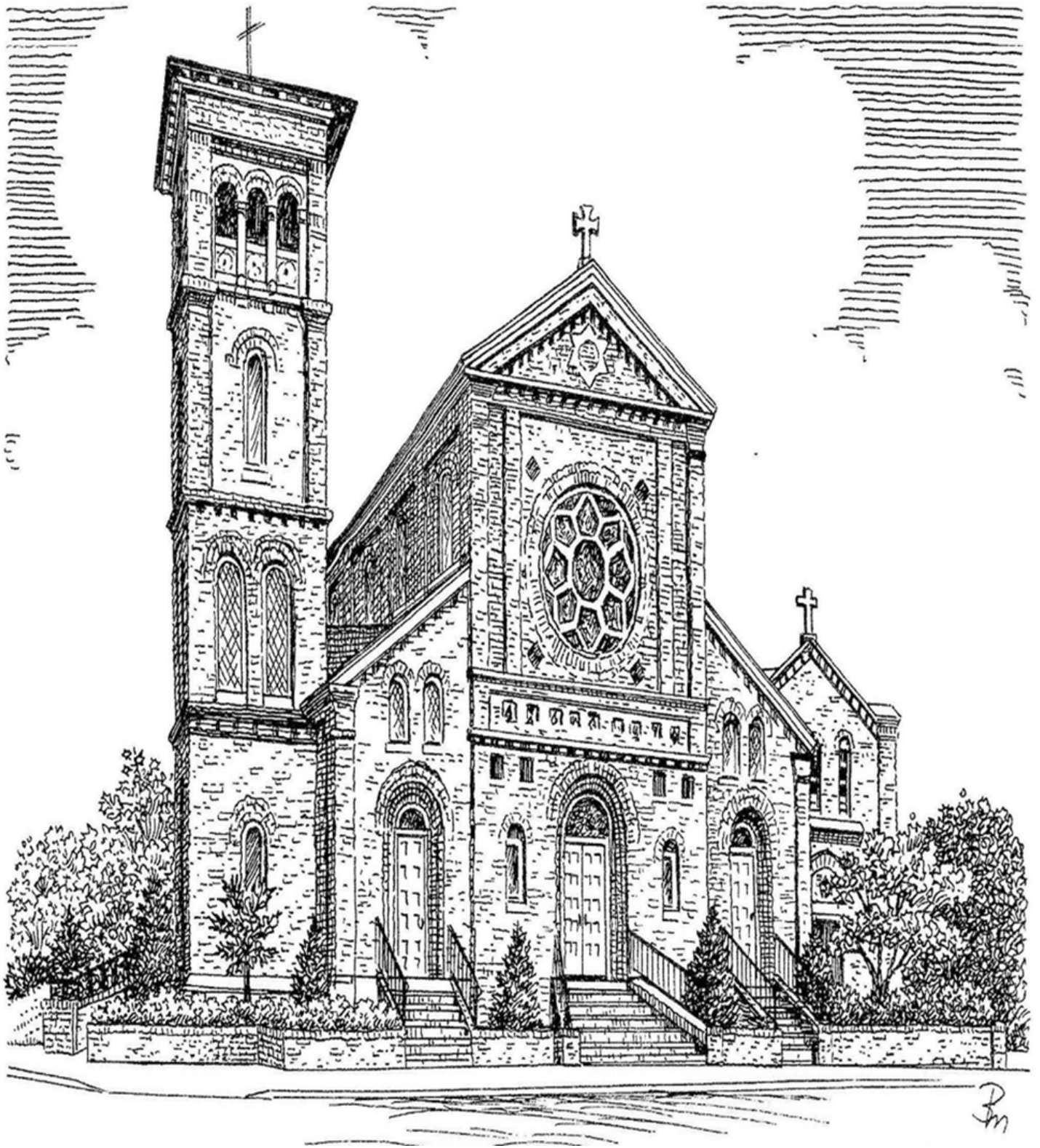




The Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost
August 9, 2026 - 8:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist II

Welcome to St. Peter's Church

We are glad you are joining us today.

Please, join us following the service for coffee & fellowship in the Parish House.

Children are always welcome at St. Peter's. Worship bags for ages five and above are available at the rear of the church as you enter. A staffed nursery is available for children under 5 years old.

