

Nineteenth Sunday After Pentecost  
October 11<sup>th</sup> , 2009

## **Thanksgiving**

Thou hast given so much to me,  
Give one thing more, - a grateful heart;  
Not thankful when it pleaseth me,  
As if Thy blessings had spare days,  
But such a heart whose pulse may be Thy praise.  
~George Herbert

8:00 a.m. Holy Communion at **Heritage Park**  
Celebrant and Preacher: The Reverend Helen Belcher

Lay Reader: Connie Kadey  
Lector: Mike Armstrong

8:00 a.m. Holy Communion (*Book of Common Prayer*)  
Celebrant and Preacher: The Reverend Julienne Hendrickson  
Lay Reader: Wendy Both  
Lector: Wendy Both

10:00 a.m. Holy Communion and Holy Baptism (*Book of Alternative Services*)  
Celebrant and Preacher: The Reverend Helen Belcher  
Lay Readers: Shelagh Innes and Lorraine Grant  
*Nursery is open at this service*

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Prelude

### THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

Processional Hymn #450 *You Call Us, Lord, to Be*

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.**

There is one body and one Spirit,

**There is one hope in God's call to us;**

One Lord, one faith, one baptism,

**One God, and Father of all.**

Almighty God,

*(Collect of the Day)*

**in our baptism you adopted us for your own.**

**Quicken, we pray, your Spirit within us,**

**that we, being renewed both in body and mind,**

**may worship you in sincerity and truth;**

**through Jesus Christ our Lord,**

**who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,**

**one God, now and for ever.**

The Children's Talk

The Reverend Helen Belcher

### THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

Old Testament Reading: Job 23:1-9, 16-17

Pam Grigg

Then Job answered: "Today also my complaint is bitter; his hand is heavy despite my  
groaning. Oh, that I knew where I might find him, that I might come even to his  
dwelling! I would lay my case before him, and fill my mouth with arguments. I would  
learn what he would answer me, and understand what he would say to me. Would he  
contend with me in the greatness of his power? No; but he would give heed to me.<sup>7</sup>

There an upright person could reason with him, and I should be acquitted forever by my judge. If I go forward, he is not there; or backward, I cannot perceive him; on the left he hides, and I cannot behold him; I turn to the right, but I cannot see him. God has made my heart faint; the Almighty has terrified me; If only I could vanish in darkness, and thick darkness would cover my face!”

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

*People:* **Thanks be to God.**

Psalms 91

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New Testament Letters: Hebrews 4:12–16

Don Edy

Indeed, the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing until it divides soul from spirit, joints from marrow; it is able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart. And before him no creature is hidden, but all are naked and laid bare to the eyes of the one to whom we must render an account. Since, then, we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast to our confession. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who in every respect has been tested as we are, yet without sin. Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

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

*People:* **Thanks be to God.**

Gradual Hymn #458 *Seek Ye First*

Gospel: Mark 10:17–31

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

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

As Jesus was setting out on a journey, a man ran up and knelt before him, and asked him, “Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?” Jesus said to him, “Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. You know the commandments: ‘You shall not murder; You shall not commit adultery; You shall not steal; You shall not bear false witness; You shall not defraud; Honour your father and mother.’” He said to him, “Teacher, I have kept all these since my youth.” Jesus, looking at him, loved him and said, “You lack one thing; go, sell what you own, and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me.” When he heard this, he was shocked and went away grieving, for he had many possessions. Then Jesus looked

around and said to his disciples, “How hard it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!” And the disciples were perplexed at these words. But Jesus said to them again, “Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God.” They were greatly astounded and said to one another, “Then who can be saved?” Jesus looked at them and said, “For mortals it is impossible, but not for God; for God all things are possible.” Peter began to say to him, “Look, we have left everything and followed you.” Jesus said, “Truly I tell you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or fields, for my sake and for the sake of the good news, who will not receive a hundredfold now in this age—houses, brothers and sisters, mothers and children, and fields with persecutions—and in the age to come eternal life. But many who are first will be last, and the last will be first.”

