



ST. PETER'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

SUNDAY, MAY 25, 2025 – 8:00 A.M. & 10:30 A.M.

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## THE SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE II

*This service booklet is used at both the 8:00 and 10:30 a.m. services.  
The hymns, choral, and organ music listed are for the 10:30 service only.*

*The sung setting of the Eucharist is by Robert Powell (1932–2025).*

PRELUDE Sonata in F minor, Opus 65, No. 1  
II. Adagio

Felix Mendelssohn (1809–1847)

## THE WORD OF GOD

INTROIT *Vocem jocunditatis*

Anglican Chant: H. W. Davies

With a voice of singing declare ye this, and let it be heard, alleluia: utter it even unto the ends of the earth; the Lord hath delivered his people, alleluia, alleluia. O be joyful in God, all ye lands: sing praises unto the honor of his Name; make his praise to be glorious.

– Isaiah 48: 20, Ps. 66

- 8:00 *The People stand as the procession enters. The service begins with the Opening Acclamation.*
- 10:30 *The People stand and sing the hymn.*

HYMN 292: "O Jesus, crowned with all renown"

*Kingsfold*

### OPENING ACCLAMATION

*Celebrant* Alleluia. Christ is risen.

*People* **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

### 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

- 8:00 *The Gloria is said by all*
- 10:30 *The Gloria is sung by all (Hymnal S 280)*

*All* **Glory to God in the highest,  
and peace to his people on earth.  
Lord God, heavenly King,  
almighty God and Father,  
we worship you, we give you thanks,  
we praise you for your glory.**

**Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,  
Lord God, Lamb of God,**

**you take away the sin of the world:  
have mercy on us;  
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:  
receive our prayer.**

**For you alone are the Holy One,  
you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High,  
Jesus Christ,  
with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

#### THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

O God, you have prepared for those who love you such good things as surpass our understanding: Pour into our hearts such love towards you, that we, loving you in all things and above all things, may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

*The People sit.*

#### THE FIRST LESSON

Acts 16:9-15

During the night Paul had a vision: there stood a man of Macedonia pleading with him and saying, "Come over to Macedonia and help us." When he had seen the vision, we immediately tried to cross over to Macedonia, being convinced that God had called us to proclaim the good news to them.

We set sail from Troas and took a straight course to Samothrace, the following day to Neapolis, and from there to Philippi, which is a leading city of the district of Macedonia and a Roman colony. We remained in this city for some days. On the sabbath day we went outside the gate by the river, where we supposed there was a place of prayer; and we sat down and spoke to the women who had gathered there. A certain woman named Lydia, a worshiper of God, was listening to us; she was from the city of Thyatira and a dealer in purple cloth. The Lord opened her heart to listen eagerly to what was said by Paul. When she and her household were baptized, she urged us, saying, "If you have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come and stay at my home." And she prevailed upon us.

*Lector* The Word of the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

#### PSALM 67 *Deus misereatur*

- 1 **May God be merciful to us and bless us, \*  
show us the light of his countenance and come to us.**
- 2 **Let your ways be known upon earth, \*  
your saving health among all nations.**
- 3 **Let the peoples praise you, O God; \*  
let all the peoples praise you.**

- 4 **Let the nations be glad and sing for joy, \*  
for you judge the peoples with equity  
and guide all the nations upon earth.**
- 5 **Let the peoples praise you, O God; \*  
let all the peoples praise you.**
- 6 **The earth has brought forth her increase; \*  
may God, our own God, give us his blessing.**
- 7 **May God give us his blessing, \*  
and may all the ends of the earth stand in awe of him.  
Hallelujah!**

## THE SECOND LESSON

Revelation 21:10, 22-22:5

In the spirit the angel carried me away to a great, high mountain and showed me the holy city Jerusalem coming down out of heaven from God. I saw no temple in the city, for its temple is the Lord God the Almighty and the Lamb. And the city has no need of sun or moon to shine on it, for the glory of God is its light, and its lamp is the Lamb. The nations will walk by its light, and the kings of the earth will bring their glory into it. Its gates will never be shut by day—and there will be no night there. People will bring into it the glory and the honor of the nations. But nothing unclean will enter it, nor anyone who practices abomination or falsehood, but only those who are written in the Lamb's book of life. Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, bright as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb through the middle of the street of the city. On either side of the river is the tree of life with its twelve kinds of fruit, producing its fruit each month; and the leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations. Nothing accursed will be found there any more. But the throne of God and of the Lamb will be in it, and his servants will worship him; they will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads. And there will be no more night; they need no light of lamp or sun, for the Lord God will be their light, and they will reign forever and ever.

