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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.



# The Seventh Sunday of Easter June 1, 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** 

The Lessons

The Book of Acts 16:16-34
Psalm 97 — See Insert or Prayer Book p. 726
The Revelation of John 22:12-14, 16-17, 20-21

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Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Luke.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Gospel—The Gospel of John 17:20-26 — See Insert

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

**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, for St. Peter's Birzeit and St. Andrew's, Ramallah, and Fadi, their Rector, 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, Niantic; Zion, North Branford; St. John's, North Haven; Episcopal Rainbow, TransEpiscopal, Believe Out Loud, LGBTQ + Community; The Anglican Church of Korea; 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*.

Mark your calendars! The SW Farmer's Market returns at Never's Park kicking off on June 7th, Saturdays, 9AM-12PM through October 4th. Come out, bring the family, and enjoy the sunshine.

The Little Pantry in front of the Church is frequently empty. Please help by putting items in the pantry. This week's suggestions: cooking oil, condiments, and granola bars. Thank you.

**Thanksgiving:** for the blessings we see and those unseen, for our answered prayers and the grace in waiting.

This week we pray for our Lectors and Intercessors; for parish members Jessie Akerson, and the Bell and Van Niel families. For Heather Waitt who is celebrating her birthday today, as well as Mike & Laura Ostrowski, and Mark & Sandy Bell who are celebrating their anniversary this week.

PRAYER REQUESTS: Amber, The Abbot family, Tom Marshall, Jimmy Forno, Erica, Suzanne Cassidy, The Tomé family, Maxine, Scott, Lois Piela, John Heavens, Tom Urgo, Zack, Mark Gilje, Jason Ward; and those committed to our ongoing prayers: Johnny Wolf, Eileen Christensen, Jane Perrin, Ken Kinelski, Ray Sapula, Ken, Layan Nasir, 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, and Melissa Kell, who are deployed, and Kenneth Fraley, Jr.

**Readings for next Sunday, June 8th:** Genesis 11:1-9; Psalm 104:25-35, 37; Acts 2:1-21; John 14:8-17, 25-27

Serving: 10am	Today 8am	Today 10am	Next Week 8am	Next Week
<b>Ushers:</b>	J. Bodfish	G. Malone	B. McBeth	M. Bell
<b>Lectors:</b>	M. Houlroyd	D. Ober	B. Hartley	A. Bierkan
<b>Intercessors:</b>	M. Houlroyd	T. Fornuto	B. Hartley	D. Ober
E. Minister:	D. Bennett	D. Fornuto	Morning Prayer	
Tech:	D. Hubeny		G. Malone	
<b>Counters:</b>	Eaton/Nanci		Fornuto/Bell	
Coffee Hour:	Parish Life		Nanci/Bell	

#### Announcements

Please join us for our "Welcome Summer Celebration Potluck" today after the 10 AM service.

Peace by Piece Quilters meet this Saturday, June 7th, from 9-2 PM in the Large classroom. Visitors are welcome!

SPOT will meet next Sunday, June 8<sup>th</sup> at 9 AM between services in our Large Classroom. All are welcome!

Please come join our men at Oscar's, for breakfast, on Monday, June 9<sup>th</sup> at 7 AM. A great way to start your day with breakfast and friends.

Our Vestry will meet on Monday, June 9<sup>th</sup> in the Office Wing Meeting Room at 7 PM.

We will begin our summer worship schedule on Sunday, June 15th with services at 8AM and 9AM through August. We will also have a guest preacher, The Reverend Canon D. Littlepage, joining us that day.

Pick a Date to Donate! This year we started an ongoing fundraiser where each month participants are asked to select a calendar date and donate the corresponding amount which goes to the church's general fund. For example, if you select the number 23, your calendar donation for the month is \$23. Numbers are chosen from the basket at church, or the online form found on our website under, "Giving/Calendar fundraiser". Donations may be made in cash, check, or by using the online form on our website. Every month starts a new cycle with new dates to choose. This fundraiser has been very successful raising over \$1,400! Please don't forget to pick one when you are in church this week or on our website.

**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:**

Have any books you want to get rid of but don't want to throw in the trash? The SW Senior Center will be collecting books this week starting tomorrow, June 2nd until this Friday, June 6th between the hours of 8AM—4PM for their book sale. They are accepting any genre as well as CDs/media items.

For the concerns of our hearts and our community, and those in need of healing and comfort, especially— Amber, The Abbot family, Tom Marshall, Jimmy Forno, Erica, Suzanne Cassidy, The Tomé family, Maxine, Scott, Lois Piela, John Heavens, Tom Urgo, Zack, 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., and Melissa Kell, who are deployed, and Kenneth Fraley, Jr., for the victims of natural disasters and human violence throughout the world; for the community of Blatten, Switzerland, destroyed by a landslide, 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 Al-Anon, and for the concerns and organizations supported by St. Peter's through mission, especially: Episcopal Relief and Development, let us pray.

Christ, have mercy.

For all who minister in our midst, especially our Lectors and Intercessors; for parish members Jessie Akerson, and the Bell and Van Niel families. For Mike & Laura Ostrowski, and Mark & Sandy Bell who are celebrating their anniversary this week, let us pray.

Christ, have mercy.

For Zelia Abbot and 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 Great Thanksgiving

CelebrantThe Lord be with you.PeopleAnd also with you.CelebrantLift up your hearts.PeopleWe 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 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.

#### **Announcements**

# The Blessing

#### The Dismissal