

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

10 am (Book of Alternative Services)
Preacher: The Rev. Dr. Jane Rowland
Celebrant: The Rev. David Ney
Liturgical Assistant: Lynne Smith
Deacon: The Rev. Julienne Hendrickson
Glenn Werth is Warden on Duty
Organist: Chris Fullerton

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

October 25th, 2015

10:00 am

*A Blind Man's
faith*

**St. Peter's Anglican Church
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Over the past weeks, we have reflected on the vows we say at every baptismal service. During next Sunday's service, we will say those vows together with the families and baptismal candidates. This week's vow asks ***"Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?"***

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: #577 God of Grace and God of Glory

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 of justice, peace and righteousness, come into our midst this morning.
**Breathe your breath, your Spirit of prophecy, your energy, your enlivening,
your imagination on us.**

Wake us up. Open our eyes. Unplug our ears.

That we might hear. That we might see.

That we might grieve. That we might dream.

That we might follow the ways of your extraordinary kingdom. Amen

~ Jonny Baker

The Gloria

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

O Jesus Christ, teacher and healer, you heard the cry of the blind beggar when others would have silenced him. Teach us to be attentive to the voices others ignore, and, by the power of the Spirit, respond in your name to heal the afflicted and welcome the abandoned; for your sake and the sake of the gospel. Amen.

Revised Common Lectionary Prayers (2002), alt.

Children's Time

The children are invited to come forward at this time, before going to downstairs to Spirit Zone and returning for communion. There are classes for children, tweens, and teens. Nursery is also available (ask an usher for more information).

THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD

A Reading from the Book of Isaiah (51:1-8) Clyde Elford

Listen to me, you that pursue righteousness, you that seek the LORD. Look to the rock from which you were hewn, and to the quarry from which you were dug. Look to Abraham your father and to Sarah who bore you; for he was but one when I called him, but I blessed him and made him many. For the LORD will comfort Zion; he will comfort all her waste places, and will make her wilderness like Eden, her desert like the garden of the LORD; joy and gladness will be found in her, thanksgiving and the voice of song. Listen to me, my people, and give heed to me, my nation; for a teaching will go out from me, and my justice for a light to the peoples. I will bring near my deliverance swiftly, my salvation has gone out and my arms will rule the peoples; the coastlands wait for me, and for my arm they hope. Lift up your eyes to the heavens, and look at the earth beneath; for the heavens will vanish like smoke, the earth will wear out like a garment, and those who live on it will die like gnats; but my salvation will be for ever, and my deliverance will never be ended. Listen to me, you who know righteousness, you people who have my teaching in your hearts; do not fear the reproach of others, and do not be dismayed when they revile you. For the moth will eat them up like a garment, and the worm will eat them like wool; but my deliverance will be for ever, and my salvation to all generations.

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

Psalm 34:11-22, BAS (Green Book) page 744**A Reading from First Peter (3:8-12) Barbara Jean Moore**

Finally, all of you, have unity of spirit, sympathy, love for one another, a tender heart, and a humble mind. Do not repay evil for evil or abuse for abuse; but, on the contrary, repay with a blessing. It is for this that you were called—that you might inherit a blessing. For ‘Those who desire life and desire to see good days, let them keep their tongues from evil and their lips from speaking deceit; let them turn away from evil and do good; let them seek peace and pursue it. For the eyes of the Lord are on the righteous, and his ears are open to their prayer. But the face of the Lord is against those who do evil.

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

Gradual Hymn: #575 Let Streams of Living Justice**The Gospel Reading**

The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark (10:46-52)

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

They came to Jericho. As Jesus and his disciples and a large crowd were leaving Jericho, Bartimaeus son of Timaeus, a blind beggar, was sitting by the roadside. When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout out and say, “Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!” Many sternly ordered him to be quiet, but he cried out even more loudly, “Son of David, have mercy on me!” Jesus stood still and said, “Call him here.” And they called the blind man, saying to him, “Take heart; get up, he is calling you.” So throwing off his cloak, he sprang up and came to Jesus. Then Jesus said to him, “What do you want me to do for you?” The blind man said to him, “My teacher, let me see again.” Jesus said to him, “Go; your faith has made you well.” Immediately he regained his sight and followed him on the way.

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

Homily: The Rev. Dr. Jane Rowland**Affirming our Faith**

We believe in God, creator of the world and of all people;
and in Jesus Christ, incarnate among us, who died and rose again;
and in the Holy Spirit, present with us to guide, strengthen, and comfort.

We believe. Lord, help our unbelief.

We rejoice in every sign of God's kingdom: in the upholding of human dignity and community; in every expression of love, justice, and reconciliation; in each act of self-giving on behalf of others; in the abundance of God's gifts entrusted to us that all may have enough; in all responsible use of the earth's resources.

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's people on earth.

We confess our sin, individual and collective, by silence or action: through the violation of human dignity based on race, class, age, sex, nation, or faith; through the exploitation of people by greed and indifference; through the misuse of power in personal, communal, national, and international life; through the search for security by military and economic forces that threaten human existence: through the abuse of technology which endangers the earth and all life upon it.

Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

We commit ourselves individually and as a community to the way of Christ; to take up the cross; to seek abundant life for all humanity; to struggle for peace with justice and freedom; to risk ourselves in faith, hope, and love, praying that God's kingdom may come.

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever. Amen.

~ from the 15th World Methodist Council, Nairobi, Kenya, 1986.

The Prayers of the People

The Peace

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

Offertory Hymn: #583 When God Restored Our Common Life

THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

The Prayer over the Gifts:

God of constant love, **you have guided your people in all times and ages. May we who offer you our praise today always be ready to follow where you lead; we ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

The Eucharistic Prayer #2 BAS page 196

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.**

If you desire personal prayer following communion, a prayer team is available in the Prayer Chapel. Prayer will also be available after the service.

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*

God our guide, **you have fed us with bread from heaven as you fed the people of Israel. May we who have been inwardly nourished be ready to follow you all our days; we ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our 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.**

Announcements**Recessional Hymn: #598 Go to the World****The Dismissal of the Community****Prayers**

- In our worldwide Anglican Cycle of Prayer we pray for the Church of Tohoku, Japan and their clergy, The Rt. Rev. John Hiromichi Kato an for the Church of Tokyo, Japan and their clergy, The Rt. Rev. Andrew Yoshimichi Ohata.
- In our Diocesan Prayer Cycle we pray for The Highwood Parish (St. Benedict, High River; St. Thomas, Dinton; St. Aidan, Pekishko) and their clergy: The Rev. Diane Beaman and The Ven. Robert Griffiths and for the vocational deacons, lay readers and for lay ministry.
- In our Companion Diocese in the Windward Islands we pray for St. Mary, Bequia with Holy Cross, Paget Farm; St. Michael, Canouan ; Mustique; St. Mathias, Union Island; St. Vincent and the Grenadines and their clergy, The Ven. Charles Adams.
- 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, 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.
- "**Altar flowers** are in celebration of the marriage of Emily Westell and Roger Feria Jr. at St. Peter's on October 24, 2015."
- **Flowers are given this morning to the glory of God** by Edith Jones and family in loving memory of husband and father, Ken and daughter Elizabeth and by Joan Siddall in loving memory of her husband, Annis and her brave brother, Reginald Ferguson who passed to Our Lord within a month of each other.