



St. Peter's Parish Church

The Keys

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From the Interim Rector's Desk



On the Feast of Pentecost, June 9 at the later service, we will use a hymnal supplement called *Lift Every Voice and Sing II*. It is an African American Hymnal and contains many of the old favorites that are not in our 1982 Hymnal. It is called "II" because it has been edited since the first edition in 1981 and now includes music from the Methodist and Roman Catholic hymnals. The introduction is a great read and not only tells the history of the editions, but also how the hymns were sung. I was blessed to be at two workshops conducted by the editor of the first edition, Dr. Boyer, a great teacher and musician.

These are the hymns that many of us have sung over the years. When my family and I first moved to Lancaster County in 1949, we attended the Methodist Church in Foxwells about two miles from home since going to the Episcopal Church in Kilmarnock was too far of a drive. Those hymns that we sang then and during VBS in Methodist and Baptist Churches have stayed with me. Falling in love with Baptist girls, like Ginnie Lee who sang duets with her sister Frances Belle only gave me more music to love. From Ecumenical services to the Renewal Movement in the Episcopal Church, it was the songs from these editions that heightened my spiritual commitment to Jesus Christ.

Joyce and I are indebted to the R&D committee which, with the Vestry's permission, has provided the funds for them. If you want to give any in honor or in memory of loved ones, the office has book plates and the cost will be \$20 a book. We got an incredible discount and free shipping! TBTG!!! Joyce tells me all the compliments she receives when we sing such hymns from the 1982 Hymnal so be prepared on Pentecost to allow the Spirit to move us in our worship of our Lord!

For anyone wanting to be confirmed, received or to reaffirm their baptismal vows before the bishop, the first meeting will be Sunday morning at 9:45 on June 9. Please bring your calendars so we can set the dates for the classes during the summer in preparation for the bishop's visit on September 8. Also please contact the church office so we may have a list of confirmands.

Now for some even more Good News! Once you read my article, just wait until you read Linwood Gregory, our Senior Warden's article on the next page. It's an update about the search process and it is a call of faith for the future! It has been my pleasure to have served with Linwood over the years, and I have always admired his faith and trust in our Lord, even more so now.

I always ask you to bring back service bulletins when you travel. It's not a sneaky way to get you to church on your vacation, but Joyce and I review them to glean what other choirs might be singing, or other things from church school, VBS, to stewardship or outreach proposals, so drop them off to us as you visit other churches.

Doug †

The Rev. Dr. Doug Wigner



Wardens' Corner

I thought it would be good to discuss the search process and where the Vestry is in the process. The search for a new Rector is obviously one of the most important tasks any Vestry can undertake. The future direction and vitality of the congregation is based in exceptional spiritual leadership. In this brief article, I will try to explain the process and tell you how far along we are in that process.

The search for a new Rector requires the Vestry to undertake three major tasks. The first is the planning and implementation of appropriate “goodbye” activities for the retiring Rector and to engage an Interim Rector in order to begin the transition to new leadership. We were able to provide an appropriate and meaningful “goodbye” for Fr. Paul. With the assistance of the Diocesan Transition Ministry Officer, we were blessed to find that Doug Wigner, who served as our parish Rector from 1990 through 1997, was available and willing to serve as Interim Rector. Doug’s knowledge and assistance in the search process has been extremely helpful to the Vestry.

The second task for the Vestry was to select a search committee (our Discernment Committee). The Discernment Committee was charged with creating a Community Ministry Portfolio (“CMP”) for the church. The CMP hopefully captures an accurate assessment of (i) what the parish needs and wants in a new Rector and (ii) a compensation package which will be competitive and attractive so we are able to attract the “right person” to St. Peter’s. This is obviously a “Readers Digest” version of the Discernment Committee’s work.

