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THE MISSION STATEMENT OF ST. PETER'S CHURCH

Our mission is to meet people where they are on their faith journey
and help them move closer to Christ.



St. Peter's Episcopal Church

South Windsor, Connecticut

The Third Sunday of Easter
May 4, 2025, 8:00 AM

Celebrant Alleluia, Christ is risen.

People The Lord is risen, indeed. Alleluia!

Celebrant 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

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his 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.

Celebrant God be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray

Collect of the Day—See Insert

A Collect for Creation: Almighty and everlasting God, Creator of all things and giver of all life, let your blessing be upon the earth that we till, the seeds that we plant, and the new life that comes from the woods, the meadows, and the seas; and grant that it may serve to your glory and the welfare of your people; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The Lessons

The Book of Acts 9:1-6

Psalm 30 — See Insert or Prayer Book p. 621

The Revelation of John 5:11-14

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Luke.
People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Gospel—The Gospel of John 21:1-19 — See Insert

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.
People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Gospel Reflection and Sharing

The Sermon

The Reverend Anne Fraley

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 Prayers

In peace and in faith, let us offer our prayers, saying, “Christ, have mercy.”
For peace and tranquility in the world, and for the salvation of all, let us pray.
Christ, have mercy.

For Sean, Jeffrey, and Laura, our bishops; for Nigerian bishops John and Markus; for Anne, Zeb, and Jessie, our clergy, and for all the People of God, let us pray.
Christ, have mercy.

For the Church of God in every place, that it may persevere in faith and hope. In our diocesan cycle of prayer, we pray for St. John’s, New Haven; St. Luke’s, New Haven;

Also, **Eastern Connecticut Health Network’s 2025 Program Flyer** with their Spring/Summer programs offered May—August can be found on our **Short Hall Bulletin Board** for anyone who is interested.

The Little Pantry in front of the Church is frequently empty. Please help by putting items in the pantry. This week’s suggestions: pancake mix, syrup, and rice. Thank you.

Thanksgiving: for this spring season with blooming flowers, birds chirping, and the sun shining.

This week we pray for our Counters; for parish members Jane Perrin, Lisa Pile, and Lin Plank. For Pat Jennings, Anna Gazis, and Noah Frank who are celebrating their birthday, as well as Jonathan and Julie Dixon who are celebrating their anniversary this week.

PRAYER REQUESTS: Suzanne Cassidy, The Tomé family, Maxine, Scott, Lois Piela, John Heavens, Tom Urgo, Michelle, Johnny Wolf, Eileen Christensen, Jane Perrin, Zack, Ken Kinelski, Mark Gilje, Jason Ward; and those committed to our ongoing prayers: Ray Sapula, Ken, Tim Wolf, Don Malone, Rodger, Cora Harrington, Lorraine, Grisel, Lynn and Helen Reagan, Matt Dillon, Michelle, Ken, John Moran, Brett, Mark Moran, Kirk, Travis, Bob, Mike, Ted, Dan, Laurie, Hal, Kerrie, Anya Houlroyd and Robbi Lyn Skipper, Barbara, Fred Wood and Matthew Wood. For our Armed Forces serving at home and abroad and their families, especially Richard Nuñez, who is deployed, Jr., Kenneth Fraley, Jr., and Melissa Kell.

Readings for next Sunday, May 11th: Acts 9:36-43; Psalm 23; Revelation 7:9-17; John 10:22-30

Serving:	Today 8am	Today 10am	Next Week 9am	Next Week 10am
Ushers:	J. Bodfish	M. Bell	B. McBeth	D. Nanci
Lectors:	D. Bennett	B. Hoff	B. Hartley	D. Ober
Intercessors:	D. Bennett	D. Ober	B. Hartley	D. Hubeny
E. Minister:	B. Hartley	D. Ober		D. Fornuto
Tech:	D. Hubeny		G. Malone	
Counters:	Bell/Fornuto		Bell/Nanci	
Coffee Hour:	Bell		Hubeny’s	

Announcements

The Blessing

The Dismissal

Announcements

We would like to thank those volunteers who came out and helped with our **bi-annual work day cleanup** yesterday. We appreciate and thank all of you who consistently help out!

Come join **Peace by Piece Quilters** on **May 3rd from 9-2 PM** in the **Large classroom**.

SPOT will meet on **Sunday, May 11th at 9 AM** between services in our **Large Classroom**. Please come join us!

Please come join our men at **Oscar’s, for breakfast, on Monday, May 12th at 7 AM**. A nice way to meet up with old friends and make some new ones.

