

**THE SIXTEENTH SUNDAY  
AFTER PENTECOST  
SEPTEMBER 25, 2022, 11AM**



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I Timothy 6:17-19

**ST. PETER'S EPISCOPAL  
CHURCH**

## The Sixteenth Sunday After Pentecost

Rector: The Rev. Catherine D. Hicks

The Rev. Tom Hughes, Rector Emeritus

**(BCP—Book of Common Prayer, H-Hymnal 1982; S Numbers are the service music found in the front of The Hymnal 1982; WLP-Wonder, Love and Praise)**

**LEVAS-Lift Every Voice and Sing II)**

*In the name of Christ, we welcome you to this Church. May those who sorrow find comfort; the weary, rest; the unhappy, joy; the troubled, peace; the stranger, friends; and to all the sense of God's Presence in this holy place. We acknowledge that we gather on the traditional land of the first people of Port Royal, the Nandtaughtacund, and we honor with gratitude the land itself and the life of the Rappahannock Tribe.*

### Ring of the Bell

Prelude

Sweet hour of prayer

St Peter's Choir

Opening Hymn

Holy, holy, holy!

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### Opening Sentences

Send out your light and your truth, that they may lead me, and bring me to your holy hill and to your dwelling. Psalm 43:3

Let us confess our sins against God and God's creation. (*Silence is kept.*)

**Holy and merciful God, we confess that we have failed to honor you by rightly claiming our kinship with all your creatures. We have walked heavily on your earth, overused and wasted its resources, taken for granted its beauty and abundance, and treated its inhabitants unjustly, holding future generations hostage to our greed. Have mercy on us and forgive us our sin. Renew in us the resolve to keep and conserve your earth as you desire and intend, with grateful and compassionate hearts, through your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ. 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.**

# The Invitatory and Psalter

Lord, open our lips.

**And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.**

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

**Venite To God with gladness sing (sung to Darwall's 148<sup>th</sup>)**

**To God with gladness sing, your Rock and Savior bless;**

**Into his temple bring your songs of thankfulness!**

**O God of might, to you we sing**

**Enthroned as King on heaven's height!**

**God cradles in his hand the heights and depths of earth;**

**God made the sea and land, God brought the world to birth!**

**O God most high, we are your sheep;**

**On us you keep your shepherd's eye!**

**Your heavenly Father praise, acclaim his only Son,**

**Your voice in homage raise to him who makes all one!**

**O Dove of peace, on us descend**

**That strife may end and joy increase!**

**Psalm 146, "*Lauda, anima mea*"**

**1 Hallelujah!**

Praise the LORD, O my soul! \*

I will praise the LORD as long as I live;

I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.

**2 Put not your trust in rulers, nor in any child of earth, \*  
for there is no help in them.**

**3 When they breathe their last, they return to earth, \*  
and in that day their thoughts perish.**

**4 Happy are they who have the God of Jacob for their help! \*  
whose hope is in the LORD their God;**

**5 Who made heaven and earth, the seas, and all that is in them;  
who keeps his promise for ever;**

**6 Who gives justice to those who are oppressed, \*  
and food to those who hunger.**

7 The LORD sets the prisoners free;  
the LORD opens the eyes of the blind; \*  
the LORD lifts up those who are bowed down;

**8 The LORD loves the righteous;  
the LORD cares for the stranger; \*  
he sustains the orphan and widow,  
but frustrates the way of the wicked.**

9 The LORD shall reign for ever, \*  
your God, O Zion, throughout all generations.  
Hallelujah!

**Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in  
the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

## **The Lessons**

**A Reading from The Prophet Amos, Chapter 6, verses 1a, and verses 4-7.**

Alas for those who are at ease in Zion,  
and for those who feel secure on Mount Samaria.

Alas for those who lie on beds of ivory,  
and lounge on their couches,

and eat lambs from the flock,  
and calves from the stall;

who sing idle songs to the sound of the harp,  
and like David improvise on instruments of music;

who drink wine from bowls,  
and anoint themselves with the finest oils,  
but are not grieved over the ruin of Joseph!

