

st. peter's chelsea



Third Sunday after Pentecost

May 26, 2024

10:00 AM

Note for parents: We love the “joyful noise” of kids and welcome them into our worship! If you need a quiet space, the rectory is open and available with toys, diaper changing station, and video streaming of the service. You are welcome there anytime or you can ask a greeter for help.

PRELUDE

OPENING HYMN *Holy is the Lord*

We stand and lift up our hands
For the joy of the Lord is our strength
We bow down and worship Him now
How great, how awesome is God

And together we sing
Everyone sing

Holy is the Lord God Almighty
The earth is filled with His glory
Holy is the Lord God Almighty
The earth is filled with His glory
The earth is filled with His glory

(repeat all)

Holy, holy, holy
Holy, holy, holy
Holy, holy, holy
We want to see You
(repeat)

And together we sing
Everyone sing
And together we sing
Everyone sing

Holy is the Lord God Almighty
The earth is filled with His glory
Holy is the Lord God Almighty
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WORDS/MUSIC: Chris Tomlin

OPENING ACCLAMATION

+ indicates a place where we traditionally cross ourselves

Celebrant +Alleluia. Christ is risen.
All **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

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.

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
All **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

All **O God, from whom all good proceeds: Grant that by your inspiration we may think those things that are right, and by your merciful guiding may do them; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.**

Holy, holy, holy
Holy, holy, holy
Holy, holy, holy
We want to see You
(repeat)

FIRST READING | Ephesians 4:1-7, 11-16

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.
All **Thanks be to God.**

RESPONSIVE PSALM | Psalm 130

Out of the depths have I called to you, O Lord;
Lord, hear my voice; *
let your ears consider well the voice of my supplication.

If you, Lord, were to note what is done amiss, *
O Lord, who could stand?

For there is forgiveness with you; *
therefore you shall be feared.

I wait for the Lord; my soul waits for him; *
in his word is my hope.

My soul waits for the Lord,
more than watchmen for the morning, *
more than watchmen for the morning.

O Israel, wait for the Lord, *
for with the Lord there is mercy;

With him there is plenteous redemption, *
and he shall redeem Israel from all their sins.

GRADUAL HYMN

In the Lord I'll Be Ever Thankful

In the Lord I'll be ev - er thank - ful, in the Lord I will re -
 joice! Look to God, do not be a - fraid. Lift up your
 voic - es, the Lord is near. Lift up your voic - es, the Lord is near.

WORDS: Taizé Community MUSIC: Jacques Berthier

Celebrant +The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to John.
All **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

GOSPEL | Mark 3: 20-35

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord
All **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

Children aged 3 and up are invited to a time of children's worship; they return to the sanctuary in time for Communion.

SERMON **The Rev. Christine Lee, Caitlin Mitchell and Ryan Berry**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Dear God, we've grown and continue to grow because of the special ways you make yourself known in this community. With gratitude and hope we offer our thanksgiving and prayers.

Loving God thank you for your your wholehearted and wide embrace. In you we find comfort and strength. You, guide us in the way we should go. You sustain us and make us strong.

We give thanks to our God , **whose love never fails.**

Boundless God , of the cosmic expanse - you invite us to a world of wonder and adventure. You set us free to partner with you for our highest good. We give thanks for glimpses of your kingdom on earth.

Give thanks to the God who Is, **whose dream we uphold.**

Creator God, grace us to live and do your will. Enfold us in your measureless capacity to breathe hope into what seems to us - hopeless. God of life, make us whole.

You are the God of Hope, **and our hope is in you.**

God of Compassion - turn your tender and just heart toward us. End all violence, the horrors of war, greed, and injustice of every kind.

In the wilderness of this world, **we pray for peace.**

Heal all who suffer from illness or disease. May they know your gentle and restoring touch. Comfort those who know a sadness they find hard to name. In the disappointments of life draw near.

We give thanks to the God of the Valley, **who is present to our suffering.**

In silence we pray for our own needs ...

And for those who have entered the quiet of your eternal rest. May they abide in peace and power.