*Lector* The Word of the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

*The People stand.*

HYMN 513: "Like the murmur of the dove's song"

*Bridegroom*

## THE HOLY GOSPEL

John 5:1-9

*Priest* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

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

After Jesus healed the son of the official in Capernaum, there was a festival of the Jews, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. Now in Jerusalem by the Sheep Gate there is a pool, called in Hebrew Beth-zatha, which has five porticoes. In these lay many invalids—blind, lame, and paralyzed. One man was there who had been ill for thirty-eight years. When Jesus saw him lying there and knew that he had been there a long time, he said to him, "Do you want to be made well?" The sick man answered him, "Sir, I have no one to put me into the pool when the water is stirred up; and while I am making my way, someone else steps down ahead of me." Jesus said to him, "Stand up, take your mat and walk." At once the man was made well, and he took up his mat and began to walk. Now that day was a sabbath.

*Priest* The Gospel of the Lord.

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

*A period of silence is kept. Then the People stand.*

## THE NICENE CREED

*Lector* Let us affirm our faith in the words of the Nicene Creed.

*All* **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

*Lector* The holy city of God came down from heaven; within the city was the tree of life, and the leaves of this tree were for the healing of the nations. Let us pray for the Church and the world, that the ways of God would be known on earth, and this saving health would be among all nations, saying, "May God be merciful to us; / May God give us his blessing."

*The People kneel, as able.*

We pray for the Church of God, remembering Sean, Presiding Bishop; Deon, our Bishop; and for the clergy and ministry leaders of St. Peter's. May we be steadfast in God's vision to proclaim the good news to all.

In our diocesan cycle we pray for St. Barnabas Episcopal Church in Florissant, and the Episcopal Church of All Saints and Ascension, our Companion Community. In the Anglican Communion, we pray for The Anglican Church of Kenya. May God be merciful to us;

*People* **May God give us his blessing.**

*Lector* We pray for people everywhere and those in authority, remembering Donald, our President, and Mike, our Governor. We continue to pray for peace in all places where abominations and falsehoods of war and violence are practiced. May this and every nation leave behind everything unclean and walk by the light of the glory of God. May God be merciful to us;

*People* **May God give us his blessing.**

*Lector* We pray for those with any need in this parish and community, remembering Bill Peterson [\_\_\_\_\_,] and John Scudi. We bring to God the devastation experienced by recent storms and tornadoes everywhere, and especially in the St. Louis area. We pray for the efforts to clean and rebuild; for lives changed; and for lives lost. May God's heavenly grace be seen in the generosity given and compassion shared to those impacted. May God be merciful to us;

*People* **May God give us his blessing.**

*Lector* In observance of Memorial Day, we remember those who have given their lives in service to our country. In mercy, may they be at rest. Let all war and earthly pride be banished from our midst, so that all life would be honored, and that true freedom and justice would descend from the King of Peace. May God be merciful to us;

*People* **May God give us his blessing.**

*Lector* We pray for the departed in God, especially for Christopher "Kit" Bond, [\_\_\_\_\_,] and Mary Heffner. As they dwell before the throne of God and the Lamb, may they rejoice in that place where there is no night, where the Lord God is their light. May God be merciful to us;

*People* **May God give us his blessing.**

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

*Silence is kept.*

*Celebrant* Hear our prayers, O God, and as we confess that Christ, the Savior of the world, lives with you in glory, grant that we may perceive him as present among us through the love and work of the Spirit, now and to the end of the ages; through the same Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

#### CONFESSION OF SIN

*Celebrant* Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Silence is kept.*

*Celebrant* Most merciful God,  
*All* **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.**

*Celebrant* 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 People stand.*

#### THE PEACE

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

*After the Peace, the People sit.*

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### BIRTHDAY AND ANNIVERSARY PRAYERS

## THE HOLY COMMUNION

#### THE OFFERTORY

*Everyone participating in worship is invited to make an offering in gratitude for God's generosity.  
If you would like to make an offering, you may scan the code to the right and follow the prompts.*



#### MOTET

Maurice Duruflé (1902-1986)

Ubi caritas et amor, Deus ibi est.  
Congregavit nos in unum Christi amor  
Exulemus et in ipso jucundemur.  
Timeamus et amemus Deum vivum.  
Et ex corde diligamus nos sincero. Amen.

