

**FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER
PENTECOST YEAR B
JUNE 23, 2024, 11AM**



“Peace Be Still”- He Qui (2001)

“Teacher, do you not care that we are perishing?” Jesus woke up and rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, “Peace, be still!” Then the wind ceased, and there was a dead calm. He said to them, “Why are you afraid? Have you still no faith?” And they were filled with great awe and said to one another, “Who then is this, that even the wind and the sea obey him?” - Mark 4:38-41

**ST. PETER’S EPISCOPAL
CHURCH**

**The Fifth Sunday After Pentecost
Holy Eucharist, Rite II**

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 respect and honor with gratitude the land itself, the legacy of the ancestors, and the life of the Rappahannock Tribe

Bell Ringing

Prelude	Lead me, Lord	Choir
Opening Hymn	Shall we gather at the river	LEVAS 141

The Liturgy of the Word

Opening Acclamation

Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.
Glory to God for ever and ever.

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.**

Song of Praise	Eternal Father, strong to save	H 608
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The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Let us pray.

Creator God, Maker and Keeper of our lives, you know the hardness and gentleness of human hearts. You call your people to faithful living. Through the storms of life that bring suffering and fear, joy and laughter, teach us to turn to you for all we need, so that we may come to know your presence even in the midst of the trials that surround us.
Amen.

A Reading from The Book of Job, Chapter 38, verses 1-11.

The LORD answered Job out of the whirlwind:

"Who is this that darkens counsel by words without knowledge?

Gird up your loins like a man,
I will question you, and you shall declare to me.

"Where were you when I laid the foundation of the earth?
Tell me, if you have understanding.

Who determined its measurements—surely you know!
Or who stretched the line upon it?

On what were its bases sunk,
or who laid its cornerstone
when the morning stars sang together
and all the heavenly beings shouted for joy?

"Or who shut in the sea with doors
when it burst out from the womb?—
when I made the clouds its garment,
and thick darkness its swaddling band,
and prescribed bounds for it,
and set bars and doors,
and said, 'Thus far shall you come, and no farther,
and here shall your proud waves be stopped'?"

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 107:1-3, 23-32 *Confitemini Domino*

1 Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good, *
and his mercy endures for ever.

**2 Let all those whom the LORD has redeemed proclaim *
that he redeemed them from the hand of the foe.**

3 He gathered them out of the lands; *
from the east and from the west,
from the north and from the south.

**23 Some went down to the sea in ships *
and plied their trade in deep waters;**

24 They beheld the works of the LORD *
and his wonders in the deep.

**25 Then he spoke, and a stormy wind arose, *
which tossed high the waves of the sea.**

26 They mounted up to the heavens and fell back to the depths;
their hearts melted because of their peril.

**27 They reeled and staggered like drunkards *
and were at their wits' end.**

28 Then they cried to the LORD in their trouble, *
and he delivered them from their distress.

**29 He stilled the storm to a whisper *
and quieted the waves of the sea.**

30 Then were they glad because of the calm, *
and he brought them to the harbor they were bound for.

**31 Let them give thanks to the LORD for his mercy *
and the wonders he does for his children.**

32 Let them exalt him in the congregation of the people *
and praise him in the council of the elders.

**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.**

**A Reading from Paul's Second Letter to the Corinthians, Chapter
6, verses 1-13.**

As we work together with Christ, we urge you also not to accept
the grace of God in vain. For he says,

“At an acceptable time I have listened to you,
and on a day of salvation I have helped you.”

See, now is the acceptable time; see, now is the day of salvation!
We are putting no obstacle in anyone's way, so that no fault may
be found with our ministry, but as servants of God we have

commended ourselves in every way: through great endurance, in afflictions, hardships, calamities, beatings, imprisonments, riots, labors, sleepless nights, hunger; by purity, knowledge, patience, kindness, holiness of spirit, genuine love, truthful speech, and the power of God; with the weapons of righteousness for the right hand and for the left; in honor and dishonor, in ill repute and good repute. We are treated as impostors, and yet are true; as unknown, and yet are well known; as dying, and see-- we are alive; as punished, and yet not killed; as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, and yet possessing everything.

