to teach them that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, "Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things."

He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels."

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

The Rev. Dr. Benjamin Nelson III

On Sundays and other Major Feasts there follows, all standing

The Nicene Creed

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;

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 people remain standing or kneel.

Prayers of the People, Form VI

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, Archbishop of Canterbury; Michael our Presiding Bishop; David and Rayford, our Bishops; Bert and Mike, our priests; Ben, our guest preacher; and all bishops and other ministers.

For all who serve God in his Church.

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

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. In our diocese we give thanks for St. Matthew's, Kenedy; and St. Stephen's, Goliad.

The People may add their own thanksgivings

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.

The People may add their own petitions

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

Who put their trust in you.

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 stands and 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.**

All stand.

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

Then the Ministers and the People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

Announcements

The Holy Communion

Offertory Christ has broken down the wall Mark Miller

The people stand.

The Doxology

"Old 100th" Hymn 380 v3

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 people remain standing.

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer A BCP 361

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.

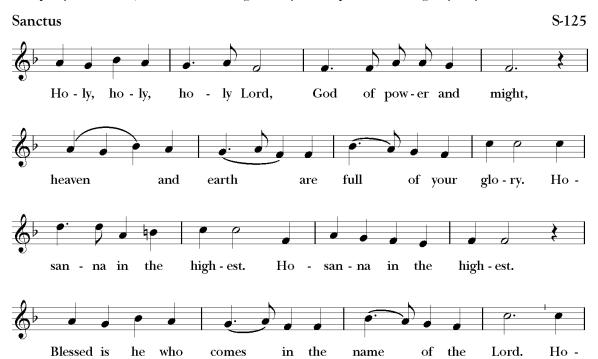
People It is right to give him thanks and praise.

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.

For by water and the Holy Spirit you have made us a new people in Jesus Christ our Lord, to show forth your glory in all the world.

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:





The people stand or kneel.

The Celebrant continues

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:

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues

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,

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

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

The Celebrant says

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

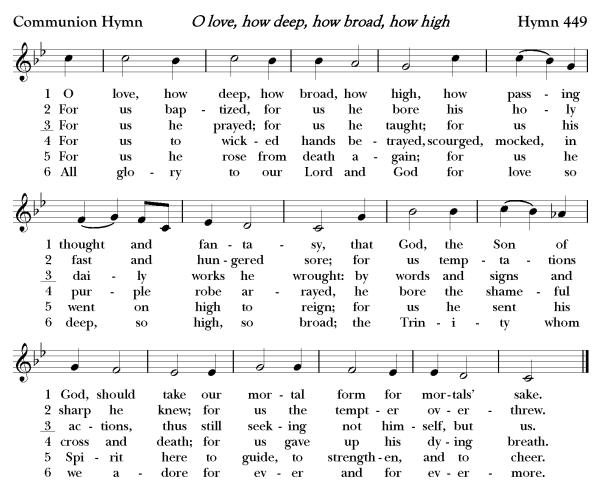
Communion

The Celebrant receives the Body and Blood of Christ and others physically present may also receive the Sacrament. All those who choose not to receive the Sacrament or are unable to receive are able to make a Spiritual Communion, as the Prayer Book directs on page 457: "If a person desires to receive the Sacrament, but, by reason of extreme sickness or physical disability, is unable to eat and drink the Bread and Wine, the Celebrant is to assure that person that all the benefits of Communion are received, even though the Sacrament is not received with the mouth."

A Prayer for Spiritual Reception of Communion

If you choose to make a Spiritual Communion, you may pray the following prayer during Holy Communion

In union, dear Lord, with the faithful at every altar of your Church, where your blessed Body and Blood are being offered to the Father, I desire to offer you praise and thanksgiving. I present to you my soul and body, with the earnest wish that I may ever be united to you. And since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, I pray you to come spiritually into my heart. I unite myself to you, and embrace you with all the affections of my soul. O let nothing ever separate me from you. Let me live and die in your love. Amen.



When Eucharistic Visitors are sent, the Deacon says

In the name of St. Peter's Congregation, I send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's body and blood.

People We who are many are one body, because we all share

one bread, one cup.

Deacon

Go in peace.

The people stand or kneel.

Postcommunion Prayer

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Celebrant

Let us pray.

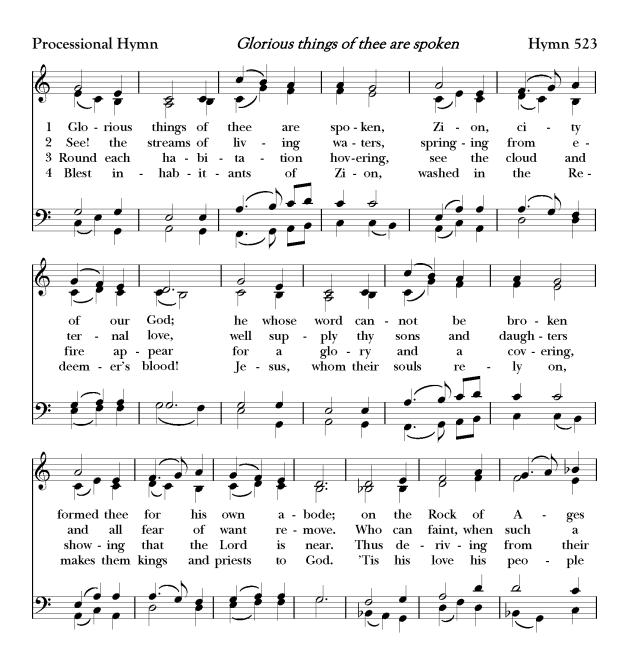
Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness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

