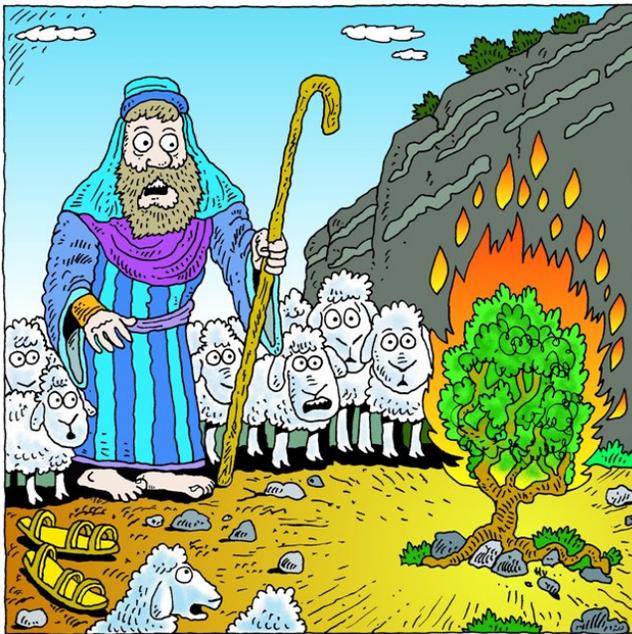


11th Sunday After Pentecost

August 28, 2011



8:00 a.m. Holy Communion (*Book of Common Prayer*)

Celebrant and Preacher: The Reverend Christine Conkin
 Lay Reader: Wendy Both
 Lector: John Ink

10:00 a.m. Holy Communion (*Book of Alternative Services*)

Celebrant and Preacher: The Reverend Christine Conkin
 Lay Readers: David Gravells and Connie Kadey
 Deacon: The Reverend Julienne Hendrickson
Nursery is open at this service

THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

Processional Hymn: #1 Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty

Celebrant The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, *be with you all.*

All **And also with you.**

Celebrant Author and Giver all good things,

All **graft in our hearts the love of your name,
 increase in us true religion,
 nourish us in all goodness,
 and of your great mercy keep us in the same;
 through Jesus Christ our Lord,
 who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
 one God, now and for ever. Amen.**

Children's Talk – The Reverend Christine Conkin

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

Old Testament: Exodus 3:1–15

Moses was keeping the flock of his father-in-law Jethro, the priest of Midian; he led his flock beyond the wilderness, and came to Horeb, the mountain of God. There the angel of the Lord appeared to him in a flame of fire out of a bush; he looked, and the bush was blazing, yet it was not consumed. Then Moses said, "I must turn aside and look at this great sight, and see why the bush is not burned up." When the Lord saw that he had turned aside to see, God called to him out of the bush, "Moses, Moses!" And he said, "Here I am." Then he said, "Come no closer! Remove the sandals from your feet, for the place on which you are standing is holy ground." He said further, "I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob." And Moses hid his face, for he was afraid to look at God. Then the Lord said, "I have observed the misery of my people who are in Egypt; I have heard their cry on account of their taskmasters.

Indeed, I know their sufferings, and I have come down to deliver them from the Egyptians, and to bring them up out of that land to a good and broad land, a land flowing with milk and honey, to the country of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites. The cry of the Israelites has now come to me; I have also seen how the Egyptians oppress them. So come, I will send you to Pharaoh to bring my people, the Israelites, out of Egypt.” But Moses said to God, “Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh, and bring the Israelites out of Egypt?” He said, “I will be with you; and this shall be the sign for you that it is I who sent you: when you have brought the people out of Egypt, you shall worship God on this mountain.” But Moses said to God, “If I come to the Israelites and say to them, ‘The God of your ancestors has sent me to you,’ and they ask me, ‘What is his name?’ what shall I say to them?” God said to Moses, “I AM WHO I AM.” He said further, “Thus you shall say to the Israelites, ‘I AM has sent me to you.’” God also said to Moses, “Thus you shall say to the Israelites, ‘The Lord, the God of your ancestors, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you’: This is my name forever, and this my title for all generations.”

