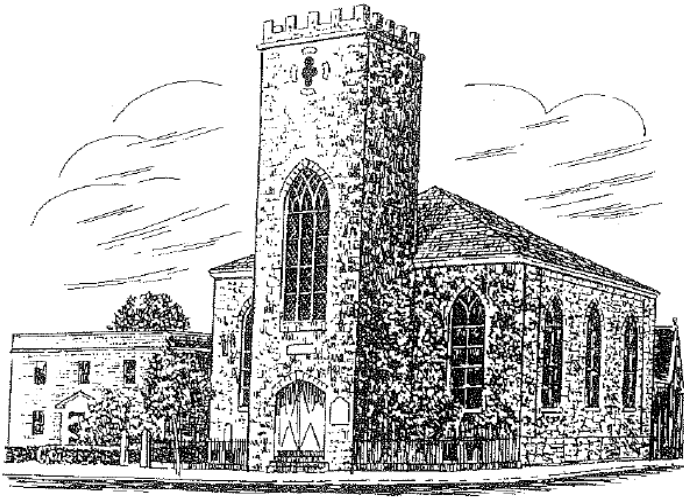


**Saint Peter's Episcopal Church  
Iglesia Episcopal San Pedro**

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*"A House of Prayer for ALL People"  
"¡Una casa de oración abierta a todos!"*

**Twelfth Sunday After Pentecost  
August 15, 2010**

**Fr. Paul Bresnahan, Fr. Daniel Vélez-Rivera**  
*Co-Priests-in-Charge*

**Welcome to St. Peter's Church!**

*We are a congregation that seeks to be inclusive of all regardless of race, ethnicity, class, gender or orientation. Recently, we have also become a bilingual congregation. Iglesia Episcopal San Pedro meets at noon and worships in Spanish. Worship for us is at the heart of our spirituality and we hope you find your visit 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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## The Holy Eucharist

*Everyone is Welcome at God's Table in this Church; Always! When Jesus fed the multitudes on the hillsides of Galilee, he did not check on anyone's church membership. Rather he opened their hearts to the love of God. It is a sign of our unity in Christ that we break bread and drink wine together as Jesus and his disciples did on those hillsides and on the night before he died for us. When the first apostles met in the upper room in those first weeks following Christ's death and resurrection, Jesus appeared to them in this sacred meal. The word Eucharist means thanksgiving and is a word that refers to the gratitude that Jesus expressed even in the last moments of his life. We believe that in our worship Jesus is still present to us and that our gratitude continues for all that life is and gives to us. That is why we continue to this day to celebrate this manner of worship. We thank God that you are here. Come and feast with us at Christ's Holy Table where EVERYONE is welcome!*

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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.*

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*Please silence all mobile phones, PDA's and other devices immediately upon entering the church.*

### 10:00 A.M. Holy Eucharist Rite II

**Salutation & The Collect Of Purity**

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**Gloria** –*recite in unison*

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## The Word Of God

### Collect of the Day

Almighty God, you have given your only Son to be for us a sacrifice for sin, and also an example of godly life: Give us grace to receive thankfully the fruits of his redeeming work, and to follow daily in the blessed steps of his most holy life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

### The First Reading: Jeremiah 23:23-29

Am I a God near by, says the LORD, and not a God far off? Who can hide in secret places so that I cannot see them? says the LORD. Do I not fill heaven and earth? says the LORD. I have heard what the prophets have said who prophesy lies in my name, saying, "I have dreamed, I have dreamed!" How long? Will the hearts of the prophets ever turn back-- those who prophesy lies, and who prophesy the deceit of their own heart? They plan to make my people forget my name by their dreams that they tell one another, just as their ancestors forgot my name for Baal. Let the prophet who has a dream tell the dream, but let the one

who has my word speak my word faithfully. What has straw in common with wheat? says the LORD. Is not my word like fire, says the LORD, and like a hammer that breaks a rock in pieces?

