

Grace Episcopal Church

October 27, 2024



The Baptism of
Margaret Frances Petteruto

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Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost
and Baptism of Margaret Frances Petteruto

October 27, 2024 ~ 10:00 AM

Prelude _____ Thomas Mellan

Processional Hymn 435 vv. 1 - 4 _____ King's Weston

“At the Name of Jesus every knee shall bow”

The Word of God

Opening Acclamation

Celebrant: Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People: And Blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

Celebrant: There is one Body and one Spirit;

People: There is one hope in God's call to us;

Celebrant: One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;

People: One God and Father of all.

Collect of the Day

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, increase in us the gifts of faith, hope, and charity; and, that we may obtain what you promise, make us love what you command; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

First Lesson: Ezekiel 36:24-28 _____ Donte Apperwhite

Say to the house of Israel, Thus says the Lord God: I will take you from the nations, and gather you from all the countries, and bring you into your own land. I will sprinkle clean water upon you, and you shall be clean from all your uncleannesses, and from all your idols I will cleanse you. A new heart I will give you, and a new spirit I will put within you; and I will remove from your body the heart of stone and give you a heart of flesh. I will put my spirit within you, and make you follow my statutes

and be careful to observe my ordinances. Then you shall live in the land that I gave to your ancestors; and you shall be my people, and I will be your God.

Psalm 84:1-6 *Quam dilecta!* Anglican Chant

- 1 How dear to me is your dwelling, O Lord of hosts! *
My soul has a desire and longing for the courts of the Lord;
my heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God.
- 2 The sparrow has found her a house
and the swallow a nest where she may lay her young; *
by the side of your altars, O Lord of hosts,
my King and my God.
- 3 Happy are they who dwell in your house! *
they will always be praising you.
- 4 Happy are the people whose strength is in you! *
whose hearts are set on the pilgrims' way.
- 5 Those who go through the desolate valley will find it a place of springs, *
for the early rains have covered it with pools of water.
- 6 They will climb from height to height, *
and the God of gods will reveal himself in Zion.

Second Lesson: Hebrews 7:23-28 Miles Bresee

The former priests were many in number, because they were prevented by death from continuing in office; but Jesus holds his priesthood permanently, because he continues forever. Consequently he is able for all time to save those who approach God through him, since he always lives to make intercession for them.

For it was fitting that we should have such a high priest, holy, blameless, undefiled, separated from sinners, and exalted above the heavens. Unlike the other high priests, he has no need to offer sacrifices day after day, first for his own sins, and then for those of the people; this he did once for all when he offered himself. For the law appoints as high priests those who are subject to weakness, but the word of the oath, which came later than the law, appoints a Son who has been made perfect forever.

Sequence Hymn 297 Erhalt uns

“Descend, O Spirit, purging flame”

Gospel: John 3:1-6

The Rev. Susan L. Scranton

There was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. He came to Jesus by night and said to him, “Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God.” Jesus answered him, “Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above.” Nicodemus said to him, “How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother’s womb and be born?” Jesus answered, “Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit.”

Sermon

The Rev. Susan L. Scranton

Holy Baptism

Presentation and Examination of the Candidate

Celebrant: The Candidate for Holy Baptism will now be presented.

Margaret Frances Petteruto

Parents and Godparents: I present Margaret Frances Petteruto to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.

Celebrant: Will you be responsible for seeing that the child you present is brought up in the Christian faith and life?

Parents and Godparents: I will, with God’s help.

Celebrant: Will you by your prayers and witness help this child to grow into the full stature of Christ?

Parents and Godparents: I will, with God’s help.

Celebrant: Do you renounce Satan and all the spiritual forces of wickedness that rebel against God?

Parents and Godparents: I renounce them.

Celebrant: Do you renounce the evil powers of this world which corrupt and destroy the creatures of God?

Parents and Godparents: I renounce them.

Celebrant: Do you renounce all sinful desires that draw you from the love of God?

