

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 29

5:00 pm – The Holy Eucharist: Rite Two
also streaming online

Sunday, October 3

8:00 am – The Holy Eucharist: Rite One
9:15 am – The Holy Eucharist: Rite Two
11:15 am – The Holy Eucharist: Rite Two
also streaming online

**The Eighteenth Sunday after
Pentecost: Proper 21**

The Holy Eucharist: Rite Two

**September 26, 2021
11:15AM**

The Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Welcome to St. Peter's Episcopal Church. In today's Gospel reading, the disciples complain about someone (who was not part of their group) casting out demons in Jesus' name. Jesus' response is that the man should not be stopped, for "whoever is not against us is for us." The importance of the ministry of every person, rather than just the ministry of disciples or clergy or church members, is so great, that to despise other ministries is to risk personal disaster. If pride in our own ministry is getting in the way, cut off that pride.

The first reading today is from the section of the Hebrews known as "The Writings." In Jewish practice, the little book of Esther is read on the feast of Purim. While there is little of religious value in this book (God is never mentioned), it gives us a story of a heroic Jewish woman who uses her wiles to save the Jews living in Persia from genocide. When read in synagogue, everyone rattles noise makers and makes rude sounds each time wicked Haman is mentioned.

We continue to read from the Letter of James for our second lesson. Here James give some pastoral advice to the elders (the Greek word is "presbyters," the origin of the term "priest" in the Christian church). The leaders are to minister to the sick, anointing them with laying on of hands and prayer. James reminds us that the prayers of faithful people are the source of God's power.

Our ordained leaders are not the sole ministers of Christ; rather, they model the ministry we are all to perform. In our baptism, we are set apart as ministers of Christ who share in his royal priesthood. It is in that ministry, especially to the poor, oppressed, and dying, that we find God present to us in the lives of those for whom we care. Our ministry is expressed in our liturgical actions, and the Eucharist is the model for our daily living and for the nature of God's Kingdom.

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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)

The Holy Eucharist: Rite Two

Prelude

All stand for the processional hymn.

Processional Hymn

Morning has broken

Hymn 8

Unison or harmony

1 Morn-ing has bro - ken like the first morn - ing,
2 Sweet the rain's new fall sun - lit from hea - ven,
3 Mine is the sun - light! Mine is the morn - ing

black-bird has spo - ken like the first bird.
like the first dew - fall like on the first grass.
born of the one light E - den saw play!

Praise for the sing - ing! Praise for the morn - ing!
Praise for the sweet - ness of the wet gar - den,
Praise with e - la - tion, praise ev - ery morn - ing,

Praise for them, spring - ing fresh from the Word!
 sprung in com - plete - ness where his feet pass.
 God's re - cre - a - tion of the new day!

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.**

Gloria

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 - mighty 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

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, you declare your almighty power chiefly in showing mercy and pity: Grant us the fullness of your grace, that we, running to obtain your promises, may become partakers of

your heavenly treasure; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The people sit.

The First Reading

Esther 7:1-6, 9-10; 9:20-22

The king and Haman went in to feast with Queen Esther. On the second day, as they were drinking wine, the king again said to Esther, "What is your petition, Queen Esther? It shall be granted you. And what is your request? Even to the half of my kingdom, it shall be fulfilled." Then Queen Esther answered, "If I have won your favor, O king, and if it pleases the king, let my life be given me~ that is my petition~ and the lives of my people~ that is my request. For we have been sold, I and my people, to be destroyed, to be killed, and to be annihilated. If we had been sold merely as slaves, men and women, I would have held my peace; but no enemy can compensate for this damage to the king." Then King Ahasuerus said to Queen Esther, "Who is he, and where is he, who has presumed to do this?" Esther said, "A foe and enemy, this wicked Haman!" Then Haman was terrified before the king and the queen.

Then Harbona, one of the eunuchs in attendance on the king, said, "Look, the very gallows that Haman has prepared for Mordecai, whose word saved the king, stands at Haman's house, fifty cubits high." And the king said, "Hang him on that." So they hanged Haman on the gallows that he had prepared for Mordecai. Then the anger of the king abated.

Mordecai recorded these things, and sent letters to all the Jews who were in all the provinces of King Ahasuerus, both near and far, enjoining them that they should keep the fourteenth day of the month Adar and also the fifteenth day of the same month, year by year, as the days on which the Jews gained relief from their enemies, and as the month that had been turned for them from sorrow into gladness and from mourning into a holiday; that they should make them days of feasting and gladness, days for sending gifts of food to one another and presents to the poor.

<i>Reader</i>	The Word of the Lord.
<i>People</i>	Thanks be to God.

