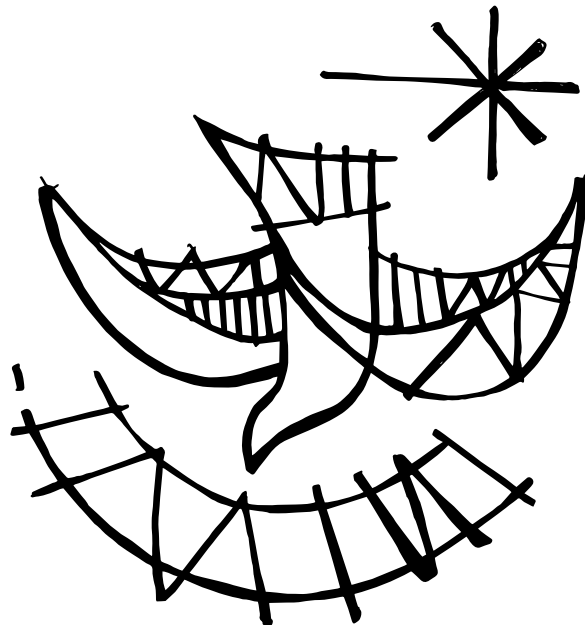




The First Sunday after Pentecost: Trinity Sunday

May 31, 2026, 11:00

Holy Eucharist: Rite II



Welcome to St. Peter's Church

We are glad that you are with us today. Our worship of God is a communal experience. Please join in the prayers, communion, and fellowship as fully as you are comfortable doing. Help us welcome you by filling out one of the Welcome cards located in the box pews, and give it to an usher, greeter, or member of the clergy, or place it in the offering plate. You can also fill out a Welcome card online at www.stpetersphila.org/welcome or by scanning the QR code here.




Welcome to St. Peter's Episcopal Church

Thank you for joining us for worship! Below are just a few of the groups and events happening at St. Peter's. All are welcome!


Mozart Requiem Benefit Concert

3 p.m. Today

 Today the St. Peter's Choir, under direction of Dr. Derrick Thompson, will perform Mozart's Requiem in D minor accompanied by organ, timpani, and strings. This benefit concert is free and open to the public, and dedicated to those immigrants detained or killed by ICE. Proceeds will benefit the PA Immigrant Family Unity Project. All are welcome!


Toll the Bell

1 p.m. Friday, June 5

 On Friday, June 5, St. Peter's Church will join with churches across the city to toll its tower bell for five minutes to honor the victims of gun violence. Toll the Bell is a city-wide sound installation held on National Gun Violence Awareness Day.


LGBTQ+ Asylum Seekers Legal Clinic

11:30 a.m. - 5 p.m. Saturday, June 6

 Join Duane Morris and St. Peter's Episcopal Church on June 6 for a special immigration legal clinic assisting LGBTQ+ asylum seekers fleeing violence. If you'd like to volunteer (training is provided!), please contact Duane Morris Pro Bono Counsel and St. Peter's Parishioner Kat Voit at kvoit@duanemorris.com to RSVP and obtain additional details.


A House Divided & A World on Fire

10 a.m. Sunday, June 7 & other Sundays in June

 Join Rev. Laurie as we explore the life and theology of Dietrich Bonhoeffer, and the lessons we can use as we live at the intersection of faith and civic life today. Bonhoeffer was a Lutheran pastor and theologian living in Nazi Germany, who eventually joined the resistance and was arrested and killed before the end of WWII. We will gather in the Parish House.

Philly Pride Parade & Festival

Sunday, June 7

 Join the Episcopal Church at the Philly Pride Festival & March on Sunday, June 7! Episcopal churches in Philadelphia will march in the Philly Pride Parade and sponsor a table at the festival to show our support for the LGBTQ+ community and spread God's message of love. If you are interested in marching in the parade or signing up for a shift at the festival table, please fill out this online form: <https://tinyurl.com/episcopalchurchpride>.

Announcements

Book Group: The Book Group meets at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, June 2 to discuss "One Day in the Life of Abed Salama" by Nick Thrall.

Churchyard Gardeners: Join us on Saturday, June 13, anytime from 10 a.m. to Noon to lend a hand with our Churchyard Gardeners.

Crafting Hangout: All those who love to craft are welcome to join us in the Parish House at 6 p.m. Tuesday, June 2. Together we will be working on a project for some special people in the congregation.

