

The Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

August 16, 2026

Proper 15



*St. Peter's Episcopal Church
Lakewood, Ohio*

WELCOME TO SAINT PETER'S CHURCH!

St. Peter's aspires to be a welcoming, nurturing, and joyful Episcopal Church—open to all without exception, growing together in faith as we follow the way of Christ, and committed to the Spirit's formation in ourselves, our community, and our world through God's love.

This leaflet contains everything you need for worship this morning.

LIVESTREAM begins at 9:50 a.m., and the service at 10:00 a.m.

The service can be found on the Saint Peter's YouTube page at:

<https://tinyurl.com/StPeterLS>

NAME TAGS can be found at the end of every pew. PLEASE, wear one! Whether you've been attending here 50 years, or 50 minutes, it helps everyone get to know one another!

IF YOU'RE NEW this morning, please take a moment to fill out one of the little cards at the end of the pew rack and place it in the alms basin at the offering. Or, sign our guestbook by the tower door on your way out. We want to welcome you properly.

A WORD ABOUT OFFERINGS: Loose cash and coins put in our offering plates on Sundays are used to fund important ministries in the wider community. If you prefer your cash offerings go to church operations, or if you wish a tax receipt, you must put your offerings in an envelope and supply your name. Envelopes for this purpose can be found at the end of every pew.

A WORD ABOUT COMMUNION: We offer bread and wine during Holy Communion. We believe that we receive the full benefit of the sacrament in one kind. If you wish to take the wine also, you may drink from the large chalice or do this by intinction, by gently touching the wafer to the wine in the small chalice.

RESTROOMS are located between the church and the chapel off the narthex.

CHILDREN: Children are welcome to attend the service; activity sheets are available at the back of the church for your use. Children are also welcome on the carpet in the front of the church to participate in an activity and be part of the service. Please linger after the service. Coffee hour takes place following the 10:00 a.m. service in the Narthex during the regular program year. In the summer lemonade is served on the plaza.

• *Gluten-free wafers are available – please alert the priest* •

The Holy Eucharist

Preparation for Worship

The Church bell will peal 10 minutes before the Liturgy begins.

Prelude	Allegro (Concerto in A minor)	J. S. Bach (1685-1750)
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Entrance Hymn 427 When morning gilds the skies *Laudes Domini*

The Liturgy of the Word

The people standing, the Celebrant says

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
People And blessed be his 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.**

The Congregation says the Gloria at 8:00; and the Congregation sings the Gloria at 10:00.

Gloria S280 Robert Powell

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.**

Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty God, you have given your only Son to be for us a sacrifice for sin, and also an example of godly life: Give us grace to receive thankfully the fruits of his redeeming work, and to follow daily in the blessed steps of his most holy life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Liturgy of the Word

A Reading from the Book of Isaiah

Thus says the LORD: Maintain justice, and do what is right,
for soon my salvation will come, and my deliverance be revealed.
And the foreigners who join themselves to the LORD,
to minister to him, to love the name of the LORD, and to be his servants,
all who keep the sabbath, and do not profane it, and hold fast my covenant--
these I will bring to my holy mountain,
and make them joyful in my house of prayer;
their burnt offerings and their sacrifices will be accepted on my altar;
for my house shall be called a house of prayer for all peoples.
Thus says the Lord GOD, who gathers the outcasts of Israel,
I will gather others to them besides those already gathered.
(Isaiah 56:1, 6-8)

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

The Congregation says the Psalm at both services.

Psalm 67

- 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.

Lector **A Reading from Romans**

I ask, then, has God rejected his people? By no means! I myself am an Israelite, a descendant of Abraham, a member of the tribe of Benjamin. God has not rejected his people whom he foreknew.

For the gifts and the calling of God are irrevocable. Just as you were once disobedient to God but have now received mercy because of their disobedience, so they have now been disobedient in order that, by the mercy shown to you, they too may now receive mercy. For God has imprisoned all in disobedience so that he may be merciful to all. (*Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32*)

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

All stand.

