



ST. PETER'S
EST. **EPISCOPAL CHURCH** 1889

Holy Eucharist Rite II

9:45 am | January 18, 2026

The Confession of St. Peter

Welcome to St. Peter's! From the moment you walk through these doors, you are part of our 136-year story. Many like you have come here before. Some seeking solace. Some seeking community. Some who are young. Some who are old. Some with deep faith. Some with deep doubt. Some who are here for a short time. Some who are here for their whole lives. Together, we are the saints of St. Peter's, and we share the story of this place.

In the Episcopal tradition, our worship is guided by *The Book of Common Prayer*, which can be found in the pews, along with the *Hymnal 1982*, but everything for today's service can also be found in this leaflet.

Restrooms are available in Bender Hall, through the north doors and down the ramp. There you will find individual restrooms on the left and men's and women's restrooms with changing tables through the second door and to your far right.

This service is live streamed on YouTube. Please be aware you may be seen or heard by those worshiping with us online.



St. Peter's is equipped with a hearing loop for those using hearing aids.

If you would like to learn more about St. Peter's or to have a prayerful conversation, please don't hesitate to reach out! You can find my contact information on the back of this leaflet. And again, welcome!

The Rev. Derek Larson, TSSF

The congregation, both children and adults, is invited to worship through art, if desired, by drawing a picture of one of the Scripture readings for the day. At the offertory the art will be brought forth to adorn the altar for Communion. Clipboards and coloring utensils may be found at each entrance.

Hymn: The Church's One Foundation (H1982 #525)

The Church's one foundation is Jesus Christ her Lord;
she is his new creation by water and the word:
from heaven he came and sought her to be his holy bride;
with his own blood he bought her, and for her life he died.

Elect from every nation, yet one o'er all the earth,
her charter of salvation, one Lord, one faith, one birth;
one holy Name she blesses, partakes one holy food,
and to one hope she presses, with every grace endued.

Mid toil and tribulation, and tumult of her war
she waits the consummation of peace for evermore;
till with the vision glorious her longing eyes are blessed,
and the great Church victorious shall be the Church at rest.

Yet she on earth hath union with God, the Three in One,
and mystic sweet communion with those whose rest is won.
O happy ones and holy! Lord, give us grace that we
like them, the meek and lowly, on high may dwell with thee.

The Word of God

Celebrant  *Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.*

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

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.**

Canticle 13

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A Song of Praise *Benedictus es, Domine*

1. Glo - ry to you, _____ Lord
God of our fa - thers; _____ you are wor - thy of praise;
glo - ry to you. _____ 2. Glo - ry to you _____
for the ra - di - ance of your ho - ly Name; we will
praise you and high - ly ex - alt you for ev - er. _____
3. Glo - ry to you _____ in the splen - dor of your
tem - ple; _____ on the throne of your ma - jes - ty, glo - ry to
you. _____ 4. Glo - ry to you, seat - ed be -
tween the Cher - u - bim; _____ we will praise you and
high - ly ex - alt you for ev - er. _____

Descant

5. Glory to you, _____ be _____

5. Glory to you, _____ be - hold - ing the

hold - ing the depths; in the high vault of

depths; _____ in the high vault of hea - ven, glo - ry to

heav - en, 6. Glory to you, _____

you. 6. Glory to you, _____ Fa - ther,

— Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Spi - rit; we will

Son, and Ho - ly Spi - rit; _____ we will praise you and

high - ly ex - alt you. Glo - ry to you! _____

high - ly ex - alt you for ev - er. _____

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty Father, who inspired Simon Peter, first among the apostles, to confess Jesus as Messiah and Son of the living God: Keep your Church steadfast upon the rock of this faith, so that in unity and peace we may proclaim the one truth and follow the one Lord, our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The First Lesson: Acts 4:8-13 (Please be seated)

Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them, "Rulers of the people and elders, if we are questioned today because of a good deed done to someone who was sick and are asked how this man has been healed, let it be known to all of you, and to all the people of Israel, that this man is standing before you in good health by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead. This Jesus is 'the stone that was rejected by you, the builders; it has become the cornerstone.' There is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among mortals by which we must be saved." Now when they saw the boldness of Peter and John and realized that they were uneducated and ordinary men, they were amazed and recognized them as companions of Jesus.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

The Psalter

Hymn: My Shepherd Will Supply My Need (H1982 #664)

My Shepherd will supply my need: Jehovah is His Name;
in pastures fresh he makes me feed, beside the living stream.
He brings my wandering spirit back when I forsake his ways,
and leads me, for his mercy's sake, in paths of truth and grace.

