



St. Peter's Episcopal Church

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Second Sunday after Epiphany

January 15, 2023

Holy Eucharist— 9:45 AM

Welcome to St. Peter's. We are glad you are here!

Our worship uses the Book of Common Prayer (BCP), and the 1982 Hymnal (Hymnal), so the entire liturgy is here in the bulletin. If you have any questions, please ask any of our members who will be glad to help.

Children are always welcome in worship.

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Prelude

At the sound of the bell, the congregation stands as able for the processional hymn.

Opening Hymn

Christ, whose glory fills the skies

Hymnal 7

The people standing, the Celebrant sings

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

People

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

The Celebrant then says

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.***

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 Celebrant then continues

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People ***And also with you***

Celebrant Let us pray.

Collect of the Day

Almighty God, whose Son our Savior Jesus Christ is the light of the world: Grant that your people, illumined by your Word and Sacraments, may shine with the radiance of Christ's glory, that he may be known, worshipped, and obeyed to the ends of the earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

First Lesson (*please be seated*)

Isaiah 49:1-7

Listen to me, O coastlands,
pay attention, you peoples from far away!

The LORD called me before I was born,
while I was in my mother's womb he named me.

He made my mouth like a sharp sword,
in the shadow of his hand he hid me;

he made me a polished arrow,
in his quiver he hid me away.

And he said to me, "You are my servant,
Israel, in whom I will be glorified."

But I said, "I have labored in vain,
I have spent my strength for nothing and vanity;

yet surely my cause is with the LORD,
and my reward with my God."

And now the LORD says,
who formed me in the womb to be his servant,

to bring Jacob back to him,
and that Israel might be gathered to him,

for I am honored in the sight of the LORD,
and my God has become my strength--

he says,

“It is too light a thing that you should be my servant
to raise up the tribes of Jacob
and to restore the survivors of Israel;

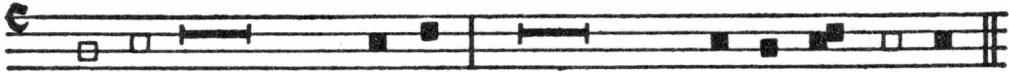
I will give you as a light to the nations,
that my salvation may reach to the end of the earth.”

Thus says the LORD,
the Redeemer of Israel and his Holy One,
to one deeply despised, abhorred by the nations,
the slave of rulers,

“Kings shall see and stand up,
princes, and they shall prostrate themselves,

because of the LORD, who is faithful,
the Holy One of Israel, who has chosen you.”

"After each reading, the Lector says "**The Word of the Lord**" and the People respond: "**Thanks be to God.**"



- 1 I WAIT-ed patiently upon / the Lord; *
he stooped to / me and heard my^cry.
- 2 He lifted me out of the desolate pit, out of the mire / and clay; *
he set my feet upon a high cliff and / made my foot-ing^sure.
- 3 He put a new song in my mouth, a song of praise to / our God; *
many shall see, and stand in awe,
and put their / ::trust in the^Lord.
- 4 Happy are they who trust in / the Lord; *
they do not resort to evil spirits or / turn to false gods.
- 5 Great things are they that you have done, O Lord my God;
how great your wonders and your plans / for us; *
there is none who can / be com-pared with^you.
- 6 Oh, that I could make them known and / tell them; *
but they are / more than I can^count.
- 7 In sacrifice and offering you take no / pleas-ure *
(you have given me / ears to hear you);
- 8 Burnt-offering and sin-offering you have not / re-quired, *
and so I / said, "Be-hold I^come.
- 9 In the roll of the book it is written concern-/ing me: *
'I love to do your will, O my God;
your law is / ::deep in my^heart.'"
- 10 I proclaimed righteousness in the great congre-/ga-tion; *
behold, I did not restrain my lips;
and / that, O Lord, you^know.
- 11 Your righteousness have I not hidden in my heart;
I have spoken of your faithfulness and your de-/liv-'rance; *
I have not concealed your love and faithfulness
from the great / con-gre-ga-tion.
- 12 You are the Lord; do not withhold your compassion / from me; *
let your love and your faithfulness keep me / safe for ev-er.

Second Reading

1 Corinthians 1:1-9

Paul, called to be an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and our brother Sosthenes,
To the church of God that is in Corinth, to those who are sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be saints, together with all those who in every place call on the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, both their Lord and ours:

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that has been given you in Christ Jesus, for in every way you have been enriched in him, in speech and knowledge of every kind-- just as the testimony of Christ has been strengthened among you-- so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ. He will also strengthen you to the end, so that you may be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. God is faithful; by him you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

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All stand, as able, for the procession and proclamation of the Holy Gospel.

