



THE HOLY EUCHARIST
ST. PETER'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

THE THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
AUGUST 23 , 2026 - 9:00 A.M.

After the altar candles are lit, we invite you to observe a time of silence to prepare
your hearts for worship and to come before God in prayer.

The Lord is in his holy temple; let all the earth keep silence before him! Habakkuk 2:20

The songs sung during this service can be found in the spiral-bound

Folk Mass Songbook found in the pews.

The reference in the bulletin will show as FMSB with the page number.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN *Lord I Lift Your Name on High (Rick Founds) (FMSB pg. 76)*

CHILDREN'S CHAPEL

After a prayer, children ages 4 through 5th grade are dismissed for Children's Chapel. Children under age 4 may attend with a parent or be cared for in the nursery.

OPENING ACCLAMATION

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

People And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

COLLECT FOR PURITY

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.

SONG OF PRAISE *Sanctuary (John W. Thompson and Randy Scruggs) (FMSB pg. 97)*

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Grant, O merciful God, that your Church, being gathered together in unity by your Holy Spirit,
may show forth your power among all peoples, to the glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ
our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

FIRST READING: Exodus 1:8--2:10

A Reading from the book of Exodus.

⁸Now a new king arose over Egypt, who did not know Joseph. ⁹He said to his people, "Look, the Israelite people are more numerous and more powerful than we. ¹⁰Come, let us deal shrewdly with them, or they will increase and, in the event of war, join our enemies and fight against us and escape from the land." ¹¹Therefore they set taskmasters over them to

oppress them with forced labor. They built supply cities, Pithom and Rameses, for Pharaoh. ¹²But the more they were oppressed, the more they multiplied and spread, so that the Egyptians came to dread the Israelites. ¹³The Egyptians became ruthless in imposing tasks on the Israelites, ¹⁴and made their lives bitter with hard service in mortar and brick and in every kind of field labor. They were ruthless in all the tasks that they imposed on them. ¹⁵The king of Egypt said to the Hebrew midwives, one of whom was named Shiphrah and the other Puah, ¹⁶“When you act as midwives to the Hebrew women, and see them on the birthstool, if it is a boy, kill him; but if it is a girl, she shall live.” ¹⁷But the midwives feared God; they did not do as the king of Egypt commanded them, but they let the boys live. ¹⁸So the king of Egypt summoned the midwives and said to them, “Why have you done this, and allowed the boys to live?” ¹⁹The midwives said to Pharaoh, “Because the Hebrew women are not like the Egyptian women; for they are vigorous and give birth before the midwife comes to them.” ²⁰So God dealt well with the midwives; and the people multiplied and became very strong. ²¹And because the midwives feared God, he gave them families. ²²Then Pharaoh commanded all his people, “Every boy that is born to the Hebrews you shall throw into the Nile, but you shall let every girl live.” ²³Now a man from the house of Levi went and married a Levite woman. ²⁴The woman conceived and bore a son; and when she saw that he was a fine baby, she hid him three months. ²⁵When she could hide him no longer she got a papyrus basket for him, and plastered it with bitumen and pitch; she put the child in it and placed it among the reeds on the bank of the river. ²⁶His sister stood at a distance, to see what would happen to him. ²⁷The daughter of Pharaoh came down to bathe at the river, while her attendants walked beside the river. She saw the basket among the reeds and sent her maid to bring it. ²⁸When she opened it, she saw the child. He was crying, and she took pity on him. “This must be one of the Hebrews’ children,” she said. ²⁹Then his sister said to Pharaoh’s daughter, “Shall I go and get you a nurse from the Hebrew women to nurse the child for you?” ³⁰Pharaoh’s daughter said to her, “Yes.” So the girl went and called the child’s mother. ³¹Pharaoh’s daughter said to her, “Take this child and nurse it for me, and I will give you your wages.” So the woman took the child and nursed it. ³²When the child grew up, she brought him to Pharaoh’s daughter, and she took him as her son. She named him Moses, “because,” she said, “I drew him out of the water.”

