

St. Peter's Parish Church

The Keys

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From the Rector's Desk

Several of you have begun asking who it is that will be filling in for me whilst I'm away on sabbatical. So although there's still some negotiating to be done, and even though his name is not quite yet on the dotted line, let me introduce you to St. Peter's "locum tenens"—the "placeholder" or supply priest who will be here from May 1 through July 31: The Reverend Dr. John Douglas Wigner, Jr., a native of Baltimore, Maryland (as was my father), son of John D. and Bernice J. Wigner. He graduated from VPI (now known as Virginia Tech) in 1965 with a B.S., from Virginia Theological Seminary in 1972 with an M.Div., and in 2007 again from VTS with a D.Min. He also holds a certificate from General Theological Seminary. He was ordained a Deacon on May 27, 1972, and a Priest on May 13, 1973, both by The Right Reverend Robert Bruce Hall, who was at that time Bishop of Virginia. On November 28, 1987, he married Nancy Hein. They have two children.

Doug has had a long and varied career. He served as Rector of St. Paul's Church, Lynchburg, Virginia, from 1997 until his retirement in 2009. In gratitude for his service, St. Paul's named him Rector Emeritus. He also served as Rector of St. Peter's Parish Church (that's us!) from 1990-1997. Before that he was the interim associate at St. John's, Stamford, Connecticut, 1986-1989; Rector of St. Paul's, Woodbury, Connecticut, 1977-1986; associate at St. Christopher's, Springfield, Virginia, 1974-1977; and as curate at the Church of the Holy Comforter, Vienna, Virginia, 1972-1974. Since his retirement he has served as supply priest both long-term and short-term for several churches in the Richmond area, most notably Christ Church, Glen Allen.

He has also served a number of diocesan positions. Without going into particulars, let me list only these: Standing Committee, Long-Range Planning Committee, Board of Examining Chaplains, Commission on Ministry, Dean of his Region, Alternate Deputy to General Convention, Resolutions Committee, Executive Board, Committee on Church Revitalization, and Trustee of Virginia Theological Seminary. It makes me tired just reading the list!

The Vestry and Doug are still working out their agreement, as I said, but he's not here to fix anything or change anything. He's here to see "the Word duly preached and the Sacraments rightly administered." The Vestry will be in charge of day-to-day operations. Life will continue as normal. He will celebrate the Sunday Services—two each Sunday through May 22, and one each Sunday beginning May 29. Doug will conduct funerals and visit hospitals, and probably spend one half-day in the office each week. But again, that's all tentative and still being finalized.

On a different subject, by the time you read this our Annual Congregational Meeting will have come and gone. You will have heard various people tell you what went on at St. Peter's in 2015, and how St. Peter's affected life in our community and in the wider world. A financial report will have been given and the 2016 budget presented. We will have thanked the outgoing Vestry members for their three-year terms of service: Kristin Swynford, our Senior Warden; Steve Miles, our Junior Warden and Worship Commission Representative; and Chrissy Wagner, our Christian Education Commission Representative. All of them have done outstandingly well. We will have also elected their replacements: Matt Danielson, Bill Lindsey, and Abbitt Woodall, and we welcome them to their new Vestry terms. A new year full of opportunities and challenges lies ahead of us. We do so with an excellent staff, for whom I am tremendously grateful: Sherri Hardiman, our Parish Administrator, who does more than anyone realizes and without whom the wheels would grind to a halt; Joyce Molina, our Organist and Choirmaster, who has brought new life and energy to our music program; Brenda Clark, our Sexton, who is often unseen but whose work is both visible and greatly appreciated; and Zoe Wallace, our part-time nursery worker and newest employee, whom we are very happy to have onboard.

Faithfully,

Paul †



Wardens' Corner



Easter Offering

Get into the Mix in 2016

How things have changed! While on Christmas break I was berating my young adults about the way they were constantly on their phones or e-mail accounts or FaceTime or Facebook accounts and giving them a lecture about how when I was their age there was no such thing as a mobile phone. They responded with, "Dad, you are *so* old!" I continued with how important and effective face-to-face communications can be while dealing with important matters and stressed that they will better understand this as they mature. My challenge for these young adults and **you** is to take the time to sit down with others for planning, discussing difficult issues, and sharing ideas. And, as a result, **you** will feel the results.