MINISTERS FOR THIS SERVICE

All God's People, including:

The Rev. Greg Harbaugh *Celebrant*

Lauma Akmene *Music Director & Organist*

Liam Akin *Crucifer*

Pierce Atkin *Torchbearer*

Dan Blakeney *Eucharistic Minister*

Marion Robinette *Lector*

David Churchman & Doug Johnson *Ushers*

Jeff Cottingham *Camera Operator*

Linda Abbott *Sunday Vestry Person*

Kathy Fahey, Linda Smith & Cheryl Steczak *Altar Guild*

**The Flowers on the High Altar are dedicated to The Greater Glory of God
and In Memory of Harry Alexander given by Amanda Jenkins**

The Flowers on the Family Altar are dedicated to The Greater Glory of God

**The Sanctuary Light on the High Altar is lit this week for The Greater Glory of God
and In Memory of Donald Rae Wright & Steven Rae Wright given by Julie Milliken**

**The Sanctuary Light on the Family Altar is lit this week for The Greater Glory of God
and In Memory of Sarah Garrabrant Hughes given by Her Family**

LEARN MORE ABOUT ST. PETERS: Please, scan or use link below for information about St. Peter's Church, including the history of the church, staff & Vestry, service times, ministries, church calendar & much more. <https://stpeterschurch.net>



PASTORAL CARE: Please, make Pastor Greg Harbaugh aware of those who are ill or in need of a visit. For Pastoral emergencies call 814.777.6289. To add or remove names from the Parish Prayer list send an email to cathyp@stpeterschurch.net.

THE WORD OF GOD

PRELUDE

PROCESSIONAL HYMN *O worship the King, all glorious above (Hanover)*
(H 388) (V. 1-3)

OPENING ACCLAMATION (BCP p. 355)

COLLECT FOR PURITY (BCP p. 355)

GLORIA (BCP p. 356)

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY (BCP p. 357)

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People *And also with you.*

Celebrant Let us pray.

Grant to us, Lord, we pray, the spirit to think and do always those things that are right, that we, who cannot exist without you, may by you be enabled to live according to your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

Amen.

DIOCESAN COLLECT

Gracious God, through the movement of your Holy Spirit, strengthen us here at St. Peter's and in the Diocese of Easton as an inviting and welcoming people; receive our worship, nurture our life in Christ that we may evermore faithfully serve all your people, both near and far; this we pray through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Lessons

FIRST READING: 1 Kings 19:9-18

A Reading from the First book of Kings.

⁹Elijah came to a cave, and spent the night there. Then the word of the LORD came to him, saying, “What are you doing here, Elijah?”¹⁰ He answered, “I have been very zealous for the LORD, the God of hosts; for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away.”¹¹ He said, “Go out and stand on the mountain before the LORD, for the LORD is about to pass by.” Now there was a great wind, so strong that it was splitting mountains and breaking rocks in pieces before the LORD, but the LORD was not in the wind; and after the wind an earthquake, but the LORD was not in the earthquake;¹² and after the earthquake a fire, but the LORD was not in the fire; and after the fire a sound of sheer silence.¹³ When Elijah heard it, he wrapped his face in his mantle and went out and stood at the entrance of the cave. Then there came a voice to him that said, “What are you doing here, Elijah?”¹⁴ He answered, “I have been very zealous for the LORD, the God of hosts; for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away.”¹⁵ Then the LORD said to him, “Go, return on your way to the wilderness of Damascus; when you arrive, you shall anoint Hazael as king over Aram.¹⁶ Also you shall anoint Jehu son of Nimshi as king over Israel; and you shall anoint Elisha son of Shaphat of Abel-meholah as prophet in your place.¹⁷ Whoever escapes from the sword of Hazael, Jehu shall kill; and whoever escapes from the sword of Jehu, Elisha shall kill.

¹⁸Yet I will leave seven thousand in Israel, all the knees that have not bowed to Baal, and every mouth that has not kissed him.”

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People ***Thanks be to God.***

PSALM 85:8-13

⁸I will listen to what the LORD God is saying, *
for he is speaking peace to his faithful people
and to those who turn their hearts to him.

⁹Truly, his salvation is very near to those who fear him, *
that his glory may dwell in our land.

¹⁰Mercy and truth have met together; *
righteousness and peace have kissed each other.

¹¹Truth shall spring up from the earth, *
and righteousness shall look down from heaven.

¹²The LORD will indeed grant prosperity, *
and our land will yield its increase.

¹³Righteousness shall go before him, *
and peace shall be a pathway for his feet.

