

The Reign of Christ

November 22, 2009

As you therefore have received Christ Jesus the Lord,
continue to live your lives in him,
rooted and built up in him
and established in the faith,
just as you were taught,
abounding in thanksgiving.

Colossians 2:6-7

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

Celebrant and preacher: The Reverend Maurice Buck

Lay Reader: Rosemary Bishop

Lector: Des Bourke

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

Celebrant: The Venerable Richard LeSueur

Preacher: The Right Rev. Mark McDonald

Lay Readers: **Connie Kadey and Lorraine Grant**

Nursery is open at this service

THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

Processional Hymn: *Rejoice, the Lord is King*

Rejoice, the Lord is King! Your Lord and King adore;
Rejoice give thanks and sing, and triumph evermore;
Lift up your heart, lift up your voice;
Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

Jesus, the Savior, reigns, the God of truth and love;
When He had purged our stains He took His seat above;
Lift up your heart, lift up your voice;
Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

His kingdom cannot fail, He rules o'er earth and Heav'n,
The keys of death and hell are to our Jesus giv'n;
Lift up your heart, lift up your voice;
Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

He sits at God's right hand till all His foes submit,
And bow to His command, and fall beneath His feet:
Lift up your heart, lift up your voice;
Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

Rejoice in glorious hope! Jesus the Judge shall come,
And take His servants up to their eternal home.
We soon shall hear th'archangel's voice;
The trump of God shall sound, rejoice!

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.

Almighty and everlasting God,

(Collect of the Day)

**whose will it is to restore all things
in your well-beloved Son, our Lord and King,
grant that the peoples of the earth,
may be freed and brought together
for the love of thy only Son, Jesus Christ;
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: 2 Samuel 23:1-7

Keith Shaw

Now these are the last words of David: The oracle of David, son of Jesse, the oracle of the man whom God exalted, the anointed of the God of Jacob, the favourite of the Strong One of Israel: The spirit of the Lord speaks through me, his word is upon my tongue. The God of Israel has

spoken, the Rock of Israel has said to me: One who rules over people justly, ruling in the fear of God, is like the light of morning, like the sun rising on a cloudless morning, gleaming from the rain on the grassy land. Is not my house like this with God? For he has made with me an everlasting covenant, ordered in all things and secure. Will he not cause to prosper all my help and my desire? But the godless are all like thorns that are thrown away; for they cannot be picked up with the hand; to touch them one uses an iron bar or the shaft of a spear. And they are entirely consumed in fire on the spot.

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

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Song of the First-Born Colossians 1:15-20 (*read responsively*)

Christ is the image of the unseen God,

The first-born of all creation.

For in him were all things made, in heaven and on earth.

Through him and for him were all things made,

before all he exists, holds all things in one,

The Church is his body, and he is its head.

He is the beginning, the first-born of the dead,

In all things alone he is supreme.

God made all his fullness to dwell in him,

To reconcile through him all creation to himself.

Everything on earth and everything in heaven

All gathered into peace by his death on the cross.

New Testament Letters: Revelation 1:4b–8

Marilyn Shaw

Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth. To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood, and made us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen. Look! He is coming with the clouds; every eye will see him, even those who pierced him; and on his account all the tribes of the earth will wail. So it is to be. Amen. “I am the Alpha and the Omega,” says the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.

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Gradual Hymn: *I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say*

I heard the voice of Jesus say, “Come unto Me and rest;
Lay down, thou weary one, lay down Thy head upon My breast.”
I came to Jesus as I was, weary and worn and sad;
I found in Him a resting place, and He has made me glad.

I heard the voice of Jesus say, “Behold, I freely give
The living water; thirsty one, stoop down, and drink, and live.”
I came to Jesus, and I drank of that life giving stream;
My thirst was quenched, my soul revived, and now I live in Him.

I heard the voice of Jesus say, “I am this dark world’s Light;
Look unto Me, thy morn shall rise, and all thy day be bright.”
I looked to Jesus, and I found in Him my Star, my Sun;
And in that light of life I’ll walk, till traveling days are done.

Gospel: John 18:33–37

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

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

Then Pilate entered the headquarters again, summoned Jesus, and asked him, "Are you the King of the Jews?" Jesus answered, "Do you ask this on your own, or did others tell you about me?" Pilate replied, "I am not a Jew, am I? Your own nation and the chief priests have handed you over to me. What have you done?" Jesus answered, "My kingdom is not from this world. If my kingdom were from this world, my followers would be fighting to keep me from being handed over to the Jews. But as it is, my kingdom is not from here." Pilate asked him, "So you are a king?" Jesus answered, "You say that I am a king. For this I was born, and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice."