Here at St. Peter's in 2015, I have had the opportunity and pleasure of serving as your Jr. Warden. During this time, I have had the chance to share in the responsibility of running St. Peter's and dealing with some challenging issues. It has been through effective communications (very long Vestry meetings) that much has been accomplished. The monthly Vestry meeting provides the time to agree to disagree, collaborate, and share ideas with the very best of St. Peter's, in mind and heart. In my years of serving on Vestry, I have not before experienced the strength of leadership that this Vestry exhibited. In a large part, it was due to the leadership expressed by our outgoing Sr. Warden, Kristin Swynford. I am grateful to have served during this time.

I could continue with many other examples of parishioners getting together "face-to-face" to accomplish great work at St. Peter's. I will ask everyone to become more involved and "Get into the Mix" in 2016—and put the mobile phone down.

Faithfully,

Steve Miles, Outgoing Junior Warden



The 2016 special Easter Offering has been designated to be divided equally between two recipients: Shrine Mont's *Shout It From the Mountain*, a capital campaign of the Episcopal Diocese of Virginia to support Shrine Mont Camps; and Proclaiming Grace Outreach, a faith-based nonprofit corporation 501(c)(3) located in New Kent. To learn more about these organizations, please visit their informative websites at ShoutItFromTheMountain.org and proclaiminggraceoutreach.com.

You will soon receive a special letter with more detail and an Easter offering envelope. Please be generous in support of these two worthwhile outreach programs.

~ *The Vestry*



St. Peter's Parish Church

The Reverend Dr. S. Paul Rowles, *rector*
Joyce H. Molina, *organist and choirmaster*
Sherri W. Hardiman, *parish administrator*
Stuart R. Burnett, *clerk & treasurer*
Susan G. Sitterson, *assistant treasurer*
David A. Swynford, *verger*
Ann O. Bradshaw, *register*

The Vestry

Wardens to Be Determined

Class of 2017

Ben Evelyn (804-615-4558)
Catherine Pierce (966-9057)
Terry Porter (804-314-0284)

Class of 2018

Stuart Burnett (932-3925)
Carol Nelms (932-4175)
May O'Leary (932-3354)

Class of 2019

Matt Danielson (557-3365)
Bill Lindsey (757-566-8132)
Abbott Woodall (932-3758)

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Stacey Wood, *EYC Advisor*
Carol Nelms, *Church School Superintendent*

Worship

A Music Note: A Beautiful Noise

Remember those 70° days back in December? It was mid-December and I took a break from rehearsing for the upcoming services to enjoy a few minutes of sunshine. Looking out over the Meditation Garden I expected to have a bit of peace and quiet. Well, it wasn't to be. It quickly became anything but quiet. The lawn service company arrived, started up the mowers, and the leaf blowers made their way across the lawn. It made me think of how we are a working church, not a private memorial. I imagined how Neil Diamond could write a song about the beautiful noise of a church at work.

Speaking of beautiful noises—I hope that you agree our Lessons & Carols and Christmas Eve services were beautiful. We have great talent at St. Peter's and it is a joy to help bring those talents to our worship services. Our choir is growing and they are singing joyfully. It took courage for our Christmas Eve soloists to step up and stand alone. They all were wonderful. The Youth Choir stepped up as well, joining the Adult Choir to sing a more complex song than what they've done in the past. We are blessed to have so many youth who enjoy singing and we thank the parents who make sure they get to rehearsals. The congregation singing out—what better sound is there than that?

There are many and a variety of talents at St. Peter's and we are a church family at work. The Christmas Pageant transformed the church to the stable at Bethlehem—even with the detail of fresh straw, the youth delivered their lines with confidence, the Altar Guild and volunteers carefully placed each piece of fruit and handmade greenery, many children received Christmas presents, shoeboxes were filled, cards sent, meals prepared, visits made, and the list goes on and on. With all this work, sometimes it gets a bit noisy and that's okay. The Light shines on St. Peter's and the sound of a church at work is a beautiful noise.