The Discernment Committee surveyed the congregation in an attempt to determine the needs and wants of the congregation and has spent countless hours compiling this information. To come up with a competitive compensation package for the new Rector, the Discernment Committee conducted a meeting with the Diocesan Transition Ministry Officer, the Interim Rector, the Treasurer, the Senior Warden, and the Junior Warden. It has considered salary and benefits guidelines provided by the Diocese of Virginia. In addition, it has also considered the available revenue sources to meet the financial obligation of engaging the “right person” to be the spiritual leader of our church. This is not an easy task. Revenues from pledges and plate offerings have been fairly flat for the last several years.

The CMP was completed and submitted to the Bishop’s office for approval. Once approved, it was posted on the Diocesan website and our website to serve as an invitation for applicants seeking to become our new Rector. It is my understanding that we hope to begin receiving applications by mid-June. After the Discernment Committee has received applications, it will conduct interviews and select one candidate to send to the Vestry.

The third and final task in the search process for the Vestry will be to receive that candidate and issue a call, affirming the work of the Discernment Committee. After the Vestry issues a call, a letter of agreement (contract) with the incoming Rector will be signed detailing the expectations of the church and the Rector and establishing a compensation and benefits package. Then the Vestry will plan activities to welcome the new Rector and family

the parish. We hope that the process can be completed by September, 2019. Doug has expressed many times that this is his expectation!

Recently, we have heard concerns from parishioners that the search for the “right person” should not be limited by our current financial means. Doug and the Transition Ministry Officer have encouraged us to step up and claim the future by taking a step in faith to hire the person who will, not only be the right spiritual leader, but the Rector who will lead us to increase our membership and the financial resources needed to develop and maintain the programs and activities which will make us a more vibrant congregation for the future.

“With God’s help, we will.”

~ *Linwood Gregory, Senior Warden*



St. Peter's Parish Church

The Reverend Dr. Doug Wigner, *interim rector*

The Reverend Dr. S. Paul Rowles, *rector emeritus*

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The Vestry

Linwood Gregory, *Senior Warden*

Sheila Mitchell, *Junior Warden*

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Buildings & Grounds



Parking Lot Project

We are getting close to having Branscome, Inc. renovate our parking lots and access roadways.

The work will consist of two distinct phases. During the first part, the columns at the entrance of the church will be moved further apart to give us a 15 foot width. This is needed to accommodate emergency vehicles as well as to provide improved drainage. The existing aggregate road will be removed and all of the surfaces of the roads and parking lots will be milled (ground up) so that they can be compacted before paving is applied.

In addition, drainage across the entire property will be improved by clearing ditch lines, installing a concrete swale on the steepest part of the roadway up the hill, replacing damaged and blocked culverts, and extending the existing hard surface roadway all the way out to meet St. Peter's Lane.

Four new handicap parking spots will be added on the south west section of the roadway immediately in front of the church and the turning radius of that same section of road will be increased slightly.

When all of the preparation work has been completed, an asphalt layer will be applied to all roads and parking lots.

All of the first phase work will be completed within a week so that no Sunday church activities will be impacted. The asphalt paving will have to "cure" for at least two weeks, and, then depending on the weather, a final double coat of brown stone "chip" and seal will be applied on the asphalt.

We are aiming to begin work early June, and to finish by mid-July. As always, these types of projects depend on favorable weather conditions.

Branscome, Inc. has done many projects for churches in the Tidewater area and also has been very involved in pavement preparation and restoration for Colonial Williamsburg.

We will need to be patient between the two parts of the project—yes, we will have black asphalt surfaces, and they're not particularly pretty—but they have to set properly before the final coating is applied. Thanks in advance!!

~ Jess Fowler, Buildings & Grounds Vestry Representative

Christian Education



Church School News

Many thanks to all who supported this year's Lenten Project, "Dollars for Diapers." We raised close to \$2,400! So many people made this possible. First, Karen Moore plans great projects for the children, while parents and teachers help the children on craft day to bring it all together. Next, ten different artists from our parish contributed their artwork to help us raise \$1,116.

Nine different bakers contributed the goodies for the bag lunches. Sixty bag lunches were sold making it the best yet! Finally, those of you who purchased the artwork and bag lunches made it all possible!

Come out and support our children on Youth Sunday, June 2 at 10:15 am. This is always a great day to celebrate the accomplishments of the students!