Reader: **Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.**

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 105:1–15

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New Testament: Romans 12:9–21

Let love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good; love one another with mutual affection; outdo one another in showing honour. Do not lag in zeal, be ardent in spirit, serve the Lord. Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in prayer. Contribute to the needs of the saints; extend hospitality to strangers. Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep. Live in harmony with one another; do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly; do not claim to be wiser than you are. Do not repay anyone evil for evil, but take thought for what is noble in the sight of all. If it is possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all. Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave room for the wrath of God; for it is written, “Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord.” No, “if your enemies are hungry, feed them; if they are thirsty, give them something to drink;

for by doing this you will heap burning coals on their heads.” Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

Reader: **Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.**

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Gradual Hymn: #434 The Love of Jesus Calls Us

Gospel: Matthew 16:21–28

Reader: **The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew**

People: **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ!**

From that time on, Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and undergo great suffering at the hands of the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him, saying, “God forbid it, Lord! This must never happen to you.” But he turned and said to Peter, “Get behind me, Satan! You are a stumbling block to me; for you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things.” Then Jesus told his disciples, “If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it. For what will it profit them if they gain the whole world but forfeit their life? Or what will they give in return for their life? For the Son of Man is to come with his angels in the glory of his Father, and then he will repay everyone for what has been done. Truly I tell you, there are some standing here who will not taste death before they see the Son of Man coming in his kingdom.”

Reader: **The Gospel of Christ**

Response: **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!**

Homily – The Reverend Christine Conkin

Confession of Faith – page 53

The Prayers of the People

Confession and Absolution – page 191

Peace

Offertory Hymn: #73 One Bread, One Body, One Lord of All

THE SACRED MEAL IS SHARED

Prayer Over the Gifts (*together*)

Merciful God, **receive all we offer you this day. Give us grace to love one another that your love may be made perfect in us. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Eucharistic Prayer #5 – page 204

The Lord's Prayer

Breaking of the Bread - page 212

We break this bread
to share in the body of Christ
**We, being many, are one body,
for we all share in the one bread.**

The Communion

All are welcome to join in the sacred feast of Holy Communion. If you would prefer to come forward for a blessing, please do so. All are invited to draw near the table of the Lord.

Prayer after Communion *(together)*

Almighty God, **you renew us at your table with the bread of life. May your holy food strengthen us in love and help us to serve you in each other. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

The Blessing

Announcements

Recessional Hymn: #379 Rejoice, the Lord is King

Dismissal Let us go forth into the world,
rejoicing in the power of the Spirit. Alleluia
Thanks be to God. Alleluia

Marg McKay is warden on duty today.

Prayers

- In our worldwide Anglican Cycle of Prayer we pray for the church of Santiago, Philippines and their clergy The Rt. Rev. Alexander Wandag and for all those involved in Theological Education.
- In our Diocesan Prayer Cycle we pray for St. George's in the Pines, Banff and their clergy, The Rev. George Belcher and The Ven David Ellis.
- In our Companion Diocese in the Windward Islands we pray for Holy Trinity, Castries with St. Mary La Caye and their clergy, The Ven. Randolph Evelyn.

- In our own parish let us ask for God's healing love to uphold and sustain all who are in any kind of need, especially: Pam Hodgson, Al Both, David Whitton, Trish Bentz, Fred Harshman. Pat McNamara, The Reverend Maurice Buck, Edith Cowan, Virginia Goodman, Marguerite Dimmer, Peggy Peckover, Paulette Sinkinson, Peggy Brookes, Bunny Hale, Elma, Mariam Jacobs, Emily Sharpe, Eileen Williams, Eapen Mathew, Garnet Wallace, Andrew Howe, Elric Hicks. Let us also pray for Yphande Jean, our Church-school sponsored child in Haiti.

Flowers are given this morning to the glory of God by:

- Peter and Pamela May in memory of loved ones and in thanksgiving.

