

# St. Peter's Parish Church

## The Keys

## April - May 2017

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### From the Rector's Desk

This is the April-May issue of THE KEYS: from the fifth Sunday in Lent through the seventh Sunday after Easter. In between we find The Sunday of the Passion: Palm Sunday, Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, and Easter Sunday: the Day of Resurrection. This is being written just before the first Sunday in Lent, so for me as I write it's a three-month period that goes from solemnity and sorrow to joy and gladness.

Lent: early Christians observed "a season of penitence and fasting" as they prepared for the Paschal feast (BCP, pp. 264-265). The word "Lent" comes from an Old English word meaning "spring," the season of lengthening days. Originally, in places where Easter was celebrated on Sunday, the Paschal Feast was preceded by a two-day fast. In the third century that fast was expanded to six days, and eventually to forty days, imitating Christ's period of fasting in the wilderness. It was a period in which converts to the faith were prepared for baptism, and those who were guilty of notorious sin(s) were prepared for being restored to the fellowship of the faithful. Not knowing many people who are up to a forty-day fast, I rather suspect that this fast was much like Ramadan, the Muslim holy month, in which the fast covers only daylight hours.

Then, about the year 600 A.D., Pope Gregory "transmogrified" that period into what we now know as Lent: the forty days (excluding Sundays) from Ash Wednesday through Holy Saturday. In the Prayer Book, all Christians are invited "to the observance of a holy Lent, by self-examination and repentance; by prayer, fasting, and self-denial; and by reading and meditating on God's holy Word" (BCP, p. 265).

Then comes Maundy Thursday, part of the *Triduum*, or three holy days before Easter. The name comes from the Latin *mandatum novum*, the "new commandment referred to in *John 13:34*.<sup>1</sup> The celebration commemorates the institution of the Eucharist by Jesus on "the night in which he was betrayed" (BCP, p. 334). At the end of the service the altar is stripped and all decorative furnishings removed from the church.

Good Friday begins with Morning Prayer, followed by the Stations of the Cross at noon. Sometimes called "The Way of the Cross," it is a devotion to the Passion of Christ recalling a series of events at the end of his life, from his condemnation to his burial. The number of stations for prayer and meditation have varied, but fourteen is the usual number. Good Friday ends with a proper liturgy for the day, including John's account of the Passion, intercessions known as the solemn collects (that date from ancient Rome), and finally devotions before the cross, sometimes called "the veneration of the cross."

The culmination comes with Easter, the feast of the resurrection. It is sometimes called in the fine print "the eighth day of creation," which is why many baptismal fonts have eight sides. Faith in the resurrection is at the heart of Christian faith and belief. Then from the "forty days of Lent" we move into "the great fifty days" of Easter, which end on Pentecost, the fiftieth day after Easter, falling on June 4 this year.

Faithfully,

Paul †



<sup>1</sup>[Jesus said,] "I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another."

## Warden's Corner

Communication is the key! I think most would agree that often times concerns or misunderstandings occur because of poor communication—whether it's at your workplace or within your family or within your church family. Because we are a rural church, communication is even more challenging. I encourage ALL newcomers (and others that have not yet done so) to visit our church website at [www.stpetersnewkent.org](http://www.stpetersnewkent.org), double click on the home page where it says, "Stay in touch: Sign Up for our Newsletter," and submit your e-mail address. You will receive many forms of communication: the bimonthly newsletter—THE KEYS, *The Weekly E-Pistle*, major announcements such as our recent "Five Marks of Love" Lenten Program, birth/death announcements, church closings due to inclement weather, and more. If you would like to include a church-related announcement in *The Weekly E-Pistle* issued Wednesdays, please e-mail your announcement to Joyce Molina ([joyce.molina@verizon.net](mailto:joyce.molina@verizon.net)) by 10 am Tuesday morning.

Visit our church website, [www.stpetersnewkent.org](http://www.stpetersnewkent.org), to learn more about St. Peter's, including our policies, ministries/commissions, Stewardship/Planned Giving, history, events calendar, and photos. Please take a minute to review the Planned Giving information since it is a relatively new effort of St. Peter's. Simply go to our home page, look under the "Giving" tab, then click on "Planned Giving." There is a great video and varied information about legacy gifts.

Everyone will receive a letter from your Vestry Representative. Please feel free to contact your designated Vestry Representative, any other Vestry member, or our Rector with any St. Peter's question/concern. I welcome your e-mail, phone call or face-to-face chat. You may contact me at [mayoval@aol.com](mailto:mayoval@aol.com) or 909-3535.