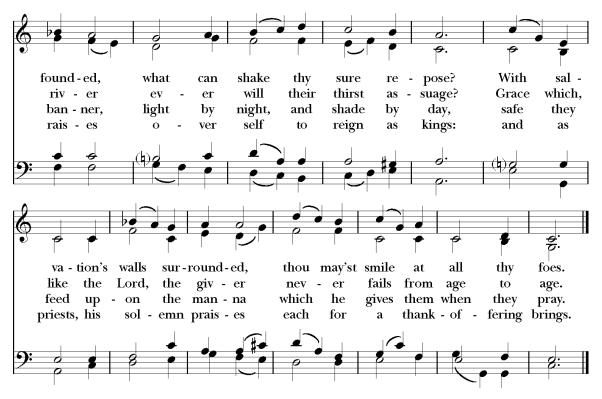
The Blessing

The Celebrant blesses the people, saying

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

All stand.





Dismissal

Deacon Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Postlude

The Reverend Bert Baetz The Reverend J. Michael Wheeler David Miron

SUMMER WORSHIP SCHEDULE (through Sept. 19th)

Sunday

8:00 am - The Holy Eucharist: Rite One - in our Nave

10:00 am - The Holy Eucharist: Rite Two - in our Nave and streaming online

Wednesday

5:15 pm - The Holy Eucharist: Rite Two - in our Nave and streaming online

Ministries-Sept. 12	8:00 am	10:00 am
Eucharistic	Kim Chatelain	Amy Ives
Ministers		Herb Williamson
Vestry Rep.	Amanda McDonald	Mark Haufler
Ushers		John Elliott
		Bob Kinnan
		Gus Schreiner

Altar Guild - Denise Baehre, Gail Brown, Helen Herget, Sarah Hilburn, Punkie Kinnan, and Nellwyn Sadler.

Ministries-Sept. 19	8:00 am	10:00 am
Eucharistic	Dave Weekley	
Ministers		
Vestry Rep.	Amanda McDonald	Mark Haufler
Ushers		John Elliott
		Bob Kinnan
		Gus Schreiner

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PLEASE PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING:

Long Term Prayer List: Julie, Ryan, Dixie, Mike, Beth, Kevin, Lila, Florence, Helen, Marilyn, Caitlyn, Lucas, Randy, Rick, Mary Margaret, Charles, Keely, Jerry, Stacy, Brandon, Tom, our local businesses and their employees, Nancy, Brandie, Rick, Brandon, Peyton, Lindsay, Jean, Naji, A.A. and family, Johneen, Donna, Ronnie, Trey, Josiah, Steven, Sharon, James, Carol, Susan, Adam, and Larry.

Short Term Prayer List: Betty Capshaw, Clint, Kristin, Travis, Ainsley, Colton, Kinsley, Helen Herget, Dee Shoultz, Kathryn Clark, and Amy Bosworth.

<u>Military and Diplomatic Service Prayer List</u>: Kareen Hart, George Hart, Justin Augustine, Elison Crum, Ross Davis, Kevin DeVore, Jr., Jason Horne and family, Emily Matz Corbin, Joshua Bosworth, Nate Munton, Ian Nix, and all who serve our country.

DIOCESAN CYCLE OF PRAYER: We give thanks for St. Matthew's, Kenedy; and St. Stephen's, Goliad.



Coming to St. Peter's September 12 - Preaching at both 8AM and 10AM services!

The Rev. Dr. Benjamin H. Nelson III

Chaplain, TMI Episcopal School

The Rev. Dr. Benjamin H. Nelson III joined the TMI community as Chaplain during the summer of 2021. Fr. Ben is a lifelong Episcopalian, has been ordained for almost 19 years, and most recently served as the 39th rector of St. Mark's Episcopal Church in San Marcos. As a parish priest, he has served congregations in the Episcopal Diocese of West Texas. East Tennessee and Hawaii.

Fr. Ben's passions in ministry are working with children and youth, leadership development, healing and recovery from addictive illness, and the ever-deepening spirituality of generosity in our lives. He has served on advisory boards for several local outreach agencies and as a



consultant for congregations wishing to deepen their life of generosity, leadership, and stewardship. Fr. Ben's first joy is serving God, and the people of God, and he likes to imagine his overall title as "Grace Enthusiast" – a role that he hopes to live up to every day of his life and is grateful to bring to TMI.