We have spoken frankly to you Corinthians; our heart is wide open to you. There is no restriction in our affections, but only in yours. In return-- I speak as to children-- open wide your hearts also.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Sequence Hymn

Jesus Savior, pilot me

LEVAS 80

The Holy Gospel our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Mark.

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

When evening had come, Jesus said to his disciples, "Let us go across to the other side." And leaving the crowd behind, they took him with them in the boat, just as he was. Other boats were with him. A great windstorm arose, and the waves beat into the boat, so that the boat was already being swamped. But he was in the stern, asleep on the cushion; and they woke him up and said to him, "Teacher, do you not care that we are perishing?" He woke up and rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, "Peace! Be still!" Then the wind ceased, and there was a dead calm. He said to them, "Why are you afraid? Have you still no faith?" And they were filled with great awe and said to one another, "Who then is this, that even the wind and the sea obey him?"

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sermon

The Rev. Catherine Hicks

The Nicene Creed

BCP 358

The Prayers of the People

God of power and of mercy, you hear the cries of those in need. Receive our prayers, that all who are troubled may know peace, comfort and courage.

God of the sea and sky, your world brims with glory. You have set us in the midst of a garden and trusted its tending to us. We pray for our good Earth and the wisdom to care for it well, that generations to come may enjoy its fruits and revel in its beauty. **Saving God, hear our prayer.**

God of the earthquake, storm, heat and flood, your world is full of danger. Keep watch over us and save us from despair; strengthen us and uphold us when danger comes. **Saving God, hear our prayer.**

God of power and might, may the leaders of this world seek your wisdom rather than following the devices and desires of their selfish wills. We pray today for Sudan, the Middle East, Ukraine, Haiti and all other places in this world torn apart by greed and hatred, especially for all the children who are suffering. We pray for forgiveness for our nation's complicity in the violence that plagues your Earth. Guide all nations in the way of peace and uphold the oppressed, even as we work and wait for your realm of peace to become a reality on earth as it is in heaven. **Saving God, hear our prayer.**

God of healing and comfort, pain and loss are all around. Soothe the frantic, embolden the fearful, and ease the suffering of the sick. We pray for those on our prayer list, and especially for Barbara Wisdom, Tom Kramer, and Toni Faibisy. Give peace to all who grieve and hope to those facing death. **Saving God, hear our prayer.**

All knowing, all loving God, we cannot always voice our hidden cares. (*SILENCE*) Hear our silent prayers, even those without words. **Saving God, hear our prayer.**

For the miracles of creation, the miracles of birth, love shared, a chance to begin again, reconciliation, and the miracle of faith, we give you our thanks and praise. We stand in awe of your love for us, and in humility as you go with us, God of power and might, in the name of Christ our Savior. **Amen.**

Confession of Sin

BCP 360

Absolution

BCP 360

The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

Announcements

Birthday and Anniversary Blessings

BCP 830 #51/431

Offertory

Jesus, lover of my soul

Choir

Eucharistic Prayer

We Give Thanks

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 God thanks and praise.

It is always right to give you thanks, God our Creator, loving and faithful, holy and strong.

You brought forth all of creation and filled it with life, from the shining stars at the farthest reaches of the universe, to the abundance of the earth itself; its dark rich sustaining and life giving soil replenished by rain, and the springs and creeks, streams and rivers that water the earth.

You made us in your image from the dust of the earth to dwell within your miraculous creation, but we wandered far away from your endless gifts of abundance into the dry and barren waste lands of our own making.

So you sent your Son to live among us, Jesus our Savior, Mary's child, born in a stable, who revealed your goodness and lovingkindness to all who would listen.

Breathing in and living out your love, Jesus spread the good news of your kingdom throughout the land of Galilee with stories about seeds, soil, birds, trees, sheep and lilies of the field. He broke bread with outcasts and sinners, healed the sick, cast out demons, and offered living water for all to drink. He prayed alone in the wilderness and

walked alongside the sea as he revealed the everlasting richness and abundance of your kingdom come to earth.

