

Today's Services of Holy Communion

Preacher and Celebrant: The Rev. Dr. Jane Rowland

Lay Reader: Wendy Both

Deacon: The Rev. Rosemary Bishop

10 am (Book of Alternative Services)

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Deacons: The Rev. Carolyn Herold and The Rev. Julienne Hendrickson

Organist: Marg McCulloch

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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**March 1st, 2015
2nd Sunday of Lent
10:00 am**



**St. Peter's Anglican Church
903-75th Avenue S.W., Calgary, Alberta 403-252-0393**

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. During Lent, our service is reordered, with the penitential rite at the beginning rather than following the prayers. We do not use the Gloria or say "alleluia" during this season.

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 OF THE COMMUNITY

Call to Silence

Processional Hymn: #354 Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

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.**

For the forgiveness of our sins and offences, let us pray to the Lord.

Penitential Rite

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.**

Children's Talk

Children are invited to come forward, then leave for Spirit Zone and return for Eucharist. Nursery is also available. Speak to an usher for more information.

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

Reading: Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16 Angela Bane

When Abram was ninety-nine years old, the Lord appeared to Abram, and said to him, "I am God Almighty; walk before me, and be blameless. And I will make my covenant between me and you, and will make you exceedingly numerous." Then Abram fell on his face; and God said to him, "As for me, this is my covenant with you: You shall be the ancestor of a multitude of nations. No longer shall your name be Abram, but your name shall be Abraham; for I have made you the ancestor of a multitude of nations. I will make you exceedingly fruitful; and I will make nations of you, and kings shall come from you. I will establish my covenant between me and you, and your offspring after you throughout their generations, for an everlasting covenant, to be God to you and to your offspring after you. As for Sarai your wife, you shall not call her Sarai, but Sarah shall be her name. I will bless her, and moreover I will give you a son by her. I will bless her, and she shall give rise to nations; kings of peoples shall come from her."

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

Psalm 22:22-30 BAS (Green Book) page 728

Reading: Romans 4:13-25 Michelle Grimwood

The promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation. For this reason it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (for he is the father of all of us, as it is written, "I have made you the father of many nations")—in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist. Hoping against hope, he believed that he would become "the father of many nations," according to what was said, "So numerous shall your descendants be." He did not weaken in faith when he considered his own body, which was already as good as dead (for he was about a hundred years old), or when he considered the barrenness of Sarah's womb. No distrust made him waver concerning the promise of God, but he grew strong in his faith as he gave glory to God, being fully convinced that God was able to do what he had promised. Therefore his faith "was reckoned to him as righteousness." Now the words, "it was reckoned to him," were written not for his sake alone, but for ours also. It will be reckoned to us who believe in him who raised Jesus our Lord from the dead, who was handed over to death for our trespasses and was raised for our [justification](#).

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

Gradual Hymn: #611 Our Father, We Have Wandered

The Gospel Reading: Mark 8:31-38

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

Jesus began to teach his disciples that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, "Get

behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things.” He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, “If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels.”

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

Homily: The Rev. Dr. Jane Rowland

The Apostle’s Creed BAS (Green Book) p. 189

The Prayers of the People

The Peace

Offertory: #177 A Spendthrift Lover Is the Lord

The Prayer over the Gifts:

Giver of life, your Son has destroyed the power of death for all those who believe in him. Accept all we offer you this day and strengthen us in faith and hope; through Jesus Christ, the Lord of all the living. Amen

THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

Eucharistic Prayer #1, BAS page 193

The Lord’s Prayer

Breaking of the Bread #7 BAS page 213

Agnus Dei (Sung)

**Jesus Lamb of God, have mercy on us,
Jesus bearer of our sins, have mercy on us,
Jesus redeemer of the world, give us your peace.**

Communion

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 following communion, a prayer team is available in the vestry room (behind the organ). Prayer will also be available after the service.

Prayer after Communion

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.**

The Blessing

Announcements

Recessional Hymn: #583 When God Restored Our Common Life

The Dismissal of the Community

Response: **Thanks be to God.**

Prayers

- In our worldwide Anglican Cycle of Prayer we pray for the Church of Uganda and their clergy, The Rt. Rev. Patrick Gidudu.
- In our Diocesan Prayer Cycle we pray for St. Ciprian, Disbury and their clergy, The Rev. David Asher and for St. John the Divine, Acme and for their wardens and for all Youth and Young Adult Leaders.
- In our Companion Diocese in the Windward Islands we pray for St. Matthew, Beabou with ST. Sylvan and St. Mark and for the Mother's Union Diocesan President, The Rev. Mrs. Rosemarie Alleyne.
- 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: Leif Dixon, Pamela Grigg, Cam Keith, Alan Manship, Sylvia Stanley, Jennifer Wiebe, Mary Wojna, Connie Hill, Olive Holgate, Allan Knobbe, Howie Dawe, Joy Tufts, Doug, Judy and Emily Rousell and family, Maria Dalla Costa, Kolby Thomson, Ruth Elford, Alison James, Laurie Arsenault, Kenneth Robertson, Tracey (Janzen) Grenier, Virginia Goodman, Ernie Rice, Edith Lenko, Nellie Werth, Marguerite Dimmer, Joan Brisbane, Chad McGregor, Peggy Brookes, Mariam Jacobs, Eileen Williams, Andrew Howe, Linda Redel.
- Please pray for the Rev. Julienne Hendrickson as she supports the ministry at Tsuu T'ina.
- Please pray for and remember Chris, Tracy and Addison Fullerton on the recent passing of Tracy's Mother, Shirley Taylor.

Flowers are given this morning to the glory of God.

Pam Milne is Warden on Duty.