

Today's Services of Holy Communion

8:00 am Service (Book of Common Prayer)

Preacher and Celebrant: The Rev. Dr. Jane Rowland

Deacon: The Rev. Rosemary Bishop

10 am (Book of Alternative Services)

Preacher: The Rev. Dr. Jane Rowland

Celebrant: The Rev. David Ney

Liturgical Assistant: David Gravells

Mary Westell is Warden on Duty

The Leadership Team at St Peters

If you or someone you know is ill or in need of pastoral care,
please leave a message at the office or email one of our clergy.

Please feel free to direct any inquiries, questions or concerns to one of the wardens.

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The Celebration of Holy Eucharist

August 23, 2015

10:00 am



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THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

Call to Silence

Welcome to our service of Holy Communion. If you are unfamiliar with the ritual customs of the Anglican Church, simply relax with the liturgy and let the rest of the congregation carry you in worship. As today's service begins, a gong will sound, calling us to stillness before God. As its sounds fade away, we stand to sing our processional hymn.

Processional Hymn: #10 We, the Lord's People

Greeting

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God,
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all. **And also with you.**

How lovely is Your dwelling place, O Lord of hosts!

We long to be where You are;

to stand in Your very presence, and to behold You, face to face!

And so we have come to this place today;

we have gathered to worship; to offer the praise which belongs to You alone.

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Let us pray:

Almighty God, you bring to light things hidden in darkness, and know the shadows of our hearts: Cleanse and renew us by your Spirit, that we may walk in the light and glorify your name, through Jesus Christ, the Light of the world, Amen.

The Gloria

Glory to the Father:

Glory to the Spirit:

Be glorified in Calgary:

Be glorified at home:

Be glorified on earth:

Glory to the Father:

Glory to the Spirit:

Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

Glory to the Son.

For ever three in One.

Be glorified in the world.

Be glorified in the Church.

Be glorified in heaven.

Glory to the Son.

For ever three in One.

Amen! Amen!

The Kenyan Rite

Collect

Almighty God, **you have broken the tyranny of sin and sent into our hearts the Spirit of your Son. Give us grace to dedicate our freedom to your service, that all people may know the glorious liberty of the children of God; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

Children's Time

At this time we invite the children to come forward for a brief lesson. The children are then invited to leave the service for a time of learning and fun. They can be picked up after the service from their classroom downstairs. Children are also always welcome in our service. There are colouring packs at the back, as well as a rug area and soft blocks for children to play with.

"10,000 Reasons (Bless the Lord)Refrain:

Bless the Lord oh my soul
 Oh my soul
 Worship His Holy name
 Sing like never before
 Oh my soul
 I'll worship Your Holy name

1. The sun comes up
 It's a new day dawning
 It's time to sing Your song again
 Whatever may pass
 And whatever lies before me
 Let me be singing
 When the evening comes

2. You're rich in love
 And You're slow to anger
 Your name is great
 And Your heart is kind
 For all Your goodness
 I will keep on singing
 Ten thousand reasons
 For my heart to find

3. And on that day
 When my strength is failing
 The end draws near
 And my time has come
 Still my soul will
 Sing Your praise unending
 Ten thousand years
 And then forevermore.

THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD

Old Testament Reading: The First Book of Kings (8:1,6,10,11,22-30,41-43)

-Barbara Jean Moore

Then Solomon assembled the elders of Israel and all the heads of the tribes, the leaders of the ancestral houses of the Israelites, before King Solomon in Jerusalem, to bring up the ark of the covenant of the Lord out of the city of David, which is Zion. Then the priests brought the ark of the covenant of the Lord to its place, in the inner sanctuary of the house, in the most holy place, underneath the wings of the cherubim. And when the priests came out of the holy place, a cloud filled the house of the Lord, so that the priests could not stand to minister because of the cloud; for the glory of the Lord filled the house of the Lord. Then Solomon stood before the altar of the Lord in the presence of all the assembly of Israel, and spread out his hands to heaven. He said, "O Lord, God of Israel, there is no God like you in heaven above or on earth beneath, keeping covenant and steadfast love for your servants who walk before you with all their heart, the covenant that you kept for your servant my father David as you declared to him; you promised with your mouth and have this day fulfilled with your hand. Therefore, O Lord, God of Israel, keep for your servant my father David that which you promised him, saying, 'There shall never fail you a successor before me to sit on the throne of Israel, if only your children look to their way, to walk before me as you have walked before me.' Therefore, O God of Israel, let your word be confirmed, which you promised to your servant my father David. But will God indeed dwell on the earth? Even heaven and the highest heaven cannot contain you, much less this house that I have built! Regard your servant's prayer and his plea, O Lord my God, heeding the cry and the prayer that your servant prays to you today; that your eyes may be open night and day toward this house, the place of which you said, 'My name shall be there,' that you may heed the prayer that your servant prays toward this place. Hear the plea of your servant and of your people Israel when they pray toward this place; O hear in heaven your dwelling place; heed and forgive. Likewise when a foreigner, who is not of your people Israel, comes from a distant land because of your name —for they shall hear of your great name, your mighty hand, and your outstretched arm—when a foreigner comes and prays toward this house, then hear in heaven your dwelling place, and do according to all that the foreigner calls to you, so that all the peoples of the earth may know your name and fear you, as do your people Israel, and so that they may know that your name has been invoked on this house that I have built." The Lord is here. **His Spirit is with us.**

Psalm 130 (Green Book pg. 888)

New Testament Reading: A Reading from the Letter of Paul to the Ephesians (6:10-20)