I have been attending St. Peter's for almost 30 years. It has become a very special place for me to worship, to meet so many wonderful people, and to assist with many of our ministries. I feel honored to serve as your Senior Warden for 2017 and truly want to hear from you. Communication is the key!

~May O'Leary, Senior Warden



### 2017 Vestry Wardens & Commission Representatives

*Senior Warden* - May O'Leary  
*Junior Warden* - Matt Danielson  
*Buildings and Grounds* - Abbitt Woodall  
*Christian Education* - Carol Nelms  
*Congregational Care* - Kim Filipowicz  
*Outreach* - Matt Danielson  
*Parish Life* - Carrie Evelyn  
*Stewardship* - Linwood Gregory  
*Worship* - Bill Lindsey

Our *Treasurer*, Stuart Burnett, also serves on Vestry for 2017.

## 2017 Vestry



Front Row: May, Carrie, Carol, Kim  
 Back Row: Linwood, Abbitt, Stuart, Fr. Paul, Bill, Matt





**St. Peter's Parish Church**

The Reverend Dr. S. Paul Rowles, *rector*  
 Joyce H. Molina, *organist and choirmaster*  
 Sherri W. Hardiman, *parish administrator*  
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 Matt Danielson, Junior Warden

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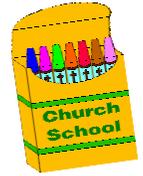
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 Catherine Stanley, *EYC Advisor*  
 Carol Nelms, *Church School Superintendent*

# Christian Education



## Church School News

A "flutter" of activity has occurred in the Church School wing as the children have prepared crafts for this year's Lenten sale to benefit "The Butterfly Fund." (See our display in the Parish House foyer.) Mark your calendars for Sunday, April 9 when you will be able to purchase delicious bag lunches, handmade crafts from the children, and artwork from our St. Peter's parishioners!

All children are invited to participate in an Easter Egg hunt on the church grounds following the 11 am service on Easter Day. Please bring a basket or bag to collect eggs. We would also appreciate your help in donating wrapped candy in plastic eggs. You may place your donations in a marked bucket in the Parish House foyer beginning Sunday, April 2. There will be no Church School on Easter Day, but the following Sunday, April 23, we will enjoy playing Easter games during the 10 o'clock hour.

The last day for Church School will be Sunday, May 21. Youth Sunday will be June 4 at 10 am. This is a wonderful day when we recognize the graduating seniors and celebrate our youth!

~ Carol Nelms, Church School Superintendent

**Youth Choir**

Our youth will sing on Palm Sunday, April 9 at the 11 am service! Finally, the last time for them to sing this Church School year will be on Youth Sunday, June 4 at the 10 am service.

Practice dates are scheduled for May 7 and May 14 at 10:30 am. We hope to see you there!

~ Joyce Molina and Carol Nelms



## St. Peter's Nursery on Easter Day

Nursery time on Easter Sunday, April 16, will begin AFTER the Flowering of the Cross inside the church. All children will participate in the flowering, meet under the tower after the flowering, and be escorted to the Parish House by the nursery volunteer for the remainder of the worship service time.

~ Sherri Hardiman, Parish Administrator

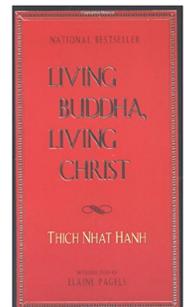
## Adult Forum

The Adult Forum class will reconvene on Sunday, April 23 at 10 am in the Mullins Room. Rod Molina has volunteered to lead the class discussion on April 23 and April 30. I will be back to take the class to its end in May.

We completed Chapter 4 of LIVING BUDDHA, LIVING CHRIST. So we will start Chapter 5 on April 23.

Blessings,

~ Steve von Hitritz



# Congregational Care

## Congregational Care Ministry

Overall, this ministry is in charge of visiting and contacting our home parishioners, sending exam kits to our college students, mailing birthday cards to our parishioners, and serving on our Prayer Chain Ministry. If God is calling you to share your talents by being part of this amazing ministry, please contact Kim Filipowicz at 804-400-2369 or at [kfilipowicz@traditionalclubs.com](mailto:kfilipowicz@traditionalclubs.com).

### Military Parishioners

As you will see in our service leaflet, we have a current list of 21 parishioners serving in our military. This seems like a great opportunity to show our appreciation and spread God's word by sending them items from St. Peter's. If God is calling you to be our coordinator of this ministry, please contact Kim Filipowicz.