~ Carol Nelms, Church School Superintendent





Christian Education *continued*

Save the Date for VBS: July 29 - August 2

Vacation Bible School week is scheduled for Monday, July 29 through Friday, August 2, from 9:30 am -12:00 noon. All "hands on deck" are needed to help for one day or all week. Any assistance is appreciated.

**Look forward to the big VBS theme reveal on Youth Sunday
(Sunday, June 2 at 10:15). We hope to see you there!**

A sign-up sheet for children who would like to attend VBS and a sheet for volunteers to help will be available in the Parish House foyer. Volunteers—Adults AND Teens—are needed for the following jobs:

***Snack Crew** (5 needed): Volunteers provide and serve snacks for participants for one day, to approximately 40 children and volunteers. Water bottles are provided by the VBS team, so volunteers are only responsible for food.

***Group Leaders** (8 needed): Volunteers escort age-level groups to daily activities.

***Imagination Station Leader** (1 needed): Volunteer provides leadership and instruction of an organized craft or experiment, which is already planned for you. Assistance is needed to help the children complete the activity.

***Games Leader** (1 needed): Volunteer helps facilitate and lead daily organized games, which are already planned for you. Just have fun!

***Video Bible Buddy Leader** (1 needed): Volunteer is in charge of playing Bible Buddy video, handing out Bible Buddy tags, and going over a simple two-minute Bible summary of video. All resources are provided for you, so it's easy and the children love getting their Buddy tag.

***Bible Education Leader** (1 needed): Volunteer educates the different age-levels about the daily Bible lessons. All resources are provided; this is such a rewarding position since you experience how much they truly learn about God's word.

***Assistant Helpers** (4 needed): Volunteers help with Pre-school classroom, Games, and Imagination Station. They help with whatever needs to be done to help these activities run smoothly, safely, and keep them fun!

Again, please consider helping—any commitment level will be appreciated! You may contact Sarah Adams at (256) 617-0196 / sla4671@vt.edu or Mary Margaret Gillette at (804) 370-4479 / mmnelms@gmail.com.

Watch The Weekly E-Pistle for updates!

~ Sarah Adams & Mary Margaret Gillette, VBS Co-Directors



From the Parish Register



Death

Ethel May Wiley, wife of Cloyd Wiley, March 23, 2019

Transfer In

Jason Ryan Cozzens, from Fox Hill Central Methodist Church, Hampton, VA

Congregational Care



Ministry Fair – Discovering Your Spiritual Talents

Thank you to all the parishioners who visited the seven Commission tables on Palm Sunday. Many parishioners signed up to volunteer for different ministries under each commission. Don't worry if you missed this wonderful event! Printed copies including detailed descriptions of each commission and their various ministries are available in the Parish House foyer. You can also find information about our commissions/ministries on the church website. Thank you for your continued support of the Vestry and St. Peter's!

Congregational Care Opportunities

Prayer Chain Ministry *New Members Are Always Welcome*****

Members of this ministry have been uplifting prayers for our parishioners, community residents, and extended family members within the parish. The power of prayer just became stronger with the addition of three new members, Lori Janke, Traci Powers, and Marianne Powell, who joined this ministry while attending the Ministry Fair. Want to witness the power of prayer? Please contact Kim Filipowicz at kimflip8@gmail.com.

College Student Ministry *Volunteers Are Always Welcome*****

We want to extend a huge THANK-YOU to Allan Fabritz for donating 14-gift cards to Chick-fil-A for our college care packages! The newest volunteer, Carolie Kay, has already been hard at work assembling the college care packages and mailing them to all our college students. Carolie joined this ministry while attending the Ministry Fair. Want to volunteer? Please contact Ann Bradshaw at 804-557-3112 or ann@saycheez.com.

Meal Team Ministry *Volunteers Are Always Welcome*****

When people in our church go through surgeries, illnesses, new births or family losses, a nice home-cooked meal can be one of the best ways to show the support and encouragement of our church family. To become a member, please contact Jennifer Macotto at macottojen@aol.com or 703-731-4386.

