

**Today's Services of Holy Communion**

**8:00 am Service**

**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. Dr. David Ney**

**Deacon: The Rev. Julienne Hendrickson**

**Liturgical Assistant: Jeff Oneski**

**Caron Ross is Warden on duty today.**

**Pianist: Glenn Werth**

**The Leadership Team at St. Peter's**

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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**February 21<sup>st</sup>, 2016**  
**Second Sunday of Lent**  
**Service of Holy Communion**  
**10:00 am**



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## THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

*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.*

*Today is the Second Sunday of Lent—the season of penitence and preparation that precedes our Easter celebration of the Resurrection. During Lent, the service is reordered. The penitential rite, here in the form of the Kyrie (“Lord have mercy”), comes at the beginning of the service, rather than following the prayers. As well, we do not use the Gloria or say “alleluia” during Lent.*

*As today’s service begins, a gong will sound, calling us to stillness before God. As its sound fades away, we stand to sing our processional hymn.*

### Call to Silence

### Processional Hymn: #482 Come and Journey with a Saviour

### 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.**

The sacrifice of God is a broken spirit; a broken and contrite heart God will not despise. Let us come to the Lord, who is full of compassion, and acknowledge our transgressions in penitence and faith.

### *Silence*

**Kyrie Eleison: Please see bulletin insert.**

### Absolution

Almighty God have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Blessed are those whose transgression is forgiven and whose sin is covered.

**They are happy, for the Lord declares them "not guilty"**

Let us worship and rejoice

**The Lord is our hiding place and our refuge in times of trouble.**

### Collect

Almighty God, **whose Son was revealed in majesty before he suffered death upon the cross, give us faith to perceive his glory, that being strengthened by his grace we may be changed into his likeness, from glory to glory; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.**

*The children are invited to come forward at this time, before going to downstairs to Spirit Zone. They return for communion. There are classes for children, tweens, and teens. Nursery is also available (ask an usher for more information).*

## **THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD**

### **A Reading from the Book of Genesis 15: 1-12, 17, 18**

After these things the word of the LORD came to Abram in a vision, 'Do not be afraid, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great.' But Abram said, 'O Lord GOD, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?' And Abram said, 'You have given me no offspring, and so a slave born in my house is to be my heir.' But the word of the LORD came to him, 'This man shall not be your heir; no one but your very own issue shall be your heir.' He brought him outside and said, 'Look towards heaven and count the stars, if you are able to count them.' Then he said to him, 'So shall your descendants be.' And he believed the LORD; and the LORD reckoned it to him as righteousness. Then he said to him, 'I am the LORD who brought you from Ur of the Chaldeans, to give you this land to possess.' But he said, 'O Lord GOD, how am I to know that I shall possess it?' He said to him, 'Bring me a heifer three years old, a female goat three years old, a ram three years old, a turtle-dove, and a young pigeon.' He brought him all these and cut them in two, laying each half over against the other; but he did not cut the birds in two. And when birds of prey came down on the carcasses, Abram drove them away. As the sun was going down, a deep sleep fell upon Abram, and a deep and terrifying darkness descended upon him. When the sun had gone down and it was dark, a smoking fire-pot and a flaming torch passed between these pieces. On that day the LORD made a covenant with Abram, saying, 'To your descendants I give this land, from the river of Egypt to the great river, the river Euphrates.'

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

### **Psalm 27 (Green Book, page 735)**

### **A Reading from The Letter of Paul to the Philippians 3: 17 – 4: 1**

Brothers and sisters, join in imitating me, and observe those who live according to the example you have in us. For many live as enemies of the cross of Christ; I have often told you of them, and now I tell you even with tears. Their end is destruction; their god is the belly; and their glory is in their shame; their minds are set on earthly things. But our citizenship is in heaven, and it is from there that we are expecting a Saviour, the Lord Jesus Christ. He will transform the body of our humiliation so that it may be conformed to the body of his glory, by

the power that also enables him to make all things subject to himself. Therefore, my brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved.

