

## **19<sup>th</sup> Sunday After Pentecost**

**October 23, 2011**

**O Lord, our Sovereign  
how majestic is your name in all the earth!**

**You have set your glory above the heavens.  
Out of the mouths of babes and infants  
you have founded a bulwark because of your foes,  
to silence the enemy and the avenger.**

**When I look at your heavens, the work of your fingers,  
the moon and the stars that you have established;  
what are human beings that you are mindful of them,  
mortals that you care for them?**

**Yet you have made them a little lower than God,  
and crowned them with glory and honour.  
You have given them dominion over the works of your hands;  
you have put all things under their feet,  
all sheep and oxen,  
and also the beasts of the field,  
the birds of the air, and the fish of the sea,  
whatever passes along the paths of the seas.**

**O Lord, our Sovereign,  
how majestic is your name in all the earth!**

- Psalm 8

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

Celebrant and Preacher: The Reverend Helen Belcher

Lay Reader: Wendy Both  
 Lector: Elaine Montgomery  
 10:00 a.m. Holy Communion (*Book of Alternative Services*)  
 Celebrant: The Reverend Graham Goode  
 Preacher: The Reverend Helen Belcher  
 Lay Readers: Connie Kadey and Lorraine Grant  
 Deacon: The Reverend Julienne Hendrickson  
*Nursery is open at this service*

## THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

### Processional Hymn: #10 We, the Lord's People

*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* Lord God our redeemer,  
*All* **who heard the cry of your people  
 and sent your servant Moses  
 to lead them out of slavery,  
 free us from the tyranny of sin and death,  
 and by the leading of your Spirit  
 bring us to our promised land;  
 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 Helen Belcher

## THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

**Old Testament:** Deuteronomy 34:1–12

Marilyn Shaw

Then Moses went up from the plains of Moab to Mount Nebo, to the top of Pisgah, which is opposite Jericho, and the Lord showed him the whole land: Gilead as far as Dan, all Naphtali, the land of Ephraim and Manasseh, all the land of Judah as far as the Western Sea, the Negeb, and the Plain—that is, the valley of Jericho, the city of palm trees—as far as Zoar. The Lord said to him, "This is the land of which I swore to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, saying, 'I will give it to your descendants'; I have let you see it with your eyes, but you shall not cross over there." Then Moses, the servant of the Lord, died there in the land of Moab, at the Lord's command. He was buried in a valley in the land of Moab, opposite Beth-peor, but no one knows his burial place to this day. Moses was one

hundred twenty years old when he died; his sight was unimpaired and his vigour had not abated. The Israelites wept for Moses in the plains of Moab thirty days; then the period of mourning for Moses was ended. Joshua son of Nun was full of the spirit of wisdom, because Moses had laid his hands on him; and the Israelites obeyed him, doing as the Lord had commanded Moses. Never since has there arisen a prophet in Israel like Moses, whom the Lord knew face to face. He was unequalled for all the signs and wonders that the Lord sent him to perform in the land of Egypt, against Pharaoh and all his servants and his entire land, and for all the mighty deeds and all the terrifying displays of power that Moses performed in the sight of all Israel.

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

*People:* **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 90:1-6, 13-17

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**New Testament:** 1 Thessalonians 2:1-8

Keith Shaw

You yourselves know, brothers and sisters, that our coming to you was not in vain, but though we had already suffered and been shamefully mistreated at Philippi, as you know, we had courage in our God to declare to you the gospel of God in spite of great opposition. For our appeal does not spring from deceit or impure motives or trickery, but just as we have been approved by God to be entrusted with the message of the gospel, even so we speak, not to please mortals, but to please God who tests our hearts. As you know and as God is our witness, we never came with words of flattery or with a pretext for greed; nor did we seek praise from mortals, whether from you or from others, though we might have made demands as apostles of Christ. But we were gentle among you, like a nurse tenderly caring for her own children. So deeply do we care for you that we are determined to share with you not only the gospel of God but also our own selves, because you have become very dear to us.

