

Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday, September 6, 2026

8:00 a.m. The Holy Eucharist: Rite One 524

The Book of Common Prayer, pp. 323-339

10:00 a.m. The Holy Eucharist: Rite Two

This service is recorded and livestreamed. "BCP" refers to *The Book of Common Prayer*.

Gather in the Lord's Name

Prelude: "*Offertoire*"

César Franck

Processional Hymn: *I love thy kingdom, Lord*

Hymnal 524

Greeting and Collect for Purity

BCP p. 355

Canticle: *Gloria in excelsis*

Hymnal S-277

Collect of the Day

Proclaim and Respond to God's Word

Leaflet pages 2 and 3

Sequence Hymn: *God is love*

Hymnal 577

Sermon: The Reverend Paul DeWitt Reid

Nicene Creed

BCP p. 358

Prayers of the People: **Response: "Hear our prayer"**

Confession through Peace

BCP p. 360

Prepare the Table and Break the Bread

Offertory Music: *Meditation*

Henry Dunham

Doxology: *Morning Hymn*

Hymn 11, v.4

Eucharistic Prayer B

BCP p. 367

Sanctus

Hymnal S-114

Lord's Prayer

BCP p. 364

Fraction Anthem: *Agnus Dei*

Hymnal S-161

Communion Music: *Cromborne sur le Taille*

Francois Couperin

Postcommunion Prayer

BCP p. 365

Go Forth into God's World

Blessing

Recessional Hymn: *Joyful, joyful we adore thee*

Hymnal 376

Dismissal

BCP p. 366

Postlude: *Fuga in g minor*

J.S. Bach

Liturgy of the Word: The Fifteenth Sunday After Pentecost

Rite One

Grant us, O Lord, we pray thee, to trust in thee with all our heart; seeing that, as thou dost alway resist the proud who confide in their own strength, so thou dost not forsake those who make their boast of thy mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Rite Two

Grant us, O Lord, to trust in you with all our hearts; for, as you always resist the proud who confide in their own strength, so you never forsake those who make their boast of your mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Ezekiel 33:7-11

You, mortal, I have made a sentinel for the house of Israel; whenever you hear a word from my mouth, you shall give them warning from me. If I say to the wicked, “O wicked ones, you shall surely die,” and you do not speak to warn the wicked to turn from their ways, the wicked shall die in their iniquity, but their blood I will require at your hand. But if you warn the wicked to turn from their ways, and they do not turn from their ways, the wicked shall die in their iniquity, but you will have saved your life. Now you, mortal, say to the house of Israel, Thus you have said: “Our transgressions and our sins weigh upon us, and we waste away because of them; how then can we live?” Say to them, As I live, says the Lord God, I have no pleasure in the death of the wicked, but that the wicked turn from their ways and live; turn back, turn back from your evil ways; for why will you die, O house of Israel?

Psalm 119:33-40 *Legem pone*

Read responsively by whole verse

Teach me, O Lord, the way of your statutes, * and I shall keep it to the end.

Give me understanding, and I shall keep your law; * I shall keep it with all my heart.

Make me go in the path of your commandments, * for that is my desire.

Incline my heart to your decrees * and not to unjust gain.

Turn my eyes from watching what is worthless; * give me life in your ways.

Fulfill your promise to your servant, * which you make to those who fear you.

Turn away the reproach which I dread, * because your judgments are good.

Behold, I long for your commandments; * in your righteousness preserve my life.

Romans 13:8-14

Owe no one anything, except to love one another; for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law. The commandments, “You shall not commit adultery; You shall not murder; You shall not steal; You shall not covet”; and any other commandment, are summed up in this word, “Love your neighbor as yourself.” Love does no wrong to a neighbor; therefore, love is the fulfilling of the law. Besides this, you know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; the night is far gone, the day is near. Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armor of light; let us live honorably as in the day, not in reveling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarreling and jealousy. Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

Matthew 18:15-20

Jesus said, “If another member of the church sins against you, go and point out the fault when the two of you are alone. If the member listens to you, you have regained that one. But if you are not listened to, take one or two others along with you, so that every word may be confirmed by the evidence of two or three witnesses. If the member refuses

to listen to them, tell it to the church; and if the offender refuses to listen even to the church, let such a one be to you as a Gentile and a tax collector. Truly I tell you, whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven. Again, truly I tell you, if two of you agree on earth about anything you ask, it will be done for you by my Father in heaven. For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them.”