*Where charity and love are, there is God.  
The love of Christ has brought us together into one.  
Let us rejoice and let us be glad in that love itself.  
Let us fear and love the living God.  
And let us love from a pure heart. Amen.*

- Antiphon for Maundy Thursday

*The People stand and sing.*

#### THE PRESENTATION

- 8:00 Hymn 380, st. 3

Old 100th

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.

- Thomas Ken

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below;  
al-le - lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia. Praise him above, ye heavenly host:  
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Al-le - lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia,  
al-le - lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia. A - men.

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

## Eucharistic Prayer A

*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.**

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

But chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord: for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has won for us 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 ET BENEDICTUS

• 8:00 *Said by all*

• 10:30 *Sung by all (Hymnal S 129)*

**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

*The People kneel, as able.*

*Celebrant* 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:

- 8:00 *Said by all*

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

- 10:30 *Sung by all*



*Celebrant* 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 forever. **AMEN.**

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

**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.**

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

*The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.*

*A period of silence is kept.*



## FRACTION ANTHEM

### • 8:00 Said

*Celebrant* Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

*People* **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

### • 10:30 Sung by all

*Organ*

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.

*Celebrant* 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.

## ADMINISTRATION OF THE SACRAMENT

*All baptized persons are welcome to receive Holy Communion by coming to the altar rail where you may kneel or stand.*

*Please tell the clergy if you require gluten-free Bread.*

*Crossing your arms over your chest will let the clergy know you would like to receive a blessing but not the Bread and/or Wine.*

## COMMUNIO *Spiritus Sanctus Doecebit*

Plainsong, Mode 8

The Holy Spirit will remind you, alleluia, of everything that I have told you, alleluia, alleluia. Give me the joy of your saving help again, and sustain me with your bountiful Spirit.

*- John 14; Psalm 51*

## HYMN 345: "Savior, again to thy dear Name we raise"

*Ellers*

## THE POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

*The People kneel, as able.*

*All* **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.**

## THE BLESSING

*Celebrant* The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant: Make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight; and

the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

HYMN 505: "O Spirit of Life, O Spirit of God"

*O heiliger Geist*

THE DISMISSAL

*Priest* Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia, alleluia.

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

VOLUNTARY Prelude in G Major

Fanny Mendelssohn Hensel (1805-1847)

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MUSIC NOTES The author of the opening hymn, Edward White Benson, was a notable and influential figure in the Anglican Church. Benson founded the Cambridge Association for Spiritual Inquiry (known around Cambridge as the Ghost Society) and served as the Archbishop of Canterbury from 1883 to 1896. But he is chiefly remembered in the annals of Anglican church music for drawing up the first order of Nine Lessons and Carols for Truro Cathedral in 1880 while serving as bishop of that diocese. Twenty years prior to creating that memorable liturgy, Archbishop Benson penned the hymn "O Jesus, crowned with all renown" (Hymn 292), which has an association with the Rogation Days, traditionally observed on the Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday before Ascension Day. It is paired with the familiar English tune "Kingsfold." When Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958) first encountered this tune in Lucy Broadwood's *English Country Songs* in 1893, he exclaimed, "here's something which I have known all my life—only I didn't know it!"

Maurice Duruflé (1902-1986) was the organist of St-Étienne-du-Mont in Paris from 1930 until his death. Though his compositional output is small (some fifteen compositions) each is highly regarded to this day. Many of Duruflé's compositions were inspired in various ways by Gregorian chant. In the motet "Ubi caritas," the inspiration is rather overt: the eighth century chant melody is sung in its entirety, and lavishly harmonized throughout. From Duruflé's Opus 10, this is one of four motets on Gregorian themes that were dedicated to Auguste Le Guennant, the director of the Gregorian Institute in Paris.

## ALTAR FLOWERS

Given to the glory of God in loving memory of Stanley W. Morgan,  
by S. William Aitken.