He suffered and died on a cross fashioned from a tree and was buried in a garden tomb. On the third day, you raised him in glory from death into resurrected life.

And even now, you continue to send your Spirit to bring new life and breath to the world, to clothe us with power from on high, to restore us and all of creation to you.

And so we join the angels and all the company of heaven as we celebrate and sing:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might.

Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest, Hosanna in the highest.

Father, on the night before he prayed in the Garden of Gethsemane and then died to open the way for all of creation to return to you, Jesus shared a meal with his friends.

He took the bread, and thanked you.

He broke it, and gave it to them, saying:

Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.

Do this, and find me present in your midst.

After the meal, Jesus took the cup of wine.

Again, he thanked you, and gave it to them, saying:

Drink this, all of you.

This is my blood,

The new promise of God's unfailing and eternal love.

Do this, and find me present in your midst.

Jesus Christ has died.

Jesus Christ has died.

Jesus Christ is risen.

Jesus Christ is risen.

Jesus Christ will come again.

Jesus Christ will come again.

Father, as we offer You this bread and wine, and remember his death and resurrection, send your Holy Spirit, that we who share these gifts may be fed by Christ's body and his blood.

Pour your Holy Spirit on us that we may love one another, work for the healing of the earth, share the good news of Jesus, and live in hope as we wait for his coming in glory.

For honor and praise belong to you, Father, with Jesus your Son, and the Holy Spirit: one God, forever and ever.

Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

The Breaking of the Bread

We break this bread to share in the Body of Christ.

**We who are many are one body,
For we all share in the one bread.**

The Gifts of God for the People of God Distribution of the Sacraments

**Communion Hymn Many and great
Post-Communion Prayer**

**H 385
BCP 365**

The Blessing

Deep peace of the running wave to you.

Deep peace of the flowing air to you.

Deep peace of the quiet earth to you.

Deep peace of the shining stars to you.

Deep peace of the infinite peace to you.

And the blessing of God the Creator, God the Redeemer, and God the Sustainer be with you now and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Amen.

Closing Hymn

Lead us, heavenly Father lead us

H 559

Dismissal

Postlude

Resources:

Opening Collect: Revised Common Lectionary Prayers

Prayers of the People: Revised Common Lectionary Prayers and Feasting on the Word: Liturgies for Year B, Vol 2, Kimberly Bracken Long, ed.

Note from Catherine: **Today's Eucharistic Prayer is loosely modeled on an African Eucharistic Prayer.** I wrote this Eucharistic Prayer with emphasis on creation for this congregation, and Bishop Shannon Johnston approved it for our use.

Background notes for the Sequence hymn, *Jesus Savior, Pilot Me* <https://www.umcdiscipleship.org/resources/history-of-hymns-jesus-savior-pilot-me> by C. Michael Hawn is University Distinguished Professor of Church Music, Perkins School of Theology, SMU.

“The sea is a favorite image of eighteenth- and nineteenth-century hymn writers on both sides of the Atlantic Ocean. Traveling by ship, although an adventure, was also potentially a long and arduous journey fraught with danger, especially storms and unseen rocks.

“Jesus, Savior, pilot me” falls in a long and rich tradition of hymns that draw upon the imagery of the sea to establish the relationship between the believer and Christ. Edward Hopper (1816-1888) was inspired by the accounts of Jesus who stilled the storm found in all of the synoptic gospels (Matthew 8:23-27; Mark 4:35-41; Luke 8:22-25). Written at the request of George S. Webster, secretary of the Seaman's Friend Society, the hymn was first published in the Society's magazine, *The Sailor's Magazine and Seaman's Friend* in the March 3, 1871, issue. The designation was, “By Rev. Edward Hopper, D.D., Pastor of the Church of the Sea and Land.

“Hopper, a graduate of New York University (1839) and Union Theological Seminary (1842), was well acquainted with the sea, pastoring the Sag Harbor Presbyterian Church on Long Island for eleven years, and then spending the majority of his ministry at the Church of the Sea and Land in New York City. It was in this latter congregation that he became well known for his ministry to sailors.