Welcome to St. Peter's

WE ARE A PARISH of the Episcopal Diocese of Pennsylvania. The rich life of our busy congregation, outreach opportunities, reflections, notices, prayer requests, and ways for you to be involved are detailed in our weekly email newsletter called Keynotes (named after St. Peter's “keys to the Kingdom”). To begin receiving Keynotes, simply email Melissa in the parish office at parishadministrator@stpetersgv.org. For pastoral emergencies, contact Clarke, our priest.

GLUTEN-FREE COMMUNION WAFERS are available upon request at the altar rail from the eucharistic minister.

SERVING TODAY: **Altar Guild:** Mary Ann Tatum; **Flower Guild:** Queenie Northrop; **Ushers:** (8:00) Laurel Veitch; (10:00) Dave Tatum, Mary Ann Tatum; **Readers:** (8:00) Cliff Castle; (10:00) David Graves, Katie Franz; **Intercessors:** (8:00) Cliff Castle; (10:00) Stephen Holt; **Lay Eucharistic Ministers:** (8:00) Tim Hepp; (10:00) Seretha Curry, Holly Hardester; **Greeter:** (10:00) Pat Harvey; **Sound Technicians:** (8:00) Bud Coleman; (10:00) Mary Ann Tatum; **Verger:** (10:00) Mary Ann Tatum; **Summer Fellowship Host:** Vestry.

NURSERY CARE: Our youngest worshipers are welcome and encouraged to remain in church during the service. They rightfully contribute to our “joyful noise.” If you find it helpful, you may leave your young child in the care of our lovely nursery team; they're across the driveway in the parish house. An usher will be glad to show you.

For Your Prayers

In the power of the Spirit who joins our prayer to Christ's enduring intercession, we pray for the sick, the suffering, and all who stand in need, especially for these individuals and their families: Laurie Sasko, Bruce Dovey, Randy, Tom Kellogg, Evan, George, William, Peter Kreek, Eric Stoltz, Bob Malcolm, Hayley & Matt Andrzejewski, Dwyer/Alden families, Tony Allen, Anne Edelblute, Marilyn and Tony Caruso, Roberta and Leonard Mainiero, Joseph Osborne, Larry Christenson, Jim, Jeanne Russell, Carole Davis Dawson, Sam, Penny, Patti Hagstrom, Jack, Catherine, Tom, Helen, Mary, Cheryl and Saylor Calabrese, Kathy O'Brian, Reese, Melissa, Livingston B. Morris, Abby LeGendre, Jason Hacker, Mary, Virginia McLoughlin, Don, Theresa Lang, Brenda Grove, Charlotte Mark, Priscilla Belsinger, Sue McMaster, Katie Hoffman, Clark, George Loza, Lynda Rebarchak, James, Anna, Diana, Kathleen O'Brien, Kathy O'Neill

For these other concerns: For the needs of others throughout our country and the world; for our nation and for all nations, that we may live in unity, peace, and concord; for justice and peace, and respect for the dignity of every human being; for all immigrants, refugees, and pilgrims from around the world, that they may be welcomed in our midst and be treated with fairness, dignity, and respect; for wise and just leaders; for those serving in the armed forces; for wounded warriors; for those whom we see as enemies and those who see us as enemies; for our visitors and guests and all those seeking a church home; for those seeking employment; for those who are poor, hungry, lonely, oppressed or in prison; for all those in places of war and genocide, especially in the Middle East, Ukraine, and Sudan; and for all those suffering as a result of gun violence and natural disasters.