Reader: **The Gospel of Christ**

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

Homily

Apostle's Creed

I believe in God

The Father Almighty

creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit

and born of the Virgin Mary,

He suffered under Pontius Pilate,

was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into heaven,

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again

to judge both the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

Prayers of the People

Offertory Hymn: *Fairest Lord Jesus*

Fairest Lord Jesus, Ruler of all nature,
O Thou the Godhead's human son;
Thee will I cherish, Thee will I honor,
Thou, my soul's glory, joy and crown.

Fair are the meadows, fairer still the woodlands,
Robed in the blooming garb of spring;
Jesus is fairer, Jesus is purer,
Who makes the troubled heart to sing.
Fair is the sunshine,
Fairer still the moonlight,
And fair the twinkling starry host;
Jesus shines brighter, Jesus shines purer
Than all the angels heaven can boast.

All fairest beauty, heavenly and earthly,
Wondrously, Jesus, is found in Thee;
None can be nearer, fairer or dearer,
Than Thou, my Savior, art to me.

THE SACRED MEAL IS SHARED

Prayer Over the Gifts *(together)*

Eternal God,

by your grace you have raised us up and enthroned us with Christ in the heavenly realms. Receive all we offer you this day, and lead us in those good works for which you have created us. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. 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.

(the Eucharistic Prayer continues)

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.

*(the Eucharistic Prayer continues and ends **Amen.**)*

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 Almighty God,

you have made us a royal priesthood in the kingdom of your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ. Make known his victory through us, we pray, that all the world may see his light. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen

The Blessing

Announcements

Recessional Hymn:

Crown him with many crowns,
the Lamb upon his throne,
Hark! how the heavenly anthem drowns
all music but its own.

Awake, my soul, and sing
of him who died for thee,
and hail him as thy matchless King
through all eternity.

Crown him the Lord of life,
who triumphed o'er the grave,
and rose victorious in the strife
for those he came to save.

His glories now we sing,
who died, and rose on high,
who died, eternal life to bring,
and lives that death may die.

Crown him the Lord of peace,
whose power a scepter sways
from pole to pole, that wars may cease,
absorbed in prayer and praise.

His reign shall know no end,

and round his pierced feet
fair flowers of paradise extend
their fragrance ever sweet.
Crown him the Lord of love;
behold his hands and side,
rich wounds, yet visible above,
in beauty glorified.
All hail, Redeemer, hail!
For thou hast died for me;
thy praise shall never, never fail
throughout eternity.

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

Thanks be to God. Alleluia

Guest Musician : Colleen Athparia

Guest Preacher : The Right Reverend Mark, MacDonald, has served since 2007 as our church's first national indigenous bishop with pastoral oversight over all native Anglicans across Canada. Formerly the Bishop of Alaska, Bishop Mark is a graduate of Wycliffe College, Toronto having served in Minnesota, Wisconsin, Oregon and the Southeast Regional mission of the diocese of Navajoland. A non-status Indian, Bishop MacDonald has native ancestry from both his mother's and father's sides of the family and said he grew up among the Ojibway people.

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

- Mrs. Bonnie Sinclair in memory of her mother, Josephine Tilley.
- Bill and Jean Slemko in memory of loved ones.
- Mid, Pat and Carolyn Houghton in thanksgiving for all God's gifts and in memory of our granddaughter, Jennifer Evans.
- Eapen and May Mathew and family in loving memory of Eapen's father, Dr. M.J. Mathew.
- Michael Bishop to Michael R.L. Bishop-missed and not forgotten.
- Mrs. Dorothy Wiens in memory of Walter and her parents.

Richard Bird is warden on duty today.