Ministry for the Military *Volunteers Are Always Welcome*****

We have identified seven additional veterans buried in our cemetery, so on Memorial Day, we will be placing flags on the graves of 55 former parishioners of St. Peter's Parish Church. Research continues to identify other veterans and add to their historical records. Please contact Jess Fowler at jessfowler01@gmail.com or any member of the Vestry if you have historical records or items of interest that you would like to share with the congregation. A new member, Kurt Boestfleisch, has recently joined this ministry. His first job will be assisting Jess with placing and removing flags for Memorial Day. Want to help too? Please contact Jess.

Knitting Circle Ministry *New Members Are Always Welcome*****

All beginners and experienced knitters are invited to join this ministry. A "Knitting Bundle" will be provided for each first-time knitter so you can immediately learn the skill of knitting. Two new members, Josephine Leggett and Traci Powers, joined while attending the Ministry Fair. Want to join and create masterpieces for our outreach programs within St. Peter's? Please contact Elizabeth Remorenko at Elizabeth.remorenko@gmail.com.

If God is calling you to share your spiritual gift with this growing commission, please contact Kim Filipowicz, at 804.400.2369 or kimflip8@gmail.com.

~ Kim Filipowicz, Congregational Care Vestry Representative

Congregational Care *continued*



We Salute Our Veterans – James G. McCann, Jr.

James Grover McCann, Jr., a native of New Kent, was a Major in the Army Corps of Engineers, serving in World War II and the Korean War.

Born in 1916, he worked for a time at the Newport News Shipyard, until he was drafted into the Army in the early years of WWII. He attended Officer Candidate School and entered the Corps of Engineers, serving with distinction and continued his service during the Korean War.

Like many Veterans, Mr. McCann returned from service to his country, only to assume positions of responsibility by serving his local community. He served as the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors of Westmoreland County, Masonic Lodges in Chesterfield and Colonial Beach, and eventually as the leader of the ACCA Shrine Temple in Richmond.

He also was active in the Virginia Historical Society and the Northern Neck Historical Society. Mr. McCann passed away on September 20, 1980. We give thanks for the life and service of James Grover McCann, Jr.

~ Jess Fowler, Ministry for the Military



Stewardship

Planned Giving

In 2016, St. Peter's established a Planned Giving program to make it easier for those who feel so moved to make a gift to the St. Peter's Parish Foundation or to the church directly. The Foundation gives St. Peter's a stable source of funds apart from annual giving for the development, expansion, beautification, and improvement of the property of St. Peter's Parish Church, and for the expansion of the church's religious and charitable purposes. Since 1998, the St. Peter's Parish Foundation has helped St. Peter's to continue its mission while providing resources for the future. This has been due in large part to the generosity of parishioners who have been inspired to give to the Foundation, in many instances by way of a bequest in their will.

St. Peter's has a long and rich history. Our commitment to its ministry within the parish and to the community is as strong today as it was when the parish was founded in 1679. The church's ability to continue in its ministry is not only due to the efforts and generosity of our current parish family, but also because of the efforts and generosity of those who came before us. Future parish generations will continue the ministry of St. Peter's because of our efforts, generosity, and commitment.

If you would like to consider making a planned gift, information regarding Planned Giving can be found on the St. Peter's Parish Church website at www.stpetersnewkent.org. Toward the top of the page you will see several tabs. If you click on the Giving tab you will see the Planned Giving link at the bottom of the drop down menu. You may also call Matt Danielson at 757-871-9773 if you would like to learn more about Planned Giving. Your gift will help to bridge our 300 year history with the future, and allow those who come after you to continue the ministry of St. Peter's Parish Church.

~ Stewardship Committee - Planned Giving



St. Peter's Parish Foundation
Bridging 300 Years of History with the Future

Outreach

MATTHEW'S HAVEN



Feed the Need Night Thanks

A BIG thank you to all who attended our *Feed the Need* night at the Trojan Grill in March. Between the restaurant and individual donations, we raised close to \$550!