Altar Memorials: In memory of Mary E. Tremper Bordogna and Ruth Saunders O'Grady given by Richard & Kathleen Bordogna; in memory of Gladys Stevens and Howard F. Battin, Jr., given by Ryan Battin

Parish Life Cycle of Prayer: The Needlework Ministry

Outreach Cycle of Prayer: The Community of St. James

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: The Episcopal/Anglican Province of Alexandria

Announcements

NEXT WEEK BEGINS THE PROGRAM YEAR! On September 13, we return to our three-service schedule: 8:00 in the Historic Church, 9:00 in the Barn with Christian Formation, 11:15 in the Historic Church.

FALL FEST: Friday, September 11, from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m., and EVERYONE is invited. Whether you are new to St. Peter's or have been part of our community for many years, we hope you will join us for this beloved evening of fellowship that officially kicks off our program year. Our new rector John Kennedy's first Sunday with us will be September 13, and Fall Fest offers a wonderful, informal opportunity to say hello, share conversation, and extend the warm hospitality that defines St. Peter's. Families are asked to bring an hors d'oeuvre for eight to ten people to add to our food tables. Beverages will be provided. To help us plan, please let us know how many will attend. Click the link in Keynotes or call the church office. In addition to bringing a food item, we are seeking volunteers to assist with setup and, especially, with breakdown and cleanup.

POPCORN THEOLOGY: Please join us on Monday, September 14, at 6:00 p.m. as we discuss *World Trade Center* (2006), the first film in our series "American Heroes, Past and Present." The Zoom link will come via a special Keynotes on September 13.

SHAKESPEARE ON OUR LAWN: St. Peter's welcomes ACT Players back with their production of "The Tempest," to be performed outdoors behind the Bank Barn if weather permits and indoors if not. Shipwrecks, magic, and love transform a mystical island in this classic play. A talkback with the cast will follow the 2:00 p.m. performance, and music by the Greenwood Players will begin at 6:00 p.m. before the evening performance. The event is free, but donations are gratefully accepted. Treats will be available for purchase. If you are able to help, please sign up in the gathering space or contact Sarah Tellefsen.

HOLY BAKERS RISE AGAIN: Please join the Holy Bakers on Saturday, September 12th, at 9:00 AM, in the Historic Church. It is time to stock the freezer with Communion Bread. Bring your energy and enthusiasm and we'll supply the rest. This activity is open to all ages and interested parties. Questions can be directed to Paige Infortuna

FELLOWSHIP VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: Volunteers are needed to host coffee, tea, and snacks following each Sunday service. Look for more details on how to sign up in the Keynotes and in the Barn and Historic Church. Contact Michael Smith at michaelsmithgmail@gmail.com for more information.

MEMORIAL BRICK FUNDRAISER: Celebrate and honor loved ones while supporting our church through our Memorial Brick Fundraiser. For a donation of \$100, you can purchase an engraved 4" x 8" brick personalized with up to three lines of text. The bricks will be placed in the area in front of the Parish Office. Order forms will be available in the gathering spaces in both the Barn and the Historic Church. All orders must be submitted by September 6, 2026.

WARM CLOTHING DRIVE: We are collecting cold-weather items for adults and children including new or gently used (but clean!) socks, hats, scarves, gloves, sweatshirts, or coats. Contact Brenda Grove at brendabgrove@gmail.com.

SEPTEMBER IS SOUP MONTH for the Shopping Cart food ministry. Your support provides direct relief to our neighbors at CYWA in Coatesville. Any questions please call the office (610-644-2261). Thank you!



St. Peter's Church in the Great Valley

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The vestry typically meets on the third Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m.

The rector and vestry members are the trustees of St. Peter's Church in the Great Valley.

Class of 2027: Becky Dempsey, Duncan Kraig, Michael Smith, and Tony Wirtel.

Class of 2028: Greg Bright, Katie Franz (Rector's Warden), Matt Goller, and Cassandra Shannon.

Class of 2029: Betsy Bouvel, Susan Davis, Greg Fisher, and Mary Ann Tatum (Vestry Warden).

Secretary to the Vestry: Laurel Veitch; **Parish Treasurer:** Paige Infortuna