

4th Sunday of Easter

May 15, 2011

Ignatius was born in Spain and decided to dedicate himself to a life of missionary work when, recovering from serious injury to his legs from a cannonball shot, he read religious books about the life of Jesus and the saints. He particularly admired Francis of Assisi. He went on to found the *Jesuit Order* and is best known for the *Spiritual Exercises*, a set of meditations, prayers and other mental exercises. This prayer focuses on the giving of ourselves to God and others rather than being preoccupied with ourselves.

*Dear Lord, teach me to be generous;
Teach me to serve you as you deserve;
To give and not to count the cost;
To fight and not to heed the wounds;
To toil, and not to seek for rest;
To labour, and not to ask for any reward,
Except that of knowing that I am doing your holy will.
Amen.*

St. Ignatius of Loyola (1491-1556)

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

Celebrant and Preacher: The Reverend Helen Belcher

Lay Reader: Al Both

Lector: Des Bourke

10:00 a.m. Holy Communion (*Book of Alternative Services*)

Celebrant: The Reverend Christine Conkin

Preacher: The Reverend Helen Belcher

Lay Readers: David McKeown and Connie Kadey

Deacon: The Reverend Julienne Hendrickson

Nursery is open at this service

THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

Processional Hymn: #491 The Head That Once Was Crowned

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.

O God of peace, *(Collect of the Day)*
who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ,
that great shepherd of the sheep,
by the blood of the eternal covenant,
make us perfect in every good work to do your will,
and work in us that which is well-pleasing in your sight;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Children's Talk - The Reverend Christine Conkin

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

Old Testament Acts 2:42-47

They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers. Awe came upon everyone, because many wonders and signs were being done by the apostles. All who believed were together and had all things in common; they would sell their possessions and goods and distribute the proceeds to all, as any had need. Day by day, as they spent much time together in the temple, they broke bread at home and ate their food with glad and generous hearts, praising God

and having the goodwill of all the people. And day by day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved.

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

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 23

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New Testament: 1 Peter 2:19–25

For it is a credit to you if, being aware of God, you endure pain while suffering unjustly. If you endure when you are beaten for doing wrong, what credit is that? But if you endure when you do right and suffer for it, you have God's approval. For to this you have been called, because Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example, so that you should follow in his steps. "He committed no sin, and no deceit was found in his mouth." When he was abused, he did not return abuse; when he suffered, he did not threaten; but he entrusted himself to the one who judges justly. He himself bore our sins in his body on the cross, so that, free from sins, we might live for righteousness; by his wounds you have been healed. For you were going astray like sheep, but now you have returned to the shepherd and guardian of your souls.

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

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Gradual Hymn: #658 Filled with the Spirit's Power

Gospel: John 10:1–10

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

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

Jesus said, "Very truly, I tell you, anyone who does not enter the sheepfold by the gate but climbs in by another way is a thief and a bandit. The one who enters by the gate is the shepherd of the sheep. The gatekeeper opens the gate for him, and the sheep hear his voice. He calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. When he has brought out all his own, he goes ahead of them, and the sheep follow him because they know his voice. They will not follow a stranger, but they will run from him because they do not know the voice of strangers." Jesus used this figure of speech with them, but they did not understand what he was saying to them. So again Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, I am the gate for the sheep. All who came before me are thieves and bandits;

but the sheep did not listen to them. I am the gate. Whoever enters by me will be saved, and will come in and go out and find pasture. The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly.”

Reader: **The Gospel of Christ**

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

Homily – The Reverend Helen Belcher

Prayers of the People

Peace

Offertory Hymn: #579 O Lord My God

THE SACRED MEAL IS SHARED

Prayer Over the Gifts (*together*)

God of loving care, **you spread before us the table of life, and give us the cup of salvation to drink. Keep us always in the fold of your Son Jesus Christ, our Saviour and our shepherd.. Amen.**

Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is indeed right to thank you and praise you.... (celebrant continues)

... we glorify your holy name, ever more praising you and singing,

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

heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

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

Hosanna in the highest.

We praise you, merciful Father.... (celebrant continues)

... confident in his sovereign purpose, we declare our faith.