*It's a beautiful noise
Made of joy and of strife
Like a symphony played
By the passing parade
It's the music of life*
Neil Diamond

~ Joyce Molina, Organist and Choirmaster

Lenten Devotional Booklets

2016 LENTEN MEDITATIONS, devotional booklets provided by Episcopal Relief & Development, have been ordered for parishioners to use this year.



These booklets will be available Ash Wednesday, February 10, at the 12 noon and the 7 pm services and again on Sunday, February 14. There are enough copies for everyone.

~ Sherri Hardiman, Parish Administrator

Altar Guild Invitation & Easter Flowers Sign-up



Come join us on Saturday, March 26 to decorate St. Peter's for our Easter celebration. All ages are welcome!

There will be Easter Flower sign-up sheets in the Parish House foyer and in the back of the church. Each plant will be \$10 each and may be purchased in memory, thanksgiving, or in honor of loved ones. Please remember to PRINT when signing up in either of the two sign-up locations.

The sign-up deadline is Wednesday, March 14.

~ Kim McLean, Altar Guild Chair &
Sherri Hardiman, Parish Administrator

Observance of Holy Week

Palm Sunday

March 20, Holy Eucharist, 9 and 11 am
Art/Bag Lunch Sale, 10 am, Parish House
No Adult Education

Maundy Thursday

March 24, Liturgy of the Day, 7 pm

Good Friday

March 25, Morning Prayer, 8:30 am
Stations of the Cross, 12 noon
Liturgy of the Day, 7 pm

Easter Egg Hunt

March 26, 2 pm

Easter Day

March 27, Holy Eucharist, 9 and 11 am
Festive Coffee Hour between the
two services
No Christian Education





Outreach

15th Annual St. Peter's Golf Tournament ~ Will YOU Volunteer?

Mark your calendars now, as St. Peter's will host its 15th Annual St. Peter's Golf Tournament at Brickshire Golf Club on Friday, May 6, with a 1 pm shotgun start. This is an extremely fun event! You do not need to be knowledgeable in the game of golf to be a volunteer of our annual golf tournament. 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 annual mission trip. The more volunteers, the more successful our golf tournament will be for our youth.

Here are several ways that you can help our youth: be a sponsor, donate an item for our raffle, donate prizes for our winners, donate gift bag items, and/or volunteer at the event. The entry fee is \$95 per person; it includes: 18-holes green fee, 18-holes cart fee, proshop prize fund, unlimited range balls, lunch, dinner, four-drink tickets, tax and gratuity. Similarly, the entry fee for a foursome is only \$380.

For more information, please contact Kim Filipowicz at 804-400-2369 or kfilipowicz@traditionalclubs.com. Let's continue to generate success of this wonderful fundraiser!

~ *Kim Filipowicz, Chair*



2015 Christmas Offering Raises \$3,644

Thanks to contributions from more than forty families, the 2015 Christmas Offering raised \$3,644 which will benefit Matthew's Haven. The Christmas offering will be combined with a contribution of \$1,356 from the 2015 St. Peter's Oyster Roast, to fulfill Matthew's Haven requirement to raise \$5,000 in matching funds to allow their use of a \$5,000 Church Revitalization Grant from the Diocese of Virginia.

The families of St. Peter's are blessed to be able to assist others through our 2015 Christmas Offering support of Matthew's Haven. If you would like to see what Matthew's Haven accomplishes with your gift, contact Catherine Pierce to volunteer as a Matthew's Haven helper. Thank you very much for your generosity and support of our 2015 Christmas Offering!

~ *Stuart Burnett, Treasurer*



Louise Miller Clopton and William Boyd Clopton Memorial Scholarship

William B. Clopton established a scholarship fund at St. Peter's Parish Church as a memorial to his wife, Louise Miller Clopton, and his son, William Boyd Clopton. Grants from the fund are made to graduating seniors from New Kent High School or graduating seniors who are active members of St. Peter's.

