

Saint Peter's Episcopal Church
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"A House of Prayer for ALL People"
"¡Una casa de oración abierta a todos!"

The Fourth Sunday in Lent
"Mothering Sunday"
April 3, 2011

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Co-Priests-in-Charge
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Welcome to St. Peter's Church!

We are a congregation that seeks to be inclusive of all regardless of race, ethnicity, class, gender, orientation, or language. Worship for us is at the heart of our spirituality and we hope you find your time with us helpful in your spiritual journey.

Sunday Services

Holy Eucharist Rite I - 8:00 a.m. Elizabethan English
Holy Eucharist Rite II - 10:00 a.m. Contemporary English and Music
La Santa Eucaristía - 12:00 noon Spanish

Weekday Services

Tuesday 6:15 p.m. La Santa Eucaristía - in the Chapel
2nd Friday of the month 5:00 p.m. Youth Liturgy - in the Chapel
1st Wednesday of the month 7:00 p.m. Candlelight Taizé Prayer and
Meditation Service - in the Chapel

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8:00 A.M. Holy Eucharist Rite I

Page 323 in the Book of Common Prayer. The Scripture readings are printed below in the Order of Service for the 10:00 a.m. service.

10:00 A.M. Holy Eucharist Rite II

Entrance Song – “Turn to the Living God”

Please sing the refrain

Turn, turn to the liv - ing God, the God of heal - ing and
com - fort, and with de - light, God will turn to
you. With de - light, God will turn to you.

Text: Lori True, b.1961
Tune: Lori True, b.1961
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Salutation & The Collect Of Purity

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The Word Of God

Collect of the Day

Gracious Father, whose blessed Son Jesus Christ came down from heaven to be the true bread which gives life to the world: Evermore give us this bread, that he may live in us, and we in him; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

The First Reading: 1 Samuel 16:1-13

The Lord said to Samuel, "How long will you grieve over Saul? I have rejected him from being king over Israel. Fill your horn with oil and set out; I will send you to Jesse the Bethlehemite, for I have provided for myself a king among his sons." Samuel said, "How can I go? If Saul hears of it, he will kill me." And the Lord said, "Take a heifer with you, and say, 'I have come to sacrifice to the Lord.' Invite Jesse to the sacrifice, and I will show you what you shall do; and you shall anoint for me the one whom I name to you." Samuel did what the Lord commanded, and came to Bethlehem. The elders of the city came to meet him trembling, and said, "Do you come peaceably?" He said, "Peaceably; I have come to sacrifice to the Lord; sanctify yourselves and come with me to the sacrifice." And he sanctified Jesse and his sons and invited them to the sacrifice.

When they came, he looked on Eliab and thought, "Surely the Lord's anointed is now before the Lord." But the Lord said to Samuel, "Do not look on his appearance or on the height of his stature, because I have rejected him; for the Lord does not see as mortals see; they look on the outward appearance, but the Lord looks on the heart." Then Jesse called Abinadab, and made him pass before Samuel. He said, "Neither has the Lord chosen this one." Then Jesse made Shammah pass by. And he said, "Neither has the Lord chosen this one." Jesse made seven of his sons pass before Samuel, and Samuel said to Jesse, "The Lord has not chosen any of these." Samuel said to Jesse, "Are all your sons here?" And he said, "There remains yet the youngest, but he is keeping the sheep." And Samuel said to Jesse, "Send and bring him; for we will not sit down until he comes here." He sent and brought him in. Now he was ruddy, and had beautiful eyes, and was handsome. The Lord said, "Rise and anoint him; for this is the one." Then Samuel took the horn of oil, and anointed him in the presence of his brothers; and the spirit of the Lord came mightily upon David from that day forward. Samuel then set out and went to Ramah.

Psalm 23 – please join in singing the text below to the tune “Brother James’ Air”

The Lord’s my shepherd, I’ll not want,
He makes me down to lie
In pastures green.
He leadeth me
The quiet waters by.
He leadeth me, He leadeth me,
The quiet waters by.

My soul he doth restore again,
And me to walk doth make
Within the paths of blessedness,
E’en for His own Name’s sake.
Within the paths of blessedness,
E’en for His own Name’s sake.

Yea, though I pass through shadowed vale,
yet will I fear no ill;
For Thou art with me,
And Thy Rod and Staff me comfort still.
Thy Rod and Staff me comfort still, me
comfort still.

My table Thou hast furnish-ed in
presence of my foes;
My head with oil Thou dost anoint,
and my cup overflows.
My head with oil Thou dost anoint,
and my cup overflows.