Sequence *Alleluia. Alleluia. Praise ye the Lord, all his angels:
praise ye him, all his hosts. Alleluia.*

Gospeller: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. John.

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

Gospel

John 1:29-42

John saw Jesus coming toward him and declared, “Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world! This is he of whom I said, ‘After me comes a man who ranks ahead of me because he was before me.’ I myself did not know him; but I came baptizing with water for this reason, that he might be revealed to Israel.” And John testified, “I saw the Spirit descending from heaven like a dove, and it remained on him. I myself did not know him, but the one who sent me to baptize with water said to me, ‘He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain is the one who baptizes with the Holy Spirit.’ And I myself have seen and have testified that this is the Son of God.”

The next day John again was standing with two of his disciples, and as he watched Jesus walk by, he exclaimed, “Look, here is the Lamb of God!” The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus. When Jesus turned and saw them following, he said to them, “What are you looking for?” They said to him, “Rabbi” (which translated means Teacher), “where are you staying?” He said to them, “Come and see.” They came and saw where he was staying, and they remained with him that day. It was about four o’clock in the afternoon. One of the two who heard John speak and followed him was Andrew, Simon Peter’s brother. He first found his brother Simon and said to him, “We have found the Messiah” (which is translated Anointed). He brought Simon to Jesus, who looked at him and said, “You are Simon son of John. You are to be called Cephas” (which is translated Peter).

Gospeller: The Gospel of the Lord.

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

The Homily

The Reverend Derek H. Miller

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.

The Prayers of the People

Intercessions for Christian People

Officiant *Let us pray for the church and for the world, that all people may shine with the radiance of Christ, saying: Lord, hear our prayer.*

For the church of God, that all who in every place call on the name of our Lord Jesus Christ may be filled with all spiritual gifts and preserved in faith and peace, let us pray to the Lord.
Lord, hear our prayer.

For the mission of the church, that like the disciples we may bring our brothers and sisters everywhere to come and see the Savior, let us pray to the Lord.
Lord, hear our prayer.

For the peoples of the world, and all who govern them, and for peace and mutual respect among nations, let us pray to the Lord.
Lord, hear our prayer.

For those impoverished, oppressed, or humiliated by our way of life, that justice, equality, and reconciliation may unite all of God's creation, let us pray to the Lord.
Lord, hear our prayer.

For those who are sick, for those who mourn, and for those in any kind of trouble that our actions may show God's care for them, let us pray to the Lord.
Lord, hear our prayer.

You are invited to offer your prayers, either silently or aloud.

For all who have died in the peace of Christ, and for all the departed, let us pray to the Lord.
Lord, hear our prayer.

Officiant *Eternal God, hear the prayers of all your people, and give us the will and the courage to serve you throughout the world, until the day of our Lord Jesus Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen.*

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

Confession of Sin

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

Minister 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 Bishop, when present, or the Priest, stands and says

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

The Peace

All stand. The Celebrant says to the people

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People

And also with you.

Announcements

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,
 heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
 san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
 Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
 san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

The people stand or kneel.

The Celebrant continues the consecratory prayer telling of God's interaction with humanity throughout history, our need for redemption in Jesus Christ, and consecrates the bread and wine with the words Jesus used at the Last Supper. The full text is found in the BCP on page 367.

Then the Celebrant says.

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

Celebrant and People

We remember his death,

We proclaim his resurrection,

We await his coming in glory;

The Celebrant continues until

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 Celebrant continues

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

Lord's Prayer

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.

Fraction Anthem

Hymnal S-155

This setting is not used in Lent.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,
lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Christ our Pass - o - ver is
sac - ri - ficed for us; There - fore let us keep the feast.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Invitation to Communion

The ministers receive the Sacrament in both kinds, and then immediately deliver it to the people who may also receive both kinds.

Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following Invitation.

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.

Should I Receive Communion?

What follows is Holy Communion, the sacred meal of the Christian faith. The Episcopal Church, as do all other denominations rooted in the historic Christian faith, affirms that the sacrament of Baptism is the ancient and normative entry point for receiving the sacrament of Eucharist. That being said, no one who comes forward to receive the bread and wine at communion is ever turned away from God's table. Wherever you are in your spiritual journey, the Episcopal Church welcomes you, and we invite you to explore with us what baptism may mean for you. Want to know more? Please speak to our Rector, Fr. Derek, following the service (he LOVES talking about baptism!). When receiving the Holy Communion, you may take just the bread if you prefer, or the clergyperson can provide a gluten-free wafer upon request. If you are not baptized or would prefer not to receive communion for any personal or religious reason, you are still invited to come forward at the time of communion to receive a blessing from the priest. (Please place your arms across your chest to indicate your desire to receive a blessing.) Above all, remember that we at St. Peter's practice radical welcome, because
Jesus did the same!