Parents and Godparents: I renounce them.

Celebrant: Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Savior?

Parents and Godparents: I do.

Celebrant: Do you put your whole trust in his grace and love?

Parents and Godparents: I do.

Celebrant: Do you promise to follow and obey him as your Lord?

Parents and Godparents: I do.

After the candidate has been presented, the Celebrant addresses the congregation, saying:

Celebrant: Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support Margaret in her life in Christ?

People: We will.

Celebrant: Let us join with Margaret who is committing herself to Christ and renew our own baptismal covenant.

The Baptismal Covenant

Celebrant: Do you believe in God the Father?

People: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

Celebrant: Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

People: I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

Celebrant: Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

People: I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.

Celebrant: Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?

People: I will, with God's help.

Celebrant: Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

People: I will, with God's help.

Celebrant: Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

People: I will, with God's help.

Celebrant: Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

People: I will, with God's help.

Celebrant: Will you strive for justice and peace among people, and respect the dignity of every human being?

People: I will, with God's help.

Prayers for the Candidate

Let us now pray for Margaret Frances who is to receive the Sacrament of new birth.

Deliver her, O Lord from the way of sin and death.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Open her heart to your grace and truth.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Fill her with your holy and life-giving Spirit.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Keep her in the faith and communion of your holy Church.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Teach her to love others in the power of the Spirit.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Send her into the world in witness to your love.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Bring her to the fullness of your peace and glory.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Celebrant: Grant, O Lord, that all who are baptized into the death of Jesus Christ your Son may live in the power of his resurrection and look for him to come again in glory; who lives and reigns now and for ever. **AMEN.**

Thanksgiving over the Water

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Celebrant:

We thank you, Almighty God, for the gift of water. Over it the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation. Through it you led the children of Israel out of their bondage in Egypt into the land of promise. In it your Son Jesus received the baptism of John and was anointed by the Holy Spirit as the Messiah, the Christ, to lead us,

through his death and resurrection, from the bondage of sin into everlasting life.

We thank you, Father, for the water of Baptism. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in his resurrection. Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit. Therefore in joyful obedience to your Son, we bring into his fellowship those who come to him in faith, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Now sanctify this water, we pray you, by the power of your Holy Spirit, that those who here are cleansed from sin and born again may continue for ever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Savior.

To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and for ever.

Amen.

The Baptism

The candidate is presented by name to the Celebrant who then pours water upon the candidate, saying:

Celebrant: Margaret Frances Petteruto, I baptize you in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

Celebrant: Margaret Frances Petteruto, you are sealed by the Holy Spirit in Baptism and marked as Christ's own for ever.

When this action has been completed, the Celebrant prays over her, saying:

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Heavenly Father, we thank you that by water and the Holy Spirit you have bestowed upon this your servant the forgiveness of sin, and have raised her to the new life of grace. Sustain her, O Lord, in your Holy Spirit. Give her an inquiring and discerning heart, the courage to will and to persevere, a spirit to know and to love you, and the gift of joy and wonder in all your works.

People: Amen.

Celebrant: Let us welcome the newly baptized.

People: We receive you into the household of God. Confess the faith of Christ crucified, proclaim his resurrection, and share with us in his eternal priesthood.

The Peace

Celebrant: The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And also with you.

~ Welcome, Announcements and Special Blessings ~

Holy Communion

Offertory Anthem "When in Our Music God Is Glorified" Arnold B. Sherman
Grace Church Parish Choir ~ Sounds of Grace Handbell Quartet

Presentation Hymn 380 v. 3 *Old 100th*
"Praise God, from whom all blessings flow"

The Great Thanksgiving (Prayer A)

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Celebrant: It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Because in Jesus Christ our Lord you have received us as your sons and daughters, made us citizens of your kingdom, and given us the Holy Spirit to guide us into all truth.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus and Benedictus

John Rutter

Organ *mp* *cresc.* *cresc.*
Ho - ly, ho - ly ho - ly Lord, God of
f *mf* *f*
power and might Heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry Ho -
mp
san - na in the high - est Bless - ed is he who comes
cresc. *f*
in the name of the Lord, Ho - san - na in the high - est

Please kneel if you are able.

