

Confession of Peter

18 January – Festival – White

Collect

Almighty God,
you inspired Saint Peter,
first among the apostles,
to confess Jesus as the Messiah
and Son of the living God:
keep your Church steadfast
on the rock of this faith,
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you
and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

A Reading from the prophecy of Ezekiel.

For thus says the Lord God: I myself will search for my sheep, and will seek them out. As shepherds seek out their flocks when they are among their scattered sheep, so I will seek out my sheep. I will rescue them from all the places to which they have been scattered on a day of clouds and thick darkness. I will bring them out from the peoples and gather them from the countries, and will bring them into their own land; and I will feed them on the mountains of Israel, by the watercourses, and in all the inhabited parts of the land. I will feed them with good pasture, and the mountain heights of Israel shall be their pasture; there they shall lie down in good grazing land, and they shall feed on rich pasture on the mountains of Israel. I myself will be the shepherd of my sheep, and I will make them lie down, says the Lord God. I will seek the lost, and I will bring back the strayed, and I will bind up the injured, and I will strengthen the weak, but the fat and the strong I will destroy. I will feed them with justice.

Ezekiel 34.11-16

This is the word of the Lord

Responsorial Psalm

R The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not be in want.

The Lord is my shepherd;
therefore can I lack nothing.
He makes me lie down in green pastures
and leads me beside still waters. **R**

He shall refresh my soul
and guide me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake.
Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,
I will fear no evil;
for you are with me;
your rod and your staff, they comfort me. **R**

You spread a table before me
in the presence of those who trouble me;
you have anointed my head with oil
and my cup shall be full. **R**

Surely goodness and loving mercy shall follow me
all the days of my life,
and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever. **R**

Psalm 23

A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles

Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them, 'Rulers of the people and elders, if we are questioned today because of a good deed done to someone who was sick and are asked how this man has been healed, let it be known to all of you, and to all the people of Israel, that this man is standing before you in good health by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead. This Jesus is

"the stone that was rejected by you, the builders;
it has become the cornerstone."

There is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among mortals by which we must be saved.' Now when they saw the boldness of Peter and John and realized that they were uneducated and ordinary men, they were amazed and recognized them as companions of Jesus. *Acts 4.8-13*

This is the word of the Lord

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew

Now when Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, 'Who do people say that the Son of Man is?' And they said, 'Some say John the Baptist, but others Elijah, and still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.' He said to them, 'But who do you say that I am?' Simon Peter answered, 'You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God.' And Jesus answered him, 'Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father in heaven. And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not prevail against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven.' *Matthew 16.13-19*

This is the gospel of the Lord.

Post Communion

Keep us, O God,
in this fellowship of faith,
the Church of your Son Jesus Christ,
and help us to confess him as Messiah and Lord
in all we say and do.
We ask this in his name. **Amen.**

Proper Preface: of Apostles

Founders of Anglican Franciscan Communities

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Collect

Everlasting God,
we praise you for the founders of Anglican Franciscan
communities;
grant that as we commemorate them in thanksgiving
and celebration,
we may know the truth of the gospel in our hearts
and build well on the foundations they have laid,
in Jesus Christ our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

A Reading from the prophecy of Isaiah.

Thus says God, the Lord,
who created the heavens and stretched them out,
who spread out the earth and what comes from it,
who gives breath to the people upon it
and spirit to those who walk in it:
I am the Lord, I have called you in righteousness,
I have taken you by the hand and kept you;
I have given you as a covenant to the people,
a light to the nations,
to open the eyes that are blind,
to bring out the prisoners from the dungeon,
from the prison those who sit in darkness.
I am the Lord, that is my name;
my glory I give to no other,
nor my praise to idols.
See, the former things have come to pass,
and new things I now declare;
before they spring forth,
I tell you of them.

This is the word of the Lord

Isaiah 42:5-9

Responsorial Psalm

**R They have given freely to the poor;
their righteousness stands fast for ever.**

Alleluia.

Blessed are those who fear the Lord
and have great delight in his commandments.
Their descendants will be mighty in the land,
a generation of the faithful that will be blest. **R**

Light shines in the darkness for the upright;
gracious and full of compassion are the righteous.
They have given freely to the poor;
their righteousness stands fast for ever;
their head will be exalted with honour. **R**

From Psalm 112

A Reading from the First Letter of Paul to the Corinthians

According to the grace of God given to me, like a skilled master builder I laid a foundation, and someone else is building on it. Each builder must choose with care how to build on it. For no one can lay any foundation other than the one that has been laid; that foundation is Jesus Christ. Now if anyone builds on the foundation with gold, silver, precious stones, wood, hay, straw— the work of each builder will become visible, for the Day will disclose it, because it will be revealed with fire, and the fire will test what sort of work each has done. If what has been built on the foundation survives, the builder will receive a reward. If the work is burned, the builder will suffer loss; the builder will be saved, but only as through fire.

This is the word of the Lord

1 Corinthians 3.10-15

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke

‘Why do you call me “Lord, Lord”, and do not do what I tell you? I will show you what someone is like who comes to me, hears my words, and acts on them. That one is like a man building a house, who dug deeply and laid the foundation on rock; when a flood arose, the river burst against that house but could not shake it, because it had been well built. But the one who hears and does not act is like a man who built a house on the ground without a foundation. When the river burst against it, immediately it fell, and great was the ruin of that house.’

This is the gospel of the Lord.

Luke 6.46-49

Proper Preface

And now we give you thanks
because you raised up our holy father Francis
to burn as a shining light in your Church;
that, inflamed with love for God and all creation
and bearing in his body the marks of your Son's passion,
he might bring to glory many sons and daughters;
therefore . . .

Post Communion

Merciful God,
who inspired the founders of Anglican Franciscan Communities
to serve you with singleness of heart;
help us, whose communion with you and them
has been renewed in this sacrament,
to forsake all that holds us back
from walking with our brother Francis

in the way of Christ
and to grow into his likeness from glory to glory;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

20 January Founders of Anglican Franciscan Communities

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*Tuesday Office, of Members of Religious Communities, is used for Morning,
Evening and Night Prayer. (adapted for January 20, 2010)*

COLLECT

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SSF

<i>Morning</i>	<i>Evening</i>
<i>Alt. Opening Canticle:</i> 60 <i>Pss:</i> 1,15,148 <i>Second Canticle:</i> 31 Proverbs 16.1-9 2 Corinthians 6.1-10	<i>Pss:</i> 65, 84 <i>Second Canticle:</i> 51 2 Kings 2.4-14 Romans 8.26-30

Preparation Alleluia. Christ the poor and lowly in heart.
O come, let us worship. Alleluia.

Benedictus **Blessèd are you who are poor,
for yours is the kingdom of God.**

Magnificat **Everyone who has left all things
and followed me
will be repaid a hundred times over
and inherit eternal life.**