SPIRIT ZONE (Children's Programs)

- **Nursery** –The nursery located on the lower level is available during the 10 am service.
- Please note that Sunday School will resume September 11th, 2011.
- **"Communion Studies"** is an opportunity for young people and their parents to explore the sacrament of Holy Communion together. While our church recognizes baptism as full membership into the Body of Christ, meaning that no further education is required to be welcome at the Lord's Table, we also recognize the value of on-going reflection. This is particularly important for the development of faith as children grow and change. As such, in early November we are inviting children, parents (and anyone else who's interested) to an exploration of Holy Communion in Spirit Zone. Families are encouraged to read together some preparation material that will be provided prior to November. Please contact Christine (christine@stpeterscalgary.ca) for this booklet and for more information.

Upcoming Events:

- **TODAY** following the 10:00 AM service bring your coffee back to the sanctuary and join in an informal discussion about this week's lessons and homily. It's a great opportunity to ask questions as we contemplate how to take forward our service to God, into the coming weeks.
- **Youth** is moving to Wednesday nights beginning on Wed Sept. 28! We also gather together on Sunday mornings beginning Sept 11. Watch the bulletin for other fun events in early September and please don't hesitate to contact Aaron for further information: aaronhavens@hotmail.com or 403-860-8237.
- **Theology and a Pint** - returns Monday, September 12, 7:00pm, Limerick's Pub on McLeod Trail. Bring your most burning questions and theological opinions! For more information, please contact Christine.
- **ACW** – Memory Lane Vintage Fashion Show will be held on September 19th at 7:30 pm in the Lower Hall. Everyone Welcome.
- **ACW Silver Cross Service** and luncheon, September 17th, 11 am with lunch to follow at Cathedral Church of the Redeemer. Members will be given a reminder call.
- **St. Peter's Reads - "Faith Interrupted"** by Eric Lax has been suggested as our next book to read. It is a true, sensitively written account of an American man, the son of an Episcopal priest, who questions his faith as he reaches his mid-thirties. Lax

humbly examines his religious conviction as related to life events and as related to the viewpoints of significant people in his life. There are a few copies available at the Calgary Public Library, a few copies at Chapters locations throughout the city, and a few floating around the parish. This book is available online or as an ebook. Let's meet in the courtyard again, while the weather is still nice (just maybe no snow) on Monday, Sept. 19 at 1:00 PM. Everyone is always welcome! Call Barb Crawford at 403-281-2578

- **St. Lucia Calgary Cultural Association** invites you to Cultural & Creole Day – Sept. 10th, 1-7 pm, free admission, St. Peter's Anglican Church. Call Agatha 403-796-9617.
- **Starting August 22**, the office will once again be open from 8:30 am until 3:15 pm., Tuesday to Friday. All bulletin announcements should be sent to the office by Thursday morning. avril@stpeterscalgary.ca
- **Fall Fair Meeting** will be held on Sunday, September 11th following the 10 am service for all involved and for those that are interested. Questions to Peter Leigh (chair) at 403-301-7048 or 403-281-1376, Arnold Williams (co-chair 403-251-4610). The Fall Fair will take place October 29th, 2011.
- **Pastoral Care Committee Lunch**, August 30th – 12 noon. New members are welcome. Please RSVP to Ann Bright 403-244-4075.
- **New this fall!** Join Betty Nadurak for a ten week Bible study of the Book of Esther, running Oct. 4 to Dec. 6. This in-depth study will take place Tuesdays mornings, 9:30 - 11:00AM. assuming we have a sufficient number of people. The cost for participants will be \$16-18 per person and the deadline for registration is Sept. 6. Register now by contacting Betty at 403-686-1110.
- **Christian Meditation** will resume Mon., Oct. 17 at 7 pm and Wed., Sept. 14 at 3 pm.
- **First Friday Club Fun** - Any adult(s) may come at any time, but it is helpful to get your name on a phone list so you can be informed of any changes or special plans, as some evenings have to be pre-booked, or pre-registered, usually a week in advance. Drop-ins are welcome with one week RSVP.
Four activities are planned this fall:
 - Friday, Sept. 16th, "Wine and Cheese" to kick off the new year, at 7PM in the Cormack Hall, hosted by Mike and Ann Bright, RSVP 249-4075 by Sept. 9th.
 - Friday, Oct. 14th, TBA, possibly Floor Shuffleboard at 7PM in Cormack Hall. Host(s) needed. RSVP Shaw's below.
 - Friday, Nov. 25th, attend St. Peter's Player's evening of three One Act plays at 7:30 pm. Sheila and Peter Leigh host. Book tickets after 10am Sunday services in November. Phone 403-281-1376.
 - Sunday, Dec. 4th, Christmas Carols at Mike and Mary Anne Armstrong's at 7pm. RSVP 271-2285.
 - For further information phone Keith & Marilyn Shaw 252-9238.