Psalm 124

1 If the LORD had not been on our side, *
let Israel now say;

- 2 **If the LORD had not been on our side, ***
 when enemies rose up against us;
- 3 Then would they have swallowed us up alive *
 in their fierce anger toward us;
- 4 **Then would the waters have overwhelmed us ***
 and the torrent gone over us;
- 5 Then would the raging waters *
 have gone right over us.
- 6 **Blessed be the LORD! ***
 he has not given us over to be a prey for their teeth.
- 7 We have escaped like a bird from the snare of the fowler; *
 the snare is broken, and we have escaped.
- 8 **Our help is in the Name of the LORD, ***
 the maker of heaven and earth.

The Second Reading

James 5:13-20

Are any among you suffering? They should pray. Are any cheerful? They should sing songs of praise. Are any among you sick? They should call for the elders of the church and have them pray over them, anointing them with oil in the name of the Lord. The prayer of faith will save the sick, and the Lord will raise them up; and anyone who has committed sins will be forgiven. Therefore confess your sins to one another, and pray for one another, so that you may be healed. The prayer of the righteous is powerful and effective. Elijah was a human being like us, and he prayed fervently that it might not rain, and for three years and six months it did not rain on the earth. Then he prayed again, and the heaven gave rain and the earth yielded its harvest.

My brothers and sisters, if anyone among you wanders from the truth and is brought back by another, you should know that whoever brings back a sinner from wandering will save the sinner's soul from death and will cover a multitude of sins.

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

Unison or harmony

1 If thou but trust in God to guide thee, and hope in him through
2 Sing, pray, and keep his ways un - swerv - ing; so do thine own part

all thy ways, he'll give thee strength what - e'er be - tide thee,
faith - ful - ly, and trust his word, though un - de - serv - ing;

and bear thee through the e - vil days. Who trusts in God's un -
thou yet shalt find it true for thee; God nev - er yet for -

chang - ing love builds on a rock that nought can move.
sook in need the soul that trust - ed him in - deed.

The Holy Gospel

Mark 9:38-50

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

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

John said to Jesus, “Teacher, we saw someone casting out demons in your name, and we tried to stop him, because he was not following us.” But Jesus said, “Do not stop him; for no one who does a deed of power in my name will be able soon afterward to speak evil of me. Whoever is not against us is for us. For truly I tell you, whoever gives you a cup of water to drink because you bear the name of Christ will by no means lose the reward.

“If any of you put a stumbling block before one of these little ones who believe in me, it would be better for you if a great millstone were hung around your neck and you were thrown into the sea. If your hand causes you to stumble, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life maimed than to have two hands and to go to hell, to the unquenchable fire. And if your foot causes you to stumble, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life lame than to have two feet and to be thrown into hell. And if your eye causes you to stumble, tear it out; it is better for you to enter the kingdom of God with one eye than to have two eyes and to be thrown into hell, where their worm never dies, and the fire is never quenched.

“For everyone will be salted with fire. Salt is good; but if salt has lost its saltiness, how can you season it? Have salt in yourselves, and be at peace with one another.”

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

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

The Sermon

The Rev. J. Michael Wheeler

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;
 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.

The Prayers of the People, Form III

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.

We give thanks for St. Michael and All Angels', Blanco; and St. Philip's, Beeville.

The People may add their own petitions.

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

Confession of Sin

BCP 359

The Deacon or Celebrant says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

Minister and people

**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 Priest 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

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 B

BCP 367

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

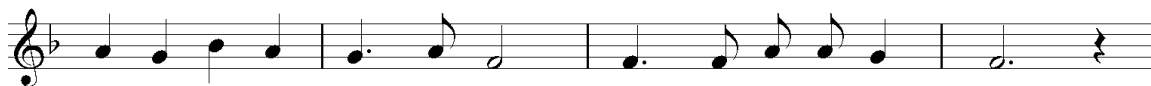
It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord; who on the first day of the week overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.

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:

Sanctus

S-125



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,



heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -



san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Blessed 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 people stand or kneel.

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 blessed 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.**

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."

