

First Sunday of Lent  
February 21, 2010

*The fruit of the Spirit  
is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness,  
goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control;  
against such there is no law. And those who belong to Christ  
Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires.*

*If we live by the Spirit, let us also walk by the Spirit.*

*Galatians 5:22-25*

8:00 a.m. Holy Communion (*Book of Common Prayer*)

Celebrant and Preacher: The Reverend Helen Belcher  
Lay Reader: Al Both  
Lector: John Ink  
10:00 a.m. Holy Communion (*Book of Alternative Services*)  
Celebrant: Archdeacon Richard LeSueur  
Preacher: The Reverend Helen Belcher  
Lay Readers: Shelagh Innes and The Rev. Julienne Hendrickson  
*Nursery is open at this service*

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**THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY**

Processional Hymn # 350 *Stand Up and Bless the Lord*

Greeting  
Children's Talk

Lenten Invitation

Blessed are you, O Lord our God  
**In these forty days you lead us into the desert of repentance  
that in this pilgrimage of prayer we might learn to be your people once  
more.**  
**In fasting and service you bring us back to your heart.  
You open our eyes to your presence in the world  
and you free our hands to lead others to the splendour of your mercy.  
Be with us in these journey days for without you we are lost.  
To you be glory and dominion for ever and ever. Amen**

Confession

Create in me a clean heart, O God  
**and renew a right spirit within me.**  
**Cast me not away from your presence  
and take not your Holy Spirit from me.**  
**Give me the joy of your saving help again  
and sustain me with your bountiful Spirit;  
through the mercy and love of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

Lord Jesus you healed the sick. Lord have mercy.

Lord Jesus you forgave sinners. Christ have mercy.

Lord Jesus, you give us yourself to heal us and bring us strength.

May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins,  
and bring us to everlasting life. Amen

Almighty God,

*(Collect of the Day)*

**whose Son fasted forty days in the wilderness,  
and was tempted as we are, but did not sin,  
give us grace to discipline ourselves  
in submission to your Spirit,  
that as you know our weakness,  
so we may know your power to save;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever. Amen.**

### THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

Old Testament Reading: Deuteronomy 26:1-11

Carol Kyle

When you have come into the land that the Lord your God is giving you as an inheritance to possess, and you possess it, and settle in it, you shall take some of the first of all the fruit of the ground, which you harvest from the land that the Lord your God is giving you, and you shall put it in a basket and go to the place that the Lord your God will choose as a dwelling for his name. You shall go to the priest who is in office at that time, and say to him, "Today I declare to the Lord your God that I have come into the land that the Lord swore to our ancestors to give us." When the priest takes the basket from your hand and sets it down before the altar of the Lord your God, you shall make this response before the Lord your God: "A wandering Aramean was my ancestor; he went down into Egypt and lived there as an alien, few in number, and there he became a great nation, mighty and populous. When the Egyptians treated us harshly and afflicted us, by imposing hard labour on us, we cried to the Lord, the God of our ancestors; the Lord heard our voice and saw our affliction, our toil, and our oppression. The Lord brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, with a terrifying display of power, and with signs and wonders; and he brought us into this place and gave us this land, a land flowing with milk and honey. So now I bring the first of the fruit of the ground that you, O Lord, have given me." You shall set it down before the Lord your God and bow down before the Lord your God. Then you, together with the Levites and the aliens who reside among you, shall celebrate with all the bounty that the Lord your God has given to you and to your house.

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

*People:* **Thanks be to God.**

**New Testament Letters:** Romans 10:8b-13

Doug Kyle

“The word is near you, on your lips and in your heart” that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); because if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved. The scripture says, “No one who believes in him will be put to shame.” For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him. For, “Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.”

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

*People:* **Thanks be to God.**

Gradual Hymn # 608 *Come, You Sinners, Poor and Needy*

Gospel Procession (*all stand*) Gospel: Luke 4:1-13

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

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

Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit in the wilderness, where for forty days he was tempted by the devil. He ate nothing at all during those days, and when they were over, he was famished. The devil said to him, “If you are the Son of God, command this stone to become a loaf of bread.” Jesus answered him, “It is written, ‘One does not live by bread alone.’” Then the devil led him up and showed him in an instant all the kingdoms of the world. And the devil said to him, “To you I will give their glory and all this authority; for it has been given over to me, and I give it to anyone I please. If you, then, will worship me, it will all be yours.” Jesus answered him, “It is written, ‘Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him.’” Then the devil took him to Jerusalem, and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, saying to him, “If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down from here, for it is written, ‘He will command his angels concerning you, to protect you,’ and On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.” Jesus answered him, “It is said, ‘Do not put the Lord your God to the test.’” When the devil had finished every test, he departed from him until an opportune time.