Sip & Stencil – June 8

Please join us on Saturday, June 8 (between 10 am – 4 pm) for our *Sip & Stencil* fundraiser! See our Facebook page. YOU stencil onto a prepared wooden pallet using templates they have or let them create a customized one for you. Show up between 10 am and 4 pm – bring your favorite beverage to “sip,” paint your pallet, and take it home with you. When you begin the registration process, you will see the pallet sizes, colors, and prices. Your pallet will be ready for you to paint when you arrive. Make a gift for someone or keep it for yourself! The location is in Barhamsville, *Two Swallows Boutique & Reclaimed Pallet Works* (18427 New Kent Highway, Barhamsville, Virginia 23011). **This is open to the public, so invite your friends!** For details and to register, visit <https://forms.gle/v2MmivXkaVEXNQck8>.

New Volunteers

We gained three new Matthew’s Haven volunteers as a result of the Commission Fair! We welcome Sheila Morris, Lori Janke, and Marianne Powell to our “family.”

Easter Offering Thanks

Sincere gratitude goes out to our parishioners for the generous Easter offering designated to support our 2nd *Summer Feeding Program*! You gifted us with over \$2,900!! THANK YOU. We are blessed to be the recipient of your kindness.

Summer Feeding Program

Speaking of our *Summer Feeding Program* (SFP), we are increasing the number of participants this year. We can ALWAYS use extra hands on packing days, so please chat with one of our volunteers! And, of course, monetary gifts are always welcome. Thank you in advance for your support of this important program, as no other summer feeding programs for children are offered in New Kent.

Who are our St. Peter’s volunteers, you ask? They are Catherine Pierce (director), Carolie Kay, Becky Boestfleisch, Josephine Leggett, Jodie Dolci, Stacey Wood, Debbie Gentry, Catherine Stanley, Ann Bradshaw, and Ron Eagle.

~ Catherine Pierce



2019 Youth Mission Trip

MISSION TRIP

This year's Youth Mission Trip (YMT) will take our missioners to Beckley, WV. The team will partner with YouthWorks for their week of service work. The missioners will depart St. Peter's on Sunday, July 21. Many thanks to our chaperones who will volunteer their time and talents as they lead our youth. Our chaperones include Chrissy Wagner, Patty Peterson, Catherine Peterson, and Matt Smolnik. If you have any questions, please contact Kristin Swynford at kswynford@hotmail.com. Thank you.

~ Kristin & David Swynford, Youth Mission Team Communications & Coordination



Outreach *continued*

2019 Clopton Memorial Scholarship Recipients

St. Peter's Parish Church has awarded six New Kent residents one-year scholarships of \$1,000 each. The funds for these scholarships come from the Louise Miller Clopton and William Boyd Clopton Memorial Scholarship Fund. Each year, awards are made to students who demonstrate strong moral character, religious involvement, community service, motivation, and academic success. This year's recipients are all students from New Kent High School: Noah Babin, who plans to attend Randolph Macon College in Ashland; Christine Best who plans to attend Virginia Commonwealth University in Richmond; Adam Caldwell who plans to attend Coker College in Hartsville, SC; Madison Courtney who plans to attend Word of Life Bible Institute in Pottersville, NY; Jennifer Critz, who plans to attend the College of William & Mary in Williamsburg; and Justine Eckert, who plans to attend Messiah College in Mechanicsburg, PA. These students were chosen by a committee comprised of Kristin Swynford (Chair), the Rev. Doug Wigner, Matt Danielson, and Jessica Evelyn.

We extend our warmest congratulations to these deserving students!

*~ Kristin Swynford,
Scholarship Committee Chair*



(Pictured from left to right: Noah Babin (Randolph Macon College), Adam Caldwell (Coker College), Christine Best (VCU), Madison Courtney (Word of Life Bible Institute). Not pictured: Justine Eckert (Messiah College), Jennifer Critz (William & Mary).



In celebration of the memory and life of St. Peter's parishioner, Sarah Lindsey Gupta, the Sarah Lindsey Gupta Charitable Foundation was formed with the goal of helping students pursue their dreams.

