St. Peter's Episcopal Church
Lewes, Delaware

The Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost
September 6, 2026, 10:15 a.m., Holy Eucharist Rite II

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING VOLUNTARY Andante religioso from *Sonata IV* Felix Mendelssohn (1809–1847)

▲ HYMN IN PROCESSION All creatures of our God and King The Hymnal 1982, # 400
Stanzas 1, 4, 5, 7 only (Omit * Stzs)

Celebrant ☩ Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.
People **Glory to God for ever and ever.**

▲ THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

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 Glory to you, Lord God of our fathers The Hymnal 1982, S 236

▲ THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant God be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Celebrant Let us pray.
Grant us, O Lord, to trust in you with all our hearts; for, as you always resist the proud who confide in their own strength, so you never forsake those who make their boast of your mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

FIRST LESSON Exodus 12:1–14

Reader A reading from the Book of Exodus.

The LORD said to Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt: This month shall mark for you the beginning of months; it shall be the first month of the year for you. Tell the whole congregation of Israel that on the tenth of this month they are to take a lamb for each family, a lamb for each household. If a household is too small for a whole lamb, it shall join its closest neighbor in obtaining one; the lamb shall be divided in proportion to the number of people who eat of it. Your lamb shall be without blemish, a year-old male; you may take it from the sheep or from the goats. You shall keep it until the fourteenth day of this month; then the whole assembled congregation of Israel shall slaughter it at twilight. They shall take some of the blood and put it on the two doorposts and the lintel of the houses in which they eat it. They shall eat the lamb that same night; they shall eat it roasted over the fire with unleavened bread and bitter herbs. Do not eat any of it raw or boiled in water, but roasted over the fire, with its

head, legs, and inner organs. You shall let none of it remain until the morning; anything that remains until the morning you shall burn. This is how you shall eat it: your loins girded, your sandals on your feet, and your staff in your hand; and you shall eat it hurriedly. It is the passover of the LORD. For I will pass through the land of Egypt that night, and I will strike down every firstborn in the land of Egypt, both human beings and animals; on all the gods of Egypt I will execute judgments: I am the LORD. The blood shall be a sign for you on the houses where you live: when I see the blood, I will pass over you, and no plague shall destroy you when I strike the land of Egypt. This day shall be a day of remembrance for you. You shall celebrate it as a festival to the LORD; throughout your generations you shall observe it as a perpetual ordinance.

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

PSALM 149 *Cantate Domino* *Read alternately by verse.*

Hallelujah! Sing to the LORD a new song; *
sing his praise in the congregation of the faithful.
Let Israel rejoice in his Maker; *
let the children of Zion be joyful in their King.
Let them praise his Name in the dance; *
let them sing praise to him with timbrel and harp.
For the LORD takes pleasure in his people *
and adorns the poor with victory.
Let the faithful rejoice in triumph; *
let them be joyful on their beds.
Let the praises of God be in their throat *
and a two-edged sword in their hand;
To wreak vengeance on the nations *
and punishment on the peoples;
To bind their kings in chains *
and their nobles with links of iron;
To inflict on them the judgment decreed; *
this is glory for all his faithful people. Hallelujah!

SECOND LESSON Romans 13:8–14

Reader A reading from the letter to the Romans.

Owe no one anything, except to love one another; for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law. The commandments, "You shall not commit adultery; You shall not murder; You shall not steal; You shall not covet"; and any other commandment, are summed up in this word, "Love your neighbor as yourself." Love does no wrong to a neighbor; therefore, love is the fulfilling of the law. Besides this, you know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; the night is far gone, the day is near. Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armor of light; let us live honorably as in the day, not in reveling and

drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarreling and jealousy. Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

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

▲ HYMN Awake, my soul, and with the sun The Hymnal 1982, # 11

▲ GOSPEL Matthew 18:15–20

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

Jesus said, "If another member of the church sins against you, go and point out the fault when the two of you are alone. If the member listens to you, you have regained that one. But if you are not listened to, take one or two others along with you, so that every word may be confirmed by the evidence of two or three witnesses. If the member refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church; and if the offender refuses to listen even to the church, let such a one be to you as a Gentile and a tax collector. Truly I tell you, whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven. Again, truly I tell you, if two of you agree on earth about anything you ask, it will be done for you by my Father in heaven. For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them."