### Home Parishioners

Thank you for the assistance of our EYC (Catherine Peterson, Christine Best, Clayton Evelyn, Trevor Evelyn and Jack Swynford) and Steve Miles for helping to deliver our Love Boxes to our home parishioners. Thirteen home parishioners received our Love Boxes which contained the following: delicious homemade cookies by May O'Leary, handmade Valentines from our young Church School students (thanks for the assistance of their teacher, Carrie Evelyn!), a gift of a Martha's Gift Shoppe "key," FORWARD DAY BY DAY, 2017 LENTEN MEDITATIONS and service leaflets. Thank you for everyone's helping hands to make this project such a huge success!

### College Parishioners

We periodically send our college parishioners cards and FORWARD DAY BY DAY booklets. During the weeks before their exams, we send each student an "exam kit" filled with edible treats, fun little toys, highlighters, note pads, and handmade cards from our Church School students. They may not be here every Sunday, but they are certainly not forgotten! This year we have 10 students—so if you want to donate items for our exam kits (financial donation or non-food items), please place the item in Ann Bradshaw's mailbox in the vestment room. And as always, prayers are always welcomed.



### Prayer Chain Ministry

The St. Peter's Prayer Chain Ministry is a group of people who have been called to the ministry of praying for others. They have committed themselves to pray regularly, confidentially, and individually for the people and concerns that are requested of them. Welcome new members: May O'Leary, Bill Lindsey, Linwood Gregory, Matt Danielson, Abbitt Woodall, Carrie Evelyn, and Martha Danielson. Is God calling you to join our Prayer Chain Ministry? Want to witness the power of prayer? We uplift prayers for family members, friends, coworkers, and residents of the community so no one has to carry their burdens alone. Please contact Kim Filipowicz if you wish to join us.

~ Kim Filipowicz, Congregational Care Vestry Representative

## Matthew's Haven

**Trash & Treasures!** That's our upcoming fundraiser on Saturday, April 29 (rain date May 6) from 8 am -12 noon. George Pinelli has been gracious to allow us the use of his yard at Source Hardware (New Kent Hwy. in Quinton, next to For Kids Only daycare). This sale is open to the public and will be advertised county-wide. So start your spring cleaning now!

How can I help?

Help us get the word out via friends, neighborhood websites, Facebook, etc.

Donate items for the sale, which are tax deductible.

Donate your time: sorting and pricing items, set-up and take-down, and/or work the event.

Attend the sale—and find some treasures!

You may leave your items in the Matthew's Haven room or coordinate with any one of our volunteers to bring your items to our storage unit. For larger items, please contact us directly through any volunteer or leave a message at 932-4846, option #3.

Donations ideas include: linens, kitchen items, small appliances, dishes, glassware, utensils, tools, gardening tools, bikes, toys, baby equipment, curtains, bedding, book shelves, side tables, chairs, DVDs, adult and children's clothing, lamps, rugs, framers, décor items, wall art, purses, shoes, exercise items and more! (Items should be GENTLY USED with no signs of long term use/wear. Thank you!)

We CANNOT accept: TVs, computers, monitors, printers, mattresses or box springs, and car seats. (Please CALL or CONTACT a volunteer if you are in doubt or need help with an item.)

**Did you know there are several ways to help us fundraise?** Below are just a couple of ways.

**Rite Aid Wellness +Plenti Card:** Please designate Matthew's Haven as your designated charity for your "round-up change" at Rite Aid. Once enrolled, this will happen automatically at the register. Your small change adds up AND they match every \$500! Thank you in advance! You may sign up at: [www.riteaid.com/kidcents](http://www.riteaid.com/kidcents).

**Amazon Smile:** Do you order from Amazon? That's what we thought! If you ALWAYS go through [smile.amazon.com](http://smile.amazon.com) to place your orders (and you have designated Matthew's Haven as your charity), we will receive .5% of your orders. It's really that simple!

~ Catherine Pierce

## **16<sup>th</sup> Annual St. Peter's Golf Tournament** ~ Register Now & Volunteer! ~



Mark your calendars for June 30—when St. Peter's will host its 16<sup>th</sup> Annual St. Peter's Golf Tournament at Brickshire Golf Club, with a 9 am shotgun start. This is an extremely fun day, especially because our youth are on site to help load your golf clubs on the carts, manage multiple hole contests, serve breakfast and lunch, and distribute the awards to our winners!

Our registration fee is \$95 per person or \$380 per foursome. The registration fee includes: 18 holes of golf (plus tax and gratuity), cart, unlimited range balls, homemade hot breakfast biscuit buffet, delicious lunch, complimentary beverages during the round, and fun hole contests with prizes. It sure would enhance our event if an "All-Ladies Team" participates this year. Come and join us! Please pick up and complete your registration/sponsorship forms located in the Parish House foyer.