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 124

¹If the LORD had not been on our side, *
 let Israel now say;

²If the LORD had not been on our side, *
when enemies rose up against us,
³Then would they have swallowed us up alive *
in their fierce anger toward us;
⁴Then would the waters have overwhelmed us *
and the torrent gone over us;
⁵Then would the raging waters *
have gone right over us.
⁶Blessed be the LORD! *
he has not given us over to be a prey for their teeth.
⁷We have escaped like a bird from the snare of the fowler; *
the snare is broken, and we have escaped.
⁸Our help is in the Name of the LORD, *
the maker of heaven and earth.

SECOND READING: Romans 12:1-8

A Reading from Paul's letter to the Church in Rome.

¹I appeal to you therefore, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. ²Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your minds, so that you may discern what is the will of God—what is good and acceptable and perfect. ³For by the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think of yourself more highly than you ought to think, but to think with sober judgment, each according to the measure of faith that God has assigned. ⁴For as in one body we have many members, and not all the members have the same function, ⁵so we, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually we are members one of another. ⁶We have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us: prophecy, in proportion to faith; ⁷ministry, in ministering; the teacher, in teaching; ⁸the exhorter, in exhortation; the giver, in generosity; the leader, in diligence; the compassionate, in cheerfulness.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

SEQUENCE HYMN

Glorify Thy Name (Donna Adkins) (FMSB pg. 37)

GOSPEL: Matthew 16:13-20

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

¹³Now when Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, “Who do people say that the Son of Man is?” ¹⁴And they said, “Some say John the Baptist, but others Elijah,

and still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.” ¹⁵He said to them, “But who do you say that I am?” ¹⁶Simon Peter answered, “You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God.” ¹⁷And Jesus answered him, “Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father in heaven. ¹⁸And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not prevail against it. ¹⁹I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven.” ²⁰Then he sternly ordered the disciples not to tell anyone that he was the Messiah.

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON

The Reverend Sarah Minton

THE NICENE CREED (*All stand.*)

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 – FORM III (BCP pg. 387)

Father, we pray for your holy catholic Church;

That we all may be one.

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

That your Name may be glorified by all people.

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;
That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;
That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;
That our works may find favor in your sight.

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;
That they may be delivered from their distress.

Give to the departed eternal rest;
Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;
May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

CONFESSION OF SIN

The Celebrant says

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 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

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

The Celebrant says

“I appeal to you therefore, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship.”

(Romans)

OFFERTORY HYMN

Revival (Robin Mark) (FMSB pg. 96)

DOXOLOGY (*verse 3 only*)

From all that dwell below the skies (Old 100th) (H 380)

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER A (BCP p. 361)

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 him thanks and praise.

Facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord; who on the first day of the week overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.

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

(Fran McKendree)

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of power and might
Heaven and earth are full of your glory Lord we sing your praise
Hosanna in the Highest Hosanna in the Highest
Hosanna in the Highest Lord we sing your praise.

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of power and might
Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord
Hosanna in the Highest Hosanna in the Highest
Hosanna in the Highest Lord we sing your praise.

The People stand or kneel. The Celebrant continues

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, 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.”

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.”

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. 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

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

Our Father (Steve Croskey and Tim Smith) (FMSB pg. 91)

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Celebrant

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People

Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

We welcome you to receive the true presence of Jesus in this Holy Communion. Come forward to the altar rail and kneel or stand with an upturned palm to receive the bread. (Gluten-free wafers are available upon request.) To receive the wine, you may either drink from the chalice or intinct (dip) your bread carefully in the chalice. If you would prefer not to receive communion, but would like to receive a blessing, kneel, or stand at the altar rail with your arms crossed over your chest. Please do not hesitate to ask for communion to be brought to you in your pew.

Notify an usher, who will let the clergy know to assist you.

