



# ST. PETER'S

Built on the Rock.  
Powered by the Spirit.

*Please be in a spirit of quiet prayer as we prepare for worship. We invite you to come to the altar rail and offer a prayer that the Holy Spirit will renew our minds with truth and pour the love of God into our hearts as we hear the Word of God read and the Gospel proclaimed.*



The Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost  
September 15, 2024 ✝ 8:30 am

## The Holy Eucharist

Organ *Chromhorne sur la Taille* (François Couperin)

Hymnal 391 Before the Lord's eternal throne

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.  
People **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

The Collect for Purity BCP 355

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 BCP 356

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.  
People **And also with you.**  
Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, because without you we are not able to please you, mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The First Lesson Proverbs 1:20-33

Wisdom cries aloud in the street, in the markets she raises her voice; at the head of the noisy streets she cries out; at the entrance of the city gates she speaks: "How long, O simple ones, will you love being simple? How long will scoffers delight in their scoffing and fools hate knowledge? If you turn at my reproof, behold, I will pour out my spirit to you; I will make my words known to you. Because I have called and you refused to listen, have stretched out my hand and no one has heeded, because you have ignored all my counsel and would have none of my reproof, I also will laugh at your calamity; I will mock when terror strikes you, when terror strikes you like a storm

and your calamity comes like a whirlwind, when distress and anguish come upon you. Then they will call upon me, but I will not answer; they will seek me diligently but will not find me. Because they hated knowledge and did not choose the fear of the LORD, would have none of my counsel and despised all my reproof, therefore they shall eat the fruit of their way, and have their fill of their own devices. For the simple are killed by their turning away, and the complacency of fools destroys them; but whoever listens to me will dwell secure and will be at ease, without dread of disaster."

Lector The Word of the Lord  
People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 19:7-10 BCP 606

W. H. Walter (1823 - 1893)



7 The law of the LORD is perfect  
and re-| vives the | soul; \*  
the testimony of the LORD is sure  
and gives | wis-dom | to the | **innocent.**

8 The statutes of the LORD are just  
and re-| joice the | heart; \*  
the commandment of the LORD is clear  
and gives | **light** | to the | eyes.

9 The fear of the LORD is clean  
and en-| dures for | ev | er; \*  
the judgments of the LORD are true  
and | right-eous | al-to-| **gether.**

10 More to be desired are they than gold,  
more than | much fine | gold, \*  
sweeter far than honey,  
than | hon-ey | in the | comb.

The Epistle James 3:1-12

Not many of you should become teachers, my brothers, for you know that we who teach will be judged with greater strictness. For we all stumble in many ways. And if anyone does not stumble in what he says, he is a perfect man, able also to bridle his whole body. If we put bits into the mouths of horses so that they obey us, we guide their whole bodies as well. Look at the ships also: though they are so large and are driven by strong winds, they are guided by a very small rudder wherever the will of the pilot directs. So also the tongue is a small member, yet it boasts of great things.

How great a forest is set ablaze by such a small fire! And the tongue is a fire, a world of unrighteousness. The tongue is set among our members, staining the whole body, setting on fire the entire course of life, and set on fire by hell. For every kind of beast and bird, of reptile and sea creature, can be tamed and has been tamed by mankind, but no human being can tame the tongue. It is a restless evil, full of deadly poison. With it we bless our Lord and Father, and with it we curse people who are made in the likeness of God. From the same mouth come blessing and cursing. My brothers, these things ought not to be so. Does a spring pour forth from the same opening both fresh and salt water? Can a fig tree, my brothers, bear olives, or a grapevine produce figs? Neither can a salt pond yield fresh water.

Rector The Word of the Lord.  
People **Thanks be to God.**

Hymnal 675

Take up your cross, the Savior said  
(sung to the tune Melcombe)

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ acc. to Mark  
People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

The Gospel Mark 8:27-38

And Jesus went on with his disciples to the villages of Caesarea Philippi. And on the way he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that I am?" And they told him, "John the Baptist; and others say, Elijah; and others, one of the prophets." And he asked them, "But who do you say that I am?" Peter answered him, "You are the Christ." And he strictly charged them to tell no one about him. And he began to teach them that the Son of Man must suffer many things and be rejected by the elders and the chief priests and the scribes and be killed, and after three days rise again. And he said this plainly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. But turning and seeing his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, "Get behind me, Satan! For you are not setting your mind on the things of God, but on the things of man." And calling the crowd to him with his disciples, he said to them, "If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. For whoever would save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake and the gospel's will save it. For what does it profit a man to gain the whole world and forfeit his soul? For what can a man give in return for his soul? For whoever is ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of him will the Son of Man also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels."