Each year, up to \$4,000 in scholarships are administered by St. Peter's and awarded to students who demonstrate strong moral character, religious involvement, community service, motivation, academic success, and financial need. The scholarship award is for one year only.

Again this year, we are announcing this scholarship opportunity to our community.

The application deadline is April 1. Applications are available at New Kent High School and St. Peter's Parish Church.

~ *Bill O'Keefe, Chair*
Clopton Scholarship Committee



Matthew's Haven

Give a Child a Christmas

Matthew's Haven would like to give a BIG THANK YOU to all of the parishioners who sponsored a child for our 2015 Give a Child a Christmas! Matthew's Haven was blessed to have been able to make Christmas a little brighter this year for a total of 83 local children. Providence Forge Presbyterian Church also supported us by sponsoring 17 of those children, while Matthew's Haven sponsored 13 children.



KidCents

WE NEED YOUR HELP for an opportunity for us to earn a \$20,000 grant from the Rite Aid Foundation to benefit our nonprofit so we can continue to support our local area children in need. Matthew's Haven still needs your help. Initially, we set a goal of 150 new designations targeting \$15,000 worth of grants. At the last reporting from Rite Aid, we have 148 new designations! So we are now setting ourselves a new goal of 300 designations for \$20,000! We only have until **JANUARY 31, 2016** to accomplish our goal, so PLEASE, PLEASE HELP US. All you have to do is sign in and select Matthew's Haven as your charity—that's IT!

A huge thank you to those who filled out the forms and signed up at St. Peter's. Those forms can now be found in the Matthew's Haven mailbox in the Vesting Room. You can complete one and leave it in the envelope for us to sign you up. You can also give these forms to your family and friends; then bring them back to us and we'll do the work for them too. Or you can always go to www.kidcents.com, click on the pink button (to start rounding up), and follow the prompts. Have your Wellness Card handy if you have one.

Please ask EVERYONE to join us. This is a nationwide program, so ask all of your family and friends (no matter where they live!) to sign up and designate Matthew's Haven as their charity! Don't forget your coworkers, book clubs, golf buddies, lunch buddies, neighbors, babysitters, and others. Thank you! If you have any questions, please contact May O'Leary, Margaret Best or me.

Volunteers Needed

Want to fulfill one of your New Year's resolutions? Want to use your Time and Talents to help others? We need YOU! Matthew's Haven continues to look for new volunteers. Whether you would like to help out occasionally or regularly, we would love to have you. Please contact me or visit our website at www.matthewshaven.org to learn more.

Items Needed

Matthew's Haven is accepting INFANT CLOTHING, both male and female, in sizes 0-12 months. All seasons are needed for our Baby Bundle program. We are also accepting infant towels, wash cloths, receiving blankets, socks, and any other gently used layette items.

We continue to need NEW UNDERGARMENTS for children of all sizes from toddler to teen, including socks, underwear, sports bras, t-shirts, etc. This is an ongoing collection effort as these items cannot be obtained through thrift or second-hand stores. If you are picking up some undergarments for your child, please consider purchasing an extra package for Matthew's Haven. Just place these donated items in the Matthew's Haven room.

If you would like a receipt for tax purposes, just let me know.

~ Catherine Pierce

~ Embracing Children in Need ~

Parish Life

Sweetheart Breakfast



The men of St. Peter's, led by Jeff Fazio, will prepare and serve a Sweetheart Breakfast on Sunday, February 7, at 10 am in Richardson Hall.

Everyone is invited to enjoy a "sweet" breakfast buffet. This will be in lieu of the regularly scheduled second Sunday Coffee Hour. A sign-up sheet is posted in the Parish House foyer. Please sign up soon to assist in the planning of this fun event.



Come and enjoy great food and fellowship, and celebrate Valentine's Day!

~ *The Fellowship Committee*

Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper



Shrove Tuesday is February 10. Please join us at 6 pm for all-you-can-eat pancakes, bacon, sausage, juice, and milk at our Pancake Supper. A sign-up sheet is posted in the Parish House foyer. Please be sure to sign up so we know how many to expect. The cost is \$5 per person or \$20 per family. Children under the age of five may eat for free!