*Reader:* **The Gospel of Christ**

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

Homily  
Prayers of the People  
Peace

Offertory Hymn: # 466 *How Clear Is Our Vocation, Lord*

## THE SACRED MEAL IS SHARED

Prayer Over the Gifts

God our refuge and our strength,  
**receive all we offer you this day, and through the death and resurrection of  
your Son transform us to his likeness. We ask this in his name. Amen.**

Eucharistic Prayer

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 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* Faithful God,  
**in this holy bread you increase our faith and hope and love. Lead us in the  
path of Christ who is your Word of life. 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: # 431 *Take Up Your Cross, the Saviour Said*

*Dismissal* Let us go forth into the world,  
rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.  
**Thanks be to God.** (*we wait through Lent to say Alleluia on Easter Day*)

**Flowers** are given this morning in thanksgiving.

### **Prayers**

- In our Worldwide Anglican Cycle of Prayer we pray for the Church of the Congo, their people, ministries and The Most Rev. Henry Kahwa Isingoma.
- In our Diocesan Prayer Cycle we pray for Christ Church, Calgary and their clergy; The Rev. Ansley Tucker, The Rev. Jim Popham and the Rev. Mishka Lysack.

**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.

**Copies of Richard LeSueur’s** February 7 sermon and announcement to the congregation, along with Richard Bird’s (Rector’s Warden) very fine statement to the congregation, are available in the entrance area on the Welcoming Table.

**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](mailto: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

Altogether \$14,000 raised and then matched with CIDA grants = \$28,000 relief for Haiti.

O praise ye the Lord.

**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 today.
- Our Vacation Bible School will run from August 16<sup>th</sup> to 20<sup>th</sup> 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.

**Upper Room** – The January/February issues have finally arrived and are now in your mailboxes.

**“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** – *Here this Sunday. Now you know.* - 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.

**Fisherman’s Catch** – Notices are welcome for our next newsletter issue of the “Fisherman’s Catch. Please have submissions in by March 7<sup>th</sup>, 2010. Please forward to [avril@stpeterscalgary.ca](mailto:avril@stpeterscalgary.ca).

**Devotion booklets for Lent** are available in the Narthex. Please help yourself.

**GOLF SWING CLINIC** with Golf Teaching Pro Dorothy Schultz on Saturday March 13<sup>th</sup> 2010 from 10:00AM to 2:00PM. Cost is \$25.00 per person. Light lunch will be served. Golf videos, putting practice. Hitting net and swing analysis will be given to each participant. People should bring a piece of carpet to use so they do not damage the floor. Please contact Garth Dymond at 265-7070 or 278-0317 to register.

St. Peter’s will also be holding its **8<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL golf tournament** in September at Turner Valley depending on the number of golfers I will be able to clarify the date. Anyone interested is invited and if anyone has parents, brothers or sisters or daughters or sons who want to join us they are welcome. We are looking at either September 4<sup>th</sup> or 11<sup>th</sup>. T-time would probably start at 1:00

P.M. They can contact me at ph. 265-7070 (B) or 278-0317 (R). Dinner will be Prime Roast Beef Dinner. Cost \$120.00 per golfer. Anyone who wants to join us for dinner only the cost is \$35.00 and they are welcome. The Cost of \$120.00 includes green fees, driving range privileges, dinner, prizes golf carts, GST and Gratuities. All you have to bring is a smile and your clubs and be ready for a fun day on the links. It is hoped this will be a special Anniversary tournament. I have assurances the weather will be great. Garth Dymond

**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!

**Announcements** – Please pass all announcements to the sidespeople prior to service.

**Bread Baskets** – Our bread baskets are missing. If you know of their whereabouts please let Diane Mockridge know as soon as possible. Thank you.

**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](http://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](mailto:bird_cathy@hotmail.com) (then please add .com immediately after hotmail).

**MARRIAGE CONFERENCE Spring 2010** A fabulous opportunity to strengthen, enrich and foster your relationship. April 30 – May 2, 2010 at the Fairmont Banff Springs for a total of only \$178 per couple – for the weekend! – as long as there are 4 couples registering together. With guest musician Steve Bell. "Focus on each other . . . what you will hear at the conference are timeless principles for your marriage and family relationships. You will enjoy an environment that is non-threatening, fun and often hilarious! You'll hear from insightful speakers. Pick up more information at the Welcome table. Let's see if there are 4 or more couples who can register together. Send an email to Avril or call the church office.

## **SUMMER PLANNING**

**SORRENTO** Consider spending part of your summer at Sorrento this year. The program materials are in and look wonderful. Lots of options. Please help yourself to the Sorrento materials in the entrance area at the Welcome Table.

**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](mailto:jillian_anna_@hotmail.com))

Who: Elementary school aged children

What: Veggie Tales Pirate themed Vacation Bible School

When: Monday July 5<sup>th</sup> – Friday July 9<sup>th</sup> 9:00am-12:00pm

Where: Church of the Good Shepherd, 408 38<sup>th</sup> 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 22<sup>nd</sup> to Saturday August 28<sup>th</sup>**. For more information and to receive a brochure, please contact Jill at St. Martin’s (403.249.3014 or [jillian\\_anna\\_@hotmail.com](mailto: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.

**THIS WEEK AT ST. PETER'S**

[www.stpeterscalgary.ca](http://www.stpeterscalgary.ca)

Phone 252-0393

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
	3:00 pm	Christian Meditation
	7:15 pm	Lenten Series
Thursday	9:30 am	Holy Communion in the Chapel
		'Food For Thought' with Richard
	7:00 pm	EFM (Education for Ministry)
	7:30 pm	'I Remember Mama'
Friday	7:30 pm	Choir Practice
	9:30 am	Yoga
	7:00 pm	Youth Group
Saturday	7:30 pm	'I Remember Mama' with Dinner at 6:30 pm
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