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "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. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

Celebrant: We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

The Lord's Prayer

Celebrant: And now as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

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

The Breaking of the Bread

The Celebrant breaks the bread. A period of silence is kept. Then all sing.

Fraction Anthem: Christ our Passover

Gerald R. Near

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le -
lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Christ our Pass - o - ver is
sac - ri - ficed for us; there - fore let us keep the feast.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

The musical score is written on four staves in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The lyrics are placed below the notes. The first staff begins with a whole rest for four measures, followed by the melody for 'Al - le - lu - ia, al - le -'. The second staff continues with 'lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Christ our Pass - o - ver is'. The third staff continues with 'sac - ri - ficed for us; there - fore let us keep the feast.'. The fourth staff concludes with 'Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.' and ends with a double bar line.

Invitation to Communion

Celebrant: The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

All Baptized Christians are welcome to receive Holy Communion at the Lord's Table. If you are having difficulty walking, we will be happy to bring Communion to you where you are seated. (Please notify an usher.) Gluten free wafers are available.

Communion Hymn 516

Down Ampney

“Come down, O Love divine”

Postcommunion Prayer

Celebrant and People:

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Blessing

Recessional Hymn 400 vv. 1, 4, 5, 7

Lasst uns erfreuen

“All Creatures of our God and King”

Dismissal

Celebrant: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord

People: **Thanks be to God!**

Postlude

Thomas Mellan



The Altar Flowers are given to the Glory of God
by Andrew & Jade Petteruto in
celebration of the baptism of
Margaret Frances Petteruto.



Serving in Today's Worship:

Celebrant The Rev. Susan L. Scranton
Lay Eucharistic Ministers Janet Kawamoto
Lectors Donte Apperwhite, Miles Bresee
Acolytes Morgan Patterson, Elizabeth Anders, McKenna Parra
Choirmaster/Cantor David Aldrete
Organist Thomas Mellan
Ushers Alex McKenzie, Rob Van Derbur
GEC Stream Team Trevor Camargo, Ethan Seielstad, Karen Williamson,
Mizuki Williamson
Flowers Guild Hannah Palpant, Amelie Palpant
Altar Guild Janese Grady, Dawn Mellon, Patricia Meyer, Debbie Pullen,
Cathy St. Onge, Emmy Wang
Vestry Person of the Week Kathi Ferris



Prayer List

For healing and comfort: Edie Noland, Thomas Miller, Claire Wainwright,
Grace Boyd, Jackson Clune, Mireya, Jessie Barrett, John Coppack, Michelle,
Suzy Hageman
For strength & guidance: Kayla St. Onge, Audra Montoya, Sam & Stephanie Luna,
Corrine Miller, Steve & Debra Clune, Dawn Paradine, Tricia Coppack
For those serving in the military: Chad Donohoe ~ U.S. Navy, Nelson Acosta ~ U.S.
Air Force, Sgt. Mitchell Bennett ~ Army, Adam Corona Jr. ~ U.S. Air Force,
Seth Tradel ~ U.S. Navy,

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

1 – Gregg Martin	20 – Rick Sandona	25 - Lucie Pelleriti
8 – Janet Kawamoto	22 – Travis Lippert	26 - Cathy St. Onge
11 – Mizuki Williamson	23 - Denise Barcelo	30 – Karl Davis
14 – Stacey Aldrete	23 – Alysha Kawamoto	30 – Barbara Dexter
	23 – Tim Seielstad	

OCTOBER ANNIVERSARIES

Catie and Jared Anders – 10
Ann and Doug Jones – 29 ~ Laurel and Alex McKenzie - 12