

Today's Services of Holy Communion

8:00 am (Book of Common Prayer)

Celebrant and Preacher: The Rev. Dr. Jane Rowland

Lay Reader: Wendy Both

10 am (Book of Alternative Services)

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Deacons: The Rev. Carolyn Herold

Lay Reader: Connie Kadey

The Leadership Team at St Peters

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please leave a message at the office or email one of our clergy.*

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10:00 am



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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 sound fades away, we stand to sing our processional hymn.

THE GATHERING

Call to Silence

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.

Processional Hymn: Lord, the Light of Your Love Is Shining

Lord, the light of your love is shining
In the midst of the darkness, shining
Jesus, Light of the world, shine upon us
Set us free by the truth you now bring us
Shine on me, shine on me

Shine, Jesus, shine
Fill this land with the Father's glory
Blaze, Spirit, blaze
Set our hearts on fire
Flow, river, flow
Flood the nations with grace and mercy
Send forth your word
Lord, and let there be light

Lord, I come to your awesome presence
From the shadows into your radiance
By the blood I may enter your brightness
Search me, try me, consume all my darkness
Shine on me, shine on me

As we gaze on your kingly brightness
 So our faces display your likeness
 Ever changing from glory to glory
 Mirrored here may our lives tell your story
 Shine on me, shine on me

Greeting

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

Come and worship, everyone on earth, everywhere the sun shines,
let's praise God together!

For listening when we call, answering our prayers,
 forgiving our mistakes, and providing what we need:

let's praise God together!

Come and worship, everyone on earth, everywhere the sun shines,
let's praise God together!

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 God on high, and peace to all on earth.
 We worship you, we give you thanks, our heavenly King.
 We give you praise, almighty God and father blessed in the glory bright.

Our Saviour, Jesus Christ, the Father's only son,
 The sacrificial Lamb who saves the world from sin, have mercy Lord.
 Beside the Father's hand enthroned, now hear our prayer.

You only are the Lord, You only are most high.
 You only are the holy one. Lord Jesus Christ.
 And now you reign with Father and with Spirit one in glorious light.

Collect

Almighty God, **you have made us for yourself, and our hearts are restless until they find their rest in you. May we find peace in your service, and in the world to come, see you face to face; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.**

Children's Time

Activity packages are available for the children at the back of the Church.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Reading: Genesis 25:19-34 Robert Johnson

These are the descendants of Isaac, Abraham's son: Abraham was the father of Isaac, and Isaac was forty years old when he married Rebekah, daughter of Bethuel the Aramean of Paddanaram, sister of Laban the Aramean. Isaac prayed to the Lord for his wife, because she was barren; and the Lord granted his prayer, and his wife Rebekah conceived. The children struggled together within her; and she said, "If it is to be this way, why do I live?" So she went to inquire of the Lord. And the Lord said to her, "Two nations are in your womb, and two peoples born of you shall be divided; the one shall be stronger than the other, the elder shall serve the younger." When her time to give birth was at hand, there were twins in her womb. The first came out red, all his body like a hairy mantle; so they named him Esau. Afterward his brother came out, with his hand gripping Esau's heel; so he was named Jacob. Isaac was sixty years old when she bore them. When the boys grew up, Esau was a skilful hunter, a man of the field, while Jacob was a quiet man, living in tents. Isaac loved Esau, because he was fond of game; but Rebekah loved Jacob. Once when Jacob was cooking a stew, Esau came in from the field, and he was famished. Esau said to Jacob, "Let me eat some of that red stuff, for I am famished!" (Therefore he was called Edom.) Jacob said, "First sell me your birthright." Esau said, "I am about to die; of what use is a birthright to me?" Jacob said, "Swear to me first." So he swore to him, and sold his birthright to Jacob. Then Jacob gave Esau bread and lentil stew, and he ate and drank, and rose and went his way. Thus Esau despised his birthright.

Response: **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 119 (Sung)

Thy word is a lamp unto my feet
and a light unto my path.

When I feel afraid, think I've lost my way,
still you're there right beside me,
and nothing will I fear as long as you are near.
Please be near me to the end.

Thy word is a lamp unto my feet
and a light unto my path.

Thy word is a lamp unto my feet
and a light unto my path.

I will not forget your love for me,
and yet my heart forever is wandering.
Jesus, be my guide and hold me to your side,
and I will love you to the end.

Thy word is a lamp unto my feet
and a light unto my path.

Reading: Romans 8:1-11 Jodi Delday

There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has set you free from the law of sin and of death. For God has done what the law, weakened by the flesh, could not do: by sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, and to deal with sin, he condemned sin in the flesh, so that the just requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not according to the flesh but according to the Spirit. For those who live according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who live according to the Spirit set their minds on the things of the Spirit. To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. For this reason the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit

to God's law— indeed it cannot, and those who are in the flesh cannot please God. But you are not in the flesh; you are in the Spirit, since the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. But if Christ is in you, though the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also through his Spirit that dwells in you.

Response: **Thanks be to God.**

Gradual Hymn: Ancient of Days

Hallelujah, sing to the Lord songs of praise
 We bless You Lord
 We give You glory due Your holy name

Refrain: Hear us oh God
 As one we bring our praise
 A pleasing sacrifice
 To You oh Ancient of Days
 Ancient of Days.