Sequence Hymn 537 Christ for the world we sing *Moscow*

The Celebrant reads the Gospel first saying:

People The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.
Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus left that place and went away to the district of Tyre and Sidon. Just then a Canaanite woman from that region came out and started shouting, "Have mercy on me, Lord, Son of David; my daughter is tormented by a demon." But he did not answer her at all. And his disciples came and urged him, saying, "Send her away, for she keeps shouting after us." He answered, "I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel." But she came and knelt before him, saying, "Lord, help me." He answered, "It is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the dogs." She said, "Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters' table." Then Jesus answered her, "Woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish." And her daughter was healed instantly. (*Matthew 14:13-21*)

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

The Sermon The Rev. Jocelyn Snider

The people stand.

The Nicene Creed

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

Intercessor: Lord of welcome and love, when we feel surrounded by scarcity or
tossed by life's storms, you call us to take heart and trust you. You draw near to every
persistent cry for help and invite us to build our lives on your love. Receive now the
prayers of your people as we bring our hunger, our fears, and our hopes to your heart.

Bind us in unity and love, O God
People: By the power of the Spirit.

Intercessor: We pray for the Church and its leaders: for the Archbishop of Canterbury, Sarah; for Sean, our Presiding Bishop; for Anne, our own bishop; Mike, John and Nancy our Priests; our Vestry, Staff and all who lead us. We pray for Anglicans here and abroad as we strive to live into our diversity in Christ. Help us apply your teachings to our hearts, and to love one another as Christ loves us.

Bind us in unity and love, O God

People: By the power of the Spirit.

Intercessor: We pray for all who govern and hold authority in this country. Grant them wisdom to find ways of compassion, see all of humanity as your creation and steward the environment with care for the generations to come.

Bind us in unity and love, O God

People: By the power of the Spirit.

Intercessor: Bless the ministry offered by Breakthrough T1D, our Community Partner this month. Bless the missionaries from Montana as they journey home today.

Bind us in unity and love, O God

People: By the power of the Spirit

Intercessor: Give to the sick and the suffering your saving help, and sustain them with your bountiful Spirit. In your great compassion act through caregivers, and through us, to sooth the afflictions of those suffer from any kind of trouble. Today we pray for parishioners on our prayer list, especially Al, Sara, Matt, Hilary, Dave, Brad, Marci, Michael, John, Joe, Moira, Lois, Paul, Bob, J, Ernie & Cindy, Ray, Pat, Jim & Linda, Clinton & Marcie [You are invited, either silently or aloud, to offer your prayers].

Bind us in unity and love, O God

People: By the power of the Spirit

Intercessor: Grant your peace to the departed, and healing to those who love them and grieve their absence. Remind the living that he who raised Christ from the dead grants eternal life to all through his Spirit, which dwells in each of us.

[You are invited, either silently or aloud, to offer your prayers].

Bind us in unity and love, O God

People: By the power of the Spirit

The priest will now offer a concluding prayer,

O God, you have formed us as the body of Christ. You have blessed us with astonishing diversity and many strengths. Help us in our broad perspectives to find communion with one another. Equip us to do your work in the world: to love unconditionally, to act in compassion without reservation, and to bear one another's burdens, all for Christ's sake.

Amen.

Confession of Sin

The Celebrant says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

Celebrant and People

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.**

Absolution

The Celebrant says

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

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

All now greet one another in the name of the Lord

The Announcements: Tucker Handley

The Liturgy of the Table

The Celebrant bids the offertory with a sentence of scripture. The people sit.

At The Offertory

Domine Deus, Rex caelestis, Deus Pater omnipotens.

Lord God, King of Heaven, God the Father Almighty.

Text: Latin Mass (Gloria)

Music: Antonio Vivaldi (1678-1741)

Brenda Pongracz, soprano

(Please stand as you are able.)

The Liturgy of the Table

The Presentation Hymn 380 (verse 3)

Doxology Old Hundredth

The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharist Prayer C

(BCP)

The Salutation

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Sanctus S129

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The Lord's Prayer

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The Breaking of the Bread

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The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept. At 8:00 the Celebrant and people say

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People Therefore, let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

At 10:00 the people sing

Hymn 325 (verse 1) Let us break bread together *Let us break bread together*

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.

The Prayer for Spiritual Communion

In union, O Lord, with the faithful at every altar of your Church where the Holy Eucharist is now being celebrated, we desire to offer you our praise and thanksgiving. We present to you our soul and body with the earnest knowledge that we are always united to you in our baptism. And since today we cannot now receive you sacramentally, we ask you to join our hearts with all who faithfully receive this day. May we live forever in your love. **Amen.**

The minister receives the Sacrament in both kinds, and then immediately deliver it to the people. The ushers will direct you to the high altar to receive the Holy Eucharist.