EYC, please contact Stacey Wood at 804-363-9749 or Stacey@woodsbodyshop.com to let me know who is available to assist the Sunday before and on Shrove Tuesday. This Pancake Supper is benefitting future projects for the EYC.

~ *Stacey Wood, EYC Advisor*

Festive Easter Coffee Hour

On Easter Sunday, March 27, the Fellowship Committee will host a Festive Coffee Hour in Richardson Hall, BETWEEN the two services. Please stay after the 9 am service or come early for the 11 am service for this Festive Easter Coffee Hour.



Coffee Fellowship

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

~ *The Fellowship Committee*

The Rector's Cross ~ Awarded to Jeffrey Allen Fazio

Jeff grew up in Plymouth, Ohio, where he attended the local Catholic church and served as an altar boy (seriously!). He graduated from Eastern Kentucky University where he played college baseball. His career in hotel management after college took him from Kentucky to Roanoke, Virginia, where he met his wife of 35 years, Denise Fazio. They were married at St. Andrew's Catholic Church in Roanoke. Jeff's hotel career took them to North Carolina, back to Kentucky, and then to St. Croix in the U.S. Virgin Islands. In 2004, he left the hotel industry to start his own company, Bevinco, which provides inventory control services to restaurants and other food and beverage establishments.

Jeff and Denise moved to New Kent in 1997. At the suggestion of neighbors, the first church they visited in the area was St. Peter's, which became the *only* church in the area that they visited. In 1999, after almost 19 years of marriage, they were blessed with a son, William Cameron Fazio, who was baptized at St. Peter's. Jeff has been active in the Fellowship Committee at St. Peter's for a number of years, and has served as their Chair for the last four years. He willingly gives of his time to plan and prepare for many special St. Peter's events for all to enjoy! When he is not working or chauffeuring Cameron back and forth to school in Newport News, his interests include golf, soccer, travel, and a never ending list of home and yard projects.

~ *Fr. Paul*



History and Genealogy Corner



Sherry Hardiman, Parish Administrator, occasionally receives requests for genealogy research from all over the world from people who are or think they are descendants of people who have attended St. Peter's since 1679. St. Peter's has posted the Vestry Book, Parish Register, and our Cemetery Records online so that people can independently conduct their own research. However, sometimes Sherry receives requests from people who do not have internet access or just cannot do online research. In those cases, she forwards those requests to me. If they are mostly a "quick look-up," I will simply mail the information to the requestor. However, sometimes the requests are detailed. We received one such request in December.

A gentleman from Illinois claimed that he is a descendant of the Richardson family in New Kent County. As we know, our own Richardson Hall is named in honor of Richard Cunningham Richardson, former Commonwealth Attorney in New Kent. I volunteered to assist Mr. Richardson in his research. Therefore, I am asking members of the congregation of St. Peter's—if you have old records of the Richardson family in New Kent, would you contact me? Please e-mail me at svonhitritz@earthlink.net or just see me in Adult Forum or any other time at church. Thanks for your help!

~ Steve Von Hitritz

Souper Bowl of Caring

On Super Bowl Sunday, February 7, the EYC will once again participate in the Souper Bowl of Caring. As you may recall, the Souper Bowl of Caring is a national movement to combat hunger. Note, while many of us are watching football and enjoying our favorite foods with friends and family, others are struggling to feed their families.



The youth will be at the church doors, before and after services, to collect money for Souper Bowl. Checks may be made payable to "St. Peter's Parish Church," with "Souper Bowl of Caring" noted on the memo line. Designated checks may be given directly to Stacey Wood or placed in the Sunday offering. We will also be collecting non-perishable food items throughout the month of February to benefit our local New Kent Food Bank. Please bring your donations to the Parish House sometime before the end of the month and help support our neighbors in need. Thank you!

~ Stacey Wood, EYC Advisor

Family Games Night & Soup Cook-off



Our very popular Family Games Night & Soup Cook-off will be Friday, February 26. The Soup Cook-off begins at 6 pm and Games will start about 7 pm.