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

THE SERMON The Rev. Rebecca Brenner

▲ 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, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. 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, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who 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 by the Rev. Dr. Alfred Day

Deacon Reminded of God's unfailing love, we offer prayers for the church and the world.

Leader We pray for the church. Teach us the law of love that we may love as you do. May we love with all our strength and find freedom in blessed service taught to us in word and deed by Jesus Christ. Loving God,

People **Hear our prayer.**

Leader We pray for St. Peter's Church. Resolve conflicts in our community through grace, reconciling us to each other, making your good news known even in our imperfections. Gathering God,

People **Hear our prayer.**

Leader You renew cycles of creation that provide for the needs of all. Protect grasslands, marshes, swamps, and all places of changing land and seascape. Bring healing and hope to all places devastated by floods and other disasters. Bless the work of first responders and aid workers. Restoring God,

People **Hear our prayer.**

Leader You bring deliverance to all nations and peoples; speed aid and peace to war-torn lands. Call us to unrelenting advocacy on behalf of those who live in rubble. This Labor Day weekend we pray with thanksgiving for all who work to make ends meet. Governing God,

People **Hear our prayer.**

Leader The scripture says, "I will give thanks to Lord with my whole heart. I will recount God's wonderful deeds." (Ps 9:11) God, thank you for the joys and blessings of this life. *(People may offer their thanksgivings.)* For your love and goodness, O God,

People **We give you thanks.**

Leader We pray for all who are in need; restore broken bodies, frayed emotions, and hurts carried deep within. We pray especially for _____ *(first names on the prayer list)* and all those we now name, silently or aloud. *(Pause)* Attentive God,

People **Hear our prayer.**

Leader Loving God, we give you thanks for the nearness of your saving grace to all who have gone ✝ before us. We remember especially (_____ and) those we now name, silently or aloud. *(Pause)* God whose love never ends,

People **Hear our prayer.**

Celebrant God of all, in whose wisdom is the path of peace and through whose guidance all right decisions are made, be with those who lead our world at this difficult and uncertain time. Strengthen their insight into what is best for the people and give them courage to pursue the common good, that, laying aside personal or party advantage, they may argue for a future that will bring about the flourishing of all nations and the greater peace and prosperity of our world, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

▲ CONFESSION OF SIN

Deacon Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor. *Silence is kept.* God of all mercy,

People **We confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives. We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created. We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done, and the evil**

done on our behalf. Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ, that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. 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

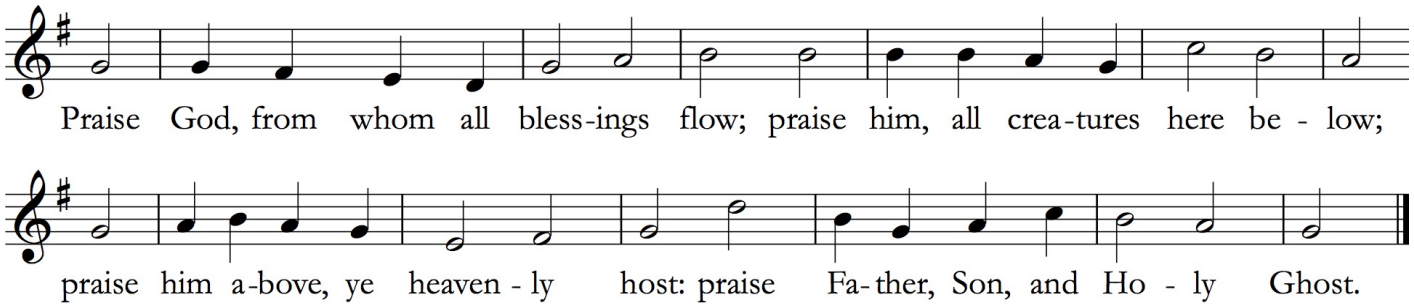
Celebrant The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

BLESSINGS FOR BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

OFFERTORY VOLUNTARY

▲ PRESENTATION HYMN



Children are welcome at this altar!