There are several ways to actively support this golf tournament via: hole sponsorship, practice range assistant, putting contest assistant, and beverages/snack sponsor. For those who like to shop, consider donating raffle items, prizes, and gift bag items. Best of all, simply volunteer to assist on June 20. You do not need to be knowledgeable in the game of golf to be a volunteer. If you have helped in the past and have time to help again this year, please consider joining our golf committee. All proceeds from the golf tournament benefit our youth attending the Youth Mission Trip to Thornwell Home in Clinton, South Carolina this July. So, the more volunteers, the more successful our golf tournament will be to benefit our youth.

Please contact Kim Filipowicz at 804-400-2369 or [kfilipowicz@traditionalclubs.com](mailto:kfilipowicz@traditionalclubs.com) for more information. Let's continue to generate success of this wonderful fundraiser!

~ Kim Filipowicz, Chair

# Parish Life

## Honoring the Graduates



St. Peter's 2017 high school and college graduates will be honored in the June/July issue of THE KEYS. A form is available to collect the pertinent information about each graduate. Copies will be available in the Parish House foyer and in the church.

We are very proud of our graduates and want to publicize their accomplishments. So, graduates or someone close to them, please complete a form and place it in the Parish Administrator's mailbox in the vesting room before May 7 so we may include this information in the salute to graduates.

June 4 has been designated as Youth Sunday. On this important day, our youth will assist with the 10 am service, Church School awards will be given, and we will recognize our soon-to-be high school graduates and recent college graduates. Everyone will be invited to a special reception that follows the service.

~ Sherri Hardiman, Parish Administrator

## Camp Chanco

As stated on Camp Chanco's website:

Chanco on the James is a retreat center for youth and adults as well as one of the longest running summer camp programs in Virginia. It is situated on 125 acres of woods surrounded by natural wildlife along the James River.

Our location in Surry County, Virginia is a short ferry ride away from historic Jamestown and Colonial Williamsburg. An outdoor ministry of the Episcopal Diocese of Southern Virginia, Chanco is a spiritual place for rest, relaxation and rejuvenation.

We offer Christian hospitality to guests of all ages, races, and denominations and we welcome the opportunity to share God's love as revealed in the beauty of creation.

Chanco is a perfect location for church retreats, corporate groups, youth programs, and families who want a remote location to relax, learn, and connect. Sandy beaches, excellent dining, and peaceful accommodations will make you feel like you are staying at a private resort.

We also offer an ACA accredited summer camp program for youth ages 8-16. The residential camp offers a wealth of traditional activities, including high and low ropes courses, zip lining, archery, pool activities, swimming, canoeing, kayaking, and sailing, as well as nature instruction and arts and crafts classes. Meeting new friends, learning new things, living away from home in Christian community all make camp a valuable experience for youth of all ages.

Mark your calendars for these important dates: Open House for interested summer campers is on May 7 from 1-5 p.m. and it is free! Also, May Weekend for grades 6-12 is on May 19-21.

Visit the website at [Chanco.org](http://Chanco.org) for more information or you may contact me, your representative, at 932-5078 or at [nkevelyn@verizon.net](mailto:nkevelyn@verizon.net).

~ Carrie Evelyn, Camp Chanco Parish Representative



## Health & Safety Fair Chickahominy Area Triad Spring Fling

Seniors 55+ are invited to attend a health and safety fair on Tuesday, April 4 from 9:30 am – 2 pm at Corinth Baptist Church, 11650 New Kent Highway. This is a free event with lunch provided. Reservations are needed! Call Pat Armbrust at 804-932-3893 or 822-3062. Or contact Nancy Goodman at 966-1853, extension 5123 by March 24.

~ Nancy Goodman



## Festive Easter Coffee Hour

On Easter Sunday, April 16, the Fellowship Committee will host a Festive Coffee Hour in Richardson Hall, BETWEEN the services. Please stay after the 9 am service or come early for the 11 am service for this Festive Coffee Hour.

Please bring a finger food to share. This will be a great time for worshippers from both services to greet each other and to join in a time of fellowship on this glorious Easter Day!

~ The Fellowship Committee



## Souper Bowl of Caring Thanks

Thanks to everyone who donated to the Souper Bowl of Caring! The youth of St. Peter's collected \$440 and a significant amount of non-perishable foods. All of the donations were given to the New Kent Food Bank, so families in our community will benefit from the donations. Thank you all for your generous support.