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

*People:* **Thanks be to God.**

**Gradual Hymn: #347 The God of Abraham Praise**

**Gospel:** Matthew 22:34-46

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

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

When the Pharisees heard that he had silenced the Sadducees, they gathered together, and one of them, a lawyer, asked him a question to test him. “Teacher, which commandment in the law is the greatest?” He said to him, “‘You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind.’ This is the greatest and first commandment. And a second is like it: ‘You shall love your neighbour as yourself.’ On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.” Now while the Pharisees were gathered together, Jesus asked them this question: “What do you think of the Messiah? Whose son is he?” They said to him, “The son of David.” He said to them, “How is it then that David by the Spirit calls him Lord, saying, ‘The Lord said to my Lord, “Sit at my right hand, until I put your enemies under your feet”’? If David thus calls him Lord, how can he be his son?” No one was able to give him an answer, nor from that day did anyone dare to ask him any more questions.

*Reader:* The Gospel of Christ

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

**Homily – The Reverend Helen Belcher**

**The Prayers of the People**

Confession and Absolution – page 191

Peace

**Offertory Hymn: #621 Before the World Began**

**THE SACRED MEAL IS SHARED**

Prayer Over the Gifts (*together*)

God of constant love, **you have guided your people in all times and ages. May we who offer you our praise today always be ready to follow where you lead; we ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Eucharistic Prayer #2 – page 196

The Lord's Prayer

Breaking of the Bread - page 212

Creator of all, you gave us golden fields of wheat,  
whose many grains we have gathered and made into this one bread.

**So may your Church be gathered from the ends of the earth into your kingdom.**

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)*

God our guide, **you have fed us with bread from heaven as you fed the people of Israel. May we who have been inwardly nourished be ready to follow you all our days; we ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

The Blessing

Announcements

**Recessional Hymn: #393 Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise**

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

**Claire White** is warden on duty today.

Prayers

- In our worldwide Anglican Cycle of Prayer we pray for the church of South Australia and their clergy, The Rt. Rev. Ross Davies.
- In Our Diocesan Prayer Cycle we pray for St. Aidan and St. Chad, Cowley and St. John, Pincher Creek and their clergy, The Rev. Betty Vaughan and The Rev. Sylvia Faoro.
- In our Companion Diocese in the Windward Islands we pray for St. Andrew with Holy Innocents, St. Giles and St. Michael.
- 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: Aileen Shier, 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.
- This week we remember in prayer, the family of Lloyd (Hap) Geddes who passed away this week with the funeral being held on Friday, October 21<sup>st</sup>.

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

- Mr. and Mrs. R. Donais in memory of loved ones.
- Rob, Joyce, Jennifer and Kevin Lane in memory of Elizabeth.

**Chancel Renewal Update:** There will be an Information Meeting in Cormack Hall following the 10 am service on Sunday, October 30<sup>th</sup>. This will be followed by three Sundays of Listening and Feedback stations leading up to a special meeting of the congregation on November 27<sup>th</sup> when a motion will be tabled to approve the design and move towards the construction phase.

## SPIRIT ZONE (Children's Programs)

- **Nursery** –The nursery located on the lower level is available during the 10 am service.
- **Shoeboxes** are sitting in front of mailboxes with leaflets inside with instructions on filling them. Please help yourself! Deadline for return of the boxes is November 20<sup>th</sup>.
- Thank you to Olive Holgate and Marg McKay who donated their time and talent to help with face painting on Sunday, October 18<sup>th</sup>.

