



**St Peter
Le Poer**



Parish Communion

9.30am – 15th May 2022

Fifth Sunday of Easter

This is the service order for the of Holy Communion in person and streamed on the St Peter's [YouTube channel here](#)

Alleluia! Alleluia!, 137
Hearts to heaven and voices raise;
sing to God a hymn of gladness,
sing to God a hymn of praise:
he who on the cross a victim
for the world's salvation bled,
Jesus Christ, the King of glory,
now is risen from the dead.

Christ is risen, Christ the first-fruits
of the holy harvest field,
which will all its full abundance
at his second coming yield;
then the golden ears of harvest
will their heads before him wave,
ripened by his glorious sunshine,
from the furrows of the grave.

Christ is risen, we are risen;
shed upon us heavenly grace,
rain, and dew, and gleams of glory
from the brightness of thy face;
that we, with our hearts in heaven,
here on earth may fruitful be,
and by angel-hands be gathered,
and be ever, Lord, with thee.

Alleluia! Alleluia!
Glory be to God on high;
Alleluia to the Saviour,
who has gained the victory;
Alleluia to the Spirit,
fount of love and sanctity;
Alleluia! Alleluia!
to the Triune Majesty...!

Gathering and Greeting

In the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

All: **Amen.**

The Lord be with you.

All: **And also with you**

Alleluia. Christ is risen

All: **He is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

Welcome – Revd Philip Sudell

Prayers of Penitence

Christ died to sin once for all, and now he lives to God. Let us renew our resolve to have done with all that is evil and confess our sins in penitence and faith.

Confession

Lord God, we have sinned against you; we have done evil in your sight. We are sorry and repent. Have mercy on us according to your love. Wash away our wrongdoing and cleanse us from our sin. Renew a right spirit within us and restore to us the joy of your salvation, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Assurance of forgiveness

The almighty and merciful Lord grant you pardon and forgiveness of all your sins, time for amendment of life, and the grace and strength of the Holy Spirit. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

We sing the

Gloria

Glory to God, Glory to God
Glory to God in the highest,

Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to his people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King,
almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.

Glory to God, Glory to God
Glory to God in the highest,

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the
Father: receive our prayer.

Glory to God, Glory to God
Glory to God in the highest,

For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father.

Glory to God, Glory to God
Glory to God in the highest.

The Collect

A moment of silence is kept. The minister
says the opening prayer set for the day.

Risen Christ, your wounds declare your
love for the world and the wonder of your
risen life: give us compassion and courage
to risk ourselves for those we serve, to
the glory of God the Father.

All: **Amen.**

The Liturgy of the Word

New Testament Reading

Acts 11:1-18

The apostles and the believers throughout
Judea heard that the Gentiles also had
received the word of God. ² So when
Peter went up to Jerusalem, the
circumcised believers criticised him ³ and
said, 'You went into the house of
uncircumcised men and ate with them.'

⁴ Starting from the beginning, Peter told
them the whole story: ⁵ 'I was in the city
of Joppa praying, and in a trance I saw a
vision. I saw something like a large sheet
being let down from heaven by its four
corners, and it came down to where I
was. ⁶ I looked into it and saw four-footed
animals of the earth, wild beasts, reptiles

and birds. ⁷ Then I heard a voice telling
me, "Get up, Peter. Kill and eat."

⁸ 'I replied, "Surely not, Lord! Nothing
impure or unclean has ever entered my
mouth."

⁹ 'The voice spoke from heaven a second
time, "Do not call anything impure that
God has made clean." ¹⁰ This happened
three times, and then it was all pulled up
to heaven again.

¹¹ 'Right then three men who had been
sent to me from Caesarea stopped at the
house where I was staying. ¹² The Spirit
told me to have no hesitation about going
with them. These six brothers also went
with me, and we entered the man's
house. ¹³ He told us how he had seen an
angel appear in his house and say, "Send
to Joppa for Simon who is called
Peter. ¹⁴ He will bring you a message
through which you and all your household
will be saved."

¹⁵ 'As I began to speak, the Holy Spirit
came on them as he had come on us at
the beginning. ¹⁶ Then I remembered what
the Lord had said: "John baptised
with water, but you will be baptised
with the Holy Spirit." ¹⁷ So if God gave
them the same gift he gave us who
believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, who
was I to think that I could stand in God's
way?'

¹⁸ When they heard this, they had no
further objections and praised God,
saying, 'So then, even to Gentiles God has
granted repentance that leads to life.'

Reader: This is the word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm

Psalm 148

**Praise the Lord from the heavens
and praise him in the heights**

¹ Alleluia. Praise the Lord from the
heavens; • praise him in the heights.

² Praise him, all you his angels; • praise
him, all his host.

**Praise the Lord from the heavens
and praise him in the heights**

³ Praise him, sun and moon; • praise him,
all you stars of light.