~ Catherine Stanley, EYC Advisor

## 6th Annual Soup Cook-off & Family Games Night

Our 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Soup Cook-Off & Family Games Night was an evening of fellowship, food, friends, and fun! Thank you to our eight soup makers: Lee Tyson, Carrie Evelyn, Catherine Stanley, Bruce Lange, Jess Fowler, Edna Christian, Paul & Cynthia Rowles, and Tom & Patrick Evelyn.



### Congratulations to our Winners:

- 1<sup>st</sup> Place – Bruce Lange – Grandma's Chicken Noodle
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place – Jess Fowler – Authentic Brunswick County Stew
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Place – Catherine Stanley – Chicken Tortilla Soup



We hope to get the recipes of the winning soups to post on our bulletin board. A special thank you to Emily Clay Evelyn for making her scrumptious rolls, and thank you to Kurt Boestfleisch for making his homemade mini cupcakes.

After the Soup Cook-Off, we had two tables of Bridge and all kinds of games were played in Richardson Hall. Thank you to everyone who came out for a fun-filled evening of delicious soup and great fellowship!

~ The Fellowship Committee



Join the hunt at St. Peter's on Easter Day, April 16,  
following the 11 am service.

## Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper Success



Our Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper was again a success because of some very dedicated individuals. A big "THANK YOU" goes out to all involved in making the supper a wonderful one. A special thank you to Erica Holland for chairing the event this year! Also, John Holland, Margaret Best, Ben Evelyn, Cynthia Rowles, Charles Evelyn, and the Episcopal Youth Community (EYC) deserve recognition for their planning, time, and work benefiting the supper.

"Give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together and running over, will be poured into your lap. For with the measure you use, it will be measured to you." *Luke 6:38*

~ Carrie Evelyn, Parish Life Vestry Representative

**From the Parish Register**



**Baptisms**

Thomas Bailey Carmean, son of David and Jennifer Carmean, February 12, 2017  
Elizabeth Penny (Lizzie) Carmean, daughter of David and Jennifer Carmean, February 12, 2017  
Maddox James Settlemyre, infant son of Matt and Maggie Settlemyre, February 26, 2017

**Burial Offices**

Henry Gilbert Harris, January 21, 2017  
Barbara Gay Merrifield McKinney, March 20, 2017

**Committal**

Judith Emilie Kane Welch, December 17, 2016

**Transfers In**

Mark Wayne Goodin, from Hickory Neck Episcopal Church of Toano, Virginia  
Susan Hall Goodin from Hickory Neck Episcopal Church of Toano, Virginia  
Jesse Leroy Fowler, Jr. from Merchant's Hope Episcopal Church of North Prince George, Virginia  
Donna Burton Fowler from Merchant's Hope Episcopal Church of North Prince George, Virginia

*Worship*

**A Music Note**



**God is the Composer; I am the song."**

Throughout Lent the choir anthems and our congregational hymns have reinforced the scripture readings to help us, through music, to reflect upon and understand the somber meaning of this penury season of our liturgical year. Now we turn to April and the conclusion of Lent, Palm Sunday, Holy Week, glorious Easter Day, and the season of Easter.

On Palm Sunday we will do something a little different at the 11 am service. Rather than reading the Passion, we'll have a Service of Passion Readings and Music. There will be seven meditational readings and a hymn for each reading. The Youth Choir has prepared an anthem for this service: *Hosanna*.

I look forward to hearing your voices at our upcoming services. Remember, music expresses what words alone cannot accomplish. Keep singing!

~ *Joyce Molina, Organist and Choirmaster*

**Acolyte Training & Summer Acolyte Schedule**

Training and orientation for new St. Peter's acolytes, or any who would like a refresher, will be held Sunday, April 23 at 10:30 am in the church. We welcome all who are interested. If you want to learn more, please contact Steve Miles at 804-690-3002.



*Attention all acolytes and parents!* If you know your vacation schedule and that your children will not be available on certain Sundays, I would like to take those dates into consideration when developing the acolyte schedules for the summer Rotas. That will hopefully minimize trading between acolytes and finding last-minute substitutions. As you know, sometimes finding a replacement can be difficult.

Please e-mail me at [s.miles@suntrust.com](mailto:s.miles@suntrust.com) by May 1. Also, please be sure to check weekly the Rota posted online at [www.stpetersnewkent.org](http://www.stpetersnewkent.org). Thank you for your assistance with this very important worship role.