When I walk through the shades of death, thy presence is my stay;
one word of thy supporting breath drives all my fears away.
Thy hand, in sight of all my foes, doth still my table spread;
my cup with blessings overflows, thy oil anoints my head.

The sure provisions of my God attend me all my days;
O may thy house be mine abode, and all my work be praise.
There would I find a settled rest, while others go and come;
no more a stranger or a guest, but like a child at home.

The Second Lesson: 1 Peter 5:1-4

As an elder myself and a witness of the sufferings of Christ, as well as one who shares in the glory to be revealed, I exhort the elders among you to tend the flock of God that is in your charge, exercising the oversight, not under compulsion but willingly, as God would have you do it- not for sordid gain but eagerly. Do not lord it over those in your charge, but be examples to the flock. And when the chief shepherd appears, you will win the crown of glory that never fades away.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Sequence Hymn: Christ is Made the Sure Foundation (H1982 #518)

Christ is made the sure foundation, Christ the head and cornerstone,
chosen of the Lord, and precious, binding all the Church in one;
holy Zion's help for ever, and her confidence alone.

All that dedicated city, dearly loved of God on high,
in exultant jubilation pours perpetual melody;
God the One in Three adoring in glad hymns eternally.

To this temple, where we call thee, come, O Lord of Hosts, today;
with thy wonted lovingkindness hear thy servants as they pray,
and thy fullest benediction shed within its walls alway.

Here vouchsafe to all thy servants what they ask of thee to gain;
what they gain from thee, for ever with the blessed to retain,
and hereafter in thy glory evermore with thee to reign.

The Gospel: Matthew 16:13-19 (Please stand)

Gospeller The ✠ Holy Gospel of our ✠ Lord Jesus ✠ Christ
according to Matthew.

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

When Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that the Son of Man is?" And they said, "Some say John the Baptist, but others Elijah, and still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets." He said to them, "But who do you say that I am?" Simon Peter answered, "You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God."

And Jesus answered him, "Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father in heaven. And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not prevail against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven."

Gospeller The Gospel of the Lord

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

Homily: The Rev. Derek Larson (*Please be seated*)

A moment of quiet reflection will follow the sermon.

The Nicene Creed (*standing*)

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

Written by Daughters of the King

Deacon's invitation to prayer

In peace and in faith, let us offer our prayers saying, "Shine your light upon us."

Loving God, we gather as your people this morning, seeking your presence, your comfort, and your love.

In this Epiphany Season: **Shine your light upon us.**

We pray for the peace of the world and the leaders of all nations, for the welfare of the holy Church of God, and for the unity of all peoples.

God of compassion and mercy: **Shine your light upon us.**

We pray for Sean, our Presiding Bishop, and Doug our Bishop; and for all bishops and other ministers.

For the Diocese of Southwest Florida and our companion dioceses: Dominican Republic, Georgia, South Carolina, and Western Louisiana; and for those named in the Anglican Cycle of Prayer. For those named in the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: St. Giles' in Pinellas Park; St. Matthew's, St. Peter's Cathedral, St. Thomas', and St. Vincent's in St. Petersburg.

God of hope and strength: **Shine your light upon us.**

We pray for our own needs and those of others. We pray for those who have requested our prayers, especially those on our parish prayer list and those we now name:

God of grace and healing: **Shine your light upon us.**

We ask you to send light into the recesses of our spirits; Those places where we experience anxiety, depression, fear, and despair. This morning, we pray especially for all among us who are grieving as we remember those who have departed this life.

God of mercy: **Shine your light upon us.**

We pray for all who begin this new year in service to others, especially those in our armed forces, first responders, medical professionals, educators, clergy, and others we name.

God of devotion and spiritual gifts: **Shine your light upon us.**

We pray for those places of conflict and tension: In our families, In our friendships, In our work and community relationships, and our nation and throughout the world. Remind us that you have created all of us in your image, unique and beloved by you.

God of forgiveness and reconciliation: **Shine your light upon us.**

We give thanks for all the blessings of this life.

God of all creation: **Shine your light upon us.**

Gracious God, we thank you for the light that shines through St. Peter's community and its members, young and old, who remind us of your presence in tears and laughter, teaching and learning, work and play.

Shine your light upon us; And around us; And within us:

That we, too, may be a light to the world.

During this Epiphany season, we thank you for inviting us on this journey of faith. Like the wise ones of old, let us look for the light of Christ wherever we go and see His likeness in all your children.