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

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Offertory Hymn #615 *Just As I Am*

Prayer Over the Gifts *(together)*

God of constant love, **in this eucharist you renew the covenant made once with us in baptism. As you are faithful in all things may we, in our offering, be faithful to our calling and thankful. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.**

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The Communion	

*All are welcome to join in the sacred feast of Holy Communion. “The gifts of God*

*for the people of God." 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 this summer 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 during the administration of Communion. 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.*

#### Prayer after Communion

*Priest* Faithful God,

**in baptism and eucharist we are made one with you. May we who have shared in holy things always bear witness to your covenant, in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.**

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 Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

The Blessing

Announcements

Recessional Hymn #374 *Alleluia! Sing to Jesus*

Dismissal

#### Prayers

- In our Worldwide Anglican Cycle of Prayer we pray for the people and congregations of Swansea, Wales and their Bishop, John Davies,
- In our Diocesan Prayer Cycle we pray for St. Luke, Blairmore and their clergy The Rev. Bill Inglis and The Rev. Nicky Keyworth.
- In our Companion Diocese in the Windward Islands we pray for Grace Church, Riviere Dorce with St. Paul and Christ the King and their clergy The Rev. Ashton Francis.
- 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: Rachael Patrick, Paulette Sinkinson, Jim Denis, Doreen

Thomson and family, Nan Fowler, Marguerite Dimmer, The Rev. Maurice Buck, Peggy Brookes, Bunny Hale, The Rev. Kerry Bourke, Aileen Reese, 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, and for Dawn, Dale and Kaitlyn Wilson. Let us also pray for Yphande Jean, our Church-school sponsored child in Haiti.

Sharon Dalton is warden on duty today.



Flowers are given this morning to the glory of God.

**Baptism** – We welcome Jordan James Hill Donnelly in baptism today, son of Todd and Tricia Donnelly and nephew to Les and Leslie Tochor.

**THANK YOU** for the written responses to the trial arrangement last Sunday of a “nave altar” and the choir relocated into the present sanctuary. If you were present and have observations you can share please be sure to send your comments into the church office by email or mail. All comments are being gathered together by the Chancel Renewal Task Force as we continue in this exploratory phase.

The report summarizing the feedback received from the congregation in June is still available on the “Welcome” table in the narthex.

**Christian Meditation** – Monday evening Christian Meditation sessions will resume on November 2<sup>nd</sup> at 7 pm.

Wednesday afternoon group sessions will be cancelled, for October 14 and 21. These sessions will resume on October 28<sup>th</sup>.

**STARTS THIS WEDNESDAY “FANTASY, REALITY, HEAVEN AND HELL” with The Rev. Helen Belcher.** An exploration of the role of imagination and fantasy in conversion, belief and faith understanding. Four Wednesday evening workshops on the life and work of **C.S. LEWIS** will be held October 7<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm in the Cormack Hall. Please Christian Education this Fall

contact Helen Belcher for further information. There will be no registration – all are welcome to attend.

**BIBLICAL, ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP TODAY**

David Gravells will be presenting a one evening session on November 4<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm.

**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.
- **Prayer Partner Pot Luck** – Sunday, October 18<sup>th</sup> in the lower hall following the 10 am service.
- **Family Service** – Sunday, October 25<sup>th</sup> at 10 am.

**O GIVE THANKS**

- To St. Peter’s Players who presented cheques of \$3000 for the Operating Fund and

\$1500 towards a stained glass window, bringing total donations from St. Peter's Players in 2009 to \$6000 for the Operating Fund and \$3000 for a stained glass window. In addition, St. Peter's Players purchased \$2000 worth of new chairs for the lower hall – with comfy seats! Thanks to Britt Mockridge and Dave Cormack for moving in the chairs.

- To members of Vestry; Julienne, Gavin and Gaston Hendrickson, Mary Dymond, Dave Cormack and Diane Mockridge for all their help with the Harvest BBQ.
- To Pam Hodgson, Margaret Mitchell, Bev Richards, Vivian Dodd and Deena Janzen who decorated the sanctuary for Thanksgiving.