~ *Steve Miles*

# Stewardship

## Year-Round “Grateful and Responsible Use of God's Gifts” (Stewardship) Program

The word “stewardship” has a negative connotation for many people so I renamed it above. Did you know that with the leadership of our own Lisa Guthrie, St. Peter’s developed a year-round “Grateful and Responsible Use of God's Gifts” Program? Several years ago, Lisa took on a big mission to change our thinking and our process to a year-round program. Before this, we were all thinking of our Annual Giving Campaign in the fall as our only “Gifts” campaign—when we make our annual pledge to St. Peter’s. Now we have a year-round program consisting of three parts:

Our fall **Annual Giving Campaign** – making monetary gifts or pledges to St. Peter’s for ongoing operations (short-term needs); led well and effectively by Kent Bradshaw over the last two years.

Our **Planned Giving Campaign** – with the leadership and dedication of Bob Kay, the Planned Giving Committee was formed in the last two years to develop “Policies & Guidelines” for the Vestry to handle any legacy gift to St. Peter’s, including bequests in wills, life income gifts, life insurance policies, real estate, and other assets (learn more at [www.stpetersnewkent.org](http://www.stpetersnewkent.org), under “Giving”). These gifts fund our Endowment (St. Peter’s Foundation) for long-term funding for items such as construction projects.

Our **Time & Talent Campaign** is the final part of our year round “Gifts” Program. This is still in the development stage and we are looking for someone who would be willing to serve as the Chairperson to develop this ministry. The goal would be to serve as a clearing house to match parishioners (newcomers and regulars) with volunteer opportunities and to help commissions, guilds, and other ministries fill needs for volunteers within their organizations. While some efforts have been made in this area in the past, this is not currently an active ministry. Our church members can use their “time & talent” gifts to get involved in ministries such as **Outreach** (Matthew’s Haven, Youth Mission Trip, Annual Golf Tournament), **Worship** (Sidesman, Altar Guild, Acolytes, Lector/Intercessor leader, Choir), **Congregational Care** (attends to the spiritual needs of those parishioners who cannot attend regular worship services whether they are home parishioners or college parishioners), **Buildings & Grounds** (prepares and maintains the buildings and grounds — Garden Guild, Cemetery), **Parish Life** (encourages participation through fellowship of all parishioners – Fellowship Committee, Resource & Development Committee, EYC-Episcopal Youth Community, Newcomers), **Christian Education** (spiritual development in both children and adults – Church School, Nursery helpers, Christmas pageant, Vacation Bible School), and **Stewardship** (faithful stewardship of our gifts including time, talent & treasure, also known as work, wisdom & wealth, through our three parts of Stewardship).

If you would like to lead/help with our **Time & Talent Campaign** effort, please contact Paul or any Vestry member. I want to extend a special thank you to Lisa Guthrie who gave so much of her “time & talent” to develop our year-round “Grateful and Responsible Use of God's Gifts” Stewardship Program!

Finally, we learned the following prayer from Julie Simonton from the Diocese who assisted us in forming our year-round stewardship program:

My Church is composed of people like me. I help make it what it is. It will be friendly, if I am. Its pews will be filled, if I help fill them. It will do great work, if I work. It will make generous gifts to many causes, if I am a generous giver. It will bring other people into its worship and fellowship, if I invite and bring them. It will be a church of loyalty and love, of fearlessness and faith, and a church with a noble spirit, if I, who make it what it is, am filled with these same things. Therefore, with the help of God, I shall dedicate myself to the task of being all the things that I want my church to be.  
*Amen.*

~ May O’Leary, Stewardship Committee



## Remembering Those Serving Our Country

~ Near and Far ~



Edward Allen  
Chris Atkins  
Brandon Belcher  
Dylan Carter  
Zachary Crawford  
David Douglas  
James Ethington, Jr.  
Julio Gonzalez, Jr.  
Joseph Gruber  
Michael Hogge  
Chase Leftwich  
T.J. Lowe  
Christopher Minter  
Ashton McEacharn  
Christopher Quarles  
Andrew Schalk  
Richard Schalk  
Nolan Schultz  
Tristan Trivette  
Carson Tyson  
Brent Wolfe, II



## Observance of Holy Week

### *Palm Sunday*

April 9, Holy Eucharist, 9 and 11 am  
Art/Bag Lunch Sale, 10 am, Parish House

### *Maundy Thursday*

April 13, Liturgy of the Day, 7 pm

### *Good Friday*

April 14, Morning Prayer, 8:30 am  
Stations of the Cross, 12 noon  
Liturgy of the Day, 7 pm

### *Easter Day*

April 16, Holy Eucharist, 9 and 11 am  
Festive Coffee Hour between the  
two services  
No Christian Education