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

Send your Holy Spirit on us.... (celebrant continues)

...and make of our lives, we pray, a pure and holy sacrifice, acceptable to you,

knitting us together as one in your Son Jesus Christ,

to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be all honour and glory,

Now and forever. **Amen!**

The Lord's Prayer

Breaking of the Bread

Lord, we died with you on the cross.

Now we are raised to new life.

We were buried in your tomb.

Now we share in your resurrection.

Live in us, that we may live in you.

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.

Prayer after Communion *(together)*

God of steadfast love, **watch over the Church redeemed by the blood of your Son.**

May we who share in these holy mysteries come safely to your eternal kingdom, where there is one flock and one shepherd. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the risen Lord. Amen

The Blessing

Announcements

Recessional Hymn: #378 Crown Him with Many Crowns

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

Marg McKay is warden on duty today.

Prayers

- In our worldwide Anglican Cycle of Prayer we pray for the church of North Carolina and their clergy, The Rt. Rev. Michael Bruce Curry, The Rt. Rev. James Gloster and The Rt. Rev. Mark Lawrence.
- In our Diocesan Prayer Cycle we pray for St. Michael and All Angels, Strathmore and their clergy, The Rev. Dr. Jane Rowland, Hon Assistants, The Rev. Bob Caudel and The Rev..
- In our Companion Diocese in the Windward Islands we pray for St. Matthew, Beabou with St. Sylvan and St. Mark and their clergy, The Rev. Clive Thomas.

- 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: Martin Cull, Margo Brisbin, Edith Lenko, David Whitton, Trish Bentz, Fred Harshman. Pat McNamara, The Reverend Maurice Buck, Edith Cowan, Virginia Goodman, Marguerite Dimmer, Peggy Peckover, Paulette Sinkinson, Peggy Brookes, Bunny Hale, Annis Siddall, Tony Luca, Elma, Mariam Jacobs, Emily Sharpe, Win Ferrie, Eileen Williams, Eapen Mathew, Garnet Wallace, Andrew Howe, Elric Hicks. Let us also pray for Yphande Jean, our Church-school sponsored child in Haiti.
- ❖ Our thoughts and prayers go out to Joan and Annis Siddall on the passing of Joan's brother, Reg Ferguson.

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

- Raju and Asha Paul and family in loving memory of Mr. Thomas Paulose
- Betty Waite in loving memory of Ken and in thanksgiving for many blessings
- Mrs. Dorothy Wiens in loving memory of Walter Wiens, husband, father and grandfather
- Arnold, Eileen and Adrienne Williams in loving memory of mother and grandmother, Beryl Gumbs.

SPIRIT ZONE (Children's Programs)

- **Nursery** –The nursery located on the lower level is available during the 10 am service.
- **VBS (Panda Mania)** will be held August 15-19, 2011. Ages 3-11 are welcome. We are looking for volunteers to help out, especially for crafts, games and music. We are also looking for junior leaders, age 12 and older. Call Joan Hanna at 403-252-0393 for more info.

Stephen Ministry: This coming week the Stephen Ministry training class will be considering Part 2 of the subject of Supervision: A Key to Quality Christian Care. In this presentation they will be learning more on how to engage in the process of small group peer supervision so that they will be able to offer the highest quality Christian care possible for their care receivers.

The Spring Rummage Sale was once again a huge success. A huge thank you to all of you gave of your time so willingly to sort, price, organize, sell and clean up. Thanks to all who donated the many items. We will be packing and cleaning up from the sale on Monday starting at 10 am. All helpers are welcome.

Thank you to Cathy Bird, Margaret Cull, Barb Leinweber Marg McKay and Claire White for the wonderful Mother's Day Tea last Sunday.

EVENING OF MUSIC AND ENTERTAINMENT JUNE 25th, 7:30 PM. – The two Chancel Renewal Task forces are sponsoring an evening of enjoyment and

celebration. The event will include music, special desserts and a silent auction of unique items. Chris Fullerton is our Program Producer. More information about details, content and ticket availability to come. Keep this date open to help the celebration of our Project. Any questions please see Rudy Janzen.

ACW – Will be going to the Saskatoon Berry Farm for lunch and to look at plants on Saturday, May 28, 2011. All ladies welcome. If you are planning to attend, please sign up at the ACW table in the Cormack Hall today or call Mary Anne at 403-271-2285. Carpooling can be arranged. This event is in lieu of our annual pot luck and will be the last event till September.