During the anthem, all children are invited to gather in the narthex near the front door. We will then process forward with the collection and gather around the altar as we share in communion together.

▲ THE GREAT THANKSGIVING Eucharistic Prayer A

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

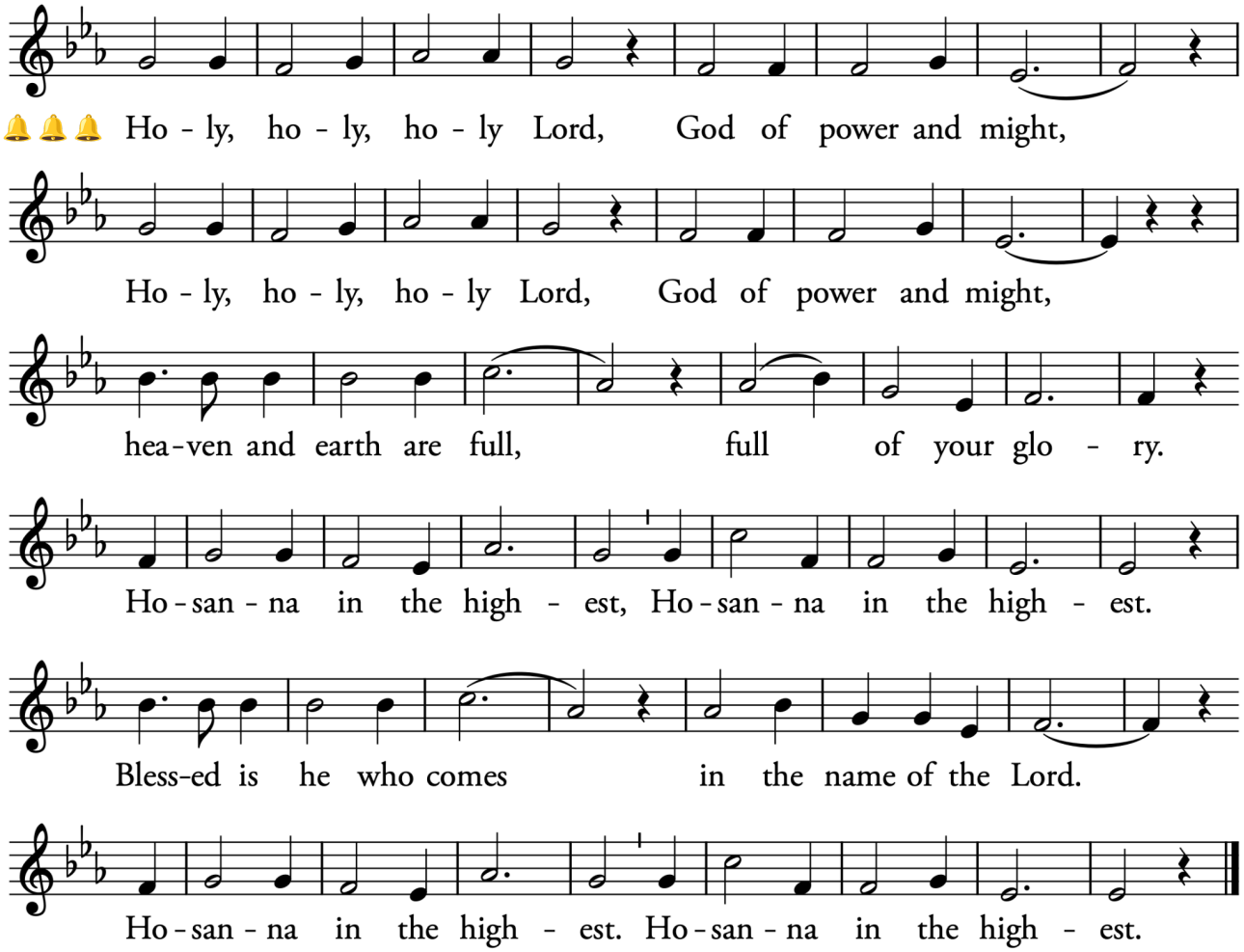
People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give our 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. For you are the source of light and life, you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord. 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:

