

The Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost

October 18, 2026

Proper 24

10:00 a.m.



***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

Benedictus

Alec Rowley (1892-1958)

Please stand while the bell tolls the Angelus. Three sets of three rings then 9 rings.

Entrance Hymn 665

All my hope on God is founded

Michael

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 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 and everlasting God, in Christ you have revealed your glory among the nations: Preserve the works of your mercy, that your Church throughout the world

may persevere with steadfast faith in the confession of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The Lessons *The people sit*

Lector **A Reading from the Book of Isaiah**

Thus says the LORD to his anointed, to Cyrus,
whose right hand I have grasped
to subdue nations before him
and strip kings of their robes,
to open doors before him--
and the gates shall not be closed:
I will go before you and level the mountains,
I will break in pieces the doors of bronze
and cut through the bars of iron,
I will give you the treasures of darkness
and riches hidden in secret places,
so that you may know that it is I, the LORD,
the God of Israel, who call you by your name.
For the sake of my servant Jacob,
and Israel my chosen,
I call you by your name, I surname you, though you do not know me.
I am the LORD, and there is no other;
besides me there is no god.
I arm you, though you do not know me,
so that they may know, from the rising of the sun
and from the west, that there is no one besides me;
I am the LORD, and there is no other.
I form light and create darkness,
I make weal and create woe;
I the LORD do all these things. (*Isaiah 45:1-7*)

The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

The Choir sings the Psalm

Psalm 96:1-9

- 1 Sing to the LORD a new song; *
sing to the LORD, all the whole earth.
- 2 Sing to the LORD and bless his Name; *
proclaim the good news of his salvation from day to day.
- 3 Declare his glory among the nations *
and his wonders among all peoples.
- 4 For great is the LORD and greatly to be praised; *
he is more to be feared than all gods.
- 5 As for all the gods of the nations, they are but idols; *
but it is the LORD who made the heavens.
- 6 Oh, the majesty and magnificence of his presence! *
Oh, the power and the splendor of his sanctuary!
- 7 Ascribe to the LORD, you families of the peoples; *
ascribe to the LORD honor and power.
- 8 Ascribe to the LORD the honor due his Name; *
bring offerings and come into his courts.
- 9 Worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness; *
let the whole earth tremble before him.

A Reading from Thessalonians

Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy, To the church of the Thessalonians in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ:

Grace to you and peace.

We always give thanks to God for all of you and mention you in our prayers, constantly remembering before our God and Father your work of faith and labor of love and steadfastness of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ. For we know, brothers and sisters beloved by God, that he has chosen you, because our message of the gospel came to you not in word only, but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and with full conviction; just as you know what kind of persons we proved to be among you for your sake. And you became imitators of us and of the Lord, for in spite of persecution you received the word with joy inspired by the Holy Spirit, so that you became an example to all the believers in Macedonia and in Achaia. For the word of the Lord has sounded forth from you not only in Macedonia and Achaia, but in every place your faith in God has become known, so that we have no need to speak

about it. For the people of those regions report about us what kind of welcome we had among you, and how you turned to God from idols, to serve a living and true God, and to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead-- Jesus, who rescues us from the wrath that is coming. (*Thessalonians 1:1-10*)

The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

All stand.

Sequence Hymn

Hymn 591 O God of earth and altar, bow down and hear our cry *Kings Lynn*

The Celebrant reads the Gospel first saying:

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

The Pharisees went and plotted to entrap Jesus in what he said. So they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, "Teacher, we know that you are sincere, and teach the way of God in accordance with truth, and show deference to no one; for you do not regard people with partiality. Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to the emperor, or not?" But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, "Why are you putting me to the test, you hypocrites? Show me the coin used for the tax." And they brought him a denarius. Then he said to them, "Whose head is this, and whose title?" They answered, "The emperor's." Then he said to them, "Give therefore to the emperor the things that are the emperor's, and to God the things that are God's." When they heard this, they were amazed; and they left him and went away. (*Matthew 22:15-22*)

The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon The Rev. Michael Lager

The Nicene Creed *The people stand.*

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

Intercessor: Loving God, the generous giver of all blessings. In Christ, the kingdom of heaven has drawn near to us as we live faithfully, loving our neighbors as ourselves. In thanksgiving, let us gather our hearts in prayer,

That we may walk with integrity in your sight,

People: Guide our steps in your light, O God.

Intercessor: Empower your Church as a way of blessing our community, our diocese and our world. Strengthen its ministers Mike, John and Nancy our priests, Anne our bishop, Sean our Presiding Bishop, Sarah the Archbishop of Canterbury, and all people and leaders of St. Peters, that we may be ready to harvest your blessings for the benefit of all.