The Cook-off contest, always a huge success, is in its fifth year. Once again the category will be your favorite soup, which can be a soup, stew, chili or chowder. Each person attending will get to vote once for their favorite entry.

We will only accept the first 10 soup/chowder contestants, so please take note of this.

After the Cook-off, Richardson Hall will be transformed into our Games room, which will include Mexican Train Dominos, Pictionary, Rummikub, Scrabble, Phase 10, and other various board games and team games. You are invited to bring along your favorite game. There will be a separate and quieter room, for bridge. Remember, this is a *Family Games Night* and youth are encouraged to attend. Come out to an evening of good fellowship, great food, and, of course, friendly competition.

A sign-up sheet will be posted in the Parish House foyer. Can't attend both the Cook-off and Games? No problem—come to the one that you can attend. However, we hope that you can make both! Please contact May O'Leary (909-3535) with any questions.

~ The Fellowship Committee



News from R & D

Our Martha's Gift Shoppe has been moved! It is now in the church library. We have some new items in our shoppe: custom note cards from Vicki's garden and 2016 calendars. The black and white calendar photos were taken by three professional photographers that just happen to attend our church. Go by and check them out. We would like to thank all of you for your help in moving our very heavy cabinets, and for all of the sales this past year!

~ *The Resource & Development Committee*

Camp Chanco on the James

Camp Chanco on the James is our local Episcopal camp and conference center, located in Surry County. Registration for the 2016 Camps are now open. March 19 and May 15 from 1-5 pm are the camp's Open Houses. Don't get placed on a wait list! Register today! For more information and registration go to www.chanco.org.

~ *Carrie Evelyn, Camp Chanco Parish Representative*



Christian Education

Nursery News

Please stop by the nursery and welcome Zoe Wallace as our part-time nursery worker. Zoe is a senior at New Kent High School and is employed part-time at Stay and Play Childcare. She is certified in Adult/Child/Infant CPR and First Aid. Zoe will be serving from 8:30 am to 12:30 pm Sunday mornings. There will be one volunteer working with her at the 11 am service. She is a great asset to our Nursery and we look forward to working with her at St. Peter's.

~ *Janet Gallaher, Nursery Coordinator*

Adult Forum

We are off and running again in Adult Forum. After our customary Advent and Christmas break, we started up again on January 3. We will meet every Sunday at 10 am in the Mullins Room from January 3 to February 7. We then take our Lent and Easter break and start up again on April 3. On Coffee Hour Sundays our class starts at 10 minutes after 10 to allow Forum members to enjoy the first 10 minutes of Coffee Hour.

We are currently discussing Dr. Elaine Pagels' book: BEYOND BELIEF. We are reviewing Chapter 3 of the book, but it is never too late to join our group! Though we are working our way through Pagels' book, you don't really need to be up-to-date to meet with us and participate in our discussion.

So make plans to join us. It will be worth your while!

~ *Steve Von Hitritz*



Church School News

December was a busy month beginning with the annual Christmas Craft Day. Thirty people enjoyed eating pizza while creating gingerbread houses. Next, the children rehearsed for the Christmas Pageant for two weeks which resulted in a festive day on December 20.

The day began with 40 children participating in the Christmas Pageant which was held in the church this year. Jack Swynford was the lucky recipient of the second attendance incentive drawing! This was followed by Lessons and Carols, and finally a lovely reception hosted by the Fellowship Committee. Needless to say, December 20 was an exciting day in the life of St. Peter's!

Now we turn toward Lent which begins on February 10. The Church School is proud to announce that this year's Lenten Project will benefit the Sarah Lindsey Gupta Memorial Scholarship! Sarah was a long time member of St. Peter's who at a young age became involved in the church. She sang in the Adult Choir and taught the Middle School Church School Class. It was evident that she loved children and would graduate from New Kent High School and attend William & Mary where she would become a teacher. She taught in New Kent County Schools for several years. Sarah accomplished so much in her short time on this earth, and she was loved by all that knew her!