### **What is the Prayer Partner Project All About?**

Adults and older youth are asked to make a commitment for one year to be a Prayer partner for a child from the Church School. They are asked to lift the child in prayer daily, greet the child when they see them in church, acknowledge high days and holy days such as birthdays Christmas and Easter with a phone call or card. The primary nature of this relationship is spiritual. However, if the partners feel so inclined they can explore other ideas together. If you are interested in this special ministry, please speak to Joan Hanna.

**THE SHOE BOXES** are here. Calgary shoe boxes will be going to countries such as Bolivia, Chile, El Salvador, Paraguay and Sierra Leon. Although we think of these countries as having a warm climate they also have a cool rainy season. Mitts, socks, toques, t-shirts, etc. would be appropriate items to add to the boxes. Also, there is a pamphlet included in the box that lists what can and cannot be included in the shoe boxes. There is a marked basket in the narthex for (extra) donated items for the boxes. Please return all full boxes to St. Peter's by Sunday, November 15, 2009. Questions? Comments? Please contact Joan Hanna at 252-0393.

**FLOWER ARRANGERS** – We are looking for someone with experience in creating floral arrangements. If you fit the bill, please call Pam Hodgson at 403-720-2145.

**C-O-S-T** : Searching for a new ministry opportunity in our congregation? There will be a cost to you but there will also be great rewards. Stephen ministry is our congregations one-to-one caring ministry. Right now we are looking for members who are willing to accept the: **C** ommitment, **O** f, **S** elf and **T** ime and become Stephen Ministers, remembering that the blessings will outweigh the costs. To find out more about this ministry, please contact Rev. Helen Belcher at the church or Al and Wendy Both at 403-281-5657. You will also find leaflets on display on the counter near the top of the stairs in the Narthex. If you have further questions do not hesitate to contact Rev. Helen or Wendy & Al Both. They will be willing to answer all your questions and give you details about the Stephen Ministry Program. The rewards in making this commitment are life-changing. Sign up now for the new class that will commence in January 2010. Information leaflets are on the cupboard at the top of the stairs in the Narthex.

### **STEVE BELL IN CONCERT– Hosted at St. Peter's !**

Thursday, October 22, 2009 at 7:30 pm at St. Peter's Anglican Church. Join Steve for an intimate evening of Story, Song and Worship, a rare solo concert appearance, his first in years in the Calgary area. Tickets are \$20.00 and are available from the office. You may also purchase them on line at [www.stevebell.com](http://www.stevebell.com) or call Sign Post Box Office at 1-800-854-3499.

**“Food For Thought”** Starting Thursday, November 5<sup>th</sup> with Richard LeSueur, following the 9:30am mid-week Communion service, a series of discussions based around Paul’s great letter to the Philippians; “the letter of joy.” Though written from prison Paul writes his beloved friends in Philippi to not loose heart in the face of suffering, since ‘Christ gives the strength to face all things.’ (4:13) Paul’s strong words of encouragement, in this short letter, have served as a source of inspiration and hope for Christians through the centuries. 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 on the letter to the Philippians. Each week in the series will stand on its own so that consecutive participation is not necessary. Pass the word and invite your friends.

**The Primate's World Relief and Development Fund** (PWRDF) is sending \$10,000 to help victims of an earthquake that hit West Sumatra on Sept.30. The 7.6 earthquake killed more than 1,000 people, mainly in Padang and Pariaman cities. Thousands of other people are believed to still be trapped under rubble in Padang, and the death toll is expected to rise. This initial grant will support rapid response aid on the ground by members of Action by Churches Together (ACT), a coalition of church-based organizations that responds to natural disasters and humanitarian crises. PWRDF, which is a member of ACT, is accepting donation for relief efforts. Please use the PWRDF envelope provided in the pew and indicate ‘earthquake relief’ if you wish to make a special donation.