The Hymnal 1982, S 130



Setting: From *Deutsche Messe,* Franz Schubert (1797–1828)

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, 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 Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:
People **Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy

Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also ☩ that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom. All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: 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.***

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

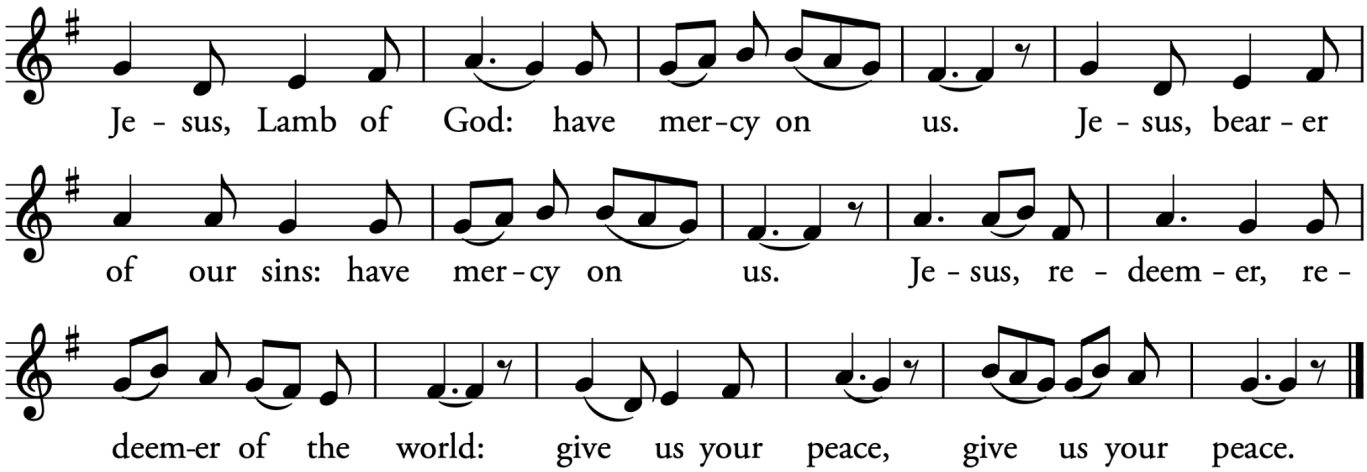
▲ THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

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

The Hymnal 1982, S 164



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INVITATION TO COMMUNION

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 Sacrament is distributed at the communion rail; you are welcome to kneel or stand to receive. Please grasp the chalice at the base and guide it to your lips. Gluten-free wafers are available, please ask the priest if you need one. Communion is full and complete in either the host or the chalice. If you desire to receive a blessing instead of communion, please indicate this by crossing your arms over your chest.

COMMUNION HYMN Eternal Ruler of the ceaseless round — The Hymnal 1982, # 617
Joyful, joyful, we adore thee — # 376

COMMISSIONING OF EUCHARISTIC VISITORS *if present*

Celebrant In the name of this congregation, I send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the Communion of Christ's body and blood.

