

Last Sunday After Epiphany
February 14, 2010

All of you
are children of God
for you were baptised
into union with Christ
and so have taken on
the qualities of Christ.

- Galatians 3:26

Celebrant and Preacher: The Rev. Maurice Buck
Lay Reader: Rosemary Bishop
Lector: Mike Armstrong
10:00 a.m. Holy Communion and Baptism (*Book of Alternative Services*)
Celebrant and Preacher: Archdeacon Richard LeSueur
Lay Readers: David Gravells and Lorraine Grant
Nursery is open at this service

THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

Processional Hymn: # 59 *Jesus Calls Us Here to Meet Him*

Greeting

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

and also with you.

There is one body and one Spirit,

There is one hope in God's call to us;

One Lord, one faith, one baptism,

One God and Father of all.

Almighty God

**to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no
secrets are hidden, 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.**

Almighty God, *(Collect of the Day)*

**on the holy mount you revealed to chosen witnesses
your well-beloved Son, wonderfully transfigured:
mercifully deliver us from the darkness of this world,
and change us into his likeness from glory to glory;
through Jesus Christ our Lord
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. Amen.**

Children's Talk

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

Old Testament Reading: Exodus 34:29-35

Claire White

Moses came down from Mount Sinai. As he came down from the mountain with the two tablets of the covenant in his hand, Moses did not know that the skin of his face shone because he had been talking with God. When Aaron and all the Israelites saw Moses, the skin of his face was shining, and they were afraid to come near him. But Moses called to them; and Aaron and all the leaders of the congregation returned to him, and Moses spoke with them. Afterward all the Israelites came near, and he gave them in commandment all that the Lord had spoken with him on Mount Sinai. When Moses had finished speaking with them, he put a veil on his face; but whenever Moses went in before the Lord to speak with him, he would take the veil off, until he came out; and when he came out, and told the Israelites what he had been commanded, the Israelites would see the face of Moses, that the skin of his face was shining; and Moses would put the veil on his face again, until he went in to speak with him.

Reader: **Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.**

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 99

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New Testament Letters: 2 Corinthians 3:12–4:2

Lynne Smith

Since, then, we have such a hope, we act with great boldness, not like Moses, who put a veil over his face to keep the people of Israel from gazing at the end of the glory that was being set aside. But their minds were hardened. Indeed, to this very day, when they hear the reading of the old covenant, that same veil is still there, since only in Christ is it set aside. Indeed, to this very day whenever Moses is read, a veil lies over their minds; but when one turns to the Lord, the veil is removed. Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom. And all of us, with unveiled faces, seeing the glory of the Lord as though reflected in a mirror, are being transformed into the same image from one degree of glory to another; for this comes from the Lord, the Spirit. Therefore, since it is by God's mercy that we are engaged in this ministry, we do not lose heart. We have renounced the shameful things that one hides; we refuse to practice cunning or to falsify God's word; but by the open statement of the truth we commend ourselves to the conscience of everyone in the sight of God.

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Gradual Hymn # 45 *Down Galilee's Slow Roadways*

Gospel Procession (*all stand*) Gospel: Luke 9:28–36

Reader: **The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke**

People: **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ!**

Now about eight days after these sayings Jesus took with him Peter and John and James, and went up on the mountain to pray. And while he was praying, the appearance of his face changed, and his clothes became dazzling white. Suddenly they saw two men, Moses and Elijah, talking to him. They appeared in glory and were speaking of his departure, which he was about to accomplish at Jerusalem. Now Peter and his companions were weighed down with sleep; but since they had stayed awake, they saw his glory and the two men who stood with him. Just as they were leaving him, Peter said to Jesus, “Master, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah”—not knowing what he said. While he was saying this, a cloud came and overshadowed them; and they were terrified as they entered the cloud. Then from the cloud came a voice that said, “This is my Son, my Chosen; listen to him!” When the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. And they kept silent and in those days told no one any of the things they had seen.

Reader: **The Gospel of Christ**

Response: **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!**

Homily

Holy Baptism (see insert)

Prayers of the People

Peace

Offertory Hymn: # 621 *Before the World Began*

THE SACRED MEAL IS SHARED

Prayer Over the Gifts

Holy God,
**receive all we offer you this day, and bring us to that radiant glory which
we see in the transfigured face of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

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 in the sacred feast of Holy Communion. If you would prefer to come forward for a blessing, please do so. All are invited to draw near the table of the Lord. Bishop Hoskin has written to all parishes in the Diocese requesting that we no

longer

carry on the practice of dipping our Communion wafers "intincting" into the Communion cup. Dioceses across the country are stopping this practice. To receive Communion in "one kind," that is, the bread alone, is to fully Commune. One may wish to receive the consecrated wafer and then simply fold one's arms to indicate a preference not to receive from the chalice.