Our **Vestry** will meet next month on **Monday, May 12th** in the **Office Wing Meeting Room at 7 PM**.

Parish Life will meet on **Sunday, May 18th**, in the **Large classroom at 9 AM** in between services.

2025 Flower Donations – Please sign up to donate towards Altar flowers. A flower chart is posted on the Short Hall Bulletin Board. When signing up for flowers, keep in mind that more than one family may sign up at a time for any given Sunday. Signups should be one week in advance to be included in the weekly bulletin; checks in the amount of \$35 payable to St. Peter’s Episcopal Church with Altar flowers written in the memo line may be placed in the Sunday offering plate, or you may signup on our website under “Giving and then Flower Donations”.

Happenings Around:

The Friends of the South Windsor Public Library will have Book Sale hours beginning May 26th, Saturdays, 9:30-12:30 PM and Tuesdays, 9:15-6 PM. Most hard cover books are \$2 and paperback are \$.50 each. Also, puzzles, CDs and DVDs are available. Check out their newsletter, with other events offered at the library posted on our **Short Hall Bulletin Board**.

St. Paul and St. James, New Haven; Retirement communities, especially Armsmear; chaplains at retirement communities, Retired Clergy Chaplains; The Church of Ireland; and for St. Peter’s Birzeit and St. Andrew’s, Ramallah, and Fadi, their Rector, let us pray.
Christ, have mercy.

For the leaders of our nation, and all in positions of authority, that they may honor the trust placed in them by the people they serve, let us pray.
Christ, have mercy.

For the concerns of our hearts and our community, and those in need of healing and comfort, especially— Suzanne Cassidy, The Tomé family, Maxine, Scott, Lois Piela, John Heavens, Tom Urgo, Michelle, Johnny Wolf, Eileen Christensen, Jane Perrin, Zack, Ken Kinelski, Mark Gilje, Jason Ward; and those committed to our ongoing prayers: For members of our Armed Forces serving at home and abroad and their families, especially Richard Nuñez, Jr., who is deployed, Kenneth Fraley, Jr., and Melissa Kell; for the victims of natural disasters and human violence throughout the world; for individuals and communities recovering and rebuilding following earthquakes, flooding, wildfires, and tornadoes; for the people of Israel, Palestine, Syria, Lebanon, Ukraine, and Russia; for the victims of gun violence around our nation, their families and communities; for Kilmar Garcia, immigrants and immigrant communities being persecuted; for Indigenous, Asian American, and Pacific Islander peoples impacted by racism; for those suffering from centuries of anti-black bias, and for others seeking to undo the harm of racism and hate. For members of the LGBTQ+ community facing discrimination and threats of violence, let us pray.
Christ, have mercy.

For groups to whom we extend hospitality through the use of our building, especially Troop 682, and for the concerns and organizations supported by St. Peter’s through mission, especially: The Episcopal Relief and Development, let us pray.
Christ, have mercy.

For all who minister in our midst, especially our Counters; for parish members Jane Perrin, Lisa Pile, and Lin Plank. For Pat Jennings, Anna Gazis, and Noah Frank who are celebrating their birthday, as well as Jonathan and Julie Dixon who are celebrating their anniversary this week, let us pray.
Christ, have mercy.

For all those whose souls have gone to eternal rest, let us pray.
Christ, have mercy.

For the blessings of our days, and the gifts of grace we receive, let us pray.
Christ, have mercy.

The Celebrant adds a concluding collect

The Peace

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

The Offertory

The Doxology

The Great Thanksgiving

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 our thanks and praise.

Celebrant
It is truly right, good, and joyful to give you thanks, all-holy God, source of life and fountain of mercy. You have filled us and all creation with your blessing and fed us with your constant love; you have redeemed us in Jesus Christ and knit us into one body. Through your Spirit you replenish us and call us to fullness of life. Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we sing:

Celebrant and People
Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

The Celebrant continues
Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life. You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love. You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace. But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves; we would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so we violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love.

Yet you never ceased to care for us, and prepared the way of salvation for all people. Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation.

Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus. Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory. Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life.

On the night before he died for us, Our Savior Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his friends, and said: “Take, eat: This is my Body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.”

As supper was ending, Jesus 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 poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me.”

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People
Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues
Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine. By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ’s Body in the world. Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your daughters and sons, that with Peter and all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name for ever. Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. AMEN.

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

Celebrant and People
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 Fraction
Celebrant Alleluia, Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.
People Therefore let us keep the feast.

Celebrant 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.

The Distribution of Communion

Postcommunion Prayer
God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and one another; and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.