Gluten free wafers are available - please let the priest know you desire gluten-free when you come to the altar rail.

If you are unable to come forward, please let the usher know and the ministers will bring the Sacrament to you in the pew.

Communion

*Andrew saith unto his brother Simon, We have found the Messiah:
and he brought him to Jesus.*

Communion Hymn

What wondrous love is this

Hymnal 439

Post-Communion Prayer

Eternal God, heavenly Father, 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

May Almighty God, who led the Wise Men by the shining of a star to find the Christ, the Light from Light, lead you also, in your pilgrimage, to find the Lord. **Amen.**

May God, who sent the Holy Spirit to rest upon the Only-begotten at his baptism in the Jordan River, pour out that Spirit on you who have come to the waters of new birth. **Amen.**

And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you forever. **Amen.**

Closing Hymn

Ye servants of God, your Master proclaim

Hymnal 535

Dismissal

People

Thanks be to God!

Postlude

*Today's flowers are given to the Glory of God,
In Loving Memory and Celebration of the late Shirley F. Kirwan's Birthday,
by Wayne and Adele Kirwan.*

ST. PETER'S PRAYER LIST

The Church: Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury; Michael, Presiding Bishop of the Episcopal Church; Eugene, Bishop of Maryland; Derek, our Rector, Joy, our Assisting Priest

Recent Needs: Penny Miller, Pattie Bond, John McSweeney, Christine, Kaye Pryor, Pat & Ollie Hand, Sebastian Reid, Sharon Chenoweth, Darrell Reid, Midori Ataka, Katherine Schnorrenberg

(Names remain on the Recent Needs Prayer List for 30 days unless notified otherwise.)

Ongoing Needs: Stephanie Reid, Phil Reid, Chuck Hersl, Sylvia Ramsey, Sabrina Mitchell, Scott Miller, Gwen Watts, Carlos Bonilla, Gigi Bonilla & Family, Bernadette Skelly, Bob Williams, Morris Powell, Sue & Steve Hartlaub, Butch Lanham, Ron Brueggeman, Tom Tozazini, Mary Lewis, Harrison Morson, Rebecca Light, Jennie Boyer, Ray & Rose Powell, Thomas Kirwan, Mary Mitchell, Jennifer Foster, Arthur Ronald Parham, Brian & Rick Kneeland, George Spencer, John Jordan

(Names remain on the Ongoing Needs Prayer List for 90 days unless notified otherwise.)

Homebound Members: Allie & Dick Suelflow, Frieda Gregory, Earl Elliott, Irene & Walter Closson

Rest of the Soul: Patrick Johnson-Lowe

(Names remain on the Rest of the Soul List for 30 days unless notified otherwise.)

Vestry and Officers: Doug Pryor, Stacie Parsells, Alexa Fair, Greg Busch, Jonnie Widener, Tom Donohue, Hal Clay, John Francis, Katie Shaw

Would you like to add someone to the prayer list or have an announcement featured here? Please submit names/announcements to the church office by email: parish.admin@stpetersec.org BY SUNDAY NIGHT.

ANNUAL MEETING & CHILI COOK-OFF:

We will be electing vestry members, recapping the last ministry year, and discussing this year's ministry plans.

The Vestry Nominees are: Alexa Fair & Judith Kilroy.

Presenting their Bio's for each of them below for our Annual Meeting.

Mark Your Calendars!

Annual Meeting & Chili Cook-off January 22, 2023.

Vestry Nominees' Bios:

Judith Kilroy

In 2015, I found St. Peter's. I had been searching for a new church, and quickly found something special at this community. It isn't because St. Peter's is a small congregation, making it easier to meet other congregants. It's who the people of St. Peter's are. This is a congregation that is loving and supportive of its members, and welcoming to all. The church's engagement with the Ellicott City community has helped many people in our town, and made real contributions to its civic life. When I look around our church, I see the true Christian spirit at work. I am committed to this church, and its continuing life as a strong spiritual community.

Background: I am a native Marylander, and have lived in Ellicott City since 1993. I am not a "cradle" Episcopalian. I was raised a Roman Catholic, but left that church many years ago. I spent 35 years in commercial real estate finance at Bank of America and its many predecessor banks and retired in 2015.

Alexa Fair

I have been a parishioner of St. Peter's since 2001, when I moved to Howard County. I later retired from 26 1/2 years with IRS. I have two daughters and two grandchildren, who do not live nearby, but I love to see them when it is possible.

St. Peter's immediately provided a welcome, spiritual space and the ability to be in the choir, back in 2001. These things are still very important and provided by St. Peter's.

I want to serve St. Peter's in whatever way needed. I hope by example, St. Peter's gets more people to volunteer when requested. When you volunteer, you are involved and feel connected. Also, you learn more about the needs of the church and the people in it. There are many areas for people to participate in the workings of St. Peter's.