COMMUNION HYMN

Dance With Me (FMSB pg. 25)

COMMUNION HYMN

One Bread, One Body (John Foley) (FMSB pg. 88)

COMMUNION HYMN

Less of Me (Glen Campbell) (FMSB pg. 73)

COMMUNION HYMN

Light the Fire (Bill Maxwell) (FMSB pg. 75)

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

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

Celebrant The blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. **Amen.**

CLOSING PROCESSIONAL HYMN *You Are Holy (Marc Imboden) (FMSB pg. 132)*

DISMISSAL

Celebrant Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

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*The flowers on the altar are given by Bill Hayes
to the glory of God and in honor of his 50th wedding anniversary to Janet.*

MINISTERS OF THE SERVICE

The Reverend Rachel McElwee - Celebrant

The Reverend Sarah Minton - Preacher

Ginger Mock, Tony Perez - Eucharistic Ministers

Tony Perez – Lector | Tony Perez – Intercessor

Ann Shuman – Greeter | Jean Frank & Danny Felton – Ushers

Brooke Hall – Children's Chapel

Diane Woodside - Vestry Person of the Service

Steve Arbo - Videographer

Others Serving Today

Linda Bowman, *Bread Baker*

Julie Bennett

Flower Ministry

Altar Guild Team 3 | Breakfast Team 7

THIS WEEK AT ST. PETER'S

Sunday, August 23

Holy Eucharist Rite 1	7:30 a.m.
Breakfast – Burns Hall	8:15 a.m.
Holy Eucharist Rite 2	9:00 a.m.
Coffee Hour – Burns Hall	10:00 a.m.
EYC Pilgrimage Meeting – Wood	10:15 a.m.
Youth Center	11:00 a.m.
Holy Eucharist Rite 2	11:45 a.m.
EYC – Wood Youth Center	5:00 p.m.
Celtic Service	6:00 p.m.

Monday, August 24

EfM – Kennard Library	4:30 p.m.
Vestry Meeting – Room 201	5:30 p.m.

Tuesday, August 25

Men's Bible Study – Kennard Library	7:45 a.m.
Staff Meeting – Kennard Library	10:00 a.m.
EfM – Kennard Library	5:00 p.m.

Wednesday, August 26

EYC High School Breakfast – Wood Youth Center	7:45 a.m.
Holy Eucharist Rite 2	
Chancel Choir Rehearsal – Choir Room	12:10 p.m. 7:00 p.m.

Thursday, August 27

Centering Prayer – Church	10:00 a.m.
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Friday, August 28

Mahjong Group – Room 203	1:00 p.m.
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THIS WEEK'S CELEBRATIONS

Birthdays

Sunday, August 23

Henry Bettendorf, Missy Tinnermon

Tuesday, August 25

Gail Morgan, Tricia Ross, Brian Tinnermon

Wednesday, August 26

James Anetrini, Peter DiCostanzo, John Evans

Thursday, August 27

Jack Harrison, Chase Langford

Friday, August 28

Vicki Grady, Judith Kenney, Carolyn Murdoch,
Charles Schopf

Saturday, August 29

Laura Long, Tim McKee, Caroline Peters,
Maury Harty

Anniversaries

Saturday, August 22

Henrietta & John Bray
(left off last week's bulletin)

Sunday, August 23

Missy & Brian Tinnermon

Tuesday, August 25

Mary & Henry Bettendorf

Wednesday, August 26

Emily & Marc Case

Linda & Ed Joella

Mary & Billy Mock

M. Joanne & Phillip Niemen

Saturday, August 29

Stacy & Vann Simmons

PARISH PRAYER LIST

Brenda, Tom Hitchcock, Lou Brocklebank, John Betsch, Jerome Richo, Patricia, Edmond Green, Jerry Torchia, Anne Britton, Connie Goff, Sarah Grace Morgan, Teresa Drost, Marion Banks, Carol Stevenson, and Jennifer Litsinger

