

ST. PETER'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

621 W Belmont Ave, Chicago, IL

The Second Sunday in Lent

I will establish my covenant between me and you, and your offspring after you throughout their generations, for an everlasting covenant, to be God to you and to your offspring after you.



From T.S. Eliot's *Ash Wednesday*

This is the time of tension between dying and birth
The place of solitude where three dreams cross
Between blue rocks
But when the voices shaken from the yew-tree drift away
Let the other yew be shaken and reply.

Blessèd sister, holy mother, spirit of the fountain, spirit of the garden,
Suffer us not to mock ourselves with falsehood
Teach us to care and not to care
Teach us to sit still
Even among these rocks,
Our peace in His will
And even among these rocks
Sister, mother
And spirit of the river, spirit of the sea,
Suffer me not to be separated
And let my cry come unto Thee.

From George Herbert's *The Temple*

A broken ALTAR, Lord, thy servant rears,
Made of a heart, and cemented with tears:
Whose parts are as thy hand did frame;
No workman's tool hath touch'd the same.
A HEART alone
Is such a stone,
As nothing but
Thy pow'r doth cut.
Wherefore each part
Of my hard heart
Meets in this frame,
To praise thy name:
That if I chance to hold my peace,
These stones to praise thee may not cease.
O let thy blessed SACRIFICE be mine,
And sanctify this ALTAR to be thine.

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The Holy Eucharist: Rite Two

Prelude

Versettos 1 through 5

Giambattista Martini

Processional Hymn

“The God of Abraham praise”

Hymn 401 vv. 1-3

A Penitential Order

Celebrant Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

People **His mercy endures for ever.**

The Celebrant says

If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

The Deacon says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence is kept.

Minister 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.

The Bishop when present, or the Priest, stands and 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.*

Kyrie

(see the front of the hymnal for service music)

Hymn S 95

The People repeat after the Celebrant

Lord, have mercy.	Lord, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy.	Christ, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.	Lord, have mercy.

The Word of God

The Collect of the Day

The Celebrant says to the people

The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, whose glory it is always to have mercy: Be gracious to all who have gone astray from your ways, and bring them again with penitent hearts and steadfast faith to embrace and hold fast the unchangeable truth of your Word, Jesus Christ your Son; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. ***Amen.***

All are seated for the lessons.

The First Reading

Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16

When Abram was ninety-nine years old, the LORD appeared to Abram, and said to him, "I am God Almighty; walk before me, and be blameless. And I will make my covenant between me and you, and will make you exceedingly numerous." Then Abram fell on his face; and God said to him, "As for me, this is my covenant with you: You shall be the ancestor of a multitude of nations. No longer shall your name be Abram, but your name shall be Abraham; for I have made you the ancestor of a multitude of nations. I will make you exceedingly fruitful; and I will make nations of you, and kings shall come from you. I will establish my covenant between me and you, and your offspring after you throughout their generations, for an everlasting covenant, to be God to you and to your offspring after you."

God said to Abraham, "As for Sarai your wife, you shall not call her Sarai, but Sarah shall be her name. I will bless her, and moreover I will give you a son by her. I will bless her, and she shall give rise to nations; kings of peoples shall come from her."

Reader The Word of the Lord

People **Thanks be to God.**

The Psalm

Read responsively by whole verse.

Psalm 22:22-30

Praise the LORD, you that fear him; *
stand in awe of him, O offspring of Israel;
all you of Jacob's line, give glory.

**For he does not despise nor abhor the poor in their poverty;
neither does he hide his face from them; *
but when they cry to him he hears them.**

My praise is of him in the great assembly; *
I will perform my vows in the presence of those who worship him.

**The poor shall eat and be satisfied,
and those who seek the Lord shall praise him: *
"May your heart live for ever!"**

All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the LORD, *
and all the families of the nations shall bow before him.

**For kingship belongs to the LORD; *
he rules over the nations.**

To him alone all who sleep in the earth bow down in worship; *
all who go down to the dust fall before him.

**My soul shall live for him;
my descendants shall serve him; *
they shall be known as the LORD's for ever.**

They shall come and make known to a people yet unborn *
the saving deeds that he has done.

The Second Reading

Romans 4:13-25

For the promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation.