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

**Gradual Hymn: #608 Come, You Sinners, Poor and Needy, Vs. 1 and 2**

**The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke 13: 31-35**

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

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

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

At that very hour some Pharisees came and said to him, ‘Get away from here, for Herod wants to kill you.’ He said to them, ‘Go and tell that fox for me, “Listen, I am casting out demons and performing cures today and tomorrow, and on the third day I finish my work. Yet today, tomorrow, and the next day I must be on my way, because it is impossible for a prophet to be killed away from Jerusalem.” Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the city that kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to it! How often have I desired to gather your children together as a hen gathers her brood under her wings, and you were not willing! See, your house is left to you. And I tell you, you will not see me until the time comes when you say, “Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.” ’

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

**Gradual Hymn: #608 Come You Sinners, Poor and Needy, Vs. 3**

**Homily: The Rev. Dr. Jane Rowland**

**Reflection on Giving: Dennis Belanger**

**Prayers of the People**

**Commissioning of 2016 Parish Council and Executive**

Brothers and sisters in Christ, we are all baptized by the one Spirit into one body, and given gifts for a variety of ministries for the common good.

Our purpose today is to recognize and affirm the ministries of leadership of our parish council and executive.

You have been called to this ministry. Will you, as long as you are engaged in this work, perform it with care, to the honour of God and the benefit of the Church?

*Council:* **We will.**

Will you uphold them in this service?

*People* **We will.**

Let us pray.

Blessed are you, gracious God, our creator and redeemer. In every age you call people to minister in your name. May the work of these your servants so build up your Church, that we may faithfully serve you and show your love in all the world.

Blessed are you, O God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

**The Peace** (*please stand*)

The Peace of the Lord be with you all. **And also with you.**

**Offertory Hymn: #176 By The Holy Spirit Sent**

### THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

**The Prayer over the Gifts:**

God of wisdom, **may the light of the eternal Word, our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, guide us to your glory. We ask this in his name.**

**Amen.**

**Eucharistic Prayer #2, BAS page 196**

**Sanctus** (*tune #735, Schubert*)

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

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

Heaven and earth are full, full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.

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

Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.

**The Lord's Prayer**

**Breaking of the Bread**

We break this bread, **communion in Christ's body once broken.**

Let your Church be the wheat which bears its fruit in dying.

**If we have died with him, we shall live with him;**

**if we hold firm, we shall reign with him.**

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

**Jesus, Lamb of God: Please see bulletin insert.**

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

*If you desire personal prayer, a prayer team is available in the Prayer Chapel following communion and after the service.*

**Prayer after Communion** *(please stand)*

All your works praise you, O Lord. **And your faithful servants bless you.**

Gracious God **we thank you for feeding us with the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ. May we, who share his body, live his risen life; we, who drink his cup, bring life to others; we whom the Spirit lights, give light to the world. Keep us firm in the hope you have set before us, so that we and all your children shall be free, and the whole earth live to praise your name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

**Blessing**

May God the Father, who does not despise the broken spirit, give to you a contrite heart. **Amen.**

May Christ, who bore our sins in his body on the tree, heal you by his wounds. **Amen.**

May the Holy Spirit, who leads us into all truth, speak to you words of pardon and peace. **Amen.**

And the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. Amen.

**Announcements**

**Recessional Hymn: #175 Forty Days and Forty Nights**

**The Dismissal of the Community**

*Response: Thanks be to God.*

*(Remember: no alleluias in Lent!)*

### Prayers

- In our worldwide Anglican Cycle of Prayer we pray for the Iglesia Anglicana de la Region Central de America, and their clergy, The Most Rev. Sturdie Downs, Primate of IARCA & Bishop of Nicaragua.
- In our Diocesan Prayer Cycle we pray for St. Stephen's, Calgary, and their clergy, The Rev. Brian Pearson.
- In our Companion Diocese in the Windward Islands we pray for St. Paul, Calliaqua with St. John, Belair on St. Vincent, and their clergy, The Rev. Canon Samuel Nichols.
- 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: Pat Clayton, Carol Kyle, Lorraine Grant, Eileen Williams, Fred Tom Jaeger, Elsie Matthews, Olive Holgate, Rachel Patrick, Basil Stevens, Marguerite Dimmer, Edna Webb, Nathan Wadman, Pamela Grigg, Sylvia Stanley, Jennifer Wiebe, Connie Hill, Howie Dawe, Joy Tufts, Judy and Emily Rousell and family, Kolby Thomson, Laurie Arsenault, Kenneth Robertson, Tracey (Janzen) Grenier, Ernie Rice, Edith Lenko, Nellie Werth, Joan Brisbane, Chad McGregor, Peggy Brookes, Mariam Jacob, Andrew Howe, Linda Redel.

**Flowers are given this morning to the glory of God by Cheryl and Gary Herle, in loving memory of their daughter Lyndsay; Cheryl's parents, Doreen and Lewis Toole; her brother Greg Toole; and Gary's father, Jordan Herle.**