**PWRDF** is celebrating 50 years (From Cookies to Champagne, 50 Café Events) with an evening of celebration to coincide with the end of Synod. A reception will be held on Saturday October 17<sup>th</sup> at St. Stephen’s Anglican Church with ethnic finger food, a cash bar, entertainment and a raffle. Bishop Tom Morgan and Heather Pearson will share pictures and stories from the PWRDF visit to Burundi and Kenya. For more information of to purchase tickets (\$20) call Alison Longson at 403-243-5478, or email [pwrdf.calgary@telus.net](mailto:pwrdf.calgary@telus.net).

**FALL FAIR** will be held October 24, 2009. Convenors will meet Tuesday, October 13<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm in the Fireside Room. For more information, please feel free to call one of the following: Arnold Williams (403-251-4610), Peter Leigh (403-281-1376) or Garth Dymond (403-278-0317).

**The Fall Fair Bake Table** welcomes all contributions! Best sellers include squares, shortbread, pies, tarts and anything with chocolate, cranberry and especially lemon. Breads and buns are also needed. Please label items (e.g. lemon squares, butter tarts, etc.) and indicate if item contain nuts.

**Fall Rummage Sale** – Our next Rummage Sal will run from 1 pm Thursday, November 12<sup>th</sup> until 3 pm Saturday, November 14<sup>th</sup>. We shall begin to take in clean clothing, household items, shoes, books, etc. from Monday, October 26<sup>th</sup> and nothing after 4 pm on Tuesday, November 10<sup>th</sup>. We warmly welcome anyone who would like to help – more details later. If you have good quality items – glass, china, Christmas decorations, etc. suitable for the specialty *White Elephant* table at the Fall Fair on October 24<sup>th</sup>, please let me know. Please keep all clothing until the rummage sale. There is a notice board in the Cormack Hall where larger items such as furniture, etc. can be advertised or ‘goods wanted’ noted. The proceeds from items sold will go to the Rummage Sale fund. In this way, sales can take place ‘off the premises’. Please 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.

**Richard LeSueur** will be away for the next two weeks on a Pilgrimage through Israel along with the following parishioners: Bill Seney, Mary Anne Armstrong, Rosemary Bishop, Al and Wendy Both, Connie Hill, Delores James, Brian and Heather Johnson.

**Have a look at the new Web Site:** Learn about every aspect of St. Peter's ministry and life. Updated weekly. Great photos. [www.stpeterscalgary.ca](http://www.stpeterscalgary.ca)

**Have you ever wanted to operate a snow plough or snow blower? Here is your chance.** *St. Peter's Ploughers* [your friendly snow clearing team] is looking for additional members to help us through the coming snow season. On-the-job training will be provided as you work with an experienced member. How often are your services needed? Right now, each member is in-charge of snow removal only one week in every 6 to 8 weeks. We celebrate the end of the ploughing season at a local restaurant with lots of fellowship and good food. If you are interested please speak to Richard Bane after the service or call him at 403-281-2652

**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. Oct 7: Islam with Rhadjah Chimolovska

Wed. Oct 21: Buddhism with (monk) Dr. Leslie Kawamura

Wed. Nov 4: Judaism with Rabbi Miller

Wed. Nov 18: Coptic Orthodox Christianity with Kamal Botros

Wed. Dec 2: Hinduism

All are welcome. We look forward to seeing you there!

**Brass Shell Casings** – In the past we have used these shell casings for flowers at our Remembrance Day Service. Unfortunately, they have gone missing. If you know of their whereabouts, please call Pam Hodgson at 403-720-2145

#### **THIS WEEK AT ST. PETER'S**

Wednesday	11:00 am	Chinook Care Centre
	11:30 am	Hunger For Healing
	7:00 pm	Christian Education
Thursday	9:30 am	Holy Communion in the Chapel
	7:00 pm	EFM (Education for Ministry)
	7:30 pm	Choir Practice
Friday	9:30 am	Yoga

#### **Next Sunday – October 18, 2009**

8:00 am Holy Communion (BCP)

10:00 am Holy Communion (BAS)

Prayer Partner Pot Luck Lunch following the 10 am Service

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