My dream is for St. Peter's to grow, with more young families and children involved.

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Join Us Online!!

St. Peter's Website (stpetersec.org/events).

Bulletins are now available on our Website for each Service!

OUTREACH MINISTRY: The next ZOOM Outreach Ministry Meeting is on **February 14th, 2023**. Meetings are held on the **2nd Tuesday of the month at 2 pm**. All are welcome to attend. For more information on how to get involved please email:

Outreach@stpetersec.org

OUTREACH ACTION DATES: January 19, 2023—Pete's Packs Delivery - Stan Brown; January 26, 2023—Pete's Packs Delivery - Kaye & Doug Pryor; February 2, 2023—Pete's Packs Packing - Kitchen; February 2, 2023—Pete's Packs Delivery - Sharon Sachs; February 6, 2023—First Monday Meal - Katie Shaw, Meal Coordinator - Kitchen & Day Resource Center; February 9, 2023—Pete's Packs Delivery - Kofo Coker.

2023 FLOWER DONATIONS NEEDED!: Thank you to everyone who has graciously donated! Flowers may be given in thanksgiving for, honor of, memory of, or celebration of someone or something. **We ask for a donation of \$55 to cover the cost of the flowers each week**, which are tax deductible and will be acknowledged in the corresponding Sunday Bulletin. Please sign up to donate by emailing the **Parish Admin** at **parish.admin@stpetersec.org** or on **<http://bit.ly/DonateSPEC>**

HOSPITALITY HOUR: Do you enjoy seeing your friends after church? Do you want to help St. Peter's welcome guests? Volunteer for Hospitality Hour! For help or instructions: **Squad@stpetersec.org** OR Call: **Judi (443-794-6477)**.

FORWARD MOVEMENT: Daily inspirational meditations reflecting on a specific Bible passage, chosen from the daily lectionary readings as listed in the Revised Common Lectionary or the Daily Office from the Episcopal Church's Book of Common Prayer. **November - January are NOW available at the church, ready for pick up if you wish!**

ST. PETER'S HEAVENLY EATS: St. Peter's "Heavenly Eats" Recipe Book is available for purchase **ONLY 6 COPIES LEFT**. \$20.00 per copy, which includes direct shipment to your home. To order on-line please go to: <http://bit.ly/SPCookbook>

ST. PETER'S PASTORAL CARE MINISTRY: This Ministry is available to assist parishioners who are in need. In order for the Pastoral Care Ministry to coordinate a response to parishioner's needs, please notify Father Derek: rector@stpetersec.org and/or the Pastoral Care Ministry: pastoral.care@stpetersec.org

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Upcoming Event Schedule

(In-Person and Virtually)

Wednesday, January 18th, 2023 *(Confession of St. Peter)*

7:00 PM Mass

Praying and Pubbing With Pete

Sunday, January 22nd, 2023 *(Epiphany 3)*

9:45 AM Mass

Annual Meeting & Chili Cookoff to Follow

Wednesday, January 25th, 2023 *(Conversion of St. Paul)*

7:00 PM Evening Prayer

Sunday, January 29th, 2023 *(Epiphany 4)*

9:45 AM Mass

Coffee Hour to Follow in St. Joseph's Hall

Thursday, February 2nd, 2023 *(Presentation)*

7:00 PM Mass

Sunday, February 5th, 2023 *(Epiphany 5)*

9:45 AM Mass

Coffee Hour to Follow in St. Joseph's Hall

Sunday, February 12th, 2023 *(Epiphany 6)*

9:45 AM Mass

Coffee Hour to Follow in St. Joseph's Hall

Sunday, February 19th, 2023 *(Epiphany Last)*

9:45 AM Mass

Coffee Hour to Follow in St. Joseph's Hall

Sunday, January 26th, 2023 *(Lent 1)*

9:45 AM Mass

Coffee Hour to Follow in St. Joseph's Hall

Loose-Plate Offerings

Offerings given in the plate that are not designated will go to support the following funds:

1st Sunday—Discretionary Fund

2nd Sunday—Outreach Fund

3rd-5th Sundays—General Operating Fund

SERVING THIS WEEK

Altar Guild	Stan Brown
Acolyte	Bill Rodney
Bell Ringer	Jeff Loveless
Celebrant	The Reverend Joy Walton
Flag Guild	Jeff Loveless
Flower Guild	Judi Mahaffey
Intercessor	Angela Mitchell
Lector 1	Jeff Loveless
Lector 2	Ken Robertson
Preacher	The Reverend Derek H. Miller
Tellers	Sharon Sachs and Diana Pon
Thurifer	Stan Brown
Ushers	Mina Uhl & Angela Mitchell