Therefore they shall now be the first to go into exile,  
and the revelry of the loungers shall pass away.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**Canticle G: A Song of Ezekiel** *(Read together in unison, standing)*  
*Ezekiel 36: 24-28*

**I will take you from among all nations;\***  
    **And gather you from all lands to bring you home.**  
**I will sprinkle clean water upon you;\***  
    **and purify you from false gods and uncleanness.**  
**A new heart I will give you\***  
    **and a new spirit put within you.**  
**I will take the stone heart from your chest\***  
    **and give you a heart of flesh.**  
**I will help you walk in my laws\***  
    **and cherish my commandments and do them.**  
**You shall be my people,\***  
    **and I will be your God.**

**A reading from 1<sup>st</sup> Timothy, Chapter 6, verses 6-19**

There is great gain in godliness combined with contentment; for we brought nothing into the world, so that we can take nothing out of it; but if we have food and clothing, we will be content with these. But those who want to be rich fall into temptation and are trapped by many senseless and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction. For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil, and in their eagerness to be rich some have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many pains.

But as for you, man of God, shun all this; pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance, gentleness. Fight the good fight of the faith; take hold of the eternal life, to which you were called and for which you made the good confession in the presence of many witnesses. In the presence of God, who gives life to all things, and of Christ Jesus, who in his testimony before Pontius Pilate made the good confession, I charge you to keep the commandment without spot or blame until the manifestation of our Lord Jesus Christ, which he will bring about at the right time-- he who is the blessed and only Sovereign, the King of kings and Lord of lords. It is he alone who has immortality and dwells in

unapproachable light, whom no one has ever seen or can see; to him be honor and eternal dominion. Amen.

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The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**Canticle S A Song of Our True Nature (Julian of Norwich)**

*(Read together in unison, standing)*

**Christ revealed our frailty and our falling,\***

**our trespasses and our humiliations.**

**Christ also revealed his blessed power,\***

**his blessed wisdom and love.**

**He protects us as tenderly and as sweetly when we are in greatest need;\***

**he raises us in spirit and turns everything to glory and joy without ending.**

**God is the ground and the substance, the very essence of nature;\***

**God is the true father and mother of natures,**

**We are all bound to God by nature,\***

**and we are all bound to God by grace.**

**And this grace is for all the world,\***

**because it is our precious mother, Christ.**

**For this fair nature was prepared by Christ**

**for the honor and nobility of all,\***

**and for the joy and bliss of salvation.**

**A Reading from the Gospel according to Luke, Chapter 16, verses 19 through 31.**

Jesus said, "There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. And at his gate lay a poor

man named Lazarus, covered with sores, who longed to satisfy his hunger with what fell from the rich man's table; even the dogs would come and lick his sores. The poor man died and was carried away by the angels to be with Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried. In Hades, where he was being tormented, he looked up and saw Abraham far away with Lazarus by his side. He called out, 'Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue; for I am in agony in these flames.' But Abraham said, 'Child, remember that during your lifetime you received your good things, and Lazarus in like manner evil things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in agony. Besides all this, between you and us a great chasm has been fixed, so that those who might want to pass from here to you cannot do so, and no one can cross from there to us.' He said, 'Then, father, I beg you to send him to my father's house-- for I have five brothers-- that he may warn them, so that they will not also come into this place of torment.' Abraham replied, 'They have Moses and the prophets; they should listen to them.' He said, 'No, father Abraham; but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent.' He said to him, 'If they do not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be convinced even if someone rises from the dead.'"

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**Sermon**

**The Rev. Catherine D. Hicks**

**Affirmation**

**We believe in God, who creates all things, who embraces all things, who celebrates all things, who is present in every part of the fabric of creation. We believe in God as the source of all life, who baptizes this planet with living water.**

**We believe in Jesus Christ, the suffering one, who loves and cares for this world and who suffers with it. And we believe in Jesus Christ, the seed of life, who came to reconcile and renew this world and everything in it.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the breath of God, who moves with God and who moves among and with us today. We believe in everlasting**

life in God. And we believe in the hope that one day God will put an end to death and all destructive forces.

