



ST. PETER'S

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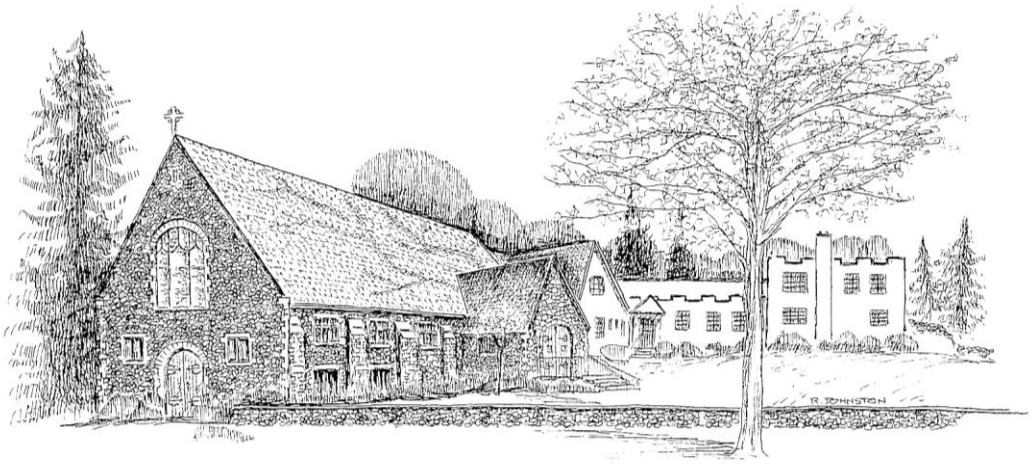


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FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
JULY 13, 2025
9:30 AM

WELCOME TO ST. PETER'S!

The Altar Flowers are given to the Glory of God by Kathryn Alessio, In loving memory of her husband, Sam, daughter, Diane and other cherished loved ones, and by Janet Wilson In honor of Zambetoula Vazaio and Andrew Wigdahl's wedding.

Ministers of the Service

Today's Servers

Presider & Preacher:	The Rev. Deacon Nancy Hansen
Verger:	Tim O'Donnell
Organist/Music Director	Sal Lagattuta
Soloist	Natasha Streuble
Ushers:	Helen Pulitano & Lisa Sonn
Lay Reader:	Jim Ferguson
Eucharistic Minister:	Jim Ferguson
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Lemonade Fellowship Host:	

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THE WORD OF GOD

Prelude: "Adagio

B. Marcello

(Please stand)

Processional Hymn: "When Christ Was Lifted"



1 When Christ was lift - ed from the earth, his
2 Still east and west his love ex - tends and
3 Where gen - er - a - tion, class, or race di
4 Thus free - ly loved, though ful - ly known, may

arms stretched out a - bove through ev - ery cul - ture,
al - ways, near or far, he calls and claims us
vide us to our shame, he sees not la - bels
I in Christ be free to wel - come and ac -

ev - ery birth, to draw an an - swering love.
as his friends and loves us as we are.
but a face, a per - son, and a name.
cept his own as Christ ac - cept - ed me.

Opening Acclamation

Book of Common Prayer, page 355

Presider: Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

People: And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Collect for Purity

Celebrant: 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.**

Gloria in excelsis

Hymnal S 280

1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and
peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly
King, al - mighty God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we
give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus
Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you
take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy
on us; 5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -
ceive our prayer. 6. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One,
you a - lone are the Lord, 7. you a - lone are the Most
High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the
glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

The Collect of the Day

Presider: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Presider: Let us pray.

O Lord, mercifully receive the prayers of your people who call upon you, and grant that they may know and understand what things they ought to do, and also may have grace and power faithfully to accomplish them; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Lessons

First Reading: Deuteronomy 30:9-14

A reading from the Second Book of Deuteronomy. Moses said to the people of Israel, "The LORD your God will make you abundantly prosperous in all your undertakings, in the fruit of your body, in the fruit of your livestock, and in the fruit of your soil. For the LORD will again take delight in prospering you, just as he delighted in prospering your ancestors, when you obey the LORD your God by observing his commandments and decrees that are written in this book of the law, because you turn to the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul.

"Surely, this commandment that I am commanding you today is not too hard for you, nor is it too far away. It is not in heaven, that you should say, 'Who will go up to heaven for us, and get it for us so that we may hear it and observe it?' Neither is it beyond the sea, that you should say, 'Who will cross to the other side of the sea for us, and get it for us so that we may hear it and observe it?' No, the word is very near to you; it is in your mouth and in your heart for you to observe."