### *Easter Egg Hunt*

April 16, Following the 11 am service

## ***We Ask Your Prayers for Those in our parish family who are sick:***

Bob Carraway, Rollin Rosser, Sue Caldwell, Helen Talman, Jean Mansfield, Donna Wright, Bob Kay, Fred Bahr, Julie Vaisvil, Karen Carraway, Kristine Hatley, ***and all others known and unknown.***

Steven Harrell, son of Sue Caldwell;  
Barbara Felts, sister of Major Mansfield;  
Mary Wilcox, friend of Miriam Ackley;  
Shirley Stone, grandmother of Millie Douglas;  
Minnie Brammer, mother of Lee Brammer;  
Aaron Platek, cousin of Adriane Marshall;  
Carolyn and Klara Globig, friends of Ann Bradshaw;  
Harmony Glenn, friend of Kathy Lindsey;  
Linda Hodgson, cousin of Amy O'Keefe;  
Abbie Schaub, friend of St. Peter's;  
Eileen Williams, friend of Sally Smith;  
James Rose, brother-in-law of Jeff Fazio;  
Ruth Ann Troxell, friend of Paul & Cynthia Rowles;  
Kyle White, friend of Hawthorne & Loretta Davis;  
Rodney Ross, friend of Joyce & Steve Peterson;  
Lucille Cowins, mother of Kathy Lindsey;  
Rita Schalk, friend of Cynthia Rowles;  
Stella Zaja, friend of Lori Lindsey White;  
Boice Schultz, mother of Catherine Pierce;  
Chris Smith, friend of Terry Porter;  
Sherry Rebman, sister of Keith Wagner;  
Mary Calabrese, friend of Jeff & Denise Fazio;  
Gayle Ramsey, mother of Wanda Porter;  
Frank Sulloway, friend of Jeff Fazio;  
Paul Frey, friend of Boogie Davis;  
Constance Louise Finnerty, sister of Vicki Reus;  
Garrett White, cousin of Lori White's husband, David;  
Jenna White, friend of Hawthorne & Loretta Davis;  
Beth Taylor, cousin of Sally Smith;  
Harold Crisp, friend of Lee Tyson & Susan Cheyne;  
Judy Robertson, former parishioner;  
Jack Brannan, friend of St. Peter's;  
Arnold Moore, friend of Bill O'Keefe;  
Harriett Gallahan, cousin of Chrissy Wagner;  
Jimmy Hawthorne, friend of Tom Evelyn;  
Janie Wood, mother of Carrie Evelyn & Tony Wood;  
Kaylee Moore, great niece of Edna Christian;  
Ava Churchill, sister of Joyce Peterson;  
Glenn Schleede, friend of Bill O'Keefe;  
Hilde Janke, mother of Tobias Janke;  
Tami Wyse, godmother of Cameron Fazio.

***Give them courage and hope  
in their troubles and bring them the  
joy of your salvation.***



## April Birthdays



- 2 Patrick Evelyn
- 3 Nolan Schultz
- 5 Bruce Gregory
- 5 Lindsay Dombroski
- 7 Tom Evelyn
- 8 Blake Wood
- 10 Maggie Marshall
- 11 Jessica Evelyn
- 13 Abigail Barber
- 15 Thomas Marston
- 15 Joyce Molina
- 16 Ann Thomas Greer
- 16 Ben Evelyn
- 16 Larry Gallaher
- 16 Courtney Noctur
- 16 Sid Stanley
- 16 Carl Filipowicz
- 17 Julie Vaisvil
- 19 Madie Miles
- 19 Taylor Anne Evelyn
- 20 Karen Moore
- 22 Clifton Davis
- 22 Ainsley Allen
- 23 Haley Porter
- 24 Philipp von Hitritz
- 24 Steve Bradford
- 25 Stan Wells
- 25 Danica Kornreich
- 26 Margie Goodall
- 26 Mava Miles
- 27 Charlotte Woodall
- 27 Ella Danielson
- 29 Lilly Tyson
- 30 Neil Quimby





## Anniversary Blessings

April

- 1 Craig & Catherine Pierce
- 29 Bill & Kim McLean

May

- 2 Stuart & Cyndi Burnett
- 15 Keith & Chrissy Wagner
- 17 Bill & Amy O'Keefe
- 19 Evelyn Waring & Wayne Hayden
- 19 John & Vicki Reus
- 21 Steve & Mava Miles
- 21 Jonathan & Laura Moore
- 22 Jeff & Sheila Mitchell
- 24 Lee & Lindy Brammer
- 24 Larry & Janet Gallaher
- 26 Steven & Joyce Peterson
- 26 Matt & Maggie Settle mire



