

The Twentieth Sunday of Pentecost 8:00 a.m. HOLY EUCHARIST Rite I Saint Peter's Episcopal Church Hebron, Connecticut The Rev. Ronald Kolanowski, Rector

The 20th Sunday after Pentecost ~ October 6, 2024 Rite 1 ~ 8:00 a.m.

Celebrant: Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit. *People: And blessed be his kingdom now and forever*

Glory be to God

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Collect of the Day: Collect of the Day: Almighty and everlasting God, you are always more ready to hear than we to pray, and to give more than we either desire or deserve: Pour upon us the abundance of your mercy, forgiving us those things of which our conscience is afraid, and giving us those good things for which we are not worthy to ask, except through the merits and mediation of Jesus Christ our Savior; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

The First Reading: Job 1:1; 2:1-10

There was once a man in the land of Uz whose name was Job. That man was blameless and upright, one who feared God and turned away from evil.

One day the heavenly beings came to present themselves before the Lord, and Satan also came among them to present himself before the Lord. The Lord said to Satan, "Where have you come from?" Satan answered the Lord, "From going to and fro on the earth, and from walking up and down on it." The Lord said to Satan, "Have you considered my servant Job? There is no one like him on the earth, a blameless and upright man who fears God and turns away from evil. He still persists in his integrity, although you incited me against him, to destroy him for no reason." Then Satan answered the Lord, "Skin for skin! All that people have they will give to save their lives. But stretch out your hand now and touch his bone and his flesh, and he will curse you to your face." The Lord said to Satan, "Very well, he is in your power; only spare his life."

So Satan went out from the presence of the Lord, and inflicted loathsome sores on Job from the sole of his foot to the crown of his head. Job took a potsherd with which to scrape himself, and sat among the ashes.

Then his wife said to him, "Do you still persist in your integrity? Curse God, and die." But he said to her, "You speak as any foolish woman would speak. Shall we receive the good at the hand of God, and not receive the bad?" In all this Job did not sin with his lips.

Reader: The Word of the Lord. *People:* Thanks be to God.

The Psalm: Psalm 26

- 1 Give judgment for me, O Lord, for I have lived with integrity;* I have trusted in the Lord and have not faltered.
- 2 Test me, O Lord, and try me; * examine my heart and my mind.

3 For your love is before my eyes; * I have walked faithfully with you. 4 I have not sat with the worthless, * nor do I consort with the deceitful. 5 I have hated the company of evildoers; * I will not sit down with the wicked. 6 I will wash my hands in innocence, O Lord, * that I may go in procession round your altar, 7 Singing aloud a song of thanksgiving * and recounting all your wonderful deeds. 8 Lord, I love the house in which you dwell * and the place where your glory abides. 9 Do not sweep me away with sinners, * nor my life with those who thirst for blood. 10 Whose hands are full of evil plots, * and their right hand full of bribes. 11 As for me, I will live with integrity; * redeem me, O Lord, and have pity on me. 12 My foot stands on level ground; * in the full assembly I will bless the Lord.

The Second Reading: Hebrews 1:1-4; 2:5-12

Long ago God spoke to our ancestors in many and various ways by the prophets, but in these last days he has spoken to us by a Son, whom he appointed heir of all things, through whom he also created the worlds. He is the reflection of God's glory and the exact imprint of God's very being, and he sustains all things by his powerful word. When he had made purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high, having become as much superior to angels as the name he has inherited is more excellent than theirs.

Now God did not subject the coming world, about which we are speaking, to angels. But someone has testified somewhere, "What are human beings that you are mindful of them, or mortals, that you care for them? You have made them for a little while lower than the angels; you have crowned them with glory and honor, subjecting all things under their feet."

Now in subjecting all things to them, God left nothing outside their control. As it is, we do not yet see everything in subjection to them, but we do see Jesus, who for a little while was made lower than the angels, now crowned with glory and honor because of the suffering of death, so that by the grace of God he might taste death for everyone.

It was fitting that God, for whom and through whom all things exist, in bringing many children to glory, should make the pioneer of their salvation perfect through sufferings. For the one who sanctifies and those who are sanctified all have one Father. For this reason Jesus is not ashamed to call them brothers and sisters, saying, "I will proclaim your name to my brothers and sisters, in the midst of the congregation I will praise you."