The Word of the Lord

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 25:1-9

- 1 To you, O LORD, I lift up my soul;
my God, I put my trust in you; *
let me not be humiliated,
nor let my enemies triumph over me.
- 2 Let none who look to you be put to shame; *
let the treacherous be disappointed in their schemes.
- 3 Show me your ways, O LORD, *
and teach me your paths.
- 4 Lead me in your truth and teach me, *
for you are the God of my salvation;
in you have I trusted all the day long.
- 5 Remember, O LORD, your compassion and love, *
for they are from everlasting.
- 6 Remember not the sins of my youth and my transgressions; *
remember me according to your love
and for the sake of your goodness, O LORD.
- 7 Gracious and upright is the LORD; *
therefore he teaches sinners in his way.
- 8 He guides the humble in doing right *
and teaches his way to the lowly.
- 9 All the paths of the LORD are love and faithfulness *
to those who keep his covenant and his testimonies.

Second Reading: Colossians 1:1-14

A reading from St. Paul's letter to the Colossians. Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and Timothy our brother,

To the saints and faithful brothers and sisters in Christ in Colossae:

Grace to you and peace from God our Father.

In our prayers for you we always thank God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, for we have heard of your faith in Christ Jesus and of the love that you have for all the saints, because of the hope laid up for you in heaven. You have heard of this hope before in the word of the truth, the gospel that has come to you. Just as it is bearing fruit and growing in the whole world, so it has been bearing fruit among yourselves from the day you heard it and truly comprehended the grace of God. This you learned from Epaphras, our beloved fellow servant. He is a faithful minister of Christ on your behalf, and he has made known to us your love in the Spirit.

For this reason, since the day we heard it, we have not ceased praying for you and asking that you may be filled with the knowledge of God's will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding, so that you may lead lives worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing to him, as you bear fruit in every good work and as you grow in the knowledge of God. May you be made strong with all the strength that comes from his glorious power, and may you be prepared to endure everything with patience, while joyfully giving thanks to the Father, who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light. He has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

The Word of the Lord

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Gradual Hymn: "They'll Know We Are Christians By Our Love"



- 1 We are one in the Spir - it; we are one in the Lord.
- 2 We will walk with each oth - er; we will walk hand in hand.
- 3 We will work with each oth - er; we will work side by side.
- 4 All praise to the Fa - ther, from whom all things come.



We are one in the Spir - it; we are one in the Lord.
We will walk with each oth - er; we will walk hand in hand.
We will work with each oth - er; we will work side by side.
And all praise to Christ Je - sus, his on - ly Son.



And we pray that all u - ni - ty may one day be re - stored.
And to - geth - er we'll spread the news that God is in our land.
And we'll guard each one's dig - ni - ty and save each one's pride.
And all praise to the Spir - it, who makes us one.



And they'll know we are Chris-tians by our love, by our love.



Yes, they'll know we are Chris-tians by our love.

Gospel Announcement

Presider: The Holy Gospel of our Lord, Jesus Christ, according to John.

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

Gospel: Luke 10:25-37

A reading from the according to Luke Gospel.

Just then a lawyer stood up to test Jesus. "Teacher," he said, "what must I do to inherit eternal life?" He said to him, "What is written in the law? What do you read there?" He answered, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind; and your neighbor as yourself." And he said to him, "You have given the right answer; do this, and you will live."

But wanting to justify himself, he asked Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?" Jesus replied, "A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and fell into the hands of robbers, who stripped him, beat him, and went away, leaving him half dead. Now by chance a priest was going down that road; and when he saw him, he passed by on the other side. So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. But a Samaritan while traveling came near him; and when he saw him, he was moved with pity. He went to him and bandaged his wounds, having poured oil and wine on them. Then he put him on his own animal, brought him to an inn, and took care of him. The next day he took out two denarii, gave them to the innkeeper, and said, 'Take care of him; and when I come back, I will repay you whatever more you spend.' Which of these three, do you think, was a neighbor to the man who fell into the hands of the robbers?" He said, "The one who showed him mercy." Jesus said to him, "Go and do likewise. **"Praise to you, Lord Christ."**

Sermon

Rev. Deacon Nancy Hansen

The Nicene Creed

Book of Common Prayer page 358

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. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He 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 *The Leader and People pray responsively*

Leader: Gracious God, We pray for this holy gathering, and for the people of God in every place. We pray for the Church, and for Sean or Presiding Bishop, Carlye our Bishop, Michael our priest, Nancy our Deacon, and Peekka, our Lay Pastoral Let us pray.

People: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader: Gracious God, We pray for the leaders of the nations, and for mercy, justice and peace throughout the world. Let us pray

People: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader: Gracious God, we pray for the sick and suffering. Reading their names together we pray for **Jackie Hackett, Beth Janopaul, David Enslee, Eva Cordova, Kathy Mack, Christopher Sugahara, Donal Duff, Jordyn Riley, Bob Messick, Mary Del Ojo, Glenn Clark, Toby Frey, Dana Dean, Evelyn Watkins, Nancy Mclarin, Lee Westbrook, Nancy Pignatello, Jack Christel, Nancy Nickens, Ray Rogers, Tessie, Christopher, Martha, Dorothy, Cicely Elyse and Gokul Hemmady.**

Leader: Gracious God, your world is hungry for your presence. Teach us to put our trust in you. We pray for St. Peter's Church Family and in particular today, Sid Johnson and Charlotte Kalb, for those celebrating birthdays this week: Allyson Doherty, Traci Rutt, Bethany Russo, Karley Berrios, Henry White, Chris Richter and Colette Richter. We pray for Liberian students Fatumata, Princess, Maxwell, George & Derick; and the Ibrahimi Family. Let us pray

People: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader: Gracious God: We give thanks for those who we have known and loved, and who now are in your eternal embrace. We pray especially for Bruce Doyle, the husband of Leslie Doyle, who passed this week, Let us pray.