God of Illumination: **Let us never stop seeking your light that shines in the darkness.**

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect

Lord, hear the prayers of your people; and what we have asked faithfully, grant that we may obtain effectually, to the glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Confession of Sin (kneeling, as able)

Deacon Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

All **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.**

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 Peace (*Please stand*)

Celebrant The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

Prayer for birthdays, anniversaries, and milestones

Watch over your children, O Lord, as their days increase; bless and guide them wherever they may be. Strengthen them when they stand; comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful; raise them up if they fall; and in their hearts may your peace which passes understanding abide all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Offertory



The congregation is invited to offer gifts to God through the mission of St. Peter's. Our ushers will pass an offering basin for your gifts, or you may give online using the QR code to your left or on our website. Thank you for your ministry of giving.

Offertory Sentence: Ascribe to the Lord the honor due his Name; bring offerings and come into his courts. *Psalm 96:8.*

Offertory Anthem: O Praise the Lord – *edited by Richard Proulx*

At the doxology, the congregation is invited to come forward with their art to adorn the altar as an offering of their creativity and prayer.

Doxology (*please stand*)

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 Holy Communion

The Great Thanksgiving (*Eucharistic Prayer B, BCP p.367 – standing*)

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 God thanks and praise.**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, through the great shepherd of your flock, Jesus Christ our Lord; who after his resurrection sent forth his apostles to preach the Gospel and to teach all nations; and promised to be with them always, even to the end of the ages. 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:

Celebrant and People S-125

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 stand or kneel, as able.

Then the Celebrant continues

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world.

In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, 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." **¶**

Celebrant

There - fore, ac - cord - ing to his com - mand, O Fa - ther,

Celebrant and People

We re - mem - ber his death, We pro - claim his re - sur -

rec - tion, We a - wait his com - ing in glo - ry.

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being **¶** sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with the Blessed Virgin Mary, St. Joseph, St. Peter, and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

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 for ever. **¶**

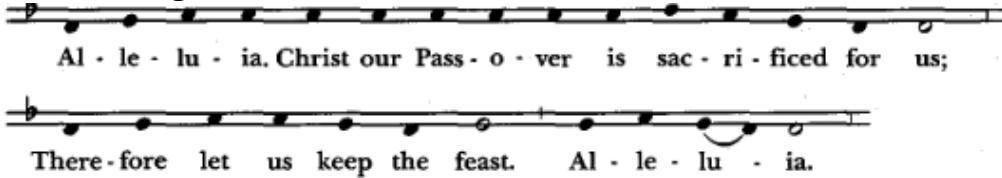
Amen S-146



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

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 S-152



*Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God. **¶***

You are invited to receive communion this evening, an ancient practice intended for all baptized Christians, no matter your tradition. You may receive just the bread (which is full participation in the sacrament), or both the bread and the wine by sipping directly from the chalice. You may also receive by intinction, in which case the minister will dip the bread in the chalice for you. You may receive the bread in your hand or on your tongue. Gluten-free wafers are available; please make your need known to the minister. If you would prefer not to receive communion, you may also come forward and cross your arms over your chest for a blessing.

Communion Hymn: Here I Am, Lord

I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my people cry.
All who dwell in dark and sin my hand will save.
I, who made the stars of night, I will make their darkness bright.
Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?

Refrain: Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard you calling in the night.
I will go, Lord, if you lead me. I will hold your people in my heart.

I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my people's pain.
I have wept for love of them. They turn away.
I will break their hearts of stone, give them hearts for love alone.
I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send? **Refrain**

I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame.
I will set a feast for them. My hand will save.
Finest bread I will provide till their hearts be satisfied.
I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send? **Refrain**

Prayer after Communion

The people stand or kneel, as able.

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 Priest blesses the people

God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, give you the spirit of wisdom and revelation, to know the hope to which he has called you. **Amen.**

God, who has given you an example of holy living and holy dying in the witness of the saints, bring you to share their glorious inheritance. **Amen.**

God, who calls you friends and fellow citizens with the saints, give you grace to walk in the way of Christ. **Amen.**

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

Invitation to Mission *Please be seated*

Some brief announcements for the mission of the church are offered.

Our Parish Mission *(Please stand)*

We, at St. Peter's, strive to be a welcoming Christian community of all ages that embodies God's word and sacraments, invites spiritual curiosity, celebrates children and youth, and embraces the world with God's Love.

Hymn: By All Your Saints Still Striving (H1982 #232)

By all your saints still striving, for all your saints at rest,
your holy Name, O Jesus forevermore be blessed.