## PRAYER LIST

**For Family and Friends:** Bill Peterson, John Scudi

**For the Faithful Departed:** Christopher "Kit" Bond, Mary Heffner

**For the Men and Women of the Armed Forces:** Alexandra Maranto, Meade Summers IV

**For Those Committed to Our Ongoing Prayers:** Tiffany Alexander, Cathy Adderton, Lee Arten, Victor Belyan, Margaret Acker Blardo, Bev Bouchard, Virginie Brightman, Wendell Covington, Ralph Dacey, Kathryn Dewein, Margaret Ruth Dewein, Prissy Evans, Donald Frank Sr., Don Franz, Margie Franz, Christy Garesche, Annette Goldman, John Hartman, Emily Hintz, Jeff Hirsch, Ian, Mike Kolman, Kary Matthews, Sharon Trainer Mauney, Cheryl Meyer, Randy Meyer, Liza Nash, Maddie O'Keefe, David Orlowski, Holly Parks, Jerry Pastore, Kimberly Penning, Hudson Rosencrans, Sally Russell, Lisa Peters Schiff, June Sellenriek, Susie Skinner, Jill Smock, Dewayne Stapes, Abbot Thomas, Mia Tiefenbrunn, Don Wallace, Anne Wetzel, and Rolla Wetzel

## THOSE SERVING IN WORSHIP TODAY

8:00 A.M.

<i>Celebrant</i>	The Rev. Dr. Nathan Haydon
<i>Preacher</i>	The Rev. David Hodges
<i>Organ</i>	Connor Scott
<i>Lectors</i>	Katie Knapp, Brig Buettner
<i>Ushers</i>	Tim and Didi Noelker
<i>Altar Guild</i>	Didi Noelker

10:30 A.M.

<i>Celebrant</i>	The Rev. Dr. Nathan Haydon
<i>Preacher</i>	The Rev. David Hodges
<i>Assisting Clergy</i>	The Rev. Zack Rugenstone
<i>Musicians</i>	The St. Peter's Choir Connor Scott, Organist and Choirmaster
<i>Acolyte Master</i>	Jim Gilbert
<i>Acolytes</i>	Michael Souza, Everett Greider, Edward Maher
<i>Lectors</i>	Bonnie Freeland, Kathryn Haydon
<i>Ushers</i>	Bob Butler, Matt Sokolich, Lisa Hodges, Jimmy Howe
<i>Altar Guild</i>	Jan Craig, Pixie Messey

## WELCOME TO ST. PETER'S

If you're visiting St. Peter's, we would love to share more information with you about our shared life and ministry! Please take a visitor gift bag on your way out the door. In it you'll find information about our worship, formation, and fellowship opportunities as well as information for families. You can also scan the QR codes below to get connected with us and learn more.



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# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## WORSHIP & MUSIC

### **JOINT CHORAL EVENSONG THIS THURSDAY**

This Thursday, May 29, at 6:30 p.m. all are invited to a service of Choral Evensong for Ascension Day. This service, sung by the St. Peter's Choir and the Choir of the Church of St. Michael & St. George, Clayton (Joseph Arndt, choirmaster), is the eighth annual joint service sung by these two choirs. This festive service of evening prayer on this principal feast day will include music by Charles Villiers Stanford, Gerre Hancock, and Gerald Finzi. A reception will follow in the Undercroft.

### **BISHOP'S VISITATION AND CONFIRMATION**

On Sunday, June 1, Bishop Deon will be making his visit to our parish and celebrating Holy Eucharist at our 8:00 and 10:30 a.m. services. He will also confer the sacramental rite of Confirmation, which brings you into full membership of The Episcopal Church. If you are an adult and interested in Confirmation, or being received from a different Christian tradition by the Bishop, please contact Rev. David Hodges or Rev. Dr. Nathan John Haydon for more information.

### **WEAR ORANGE ON JUNE 1**

"Wear Orange" is a nationwide observance of gun violence, and it recognizes and honors the victims and survivors in our nation. The Diocese of Missouri is asking parishioners to wear orange on Sunday, June 1, to raise awareness and build community with those working to end gun violence. A coinciding Rector's Forum will take place on Sunday, June 15, when Katherine Mathews will discuss the topic of gun safety and violence prevention. You can learn more at [wearorange.org](http://wearorange.org)

### **PENTECOST GOSPEL READERS**

If you have experience with a language other than English, you are invited to participate in the service and recite the gospel reading for Pentecost on June 8. This will be for both the 8:00 and 10:30 a.m. services. Previous languages have included Arabic, French, German, Greek, Italian, Latin, Spanish, and Welsh, and others are welcome. If interested, please contact the church office at [office@specstl.org](mailto:office@specstl.org) or (314) 993-2306 this week!

