

The Fourth Sunday of Easter

April 21, 2024 The Holy Eucharist, Rite II

Welcome! If this is your first time worshiping with us, please fill out a blue connect card and drop it in the offering plate.

Children | We welcome children in worship at St. Peter's. We also provide a nursery for children ages 6 weeks-35 months and a nursing and cry room in the back of the church. Children ages 3-2nd grade may join Children's Chapel in the Parish Hall. The children return after the peace. Children's coloring packets are available each Sunday in the narthex.

Hearing Assistance | If you would like hearing assistance, please ask the usher for a device.

I'm glad you are here. All are welcome to call St. Peter's home, and we hope you will too! Father Perry Mullins | Rector

Entrance Hymn Please stand.

Hymnal 296

We Know That Christ is Raised

Opening Acclamation

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

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.**

Gloria

9am Spoken, 11am Pew Card

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.

O God, whose Son Jesus is the good shepherd of your people: Grant that when we hear his voice we may know him who calls us each by name, and follow where he leads; who, with you and the Holy Spirit, lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

First Reading Please be seated.

Acts 4:5-12

The rulers, elders, and scribes assembled in Jerusalem, with Annas the high priest, Caiaphas, John, and Alexander, and all who were of the high-priestly family. When they had made the prisoners stand in their midst, they inquired, "By what power or by what name did you do this?" Then 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."

The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

The Response

The King of Love My Shepherd Is

Hymnal 645

Second Reading

1 John 3:16-24

We know love by this, that he laid down his life for us-- and we ought to lay down our lives for one another. How does God's love abide in anyone who has the world's goods and sees a brother or sister in need and yet refuses help? Little children, let us love, not in word or speech, but in truth and action. And by this we will know that we are from the truth and will reassure our hearts before him whenever our hearts condemn us; for God is greater than our hearts, and he knows everything. Beloved, if our hearts do not condemn us, we have boldness before God; and we receive from him whatever we ask, because we obey his commandments and do what pleases him. And this is his commandment, that we should believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and love one another, just as he has commanded us. All who obey his commandments abide in him, and he abides in them. And by this we know that he abides in us, by the Spirit that he has given us.

The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

The Sequence Hymn Please stand.

Hymnal 288

Praise to God, Immortal Praise

Holy Gospel John 10:11-18

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said, "I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. The hired hand, who is not the shepherd and does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and runs away—and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. The hired hand runs away because a hired hand does not care for the sheep. I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father. And I lay down my life for the sheep. I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd. For this reason the Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again. No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it up again. I have received this command from my Father."

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

Sermon Father Perry Mullins

Nicene Creed Please stand.

BCP 358

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 Kneel as you are able.

BCP 387

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;

That we all may be one.

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

That your Name may be glorified by all people.

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;

That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

That our works may find favor in your sight.

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;

That they may be delivered from their distress.

Give to the departed eternal rest.

Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

Silence. The People may add their own petitions. The celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

Confession and Absolution

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.

The Peace Please stand.

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

Greet one another in the name of the Lord.

Birthday and Anniversary Prayer

Almighty God, we give you thanks for these your servants, on this, their special day. Watch over them as they begin another year, and give them grace to keep the vows and promises they have made. Bless and guide them wherever they may be. Strengthen them when they stand. Raise them up if they fall. Comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful. And may your peace, which passes all understanding, abide in their hearts all the days of their lives, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Offertory

The Lord's My Shepherd 17

11am

Arr. Bob Chilcott

The Lord's my Shepherd, I'll not want; he makes me down to lie in pastures green; he leadeth me the quiet waters by.

My soul He doth restore again, and me to walk doth make within the paths of righteousness, e'en for His own name's sake.

Yea, though I walk in death's dark vale, yet will I fear no ill; for Thou art with me, and Thy rod and staff me comfort still.

My table Thou hast furnished in presence of my foes; my head Thou dost with oil anoint, and my cup overflows.

Goodness and mercy all my life shall surely follow me, and in God's house forevermore my dwelling-place shall be.

The Great Thanksgiving Please stand.

BCP 361

CelebrantThe Lord be with you.PeopleAnd also with you.CelebrantLift 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 him 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:

Sanctus

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.

Kneel as you are able.

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."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

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.**

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!

Agnus Dei

9am Spoken, 11am Pew Card

O Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: Have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world:

Have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: **Grant us your peace.**

All baptized Christians are welcome to receive Communion, regardless of background or denomination. When the ushers direct you to the rail, hold out your hands for the host. If you have a gluten sensitivity, hold your hands palms down. You may receive the consecrated wine by sipping from the chalice or carefully dipping your host, or you may receive the bread alone. If you prefer not to receive Communion, cross your arms over your chest for a blessing.

Communion Music Hymnal 304

I Come With Joy to Meet My Lord

Postcommunion Prayer Kneel as you are able.

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.

Blessing

Closing Hymn Please stand.

Hymnal 460

Alleluia! Sing to Jesus!

Dismissal

Deacon Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia. Alleluia.

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia.

Prayers

Healing prayer with the Order of St. Luke and prayer request forms for the Daughters of the King are available in the back of the nave.