Families & Children: There will be no 9 AM Family Service on Sunday, June 14. We invite all families to join us at 11 AM.

Food Cupboard: We distribute food every Saturday morning from the Parish House. To volunteer or donate, visit: www.stpetersphila.org/foodcupboard.

Morning Prayer: Join us on Zoom at 8 a.m. every Wednesday for a Bible Study.

Sages: This lunch gathering will be held in the Parish House at 12:30 p.m. Wednesday, June 17. Bring a bag lunch!

Social Justice Discernment Group: Our next meeting will be 12:30 p.m. Sunday, June 14.

TNT (20s & 30s): We will gather at Rev. Laurie's house at 6 p.m. Saturday, July 11 for a backyard BBQ. RSVP at tinyurl.com/bbq711.

VIA (40s & 50s): Join us for our monthly dinners. Stay tuned for our June dinner date & location.

Youth Group: We will celebrate and recognize our graduating seniors at the 11 AM service on Sunday, June 7.

Want to Learn More?

Visit stpetersphila.org or sign up to receive our weekly e-mails at www.stpetersphila.org/enews.

The First Sunday after Pentecost: Trinity Sunday

This church worship service will be livestreamed and recorded for our online congregation. By participating in person you acknowledge that you may be visible on live broadcast or archived video. If you are uncomfortable about the possibility of appearing on video, please see an usher to be reseated in a more private area.

Sunday School

Children 10 and under are invited to join Sunday School. As you arrive in the church, please take them to the Wiggle Room (through the door to the right of the Reading Desk and up the stairs).

They will rejoin the big church at the peace for communion. Children 3 and under should be accompanied by an adult.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Opening Voluntary

IX. Nimrod (from Enigma Variations), Op. 36

Edward Elgar (1857-1934)

The people stand as the clergy enter.

Processional Hymn 362

“Holy, holy, holy”

Nicaea



1 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y! Ear - ly in the
2 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! All the saints a - dore thee, cast - ing down their
3 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Though the dark - ness hide thee, though the sin - ful
4 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y! All thy works shall



1 morn - ing our song shall rise to thee: Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly!
2 gold - en crowns a - round the glass - y sea; cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim
3 hu - man eye thy glo - ry may not see, on - ly thou art ho - ly;
4 praise thy Name, in earth, and sky, and sea; Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly!



1 Mer - ci - ful and might - y, God in three Per - sons, bless - ed Tri - ni - ty.
2 fall - ing down be - fore thee, which wert, and art, and ev - er - more shalt be.
3 there is none be - side thee, per - fect in power, in love, and pu - ri - ty.
4 Mer - ci - ful and might - y, God in three Per - sons, bless - ed Tri - ni - ty.

Opening Sentence

Celebrant: Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.

People: **Glory to God for ever and ever.**

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Glo-ry to God in the high - est, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.

Ho-ly One, heaven-ly God, Cre - a - tor and the Al - migh - ty, we wor - ship you, we give you thanks,

we praise you for your glo - ry. O Je - sus Christ, Be-got-ten of the Cre - a - tor, Lord God, Lamb of God,

you take a-way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us; you are seat - ed at the right hand of

Ma - jes-ty: re - ceive our prayer. For you a-lone are the Ho - ly One, you a-lone are the Mes - si - ah,

you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit,

in the glo - ry of the Tri - une God. A - men.

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, you have given to us your servants grace, by the confession of a true faith, to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity, and in the power of your divine Majesty to worship the Unity: Keep us steadfast in this faith and worship, and bring us at last to see you in your one and eternal glory, O Creator; who with the Son and the Holy Spirit live and reign, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The people sit.

First Lesson: Genesis 1:1-2:4a

In the beginning when God created the heavens and the earth, the earth was a formless void and darkness covered the face of the deep, while a wind from God swept over the face of the waters. Then God said, "Let there be light"; and there was light. And God saw that the light was good; and God separated the light from the darkness. God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.

And God said, "Let there be a dome in the midst of the waters, and let it separate the waters from the waters." So God made the dome and separated the waters that were under the dome from the waters that were above the dome. And it was so. God called the dome Sky. And there was evening and there was morning, the second day.

