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*THE LAST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST: CHRIST THE KING  
NOVEMBER 26, 2023*



*Almighty and everlasting God, whose will it is to restore all things  
in thy well beloved Son, the King of kings and Lord of lords:  
Mercifully grant that the peoples of the earth, divided and enslaved by sin,  
may be freed and brought together under his most gracious rule;  
who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God,  
now and for ever. Amen.*

(BCP p. 185)

Thou art Peter and upon this rock I

and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it

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**8:30 A.M. ~ HOLY COMMUNION AND SERMON**

**10:30 A.M. ~ MORNING PRAYER AND SERMON**

**~ Sunday School and Child Care ~**

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<b>PRELUDE</b>	<b>ANDANTE RELIGIOSO AND ALLEGRETTO, FROM SONATA 4</b>	<b>FELIX MENDELSSOHN</b>
<b>+ PROCESSIONAL HYMN</b>	<b>410 PRAISE, MY SOUL, THE KING OF HEAVEN</b>	<b>LAUDA ANIMA</b>
	<b>MORNING PRAYER ~ RITE ONE</b>	
<b>CONFESSION OF SIN</b>		<b>PRAYER BOOK, PAGE 41</b>
<b>+ VENITE</b>	<b>CHANT S-7</b>	<b>PRAYER BOOK, PAGE 44</b>
<b>+ PSALM</b>		<b>PSALM 95:1-7</b>
<b>THE FIRST LESSON</b>		<b>EZEKIEL 34:11-17</b>
	<b>~ CHILDREN LEAVE TO GO TO SUNDAY SCHOOL ~</b>	
<b>+ BENEDICTUS ES, DOMINE</b>	<b>CHANT S-184</b>	<b>PRAYER BOOK, PAGE 49</b>
<b>THE SECOND LESSON</b>		<b>MATTHEW 25:31-46</b>
<b>+ JUBILATE DEO</b>	<b>JOHN FARRANT</b>	<b>PRAYER BOOK, PAGE 45</b>
<b>+ THE APOSTLES' CREED</b>		<b>PRAYER BOOK, PAGE 53</b>
<b>THE PRAYERS</b>		<b>PRAYER BOOK, PAGE 54</b>
<b>COLLECT OF THE DAY</b>		<b>SEE INSERT</b>
<b>COLLECTS</b>		<b>PRAYER BOOK, PAGE 56</b>
<b>+ SERMON HYMN</b>	<b>450 ALL HAIL THE POWER OF JESUS' NAME</b>	<b>CORONATION</b>
	<b>SERMON ~ THE REV. CHRISTINA HUNTER, PRIEST-IN-CHARGE</b>	
<b>OFFERTORY ANTHEM</b>	<b>JUDGE ETERNAL</b>	<b>GENRE HANCOCK</b>
<b>+ DOXOLOGY AND VERSE 4 OF "AMERICA"</b>	<b>HYMN 380 VERSE 3 ~ AND ~ HYMN 717 VERSE 4</b>	
<b>THE GENERAL THANKSGIVING</b>		<b>PRAYER BOOK, PAGE 58</b>
<b>CLOSING PRAYERS AND GRACE</b>		<b>PRAYER BOOK, PAGE 59</b>
<b>+ RECESSIONAL HYMN</b>	<b>494 CROWN HIM WITH MANY CROWNS</b>	<b>DIADEMATA</b>
<b>POSTLUDE</b>	<b>VARIATIONS ON VENI CREATOR SPIRITUS</b>	<b>MAURICE DURUFLÉ</b>

**(+ All Standing)**

**Food items on the altars have been donated by the congregation to assist the  
Regional Food Bank and local people in need.**

**The altar decorations are given in loving memory of Jan D'Agostino  
by the St. Peter's Flower Guild**

**THE FLOWERS ON THE TOWER ALTAR** are given to the **Glory of God**  
and in loving remembrance of my husband Frank on our wedding anniversary  
given by Deborah Spath

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*THE USHERS* at the 10:30AM Service are Mark Lundberg and Michele Lundberg

*THE LAY EUCHARISTIC MINISTER* at the 10:30AM Service is Susan Smith

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~ **Parish Notes** ~

**Coffee Hour:** Please join us for coffee hour after the 10:30AM Service. All are welcome.

**Learn to Pray:** The St. Peter's Prayer School class will meet today following the 10:30 AM service. This adult education course, meeting monthly on the second Wednesday of the month at 12:30PM (December 13th) in the Pumpelly Room, offers practical instruction on trying a different form of prayer each month. You can join any class that interests you. Today's class is "Intercession and Imagination".

**Christmas Giving Tree:** This year, St. Peter's Church will be providing Christmas gifts for the children at the South End Children's Café. A Christmas Giving Tree is located in the Pumpelly Room and is decorated with paper ornaments. The ornaments indicate the age and gift you are to buy. The gift should be returned to St. Peter's, wrapped (with gift tag attached), no later than Sunday, December 17th. As always, we thank you for your continued support and your generosity! Questions? Please call Laura Saffares at (518)368-4284.

**Blessing Bags:** To assist and offer comfort to individuals who stay in our local homeless shelters, the Daughters of the King will be shopping for the Blessing Bag items and then assembling the Blessing Bags next Sunday, December 3rd. If you would like to make a monetary donation towards the purchase of the Blessing Bag items, please make your check payable to St. Peter's Church and write "Blessing Bags" on the memo line. All are invited to join the DOK in assembling the Blessing Bags following the 10:30AM service next Sunday, December 3rd.