In remembrance of Sarah through this Charitable Foundation, a \$50,000 endowment was established at the College of William and Mary within the first two years of the charity. As of this year, seven scholarships have now been awarded at William and Mary in Sarah's memory. Each year, the program has continued to grow beyond expectations and has become incorporated and received its tax exempt status as an established charitable foundation. With the achievement of these significant milestones and the continuation of the William and Mary scholarships, the Foundation broadened its scholarship opportunities to graduating seniors from New Kent in Sarah's memory. As of this year, six more scholarships in the amount of \$2,000 each will be awarded bringing the total to 20 scholarships at New Kent over the last three years, totaling \$33,000.

The 2019 awardees for the Sarah Lindsey Gupta Charitable Foundation are: Noah Babin, Brandon Bowden, Benjamin Caldwell, Madison Courtney, Jennifer Critz, and St. Peter's own, Christine Best.

REMINDER!!

Be sure to **SAVE the DATE** for the 8th Annual Sarah's Memorial Golf Tournament on **September 27** at the Club at Viniterra to support the scholarship foundation in memory of St. Peter's parishioner, Sarah Lindsey Gupta.

If you have any questions, you may contact me at 804-512-8150, or at pevelyn@verizon.net to help us celebrate the extraordinary life that Sarah lived and to benefit others through these scholarships.

~ Patrick Evelyn

Outreach *continued*

18th Annual St. Peter's Golf Tournament ~ Register Now & Volunteer! ~



Mark your calendars for June 21—when St. Peter's will host its 18th 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 the 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, cart fee, unlimited range balls, breakfast to get started, delicious lunch, complimentary beverages during the round, and fun 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: hole sponsors, 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 21. 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 Beckley, West Virginia in July. So, the more volunteers, the more successful our golf tournament will be to benefit our youth.

Please contact Kent Bradshaw at 804-557-3112 or kent@saycheez.com for more information. Let's continue to generate success for this wonderful fundraiser!

~ Kent Bradshaw, Chair



Congratulations, 2019 Graduates!

Graduate School

Casey O'Leary has earned her Masters of Science in Athletic Training from the University of Central Oklahoma. She is unsure of her immediate plans.

College

Bobby Best is a graduate of Virginia Commonwealth University, earning a Bachelor of Science in Computer Science. He plans to work at Capital One.

Austin Pierce is a graduate of Virginia Tech, earning a Bachelor of Science, with a concentration in Statistics. He plans to be employed with Edward Jones as a financial planner upon obtaining his licensure and will be attending a six-month training program at Edward Jones.

High School

Christine Best has earned an advanced diploma from New Kent Highs School and will attend Virginia Commonwealth University.

Zoe Porter is a graduate of Atlee High School and plans to attend Western Michigan University.

~ Sherri Hardiman, Parish Administrator

Parish Life

St. Peter's Youth Participate in National Youth Service Day

Representing our EYC and in honor of National Youth Service Day, the Dolcis and Swynfords, along with members of the Wheaton family (neighbors from Patriot's Landing) helped pick up trash in the Bottoms Bridge area on April 14. Thanks for keeping New Kent beautiful!

~ Jodie Dolci, EYC Advisor



Worship

A Music Note



Shout with joy to the Lord, lift up your voice,
rejoice, and sing. *Psalm 98:5*

**Thank you to the choir for an outstanding choral year!
It's time to take a "rest" until September.**

This summer we'll introduce a new supplemental hymnal. *Lift Every Voice and Sing*, a hymnal used by many Episcopal congregations, includes some of those older and favorite hymns that many of us remember singing growing up. Please enjoy and sing out "like there's nobody listening."

Stay tuned for announcements about the start of adult choir rehearsal. Please talk to me or any member of the choir, if you are called to join our merry group of songsters.

~ Joyce Molina, *Organist and Choirmaster*

Inquirers Class

Join Doug for a brief meeting on Sunday morning, June 9 at 9:45 if you wish to be confirmed, received or to reaffirm your baptismal vows when the bishop visits on September 8. That important date will be here before we know it!