And God said, "Let the waters under the sky be gathered together into one place, and let the dry land appear." And it was so. God called the dry land Earth, and the waters that were gathered together he called Seas. And God saw that it was good. Then God said, "Let the earth put forth vegetation: plants yielding seed, and fruit trees of every kind on earth that bear fruit with the seed in it." And it was so. The earth brought forth vegetation: plants yielding seed of every kind, and trees of every kind bearing fruit with the seed in it. And God saw that it was good. And there was evening and there was morning, the third day.

And God said, "Let there be lights in the dome of the sky to separate the day from the night; and let them be for signs and for seasons and for days and years, and let them be lights in the dome of the sky to give light upon the earth." And it was so. God made the two great lights—the greater light to rule the day and the lesser light to rule the night—and the stars. God set them in the dome of the sky to give light upon the earth, to rule over the day and over the night, and to separate the light from the darkness. And God saw that it was good. And there was evening and there was morning, the fourth day.

And God said, "Let the waters bring forth swarms of living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth across the dome of the sky." So God created the great sea monsters and every living creature that moves, of every kind, with which the waters swarm, and every winged bird of every kind. And God saw that it was good. God blessed them, saying, "Be fruitful and multiply and fill the waters in the seas, and let birds multiply on the earth." And there was evening and there was morning, the fifth day.

And God said, "Let the earth bring forth living creatures of every kind: cattle and creeping things and wild animals of the earth of every kind." And it was so. God made the wild animals of the earth of every kind, and the cattle of every kind, and everything that creeps upon the ground of every kind. And God saw that it was good.

Then God said, "Let us make humankind in our image, according to our likeness; and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the wild animals of the earth, and over every creeping thing that creeps upon the earth."

So God created humankind in his image,
in the image of God he created them;
male and female he created them.

God blessed them, and God said to them, "Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth and subdue it; and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the air and over every living thing that moves upon the earth." God said, "See, I have given you every plant yielding seed that is upon the face of all the earth, and every tree with seed in its fruit; you shall have them for food. And to every beast of the earth, and to every bird of the air, and to everything that creeps on the earth, everything that has the breath of life, I have given every green plant for food." And it was so. God saw everything that he had made, and indeed, it was very good. And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day.

Thus the heavens and the earth were finished, and all their multitude. And on the seventh day God finished the work that he had done, and he rested on the seventh day from all the work that he had done. So God blessed the seventh day and hallowed it, because on it God rested from all the work that he had done in creation.

These are the generations of the heavens and the earth when they were created.

Lector: Hear what the spirit is saying to God's people.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Canticle 13

Song of the Three Young Men

based on *Foundation*
Carl P. Daw, Jr. and Kevin R. Hackett

The people remain seated. The choir first sings the antiphon then all join right afterwards, and as indicated.

Antiphon

We will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.

Glory to you, Lord God of our fathers; *
you are worthy of praise; glory to you.
Glory to you for the radiance of your holy Name; *
we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.
[Ant.]
Glory to you in the splendor of your temple; *
on the throne of your majesty, glory to you.

Glory to you, seated between the Cherubim; *
we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.
[Ant.]
Glory to you, beholding the depths; *
in the high vault of heaven, glory to you.
Glory to you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit; *
we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.
[Ant.]

Second Lesson: 2 Corinthians 13:11-13

Finally, brothers and sisters, farewell. Put things in order, listen to my appeal, agree with one another, live in peace; and the God of love and peace will be with you. Greet one another with a holy kiss. All the saints greet you. The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with all of you.

Lector: Hear what the spirit is saying to God's people.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

The people stand.

Sequence Hymn

“Come, thou almighty King”

Moscow

1 Come, thou al - might - y King, help us thy Name to sing,
 2 Come, thou in - car - nate Word, by heav'n and earth a - dored;
 3 Come, ho - ly Com - fort - er, thy sa - cred wit - ness bear
 4 To Thee, great One in Three, the high - est prais - es be,

1 help us to praise. Mak - er whose love un-known all things cre - at - ed own,
 2 our prayer at - tend: come, and thy peo - ple bless; come, give thy word suc - cess;
 3 in this glad hour: thou, who al - might - y art, now rule in ev - ery heart,
 4 hence ev - er - more; thy sov - reign ma - jes - ty may we in glo - ry see,

1 build in our hearts thy throne, An - cient of Days.
 2 stab - lish thy right - eous - ness, Sa - vior and friend.
 3 and ne'er from us de - part, Spi - rit of pow'r.
 4 and to e - ter - ni - ty love and a - dore.