Prayers

- In our Worldwide Anglican Cycle of Prayer we pray for The Church of the Sudan and The Rev. Henry Cuir Riak
- In our Diocesan Prayer Cycle we pray for Christ Church, Nanton, St. Aldhelm, Vulcan and their clergy The Rev. Gordon Cranch; St. Peter's, Okotoks and their clergy The Rev. Tim Webster and The Rev. Bob Reed.
- In our Companion Diocese in the Windward Islands we pray for Holy Trinity, Georgetown with St. John, Holy Name, St. Peter, St. Luke and their clergy The Rev. Michael Marshall.
- 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: the family of Nan Fowler, Michael Smith, Peggy Peckover, Rachael Brisbin, Rachael Patrick, Paulette Sinkinson, Doreen Thomson and family, Claire White and her parents, Marguerite Dimmer, Peggy Brookes, Bunny Hale, The Rev. Kerry Bourke, Ken Willis, Annis Siddall, Laurie Houghton-Evans, Norman Knowles, Tony Luca, Elma, Blaine Bonner, Mariam Jacobs, Pat Clayton, Emily Sharpe, Teresa & Geoff Dawe, 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.

H1N1 – taking care. You will notice that our worship books and hymnals have been removed from the pews (on a temporary basis) and that all things necessary for worship are printed in the bulletin. Five new hand-sanitizer dispensers have been installed outside each of the washrooms.

A Committee for Flu Recommendations has been formed in the parish; the members are The Reverend Helen Belcher; Dr. Asha Paul, Family physician and Regional Co-ordinator of the South Calgary Health Region and Elaine Montgomery, is a registered nurse specializing in public health.

A New Look at Stephen Ministry

Classes will be held on **Tuesday** mornings commencing **January 5th**, 2010. This course is not only for those wanting to Care for a Care Receiver but will help **YOU to** deal with difficulties that arise with family members and friends. You will learn how to handle a variety of critical situations with confidence and Christian care. Talk to Rev. Helen Belcher at the church or Al or Wendy Both (403-281-5657) if you need more details or information. Encourage a friend to come along with you.

Thank you to Alexander and Barbara Barclay for the use of their *Tartans* last Sunday.

SPIRIT ZONE (Children's Programs)

- **Nursery** –The nursery located on the lower level is now available during the 10 am service.
- Do you like working with children? Teachers are always needed for the fall term. 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.
- We are now accepting donations of toiletries, wrapped chocolate and candies, etc. to stuff socks for adults and bags for children to donate to C.U.P.S.
- Advent Adventure will be held Saturday, November 28th from 11:30 am to 3:00 pm. There will be a service in the Church, pot-luck lunch with crafts and activities related to Advent and Christmas to follow in the lower hall. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Joan at the church.
- Rehearsals for the Christmas Pageant will take place each Sunday after the 10 am service. Everyone please meet in the lower hall and a snack will be provided.
- Thank you to the generous parishioners of St. Peter's who filled shoe boxes for Operation Christmas Child. 120 shoe boxes were delivered to Samaritan's Purse warehouse this past week.

Family Business To the end of October

Total Revenues \$ 297,000

Total Expenses \$ 350,000

Net Current Deficit < 36,000 > (offset by \$17,000 Diocesan Grant)

Thank you for your generous and faithful commitment to uphold the ministries and life of St. Peter's.

Rummage Sale – Working at a Rummage Sale is the best way to experience the true spirit of St. Peter's. Our wonderful band of workers co-operate and support each other to achieve the excellent results – both financially and in their contact with the wider community of new and old friends who are our customers. The helpers give a great deal of themselves physically, often working day after day. Dave Cormack hauls furniture from donors (which fills the narthex), delivers and does numerable jobs. Joan Dunn and Bonnie Sinclair call our helpers, Mary Dymond counts the money and advertises, a team of men set up tables, etc. and a team of helpers join us daily. We sit down together to share the meals prepared by Avril (our secretary), Joan Hanna and Delores James. This year our big sorting day fell on November 11th and we all observed the silence as we stood amongst our preparation. The result - \$5580.00+ out of which the books made \$1081.00 (our best ever)! In addition, we have put aside hundreds of dollars worth of better quality items for our Spring sales. Hulls Homes received suitcases and other needy organizations have benefited. Very many thanks to all our helpers, our donors and members of the congregation who have housed boxes of books, china, etc. – it is an enormous help. Dave and I are indebted and full of praise to the following people who were able to come on Monday to help to clear up and took everything to Goodwill, etc. – it has never been done so quickly: Martin Cull, Richard Bane, Gerry Kendall, Keith Shaw, Carol and Doug Kyle, Alex Barclay, Joan Dunn, Lois Ellis, Betty Nadurak, Maria Dalla Costa, Donna Dunn, Anne from Dream Centre and Paul Collier.