People: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Presider: Almighty and eternal God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth: mercifully accept the prayers of your people, and strengthen us to do your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Confession of Sin

Presider: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor. *(Silence may be kept)*

Presider 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 Presider stands and says

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

The Peace

The Presider says to the people

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: **And also with you.**

COMMUNION

Offertory Sentence

Offertory Solo: “O Divine Redeemer” C. Gounod

Natasha Streuble - soprano

Presentation Hymn: “Praise God, from whom all blessings flow” #380

Representatives of the congregation bring the people’s offerings to the celebrant. (vs. 3)

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise him, all creatures here below;
praise him above, ye heavenly host:
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

Presider

Almighty Father, whose dear Son, on the night before he suffered, instituted the Sacrament of his Body and Blood: Mercifully grant that we may receive it thankfully in remembrance of Jesus Christ our Lord, who in these holy mysteries give us a pledge of eternal life; and lives and reigns for ever and ever. **Amen**

Presider: And now, as our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

People and Presider

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

Invitation to Communion

Facing the people, the Presider says

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

Communion Solo: "A New Commandment" A. Nazareth/A. Moore

Post Communion Prayer Book of Common Prayer page 366

Presider and people

Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

Blessing

The Lord bless us and keep us. **AMEN**

The Lord make His face to shine upon us and be gracious to us. **AMEN**

The Lord lift His countenance upon us and grant us His peace. **AMEN**

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all evermore. **AMEN**

Recessional “In Christ There Is No East or West

Unison or harmony

1 In Christ there is no East or West, in
 2 Join hands, dis - ci - ples of the faith, what -
 3 In Christ now meet both East and West, in

him no South or North, but one great fel - low -
 e'er your race may be! Who serves my Fa - ther
 him meet South and North, all Christ - ly souls are

ship of love through - out the whole wide earth.
 as his child is sure - ly kin to me.
 one in him, through - out the whole wide earth.

Dismissal Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia, Alleluia.

People **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia.**

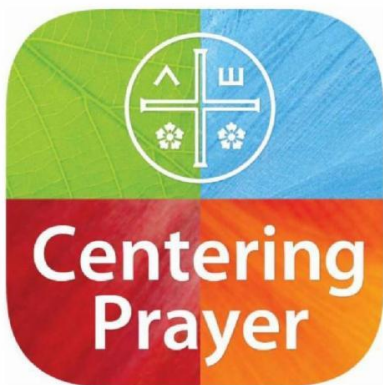
Postlude: “Prelude In G”

W. Walond

Introductory Centering Prayer Workshop

Sat Jul 12th 9:15am - 12:00pm (EDT)

St. John's Church, Boonton, 226 Cornelia St, Boonton, NJ 07005, USA



Introductory Centering Prayer Workshop
Sponsored by Contemplative Outreach

Led by CSJB Oblate Pat McKenzie
with Barbara Sherry

Join us for a peaceful morning of spiritual renewal on Saturday, July 12, from 9:15 AM to 12:00 PM at St. John's Church, Boonton.

This introductory workshop will explore the Christian contemplative practice of Centering Prayer—a method of silent meditation that helps deepen your relationship with God. Learn how cultivating inner stillness can open space for God's presence and offer a restful reprieve from the noise of daily life.

There is no charge to attend, though free-will offerings are gratefully accepted to help cover costs.

Following the workshop, you're warmly invited to stay for St. John's Saturday Social Luncheon, also offered at no cost.

Please RSVP to
Pat McKenzie at mckenziepat@gmail.com

*"Silence is God's first language;
everything else is a poor translation"*

- Thomas Keating

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St. Peter's Mission Statement

St. Peter's exists to celebrate our Christian faith through worship, fellowship and the demonstration of Christian love in the name of our Lord, Jesus Christ.

To accomplish this purpose we must

- Invite and welcome all persons into the warmth and fellowship of the St. Peter's family.
- Strengthen and support all members of our church family in their daily lives and minister to their needs.
- Create a rich environment where our common Christian values are shared and taught through worship, through study of the Bible and through example.
- Reach out to the world around us and demonstrate Christian love, sharing our gifts and talents with our neighbors and those in need of them.

The Staff at St. Peter's

The Reverend Michael Muller, Rector

Sal Lagattuta, Music Director

Lisa Kawalek, Parish Administrator

The Wardens and Vestry

Deborah Osborne, Senior Warden; Hope White, Junior Warden

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Lisa Sonn

Mary Del Ojo

Kevin Edwards

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