Communion

Prayer after Communion

Priest Holy God,

we see your glory in the face of Jesus Christ. May we who are partakers of his table reflect his life in word and deed, that all the world may know his power to change and save. We ask this in his name. Amen.

Priest Glory to God

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

The Blessing

Announcements

Recessional Hymn: # 354 *Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing*

Dismissal

Let us go forth into the world,
rejoicing in the power of the Spirit. Alleluia
Thanks be to God. Alleluia

In Baptism today we welcome into the household of God;

Sophie Isabel Catharine Gimbel, daughter of Catharine and Bradley Gimbel and
Brooklyn Elizabeth Linderman, daughter of Sheena and Vern Linderman.

Flowers are given this morning to the glory of God by:

- Mr. Ed Skeet and family in loving memory of wife Beverley and their parents.

Prayers

- In our Worldwide Anglican Cycle of Prayer we pray for the Church in El Salvador and The Most Rev. Martin de Jesus Barahona,
- In our Diocesan Prayer Cycle we pray for St. Michael and All Angels, Strathmore and The Rev. Dr. Jane Rowland.
- In our Companion Diocese in the Windward Islands we pray for St. Matthew, Biabou with St. Sylvan and St. Mark and The Rev. Junior Ballantyne.

Shrove Tuesday - This Week - On February 16 an awesome pancake supper will be served by St. Peter's Youth Group, starting at 6:00 p.m. A free-will will offering will be great-fully accepted to support the Youth Ministry.

Ash Wednesday - This week, February 17^h A Eucharistic liturgy with imposition of the Ashes begins at 7:00 p.m.

WEAR PURPLE Next Sunday! February 21st is the First Sunday in Lent which marks an important season in the Church and purple is the color for Lent. Everyone (children, teens and adults) is invited to wear purple to Church that day.

ST PAUL RECONSIDERED – DEFINITELY! This year's **Lenten Series** presented by Richard LeSueur and Helen Belcher. Wednesdays through Lent 7:15 for refreshments, 7:30 – 9:00pm
The writings of Paul have been subjected to centuries of selective reading and application in support of just about every agenda; whether about women, celibacy, marriage, homosexuality or Jews – and especially Jews. Fredrich Neitzsche called Paul, “a genius for hatred.” Contemporary Christianity has tended to either dismiss the value of Paul’s writings or turn to them as a quarry of proof-texts for establishing authoritative answers to the complexities of our time. Somehow, it seems we have lost touch with the totality this Christ-filled life and his immense message to the Church. In this Lenten series participants will be invited to reconsider one of the most intriguing figures of early church whose writings comprise no less than one third of the New Testament, and whose life speaks of the Lord he surrendered his life to serve. Join in and invite your friends.

Upper Room – The March/April issues are now in your mailboxes. We are still waiting for the January/February issues.

Small Group Bible Study Are you in your late 20's to early 40's? Come and connect with others in this weekly small group Bible study designed to fostering fellowship among St. Peter's "younger" adults on Mondays from 7:00pm - 9pm. Please contact Jennifer Flanders. jenn@flandersfamily.net

A Song for Haiti I wish to take this time to express my heartfelt thanks to Diane Mockridge, Brian Johnson, Rhonde LeSueur, Alan and Jennifer Flanders, Margaret Fawcett, Kaja Werth Joan and Grant Hannah, and many many others that volunteered for not only this concert but the press conference that preceded it. Also thank you to Richard LeSueur and Helen Belcher for their continued support in such events.

We were joined by volunteers from other churches in this event and had people, performers, and media from all over the city. All came away deeply touched by the community we have and our openness to help and share with those around us. Blessings Glenn and Lee Werth

Stephen Ministry: During the upcoming two weeks the Stephen Ministry participants, who are attending the training class at St. Peter's Anglican Church, will be considering the subject of Assertiveness: Relating Gently and Firmly. In these presentations they will be finding out the difference between passive, assertive and aggressive behavior and gaining skills that will help both in relating with others and in affirming their own worth. Please pray for those preparing themselves for a care giving role in our parish and community. **Continuing Education:** The next topic to be covered over three training classes will be Ministering to Persons Needing Long-Term Care. Stephen Ministers will be made more aware of how persons who are homebound or institutionalized can live with purpose and dignity through help of a Stephen Minister's care. **Please pray** for our caregivers and their care receivers.

SPIRIT ZONE (Children's Programs)

- **Nursery** –The nursery located on the lower level is available during the 10 am service.
- Do you like working with children? Teachers are always needed. Joan can help you to job-shadow for a few weeks with an experienced teacher. Please contact Joan if you would like to participate in this very important ministry.
- There will be a prayer partner potluck lunch following the 10am service on February 21st.
- Our Vacation Bible School will run from August 16th to 20th from 9 am until noon for children from 3-11 years. Anyone 12 and older can be a junior leader. For further information please call Joan Hanna at 403-252-0393.