⁴ Praise him, heaven of heavens, • and
you waters above the heavens.

**Praise the Lord from the heavens
and praise him in the heights**

⁵ Let them praise the name of the Lord, •
for he commanded and they were
created.

⁶ He made them fast for ever and ever; •
he gave them a law which shall not pass
away.

**Praise the Lord from the heavens
and praise him in the heights**

⁷ Praise the Lord from the earth, • you
sea monsters and all deeps;

⁸ Fire and hail, snow and mist, •
tempestuous wind, fulfilling his word;

**Praise the Lord from the heavens
and praise him in the heights**

⁹ Mountains and all hills, • fruit trees and
all cedars;

¹⁰ Wild beasts and all cattle, • creeping
things and birds on the wing;

**Praise the Lord from the heavens
and praise him in the heights**

¹¹ Kings of the earth and all peoples, •
princes and all rulers of the world;

¹² Young men and women, old and young
together; • let them praise the name of
the Lord.

**Praise the Lord from the heavens
and praise him in the heights**

¹³ For his name only is exalted, • his
splendour above earth and heaven.

¹⁴ He has raised up the horn of his people
and praise for all his faithful servants, •
the children of Israel, a people who are
near him. Alleluia.

**Praise the Lord from the heavens
and praise him in the heights**

New Testament Reading

Revelation 21:1-6

Then I saw 'a new heaven and a new earth,' for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and there was no longer any sea. ²I saw the Holy City, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride beautifully dressed for her husband. ³And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, 'Look! God's dwelling-place is now among the people, and he will dwell with them. They will be his people, and God himself will be with them and be their God. ⁴"He will wipe every tear from their eyes. There will be no more death" or mourning or crying or pain, for the old order of things has passed away.'

⁵He who was seated on the throne said, 'I am making everything new!' Then he said, 'Write this down, for these words are trustworthy and true.'

⁶He said to me: 'It is done. I am the Alpha and the Omega, the Beginning and the End. To the thirsty I will give water without cost from the spring of the water of life.'

Reader: This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Gospel

The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Hear the Gospel of our Lord
Jesus Christ according to John.

All: Glory to you, O Lord.

John 7:1-13

After this, Jesus went around in Galilee. He did not want to go about in Judea because the Jewish leaders there were looking for a way to kill him. ²But when the Jewish Festival of Tabernacles was near, ³Jesus' brothers said to him, 'Leave Galilee and go to Judea, so that your

disciples there may see the works you do. ⁴No one who wants to become a public figure acts in secret. Since you are doing these things, show yourself to the world.’ ⁵For even his own brothers did not believe in him.

⁶Therefore Jesus told them, ‘My time is not yet here; for you any time will do. ⁷The world cannot hate you, but it hates me because I testify that its works are evil. ⁸You go to the festival. I am not going up to this festival, because my time has not yet fully come.’ ⁹After he had said this, he stayed in Galilee.

¹⁰However, after his brothers had left for the festival, he went also, not publicly, but in secret. ¹¹Now at the festival the Jewish leaders were watching for Jesus and asking, ‘Where is he?’

¹²Among the crowds there was widespread whispering about him. Some said, ‘He is a good man.’ Others replied, ‘No, he deceives the people.’ ¹³But no one would say anything publicly about him for fear of the leaders.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Sermon – Revd Philip Sudell

“The elusive Jesus”

Profession of Faith

We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation he came
down from heaven, was incarnate from
the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary
and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under
Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was
buried.

On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven and is seated at
the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the
living and the dead, and his kingdom will
have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds
from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is
worshipped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and
apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the
forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come.

Amen.

Prayers of Intercession

This response may be used:

Lord, in your mercy.

Hear our prayer.

And at the end:

Merciful Father,
Accept these prayers
for the sake of your Son,
our Saviour Jesus Christ.
Amen.

The Liturgy of the Sacrament

The Peace

The risen Christ came and stood among his disciples and said, 'Peace be with you.' Then were they glad when they saw the Lord. Alleluia. The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All: **And also with you.**

The bread and wine are brought to the Lord's Table

*Alleluia alleluia,
give thanks to the Risen Lord* 136
*Alleluia alleluia
give praise to His Name*

Jesus is Lord of all the earth
He is the King of creation
Alleluia alleluia

Spread the good news o'er all the earth
Jesus has died and has risen
Alleluia alleluia

We have been crucified with Christ
Now we shall live forever
Alleluia alleluia

God has proclaimed the just reward
Life for all men alleluia
Alleluia alleluia

Come let us praise the Living God
Joyfully sing to our Saviour
Alleluia alleluia

Donald E. Fishel

The Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

All: **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks
to the Lord our God

All: **It is right to give
thanks and praise.**

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, always and everywhere to give you thanks, almighty and eternal Father, and in these days of Easter to celebrate with joyful hearts the memory of your wonderful works. For by the mystery of his passion Jesus Christ, your risen Son, has conquered the powers of death and hell and restored in men and women the image of your glory. He has placed them once more in paradise and opened to them the gate of life eternal. And so, in the joy of this Passover, earth and heaven resound with gladness, while angels and archangels and the powers of all creation sing for ever the hymn of your glory.

**Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of
the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

Accept our praises, heavenly Father, through your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ, and as we follow his example and obey his command, grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit these gifts of bread and wine may be to us his body and his blood; who, in the same night that he was betrayed, took bread and gave you thanks; he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me.

In the same way, after supper he took the cup and gave you thanks; he gave it to them, saying: Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

Therefore, heavenly Father, we remember his offering of himself made once for all upon the cross; we proclaim his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; we

look for the coming of your kingdom, and with this bread and this cup we make the memorial of Christ your Son our Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus.

All: **Dying you destroyed our death,
rising you restored our life:
Lord Jesus, come in glory.**

Accept through him, our great high priest, this our sacrifice of thanks and praise, and as we eat and drink these holy gifts in the presence of your divine majesty, renew us by your Spirit, inspire us with your love and unite us in the body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Through him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, with all who stand before you in earth and heaven, we worship you, Father almighty, in songs of everlasting praise:

All: **Blessing and honour and glory
and power be yours for ever and
ever. Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

Let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us.

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,
the power and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of Bread

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

All: **Though we are many, we are one
body, because we all share in one
bread.**

Agnus Dei

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, grant us peace.

The Giving of Communion

Draw near with faith. Receive the body of our Lord Jesus Christ which he gave for you, and his blood which he shed for you. Eat and drink in remembrance that he died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

Prayer after Communion

Father of all, we give you thanks and praise, that when we were still far off you met us in your Son and brought us home. Dying and living, he declared your love, gave us grace, and opened the gate of glory. May we who share Christ's body live his risen life; we who drink his cup bring life to others; we whom the Spirit lights give light to the world. Keep us firm in the hope you have set before us, so we and all your children shall be free, and the whole earth live to praise your name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Blessing

God the Father, by whose glory Christ was raised from the dead, strengthen you to walk with him in his risen life; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

All: **Amen**

Dismissal

All: **Go in the peace of Christ.
Thanks be to God.**

Good Christians all, rejoice and sing! 145

Now is the triumph of our King.
To all the world glad news we bring:
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

The Lord of Life is risen for ay:
bring flowers of song to strew his way;
let all the earth rejoice and say
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Praise we in songs of victory
that Love, that Life, which cannot die,
and sing with hearts uplifted high
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Thy name we bless, O risen Lord,
and sing to-day with one accord
the life laid down, the life restored:
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

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Readings for next Sunday

22nd May – Easter 6
Acts 16.9-15
Psalm 67
Revelation 21:10,22 – 22:5
John 7:14-24

Job Opportunity – we are currently seeking a Church Administrator – see the jobs section of the Grace Church website for details – please do share with anyone who might be interested

Other dates for your diary

May 30th - Jun 1st
Children's Holiday Club
Sunday Jun 5th
"Platinum Jubilee Lunch" – Street party
Saturday Jun 11th
Church Councils Awayday
Friday Jun 17th
Church BBQ Event
Jun 24-26th
Co-Mission REVIVE Weekend Away
Sunday Jun 26th
St Peter's Patronal Festival

The week ahead

Sun 15 th	1pm	Newcomers Lunch @ the Vicarage
Mon 16 th	8-9pm (food from 7.15pm)	PRAY16 @ the Vicarage, 163CHL
Tues 17 th	9.45-11am	Chat & Play for pre-schoolers and their parents/minders @ St Peter's Hall
Wed 18 th		
Thurs 19 th	9.45-11.30am 12noon 12-3.30pm 4-5pm 5.30-6.30pm 7.30pm	Women's Bible Study @ St Peter's Hall Holy Communion Community Café @ St Peter's Hall FAB Club years 3&4 @ St Peter's Hall JAM Club years 5&6 @ St Peter's Hall Institution and Induction of Revd Philip Sudell as Vicar of St Peter Le Poer by the Bishop of Edmonton
Fri 20 th	6.30-7.15am	Zoom Prayer Breakfast https://zoom.us/j/587514686?pwd=RCcwUDZkVm5UOWwvZElhLS00Bk9kRmdzOQ Meeting ID: 587 514 686 Password: 600053
Sat 21 st	7.30pm	Christian Aid Quiz Evening @ St Peter's Church Tickets £10 inc Ploughmans and donation to Christian Aid
Sun 22 nd	6-9pm	Painting party for Holiday Club @ St Peter's Hall

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Wonder Zone

Painting Party!

Sunday 22nd May 6-9pm

Drop in or stay the whole time – bring snacks!

Help get the scenery ready for holiday club. No artistic ability required! Over 8s welcome too. Wear old clothes...