

CHRIST THE KING/LAST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
November 21, 2021 – 8:00 a.m.
THE HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE I

Organ Prelude

THE WORD OF GOD

Opening Sentences

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

People: **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

The Collect for Purity

Priest: Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ saith:

Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it: Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets.

Gloria in excelsis

All: **Glory be to God on high, and on earth peace, good will towards men. We praise thee, we bless thee, we worship thee, we glorify thee, we give thanks to thee for thy great glory, O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty. O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sins of the world, receive our prayer. Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us. For thou only art holy; thou only art the Lord; thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

The Collect of the Day

Priest: The Lord be with you.

People: **And with thy spirit.**

Priest: Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, whose will it is to restore all things in thy well-beloved Son, the King of kings and Lord of lords: Mercifully grant that the peoples of the earth, divided and enslaved by sin, may be freed and brought together under his most gracious rule; who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Lessons

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Lector: A Reading from The Revelation to John. (1: 4b-8)

Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth.

To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood, and made us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.

Look! He is coming with the clouds;
every eye will see him,
even those who pierced him;
and on his account all the tribes of the earth will wail.

So it is to be. Amen.

“I am the Alpha and the Omega,” says the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 93

Lector: Let us recite, in unison, Psalm 93.

1 **The Lord is King;
he has put on splendid apparel;
the Lord has put on his apparel
and girded himself with strength.**

2 **He has made the whole world so sure
that it cannot be moved;**

3 **Ever since the world began, your throne has been established;
you are from everlasting.**

4 **The waters have lifted up, O Lord,
the waters have lifted up their voice;
the waters have lifted up their pounding waves.**

5 **Mightier than the sound of many waters,
mightier than the breakers of the sea,
mightier is the Lord who dwells on high.**

6 **Your testimonies are very sure,
and holiness adorns your house, O Lord,
for ever and for evermore.**

**Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

Priest: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John. (18:33-37) *stand*
People: **Glory be to thee, O Lord.**

Pilate entered the headquarters again, summoned Jesus, and asked him, "Are you the King of the Jews?" Jesus answered, "Do you ask this on your own, or did others tell you about me?" Pilate replied, "I am not a Jew, am I? Your own nation and the chief priests have handed you over to me. What have you done?" Jesus answered, "My kingdom is not from this world. If my kingdom were from this world, my followers would be fighting to keep me from being handed over to the Jews. But as it is, my kingdom is not from here." Pilate asked him, "So you are a king?" Jesus answered, "You say that I am a king. For this I was born, and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice."

Priest: The Gospel of the Lord.
People: **Praise be to thee, O Christ.**

The Sermon: The Reverend Kelly Carlson

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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.**

Prayers of the People

Lector: Let us pray for the whole state of Christ's Church and the world.

Almighty and everliving God, who in thy holy Word hast taught us to make prayers, and supplications, and to give thanks for all people: Receive these our prayers which we offer unto thy divine Majesty, beseeching thee to inspire continually the Universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord; and grant that all those who do confess thy holy Name may agree in the truth of thy holy Word, and live in unity and godly love.

People: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Lector: Give grace, O heavenly Father, to all bishops and other ministers, especially Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury, Michael, our Presiding Bishop, Deon, our Bishop, and David and Kelly, our clergy, that they may, both by their life and doctrine, set forth thy true and lively Word, and rightly and duly administer thy holy Sacraments.

People: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Lector: And to all thy people give thy heavenly grace, and especially to our parish family and staff, and this congregation here present; that, with meek heart and due reverence, they may hear and receive thy holy Word, truly serving thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of their life.

People: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Lector: We beseech thee also so to rule the hearts of those who bear the authority of government in this and every land, that they may be led to wise decisions and right actions for the welfare and peace of the world.

People: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Lector: Open, O Lord, the eyes of all people to behold thy gracious hand in all thy works, that, rejoicing in thy whole creation, they may honor thee with their substance, and be faithful stewards of thy bounty.

People: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Lector: And we most humbly beseech thee, of thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succor Howard Grimmett, Paul Hmiel, and all those who, in this transitory life, are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity.

People: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Lector: And we also bless thy holy Name for all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear, especially John Schaper and Jean Walker, beseeching thee to grant them continual growth in thy love and service; and to grant us grace so to follow the good examples of Peter and all thy saints, that with them we may be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom.

People: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Priest: Grant these our prayers, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate. **Amen.**

The Confession

Priest: Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God. *kneel*

All: **Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against thee
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved thee with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of thy Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in thy will,
and walk in thy ways,
to the glory of thy Name. Amen.**

The Absolution

Priest: Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all those who with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Peace

Priest: The peace of the Lord be always with you. *stand*

People: **And with thy spirit.**

Announcements

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THE HOLY COMMUNION

The Offertory (*Hymn 380, st. 3*)

Old 100th, *stand*

All: **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: Eucharistic Prayer II

Priest: The Lord be with you.

