



St. Peter's Episcopal Church

The Little Church with the Big Heart



The Fifth Sunday of Easter **The Rev. Shawn Rutledge Presiding** **April 28, 2024**

Prelude: Many are the Light Beams (Choir-WLP794)

Welcome to St. Peter's Episcopal Church

(Brief announcements and acknowledgment of the land.)

St. Peter's Episcopal Church is situated on land that was lived and traveled on by many different tribes including: the Hohokam, the O'odham Jewed, the Sobaipuri, and the Akimel O'odham. We respectfully acknowledge and honor all Tribal communities, past and present, for their ongoing and fundamental relationship with this land and this region.

Processional: God Who Stretched the spangled Heavens - The Hymnal 1982 #580

The Acclamation:

Alleluia. Christ is risen.

The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

Collect of 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

Easter Alleluia

Refrain *Last time to Coda* ☩



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! _____



1. Glo - ry to God who does won - drous things,
 2. See how sal - va - tion for all has been won,
 3. Now in our pres - ence the Lord will ap - pear,
 4. Call us, Good Shep - herd, we lis - ten for you,



let all the peo - ple God's prais - es now sing, all of cre - a - tion in
 up from the grave our new life has be - gun, life now per - fect - ed in
 shine in the fa - ces of all of us here, fill us with joy and cast
 want - ing to see you in all that we do, we would the gate of sal -
D.C.



splen - dor shall ring:
 Je - sus the Son:
 out all our fear: Al - le - lu - ia! _____
 va - tion pass through:

☩ CODA



al - le - lu - ia! _____

The Collect of the Day:

The Lord be with you.

And, also with you.

Let us pray.

Almighty God, whom truly to know is everlasting life: Grant us so perfectly to know your Son Jesus Christ to be the way, the truth, and the life, that we may steadfastly follow his steps in the way that leads to eternal life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

First Reading:

Acts 5:12-16

Now many signs and wonders were done among the people through the apostles. And they were all together in Solomon's Portico. None of the rest dared to join them, but the people held them in high esteem. Yet more than ever believers were added to the Lord, great numbers of both men and women, so that they even carried out the sick into the streets and laid them on cots and mats, in order that Peter's shadow might fall on some of them as he

came by. A great number of people would also gather from the towns around Jerusalem, bringing the sick and those tormented by unclean spirits, and they were all cured.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

The Psalm

Psalm 147:12-20

But you have pleasure in those who fear you, *

In those who await your gracious favor.

Jerusalem will worship you, O God, *

And Zion will praise your name.

For you have strengthened the bars of our gates *

And have blest our children within us.

You have established peace on our borders *

And satisfied us with the finest wheat.

You send out your command to the earth, *

And your word runs very swiftly.

You give snow like wool *

And scatter hoarfrost like ashes.

You scatter your hail like bread crumbs; *

Who can stand against your cold?

You send forth your word and melt them; *

You blow with your wind and the water flows.

You declare your word to Jacob, *

Your statutes and your judgement to Israel.

The Epistle:

2 Corinthians 4:13-15

But just as we have the same spirit of faith that is in accordance with scripture—"I believed, and so I spoke"—we also believe, and therefore we also speak, because we know that the one who raised Jesus will also raise us with Jesus and will present us with you in his presence. Indeed, everything is for your sake, so that grace, when it has extended to more and more people, may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

The Gradual: Take My Life - The Hymnal 1982 #707 (V1/v2)

The Gospel:

John 5:25-29

(Please stand as you are able)

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John. **Glory to you Lord Christ.**

"Very truly, I tell you, the hour is coming and is now here when the dead will hear the voice of the Son of God, and those who hear will live. For just as the Father has life in himself, so he has granted the Son also to have life in himself, and he has given him authority to execute judgment because he is the Son of Man. Do not be astonished at this, for the hour is coming

when all who are in their graves will hear his voice and will come out: those who have done good to the resurrection of life, and those who have done evil to the resurrection of condemnation.