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

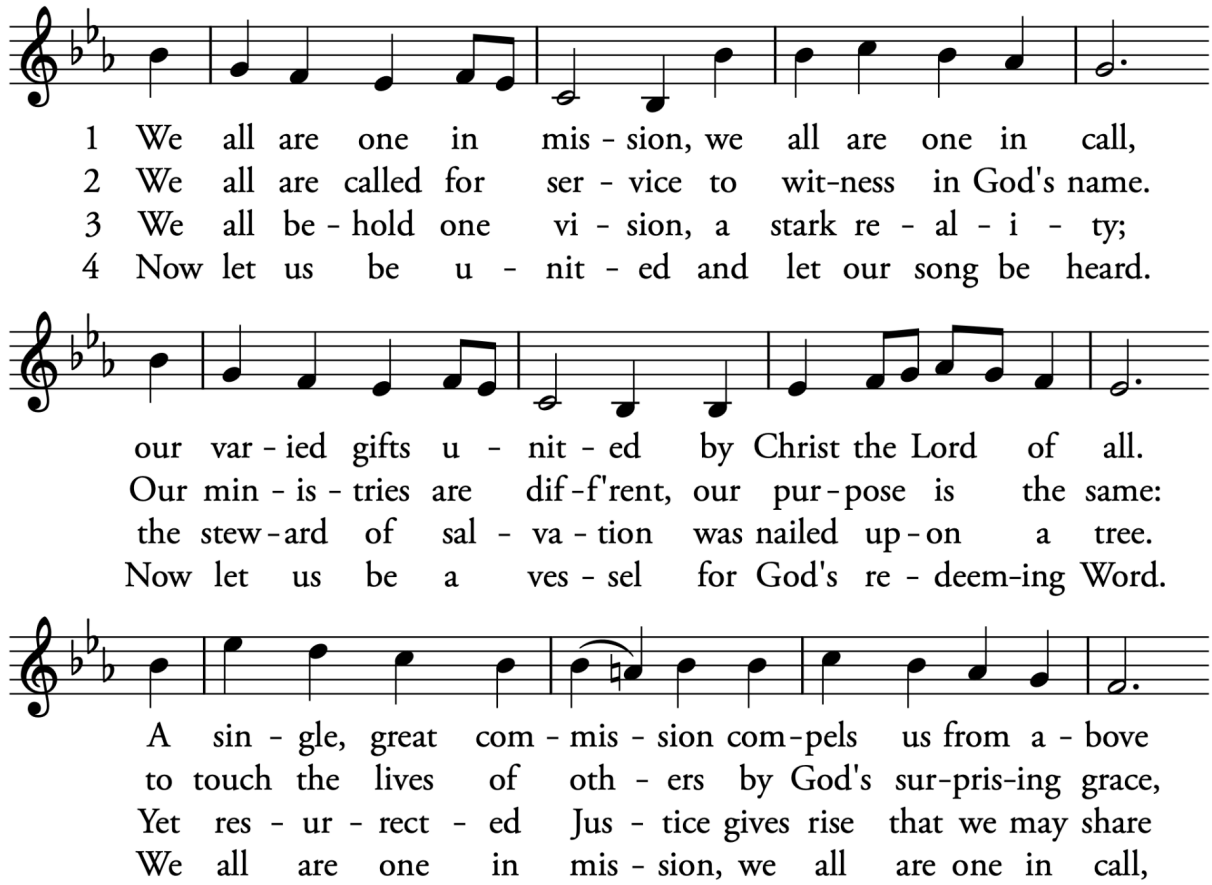
▲ POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

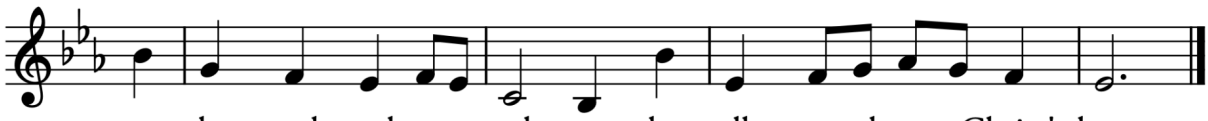
Celebrant Let us pray.