### **DIOCESAN PRIDE EVENSONG AT ST. PETER'S**

Join us on Sunday, June 8, at 5:00 p.m. for a special diocesan-wide Pride Evensong. The Rt. Rev. Deon Johnson will be the officiant and the Rev. Isaiah Shaneequa Brokenleg will be the homilist. A choir of singers from across the diocese will be led by Connor Scott. Members of the St. Peter's Choir will take part David Sinden will be the organist for the service. The canticles, anthem, hymns, and responses are all composed by LGBTQIA2S+ composers and allies, including David Hurd, Calvin Hampton, Stephen Paulus, Abbie Betinis, and St. Peter's parishioner Dr. Jeffrey Richard Carter. This is a joyful celebration to kick off Pride month. All are welcome. Reception following in the undercroft. For more information, contact DeWayne Trainer, Missioner for LGBTQIA+ Engagement at [lgbtqiaministry@diocesemo.org](mailto:lgbtqiaministry@diocesemo.org)

# PARISH LIFE

## **STRATEGIC PLAN IMPLEMENTATION**

The Congregational Meeting held last week laid the groundwork for four Implementation teams: Outreach Coordination, Worship Experiences, SPEC Connect, and Welcoming Spaces. Please take a moment to learn more about these Implementation teams and the goals assigned to each, by scanning the QR code, visiting our website, or visiting the table in the Undercroft with Strategic Plan information. If you would like to get involved in a specific group, or would like more information, please contact parishioner Ben Park at [benpark@me.com](mailto:benpark@me.com)



# OUTREACH

## **FOOD DRIVE SUNDAY: JUNE 1**

Next Sunday is Food Drive Sunday. Help us continue to feed our neighbors served by Trinity Food Ministry. Today as you leave worship, a fellow parishioner will hand you a grocery bag and a shopping list. Please take the list grocery shopping with you during the week and whatever items you purchase, bring to church the following Sunday (the first Sunday of the month). For our June 1 collection, Trinity food pantry's most needed items are: Canned meat (tuna, chicken, beef), Chili with beans, Ramen noodles, Bar soap, and Toilet tissue. Note: While these items are always in need at the pantry, all shelf stable foods and personal care items are greatly appreciated!

## **LAST CALL: GARDEN PARTY TICKETS AND SPONSORSHIPS**

The Garden Party is this Wednesday, May 28. If you have not yet purchased your tickets or wish to support the event's outreach efforts, please do so today. Visit the table in the undercroft or scan the QR code to learn more or purchase tickets.



## **ST. JOHN'S PEACE MEAL**

Serve a hot meal to those in need. The next opportunity to participate in the St. John's Peace Meal in Tower Grove will be Saturday, June 14, from 2:00 to 5:30 p.m. Contact Lisa Hodges at [lisa\\_hodges@aol.com](mailto:lisa_hodges@aol.com) to learn more and get involved.

## **SUMMER BLESSINGS GIVING TREE**

As a counterpart to St. Peter's Advent Giving Tree, this year we are starting a Summer Blessings Tree in the Undercroft. Beginning next week, a tree will be adorned with tags listing items for two outreach ministries - St. Peter's Blessing Bags and GiFT (Giving is a Family Tradition). Please take a tag (or two!) from the tree and drop off your items by Monday, June 30. Thank you!

# CHILDREN & YOUTH MINISTRY

## **SUMMER BREAK FOR CHILDREN'S CHAPEL AND REGULAR SUNDAY SCHOOL**

Today marks the end of the Sunday School program year. Join us for the last Children's Chapel at 10:15 a.m. in Grace Chapel. Beginning next Sunday, June 1, Summer Sunday School will take place for all children ages 5-12 in the 2<sup>nd</sup>/3<sup>rd</sup> grade classroom. Nursery is still offered as usual in the lower level of the Little Building from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. Please contact Didi Noelker, Director of Children & Family Ministries, at [dnoelker@specstl.org](mailto:dnoelker@specstl.org) with any questions.