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People: Guide our steps in your light, O God.

Intercessor: Help us to exercise wisely and humbly the authority and stewardship you have given us over your creation. As we prepare for our upcoming elections, grant us a collective mind seeking the common good, peace, and justice for all people.

That we may walk with integrity in your sight,

People: Guide our steps in your light, O God.

Intercessor: As we enter this season of stewardship, open our hearts to our call of harvesting your blessings. Remind us that all we have comes from your generous hand. Teach us to share our energy, abilities, and resources in response to your faithful love.

That we may walk with integrity in your sight,

People: Guide our steps in your light, O God.

Intercessor: Give us the gift of compassion, Lord, for people who do not have those things we often take for granted. We pray especially for The Community Meal, our outreach partner for this month. May we treat with reverence the bodies and souls of our brothers and sisters who live near us, whom you have created in love and crowned with glory and honor.

That we may walk with integrity in your sight,

People: Guide our steps in your light, O God.

Intercessor: Bless those who are sick in body, mind, and spirit, as they are tested by the trials of this life. Hold them in your arms of compassion and comfort them. Today we pray for parishioners on our prayer list, especially Penny, Al, Sara, Hilary, Dave, Brad, Marci, Michael, Joe, Moira, Lois, Paul, Bob, J, Ernie & Cindy, Ray, Pat, Jim & Linda, Clinton & Marcie, and MCJ. [*You are invited, either silently or aloud, to offer your prayers*]. Help us to minister to them in your name.

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Intercessor: Cherish the souls of those departed this life. Reassure those who have lost a companion in this life, and bring light into the deep darkness of grief. May we be mindful that our Lord Jesus Christ tasted death so that all might have eternal life in him. [*You are invited, either silently or aloud, to offer your prayers*].

That we may walk with integrity in your sight,

People: Guide our steps in your light, O God.

Intercessor: I invite you now to add your own petitions, thanksgivings and prayers - silently or aloud – as we reflect on the blessings of our life.

The Priest will offer the closing Collect

Celebrant: Loving God, accept the prayers of your people, and strengthen us to live out our call as faithful followers of your Son, Jesus Christ, in whose name we pray.

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 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

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 – Holly St. Clair

The Liturgy of the Table

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

At The Offertory

Sanctus, sanctus, sanctus Dominus Deus Sabaoth:
pleni sunt caeli et terra gloria tua.
Hosanna in excelsis.

Holy, holy, holy Lord God of hosts:
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.

Text: Latin Mass Music: Charles Gounod (1818-1983)

All stand as they are able.

The Liturgy of the Table

The Presentation Hymn 380 (verse 1)

Doxology Old Hundredth

All: All things come of thee O Lord, and of thine own have we given thee. Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharist Prayer B

(BCP)

The Salutation

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Sanctus S129

Powell

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.

The choir and 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

Hymn 684

O for a closer walk with God

Cathness

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.

All stand.

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'er the sun

Duke Street

The Celebrant dismisses the people with these words

Let us go forth rejoicing in the power of the spirit.

People Thanks be to God.

Postlude

To God alone be highest praise

Ernst Pepping (1918-1981)

*The altar flowers today were given in memory and
thanksgiving for the life of Joshua Roach
by the Beredo Family.*

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Intercessor	Jan McDonough	Deb Vandasik
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Usher	Dan Hout-Reilly	Sarah Taylor - TEAM LEADER
Usher	xxx	Tim Lange
Usher	xxx	Colin McConnell
Chalicer	Jan McDonough	Tucker Handley
Chalicer	xxx	Beth O'Rourke
Bell Ringer	Dan Hout-Reilly	Colin McConnell
Verger	xxx	SARAH TAYLOR
	Videographer	Dan Gourash
	LEV	Tucker Handley / Al Oldenburg
	Infant/Toddler	Amanda Chambers / Angie Whidden
	Elementary	NO CLASS
	MS HS	NO CLASS
Team Leader	Cathe Step	Ryan Vogelgesang
Chancel Guild - Team 2	Sue Andrews	Colin McConnell
	Jan Babbit	Nancy Wittig

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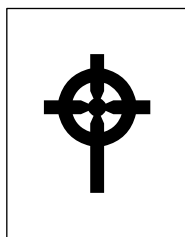
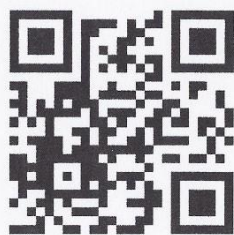
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