PARISH LONG-TERM PRAYER LIST

Charlie Vose, Debi, Tom Lake, Karen Miller, Stephanie Townsend, Amelia Senhauser, Keith, Lynell Bernard Jordan, Meighan Johnson, Dave, Steve Sjuggerud, Mike Friedrich, Eloise Harris & family, Jim Dean, Jon Dean, Clint Rauer, Bob Sullivan, David Chamberlain, Judy Kent, Jan Smith, Gregory, The Heath family, Leatha, Tucker Arnold, Wilhelmina Jenkins, Antoinette, Davison Chapman, Lauren Barry, Colleen, Henry Flexon, John Younger, Layni Lentjes, Cheryl Smith, Billy Gass, Janet Dickman, Carra Lee Taylor, Jason Powell, Frank & Marie Wankowski, Heather Broussard, Charles, Barb A., Bert Way, Lilly Minotto, Rose Montgomery, Gwen Dickson, Romonda Jordan, Albert May, and Ingrid May

Names are added to the Parish Prayer List and are included in our prayers for six weeks.

THIS WEEK'S NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

SAVE THE DATE!

The installation and celebration of the new ministry of the Reverend Sarah Minton as rector of St. Peter's will be Tuesday, September 1, 2026 at 6:00 p.m. Please RSVP to Jen Lasserre.

MAKING SENSE OF THE BIBLE WEDNESDAYS IN SEPTEMBER

Beginning September 9 from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. in Room 201

Even if you have read the whole Bible (I'm looking at you *Bible in 90 Days* folks!), sometimes it's hard to make sense of it all. Join us as we explore the Bible: the BIG picture of salvation history beginning with creation and 10 key themes which form the tapestry spanning the Old and New Testaments. The Reverend Dr. Marcia King will lead this four-week class.

NOTES FROM THE CHANCEL

Our children's choir and choir school will be starting on August 26 at 4:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m. Please email Tim McKee for more information about times, dates and opportunities for your child to be a part of this ministry.

SISTERS IN SCRIPTURE – A WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY IN PHILIPPIANS

Come join us for **Sisters in Scripture**, a new women's Bible study exploring Paul's letter to the Philippians. Together, we'll discover what this beautiful book teaches us about joy, faith, friendship, humility, perseverance, and finding Christ in every circumstance. This is a place to study Scripture, ask honest questions, share life, and grow together in faith. Whether you've studied the Bible for years or are just beginning, you are welcome here. Come as you are. Bring your Bible. Bring a friend. Come grow with us! Access the QR to provide your preferred meeting day and time.



NEWCOMERS' LUNCHEON

Today at 12:30 p.m. we will have a luncheon to welcome newcomers to St. Peter's. If you have been worshipping at St. Peter's from January 2025 forward, you are invited to attend.

PLEASE NOTE THE TIME CHANGE FROM 1:00 P.M. TO 12:30 P.M.

STAY IN THE LOOP, STAY IN THE LIGHT AS THE DIOCESE OF FLORIDA SEEKS ITS NEW BISHOP

As the bishop election quickly approaches, the Bishop Transition Committee and Standing Committee will be sharing important announcements throughout the summer.

Be sure you're subscribed to the Diocesan Digest and following along on social media to stay up to date! Subscribe to emails: DioceseFL.org/News-Events/Subscribe. Visit Diocesefl.org/bishop-election/meet-and-greet to register for one of the Meet and Greet sessions or to submit a question. Follow the Diocese of Florida on social media: Facebook-@EpiscopalDioceseOfFlorida and Instagram-@DioceseOfFlorida

Scan the QR code to follow all of St. Peter's digital resources.



Announcements for the bulletin and the Key News must be submitted to Patty Lanier (planier@stpetersparish.org) and Jennifer Lasserre (jlasserre@stpetersparish.org) by Tuesday at noon to be included in that week's communications.

ST. PETER'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH STAFF AND VESTRY

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The Rev. Sarah Minton - Rector, sminton@stpetersparish.org

Vestry Class of 2026: Kevin Green, Mike Lewis, Diane LoCastro, Tracy Smythe

Vestry Class of 2027: Jayne Jeney, Laura Lee Skillman, Senior Warden, Diane Woodside

Vestry Class of 2028: Emily Haas, Kathy McLean, John Myers, Ted Pappas,
Trey Warren, Junior Warden

Treasurer - Connie McDaniel

THE CHARITABLE FOUNDATION OF ST. PETER'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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