## The Peace

## Announcements

**Birthday and Anniversary Blessings** BCP 830 #51/431

**Offertory** Earth and all stars St Peter's Choir

## The Prayers

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Let us pray.

**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.**

## Suffrages

Save your people, Lord, and bless your inheritance;

**Govern and uphold them, now and always.**

Day by day we bless you;

**We praise your name for ever.**

Lord, keep us from all sin today;

**Have mercy on us, Lord, have mercy.**

Lord, show us your love and mercy;

**For we put our trust in you.**

In you, Lord, is our hope;

**And we shall never hope in vain.**

## The Creation Collect for the Day

O Creator God, you are known by your loving embrace of the undeserving and those who suffer: Grant us sight of your justice and conviction to love all creatures; through Jesus Christ the Wisdom of



Creation, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, now and for ever. **Amen.**

### **A Prayer for Our Time and for the Earth**

Dear God, Creator of the earth, this sacred home we share: Give us new eyes to see the beauty all around and to protect the wonders of creation. Give us new arms to embrace the strangers among us and to know them as family. Give us new ears to hear and understand those who live off the land and sea, and to hear and understand those who extract its resources. Give us new hearts to recognize the brokenness in our communities and to heal the wounds we have inflicted. Give us new hands to serve the earth and its people and to shape beloved community. For you are the One who seeks the lost, binds our wounds and sets us free. In the name of Jesus the Christ we pray. **Amen.**

### **For the Church**

Keep, O Lord, your household the Church in your steadfast faith and love, that through your grace we may proclaim your truth with boldness, and minister your justice with compassion; for the sake of our Savior Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

### **Prayer for the Human Family**

O God, you made us in your own image and redeemed us through Jesus your Son: Look with compassion on the whole human family; take away the arrogance and hatred which infect our hearts; break down the walls that separate us; unite us in bonds of love; and work through our struggle and confusion to accomplish your purposes on earth; that, in your good time, all nations and races may serve you in harmony around your heavenly throne; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

### **A Prayer for Peace**

Lord God, we pray that you would arm us with courage and compassion sufficient to the challenges of these days and make us heralds of your grace and instruments of your peace.

Where is hatred, let us sow love;

where there is harm, let us bring healing;

where there is prejudice and intolerance, let us offer understanding;

where there is enmity, let us be agents of reconciliation;  
where there is despair, let us speak hope;  
where there is doubt, let us spark faith;  
where there is fear, let us kindle courage; and wherever there is  
darkness, let us offer the light of your mercy that enlightens the whole  
world.

Meet us in our fear, Lord God, and embolden us to side always with the  
defenseless. Protect all who put themselves in harm's way to keep  
others safe. We pray that until your reign of peace comes on this earth,  
you would protect and guide those in the armed forces, especially those  
on our prayer list. Thwart the plans of those who harbor hatred and  
plot violence. Grant our elected leaders the wisdom to know what it is  
right and the courage to do it. And bless this nation and people that we  
might be a blessing to the world you love so much.

This we pray in Jesus' name. **Amen.**

### **A Prayer for Mission**

Lord Jesus Christ, you stretched out your arms of love on the hard wood  
of the cross that everyone might come within the reach of your saving  
embrace: So clothe us in your Spirit that we, reaching forth our hands  
in love, may bring those who do not know you to the knowledge and  
love of you; for the honor of your name. **Amen.**

### **For those on our prayer list**

Merciful Lord, who has taught us in your holy Word that you do not  
willingly afflict or grieve us: Look with compassion upon the sorrows of  
those for whom we offer our prayers; for Randall Clingenpeel,  
recovering from back surgery; for Roger Key and John Whitfield, dealing  
with cancer, the Glasgow family, and for all on our prayer list.  
Remember them, O Lord, in your mercy, nourish their souls with  
patience, comfort them with a sense of your goodness, lift up your  
countenance upon them, and give them your peace; through Jesus  
Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

### **For the Restoration of Health**

Almighty God and heavenly Father, we give you thanks for Jess Suggs  
and Morgan Chapman, friends of Laura Long, who are both in remission  
from cancer. We give thanks for their healing and bless and praise your  
holy Name, for we know that your will for us is health and salvation.