The Gospel: Matthew 28:16-20

The Priest reads the Gospel, first saying

The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ, according to Matthew

People: **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

The eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. When they saw him, they worshiped him; but some doubted. And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

After the Gospel, the Priest says

The Gospel of the Lord.

People: **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

Sermon

The Reverend Laurie Wurm

The Nicene Creed

The people stand and say together:

We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the Prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Prayers of the People

After each petition, the people respond with:

Intercessor: We pray:

People: **Hear our prayer, O God.**

Please remember those who have asked for our prayers:

Kevin	Abigail	Margie	Agate	Sienna Rose	Holly
Claire	Rachel	Jill	Sara	Joe	Ian
Hannah	Kathy	Don	Ron	Chris	Maria
Bill	Henry	Frank	Tewolde	Elaine	Nate
Esther	Casey	Ron	Carolyn, Fred, & Karen	Eric, Katelyn, & Sam	
Ed, Susan, & Family	Keith, Audrey, & family				

Confession of Sin

Celebrant: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

Celebrant and People:

**Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

The Celebrant concludes:

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

The Peace

Celebrant: The peace of Christ be always with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Announcements

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Anointing Prayer During Communion

If you would like to pray with a member of the Pastoral Care Committee you will find them stationed by the sides of the altar during communion to offer both prayer and anointing. Oil is used for anointing to symbolize the power of the Holy Spirit to bless, restore, and convey wisdom and strength in times of trial.



During the Offertory Anthem, ushers will take up an offering. You can also give to St. Peter's electronically through **Venmo @stpetersphila** (our profile appears in the Charities category), by scanning the QR code here, or visiting www.stpetersphila.org/give-online for links to donate using PayPal, or through our secure website.

Offertory Anthem

“Bless the Lord, O my soul”

Willis L. Barnett

Bless the Lord, O my soul, sing praise!
He is so great in all the earth,
for he is clothed in might and righteousness.
He created earth and sky.
O my soul, sing praise!
He is so great in all the earth.
Lord, how glorious are your works.
Lord, how marvelous are your works in the earth.
Let all the earth break forth in joyful song.
Sing praise for salvation through Jesus, our Lord.
He ransomed his life, an atonement for sin.
Open your heart and let him in.

Doxology

“Praise God, from whom all blessings flow”

Old 100th

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below;
praise God above, ye heav'n-ly host: praise Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

People: **We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

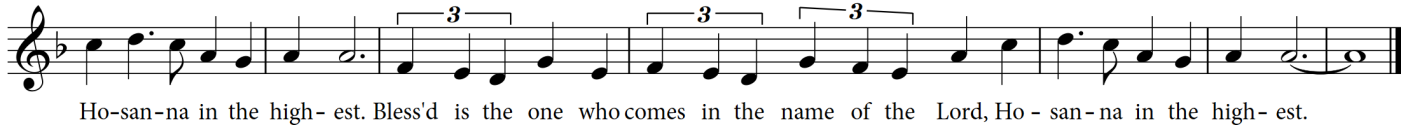
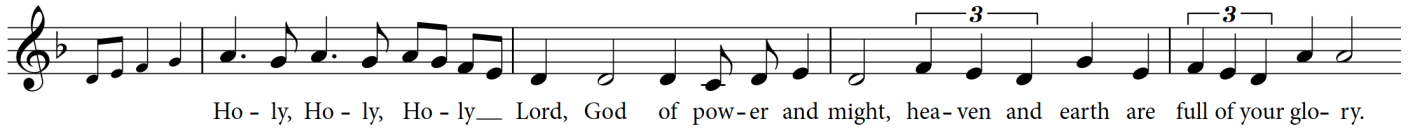
The Celebrant continues:

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. For with your co-eternal Son and Holy Spirit, you are one God, one Lord, in Trinity of Persons and in Unity of Being; and we celebrate the one and equal glory of you, O Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus

Robert Powell



Celebrant: We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

People: ***On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."***

Silence may be kept.

People: ***After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."***

Celebrant: Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

People: ***We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;***

The Celebrant continues:

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine. We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. ***Amen.***

The Lord's Prayer

Celebrant: And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

All: ***Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.***

***Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those
who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial,
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen.***

The Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant:

Christ our passover is sacrificed for us;

People:

Therefore let us keep the feast.