**Psalm: 82**

*Deus stetit*

God takes his stand in the council of heaven;  
he gives judgment in the midst of the gods:

"How long will you judge unjustly,  
and show favor to the wicked?

Save the weak and the orphan;  
defend the humble and needy;

Rescue the weak and the poor;  
deliver them from the power of the wicked.

They do not know, neither do they understand;  
they go about in darkness;  
all the foundations of the earth are shaken.

Now I say to you, 'You are gods,  
and all of you children of the Most High;

Nevertheless, you shall die like mortals,  
and fall like any prince."

Arise, O God, and rule the earth,  
for you shall take all nations for your own.

**The Second Reading: Hebrews 11:29-12:2**

By faith the people passed through the Red Sea as if it were dry land, but when the Egyptians attempted to do so they were drowned. By faith the walls of Jericho fell after they had been encircled for seven days. By faith Rahab the prostitute did not perish with those who were disobedient, because she had received the spies in peace.

And what more should I say? For time would fail me to tell of Gideon, Barak, Samson, Jephthah, of David and Samuel and the prophets-- who through faith conquered kingdoms, administered justice, obtained promises, shut the mouths of lions, quenched raging fire, escaped the edge of the sword, won strength out of weakness, became mighty in war, put foreign armies to flight. Women received their dead by resurrection. Others were tortured, refusing to accept release, in order to obtain a better resurrection. Others suffered mocking and flogging, and even chains and imprisonment. They were stoned to death, they were sawn in two, they were killed by the sword; they went about in skins of sheep and goats, destitute, persecuted, tormented-- of whom the world was not worthy. They wandered in deserts and mountains, and in caves and holes in the ground.

Yet all these, though they were commended for their faith, did not receive what was promised, since God had provided something better so that they would not, apart from us, be made perfect.

Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, who for the sake of the joy that was set before him endured the cross, disregarding its shame, and has taken his seat at the right hand of the throne of God.

**The Gospel: Luke 12:49-56**

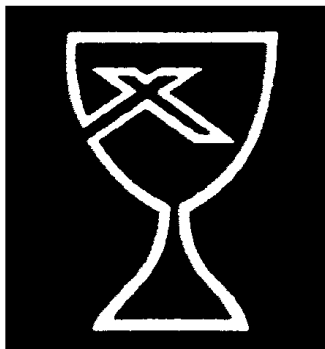
Jesus said, "I came to bring fire to the earth, and how I wish it were already kindled! I have a baptism with which to be baptized, and what stress I am under until it is completed! Do you think that I have come to bring peace to the earth? No, I tell you, but rather division! From now on five in one household will be divided, three against two and two against three; they will be divided: father against son and son against father, mother against daughter and daughter against mother, mother-in-law against her daughter-in-law and daughter-in-law against mother-in-law." He also said to the crowds, "When you see a cloud rising in the west, you immediately say, 'It is going to rain'; and so it happens. And when you see the south wind blowing, you say, 'There will be scorching heat'; and it happens. You hypocrites! You know how to interpret the appearance of earth and sky, but why do you not know how to interpret the present time?"

**Sermon**                      *Father Roger Cramer*

<b>Creed</b> <i>recite in unison</i>	BCP p. 358
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<b>The Peace</b> ☩	

**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.*



**The Great Thanksgiving, Prayer A**

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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.*

**Post Communion Prayer**

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**Blessing and Dismissal**

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*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!*

<b>Serving Today</b>		
<b>Vestry Persons of the Day</b>	William Conway, Heidi Milman	
	<b>8:00 a.m.</b>	<b>10:00 a.m.</b>
<b>Chalice</b>	Jinny Lavoie	Robert McHugh
<b>Lector</b>	Jim Sweet	Chris Cahill
<b>Ushers</b>	Andy Kolesnikoff, Jackie Langlois	Holly Green, Debbie Newman

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