

**Today's Services of Holy Communion**  
**8:00 am Service (Book of Common Prayer)**  
**Preacher and Celebrant: The Rev. Dr. Jane Rowland**  
**Deacon: Wendy Both**

**10 am (Book of Alternative Services)**  
**Preacher: The Rev. Dr. Jane Rowland**  
**Celebrant: The Rev. David Ney**  
**Liturgical Assistant: Jeff Oneski**  
**Deacon: The Rev. Julienne Hendrickson**  
**Jeff Oneski is Warden on Duty**

**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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**The Celebration of Holy Eucharist**  
**Thanksgiving Sunday**  
**October 11th, 2015**  
**10:00 am**



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Over the next weeks, we are reflecting on our baptismal covenant. Each week we look at one of the vows we make and renew at every baptismal service. This week's vow asks the question "***Will you strive to safeguard the integrity of God's creation, and respect, sustain and renew the life of the Earth?***"

There is no Sunday School today, as the children are participating in today's Inter-generational service. Nursery is available; speak to an usher for more information.

## THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

### Call to Silence

*Welcome to our service of Holy Communion. 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. 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.*

### Processional Hymn: #262 Come, Ye Thankful People, Come

### 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.**

God stretches out the heavens and shapes the earth.

**Come and give thanks!**

God raises up the mountains and pours water into the seas.

**Come and give thanks!**

God calls forth plants from the soil and forms animals in infinite variety.

**Come and give thanks!**

God breathes upon us and fills us with life.

**Come lift your voices in praise!**

God gives our lives meaning through laughter and tears.

**Come lift your voices in praise!**

God loves us and overwhelms us with never-ending generosity.

**Come and worship!**

God loves us and surrounds us with love in abundance!

**Come and worship!**

**The Gloria (sung)**

Glory to God in the highest, **and peace to his people on earth.**

**Lord God, heavenly king, almighty God and Father,  
we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.**

**Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father:**

**Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us;  
you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.**

**For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most  
High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

**Let us pray** (in silence)

*pause*

God of the living, with all your creatures great and small, we sing of your bounty and your goodness, for in the harvest of land and ocean, in the cycles of the seasons, and the wonders of each creature, you reveal your generosity. Teach us the gratitude that dispels envy, so that we may honour all your gifts and praise you in all times and places. **Amen.**

*RCL Prayers (2002) alt.*

**Children's time****THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD****A Reading from the Book of Joel (2: 21-27)**

Do not fear, O soil; be glad and rejoice, for the LORD has done great things!  
Do not fear, you animals of the field, for the pastures of the wilderness are green;  
the tree bears its fruit, the fig tree and vine give their full yield. O children of Zion, be glad and rejoice in the LORD your God; for he has given the early rain for your vindication, he has poured down for you abundant rain, the early and the later rain, as before. The threshing-floors shall be full of grain, the vats shall overflow with wine and oil. I will repay you for the years that the swarming locust has eaten, the hopper, the destroyer, and the cutter, my great army, which I sent against you. You shall eat in plenty and be satisfied, and praise the name of the LORD your God, who has dealt wondrously with you. And my people shall never again be put to shame. You shall know that I am in the midst of Israel, and that I, the LORD, am your God and there is no other. And my people shall never again be put to shame.

The Lord is here. **His Spirit is with us.**

**Psalm 126, page 885****A Reading from First Timothy (2:1-7)**

First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings should be made for everyone, for kings and all who are in high positions, so that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and dignity. This is right and is acceptable in the sight of God our Saviour, who desires everyone to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. For there is one God; there is also one mediator between God and humankind, Christ Jesus, himself human, who gave himself a ransom for all—this was attested at the right time. For this I was appointed a herald and an apostle (I am telling the truth, I am not lying), a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth.