Grant that they, through your help, may live in this world according to your will, and find your presence and joy in each day that they are granted on this earth, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

**For those who have died**

Father of all, we pray to you for those we love, but see no longer. Grant them all your peace; let light perpetual shine upon them; and in your loving wisdom and almighty power, work in them the good purpose of your perfect will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

**A General Thanksgiving** (*Read in Unison*)

**Accept, O Lord, our thanks and praise for all that you have done for us. We thank you for the splendor of the whole creation, for the beauty of this world, for the wonder of life, and for the mystery of love.**

**We thank you for the blessing of family and friends, and for the loving care which surrounds us on every side. We thank you for setting us at tasks which demand our best efforts, and for leading us to accomplishments which satisfy and delight us. We thank you also for those disappointments and failures that lead us to acknowledge our dependence on you alone. Above all, we thank you for your Son Jesus Christ; for the truth of his Word and the example of his life; for his steadfast obedience, by which he overcame temptation; for his dying, through which he overcame death; and for his rising to life again, in which we are raised to the life of your kingdom. Grant us the gift of your Spirit, that we may know Christ and make him known; and through him, at all times and in all places, may give thanks to you in all things. Amen.**

**The Blessing**

Let us know peace.  
For as long as the moon shall rise,  
For as long as the rivers shall flow,  
For as long as the sun shall shine,  
For as long as the grass shall grow,  
Let us know peace.

## **The Dismissal**

Glory to God, whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine: Glory to him from generation to generation in the Church, and in Christ Jesus for ever and ever. **Amen.**

### **Resources:**

The Book of Common Prayer

Today's canticles are from Enriching our Worship

Today's Affirmation, Collect and the Prayer for Prayer for our Time and for the Earth are from Season of Creation Liturgical Guide 2022

Today's blessing is taken from a Cheyenne Prayer

### **Addresses you may need this week.**

You can send a card to Roger at this address.

Mr. and Mrs. Roger Key (Roger and Eunice)  
4650 Lightkeeper's Way, Unit 21B  
Little River, SC 29566  
Roger's email [3keyslope@gmail.com](mailto:3keyslope@gmail.com)  
Roger's cell 804-296-6011

You can send a card to John Whitfield at this address.

John Whitfield  
9319 Baymeadow Ct  
Port Royal, VA 22535

Marion Mahoney, who is celebrating a birthday this coming week, has a new address. If you'd like to send her birthday greetings, please use this address.

Mrs. Thomas Mahoney (Marion)  
17494 Irishtown Road  
Emmitsburg, MD 21727  
Email [mariongmahoney@gmail.com](mailto:mariongmahoney@gmail.com)  
Cell 804-445-3521  
Marion's birthday 09/28

## Announcements

**Welcome to St Peter's.** May you find God's love present with you in this place and return here often to worship.

**The offering plates are in the back next to the doors. Your gifts help support God's work in the world with this church.** Mail - PO Box 399, Port Royal, VA 22535. and online -<https://news.churchsp.org/onlinegiving>

**Happy Birthday – Marian Mahoney (Sept 28),  
Happy Anniversary- Helmut, Susan Linne von Berg (Oct. 1)**

**-Sunday worship Sept 25 — On Zoom at 11AM.**

**<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86999263545?pwd=WHpNa1JrU0JOOGdMV3NMRIhmWUVCZz09> Meeting ID: 869 9926 3545 Passcode: 889278**

**Sept. 25, Youth Group at St. Peter's, 5pm**

**Online Compline will not take place tonight.**

**-Sept. 26, Monday Morning meditation 6:30am**

**<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87980716417?pwd=UHLxNE1JYlQ1TGh6N25oYTBxRURwQT09> Meeting ID: 879 8071 6417 Passcode: 790929**