The Reverend Helen Belcher will be on vacation beginning August 12th.

Please pick up your September Newsletter in your mailbox today.

Annual Golf Tournament will be held on September 10th at Turner Valley. The cost for golf, including cart, green fees, dinner and prizes is \$120 per player. The cost for the Roast Beef Dinner only including GST and gratuity is \$35.00 per person. The tee times start at 1:30 PM. Anyone who wants to donate prizes would be welcome to do so. Please contact Garth Dymond at 403-278-0317.

Found – An ipod has been found in the lower hall under some furniture. If you have lost yours, please call the office at 403-252-0393 to identify.

Fragrance Free – Owing to the increase in fragrance allergies, please refrain from wearing fragrance to the Church (men and women). Thank you.

Multi-Faith Alliance-There will be a Multi-Faith Alliance Picnic on Sunday, September 4 from 12:30-2:30 at Edworthy Park Picnic Site #2. This will be a fun event and an opportunity for people from different faith communities in Calgary to meet one another. We are looking to the faith communities to organise groups of people to come to this event. Please think about how you can get a group of people together to come along. The site has a shelter etc. so this will be a rain or shine event. Please bring along a picnic and plan on meeting others from the Calgary faith community and learning about our efforts to create a Multi-Faith Alliance here in Calgary. Secondly, we are very pleased to be able to offer two free community organising training sessions. These sessions are intended to develop the leadership skills necessary for bringing about social change through community organizing. They will be led by Joe Chrastil, a community organizer currently based in Seattle with over 25 years experience. The same training will be offered twice. Friday, September 23 from 9:00 am - 4:00 pm or Friday, September 23 from 7:00 pm-9:00 pm and Saturday, September 23rd from 9:00 am -3:00 pm.

Both trainings will take place at St. Laurence (5940 Lakeview Dr. SW). There is no cost for these trainings but we'll be asking for a \$10 contribution to cover the cost of the food. Registration deadline September 7th. Descriptions of both the trainings and the Alliance are below. For more information or to register please phone or email Anna Greenwood-Lee at 403-249-6184 x. 2 or rector@stlaurence.ca. Yours faithfully, Anna Greenwood-Lee, Ryan Andersen, Howard Voss-Altman, Dave Holmes, Clint Mooney, Debra Faulk, Murdo Marple and Jake Kroeker.

Horn of Africa Drought Relief

The Canadian government has created the East Africa Drought Relief Fund to match donations made by Canadians to eligible charities retroactively from July 6 to Sept. 16 this summer. They are matching all donations for the Horn of Africa drought dollar for dollar.

PWRDF is responding to the famine through the ACT Alliance and the Canadian Foodgrains Bank. ACT is a global coalition of 111 churches and agencies engaged in development, humanitarian assistance, and advocacy. The current needs as discussed with ACT members are as follows:

Kenya: Food distribution; supplementary feeding for nutrition targeting children, the elderly and nursing mothers; and water supply are the needs during the crisis phase. Farmers will need seeds, fertilizers and livestock restocking for the recovery process.

Ethiopia: Food distribution, water supply-- including the rehabilitation of water points and water harvesting; livestock restocking, and rehabilitation of pasture and growing of future animal feed.

Somalia: The Program Coordinator for the Somali Refugee Program who was in the Dadaab refugee camp, which hosts 370,000 people and is currently receiving about 1300 new arrivals a day, communicated on July 13, "Here, things are changing by the hour and the situation has never been this bad".

You can donate to this relief effort by writing a cheque to PWRDF and writing "Horn of Africa Drought" on the memo line. If you put this cheque in the collection plate [St. Peter's](#) will forward it to PWRDF for you. Alternatively you can donate through Canada Helps by following the links on www.pwrdf.org

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