You rose, our King victorious, that they might wear the crown
and ever shine in splendor reflected from your throne.

We praise you, Lord, for Peter, so eager and so bold;
thrice falling, yet repentant, thrice charged to feed your fold.
Lord make your pastors faithful to guard your flock from harm
And hold them when they waver with your almighty arm.

Then let us praise the Father and worship God the Son
and sing to God the Spirit, eternal Three in One,
till all the ransomed number who stand before the throne
ascribe all power and glory and praise to God alone.

Dismissal

Deacon Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

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for our St. Peter's Family by Mike and Patti Booher.***

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Ministers Serving Today:

Celebrant: The Rev. Derek Larson	Deacon: The Rev. Denise Healy
Organist: Helen Jones	St. Peter's Choir Altar Guild
Lectors: Sue Perica, Meredith Prokuski	Crucifer: Christy Lyle
Acolytes: Elizabeth Lyle, Glenn Lyle	Ushers: Ron Everett, Dick Grant
Eucharistic Ministers: Nancy Ham, Diana Weeks	

By the Numbers:

Last Sunday's Attendance: 113 (including 16 online):

Average attendance: 113

Income for the week of January 11, 2026: \$9,878.67.

2026 Pledge Goal: \$312,000.00

2026 Pledges to Date: \$281,427.22.

Mind the gap: \$ 30,572.78 (30 days of ministry) needed to meet the goal.

Readings for next Sunday, January 25:

Isaiah 9:1-4, Psalm 27:1, 5-13, 1 Corinthians 1:10-18, Matthew 4:12-23

Are you on our email list? More announcements can be found in our weekly

“This Week at St. Peter’s” email. Remember that you can also check

<https://www.stpetersplantcity.com/calendar> for up-to-date calendar listings.

Take note:

- Today at 9:15am - Youth and Children's Sunday School with classes for toddlers, elementary schoolers, and teenagers!
- Pathfinders: Join us for a series called “Here is the Church; Here are the People” for a reflection on the Church, its role in our lives, and what the Bible has to say about it.
- Be sure to see TW@SP for our many Outreach opportunities.
- Engage café Wednesday at 5:30 in Bender Hall. RSVP by noon Monday.

Please Pray For:

- Amanda, Bernie, Bill, Bill, Billie, Bernice, Betty, Bruce, Bud, Carol, Carolyn, Casey, Charley, Chris, Dale, Darlene, Daryll, David, David, Don, Dorothy, Drex, Ellie, Evelyn, Evon, Fred, Glen, Gregg, Hugh, Jackie, James, Jane, Janet, Janice, Janice, Jason, Jeff, Jenna, Jim, Jim, JoAnne, John, John & Jane, Leslie & family, Linda, Luke, Marilyn, Mary, Mary Katherine, Millie, Nancy, Nora, Priscilla & Robert, Richard, Sally, Sarah, Shirley, Stephanie, Su, Suzanne, Teri, Thomas, Tim, Tracey, Vernetta
- Our Neighbors at Laundry Love and Friends in the Park
- The victims of violence and injustice in our own country and around the world.
- People of the Middle East
- Those celebrating birthdays: Jane Williams 01/18, Marilyn Frey 01/18, Cathleen Evans 01/20, Jennifer Sidney 01/20, Jennifer Hamilton 01/21, Haylee Tidwell 01/22, Laura Booher Benton 01/24, Amy Booher 01/24.
- Those expecting a child and their families: Breanna Clark (2/26), Kelly Gutowski (2/26), Grace Everett (3/26), LauraAnn Larson (5/26), Brittany Eukovich Wilhelm (5/26) Laura Booher Benton (7/26), Carley Sicignano (7/26).
- St. Peter's Vestry: Christy, Cindy, Eda, Mark, Patti, Patty, Ron, Sandy
- Our Shared Parish: St. Peter's 2026 Pledge Campaign.
- Members of our community serving in the armed forces:
Aden, Andrew, Austin, Brendan, Christopher, Dayna, Forrest, Kyle, Logan, Matt, Matthew, Nick, Paul, Robert, Scott, Timothy, Trace, Yasmine

Parish Administration:

Rector: The Rev. Derek Larson, TSSF

Deacon: The Rev. Denise Healy

Parish Administrator: Sarah Dean

Director of Music Ministries: Helen Jones

Treasurer: Trey Stevens

Sexton: Tony Wilson

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DID YOU FIND OUR CHURCH MICE?



St. Peter's has three resident mice clergy for our mouse congregation! Find all three and after mass tell Fr. Derek where they are for a cute sticker.