SECOND READING: Romans 10:5-15

A Reading from Paul's letter to the Church in Rome.

⁵Moses writes concerning the righteousness that comes from the law, that
“the person who does these things will live by them.” ⁶But the righteousness

that comes from faith says, “Do not say in your heart, ‘Who will ascend into heaven?’ ” (that is, to bring Christ down) ⁷“or ‘Who will descend into the abyss?’ ” (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). ⁸But what does it say? “The word is near you, on your lips and in your heart”(that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); ⁹because if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. ¹⁰For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved. ¹¹The scripture says, “No one who believes in him will be put to shame.” ¹²For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him. ¹³For, “Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.” ¹⁴But how are they to call on one in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in one of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone to proclaim him? ¹⁵And how are they to proclaim him unless they are sent? As it is written, “How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!”

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People *Thanks be to God.*

All stand.

GOSPEL: Matthew 14:22-33

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

People *Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

²²Jesus made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. ²³And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, ²⁴but by this time the boat, battered by the waves, was

far from the land, for the wind was against them. ²⁵And early in the morning he came walking toward them on the sea. ²⁶But when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were terrified, saying, "It is a ghost!" And they cried out in fear. ²⁷But immediately Jesus spoke to them and said, "Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid." ²⁸Peter answered him, "Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water." ²⁹He said, "Come." So Peter got out of the boat, started walking on the water, and came toward Jesus. ³⁰But when he noticed the strong wind, he became frightened, and beginning to sink, he cried out, "Lord, save me!" ³¹Jesus immediately reached out his hand and caught him, saying to him, "You of little faith, why did you doubt?" ³²When they got into the boat, the wind ceased. ³³And those in the boat worshiped him, saying, "Truly you are the Son of God."

<i>Gospeller</i>	The Gospel of the Lord.
<i>People</i>	<i>Praise to you, Lord Christ.</i>

THE SERMON (BCP p. 358)

THE CREED (BCP p. 358)

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE - FORM IV (BCP P.388)

CONCLUDING COLLECT (BCP P. 394-395)

CONFESSION OF SIN (BCP p. 359)

THE PEACE (BCP p. 360)

The ministers and People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE HOLY COMMUNION

THE OFFERTORY

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ORGAN MUSIC AT THE OFFERTORY

DOXOLOGY (H 380) (V. 3)

OFFERTORY HYMN *How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord (Lyons)*
(H 637)

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING - Eucharistic Prayer A (BCP P. 361)

THE LORD'S PRAYER (BCP p. 363)

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated bread. A period of silence is kept

THE FRACTION (BCP 364)

Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following invitation.

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

You may receive a blessing at the Communion Rail if you are not baptized. Please indicate your desire to receive a blessing by crossing your arms across your chest.

The customary posture for receiving communion is to kneel at the rail and place one hand over the other for the bread. You may, of course, stand to receive communion.

Consume the bread. The minister holding the chalice will then present the chalice to you. Please, guide the chalice to your lips. If you prefer you may dip the wafer into the wine.

Gluten-Free Communion Wafers are available. Let the Clergy know if you would like a gluten-free wafer when you receive Holy Communion at the communion rail.

ORGAN MUSIC AT COMMUNION

COMMUNION HYMN *Take My Hand, Precious Lord* (LEVAS 106)

1. Pre - cious Lord, take my hand, Lead me on, let me
 2. When my way grows — drear, pre - cious Lord, lin - ger
 3. When the dark - ness ap - pears and the night draws —

1. stand, — I am tired, I am weak, I am worn; —
 2. near, — When my life is — al - most — gone; —
 3. near, — And the day is — past and — gone; —

1. — Through the storm, through the night, Lead me on to the
 2. — Hear my cry, hear my call, Hold my hand, lest I
 3. — At the riv - er I stand, Guide my feet, hold my

1. light, — Take my hand, pre-cious Lord, — Lead me on. —
 2. fall, — Take my hand, pre-cious Lord, — Lead me on. —
 3. hand, — Take my hand, pre-cious Lord, — Lead me on. —

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER (BCP p. 365)

BLESSING (BCP p. 366)

The Priest blesses the people, saying

The blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. Amen.

DISMISSAL (BCP p. 366)

POSTLUDE

The ministers then process to the south door of the church for coffee & fellowship in the Parlor. Thank you for being part of our congregation this morning.



ST. PETER'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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To Know and Share the Love of Christ