If you are unable to go to the high altar, please notify an usher and the Eucharist will be brought to you. At the altar you are invited to kneel or stand to receive.

Communion Music

Adagio (Concerto in A minor)

J. S. Bach (1685-1750)

All stand.

The Sending of the Eucharistic Minister

Celebrant I send you forth bearing these holy gifts that those who receive them may share with us in the communion of the Body and Blood of Christ.

People We, who are many, are one body because we share one bread and one cup.

The Eucharistic minister departs.

The Blessing of Students, Teachers, and Backpacks

The Priest calls the students, educators, and those bringing backpacks to gather at the altar.

Celebrant: Let us pray for our students.

Gracious God, we lift up all students as they begin a new school year. Grant them curious minds, open hearts, and the courage to meet new challenges. Help them to grow not only in knowledge, but in kindness, integrity, and grace.

Protect them in their traveling, sustain them in their studies, and grant them good friends along the way. **Amen**

Celebrant: Let us pray for our teachers and school leaders.

Eternal God, bless all who teach, mentor, counsel, and care for our students. Endow them with patience, wisdom, and fresh enthusiasm for their calling. When energy wanes, grant them strength; when challenges arise, give them discernment. May their classrooms and schools be places of safety, encouragement, and discovery. **Amen**

The Blessing of the Backpacks

The Celebrant invites everyone to hold their backpacks.

Blessed are you, O Lord our God, King of the universe: Sanctify these backpacks with your blessing. Protect and keep all students, teachers, and school workers in this coming year. Pour out your Holy Spirit upon them, that in all their learning and teaching, they may seek your truth and serve you with joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

A reminder of Christ's love is given to each person for their backpack!

All stand.

Sending of the Congregation

Celebrant and People

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

The Mission Hymn 544

Jesus shall reign where e'er the sun

Duke Street

The Celebrant dismisses the people with these words

Let us go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Postlude Toccata in F (Fifth Organ Symphony) Charles-Marie Widor (1844-1937)

SERVING TODAY

16 August 2026

The 12th Sunday after Pentecost Proper 15

Sunday

8:00 a.m.

10:00 a.m.

Lector 1 / Psalm	Jan McDonough	Deb Vandasik
Lector 2	Jan McDonough	Tucker Handley
Intercessor	Dan Hout-Reilly	Monica Jochum
Acolyte/Crucifer	Alison LaRosa	Jim Cofer
Usher	Robin McNutt	Dan Lammers TEAM LEADER
Usher		Amanda Chambers
Usher		Heidi Demaline
Chalicer	Jan McDonough	Kathy Woolner
Chalicer		Isaac Gardner
Bell Ringer	Dan Hout-Reilly	Ally Demaline
Verger		CATHE STEP
	Videographer	Dan Gourash
	LEV	Tom Andrews / Al Oldenburg
	Infant/Toddler	Linda Lange / Annika Mintzloff
	EVEREST One Room	Larry Keith / Michelle Killin-Keith
Chancel Guild	Kristen Gardner	Liz Crosby
Team 1	Lorna Jordan	Beth O'Rourke
KRISTEN	Penny Mead	Carol Francescani

SERVING NEXT SUNDAY

23 August 2026

The 13th Sunday after Pentecost Proper 16

Sunday

8:00 a.m.

10:00 a.m. LAKEWOOD PARK

Lector 1 / Psalm	Gina Massetti	Julie Steigerwald
Lector 2	Gina Massetti	Ken Taylor
Intercessor	Jan McDonough	Sarah Taylor
Acolyte/Crucifer	Sara Ferry	George Filko
Usher	Tren Cheshier	Dennis Driscoll TEAM LEADER
Usher		Barb Caravona
Usher		Tucker Handley
Chalicer	Jan McDonough	Ken Taylor
Chalicer		Colin McConnell
Bell Ringer	Robin McNutt	Cathe Step
Verger		SARAH TAYLOR
	Videographer	Dennis McCreedy
	LEV	Tom Newman / Pat Wielinski
	Infant/Toddler	Linda Lange / Annika Mintzloff
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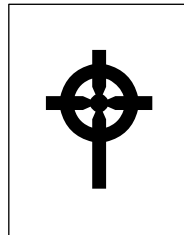
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