People: **And with thy spirit.**

Priest: Lift up your hearts.

People: **We lift them up unto the Lord.**

Priest: Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

People: **It is meet and right so to do.**

Priest: It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God.

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, with Angels and Archangels, and with all they company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

All: **Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts:
Heaven and earth are full of thy glory.
Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High.
Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

Priest: All glory be to thee, O Lord our God, for that thou didst create heaven and earth, and didst make us in thine own image; and, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to take our nature upon him, and to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption. He made there a full and perfect sacrifice for the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks to thee, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat, this is my Body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Likewise, after supper, he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink this, all of you; for this is my Blood of the New Covenant, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins. Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me."

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, we thy people do celebrate and make, with these thy holy gifts which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; and looking for his coming again with power and great glory.

And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us, and, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, to bless and sanctify these gifts of bread and wine, that they may be unto us the Body and Blood of thy dearly beloved Son Jesus Christ.

And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, whereby we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies. Grant, we beseech thee, that all who partake of this Holy Communion may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, and be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction; and also that we and all thy whole Church may be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord;

By whom, and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. **AMEN.**

The Lord's Prayer

Priest: 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

Priest: Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

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

Priest: 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

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While we celebrate the Eucharist with both bread and wine, currently we receive in bread only, which is full participation. Please tell the clergy if you require gluten-free bread.

To receive without physical contact, place one hand on top of the other, palms open. Crossing your arms over your chest will let the clergy know you would like to receive a blessing but not the sacrament.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

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Priest: Let us pray.

All: **Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom.**

And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

The Blessing

Priest: The peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of God's Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

The Dismissal

Priest: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Organ Voluntary

*We hope you can stay for a cup of coffee and to catch up with friends
and fellow worshippers in the undercroft following the service.
Thank you for continuing to wear your mask when not sipping your drink.*

*The altar flowers are given to the glory of God
in loving memory of Patricia A. Aitken, by S. William Aitken*

THOSE SERVING IN WORSHIP TODAY:

Presiding: The Rev. David Hodges

Preaching: The Rev. Kelly Carlson

Organ: David Sinden

Lectors: Rob Heuermann, Brig Buettner

Ushers: Randy and Cheryl Meyer

Altar Guild: Connie Lohr

PRAYER LIST

For Parishioners: Paul Hmiel.

For Family and Friends: Howard Grimmett.

For the Faithful Departed: John Schaper and Jean Walker.

For the Men and Women of the Armed Forces: Zach Greata and Matt Robinson.

For those Committed to Our Ongoing Prayers: Scott Adderton, Angela Birkeland, Donna Brookman, Elizabeth Cawns, Elizabeth Clarke, Jim Corbett, Dixie Daniels, Kathryn Dewein, Mary Beth Engler, Rylin Forde, Pat Gilbert, Mia Hennessey, Jobie Hereford, Trey Kirtian, Guy Knapp, Cheryl Meyer, Steven Minton, Linda Morotz, Signe Myles, Fin Nayler (Mighty Fin), Jeffrey Rixleben, Jane St. John, Greyson Schnoebelen, Carl Schuldt, Kate Skinner, Julie Stephenson, Annie Vogt, Dan Weas, Scott Weaver, Rolla Wetzell, Sarina White, Cathie Wille, Joey Wilson, Susie Yoder, and Helen Yount.

TODAY...

THANK YOU FOR WORSHIPPING WITH US! – Whether you are worshipping from the nave or from home, we are glad you are with us to offer thanks and praise to God.

SUNDAY SCHOOL & NURSERY – Here is today’s schedule:

- Confirmation Class begins at 9:15 a.m.
- The Nursery on the lower level of the Little Building opens at 10:00 a.m.
- Sunday School for Kindergarten thru 5th Grade begins at 10:30 a.m.

HELP THE GIVING TREE LOSE ITS ORNAMENTS! – You know Advent is near when the Giving Tree appears in the narthex. Each ornament contains all the information you need to help make a Christmas wish come true. The initial set of ornaments represent wishes provided by Episcopal City Mission and Trinity Food Pantry. If the Spirit moves you, please take an ornament or two as you leave church this morning.

ORDER A CHRISTMAS WREATH – Look for forms in the undercroft and Friday’s *News from the Rock* to order a beautiful live Christmas wreath from the Woman’s Guild, with all proceeds benefitting the 2022 St. Peter’s Youth Mission Trip to Kentucky. Orders must be received by December 4. (See “Pop Up Boutique” on page 14 for more information.)

THIS WEEK . . .

VESTRY NOMINATIONS – In preparation for our annual parish meeting in early 2022, the Vestry Nominating Committee is seeking nominations for our next Vestry class *and* for delegates to Diocesan Convention. If you are interested in nominating someone (including yourself!) for either office and would like to know more, look for information on the Welcome Table in the undercroft, in *News from the Rock*, and on the parish website. Nominations must be received by Sunday, Dec. 5.