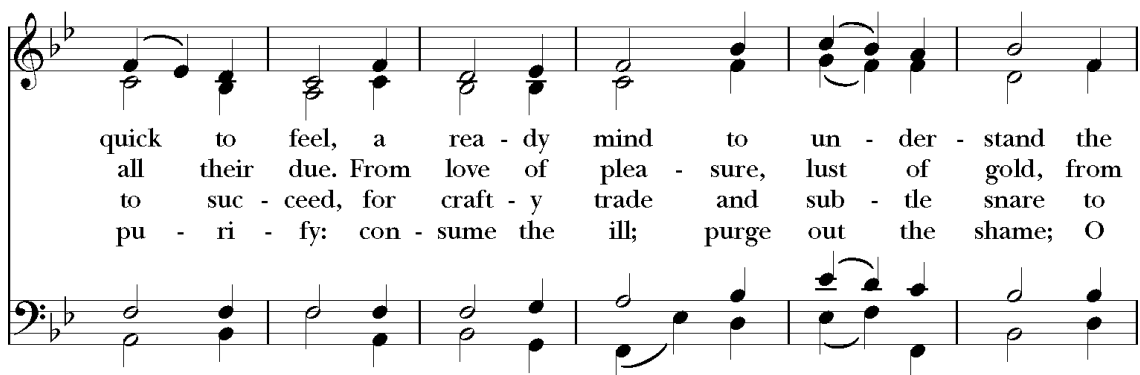
A Prayer for Spiritual Reception of Communion

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

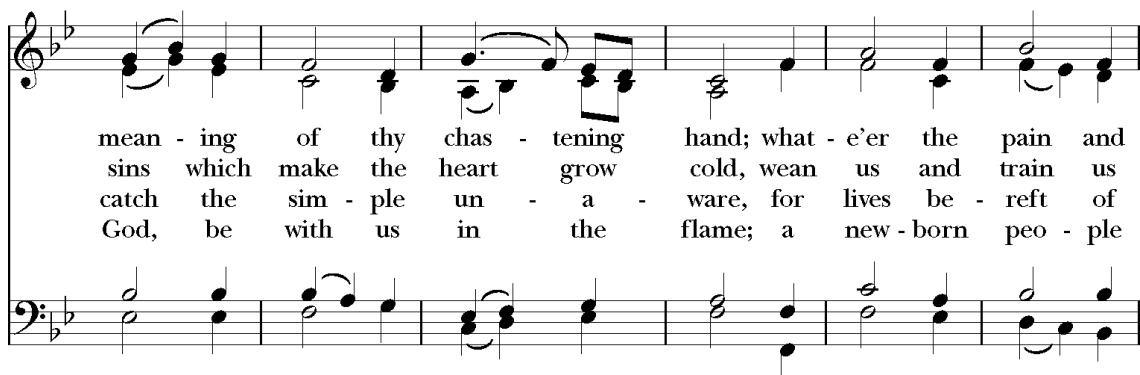
In union, dear Lord, with the faithful at every altar of your Church, where your blessed Body and Blood are being offered to the Father, I desire to offer you praise and thanksgiving. I present to you my soul and body, with the earnest wish that I may ever be united to you. And since I cannot now receive 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.



1 Be - fore thy throne, O God, we kneel: give us a con - science
 2 Search out our hearts and make us true; help us to give to
 3 For sins of heed - less word and deed, for pride am - bi - tious
 4 Let the fierce fires which burn and try, our in - most spi - rits



quick to feel, a rea - dy mind to un - der - stand the
 all their due. From love of plea - sure, lust of gold, from
 to suc - ceed, for craft - y trade and sub - tle snare to
 pu - ri - fy: con - sume the ill; purge out the shame; O



mean - ing of thy chas - tening hand; what - e'er the pain and
 sins which make the heart grow cold, wean us and train us
 catch the sim - ple un - a - ware, for lives be - reft of
 God, be with us in the flame; a new - born peo - ple

shame may be, bring us, O Fa - ther, near - er thee.
 with thy rod; teach us to know our faults, O God.
 pur - pose high, for - give, for - give, O Lord, we cry.
 may we rise, more pure, more true, more no - bly wise.

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

BCP 365

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.

Processional Hymn

Gracious spirit, give your servants

WLP 782

1. Gra - cious Spir - it, give your ser - vants joy to set sin's
 2. Word made flesh, who gave up glo - ry to be - come our
 3. Lov - ing God, who birthed cre - a - tion from the noth - ing -
 4. Tri - une God, e - ter - nal Be - ing, nev - er end - ing,

cap - tives free, hope to heal the bro - ken - heart - ed,
 great high priest, tak - ing on our hu - man na - ture
 ness of space, kin - dling life where all was emp - ty,
 un - be - gun, bound - less grace and per - fect jus - tice,

peace to share love's li - ber - ty. Through us bring your balm of
 to re - deem the last and least: let your cour - age and com -
 turn - ing cha - os in - to grace: when we feel con - fused and
 right - eous and for - giv - ing One: so en - fold us in you

glad-ness to the wound-ed and op-pressed; help us claim and
 pas-sion shape and guide our min-is-tries; as our Sav-ior
 fruit-less, dawn up-on our rest-less night; give us faith's im-
 mer-cy that our wills and yours u-nite; through us may the

show God's fa-vor as a peo-ple called and blessed.
 and our Shep-herd, lead us to the truth that frees.
 ag-i-na-tion, hope's re-new-ing, love's de-light.
 world be-hold you, find your love, your truth, your light.