**-Sept. 26, Week 3 of the Goodside's book—"Reduce", 7pm**

**<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87815309573?pwd=cGVlUTdQZ0RsV1FLZUVuQ1RpUHRZZz09> Meeting ID: 878 1530 9573 Passcode: 276113**

**Sept. 26, Kickball on the Heimbach lawn. 5:30pm until 7pm**

**Sept. 26, Climate Change. 7pm .Part 3 of the More Book. 26+ ways to reduce our use of greenhouse gases.**

**Sept. 28, Bible Study, 10am-12pm. Parish House.**

**Sept. 29, Sacred Ground, 7pm**

**<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86904459075?pwd=YlVYcTVBL09NK3d2bHZjZWdWalhsdz09> Meeting ID: 869 0445 9075 Passcode: 715981**

**Reminder - Please send in a photo of something you did this past summer to be shared for the October newsletter.**

**Sept. 29 – Feast of St. Michael, an angelic protector against the dark of the night appropriate with the shortening of the day.**

**Oct. 2, Gospel on the River, 3pm, in the church.**

**Oct. 14, 7pm The Beau Soir Ensemble in concert, preceded by a reception at 6:15PM. <https://www.beausoir.org> , a flute, viola and harp trio.**

**-Listen! <https://news.churchsp.org/beausoirmusic/> .**

**-Download the poster and help us publicize**

**<https://news.churchsp.org/sites/default/files/images12/beausoirposter8x11.pdf>**

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**Elizabeth Heimbach, Helmut Linne von Berg (2025)**

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**Prayer List**

**Lydia O' Neil, John Hess, Roger Key, Charles McGuire, Brad Volland, Cornesha Howard, Tommy Segar, John and Toni Faibisy, Linneth Feliciano, Thom Guthrie, Vivian McDonald, Mike and Marilyn Newman, Bill Wick, Barbara and Boyd Wisdom**  
**The Glasgows** (friends of the Felicianos), **Randall Clingenpeel, Mrs. Watson** (Linneth Feliciano's mother), **John Whitfield** (Laura Carey's son), **Ann Pyle** (Carolyn Duke's mother), **J.T. Moriarty** (Hicks' friend), **Harvey Yarus** (friend of Tom Kramer), **Patty Reno** (cousin of Tom Kramer), **Joanne Wilkerson and Jimmy Davis, Julie Davis** (sister, brother and daughter of Johnny Davis), **Lois Christie, Sandra Smith, Rosie Dowdy, Bill Lauck, Nathaniel Schakenberg, Martha Oldham** (Mike Newman's sister), **Jonathan Coleman** (Cleo Coleman's son), **Anthony Bowman, Dylan Puryear** (BJ's grandson), **Ruth Smith, Joyce Smith** (Laura Carey's sisters-in-law), **Orville Watson** (Linneth Feliciano's brother), **Gloria Jewell, Mary Ann Betchy, K. D., Kathryn, David and Bobby Hill** (Lydia O'Neil's family), **Lorena McElwain**, (friend of the Pogues), **Odessa Davis, Kelly Paterino, G. Lee Baldwin, Linda Oliver, Pat Crenshaw** (Brad Volland's cousin), **Joan Pemberton** (Brad Volland's aunt), **Anna Haug, Morgan Chapman and Jess Suggs**, (friends of Laura Long), **Albert Barnett** (Andrea's uncle), **Scott Crabtree** (Eunice Key's brother), **Louise Chapman** (Barbara Segar's cousin), **Dot Wright, Carolyn and Butch Delhagen** (Newman relatives), **Mary Lawrence Hicks** (Catherine and Ben Hicks' daughter), **Tommy Hicks and the Reynolds family, Rodney C. Johnson** (Hicks' friend), **Charlene Schakenberg**, (Becky Fisher's mother)

**Passed into eternal life: Carol Whitcomb** (Fisher family)

**Serving in the Armed Forces**

PJ Koons

Scott Estes

Joseph George

Cliff Lance

Steven Lee

Greg Merkl

Alexis Rye

Michael Hobbs

Alex Long V