## **VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 2025**

All children ages 4 through 10 are invited to learn the story of Noah's Ark and the great flood from the Book of Genesis at this year's Vacation Bible School. Monday through Friday, August 4-8, from 9:00 am to 12:00 noon, children will be using their imagination and creativity to build their faith through exciting activities, learning opportunities, and service projects. Your children won't want to miss this fun-filled week! The registration is \$50 per child, with a family max of \$90. **Registration deadline is June 15th.** If you have any questions or are interested in scholarship information, please contact Didi Noelker at [dnoelker@specstl.org](mailto:dnoelker@specstl.org). We are looking forward to seeing your children at VBS 2025!

# PILGRIMAGES

## **CONSIDER A PILGRIMAGE THIS FALL**

Visit sites of historical and religious significance in Istanbul, Chalcedon, Nicaea, Ephesus, and more. Registration is underway for the pilgrimage to Turkey this fall (September 19 - October 2), led by the Rev. David Hodges. Brochure and registration information can also be found at [portal.myfaithjourneys.com](http://portal.myfaithjourneys.com) with group code 25032 or by scanning the QR code. Questions? Contact David Hodges at [davidh@specstl.org](mailto:davidh@specstl.org) for more information.



## **2026 IONA PILGRIMAGE INFORMATION SESSION**

Join Confluence Spirituality for a pilgrimage to the Isle of Iona, Scotland, in August of 2026. An informational meeting will be held at the home of Chris and Sandy Knight on June 1 from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. Space is very limited! Please contact Chris at [CDKRanch31@gmail.com](mailto:CDKRanch31@gmail.com) for more information.

# PASTORAL CARE

## **IN NEED OF A MEAL OR PRAYER?**

St. Peter's Cares is a ministry of parishioners caring for one another. This anonymous service provides meals to those experiencing difficult times and prayers for those in need. To request prayers or meals or to volunteer to serve, please email [shepherd@specstl.org](mailto:shepherd@specstl.org) or leave a message at (314) 993-2306 ext. 125.

## **ST. PETER'S IS HERE FOR YOUR PASTORAL NEEDS**

If you are hospitalized, homebound, or unable to come to church for any reason, the clergy of St. Peter's can bring church to you. Our clergy are always happy to visit and offer pastoral care, bring Holy Communion, or to simply come by and say hello. If you would like a visit, please reach out to the office at [office@specstl.org](mailto:office@specstl.org) or by calling (314) 993-2306.

# THIS WEEK AT ST. PETER'S

<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>5/25</b>	<b>The Sixth Sunday of Easter</b>	8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist	
			8:45 a.m. Breakfast	Undercroft
			9:15 a.m. Rector's Forum	Undercroft
			10:15 a.m. Children's Chapel	Grace Chapel
			10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist	
			Sunday School	
			11:30 a.m. Coffee Hour	
<b>MONDAY</b>	<b>5/26</b>	Memorial Day - Office and Buildings Closed		
<b>TUESDAY</b>	<b>5/27</b>	7:30 a.m.	Morning Prayer	Grace Chapel
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	<b>5/28</b>	7:30 a.m.	Bible Study	Elliot room
		5:30 p.m.	Holy Eucharist	Grace Chapel
		6:00 p.m.	Garden Party	
		7:15 p.m.	Joint Choir Rehearsal	
<b>THURSDAY</b>	<b>5/29</b>	<b>Ascension Day</b>		
		7:30 a.m.	Morning Prayer	Grace Chapel
		9:00 a.m.	Yoga	Undercroft
		10:00 a.m.	Centering Prayer	Grace Chapel
		6:30 p.m.	Choral Evensong for Ascension Day	
<b>FRIDAY</b>	<b>5/30</b>	7:30 a.m.	Zoom Bible Study	
		8:00 a.m.	A.A.	Undercroft
		10:00 a.m.	Prayer Group	Elliot Room
<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>6/1</b>	<b>The Seventh Sunday of Easter - Episcopal Visitation</b>		
		8:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist	
		8:45 a.m.	Breakfast	Undercroft
		9:15 a.m.	Rector's Forum	Undercroft
		10:30 a.m.	Holy Eucharist & Confirmation	
			Summer Sunday School	
		11:30 a.m.	Coffee Hour	

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