Dismissal

Deacon Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Postlude

Rector
 Assistant Priest
 Director of Music/Organist
 Chancel Choir Director

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

REGULAR WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Sunday

8:00 am - The Holy Eucharist: Rite One - in our Nave
 9:15 am - The Holy Eucharist: Rite Two - in our Nave
 11:15 am - The Holy Eucharist: Rite Two - in our Nave, and streaming online

Wednesday

5:00 pm - The Holy Eucharist: Rite Two - in our Nave and streaming online

<u>Ministries-Sept. 26</u>	<u>8:00 am</u>	<u>9:15 am</u>	<u>11:15 am</u>
Eucharistic	Deidra Harmer	Susan Parker	Fred Henneke
Ministers		Imelda Horne	Kay Hayes
Vestry Rep.	Amanda McDonald	Mark Haufler	
Ushers		Amy Richards Nellwyn Sadler	John Elliott Bob Kinnan Gus Schreiner

Altar Guild - Alexis McRoberts, Kay Bruce, Pam Crumrine, Beverly Dodds, Pat Hamman, Betsy Matz, Kathy Voss, and Margaret Galloway.

<u>Ministries-Oct. 3</u>	<u>8:00 am</u>	<u>9:15 am</u>	<u>11:15 am</u>
Eucharistic	Deidra Harmer	Imelda Horne	Herb Williamson
Ministers		Rita Self	Jane Quein
Vestry Rep.	Eric Maloney	Mark Haufler	
Ushers		Barbara Jansen Larry Baird	Mark Haufler John Murray Jerry Timko

Altar Guild - Alexis McRoberts, Kay Bruce, Pam Crumrine, Beverly Dodds, Pat Hamman, Betsy Matz, Kathy Voss, and Margaret Galloway.

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, Larry, and Mark.

Short Term Prayer List: Dennis Quein, Kiska, Gerard, and Beth.

Military and Diplomatic Service Prayer List: Karen Hart, George Hart, Justin Augustine, Alison 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. Michael and All Angels', Blanco; and St. Philip's, Beeville.



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-foot 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.**

THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE

SUNDAY, September 26

- 08:00 am **The Holy Eucharist: Rite One Traditional Service** – no music
09:00 am Nursery opens – Shelton 3
09:15 am **The Holy Eucharist: Rite Two Family Service**
10:15 am Coffee & Fellowship – Tucker Hall
10:30 am Celebrating the Saints – Adult Christian Formation – Tucker Hall
11:15 am **The Holy Eucharist: Rite Two Traditional Service** (also streamed)
7:00 pm-8:30 pm High School EYC – Youth Room

MONDAY, September 27

TUESDAY, September 28

- 11:00 am **Weekly Zoom Bible Study with Fr. Bert** – All are welcome! 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. Email Fr. Bert at bert@stpeterskerrville.com for your Zoom link, or find related links in your weekly parish email.
- 12:00 pm **Prayers, Fellowship & Football** – Tucker Hall. P.F.F. is a men's lunch group with no agenda. It's purely social and men of all ages are welcome. Join us for a delicious \$8.00 lunch and lively conversation! If you need more information, please feel free to call Jon Wilem at (281) 723-9671 or John Elliott at (830) 238-4958. An RSVP is appreciated, but not necessary.
- 2:00 pm **Contemplative Prayer** - Everyone is welcome! Our goal is to support one another in private contemplative prayer and meditation and share our faith journeys. We are affiliated with Contemplative Outreach LTD and World Community for Christian Meditation. For more information, please contact Susan Parker at 830-257-3918, or email her at parkers710@gmail.com.

WEDNESDAY, September 29

- 9:00 am **The Rock Roadies** – Monthly preparation to mail our Rock Road newsletter.
- 10:30 am **The Path of Life** - Multi-Purpose Room. Path of Life (POL) will be studying “The Gospel of John” by Max Lucado. Everyone is welcome to join this caring, sharing and fun Bible study.