The Gospel, the Good News of the Lord. **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

The Sermon: The Rev. Shawn Rutledge

The Nicene Creed: *(Please Stand as you are able)*

**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, 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:

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Let us with all confidence bring before God the needs of all our world, asking God for renewal,
saying: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

God of life, in gratitude and great joy we praise you for the gifts of Christ's resurrection.
Throughout this Easter season, give all god's people hope; for Christ is risen
indeed, so we pray: **Lord, hear our Prayer.**

Holy One, we commit ourselves to work toward the unity of your church, that Christ's body
may be one; for Christ is risen, so we pray: **Lord, hear our Prayer.**

Honoring the gift of Christ's risen body, may we rise to serve all those who have needs that they are unable to meet; for Christ is risen, so we pray: **Lord, hear our Prayer.**

For all who have need of the gift of Easter; for all who journey from illness to health, from despair to hope, from grief to consolation, from loneliness to love; especially: Kara, Owen, WaWee, Ron, Elaine, Wayne, Bryan, Helen, Susanne, Rick, Lynn, Joy, Susie, Patrick, and Diamond. That illness and despair may have no more power over them; for Christ is risen, so we pray: **Lord, hear our Prayer.**

May all who have died in your faith be received at your heavenly banquet and may we be one in faith will all of them; especially: Rene Joy, Ann Slaybaugh, Alex Wyman, Linda Clark, Joanne Summers Puglielli, and Hobart Bruce. In baptism we die with Christ to the sure joy of resurrection; for Christ is risen, so we pray: **Lord, hear our Prayer.**

Collect:

O God, who for our redemption gave your only-begotten Son to the death of the cross, and by his glorious resurrection delivered us from the power of our enemy: Grant us so to die daily to sin, that we may evermore live with him in the joy of his resurrection; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Confession:

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

(Silence)

God of all mercy, 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 we have done, and the evils 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.

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.

Peace: The Peace of Christ be always with you

And also with you.

(Please take a moment to offer your neighbors a sign of Christ's peace. This will be followed by some brief Announcements; and then we will offer blessings for any Anniversaries, Birthdays, Surgeries or Travelers)

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory: Breathe on Me, Breath of God - The Hymnal 1982 #508

Doxology: The Hymnal 1982 #380 V3
Praise God from whom all blessings flow.
Praise Him all creatures here below.
Praise Him above ye heavenly host.
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Eucharistic Prayer A

The Lord be with you.

And also with you

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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 tell all nations; and promised to be with them always, even to the end of ages. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus: S130

**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.

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.**

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:

Alleluia, Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

Therefore, let us keep the feast. Alleluia!

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.

(If you are visiting, and you normally receive communion in your home church, you are welcome to receive at this table as well. If you are not yet baptized, you may come up with your arms crossed over your chest to receive a blessing)

Communion Hymn: As the Grains of Wheat (Haugen) (Choir)

Post Communion Thanksgiving Prayer:

(Please stand or kneel as you are able)

Let us pray,

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.

Blessing:

The Wisdom of God the Love of God and the Grace of God strengthen you to be Christ's hands and heart in this world, in the name of the Holy Trinity. **Amen.**

Recessional Hymn: In Christ There is No East or West - The Hymnal 1982 #529

Dismissal:

Let us go forth, rejoicing in the resurrection of Christ our Lord, Alleluia, Alleluia!

Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia!

Postlude: Shine, Jesus Shine (Graham Kendrick)

St. Peter's Episcopal Church Prayer List:

Kara, Owen, WaWee, Ron, Elaine, Wayne, Bryan, Helen, Susanne, Rick, Lynn, Joy, Susie, Patrick, and Diamond

Rest of the Soul List:

Rene Joy, Ann Slaybaugh, Alex Wyman, Linda Clark, Joanne Summers Puglielli, and Hobart Bruce

* If you would like to add any names to the Church Prayer Lists, email:

prayers@stpetersepiscopalcg.org. Names are kept on the Church Prayer List for 1 month. If you'd like them to stay on the list, simply resubmit them. Names are kept on the Rest of the Soul List for 2 months.

Please visit our website for a listing of our worship times, and all current announcements which are contained in our current newsletter, 3 Peter: <https://stpetersepiscopalcg.org>

If you are new to St. Peter's and would like to schedule a time to meet w/the Vicar, please

reach out to him via email: shawn.rutledge@stpetersepiscopealcg.org or by phone: 602-688-2273.

He would love to chat and get to know you; and if at any time you need pastoral care, please call the **Pastoral Care Line: 520-483-4288**

If you have any questions or concerns, please talk to the members of your Bishop's Committee.

Bishop's Committee:

- The Rev. Shawn Rutledge, Vicar
- Kari Davis, Bishop's Warden
- Dorrie Carskadon, People's Warden
- Kay Horton, Member at Large
- Mitchell Smith, Member at Large
- Susanne Lieber, Member at Large

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Interment After the Service:

Today we are interring the final earthly remains of Claire L. Smith, born Feb. 12, 1937 and passed Feb. 8, 2024. Alongside the remains of her husband Bill Smith in our columbarium. If you knew Claire, and would like to pay your respects, please remain behind in the narthex immediately following the service. Claire's family will be in attendance.