Fr. Ben grew up in the Mississippi Delta where good bar-b-que and great blues were a part of the culture. His faith, his regard for storytelling, and his love of music, were all shaped in the flatlands of this culturally rich part of the Magnolia State. He graduated cum laude with a BA in history from Millsaps College in Jackson, Mississippi, and began the journey toward ordination shortly after graduation. He graduated with his Master of Divinity in 2002 from the University of the South School of Theology. In 2013, Fr. Ben graduated again from the School of Theology with a Doctor of Ministry degree. His Thesis, "Spirit of Water, Spirit of Aloha," combined an experience with creation, delight in the waters of baptism, and a love for Hawaiian cultural values. Fr. Ben is married to Linda, and they have one daughter, Cooper.

Join Fr. Bert's Weekly Zoom Bible Study!

TUESDAYS AT 11AM

This fall the group began a 12-week study of the Book of Isaiah, using the **Knowing the Bible Study Guide** available for purchase at Amazon.

CLICK HERE TO JOIN!

The group meets over Zoom and all are welcome!

Use the links in our parish email, or contact Fr. Bert or Ginny in the church office!



9/19/2021

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On Sunday, September 19th, following the 10 AM service, lunch will be served in Tucker Hall. Join us for food, fun, and fellowship.

Let's restore time and be present together!

"For everything there is a season, A time for every activity under heaven"

Ecclesiastes 3:1-8



NEW SUNDAY MORNING CHRISTIAN FORMATION OFFERING

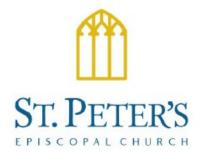
CELEBRATING THE SAINTS

Beginning Sunday, September 26 at 10:30 in Tucker Hall Led by the Clergy

This new class is an exploration of the riches of God's glorious inheritance made real in the lives of the saints who have gone before us. The saints witness to us what the life of faith looks like, lived out in real time, and they challenge us to live out our own discipleship more fully and fearlessly. In our journey with the saints, we also learn something about our history as we look at monks, missionaries, prophets, doctors, evangelists, and more, and learn how dozens of different people in different places and times, with different gifts and backgrounds, have taken their place in proclaiming the kingdom of God.

SCHEDULE

Sept. 26	Meet the saints
Oct. 3	Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob
Oct. 10	Blessed Virgin Mary
Oct. 17	Mary Magdalene
Oct. 24	Peter and Paul
Oct. 31	"Mystic Sweet Communion" with guest teacher the Rev. Dr. Nathan Jennings



FROM THE LABYRINTH GUILD



INTERNATIONAL DAY OF PEACE 21 SEPTEMBER 2021



LABYRINTH WALK 12:30PM - 1:30PM Rain or Shine

RECOVERING BETTER FOR A SUSTAINABLE **AND EQUITABLE** WORLD

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Attention All Men of St. Peter's

The Brotherhood of St. Andrew invites all Men of St. Peter's to a cook out and social gathering on the evening of Sept. 30th. Bring your own steak, fish, hamburger, etc. to grill.

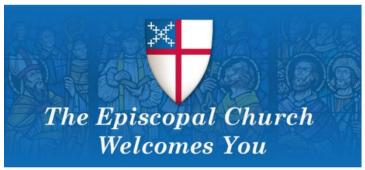
Sides will be provided. BYOB

We will begin at 5:30 at the home of the Crains 481 Ranch Rim Dr. W. Hunt, Tx 78024

Please RSVP



Hornes 830-896-5992 Crains 713-417-4801





Newcomers Class Begins Wednesday, October 6 at 6:15pm

Are you new to St. Peter's during the past year or so?

Well, this is a class for you! Please join Fr. Bert for this four-week class on Wednesday evenings, beginning October 6 at 6:15pm. Following the Wednesday dinner, the class will meet in the Multipurpose Room connected to Tucker Hall. You will find the class schedule below. If you are interested in this class for all newcomers to St. Peter's, please email Fr. Bert directly at bert@stpeterskerrville.com.

Oct 6 - Introductions

Oct 13 - The Story of Christianity

Oct 20 - The Story of the Episcopal Church

Oct 27 - The Story of St. Peter's Episcopal Church



A Modified Return to Worship and Congregational Life:



Diocesan Protocols and Guidelines

Bishop Reed issued guidelines in May 2021 providing us room to begin lifting certain restrictions and revising our protocols. In anticipation of Sunday worship, the Vestry then approved the following protocols, which remain in use at this time:

- Fully vaccinated individuals are no longer required to wear a mask or physically distance indoors or outdoors on church premises.
- Masks and 6-feet distancing are expected and strongly encouraged for individuals who are not fully vaccinated indoors.
- · We have resumed passing the offertory plates.
- We are using the pew kneelers for prayer during worship.
- Almost all pews are now available for seating. A front section of the Nave will
 continue to offer space for distancing, should you wish.
- We are using the altar rail when taking Communion, and wine is offered by intinction.

SUMMER SERVICE SCHEDULE continues through September 19

8:00 AM in our Nave 10:00 AM in our Nave streaming online