We stretch out our hands
 We stretch out our hands unto You Lord
 We lift up our voice
 We lift up our voice
 Inviting You into this place. (refrain)

The Gospel Reading: Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23

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

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

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ

That same day Jesus went out of the house and sat beside the sea. Such great crowds gathered around him that he got into a boat and sat there, while the whole crowd stood on the beach. And he told them many things in parables, saying:

“Listen! A sower went out to sow. And as he sowed, some seeds fell on the path, and the birds came and ate them up. Other seeds fell on rocky ground, where they did not have much soil, and they sprang up quickly, since they had no depth of soil. But when the sun rose, they were scorched; and since they had no root, they withered away. Other seeds fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked them. Other seeds fell on good soil and brought forth grain, some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty. Let anyone with ears listen! Hear then the parable of the sower. When anyone hears the word of the kingdom and does not understand it, the evil one comes and snatches away what is sown in the heart; this is what was sown on the path. As for what was sown on rocky ground, this is the one who hears the word and immediately receives it with joy; yet such a person has no root, but endures only for a while, and when trouble or persecution arises on account of the word, that person immediately falls away. As for what was sown among thorns, this is the one who hears the word, but the cares of the world and the lure of wealth choke the word, and it yields nothing. But as for what was sown on good soil, this is the one who hears the word and understands it, who indeed bears fruit and yields, in one case a hundredfold, in another sixty, and in another thirty.”

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

Homily: The Rev. Dr. Jane Rowland

Confession

Absolution

Hear the Good News:

there is now no condemnation for those who belong to Christ Jesus.

For the power of the life-giving Spirit has freed us from the power of sin.

So be at peace. Through Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

Thanks be to God!

Prayers of the People

The Peace:

We bless you, God of Seed and Harvest and we bless each other

That the beauty of this world and the love that created it

**Might be expressed through our lives and be a blessing to others
Now and always.**

Third Space

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

Offertory Hymn: The Lord Is Present In His Sanctuary

The Lord is present in His sanctuary
Let us praise the Lord!
The Lord is present in His people gathered here,
Let us praise the Lord!
Praise Him! Praise Him! Let us praise the Lord!
Praise Him! Praise Him! Let us praise Jesus

The Lord is present in His sanctuary
Let us sing to the Lord!
The Lord is present in His people gathered here,
Let us sing to the Lord!
Sing to Him! Sing to Him! Let us sing to the Lord!
Sing to Him! Sing to Him! Let us sing to Jesus!

The Lord is present in His sanctuary
Let us delight in the Lord!
The Lord is present in His people gathered here,
Let us delight in the Lord!
Delight in Him! Delight in Him! Let us delight in the Lord!
Delight in Him! Delight in Him! Let us delight in Jesus!

The Lord is present in His sanctuary
Let us love the Lord!
The Lord is present in His people gathered here,
Let us love the Lord!
Love Him! Love Him! Let us love the Lord!
Love Him! Love Him! Let us love Jesus

The Prayer over the Gifts:

Father, **your word creates in us a yearning for your kingdom. Receive all we offer you this day, and keep us in your peace; for the sake of Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen.**

THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

Eucharistic Prayer #5, BAS p. 204

The Lord's Prayer, p. 211

Breaking of the Bread #2, p. 212

*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.*

Prayer after Communion

Living God, in this sacrament we have shared in your eternal kingdom. May we who taste this mystery forever serve you in faith, hope, and love. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen.

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.

Blessing**Announcements****Recessional Hymn: To God Be the Glory**

To God be the glory, great things he has done;
so loved he the world that he gave us his Son,
who yielded his life an atonement for sin,
and opened the life gate that we may go in.

Refrain:

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord; let the earth hear his voice!

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord; let the people rejoice!

O come to the Father through Jesus the Son,
and give him the glory; great things he has done.

O perfect redemption, the purchase of blood,
to every believer the promise of God;
the vilest offender who truly believes,
that moment from Jesus a pardon receives. Refrain

Great things he has taught us, great things he has done,
and great our rejoicing through Jesus the Son;
but purer and higher and greater will be
our wonder, our gladness, when Jesus we see. Refrain

The Dismissal of the Community

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. **Thanks be to God. Alleluia!**

Prayers

- In our worldwide Anglican Cycle of Prayer we pray for the Church of Papua New Guinea and their clergy; The Rt. Rev. Clyde Igara.
- In our Diocesan Prayer Cycle we pray for Church of the Ascension, Coaldale and their clergy, The Rev. Canon Erin Phillips and The Rev. Michael Ebsworth and for Bishop Greg & Vicki Kerr-Wilson, Jeremy, Asha and Kyla.
- In our Companion Diocese in the Windward Islands we pray for Cathedral Church of St. George with Transfiguration, the Ascension and Holy Redeemer and their clergy, The Rev. Patrick McIntosh.
- 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: Margaret Fawcett, Connie Hill, Margaret Cull, Olive Holgate, Allan Knobbe, Howie Dawe, Joy Tufts, Doug, Judy and Emily Rousell and family, Maria Dalla Costa, Kolby Thomson, Ruth Elford, Alison James, Julienne Hendrickson, Laurie Arsenault, Kenneth Robertson, Tracey (Janzen) Grenier, Virginia Goodman, Ernie Rice, Edith Lenko, Nellie Werth, Marguerite Dimmer, Joan Brisbourne, Chad McGregor, Peggy Brookes, Mariam Jacobs, Eileen Williams, Andrew Howe.

Flowers are given this morning to the glory of God.

Mary Westell is warden on duty today.