**Advent:** Advent begins next Sunday, December 3rd. Advent calendars will be distributed and Advent wreaths and candles will be available to the congregation.

**Christmas Pageant Rehearsal:** Next Sunday, December 3rd, all children that want to participate in our Annual Christmas Pageant should report to the Sunday School rooms to get your parts, try on costumes and do a little rehearsing. The pageant will be performed during the 10:30AM service on Sunday, December 10th.

**HANDEL'S MESSIAH:** Next Sunday, December 3rd at 3PM the St. Peter's Choir will present a performance of Handel's *Messiah*, accompanied by a chamber orchestra. All are welcome to this performance. Mark your calendars for this seasonal favorite.

**ADVENT IV SUNDAY:** On Sunday morning, December 24th, please note that there will only be one morning service offered to celebrate Advent IV. This service will be a regular Sunday morning 8:30AM Holy Communion "said" service. The 10:30AM service will not be held. Christmas Eve services will be held later that day at 4:30PM and 10PM.

**Christmas Poinsettia/Hanging of the Greens Donation Form:** The deadline to submit your requests is Sunday, **December 17th** (See Insert). The form can also be downloaded from the church website. On the home page of the website click on the "Info Center" tab and when it opens up click on "Special Event Forms" and then "2023 Christmas Poinsettia and Memorial Form".

**HANGING OF THE GREENS:** The annual Hanging of the Greens in which we decorate the church for Christmas with pine and balsam will take place immediately following the 10:30AM service on Sunday, December 17th. The traditional ham luncheon will be served at 1PM. We ask you to please dress comfortably and bring a side dish or a dessert to share. We are looking for servers, set-up and clean-up help. We hope that you will join us for this long-time festive tradition.

**Please remember in your prayers:** Mari Bennett, Fred Buse, Inga Carpenter, Gina Chenot, Ann Collins, Bill Collins, Morris Daly, Anne deVos, Moriah, Marie Dolan, Hunter Dolbert, Donald Fahd, Donna Hershey, Fred Hershey, Doreen Johnson, Mark Lundberg, Diana Martin, Kevin Mastro, Ed Murphy, Sonya, Lindsay Norville, Grant Ohlman, Donna Ohlman, Deej Patterson, Vicky Pautler, Bill Purdy, Liam, Cyndy Shaffer, The Rev. Dr. Brad Smith, Eileen Smith, Sherrell Smith, Susan Smith, Carol Stafford, Earl Stafford, Dean Tessitore, Carol Tripp, Christina Wright.

**Birthdays:** 11/27 ~ Malcolm Moran; 11/28 ~ Fred Lincoln; 11/29 ~ Dannika Sharp; 11/30 ~ Connor Scala; 12/2 ~ Mari Bennett

**Anniversaries:** 11/27 ~ Bill & Ann Collins

**OFFICE HOURS**

MON. - FRI. 9:00 AM ~ 4:00 PM  
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[www.StPetersChurchAlbany.org](http://www.StPetersChurchAlbany.org)

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 EPISCOPAL DIOCESE OF ALBANY**

The Rt. Rev. Michael G. Smith

**CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

**Sunday, November 26th**

8:30AM Holy Communion and Sermon  
 10:30AM Morning Prayer and Sermon, Sunday School and Child Care  
 11:30AM Learn to Pray - Intercession and Imagination

**Wednesday, November 29th**

12:05PM Noonday Prayer  
 12:30PM Lectionary Lunch in the Pumpelly Room

**Thursday, November 30th**

5:30PM - 7:00PM Full Choir Rehearsal

**CHRISTMAS DAY AT THE DAMIEN CENTER:** This Christmas the Outreach Committee will once again be assisting the Damien Center in hosting a midday meal for the members who don't have anywhere else to go (and who have found a home with the Center). Laura Saffares and I will be there and I will be coordinating the meal. We would truly appreciate any assistance with preparing food ahead of time, serving on the day of, or both. The main course will be turkey, so side dishes for turkey would be greatly appreciated. We will have more specific suggestions next week, while you're still thinking about turkey. This year disposable aluminum pans will be available in the back of the church starting next week, to assist in your presentation and delivery. I don't bake so desserts would be especially welcome. Please let me know if you are interested. Sharon DeBonis [scdebonis@verizon.net](mailto:scdebonis@verizon.net), (518)669-5054 (cell and text).

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS NOW FOR THESE UPCOMING EVENTS**

- **Advent Calendars, Wreaths & Candles:** Available on December 3rd
- **Handel's Messiah:** Sunday, December 3rd at 3PM
- **Angels in Training:** Saturday, December 9th & 16th ~ 11AM to 1PM at St. Francis Mission
- **Christmas Pageant:** Sunday, December 10th during the 10:30AM service
- **Vestry Meeting:** Tuesday, December 12th at 5:15PM
- **Lessons and Carols:** Sunday, December 17th during the 10:30AM service
- **Hanging of the Greens:** Sunday, December 17th following the 10:30AM service with ham luncheon served at 1PM.
- **Advent IV Service:** Sunday, December 24th at 8:30AM
- **Christmas Eve Service with Crèche:** Sunday, December 24th at 4:30PM  
 All children participating in the Crèche procession should arrive by 4PM
- **Christmas Eve Choral Holy Communion Service:** Sunday, December 24th at 10PM  
 Prior to this service the choir sings carols beginning at 9:30PM
- **Christmas Day:** Monday, December 25th ~ 9AM Holy Communion

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 This will bring you to our website and you will  
 then need to click on "Donate".

Any amount is appreciated. May God bless you for your generosity!