“John Edgar Gould (1822-1875), a Bangor, Maine, native who was a composer, publisher, and merchant in New York City, composed the tune. He gave it the name PILOT when it appeared in *The Baptist Praise Book* (1871). A compiler of gospel song collections in Philadelphia after 1866, he was well acquainted with sea travel himself, dying in Algiers, in northern Africa in 1875.”

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 communion bread is gluten free. All are welcome at the Lord's table.

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

Online Worship, On YouTube at 11am or afterward.

<https://www.youtube.com/@st.petersepiscopalchurchpo677/streams>

Church calendar- June 24, John the Baptist, June 29, St. Peter and St. Paul. See website <https://news.churchsp.org/weekful-of-saints/>

Chancellor's Village Eucharist, Tues, June 25, 1pm.

Bible Study, Wed. June 26, 10am-12pm. Parish House, reading the lectionary for the Sixth Sunday after Pentecost.

https://lectionarypage.net/YearB_RCL/Pentecost/BProp8_RCL.html

This year Shred-it received donations of \$1,316 for shredding people's important papers. With costs of \$335, we cleared \$981, the best in the dozen years. Thanks to all who participated and Andrea's leadership!

The 81st General Convention will take place June 23-28, 2024 in Louisville, Kentucky . [Link](#) The General Convention is the governing and legislative body of The Episcopal Church. This bicameral legislature includes the House of Deputies and the House of Bishops, composed of deputies and bishops from each diocese and meets every three years. This General Convention marks the election of Presiding Bishop Michael Curry's successor, the 28th presiding bishop.

You can follow the Convention at the Episcopal News Service

<https://episcopalnewsservice.org/>. Also there is the Virtual Binder

<https://www.vbinder.net/> to track the progress of convention's resolutions. Here's the media hub for coverage of each house, photos, and press conferences . <https://media.episcopalchurch.org/video/>

Next Sunday, June 30, is Catherine's last Sunday at St. Peter's. A celebration will follow the service.

A web review of her years in pictures and words. "Stories to Remember"- <https://news.churchsp.org/stories-to-remember-2010-2024/> . There is also a separate gallery for favorite pictures over the years <https://news.churchsp.org/some-favorites/>

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Prayer List

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Rose, Debbie, Nichole, Tony, Kathy (friends of Marcia Kole), Rallin Fed Samuels (Andrea's uncle), Terry Allen, Bobby Norman, Joy Newlin, Harald Jenewein, Lola Delbridge, Lois Christie, Ralph and Diane Powell, Enid and Albert Barnett (Pogue relatives), Kristina Childs, Cy and The Rev Deacon Linda Murphy (Saylor friends), Beryl Harrison, Jesse Clarke's family, Daryl Potter (Hughes friend), Joanne and Herbert Wilkerson, Jimmy and Nancy Davis, Julie Davis, (family of Johnny Davis), Dale Brittle, Joyce Smith (Laura Carey's sister-in-law), John Ryan Kirwin (Jean Devitt's son), Max and Rita Jensen (Duke friends), Roberta Rutledge, (Pogue friend), Patterson family, Valerie Leitch, Liz Ruthven, Charlene Schnakenberg, Nathaniel Schnakenberg, (Fisher family), Wayne Cohen (Pogue family), Mrs. Watson, Hyacinth and Morris Wallace, Orville Watson, Tiffany Feliciano and family, The Glasgow Family (Feliciano family and friends), Sylvia and Jonathan Coleman (Cleo Coleman's daughter and son), Ann Pyle (Carolyn Duke's mother), Rosie Dowdy, Bill Lauck, Anthony Bowman, Dylan Puryear (BJ Anderson's grandson), Gloria Jewell, The Hill family (Lydia O'Neil's family), G. Lee Baldwin, Linda Oliver, Pat, Joan Pemberton (Brad's family), Louise Chapman (Barbara Segar's cousin)

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