People **Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.**

▲ THE BLESSING

▲ HYMN IN PROCESSION We all are one in mission — Wonder, Love, and Praise, # 778





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▲ THE DISMISSAL

Deacon Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

All are welcome to sit and enjoy the postlude.
If you wish to leave, please do so quietly in respect for others.

CONCLUDING VOLUNTARY Lobe den Herren arr. Johann Gottfried Walther (1684–1748)

Please note that this service is being live-streamed on YouTube. You might be visible on the video feed.

Prayer List (names usually stay on for about a month): Sharon Bembry, Sherri Borrin, Elizabeth Brown, Nancy Brown, Barbara Cangiano, Fr. David Canan, Fr. Tom Carlson, Russ Consaul, Ginger Craft, Rebekah Crager, Suzanne Crager, Carol DeCatur, Angelique Devlin, Patricia Ditmars, Jody Ebert, Ken Ehret, Melissa & Arline Fleisher, Anna Maria Francis, Pere Yvan Francois, Joe Ganzelli, Sr., Al Gensch, Paul Goebel, Anita Gossett, Charles Graham & Ray Myrtle, Bill Granger, Nancy Grasing, Pr. Sterling Green, Maya Greenblum, Linda Gregory, Norma Jane Henry, Bob, Vernon Huber, Anne and Joe Jasmine, Brian Jenkins, Fran Kane, John King, Pr. Bob Kriesat, Abraham Leish, Keith Levan, Chuck Lower, John Martus, Rosanne McConnell, Gibson McDade, Kip McDaniel, D & S, Elizabeth Messick, Wesley Moffett, Helen Murphy, Fran, Debbie Padgett, Ruby Peters, Anna Petruso, Tom Popovich, Steve Portalupi, Diane Potter, Joyce Rocko, Janet Ross, Jay Rooney, Pat Schofield, Hugo Seta, Mary Shea, Debbie Simms, George Singer, Ronnie Smith, Nancy Treiber, DJ Turnell, Rosemary Vasan, Patty Warden, ML, Tom Welch, Marianne Wiedmann, Sara Wilkinson, Jerry Williams, Ben Zak, Betty Lou, Cait, Joleen, Jaxon, Julie, Kyle, Genevieve, Connie, Dennis, Jen & Emma, Jesse, Kathy W., Julie B., J.J.K., Matt, Nashe, Rick, Ron, Roy, Steven, Theresa, Tim, Virginia, John, Kathy **Deaths**:

Calendar	
Morning Prayer is offered Monday–Friday at 9:00 am on Facebook	
Sunday, September 6 8 am - Holy Eucharist 10^{15} am - Holy Eucharist **Monday, September 7** **Labor Day - Office Closed** 7 pm - AA **Tuesday, September 8** 10 am - Art Strong Noon - AA Noon - Stephen Leaders 1 pm - STaR Class 2 pm - Green Team 4 pm - Beginner Bells 5 pm - Handbell Rehearsal **Wednesday, September 9** 9^{30} am - Clergy Bible Study 10^{30} am - Centering Prayer 11 am - Newcomers 2 pm - Parish Nurses' Balance Class 3 pm - Holy Eucharist @ The Moorings	**Wednesday, September 9 (cont.)** 4 pm - Holy Eucharist @ The Lodge 7 pm - Holy Eucharist 7 pm - AA **Thursday, September 10** 9^{30} am - Bible Study 11 am - Yoga 3 pm - STaR Class 7 pm - Choir Rehearsal **Friday, September 11** 6 pm - St. Cecilia Music Guild Presents Embassy String Quartet Concert **Saturday, September 12** 11 am - Olaive Jones Funeral 5 pm - Holy Eucharist **Sunday, September 13** 8 am - Holy Eucharist 10^{15} am - Holy Eucharist at Camp Arrowhead 11 am - Parish Picnic at Camp Arrowhead

10:15 a.m. Sunday Servants					
	Acolyte	**Lector**	**LEM**	**Ushers**	**Altar Guild**
Sept 6	Jackie Hoshaw & David Scheller-Schuller	Joe DiSalvo	Jackie Ferris & Candy Williams	Rob & Carol Blye	Pat Hall
Sept 13		Jeannie Cribben		Shannon & Taylor Cameron	Pamela Gallamore