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.*

Deacon or other leaders

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

Leader For all people in their daily life and work;

People For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

Leader For this community, the nation, and the world;

People For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

Leader For the just and proper use of your creation;

People For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

Leader For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

People For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

Leader For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

People For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

Leader For Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury; Michael, our presiding bishop;
Jeffrey, our Bishop; and for all bishops and other ministers.

People For all who serve God in his Church.

Leader For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

Silence. The People may add their own petitions

Leader Hear us, Lord;

People For your mercy is great.

Leader We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

Silence. The People may add their own thanksgivings.

Leader We will exalt you, O God our King;

People And praise your Name for ever and ever.

Leader We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

Silence. The People may add their own petitions

Leader Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

People Who put their trust in you.

The Celebrant concludes the prayers with an appropriate Collect

The Peace

All stand. The Celebrant says to the people

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Then the Ministers and People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.



The Holy Communion

Offertory Hymn “Here, O my Lord, I see thee face to face” **Hymn 318**

The Great Thanksgiving *Eucharistic Prayer A*

Sursum Corda (*if sung, see the front of the hymnal for service music*) **Hymn S 120**

The people remain standing. The Celebrant faces them and says

The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

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

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

The Celebrant proceeds

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 Jesus Christ our Lord; who was tempted in every way as we are yet did not sin. By his grace we are able to triumph over every evil, and to live no longer for ourselves alone, but for him who died for us and rose again. 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 (*see the front of the hymnal for service music*) **Hymn S 130**

Celebrant and People

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.

The people stand or kneel.

Then the Celebrant continues

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:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues

We celebrate this 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 *(if sung, see the front of the hymnal for service music)* **Hymn S 119**

People and Celebrant

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.

Agnus Dei *(see the front of the hymnal for service music)* **Hymn S 164**

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.

Jesus, Lamb of God: have mercy on us.
Jesus, bearer of our sins: have mercy on us.
Jesus, redeemer of the world: give us your peace.

Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following Invitation

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

The ministers receive the Sacrament in both kinds, and then immediately deliver it to the people.

All baptized Christians are invited to receive communion. If you are not baptized, or do not wish to receive communion, you are invited to come forward for a blessing—place your arms across your chest to indicate that you would like a blessing.

Gluten-free hosts are available.

The Bread and the Cup are given to the communicants with these words

The Body of Christ, the bread of heaven. [Amen.]

The Blood of Christ, the cup of salvation. [Amen.]

Post Communion Prayer

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

Celebrant and 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

The Celebrant blesses the people with the following or similar words

The peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord. And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be with you and remain with you for ever. *Amen.*

Recessional Hymn

“Take up your cross, the Savior said”

Hymn 675

The Dismissal

(if sung, see the front of the hymnal for service music)

Hymn S 174

Deacon Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude

Andante Religioso

Leon Boellmann

Thank you for worshipping with us today. If you are visiting with us, we are so glad you are here as we continue our journey through Lent together at St. Peter's. We pray you have experienced the presence, power, and peace of God on this day, and we hope to see you again.



Please join us in the Guild Room for coffee and refreshments following the service. All are welcome!

Parish Announcements

Upcoming Events

- February 28 (Wed.) 20s/30s Growth Group
7:00pm at Wilde's Restaurant on Broadway
- March 4 (Sun.) The Third Sunday in Lent
Holy Eucharist at 8:00am (spoken) and at 11:00am (with hymns)
- March 10 (Sat.) Knitting Fellowship
10:00am-1:00pm at Deacon Nancy's home
- March 10 (Sat.) Parish Work Day
9:30am-1:00pm. Join us for any or all of the time!
- March 15 (Thurs.) 40s/50s Growth Group // 60s+ Growth Group
7:00-9:00pm, location TBD // Kate Wulle-Dugan's home
- March 24 (Sat.) Parish Work Day—Preparing for Holy Week
9:30am-1:00pm. Join us for any or all of the time!

Are you interested in a St. Peter's group trip to the **Lyric Opera of Chicago** to see *Jesus Christ Superstar*? Let us know! Please complete a form at the following link: <http://bit.ly/lyricjcs> with your name and preference for showtimes. If you have any questions, contact Qiana Johnson at q-johnson@pobox.com or (773) 388-2810.