## May Birthdays

- 2 Liam Konstantine Simakhov
- 5 Charles Evelyn
- 5 Wayne Hayden
- 6 Koren Lewis
- 7 Stuart Burnett
- 7 Wanda Porter
- 7 Tyler Little Eagle
- 7 Harper Lindsey White
- 9 Lisa Guthrie
- 9 Ritchie Lipscomb
- 10 Robert (Bobby) Best
- 10 Adam Gillette
- 12 Ann Townsend Woodall
- 13 Lee Brammer
- 13 Wilson Gregory
- 14 Jayne Thomas Pinelli
- 14 Preston Martin
- 14 Evelyn Rose Gresko
- 17 Kendall Hatley
- 18 Elizabeth Shannon
- 19 Casey O'Leary
- 20 Becky Bradford
- 21 Mary Beth Madison
- 23 Marty Wells
- 24 Becky Woodall
- 24 Robert (Tom) Payne
- 26 Mark Whidden
- 27 Joyce Peterson
- 29 Ashton McEacharn
- 31 Allan Fabritz
- 31 Matt Settle mire



## Easter Offering Reminder

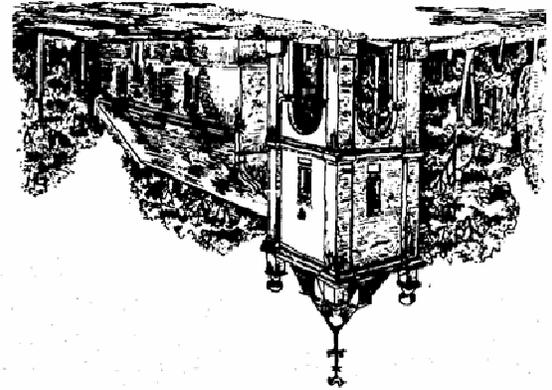
The 2017 special Easter Offering recipient is FeedMore. To learn more about this organization and the specific programs that they offer, please visit their informative website at [www.feedmore.org](http://www.feedmore.org). Please be generous in support of this worthwhile local outreach program.

~ The Vestry



# The Keys

Parish Founded 1679  
Church Erected 1701



RETURNED SERVICE REQUESTED

ST. PETER'S PARISH CHURCH  
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## Upcoming St. Peter's Events To Note

### April 2017

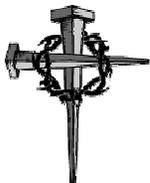
- 3 Clopton Scholarship Deadline
  - 3 Easter Flower Sign-up Deadline
  - 6 Final Affairs Faire, 7 pm in Richardson Hall
  - 9 Palm Sunday Art/Bag Lunch Sale, 10 am
  - 13 Maundy Thursday, Liturgy of the Day, 7 pm
  - 14 Good Friday
    - Morning Prayer, 8:30 am
    - Stations of the Cross, 12 noon
    - Liturgy of the Day, 7 pm
  - 15 Decorating Church for Easter, 9 am
  - 16 Easter Day
    - No Christian Education
    - Easter Egg Hunt Follows 11 am Service
  - 17 Church Office Closed for Easter Holiday
  - 17 Vestry, 6:30 pm
  - 23 Acolyte Training, 10:30 am in the Church
  - 29 MH Trash & Treasure Sale at Source Hardware
- Choir Meets Wednesdays at 7 pm

### May 2017

- 4 Last Day for Submissions to June/July THE KEYS
  - 14 Mother's Day
  - 15 Vestry, 6:30 pm
  - 20 Relay for Life, NKHS, 1-10 pm
  - 21 Clopton Reception Following the 11 am Service
  - 28 Summer Schedule Begins, One Service at 10 am
    - No Christian Education
  - 29 Church Office Closed for Memorial Day
  - 30 Church Office Summer Hours Begin
- Choir Meets Wednesdays at 7 pm

### June 2017

- 4 Youth Sunday
- 18 Father's Day
- 19-22 Week 1 - R.E.A.L. Camp, Richardson Hall
- 23 Townsend/Brown Rehearsal, 5 pm
- 24 Townsend/Brown Wedding, 3:30 pm
- 26-29 Week 2 - R.E.A.L. Camp, Richardson Hall
- 30 16th Annual Golf Tournament at Brickshire, 9 am



“Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son so that the Son may glorify you, since you have given him authority over all people,” to give eternal life to all whom you have given him.

*John 17:1b-2*