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

**Gradual Hymn: #403 Let All Things Now Living****The Gospel Reading**

The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew (6:25-33)

**Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

‘Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing? Look at the birds of the air; they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? And can any of you by worrying add a single hour to your span of life? And why do you worry about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they neither toil nor spin, yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these. But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which is alive today and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you—you of little faith? Therefore do not worry, saying, “What will we eat?” or “What will we drink?” or “What will we wear?” For it is the Gentiles who strive for all these things; and indeed your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things. But strive first for the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.

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

**Homily: The Rev. Dr. Jane Rowland**

## Video and Response Activity

*Grateful: A Love Song to the World, by Empty Hands Music*

## The Prayers of the People

### The Peace

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

### Offertory Hymn: #405 Alleluia No. 1

## THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

### The Prayer over the Gifts:

Yours, Lord, is the greatness, the power, the glory, the splendour, and the majesty; for everything in heaven and on earth is yours.

**All things come from you, and of your own do we give you. Amen.**

### The 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 right and good, our duty and our joy, to give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ.

We bless you, God, creator of the universe ... And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

But there came a time when all things were ready and you sent your Son. ... In the night in which he was betrayed ... Do this for the remembrance of me.

Now with this sacred sign, we proclaim the Lord's death and share his risen presence until he comes. **Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

Send the Spirit ... may they nourish us with the body and blood of Christ.

**Amen. Come Holy Spirit.**

Join our prayers with those of your servants of every time and place, and unite them with the ceaseless petitions of our great high priest;

Through Christ, with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honour are yours, almighty Father, now and forever. **Amen.**

*Abridged and adapted from prayers by Richard Stetson.*

## **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 Communion**

The gifts of God for the people of God. **Thanks be to God.**

**Agnus Dei** *Please join the choir in singing as communion begins:*

**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.**

### **The Communion**

*All are welcome to join us at the Lord's Table. If you prefer to receive a blessing, please cross your arms. Gluten-free wafers are available upon request.*

**Prayers After Communion** *Please stand for the prayers*

**Almighty God, may we who have been strengthened by this eucharist remain in your steadfast love, and show in our lives the saving mystery that we celebrate. This we ask 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

Loving God, we thank you for hearing our prayers, feeding us with your word, and encouraging us in our meeting together.

Take us and use us to love and serve you, and all people, in the power of your Spirit and in the name of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*Prayer Book of Australia*

## Announcements

### Recessional Hymn: #258 We Plough the Fields and Scatter

### The Dismissal of the Community

## Prayers

- In our worldwide Anglican Cycle of Prayer we pray for the Church of Ghana, West Africa and their clergy, The Rt. Rev. Dr. Jacob Ayebo.
- In our Diocesan Prayer Cycle we pray for St. John, Claresholm and their clergy, The Rev. Michael Ebsworth, and the Wardens; and for the Anglican Fellowship of Prayer.
- In our Companion Diocese in the Windward Islands we pray for St. James, Layou with St. Mary Buccament, St. Vincent and the Grenadines and their clergy, The Rev. Alric Skeritt.
- 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: Lorraine Grant, Eileen Williams, Fred Tom Jaeger, Carolyn Newrick, Elsie Matthews, Olive Holgate, Rachel Patrick, Basil Stevens, Joan Siddall, Maria Dalla Costa, Marguerite Dimmer, Edna Webb, Nathan Wadman, Pamela Grigg, Alan Manship, Sylvia Stanley, Jennifer Wiebe, Connie Hill, Howie Dawe, Joy Tufts, Judy and Emily Rousell and family, Kolby Thomson, Ruth Elford, Laurie Arsenault, Kenneth Robertson, Tracey (Janzen) Grenier, Virginia Goodman, Ernie Rice, Edith Lenko, Nellie Werth, Joan Brisbane, Chad McGregor, Peggy Brookes, Mariam Jacob, Andrew Howe, Linda Redel.
- **Flowers are given this morning to the glory of God by Mr. and Mrs. R. Donais in memory of loved ones.**