Reader: The Word of the Lord. People: Thanks be to God.

Celebrant: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ *People: Glory be to thee, O Lord*

The Holy Gospel: Mark 10:2-16

Some Pharisees came, and to test Jesus they asked, "Is it lawful for a man to divorce his wife?" He answered them, "What did Moses command you?" They said, "Moses allowed a man to write a certificate of dismissal and to divorce her." But Jesus said to them, "Because of your hardness of heart he wrote this commandment for you. But from the beginning of creation, 'God made them male and female.' 'For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh.' So they are no longer two, but one flesh. Therefore what God has joined together, let no one separate."

Then in the house the disciples asked him again about this matter. He said to them, "Whoever divorces his wife and marries another commits adultery against her; and if she divorces her husband and marries another, she commits adultery."

People were bringing little children to him in order that he might touch them; and the disciples spoke sternly to them. But when Jesus saw this, he was indignant and said to them, "Let the little children come to me; do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs. Truly I tell you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a little child will never enter it." And he took them up in his arms, laid his hands on them, and blessed them.

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord People: Praise be to thee, Lord Christ

Sermon The Nicene Creed (said in unison) Prayers of the People Confession of Sin The Peace Celebrant: The Peace of the <i>People: And wi</i>	BCP, p. 328 BCP, p. 330 Lord be always with you
The Holy Communion	
The Great Thanksgiving Eucharistic Prayer I	BCP, p. 333
And now, as our Savior Christ hath The Lord's Prayer	n taught us, we are bold to say, BCP, p. 336
The Breaking of the BreadBCP, p. 337Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.Agnus deiBCP, p. 337	
Prayer before Communion	BCP, p. 337
Invitation to CommunionBCP, p. 337The 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.	
Post-Communion Prayer (in uniso The Blessing The Dismissal	on) BCP, p. 339

Prayers and Thanksgivings for the 20th Sunday after Pentecost

We pray for our clergy: Justin, the Archbishop of Canterbury; for our retiring Presiding Bishop, Michael and our newly-elected Presiding Bishop Sean Rowe; Jeff & Laura, the Bishops of Connecticut; for our priest Ron; for our deacons Marge & Donna; and for all bishops, priests and deacons;

In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer we pray for Trinity, Torrington; Christ Church, Trumbull; Trinity, Trumbull; for all companions and service animals, all livestock & wild animals, great and small; *The Anglican Church of Papua New Guinea*.

We pray for those who celebrate their birthdays this week, remembering especially Pamela Atwood (10/6); Ronald J. Kolanowski (10/8); Walter Paul Albert (10/11); Timothy O'Shea (10/11); and for those celebrating anniversaries.

In St Peter's Cycle of Prayer, we pray for all our parish family and those who have requested our prayers. We pray especially for K-Leigh, Gloria, Judy, Donna K., and for those who are listed in our Continuing Prayers list that you would heal all injuries, comfort all grief, and settle all wrongs.

We pray for those who have died. We pray for those who suffer the loss of family, friends, and neighbors that they may be comforted by those who love them.

Continuing Prayer List

Neal Harris, Loretta, Tim O'Shea, Carol Baldwin, Leila Lou Baldwin, Bill Baldwin, Judy, Robin, Richard Taylor, Jim, Jeff Baez, Lydia, David Rigby, Judy Knox, Deanne Bowen, June Beauvais; Star, Norm, Laura Beaudoin, Bill Houle, Aimee Goodrich, Cara Begin, Derek Anderson, Justin, Janet Nixon, Bill D., Steve Dubin, Roberto Rodegher, Marlin Corbean; Nelson Moore; Brian, Joan Hamilton, Kathryn & Olivia; Caroline, Ron Lamp, Rina Bettancourt; Susan Hicks & family, Ambrosio Vidal & Family, Jeannette Farren & Family; Noel, Daryl, Scott Goodrich, Ella & Nicole, Lou and Heidi Schluntz.

The Vestry Meeting for this month will be held on October 10 at 6 p.m.

We will be hosting another **Blood Drive for the Red Cross** on Wednesday, October 23 from 1-6 p.m. There is always a need, but after the flooding in the South the need is huge. Please consider giving this life saving donation. <u>One donation can save the lives of three people.</u>