Altar Flowers Dedication Contact the Parish Office	**10:15 Coffee Hour Host** Sign-up Sheet in the Kitchen
Tracy Mulveny in celebration of children & grandchildren	Andy, Mary Beth & Crew Krytzer

St Peter's Readers are continuing to meet in person in the church seminar room. Our meetings are on the third Sunday of the month at 5 pm during the summer months, 4 pm in the winter. All readers welcomed. Come when you can, leave when you must. Next Session: September 20th at 5 pm: "A Founding Mother: A Novel of Abigail Adams" by Stephanie Dray and Laura Kamoie.

Icon Workshop Coming Soon! Byzantine Iconography is a highly structured and disciplined art form which combines prayer and painting techniques to create serene images of Christ, Mary, the angels and the saints following centuries old guidelines. Peter Pearson has been studying and painting icons for more than fifty years and teaching others to do so for over half that time. He's authored three books on the subject and has painted hundreds of icons for churches, monasteries, seminaries, convents, and individuals all over the world. Peter's students number in the thousands and each has walked away with an icon of their very own. No previous experience or natural talent is required. We paint, pray, and follow the simple step-by-step instructions to invite a brush with God. Peter is an Episcopal priest and a vowed Brother in the Community of Francis and Clare. Please join us **October 5th - 9th (10 am - 3 pm)** to paint a simple image of Saint Francis, as we remember the 800th anniversary of his death. Cost is $300 per person. All supplies will be provided and the cost is included in the registration fee. Additional materials will be available for purchase if desired.

Prayer Shawl Ministry Welcoming all knitters, crocheters, quilters, weavers, and anyone interested in becoming a yarn artist! The Shawl Ministry team needs your talents to help us provide love, prayers, and comfort through our handmade creations. We have plenty of yarn (acrylic, so the shawls may be washed and dried), patterns should you need them, and a supply of knitting needles should you want or need them. Additionally, creative support is there for you as you need it. We gather the 3rd Sunday every other month, and our next meeting will be held in September on 20th in the Parish Hall after the 8:00 service ending before the 10:15 service. If you would like to join us or learn more about how you can get started, please reach out to Robert Gotwalt, rgotwalt117@gmail.com, or Beth Hrybyk bhry61@gmail.com for more information. Please consider joining us in this wonderful ministry!

Newcomers Welcome Lunch Whether you're new to St. Peter's or have been part of our parish for years, come meet one another and get to know the people who make up our community. We'd love to have you join us! When: October 25, 2026 immediately following Coffee Hour (about 12:30) in the Parish Hall. Contact the office to sign up.

Neighbors Helping Immigrant Neighbors Sussex Help is a group of neighbor volunteers who got together to help our immigrant neighbors in acute crisis due to the detention or deportation of a family provider. Your donation of money or time will help to keep mothers and children in their homes, with the lights on, while we coach them toward reclaiming their self-sufficiency. Our members include representatives from ACLU, Indivisible, SOAH, and various church groups and we serve numerous immigrant support organizations such as La Esperanza, La Red, LaRosa and more. Our fiscal agent is the Greater Lewes Foundation. We focus on three sub-groups of support:

Direct Support – filling immediate needs such as diapers, food and transportation, rent & utility money.

Legal Assistance – Working with DE Volunteer Legal Services this group helps with Power of Attorney documents, habeas corpus petitions etc. More volunteers are needed!

Legislative Support – attend legislative sessions and call or lobby state legislators to create more pro-immigration legislation.

There are several St. Peter's parishioners involved in Sussex Help. For more information contact Janet Murphy at jsmurphy13@gmail.com. To learn more, to volunteer or to donate funds, go to SussexHelp.org. We will be collecting food for Sussex Help monthly on the third Sunday of the month; watch this space for details.