Thank you to Carol and Doug Kyle for sharing their "Olympic" experience with us today.

"I Remember Mama" St Peter's Players presents a delightful production on February 25 – 28, and on March 4-6. Tickets will be on sale on Sunday following the service. Adults, \$12, Seniors and Students \$10. There will be dinner on Friday and Saturday of each week at a cost of \$15 per person. Please call Vera at 403-255-2406 for tickets.

Box of Hope - Coming February 21, 2010. The Outreach Committee.

"Food For Thought" Thursday mornings following the 9:30am mid-week Communion service. Come for Communion at 9:30, or just come at 10am for some snacks, a cup of coffee and an hour of discovery and reflection as we work our way through the Letter to the Hebrews.

A Hunger For Healing: 12 Steps for Christians – a study group with a purpose. Are you searching for a way to strengthen your faith, understand yourself and grow spiritually? God has used the healing power of the 12-step programs to restore health and offer healing to countless individuals. God has conveyed this healing message through people who know what it is to be broken by life and mended by God. We are a support group using a book called 'A Hunger for Healing' by W. Keith Miller. We meet at St. Peter's every Wednesday from 11:30 am – 1:00 pm (participants bring a bag lunch). If there is enough interest, an evening group would be started. For more information please call Betty Nadurak at 403-686-1110 or Gwen Smith at 403-238-0105.

First Friday tickets for "I Remember Mama" are on sale now. If you are planning to go to the play with the First Friday on Feb. 26th, please book your tickets now. Marilyn Shaw will be selling them after the service for the next two weeks.

St. Stephen's Anglican Church presents **Singing the Spirit Home: An Evening of Scottish Celtic Folk Music** with Singer/Songwriter **MARGARET CHRISTL**. Come out to hear an unforgettable singer and stay for a wee bit of Scottish Tea. **Sunday, February 28 at 7:00 p.m.** All funds raised go to the St. Stephen's 'Inn from the Cold' program. Tickets are \$15 available from Lynn McKeown after the service or by calling 403-244-4879 or at The Scottish Shoppe (1206-17 Ave. SW). The wearing of Tartan is strongly encouraged!

Your used cell phones are needed. Rowan House Emergency Shelter serves the rural foothills and provides women and their children temporary housing in a safe environment (with the opportunity for healing and personal growth while helping to facilitate transition back into the community). Women from rural or urban areas can access this facility. For more information: www.rowanhouseonline.org/how-to-help.html There is a box in the narthex where you can leave your donated cell phones/charges. Your contribution will make a huge impact in establishing a telephone support system for women and children fleeing domestic abuse.

2009 Tax Receipts are now in your mailbox. Please pick these up as soon as possible as we will be mailing all those left prior to the end of the month. Any questions may be directed to the office at 403-252-0393 or by email to Cathy Bird at bird_cathy@hotmail.com (then please add .com immediately after hotmail).

THIS WEEK AT ST. PETER'S

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Sunday	2:00 pm	St. Peter's Players Practice
Monday	7:00 pm	Christian Meditation
	7:00 pm	Small Group Bible Study
Tuesday	7:30 pm	St. Peter's Players Practice
Wednesday	11:30 am	Hunger For Healing
	2:00 pm	Fellowship Tea and Service
	3:00 pm	Christian Meditation
	6:00 pm	Shrove Tuesday Supper
Thursday	7:00 pm	Ash Wednesday Service
	9:30 am	Holy Communion in the Chapel
		'Food For Thought' with Richard
	7:00 pm	EFM (Education for Ministry)
Friday	7:30 pm	Choir Practice
	9:30 am	Yoga
	7:00 pm	Youth Group
	7:30 pm	St. Peter's Players Practice

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Join "OneBody" for Vacation Bible School!

The pirates are taking over and we need your help! Join the parishes of Good Shepherd, St. Laurence and St. Martin's for an exciting week of adventure full of food, fun and games. For more information, or to register, contact Jill Thompson at St. Martin's Anglican Church (403.249.3014 or jillian_anna@hotmail.com)

Who: Elementary school aged children

What: Veggie Tales Pirate themed Vacation Bible School
When: Monday July 5th – Friday July 9th 9:00am-12:00pm
Where: Church of the Good Shepherd, 408 38th Street SW
Why: To learn about Jesus in a fun setting full of adventure!

Youth Summer Camp!

Come join the Anglican youth leaders from “OneBody” for a week of summer fun at Sojourners Summer Camp and Wilderness Society! Based at Whispering Pines on the edge of the Rockies, this week is packed full of fun and adventure. Set the dates: **Sunday August 22nd to Saturday August 28th**. For more information and to receive a brochure, please contact Jill at St. Martin's (403.249.3014 or jillian_anna_@hotmail.com). There are plenty of hands needed to run a camp; if you are interested in volunteering your skills for the week, please contact Jill.