It is our hope to honor her memory by contributing to the Sarah Lindsey Gupta Memorial Scholarship, which has already done great things under the leadership of her life-long friend, Patrick Evelyn. With Patrick's diligent work, they have already endowed a scholarship to be awarded each year to a William & Mary aspiring teacher. The first scholarship was awarded in 2014. It is our hopes to contribute to their efforts to fund a scholarship that will be awarded to a New Kent High School student. Mark your calendars for Sunday, March 20, at 10 am in the Parish House for the Palm Sunday Art and Bag Lunch Sale. Church School parents, mark your calendars for Sunday, March 6, following the 11 am service, for a craft day where we will make stepping stones and one other craft for our upcoming sale.

Finally, a fun day is in the works for a Bible Family Feud! Details will follow in *The Weekly E-Pistle*.

~ Carol Nelms, Church School Superintendent

St. Peter's Nursery on Easter Day

Nursery time on Easter Sunday, March 27, 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



Youth Choir

We enjoyed joining the Youth and Adult Choirs on Christmas Eve! Thanks for seeing that your children attended choir practices.

Many thanks to Jack Swynford who joined Carol in a duet on Christmas Eve! As we prepare for our last two singing opportunities for this Church School year, remember that we will recognize the students who attend the most practices on Youth Sunday.

The practice schedule is noted below:

February 7 and 21
March 6 and 20

~ Joyce, Hawthorne, and Carol

Remembering Those Serving Our Country
 ~ Near and Far ~



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



Daylight Saving Time



on Sunday, March 13!



Easter Egg Hunt!



Join the hunt at St. Peter's
 on Saturday, March 26, at 2 pm!



**IN NEED
 OF PRAYER**

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

Bob Carraway, Rollin Rosser, Sue Caldwell, Lindy Brammer, Helen Talman, Jean Mansfield, Lee Brammer, Helen Smith, Brian Gellings...**and all others known and unknown.**
 Steven Harrell, son of Sue Caldwell;
 Sandra Griffith, friend of Fred Bahr;
 Barbara Felts, sister of Major Mansfield;
 Mary Wilcox, friend of Miriam Ackley;
 Art Wiese, friend of Bill O'Keefe;
 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;
 Christine Mason, friend of Hawthorne & Loretta Davis;
 Eileen Williams, friend of Sally Smith;
 James Rose, brother-in-law of Jeff Fazio;
 Ruth Ann Troxell, friend of Paul & Cynthia Rowles;
 Tami Wyse, godmother of Cameron Fazio;
 Hannah Wilson, friend of Denise Fazio;
 Kyle White, friend of Hawthorne & Loretta Davis;
 Heather Hockaday Shelton, friend of Emily Clay Evelyn;
 Sandy Jackson, sister-in-law of Bill O'Keefe;
 Jane Stanley Moser, cousin of Emily Clay Evelyn;
 Rodney Ross, friend of Joyce & Steve Peterson;
 Paul Cowins, father of Kathy Lindsey;
 Rita Schalk, friend of Cynthia Rowles;
 Bob Beckel, friend of Bill & Amy O'Keefe;
 Stella Zaja, friend of Lori Lindsey White;
 Boice Schultz, mother of Catherine Pierce;
 Jane Ritchie, friend of Catherine Pierce;
 Pat Haislip, aunt of Jessica Evelyn;
 Joe Beel, friend of Shirley Meyer.

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



February Birthdays



- 1 Peter Carlson
- 3 Jay Daniel Moore
- 4 Julia Cuzzo
- 5 Ilyssa Katherine Allen
- 7 Allison Reus
- 7 Clayton Evelyn
- 7 Idella Ann Jones
- 10 Janet Gallaher
- 12 Jacob Dombroski
- 13 Kim Isringhausen
- 14 Carrie Evelyn
- 15 Jennifer Ezzell
- 15 Wayne Kulig
- 15 Mason King
- 17 Catherine Stanley
- 17 Rod Molina
- 17 Margaret Best
- 17 Kinsleigh Nicole Evelyn
- 19 Hazel Cavanaugh King
- 20 Alissa Gallaher
- 20 Parker Wood
- 20 Marty Eagle
- 20 Conner Eugene Kopf
- 21 Peyton Gibson
- 22 Cynthia Greer
- 22 Kaleigh Rae
- 23 Karen Lange
- 24 Jeff Mitchell
- 25 Courtney Totten
- 26 Lori Lindsey White
- 27 Helen Smith
- 27 Peg Noctor
- 27 Julian Lipscomb
- 27 Brett Marshall
- 28 Wayne Wagner