Prayer Requests

Your prayers are asked for the following members and friends of St. Peters (those in bold are appearing for the first time). To add persons to the prayer list, contact Deacon Nancy (deacon@stpeterschicago.com).

For those who are sick in body, mind, or soul and those caring for them: Maryann, Carol, Pam, Bruce, Judy, William, Philip, John, Tom, Cathy, the Sexton family, Dan, Angel, Jim, Mark, Woody, Dawn, Betsy, Jessica, **Lauren**, and **George**.

For the repose of the souls of John Mahoney (actor and longtime patron of the arts in Chicago); Lillie Henderson (aunt of Qiana Johnson); Dale Ray (daughter of a friend of Kate Wulle-Dugan); Chicago Police Commander Paul Bauer; Barb Bishop, Deacon; and for their families and friends as they grieve.

For Whitney Michel (2/20) and Gloria Donnelly (2/27) who celebrate their birthdays.

For inspiration, perseverance, and insight for Ellen as she works to complete her book, and for Shane as he works on his dissertation.

For Qiana as she continues in parish discernment.

Opportunities to Connect

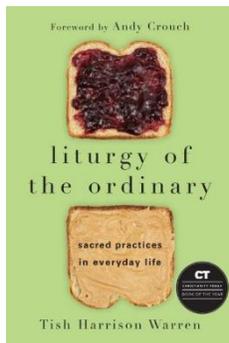
Growth Groups are St. Peter’s primary “small groups” or “fellowship groups” that meet regularly to discuss life, faith, and more. To find more information about the growth groups, please feel free to reach out to the following coordinators:

20s/30s Growth Group: Becca Wicker (rgkingman@gmail.com)

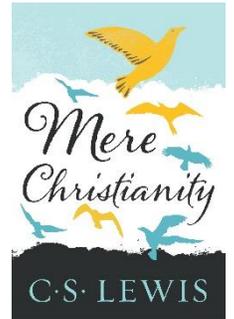
40s/50s Growth Group: Qiana Johnson (q-johnson@pobox.com)

60s+ Growth Group: Nancy Fifield (fifielddnancy@gmail.com)

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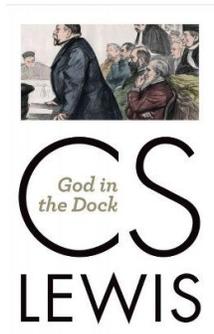
The 60s+ Group is currently reading Tish Harrison Warren’s *Liturgy of the Ordinary*, a book that looks at how our everyday routines speak beyond themselves to our relationships with God, one another, and the world. For the March meeting (Thurs., March 15, from 2:00-4:00pm), we’ll have Father Shane with us so that we can talk about the transformation ahead and ask any questions we have about the next steps for St. Peter’s. Join us at Kate Wulle-Dugan’s home for conversation and fellowship.



40s/50s Growth Group

The 40s/50s Group will meet in March, and discuss another reading from C.S. Lewis—Thursday, March 15 from 7:00-9:00pm. Contact Qiana Johnson if you want any details or are interested in joining. The reading continues out of February’s discussion, but all are welcome to join, regardless of whether you were at the February meeting. Hope to see you there!

20s/30s Growth Group



The 20s/30s Group generally meets on the last Wednesday of each month (February 28, this month), from 7:00-9:00pm at Wilde’s restaurant on Broadway. This year, we’re launching into an extended discussion of short essays by C.S. Lewis (found in *God in the Dock*, a collection of his essays), as we prepare to read his novel, *Till We Have Faces: A Myth Retold*. The essays for this month’s meeting will be chosen soon, so stay tuned for more information.

All are welcome to attend any Growth Group meeting, regardless of age.



St. Peter's Episcopal Church

Clergy and Staff

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The Rev. Nancy R. Meyer, *Deacon*

The Rev. Dr. Ellen Wondra, *Assisting Priest*

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Becca Wicker, *Junior Warden*

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Molly Ekelof, Nancy Fifield, Guy Norred, Jordan Rutledge, Tom Stabnicki

Jack Adrian, *Treasurer*

Regular Sunday Services

8:00 (spoken) and 11:00 (with hymns) Holy Eucharists

Every first Sunday of the Month with Anointing and Prayers for Healing

Parking

Parking is no longer available at PARK ONE.

Alternatives are being sought.

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