Ladies Retreat: A retreat will be held for all women of the parish on November 28, 2009, 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at Church of the Good Shepherd, 408 – 38th Street S.W. There will be opportunities for silence, walking in the labyrinth, scripture meditation, an art project, and worship after lunch. If interested, please register with the Secretary, Church of the Good Shepherd - (403) 246-8123.

“Food For Thought” Continuing on Thursday’s with Richard LeSueur, following the 9:30am mid-week Communion service, a series of discussions based around Paul’s great letter to the Philippians. Come for Communion at 9:30, or just come at 10am for some snacks, a cup of coffee and an hour of discussion, discovery and reflection. Each week in the series will stand on its own so that consecutive participation is not necessary. Pass the word and invite your friends.

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.

CHRISTMAS BAKING – If you can contribute some of your Christmas baking to our seniors and shut-ins, please call Pam Hodgson at 720-2145 or Penny Remmer at 403-238-2724. You can drop off baking on Sunday, December 13th. We will be packing tins and delivering them on Monday, December 14. Any help would be appreciated.
Thank you!

Youth Group Winter Revival Retreat – The youth group is getting out of here! From November 27th to the 29th, we’ll be headed to the Southern Alberta Bible Camp and we’d love for your teenagers (ages 12-17) to join us! We are also looking for one or two people to come along with us to assist with cooking over the weekend. Any help would be greatly appreciated. For further information and contact, please drop us a line via the youth group email tickletrunked@gmail.com or give Meagan a call at 403-618-6341.

ACW will be holding a Christmas Turkey Dinner on Monday, December 7th at 6:30 pm. A maximum of 100 tickets will be available. Tickets will be on sale beginning Sunday, November 15th. Adults - \$13.00; Children 6-12 yrs. - \$7.00; Children 3-5 yrs - \$3.00. Profits will be used to subsidize anniversary celebrations in 2010. Tickets will *not* be sold at the door.

Operation Doll Knit is looking for knitters who would like to knit small dolls to be handed out to children in Malawi who are orphans that have AIDS and are visiting medial clinics of Dr. Chris Brooks. For more information check the poster on the bulletin board or call Mary at 403-257-0802.

Fellowship of The Least Coin – please collect and bring your pennies to church on Sundays. There will be a jar in the Narthex for collection. Please see notice in the upcoming Fisherman’s Catch and see how much good one penny can do!

St. Martin’s has invited speakers from various world religious communities to speak about their faith and traditions. Knox Presbyterian is hosting this series and all are encouraged, including youth and young people, to join in. These talks will take place at Knox Presbyterian Church, 3704 – 37 St. SW. Doors open at 7:00pm with light refreshments, talks to begin at 7:30pm.

Wed. Dec 2: Hinduism All are welcome. We look forward to seeing you there!

LINEN REQUIRED: The Chancel Guild is requesting donations of plain, white **linen** products such as table cloths, napkins etc. (not patterned damask). We would like to cut these down to make purificators, corporals, and credence cloths for use in our services. Please contact Deena Janzen (271-0278).

Upper Room (Daily Meditation Booklet) - Time to renew your subscription for next year. The cost is \$7.25/year. Please contact Dorothy Bagley at 403-253-1750 to order.

contact Dave Cormack (403-255-5867) or me to have your items posted. Vera Apletree (403-255-2406).

Offering Cards for those using Auto-Debit You will find a small basket on the table at the entrance to the church with cards which can be placed in the offering plate by those using auto-debit. A way of signifying your gift to the glory of God and to support the life and ministry of St. Peter’s. Many thanks.

Keep up to date by checking St. Peter’s website at www.stpeterscalgary.ca.

THIS WEEK AT ST. PETER’S

Sunday	2:00 pm	St. Peter’s Players Practice
Monday	7:00 pm	Christian Meditation
Tuesday	7:30 pm	St. Peter’s Players Practice
Wednesday	11:30 am	Hunger For Healing

	3:00 pm	Christian Meditation
Thursday	9:30 am	Holy Communion in the Chapel
		'Food For Thought' with Richard
	7:00 pm	EFM (Education for Ministry)
	7:30 pm	Choir Practice
Friday	9:30 am	Yoga
	7:00 pm	Youth Group
	7:30 pm	St. Peter's Players Practice
Saturday	11:30 am	Advent Adventure @ Pot Luck Lunch