Goodness and mercy all my days,
Will surely follow me;
And in my Father’s hart always
My dwelling place shall be.
And in my heart for evermore
Thy dwelling place shall be.

The Second Reading: Ephesians 5:8-14

Once you were darkness, but now in the Lord you are light. Live as children of light-- for the fruit of the light is found in all that is good and right and true. Try to find out what is pleasing to the Lord. Take no part in the unfruitful works of darkness, but instead expose them. For it is shameful even to mention what such people do secretly; but everything exposed by the light becomes visible, for everything that becomes visible is light. Therefore it says, "Sleeper, awake! Rise from the dead, and Christ will shine on you."

Refrain

Holy Is Your Name / Luke 1:46-55

And ho - ly is your name through all gen - er -
a - tions! Ev - er - last - ing is your mer - cy to the
peo - ple you have cho - sen, and ho - ly is your name.

Verses

1. My soul is filled with joy as I sing to God my savior:
you have looked upon your servant, you have visited your people.
2. I am lowly as a child, but I know from this day forward
that my name will be remembered, for all will call me blessed.
3. I proclaim the pow'r of God, you do marvels for your servants;
though you scatter the proud hearted, and destroy the might of princes.
4. To the hungry you give food, send the rich away empty.
In your mercy you are mindful of the people you have chosen.
5. In your love you now fulfill what you promised to your people.
I will praise you Lord, my savior, everlasting is your mercy.

The Gospel: John 9:1-41

As he walked along, he saw a man blind from birth. His disciples asked him, "Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?" Jesus answered, "Neither this man nor his parents sinned; he was born blind so that God's works might be revealed in him. We must work the works of him who sent me while it is day; night is coming when no one can work. As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world." When he had said this, he spat on the ground and made mud with the saliva and spread the mud on the man's eyes, saying to him, "Go, wash in the pool of Siloam" (which means Sent). Then he went and washed and came back able to see. The neighbors and those who had seen him before as a beggar began to ask, "Is this not the man who used to sit and beg?" Some were saying, "It is he." Others were saying, "No, but it is someone like him." He kept saying, "I am the man." But they kept asking him, "Then how were your eyes opened?" He answered, "The man called Jesus made mud, spread it on my eyes, and said to me, 'Go to Siloam and wash.' Then I went and washed and received my sight." They said to him, "Where is he?" He said, "I do not know."

They brought to the Pharisees the man who had formerly been blind. Now it was a sabbath day when Jesus made the mud and opened his eyes. Then the Pharisees also began to ask him how he had received his sight. He said to them, "He put mud on my eyes. Then I washed, and now I see." Some of the Pharisees said, "This man is not from God, for he does not observe the sabbath." But others said, "How can a man who is a sinner perform such signs?" And they were divided. So they said again to the blind man, "What do you say about him? It was your eyes he opened." He said, "He is a prophet."

The Jews did not believe that he had been blind and had received his sight until they called the parents of the man who had received his sight and asked them, "Is this your son, who you say was born blind? How then does he now see?" His parents answered, "We know that this is our son, and that he was born blind; but we do not know how it is that now he sees, nor do we know who opened his eyes. Ask him; he is of age. He will speak for himself." His parents said this because they were afraid of the Jews; for the Jews had already agreed that anyone who confessed Jesus to be the Messiah would be put out of the synagogue. Therefore his parents said, "He is of age; ask him."

So for the second time they called the man who had been blind, and they said to him, "Give glory to God! We know that this man is a sinner." He answered, "I do not know whether he is a sinner. One thing I do know, that though I was blind, now I see." They said to him, "What did he do to you? How did he open your eyes?" He answered them, "I have told you already, and you would not listen. Why do you want to hear it again? Do you also want to become his disciples?" Then they reviled him, saying, "You are his disciple, but we are disciples of Moses. We know that God has spoken to Moses, but as for this man, we do not know where he comes from." The man answered, "Here is an astonishing thing! You do not know where he comes from, and yet he opened my eyes. We know that God does not listen to sinners, but he does listen to one who worships him and obeys his will. Never since the world began has it been heard that anyone opened the eyes of a person born blind. If this man were not from God, he could do nothing." They answered him, "You were born entirely in sins, and are you trying to teach us?" And they drove him out.