The Women's Spirituality Group (WSG) at St. Peter's has cancelled the August meetings. People often take vacation in August and now, traffic is particularly heavy and parking is more difficult. Since the first Friday in September is just before the Labor Day weekend, our next WSG meeting will be on **Friday, September 18, 10:30 am** in the Seminar Room. Therefore, during August, please read the last five chapters of *The Tears of Things* so we can discuss them on Friday, September 18. Members of the WSG have chosen the book for the fall meetings, *The Dance of the Dissident Daughter: A Woman's Journey from Christian Tradition to the Sacred Feminine—A Personal Story of Spiritual Awakening and Healing*, by Sue Monk Kidd $11.65 in paperback from Amazon. If you have any questions, please contact revflett@gmail.com

Men's Breakfast Come join us at 8:30 am on Saturday, September 12th at the Midway Cafe. located in the Midway shopping center (just a few doors down from the Movies at Midway). Separate checks will be available. These monthly get-togethers are held on the second Saturday of each month, September through June. All St. Peter's men are welcomed to join these informal gatherings, regardless of which worship services they may usually attend. The breakfasts afford us the opportunity to establish and/or renew acquaintances, especially as the parish continues to grow. For further information and to RSVP (always helpful) contact Stu Brahs at sjbrahs@prodigy.net. Please RSVP so we can let the restaurant know how many there will be.

Parish Nurses present a Balance Class A Matter of Balance, an award winning 8-week series designed to help manage and prevent falls as well as increase activity levels. In this class you will learn to:

- View falls as controllable and preventable
- Set goals to increase activity
- Make changes to reduce fall risks
- Exercise to increase strength and balance
- Take on life without fear of falling
- Protect yourself if you do fall

Dates: Wednesday September 9 thru Wednesday October 28 from 2-4pm in the Parish Hall. Registration is required: Please call: (302) 515-3020 or email Danielle.Briggs@delaware.gov to register. The program is free, water and snacks provided, wear comfortable clothes and non-slip shoes. Class limit is 14 so please register early.

PARISH PICNIC NEXT SUNDAY Join us for Holy Eucharist at 10:15 at Camp Arrowhead (note special location)! Immediately following the 10:15 service, we will enjoy our annual Parish Picnic. We will provide hot dogs and burgers. Please bring your favorite casserole, salad, dessert, or side dish to share. Parking is available in the wooded area across from the chapel. There will be outdoor games and, if we are able to have a lifeguard, swimming for the kids. All are welcome. Bring your family, friends, and appetite for a great day of food, fellowship, and fun. *Please note that there will not be a service in the Sanctuary at 10:15 and we are unable to webcast the service from camp, so* ***there will be no livestream next Sunday***.

Newcomers' Cruise Come aboard St. Peter's fall cruise to mingle with new members and the parish community. Enjoy beverages, refreshments, and engaging conversations. Newcomers who have joined St. Peter's within the past year can attend at no cost. We look forward to seeing you there!
When: Sunday, September 20 at 5 PM (We sail at 5:30 - rain or shine!))
Where: Lewes Harbor Marina: 217 Anglers Rd, Lewes, DE (Next to Irish Eyes)
Newcomers (people who have been at St. Peter's for one-year or less AND people who were new in 2025 but missed the cruise last year) have been invited via email to register for this event. Registration is now open for anyone who wants to attend; the cost is $35 per person if you are not a newcomer. Please contact the office to be added to the list.

The Embassy String Quartet opens the 2026-27 season of **St. Cecilia Music Guild** on Friday, September 11 with a concert at 6:00 p.m. The quartet is comprised of Nikita Borisevich (violin), Veronika Sveshnikova (violin), Renate Falker (viola), and Jacques-Pierre Malan (cello). The program features music by Samuel Barber, Duke Ellington, and Dmiti Shostakovich. All St. Cecilia Music Guild programs are free and open to the public, no tickets needed. Doors open for seating 30 minutes prior to the performance.

Welcome to St. Peter's Episcopal Church!

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