

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.

Anthem *Cantate Domino, Canticum Novum*
(Giuseppe Pitoni)

Hymnal 219 The Lord ascendeth up on high

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 460 Alleluia! Sing to Jesus

Dismissal BCP 366

The Deacon dismisses the congregation

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

Organ *Paeon* (Gordon Young)

PARISH Calendar

Monday - Thursday **Church Office Open 9:30am - 2:00 pm**
Monday - Friday **School Office Open 9:00am - 1:30pm**

Sunday, May 17

7:00am Choir Rehearsal
8:30am Worship Service with Holy Eucharist
10:00am New Members Class
11:00am Worship Service with Holy Eucharist, Kids' Church & Nursery

Monday, May 18

9:30am Morning Prayer on St. Peter's website www.stpeterslakemary.org

Tuesday, May 19

11:30am PrimeTimers Lunch
6:30pm Men's and Women's Bible Study in the Family Life Center

Wednesday, May 20

1:00pm Handwork Group in the Family Life Center
5:45pm Evening Prayer in the Church

Thursday, May 21

5:00pm Executive Board
7:00pm Band Practice in the Church

Saturday, May 22

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

Sunday, May 24

7:00am Choir Rehearsal
8:30am Worship Service with Holy Eucharist
10:00am New Members Class
11:00am Worship Service with Holy Eucharist, Kids' Church & Nursery

Plate & Pledge	MTD April 2026	YTD April 2026
Actual	\$37,298	\$195,166
Budget	\$43,750	\$175,000

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St. Peter's Episcopal Church is a parish of the Episcopal Diocese of Central Florida, and a member of the worldwide Anglican Communion.

The text of the service contained in this program is taken from The Book of Common Prayer 1979. The Book of Common Prayer is the authority for worship of the Episcopal Church. This order of service has been provided for your convenience. All Scriptures are taken from The New Revised Standard Version. The Psalms are from the BCP 1928



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 Sunday after Ascension
May 17, 2026 + 8:30 am

The Holy Eucharist

Solo *Alleluia* from *Exsultate, jubilate*
(W.A. Mozart)

Hymnal 214 Hail the day that sees him rise

Celebrant Alleluia! Christ is risen!
People **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

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.

Grant, we pray, Almighty God, that as we believe your only-begotten Son our Lord Jesus Christ to have ascended into heaven, so we may also in heart and mind there ascend, and with him continually dwell; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The First Lesson Acts 1:1-11

In the first book, O Theophilus, I have dealt with all that Jesus began to do and teach, until the day when he was taken up, after he had given commands through the Holy Spirit to the apostles whom he had chosen. He presented himself alive to them after his suffering by many proofs, appearing to them during forty days and speaking about the kingdom of God. And while staying with them he ordered them not to depart from Jerusalem, but to wait for the promise of the Father, which, he said, "you heard from

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

me;⁵ for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now.”⁶ So when they had come together, they asked him, “Lord, will you at this time restore the kingdom to Israel?”⁷ He said to them, “It is not for you to know times or seasons that the Father has fixed by his own authority. ⁸ But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth.”⁹ And when he had said these things, as they were looking on, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. ¹⁰ And while they were gazing into heaven as he went, behold, two men stood by them in white robes, ¹¹ and said, “Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking into heaven? This Jesus, who was taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven.”

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

Psalm 47:5-10



5 God has gone | **up with** a | shout, *
 the LORD with the | **sound** | of the | **ram's-horn**.

6 Sing praises to | God, sing | praises; *
 sing | **praises to** our | King, sing | **praises**.

7 For God is | **King of all** the | earth; *
 sing | **praises** with | all your | skill.

8 God reigns | **over** the | **nations**; *
 God | **sits upon** his | ho-ly | throne.

9 The nobles of the peoples have | **gathered** to- | gether *
 with the | **people of** the | God of | **Abraham**.

10 The rulers of the | **earth belong** to | God, *
 and | he is | **highly ex-** | alted.

The Epistle Ephesians 1:15-23

For this reason, because I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints,¹⁶ I do not cease to give thanks for you, remembering you in my prayers,¹⁷ that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you the Spirit of wisdom and of revelation in the knowledge of him,¹⁸ having the eyes of your hearts enlightened, that you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance in the saints,¹⁹ and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power toward us who believe, according to the working of his great might²⁰ that he worked in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places,²¹ far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the one to come.²² And he put all things under his feet and gave him as head over all things to the church,²³ which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

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

Hymnal 215 See the Conqueror mounts in triumph

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

The Gospel Luke 24:44-53

At that time Jesus said to his disciples, “These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you, that everything written about me in the Law of Moses and the Prophets and the Psalms must be fulfilled.”⁴⁵ Then he opened their minds to understand the Scriptures,⁴⁶ and said to them, “Thus it is written, that the Christ should suffer and on the third day rise from the dead,⁴⁷ and that repentance for the forgiveness of sins should be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. ⁴⁸ You are witnesses of these things. ⁴⁹ And behold, I am sending the promise of my Father upon you. But stay in the city until you are clothed with power from on high.”⁵⁰ And he led them out as far as Bethany, and lifting up his hands he blessed them.⁵¹ While he blessed them, he parted from them and was carried up into heaven.⁵² And they worshiped him and returned to Jerusalem with great joy,⁵³ and were continually in the temple blessing God.

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

The Sermon The Rev. Jeremy Bergstrom

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

Anthem *I will not Leave you Comfortless*
 (Bruce Steane)

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