Flowers at the Altar are given by

Bryan & Megan Barnhill in thanksgiving for James' 6th birthday

Sunday Christian Formation

Sundays | 10:10-10:50am | Parish Hall

Children and Youth

Godly Explorers: age 3-pre-K, Room 1 Godly Play: K-2nd grade, Room 7 Sunday School: 3rd-5th graders, Room 3

Youth: 6-12th grade, Room 5

*Nursery provided for children 6 weeks-35 months, Room 2

Adult Class

A study of the Nicene Creed, led by Judy Shaw. Room 6.

Wednesday Nights: Sing My Soul

Join us Wednesday evenings for Sing My Soul: Exploring Our Faith Through Music. Dinner 5:45pm, program 6:15.

Thank You from the Music Gala

The inaugural fundraiser GALA was a great success! Thank you to everyone who attended and supported the music ministry. We raised just over \$25,000 - this means we hit our fundraising goal! Bravo!

Sign Up Available for VBS!

St. Peter's Vacation Bible School is June 3-6, 9am-noon. VBS is open to pre-K through 5th grade, and the cost \$10 per child. Students in grades 6-12 are encouraged to volunteer. Go to tinyurl.com/stpeters-VBS2024 for information and registration! Questions? Please contact Director of Children and Youth Ministries Margaret Kinnett at mkinnett@stpetersmckinney.com.

Sunshine Ministry Gift Bags Available Today

Do you know someone who could use a pick-me-up? The Sunshine Ministry has small gift bags available in the narthex today. The bags contain a few items for anyone who is sick or needs a little sunshine, just to let them know we are thinking of them. Parishioners may pick up a bag to deliver on their own. If you need a sunshine bag delivered, call the church office.

Parents' Night Out

Coming soon! St. Peter's Parents' Night Out, Friday, April 26, from 5:30-8:30pm. Children will enjoy dinner, playtime and a movie. Contact Margaret Kinnett by Wednesday, April 24, at mkinnett@stpetersmckinney.com to reserve a spot. Cost is \$5 per child.

Mission and Vision Discernment

We have begun the process of discerning new mission and vision statements for our church's future! Please fill out the Mission and Vision Survey by today, April 21: survey-monkey.com/r/stpetersmckinney

Empty Bowls is Thursday - Get Your Tickets Today!

Empty Bowls is Thursday, April 25, 6-8pm on the McKinney Square. Tickets are on sale now at emptybowlsmckinney.com! Empty Bowls has grown from our own parish hall beginnings to an event with over 1,000 bowls to choose from, gourmet food selections from 10 purveyors, live music, and auctions. Don't miss the fun! The online auction is LIVE and bowls have already sold at the Buy Now price! Join the fun bidding on these stunning creations.

Volunteer training reminder: April 23, 6pm, at MPAC

Potluck Lunch Sunday, April 28

Don't miss the April 28 Texas Barbeque potluck lunch, 12 -2pm in the Parish Hall! Signup and suggested themebased foods at tinyurl.com/stpeters-BBQpotluck. The deadline to sign up is Monday, April 22. The lunch is open to anyone, including those who attended the last potluck. For additional information call co-captains Judy Heasley (972-971-7236) or Jan Wilson (972-965-8931).

Teacher Appreciation at Burks Elementary

On May 7, St. Peter's will provide a teacher appreciation lunch for Burks Elementary School. This year we are furnishing salads and desserts. If you are available to help, please contact Cheryl Lawson at CherylLawson@sbcglobal.net or 972 345-0501.

Send Photos in for Senior Sunday, May 12

Deadline for pictures is Wednesday, May 1

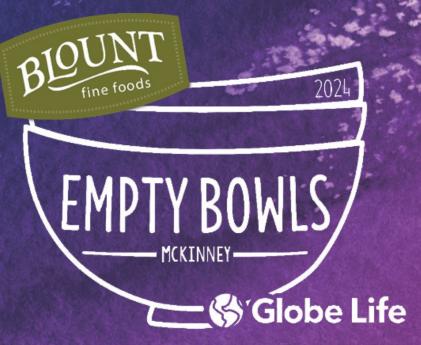
St. Peter's celebration for graduating high school seniors is May 12. Please email 3-4 photos for the church bulletin to communications@stpetersmckinney.com. Include a picture of the student as a child and as a senior, the high school name, and a sentence about post-graduation plans.

2024 Youth Mission Trip Signup

Register now for the summer Youth Mission Trip to Fort Defiance, Arizona, July 13-20! Cost is \$550 per person. Sign up at tinyurl.com/SPMissionTrip24. For more info or questions email Margaret Kinnett, mkinnett@stpetersmckinney.com.

San Miguel Dinners

Monday, April 29 | 6:30pm | San Miguel Grill
St. Peter's parishioners gather for dinner & fellowship.
Men meet on 1st Mondays and women meet on 3rd
Mondays. On 5th Mondays, they all go together! If
interested, just show up or email the contact:
Erich Reins (Men): erich.reins@yahoo.com
Georgene Wood (Women) mgw@gardengraphicsinc.com



FIGHT HUNGER ONE BOWL AT A TIME

APRIL 25

6-8 pm

McKinney Performing Arts Center

Benefiting Community Lifeline Center Community Garden Kitchen McKinney Little Free Pantry

St. Peter's



Info & tickets:

emptybowlsmckinney.com or scan the code below