We commend them **and all who mourn to you.**

Celebrant God our hope, may your blessing empower our thanksgiving and prayer; for we put our trust in you, the living God. We work and wait expectantly. **Amen.**

CONFESSION

Almighty God
We confess our sin
What we have done
What we have left undone

We have not loved you with our whole heart
We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves
Have mercy, have mercy on us
Have mercy, have mercy

Silence to hold our confessions in God's loving presence

ASSURANCE

God's words to us from Psalm 103, sung by Christine

PEACE

Celebrant The Peace of the Lord be always with you.
All **And also with you.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS & OFFERING

*Fill out an information card or
share a prayer request by using
the QR code:*



*You can give in the offering box
near the doors, through our website
or by using the QR code:*



OFFERTORY SONG

DOXOLOGY

*During the pandemic we needed to be careful about singing together so we introduced the Doxology in ASL and it has continued as a St. Peter's tradition to embody our praise to God.

*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.*

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
All **And also with you.**
Celebrant Lift up your hearts.
All **We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
All **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

We praise you and we bless you, holy and gracious God, source of life abundant. From before time you made ready the creation. Your Spirit moved over the deep and brought all things into being: sun, moon, and stars; earth, winds, and waters; and every living thing. You made us in your image, and taught us to walk in your ways. But we rebelled against you, and wandered far away; and yet, as a mother cares for her children, you would not forget us. Time and again you called us to live in the fullness of your love. And so this day we join with Saints and Angels in the chorus of praise that rings through eternity, lifting our voices to magnify you as we sing:

SANCTUS

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

WORDS: *Book of Common Prayer* MUSIC: *Brian Milner, from Mass for the Beloved*

Glory and honor and praise to you, holy and living God. To deliver us from the power of sin and death and to reveal the riches of your grace, you looked with favor upon Mary, your willing servant, that she might conceive and bear a son, Jesus the holy child of God. Living among us, Jesus loved us. He broke bread with outcasts and sinners, healed the sick, and proclaimed good news to the poor. He yearned to draw all the world to himself yet we were heedless of his call to walk in love.

Then, the time came for him to complete upon the cross the sacrifice of his life, and to be glorified by you. On the night before he died for us, Jesus was at table with his friends. He took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it, and gave it to them, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine. Again, he gave thanks to you, gave it to them, and said: "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new

Covenant, which is poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me.”

Now gathered at your table, O God of all creation, and remembering Christ, crucified and risen, who was and is and is to come, we offer to you our gifts of bread and wine, and ourselves, a living sacrifice. Pour out your Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Body and Blood of Christ. Breathe your Spirit over the whole earth and make us your new creation, the Body of Christ given for the world you have made. In the fullness of time bring us, with all your saints, from every tribe and language and people and nation, to feast at the banquet prepared from the foundation of the world. Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. Amen.

THE LORD’S PRAYER *(from the New Zealand Prayer Book)*

Celebrant As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,
All **Eternal Spirit, Earth-maker, Pain-bearer, Life-giver,
Source of all that is and that shall be,
Father and Mother of us all,
Loving God, in whom is heaven:
The hallowing of your name echo through the universe!
The way of your justice be followed by the peoples of the world!
Your heavenly will be done by all created beings!
Your commonwealth of peace and freedom sustain our hope
and come on earth.
With the bread we need for today, feed us.
In the hurts we absorb from one another, forgive us.
In times of temptation and test, strengthen us.
From trials too great to endure, spare us.
From the grip of all that is evil, free us.
For you reign in the glory of the power that is love, now and for ever.
Amen.**

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

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

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.

Gluten-free wafers are available by request. Please ask the priest when you approach.

COMMUNION HYMNS *Open the Eyes*

Holy, holy, holy
Holy, holy, holy
Holy, holy, holy
We want to see You
(repeat)

Open the eyes of our hearts, Lord
Open the eyes of our hearts,
We want to see You
We want to see You
(repeat)

WORDS/MUSIC: Paul Baloche

In the Lord I'll Be Ever Thankful

The musical score is written for voice and piano. It consists of three systems of music. Each system has a vocal line on a treble clef staff and a piano accompaniment on a bass clef staff. The key signature has one flat (B-flat), and the time signature is 4/4. The lyrics are: "In the Lord I'll be ev - er thank - ful, in the Lord I will re - joice! Look to God, do not be a - fraid. Lift up your voic - es, the Lord is near. Lift up your voic - es, the Lord is near." There are triplets in the piano accompaniment on the second and third systems.