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS – The Church Office will be closed Wednesday through Friday this week for the Thanksgiving holiday so that our staff (for whom we give great thanks!) may celebrate with family and friends.

BIBLE STUDY HOLIDAY – Both our Wednesday and Friday bible study classes will enjoy a Thanksgiving holiday this week. Classes will resume on December 1 and 3.

FRIDAY PRAYER GROUP – The Prayer Group **will not meet** in the Elliot Room this week, but will resume at 2:00 p.m. on December 3.

LOOKING AHEAD . . .

ADVENT WREATH-MAKING – Ready or not, **next Sunday**, November 28, is the First Sunday of Advent. St. Peter's is ready to help you prepare for the season! Be sure to come to the undercroft after the 8:00 or 10:30 worship service that morning to make your Advent wreath, or to pick up everything you need to create one at home.

POP UP BOUTIQUE – During Coffee Hour after each service **next Sunday**, if you want to take a few minutes to shop for a good cause, the Woman's Guild will have live Christmas wreaths to order and Christmas ornaments and other offerings for sale in the undercroft, with all proceeds going to support the 2022 St. Peter's Youth Mission Trip to Kentucky. An exciting update on the trip: it is now a joint trip for the youth of St. Peter's and the Church of St. Michael & St. George!

ORGAN VESPER – **Next Sunday**, at 5:00 p.m., this service of candlelight, chant, and music promises to be an extraordinary way to enter into the Advent season. During the service, David Sinden will perform various pieces written for Advent on our Mander organ, which is celebrating its 20th anniversary this season. Unfortunately, Dr. Horst Buchholz, originally scheduled to be our guest organist for this service has had to withdraw due to an unforeseen scheduling conflict.

ADVENT CAROL SERVICE – A Service of Lessons and Carols for Advent will be held on Sunday, December 12 at 5:00 p.m. This service reflects the Advent season’s growing anticipation. Sung by the St. Peter’s Choir, the music includes works by Josquin des Prez, Elizabeth Poston, Paul Manz, and Judith Weir. The service will be preceded by an Organ Recital beginning at 4:30 p.m. (*see below*).

ADVENT ORGAN RECITAL – A recital of Advent music for the organ played by Dr. Robert Lehman will precede the Advent Carol Service on Sunday, December 12. The recital, which begins at 4:30 p.m., is about twenty-five minutes in length. Dr. Lehman has served on the staff of several distinguished churches, including the Washington National Cathedral (of which he is a Fellow); the Princeton University Chapel; Saint Bartholomew’s Episcopal Church, New York City; and, most recently, the Church of St. Michael & St. George, Clayton.

GET INVOLVED, STAY CONNECTED...

END OF YEAR GIVING – We are grateful for the generous gifts parishioners give to St. Peter’s in the final weeks of the year. Thank you! We know that some gifts received in late 2021 are intended to prepay a pledge for 2022. To help us record your gift accurately, if you want to prepay a 2022 pledge, please write “2022 pledge paid in 2021” in the memo line of your check. If you have any questions about end-of-year giving, please contact Janet Rouse, Director of Stewardship and Parish Life at janetr@specstl.org.

WE ARE HIRING! – St. Peter’s has two openings for sexton positions: one full-time day position, 8:00 to 5:00 p.m., \$20 an hour (negotiable) with full benefits; one part-time evening/weekend position; 25 hours a week, \$15 an hour. If you know anyone who might be interested, please have them contact Angela Mahan at angelam@specstl.org.

COFFEE HOUR ASSISTANCE – **Sundays, after the 8:00 and 10:30 a.m. service.** This is a time to reconnect with our community and meet new members. We are in need of parishioners willing to help make the coffee, set-up, and clean-up after the fellowship hour. Training and instructions will be provided. If you would like to help, please contact Janet Rouse at janetr@specstl.org, or call the office at 314-993-2306.

ALTAR FLOWERS – Would you like to donate altar flowers for Sunday worship? To give flowers in memory or honor of loved ones on a Sunday of your choice, with an acknowledgement printed in that morning’s bulletins, go to specstl.org/worship/Sunday-flowers/ or call the Church Office at 314-993-2306. Your flower donation will be confirmed after payment is received by the Church Office.

Sarah Bryan Miller, 1952–2020, Longtime St. Peter’s Parishioner and Choir Member



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Sasha Cooke, mezzo-soprano
Elizabeth Chung, cello

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EDWARD ELGAR *Sea Pictures*
NIKOLAI RIMSKY-KORSAKOV *Scheherazade*

Sarah Bryan Miller served as the classical music critic for the *St. Louis Post-Dispatch* for more than 20 years and gave voice to arts organizations across the St. Louis region. Please join as we honor Bryan’s legacy at concerts dedicated to her memory.

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