### Upcoming Events:

- **Theology and a Pint** - Monday, October 24, 7:00pm, Limerick's Pub on McLeod Trail. Bring your most burning questions and theological opinions! For more information, please contact Christine.
- **ACW** will be holding their next meeting on Monday, October 24<sup>th</sup> at 7:15 pm. All are welcome. Please plan to be there.
- **Fall Fair** – Today, October 23rd, there will be a table set up during the coffee hour for information and volunteer sign up. You can also phone Peter Leigh at 403-281-1376, or Arnold Williams at 403-251-4610 at any time.
- **SOMETHING NEW at the Fall Fair:** We will be pre-selling frozen pies (apple, rhubarb, blueberry or strawberry) in two sizes: Large \$7 (9-inch plate) and Small \$3 each or 2 for \$5 (4 ½ inch plate). Each pie will come with cooking instructions. To order your pies call Angela 403.281.2652 or Penny 403.238.2724.
- **Christ Church presents: Raising a Faith-Filled Family** – Join in for an evening workshop for parents, grandparents, and others interested in learning a four step process for recognizing God in the ordinary and extraordinary events of family life. Friday October 28, 2011. Family Dinner (optional) 6:00 pm – 6:30 pm and workshop from 6:30 pm to 8:00 pm. To register or for more information, please call Ilona Bevan at 403-243-4680, ext. 29 or email [familyministry@christchurchcalgry.org](mailto:familyministry@christchurchcalgry.org). The cost is \$45 per family.
- **St. Peter's Reads book club** – Thanks to all those who participated in our book club last month. It was a great discussion. Our next book is "An Altar in the World" by Barbara Brown Taylor, and we plan to meet on Wednesday, November 23 at 7pm. Please note that this is a change of date from October 26. Please contact Barb Crawford at 403-281-2578 for more information.
- **Wisdom Centre conference "Learning to Walk in the Dark"** – With Barbara Brown Taylor, December 2-4. Friday evening will be an extended sermon and musical exploration of sacred darkness by Brian Pearson and the Soul Food Band. Saturday will be a day-long writers' workshop, "Writing as Spiritual Practice" – for beginners, advanced writers and everyone in between. On Sunday, Barbara Brown Taylor will be the guest preacher at Christ Church. Early bird prices until Nov. 1: Friday only \$20 (\$25); Saturday only \$90 (\$100); Friday and Saturday \$100. See poster in the Narthex or [www.wisdomcentre.ca](http://www.wisdomcentre.ca) for more information.
- **1<sup>st</sup> Friday Club** will be meeting on Friday, November 25<sup>th</sup> to attend St. Peter's Players' *Three One Act Plays* at 7:30 pm. Please contact Vera at 255-2406 to reserve a spot.

- **1<sup>st</sup> Friday Club** will be attending a Hitman game on January 13<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm. There will be carpooling from the Church at 6 pm. All tickets must be confirmed and paid for prior to December 15<sup>th</sup>. Please call Rudy Janzen at 403-271-0278.
- **Fisherman's Catch** – articles for the Advent edition are due on November 4<sup>th</sup>. Please email to [avril@stpeterscalgary.ca](mailto:avril@stpeterscalgary.ca)

**Pumpkin potluck** - On Sunday, October 30 from 4:30 - 6:30pm we are inviting young families to connect with one another and to re-connect with those who shared baptism. We will have a potluck dinner together and carve/decorate pumpkins to create a pumpkin patch photo opportunity! Costumes are encouraged. Please contact Christine ([christine@stpeterscalgary.ca](mailto:christine@stpeterscalgary.ca)) for more information and to RSVP.

**St. Peter's Players will be presenting 'Three One Act Plays on  
November 24, 25, 26, 27.**

**Tickets are now available. Please call Vera at 403-255-2406 to reserve.**

**Acadia Place** is a 58-unit apartment building which provides affordable housing for families at risk of or experiencing homelessness. It is a partnership between KAIROS (an ecumenical partnership which the Anglican Diocese) and the Calgary Homeless Foundation. In order to raise money to help pay off the mortgage a fundraiser has been planned.

Friday, October 28 at 7:30 pm there will be a concert at Symons Valley United Church. Performers will include Deborah Nyack (harp), Sora (Contemporary Celtic), Brent Van Dusen (Drummer), Alex Boiselle and the Ashbury Train (Roots and Blues) and Lewis and Royal. Tickets are \$25 and available from [www.calgaryhomeless.com/events](http://www.calgaryhomeless.com/events) or by phone at [403-718-7742](tel:403-718-7742).

**Gloria and Alf Askew** send best wishes and miss everyone. Will be in Calgary in January 2012.

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

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**We love to hear from you:**

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**Wardens**

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| Rector's Warden        | Raju Paul     |
| People's Warden        | Marg McKay    |
| Rector's Deputy Warden | Barry O'Flynn |

People's Deputy Warden Claire White

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