Upcoming Events:

- **Theology and a Pint** – Monday, May 23, 7pm, Limerick's Pub (7304 MacLeod Trail S) – Come hang out and talk about life and faith. For more information, contact Christine: christine@stpeterscalgary.ca
- **Calling all avid readers!**
 - May 17, at 7:00 PM, meeting again in the nave: Join as we wrap it all up in an evening with author, Dr. David Liepert. Let's further explore our own questions, our concluding thoughts and possible calls to further action.
- **Only 3 Weeks Left** - Our annual **lobster dinner** will be held on June 4th at 7:00 p.m. Lobster Dinner - \$35.00, Lasagna Dinner - \$15.00, Extra Lobster - \$20.00. Tickets available after services from Diane Mockridge. For further information call Diane at 403-257-3543.
- **THE NEXT 8 AM HERITAGE PARK SERVICE WILL BE MAY 22ND.**
- **Blessing of the Wheels** – A wonderful time to give thanks for the wheels in your life--- bicycles, scooters, wheel chairs, walkers, baby strollers, motorcycles, teen's 1st car, etc. Sunday, May 29th, 10 AM at St. Martin's Anglican Church (Calgary Academy School), 1677 – 93 Street SW. Please join us and "**Bring Your Wheels**".
- **I would like to invite all youth in the Diocese of Calgary to an exciting event!** On Saturday, June 4th, 2011 we will be having a Diocesan Youth BBQ at Christ Church in Calgary. This event will take place from 11am-3pm and will include lunch. After lunch, we will have an "Amazing Race"!!! The cost for this is \$2. Please register and RSVP by Friday, May 20th, 2011.

The Canadian Badlands Passion Play in Drumheller; July 15,16,17,21,22,23,24 is offering to all churches a 20% discount for tickets purchased at the same time (one time only). If any groups would like to go and receive this discount, please call Avril at 403-252-0393. Brochure is on the bulletin board.

Ambrose is pleased to be hosting a Retreat for Seniors, May 16-18, 2011. The retreat program includes three evening services with Dr. Charles Price, Pastor of The Peoples Church in Toronto; two morning worship services; and workshops each day covering a variety of topics. The Hymn Time Band will provide music during the event. The cost of the retreat is \$129 per person

(including meals) before April 1 (\$149 after that date). Accommodation is available in the Ambrose Residence or area hotels; for details please go to www.ambrose.edu/finishing-well or call Elly at 403.410.2940.

The Three Cantors'. For the first time, in Alberta, St. Laurence Anglican Church, Calgary in conjunction with The Cathedral Church of the Redeemer, Calgary are bringing the Canadian renowned 'The Three Cantors' to Calgary for a concert in support of PWDRF. This not to be missed event will take place Friday June 10th at 7:30 pm, at the Cathedral, with a large percentage of the proceeds from the concert and all CD sales going to support PWDRF. A link on the PWDRF website and the Wisdom Centre website will allow the parishioners in your parishes to purchase tickets online at the low cost of \$25! <http://www.pwdrf.org/our-work/3-cantors/>.

**To check out St. Peter's Website – www.stpeterscalgary.ca
We now have wireless access in the Church – stpeterswireless – password [peterswireless](mailto:stpeterswireless)
Phone 403-252-0393**

THIS WEEK AT ST. PETER'S

Monday	7:00 pm	Bible Study with Christine
Tuesday	7:00 pm	Book Study
Wednesday	2:00 pm	Fellowship Tea and Service
	11:30 am	Hunger For Healing
	3:00 pm	Christian Meditation
Thursday	9:30 am	Chapel Service
	9:30 am	Yoga
Friday	7:00 pm	Youth

St. Peter's Anglican Church; 903 - 75th Avenue SW, Calgary, AB T2V 0S7; Phone: 252-0393

We would love to hear from you:

Priest-in-charge: The Reverend Helen Belcher; hbelcher@stpeterscalgary.ca

Associate Priest: The Reverend Christine Conkin; christine@stpeterscalgary.ca

Wardens

Rector's Warden	Raju Paul
People's Warden	Marg McKay
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