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.  
People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

The Sermon The Rev. Scott Holcombe

The Nicene Creed BCP 358

The Prayers of the People

With all our heart and all our mind let us bring our prayers to our Heavenly Father.

Good Lord, we ask that you rule and govern your holy Church, your will being done on earth as it is in heaven;

**Lead us, good Lord.**

That every member of your church, and especially this congregation, would have a heart to love and fear you, and diligently live according to your commandments, so we can be one as you and your Son are one;

**Unite us, good Lord.**

That you would bless your Church with the joy of repentance, and make us holy;  
**Purify us, good Lord.**

That your Holy Spirit would enflame all bishops, priests, and deacons with a love of you and your truth, for the proclamation of the Gospel, and for the salvation of souls;

**Enlighten them, good Lord.**

That you would impart to all of us a zeal for your glory, a hunger for your Word, and a heart for those who do not know you,

**Give us your Spirit, good Lord.**

That you would guide the leaders of our nation, state, and community in sound judgment and true justice, and that they would work for the common good;

**Give them a servant's heart, good Lord.**

That you would give to every nation unity, peace, and concord;  
**Have mercy, good Lord.**

That you would bless our homes, our labor, our community, and our schools;  
**May we abide in you, good Lord.**

That you would have mercy on all those who are suffering, are alone, are hungry, are in danger, are homeless, are incarcerated, or in some other trouble;  
**Comfort and help them, good Lord.**

That you would receive all who have died in the communion of your Church and those whose faith is known to you alone (especially\_\_\_), that, with all the saints, they may have rest in that place where there is no pain or grief, but life eternal.  
**Unite us with them in your Kingdom, good Lord.**

*Additional prayers, suitable to the occasion, may be said.*

*We then welcome your prayers and thanksgivings, either silently or aloud.*

*The Celebrant prays a concluding collect.*

### Confession and Absolution BCP 360

Let us humbly confess our sins to Almighty God.

**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 pronounces the absolution.*

### The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.  
People **And also with you.**

Rector's Welcome and Announcements

## The Holy Communion

Motet *Adoramus te, Christe* (Ludovico Viadana)

Doxology Praise God from whom all Blessings Flow

### The Great Thanksgiving (Prayer A) BCP 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.**

*The Celebrant continues*

Sanctus BCP 362

*The Celebrant continues*

Celebrant Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:  
People **Christ has died.  
Christ is risen.  
Christ will come again.**

*The Celebrant continues*

The Great Amen

The Lord's Prayer

### The Fraction BCP 364

Celebrant Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.  
People **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!**

### *Agnus Dei* BCP 407

*All Christians baptized in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit and of a clean conscience are welcome to receive communion. All others are invited to come forward to receive a blessing, or remain in their seats in prayer. If you are interested in baptism, please contact the office.*

Choral Scholars *Let Thy Merciful Ear, O Lord* (Thomas Mudd)

Hymnal 312 Strengthen for service, Lord

### Post Communion Prayer BCP 365

**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

Hymnal 525 The Church's one foundation

### Dismissal BCP 366

*The Deacon dismisses the congregation*

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

Organ *Plein jeu et Dialogue sur les grands jeux* (Francois Couperin)



You can dedicate altar flower arrangements throughout the year.  
Your thanksgiving or memorial will be placed in the bulletin.

## PARISH Calendar

**Monday - Thursday** **Church Office Open 9:00am - 4:00pm**  
**Monday- Friday** **School Office Open 9:00am - 1:30pm**

### **Monday, September 16**

7:00am Morning Prayer on St. Peter's Facebook page

### **Tuesday, September 17**

10:00am Women's Bible Study in the Family Life Center

11:30am Primetimers Lunch

6:30pm Women's Bible Study in the Family Life Center

6:30pm Men's Bible Study in the Family Life Center

### **Wednesday, September 18**

1:00pm Handwork Group in the Family Life Center

5:45pm Evening Prayer in the Church

### **Thursday, September 19**

9:30am Women's Bible Study via Zoom

7:00pm Worship Band Practice

### **Saturday, September 21**

7:30am Grace & Grits @ First United Methodist in Sanford

### **Sunday, September 22**

7:00am Choir Rehearsal

8:30am Holy Eucharist

10:00am Adult Sunday School with Rev Scott Holcomb

11:00am Holy Eucharist with Kids' Church & Nursery

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### **Year-Long Programs for Kids at St. Peter's**

Mondays @ 7pm - BSA Troop 507: Boys grades 6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>

Tuesdays @ 6:30pm - BSA Pack 242: Boys & Girls grades K-5<sup>th</sup>

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