Fraction Anthem S164

Franz Schubert

Je - sus, Lamb of God: have mer-cy on__ us__ Je - sus, bear - er of our sins: have mer-cy on__ us__

Je - sus, re-deem - er, re - deem-er of__ the world: give us your peace, give __ us__ your peace.

Celebrant:

The Gifts of God for the People of God.
Whoever you are and wherever you are on your journey of faith,
you are welcome at this, Christ's Table.

This is the Lord's supper: God's feast for all of God's people. There is always an abundance here and there is a place for you. You are invited and encouraged to feast at God's table.

There is gluten free bread available. You can request this from the clergy when receiving.

*To receive the wine, you may drink from the cup while the chalice bearer holds it for you. **Please do not intinct (dip) the bread into the cup of wine.** If you prefer to not drink from the common cup, receiving bread only is still full participation in the sacrament of Holy Eucharist.*

If you wish to receive a blessing instead of the bread or wine, you are welcome; come forward and cross your arms over your chest.

Communion Anthem

“For the beauty of the earth”

John Rutter

For the beauty of the earth,
For the glory of the skies,
For the love which from our birth,
Over and around us lies,
Lord of all, to Thee we raise,
This our joyful hymn of praise.
For the beauty of each hour,
Of the day and of the night,
Hill and vale, and tree and flower,
Sun and moon, and stars of light,
Lord of all, to Thee we raise,
This our joyful hymn of praise.

For the joy of human love,
Brother, sister, parent, child,
Friends on earth and friends above,
For all gentle thoughts and mild,
Lord of all, to Thee we raise,
This our joyful hymn of praise.
For each perfect gift of time,
To our race so freely given,
Graces human and divine,
Flowers of earth and buds of heaven,
Lord of all, to Thee we raise,
This our joyful hymn of praise.

Communion Hymn 533

“How wondrous and great thy works, God of praise!”

Lyons

1 How won - drous and great thy works, God of praise! How just, King of saints,
2 To na - tions of earth thy light shall be shown; their wor - ship and vows

1 and true__ are thy ways! O who shall not fear thee, and hon - or thy Name?
2 shall come__ to thy throne: thy truth and thy judg - ments shall spread all a - broad,

1 Thou on - ly art ho - ly, thou on - ly su - preme.
2 till earth's ev - ery peo - ple con - fess__ thee their God.

Postcommunion Prayer

After Communion, the people stand and the Celebrant says:

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People:

Eternal God, Holy One, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Blessing

Dismissal

Celebrant: Filled with the Spirit’s power, go in the light and peace of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia.

People: ***Thanks be to God! Alleluia! Alleluia!***

Closing Voluntary

Improvisation on *Italian Hymn*

Albert L. Travis (b. 1940)

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Serving This Morning

- Communion Bread Bakers:** Maryfrances Parisi, Barbara Angelini, Barbara Matteucci, Matt Kuentzler, Harrison Stowe, Travis Stewart, Lex Johnson
- Altar Guild:** Caroline West
- Sunday School:** Elizabeth Morrison
- Sunday School Assistant:** Ann Kell
- Greeters:** Diane Lochel, Keith Betten
- Usher:** Kathleen Stephenson
- Lectors:** Thomas Baldwin, Jen Russ
- Preacher and Celebrant:** The Reverend Laurie Wurm
- Announcements:** Kat Voit
- Intercessor:** Barbara Matteucci
- Acolyte:** Kat Voit
- Chalice Bearer:** Jill Minick
- Anointing Prayer:** Jay Newlin, Herb Snyder
- Bell Ringer:** Ben Cornelius
- Refreshments and Coffee Hour Host:** Tina Hogan

Go in peace, and return often to worship with us.

Sunday:

9 am – Children’s service with songs, stories and activities

9am - Contemplative, spoken worship service

11 am – Worship service with music, Holy Eucharist, and sermon

Tuesday:

12 noon – Worship service with Holy Eucharist

THE LAYOUT OF ST. PETER’S

The unusual layout of the church reflects the emphasis on Bible-reading and preaching in 1761, during the Great Awakening evangelical movement. Putting the reading desk and pulpit at the west end gave them greater prominence than the altar opposite, since the communion service was held only occasionally. The resulting need to face in both directions during services meant that the original box pews, designed for warmth, had to be retained after the invention of central heating.

For more information on the long history of the church, pick up one of the brochures at the west end or inquire about purchasing a copy of *St. Peter’s Church: Faith in Action for 250 Years*, published in 2011.

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