– Pam Hodgson

Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his power. Put on the whole armour of God, so that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. For our struggle is not against enemies of blood and flesh, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers of this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places. Therefore take up the whole armour of God, so that you may be able to withstand on that evil day, and having done everything, to stand firm. Stand therefore, and fasten the belt of truth around your waist, and put on the breastplate of righteousness. As shoes for your feet put on whatever will make you ready to proclaim the gospel of peace. With all of these, take the shield of faith, with which you will be able to quench all the flaming arrows of the evil one. Take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God. Pray in the Spirit at all times in every prayer and supplication. To that end keep alert and always persevere in supplication for all the saints. Pray also for me, so that when I speak, a message may be given to me to make known with boldness the mystery of the gospel, for which I am an ambassador in chains. Pray that I may declare it boldly, as I must speak.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Gradual Hymn: #350 Stand Up and Bless the Lord

The Gospel Reading

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to **John (6:56-59)**

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Jesus said, "Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me, and I in them. Just as the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever eats me will live because of me. This is the bread that came down from heaven, not like that which your ancestors ate, and they died. But the one who eats this bread will live forever." He said these things while he was teaching in the synagogue at Capernaum. When many of his disciples heard it, they said, "This teaching is difficult; who can accept it?" But Jesus, being aware that his disciples were complaining about it, said to them, "Does this offend you? Then what if you were to see the Son of Man ascending to where he was before? It is the spirit that gives life; the flesh is useless. The words that I have spoken to you are

spirit and life. But among you there are some who do not believe.” For Jesus knew from the first who were the ones that did not believe, and who was the one that would betray him. And he said, “For this reason I have told you that no one can come to me unless it is granted by the Father.” Because of this many of his disciples turned back and no longer went about with him. So Jesus asked the twelve, “Do you also wish to go away?” Simon Peter answered him, “Lord, to whom can we go? You have the words of eternal life. We have come to believe and know that you are the Holy One of God.”

The Gospel of Christ. **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ**

Homily: The Rev. Dr. Jane Rowland

The Prayers of the People

Confession and Absolution

We come seeking forgiveness for all we have failed to be and do as members of Christ’s body.

Silence

In God there is forgiveness.

Loving and all-seeing God, forgive us where we have failed to support one another and to be what we claim to be.

Forgive us where we have failed to serve you; and where our thoughts and actions have been contrary to yours we ask your pardon.

God forgives us; be at peace.

Silence

Rejoice and be glad, for Christ is resurrection, reconciliation for all the human race.

We shall all be one in Christ, one in our life together.

Praise to God who has created us, praise to God who has accepted us, praise to God who sends us into the world.

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The Peace

The peace of the Lord be always with you. **And also with you.**

Offertory Hymn: #56 I Am the Bread, the Bread of Life

THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

The Prayer over the Gifts

God of glory, receive all we offer this day as a symbol of our love, and increase in us that true and perfect gift. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

It is indeed right to thank you and praise you, holy and gracious God...

... we glorify your holy name, evermore praising you and saying,

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,

heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

We praise you, merciful God rejoicing in his victory.

Confident in God's sovereign purpose, we declare our faith.

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

Send your Holy Spirit on us knitting us together as one in your Son Jesus Christ, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be all honour and glory, now and forever.

Amen. *Supplementary Eucharistic Prayer 3, Copyright © 2001 by the General Synod of the Anglican Church of Canada.*

The Lord's Prayer

The Breaking of the Bread

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

We, being many, are one body, for we all share in the one bread.

The gifts of God for the people of God. **Thanks be to God.**

The Communion

All are welcome to join us at the Lord's Table. If you prefer to receive a blessing, please cross your arms. Gluten-free wafers are available upon request.

Prayers After Communion

Living God, increase in us the healing power of your love. Guide and direct us that we may please you in all things, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Glory to God, whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more that we can ask or imagine. Glory to God from generation to generation, in the Church and in Christ Jesus, for ever and ever. Amen.

Blessing

May the love of God, which gives life to the world, sustain you;

May the bread of life, Jesus Christ,

feed you with the food that endures to eternal life;

May the power of the Holy Spirit nourish and strengthen you in faith. **Amen**

~ Moira Laidlaw, www.liturgiesonline.com.au/

Announcements

Recessional Hymn: #374 Alleluia! Sing to Jesus

The Dismissal of the Community

- In our worldwide Anglican Cycle of Prayer we pray for the Church of San Diego and their clergy, The Rt. Rev. James Mathes.
- In our Diocesan Prayer Cycle we pray for St. Barnabus, Calgary and their clergy, The Rev. Dean Houghton, The Rev. Eric Haffenden and the Rev Dr. Philip Behman and for the Primate's World Relief and Development Fund and for the Diocesan and Parish reps.
- In our Companion Diocese in the Windward Islands we pray for St. Paul, Calliaqua with St. John, Belair and their clergy, The Rev. Canon Otis Samuel Nichols and for the Provincial Lay Rep, Anglican Consultative Council, Mr. Clifton Nedd.
- In our own parish let us ask for God's healing love to uphold and sustain all who are in any kind of need, especially: Olive Holgate, Rachel Patrick, Basil Stevens, Joan Siddall, Maria Dalla Costa, Marguerite Dimmer, Eileen Williams, Rachel Patrick, Edna Webb, Nathan Wadman, Mackenzie and the Walsh family, Pamela Grigg, Cam Keith, Alan Manship, Sylvia Stanley, Jennifer Wiebe, Connie Hill, Howie Dawe, Joy Tufts, Judy and Emily Rousell and family, Kolby Thomson, Ruth Elford, Laurie Arsenault, Kenneth Robertson, Tracey (Janzen) Grenier, Virginia Goodman, Ernie Rice, Edith Lenko, Nellie Werth, Joan Brisbourne, Chad McGregor, Peggy Brookes, Mariam Jacobs, Andrew Howe, Linda Redel.

Flowers are given this morning to the glory of God.