5:00 pm **The Holy Eucharist: Rite Two**
5:30 pm **Wednesday Night Family Dinner** - Tucker Hall
6:00 pm Nursery opens - Shelton 3
6:00 - 7:15pm Pre-school & Kinder - Shelton 2
6:00 - 7:15pm Elementary (1st through 5th grades) - Chapel
6:00 - 7:15pm Middle School - Youth Room
6:15 - 7:15pm **Sisters in Scripture** - Parlor. Sisters in Scriptures is a Bible Study for Young Women and Moms, and is a time for fellowship and bible study. This fall we will be reading "The Well Watered Woman" by Gretchen Saffles. We will be meeting on Wednesdays at 6:15pm in the Parlor after the Parish Dinner. For more information please feel free to contact Lisa Earl at 830-928-7299 or lisaearl29@gmail.com.
6:15 - 7:15pm **Men's Group** - Church Library (Prayer, fellowship and study)

THURSDAY, September 30

10:00 am **ECW Board Meeting** - Tucker Hall
6:30pm **Chancel Choir Rehearsal** - Sanctuary

FRIDAY, October 1

11:00 am **Book Study - The Friday Book Study group** meets in the AV room on the second floor of the church office, and also via Zoom. The group is studying *Holy Envy: Finding God in the Faith of Others* by Barbara Brown Taylor. Taylor is an Episcopal priest who has been teaching the world's religions at the university-level for 20 years. In this study we will learn more about our personal Christian faith as we learn about other religions. Contact Susan Parker, parkers710@gmail.com or 830-257-3918 for more information, and for the Zoom link.

SUNDAYS

Nursery

Ages: 0-4 years

When: 9:00 am - 12:30 pm

Where: Shelton Hall Room 3

Our church nursery is in Shelton Hall Room 3. Children ages 0-4 will be cared for and supervised by our Childcare Staff.

Adult Sunday School – Celebrating the Saints - Beginning Sunday, September 26 at 10:30am 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.



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CHRISTIAN FORMATION OFFERING

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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



ST. PETER'S
EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Attention All Men of St. Peter's

The Brotherhood of St. Andrew invites all
Men of St. Peter's to a cookout and
social gathering on the evening of Sept. 30th.

Come meet the Hamburger Guy! Hamburgers will be
cooked or bring your own steak, fish, chicken, etc. to grill.

Sides will be provided. BYOB

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



Please RSVP: email, call or text

James Horne: mel_jam72207@yahoo.com

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Carter Crain cell: 713-417-4801



Join us at St. Peter's for

blessing
of the

ANIMALS

Sunday – Oct. 3
~ 4 PM ~

Bring your furry and scaly friends & join us
under the St. Peter's School pavilion Sunday
★ afternoon beginning at 4pm. ★

ST. PETER'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

320 St. Peter St. - Kerrville Texas

Questions? Call the church office 257-8162

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St. Jerome's Jots



St. Jerome's Guild is excited to host a review by Karen Kilgore of [The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe](#) by C.S. Lewis. Please join us at 3:00 PM in Tucker Hall on Wednesday October 6, and bring a friend. Short business meeting will take place after Karen's review.

SAVE THE DATE! At 3:00 PM on Wednesday November 3, St. Peter's Director of Music and Organist, David Miron will present a review of The Hymnal 1982, the hymnal used by the Episcopal Church. Look in the Sunday bulletin, the November Rock Road and your email for more information about this program.

Join Fr. Bert's Weekly Zoom Bible Study!

TUESDAYS AT 11AM

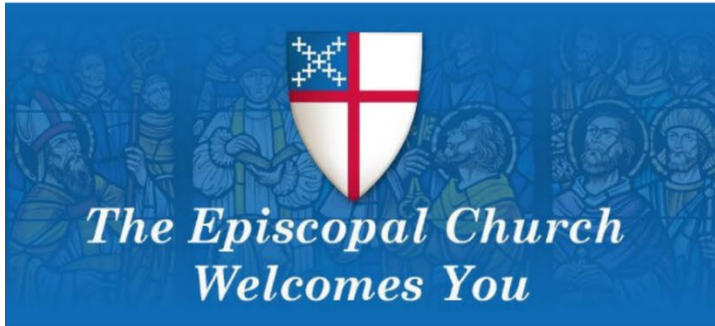
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**CLICK HERE
TO JOIN!**



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!



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

E.C.W.

EPISCOPAL CHURCH WOMEN



**PLEASE JOIN THE E.C.W.
(EPISCOPAL CHURCH WOMEN)**

**FOR THE
FALL GENERAL MEETING**

**THURSDAY, OCTOBER 7th
TUCKER HALL
MEETING AT 10:30**

**ENJOY A STYLE SHOW FEATURING OUR
VERY OWN COTTAGE SHOP!**

**LUNCH WILL BE PROVIDED
AFTER THE PROGRAM**