Mystery of Faith



1. Your bod - y was giv - en for all the bro - ken of the world.
2. Your Spir - it now fills us. With You, we've come from death to life.



Now by Your wounds we are made whole. Your blood was
We are Your bod - y, one in Christ. We wait for



spilled for us. This is the hope of guilt - y souls. Now from Your hands
Your com - ing. The hope of glo - ry will de - scend and bring a King -



for - give - ness flows. Christ has died. Christ is ris - en.
dom with - out end.



Christ will come a - gain. This is the mys - ter - y of faith that we pro - claim.

Bridge:



Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Thanks be to our God.

WORDS/MUSIC: Glenn Packian, Jennie Lee Riddle

Celebrant

Let us pray.

All

Loving God, we give you thanks for restoring us in your image and nourishing us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood. Now send us forth a people, forgiven, healed, renewed; that we may proclaim your love to the world and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

FINAL BLESSING

CLOSING HYMN

Great is Thy Faithfulness

Great is Thy faithfulness,
O God my Father,
There is no shadow of turning with Thee.
Thou changest not,
Thy compassions, they fail not;
As Thou hast been, Thou forever will be.

CHORUS:

Great is Thy faithfulness!
Great is Thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see.
All I have needed Thy hand hath provided
Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord unto me!

Summer and winter and
springtime and harvest,
Sun, moon and stars in their courses above.
Join with all nature in manifold witness,
To Thy great faithfulness, mercy and love.

CHORUS

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,
Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide.
Strength for today and
bright hope for tomorrow;
Blessings all mine,
with ten thousand beside!

CHORUS

WORDS/MUSIC: *Thomas O. Chisholm & William Runyan*

DISMISSAL

All **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!**

WELCOME TO ST. PETER'S CHELSEA!

We're so glad that you joined us for worship today! Please sign up for our email newsletter at www.stpeterschelsea.org, follow us on Instagram and Facebook @stpeterschelsea and find out more ways to get connected.

TODAY! St. Peter's Culture Club. Join us at Neighbor on 9th Ave. at 11:45 am to visit with artist **Noemia Marinho Boccato** on **Sunday, June 9 at 11:45 am.** *The Gifts* series is a vibrant collection of intricately woven collages extracted from plastic mesh produce bags. This upcycle project not only reclaims supplies, but also validates people through employment opportunities.

CIRCLING PALESTINE AND ISRAEL IN PRAYER FOR 40 DAYS:

- **Wednesdays, June 12, 19, 7 pm in the sanctuary.** 30 minutes of yoga-based embodied prayer and intercessory prayer. Contact Lisha at lisha@stpeterschelsea.org.
- **Saturday, June 15 at 9 am.** Walking in prayerful solidarity from Columbus Circle to the steps of Cathedral of St. John the Divine (3 miles). RSVP at www.stpeterschelsea.org and contact Christine at clee@stpeterschelsea.org for more info.

JUNE 30 PRIDE OUTREACH:

- We're partnering with Kaleidoscope NYC to bless our city with the love of Jesus! Join us in Union Square to offer "glitter blessings," prayer, Mom & Dad Hugs and more. Contact Martha Lee at marthayjlee@gmail.com to volunteer for a shift or the whole day.
- March in the Pride Parade with the Episcopal Diocese of New York. Contact Christine.

WEEKLY GATHERINGS:

- **Wednesday Senior Glo (yoga and noonday prayer) with Lisha,** 11:30 am in the sanctuary through June 19. Contact: lisha@stpeterschelsea.org
- **Thursday Men's Breakfast Fellowship, 7 am to 8 am in midtown.** Contact Andrew Haas at andrewhhaas3@gmail.com.
- **Food Pantry Volunteering,** Saturdays from 9:30-11:30 am. Help us love our neighbors through providing food and hospitality. Contact Brian Wexler at foodpantry@stpeterschelsea.org.

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