Jesus heard that they had driven him out, and when he found him, he said, "Do you believe in the Son of Man?" He answered, "And who is he, sir? Tell me, so that I may believe in him." Jesus said to him, "You have seen him, and the one speaking with you is he." He said, "Lord, I believe." And he worshiped him. Jesus said, "I came into this world for judgment so that those who do not see may see, and those who do see may become blind." Some of the Pharisees near him heard this and said to him, "Surely we are not blind, are we?" Jesus said to them, "If you were blind, you would not have sin. But now that you say, 'We see,' your sin remains."

Sermon *Father Paul Bresnahan*

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The Prayers Of the People

Response: *O, Lord, hear our prayer. Lord, hear us. O, Lord, hear our prayer.*

The Peace ✠

The Holy Communion

We bring bread and wine to the altar of God as a sign that God counts on us to do whatever needs to be done to build the kingdom here on earth as it is in heaven. These gifts and the money we offer are signs of our faithful obedience to God. God seeks Peace with Justice among God's people. God seeks Reconciliation, Forgiveness and Joy. God is counting on us to bring these gifts not just to the altar, but to the world we live in.

Offertory Song:

“Somebody’s Knockin’ At Your Door”

Some - bod - y's knock-in' at your door; Some - bod - y's
 knock-in' at your door; O sin - ner, why don't you
 an - swer? Some - bod - y's knock-in' at your door.

Solo: 1. Knocks like Je - sus,
 2. Can't you hear him?
 3. Je - sus calls you,
 4. Can't you trust him?
All: Some - bod - y's knock-in' at your door.

Solo: Knocks like Je - sus,
 Can't you hear him?
 Je - sus calls you,
 Can't you trust him?
All: Some - bod - y's knock-in' at your door.

O sin - ner, why don't you an - swer?
 Some - bod - y's knock-in' at your door.

Text: African-American spiritual
Tune: SOMEBODY'S KNOCKIN', Irregular, African-American spiritual; harm. by Richard Proulx, b.1937

**The Great Thanksgiving, Eucharistic Prayer B
The Lord's Prayer - sung
Lamb of God**

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Everyone is welcome at God's table in this church; Always! Please feel free to come to the Altar Rail as your way of saying "Yes" to God's invitation.

Communion Song: "Jesus, the Lord"

Refrain

Je - sus. Je - sus. Let all cre-
 a - tion bend the knee to the Lord.

Text: *Jesus Prayer*, Philippians 2:5-11; Acts 17:28; Roc O'Connor, SJ, b.1949
Tune: Roc O'Connor, SJ, b.1949; arr. by Rick Modlin, b.1966
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**Post Communion Prayer
Blessing and Dismissal**

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Closing Song: ““Lord, let Me Walk That Lonely Road With You””

VERSES



- 1. Lord, let me walk that lone - ly road with you,
- 2. Lord, let me cool your lips — baked like clay,
- 3. They gave you gall and sour wine for your food,
- 4. Lord, must the jour - ney al - ways end this way,



- 1. Un - der the weight of the wood. _____
- 2. Un - der the weight of the wood. _____
- 3. Un - der the weight of the wood. _____
- 4. Un - der the weight of the wood? _____



- 1. Lord, let me walk — that last mile in your shoes,
- 2. Dried up like rain on a hot, — dust - y day,
- 3. Fa - ther, for - give them; they don't know what they do,
- 4. How man - y times have we nailed you up to - day,



- 1. Un - der the weight of the wood. _____
- 2. Un - der the weight of the wood. _____
- 3. Un - der the weight of the wood. _____
- 4. Un - der the weight of the wood? _____

REFRAIN



Free - dom can be found, lad - en down, —



Un - der the weight of the wood. _____

Going forth to make a better world. We have now reached the holiest moment in worship. It is not in the ritual of the altar that we find holiness. Nor is it when we receive that most Blessed Sacrament, as holy as that is. It is rather when we go forth from here to do the work that God has given to us to do, that we discover what holiness is about. The word “Liturgy” means public work; this is God’s work; to **be** The Good News in a world filled with sin. God loves you and you are forgiven. Go forth to love and forgive and reconcile as much as you can for God. In this way may you find holiness, peace, and joy that knows no bounds! And may God bless your going out and your coming in from this day forth forevermore!

Serving Today		
Vestry Persons of the Day	Debbie Barber, Carole MacDonald	
Altar Guild	Louise Carr, Nicolina Reisman	
Altar Flowers	Phyllis Caliri	
	8:00 a.m.	10:00 a.m.
LEM	Jim Sweet	Ruby Hill
Lector	Kim Clements	Bob Salisbury
Ushers	Andy Kolesnikoff, Jackie Langlois	Holly Green, Debbie Newman