Anniversary Blessings

February		
23	Major & Jean Mansfield	
March		
28	Hawthorne & Loretta Davis	
29	Bob & Karen Carraway	



March Birthdays

- 1 Sarah Uzel
- 1 Meade Ashford
- 2 Breck Frank
- 4 Emily Anne Evelyn Wallace
- 7 Connor O'Leary
- 7 Helen Talman
- 8 Steve Miles
- 9 Ema Allen
- 12 Edna Christian
- 12 Traci Carlson
- 12 Ashley Peace
- 13 Andrew Smith
- 13 Carole Harrison Miles
- 14 Ellen Finn
- 15 Carol Nelms
- 15 Chrissy McLean Roberts
- 16 Olivia Allen
- 16 Zoe Doucet
- 22 Liam Scott Holloway
- 23 Reagan Elizabeth White
- 24 Ashley Brammer
- 25 Isaac Barber
- 25 Jill Bradford
- 26 Matt Harris
- 26 Elizabeth Seabolt
- 26 Grace Lange Kopf
- 26 Gunner Ian Gregory



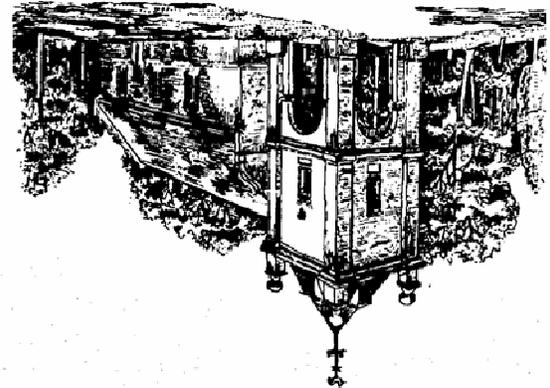
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Birthday



The Keys

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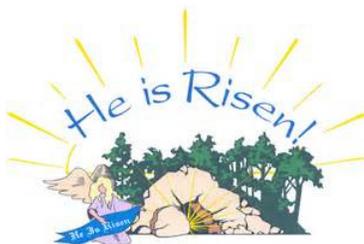
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Upcoming St. Peter's Events To Note

February 2016

- 7 Souper Bowl of Caring at both services
- 7 Sweetheart Breakfast, between the two services
- 9 Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper, 6 pm
- 10 Ash Wednesday, Liturgy of the Day
12 noon and 7 pm
- 13 Altar Guild Meeting/Brunch, 9 - 11 am
- 15 Church Office Closed for Presidents' Day
- 15 Vestry, 6:30 pm
- 19-20 Vestry Retreat at Roslyn
- 26 Family Games Night & Soup Cook-off
Cook-off at 6 pm, Games at 7 pm



“Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here, but has risen. Remember how he told you, while he was still in Galilee, that the Son of man must be handed over to sinners, and be crucified, and on the third day rise again.”

Luke 24:5b-6

March 2016

- 3 Last Day for Submissions to April/May THE KEYS
- 6 Clopton Committee Meeting, 12 noon
- 14 Easter Flower Sign-up Deadline
- 19 Camp Chanco Open House, 1-5 pm
- 20 Palm Sunday Art/Bag Lunch Sale, 10 am
- 21 Vestry, 6:30 pm
- 24 Maundy Thursday, Liturgy of the Day, 7 pm
- 25 Good Friday
Morning Prayer, 8:30 am
Stations of the Cross, 12 noon
Liturgy of the Day, 7 pm
- 26 Decorating Church for Easter, 9 am
- 26 Easter Egg Hunt, 2 pm
- 27 Easter Day
No Christian Education
- 28 Church Office Closed for Easter Holiday

April 2016

- 1 Clopton Scholarship Deadline
- 18 Vestry, 6:30 pm