

Twentieth Sunday After Pentecost
October 18th, 2009

When one door closes another opens.
But often we look so long,
so regrettfully upon the closed door
that we fail to see the one that
has opened for us.

Helen Keller

You cannot step twice into the
same river, for other waters
are continually flowing on.

Heraclitus

Celebrant and Preacher: The Reverend Helen Belcher
Lay Reader: Julienne Hendrickson
Lector: Des Bourke

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

Prelude

THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

Processional Hymn #370 *Songs of Praise the Angels Sang*

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 everliving God,

(Collect of the Day)

**increase in us your gift of faith,
that forsaking what lies behind
and reaching out to what is before,
we may run the way of your commandments
and win the crown of everlasting joy;
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 38:1-7(34-41)

Lynn Smith

Then the Lord answered Job out of the whirlwind: "Who is this that darkens counsel by words without knowledge? Gird up your loins like a man, I will question you, and you shall declare to me. Where were you when I laid the foundation of the earth? Tell me, if you have understanding. Who determined its measurements—surely you know! Or who stretched the line upon it? On what were its bases sunk, or who laid its cornerstone when the morning stars sang together and all the heavenly beings shouted for joy?" "Can you lift up your voice to the clouds, so that a flood of waters may cover you? Can you send forth lightnings, so that they may go and say to you, 'Here we are'? Who has put wisdom in the inward parts, or given understanding to the mind? Who has the wisdom to number the clouds? Or who can tilt the waterskins of the heavens, when the dust runs into a mass and the clods cling together? Can you hunt the prey for the lion, or

satisfy the appetite of the young lions, when they crouch in their dens, or lie in wait in their covert? Who provides for the raven its prey, when its young ones cry to God, and wander about for lack of food?"

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

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 104:1-9

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New Testament Letters: Hebrews 5:1-10

Claire White

Every high priest chosen from among mortals is put in charge of things pertaining to God on their behalf, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins. He is able to deal gently with the ignorant and wayward, since he himself is subject to weakness; and because of this he must offer sacrifice for his own sins as well as for those of the people. And one does not presume to take this honour, but takes it only when called by God, just as Aaron was. So also Christ did not glorify himself in becoming a high priest, but was appointed by the one who said to him, "You are my Son, today I have begotten you"; as he says also in another place, "You are a priest forever, according to the order of Melchizedek." In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to the one who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission. Although he was a Son, he learned obedience through what he suffered; and having been made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him, having been designated by God a high priest according to the order of Melchizedek.

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

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Gradual Hymn #256 *Yours the Hand That Made Creation*

Gospel: Mark 10:35-45

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

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

James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came forward to Jesus and said to him, "Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you." And he said to them, "What is it you want me to do for you?" And they said to him, "Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory." But Jesus said to them, "You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with?" They replied, "We are able." Then Jesus said to them, "The cup that I drink you will drink; and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be

baptized; but to sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared." When the ten heard this, they began to be angry with James and John. So Jesus called them and said to them, "You know that among the Gentiles those whom they recognize as their rulers lord it over them, and their great ones are tyrants over them. But it is not so among you; but whoever wishes to become great among you must be your servant, and whoever wishes to be first among you must be slave of all. For the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life a ransom for many."

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

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The Peace	

Offertory Hymn #412 *O God, Beyond All Face and Form*

Prayer Over the Gifts *(together)*

Eternal God, your word inspires our faith. May we who offer you our praise trust you in all things. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the 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 God of peace,
you have nourished us in this sacrament with the body and blood of Christ. May we who have taken holy things keep faith in our hearts and lives, in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.
Glory to God, whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more that we can ask or imagine. Glory to God from generation to generation, in the Church and in Christ Jesus for ever and ever. Amen

The Blessing

Announcements

Recessional Hymn #380 *O Worship the King*

Dismissal

Prayers

- In our Worldwide Anglican Cycle of Prayer we pray for The Rt. Rev. Azad Marshall, The Gulf - (Pakistan).
- In our Diocesan Prayer Cycle we pray for St. John, Claresholm and their clergy.
- In our Companion Diocese in the Windward Islands we pray for St. David and St. Paul 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: 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. Let us also pray for Yphande Jean, our Church-school sponsored child in Haiti.

Richard Bird is warden on duty today.



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

- Mrs. Bill Mitchell and Family in memory of Bill Mitchell and other loved ones and in thanksgiving.
- Mr. & Mrs. R. Donais in memory of loved ones.
- Rob, Joyce, Jennifer and Kevin Lane in memory of Elizabeth.

Christian Meditation – Monday evening Christian Meditation sessions will resume on November 2nd at 7 pm. Wednesday afternoon group sessions will be cancelled, for October 14 and 21. These sessions will resume on October 28".

CONTINUING ON WEDNESDAYS "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 21st and 28th at 7:00 pm in the Cormack Hall. Please 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 4th 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** – Today in the lower hall following the 10 am service.
- **Family Service** – Sunday, October 25th at 10 am.

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.

St. Peter's Players - On Tuesday, October 20th there will be a rehearsal for 'I Remember Mama'. Note that there are some parts that are still not filled so readers are welcome to attend. Rehearsal schedules will be planned that night. Call Dave for further information - 403-255-5867.

Stephen Ministers Care: When was the last time someone really listened to you? We're talking about that undistracted, full attention kind of listening. That's one of the ways Stephen Ministers care for others. We are recruiting Stephen Ministers to care for those who are making that long journey through the valley of a life crisis. Will you consider serving in this way? Let us pray that God will call a class of interested people to come forward to commit themselves to this rewarding task. To find out more about this ministry, please contact Rev. Helen Belcher at the church or Al & 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.

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 or call Sign Post Box Office at 1-800-854-3499.

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.

“Food For Thought” Starting Thursday, November 5th 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.

FALL FAIR will be held October 24, 2009. Convenors will meet Tuesday, October 13th 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.

White Elephant Table - If you have good quality items – glass, china, Christmas decorations, etc. suitable for the specialty *White Elephant* table at the Fall Fair on October 24th, please let Vera Apeltree (403-255-2406) know.

Fall Rummage Sale – Our next sale will run from 1 pm Thursday, November 12th until 3 pm Saturday, November 14th. **We shall take in clean clothing, household items, shoes, books, etc. between Monday, October 26th and 4 pm on Tuesday, November 10th only.** We warmly welcome anyone who would like to help – more details later. 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 until October 25th 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

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 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.

Food Bank – The Food Bank has notified us that they no longer need egg cartons.

THIS WEEK AT ST. PETER'S

Wednesday	2:00 am	Fellowship Tea
	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
	7:30 pm	Steve Bell Concert
Friday	9:30 am	Yoga
	7:00 pm	Youth Group
Saturday	9:30 am	Fall Fair until 3:00 pm

Next Sunday – October 25, 2009

8:00 am Holy Communion (BCP)

10:00 am Holy Communion (BAS) Family Service

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