Please bring your calendars to assist in scheduling the dates for the classes during the summer. Also, please notify the church office if you plan to attend. We hope to have a large class of participants!

~ Sherri Hardiman, *Parish Administrator*

Altar Guild Thank You

We had a wonderful team who worked very hard to arrange the flowers beautifully for Easter! Thank you to everyone for your time and effort. The helpers were Martha Danielson, Linda Grundy, Marianne Powell, Kim McLean, May O'Leary, Susan Cheyne, Sheila Mitchell, Jodie Dolci, Kim Filipowicz, Terri Bessom, Donna Fowler, Carina Dolci, and Jason Best.

~ Margaret Best, *Altar Guild Chair*



St. Peter's Annual Parish Picnic ~ August 4 ~

Boogie, Paul and Marian Davis, along with their families, have once again invited St. Peter's to their beautiful Pamunkey River home for the Annual Parish Picnic on Sunday, August 4. The service of Holy Eucharist will be celebrated at **11 am**, with a shared lunch and afternoon of fun fellowship to follow. Everyone is asked to bring one or two dishes to share, and blankets or chairs. Provided items will include plates, utensils, tea, lemonade, water, ice for the beverages, and fried chicken. Please bring swim suits, sun screen, towels, and water toys. Boats and kayaks are welcome as well. Life preservers are also recommended. You may want to bring coolers with ice for any leftovers.

Directions to the Davis farm will be available in the Parish House foyer. Please call the church office or Carrie Evelyn (804-514-5272) if you have questions. In the event of inclement weather, there will be a message on the church voice mail and notification through social media.

So, join us for worship and a wonderful day on the beautiful Pamunkey!

~ Carrie Evelyn, *Parish Life Vestry Representative*



Remembering Those Serving Our Country ~ Near and Far ~

Edward Allen
Chris Atkins
Brandon Belcher
David Douglas
Annie Patterson



Prayer of Discernment

Eternal God, you are the good shepherd who cares for your Church and through whom all things are possible. We lay the life of our parish before you as we search for a new Rector.

Renew in our parish a sense of your love and mission, that we may serve the people around us and be guided to the priest who, as our Rector, will care for this parish and equip us for our ministries.

Guide those involved that they may listen with patience and trust to the voice of your Holy Spirit. Bring us peace to know that, in your time, your will shall be done.

Give us grace and courage to follow where you would lead, that your Name may be glorified through us as we carry out your work of reconciliation and caring for others.

We pray for your servant, now unknown to us, whom you have already chosen to be our Rector, to heed your call with joy and praise.

All this we ask through Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior.

Amen



Happy Father's Day
to ALL men on this special day!
June 16, 2019

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

Rollin Rosser, Sue Caldwell, Bob Kay, Karen Caraway, Ann Townsend Woodall, Tom Evelyn, **and all others known and unknown.**

Steven Harrell, son of Sue Caldwell;
Mary Wilcox, friend of Miriam Ackley;
Minnie Brammer, mother of Lee Brammer;
Aaron Platek, cousin of Adriane Marshall;
Stella Zaja, friend of Lori Lindsey White;
Sherry Rebman, sister of Keith Wagner;
Mary Calabrese, friend of Jeff & Denise Fazio;
Gayle Ramsey, mother of Wanda Porter;
Brenda Lambert, mother of Matt Lambert;
Barbara Serowich, sister of Jon Ackley;
Richard Plant, friend of Kathy & Bill Lindsey;
Elsie Ferrell, great-aunt of Chrissy Wagner;
David Ross, friend of Ashley & Chris Peace;
Rogers Family, friends of Kent & Ann Bradshaw;
Tori Coates, cousin of Ann Bradshaw;
Korman Butler, friend of Susan Cheyne & Lee Tyson;
Dana Watkins Spears, friend of Donna Fowler;
Katie Badanes, sister of Amy O'Keefe;
Don Grigg, husband to cousin of Bill O'Keefe;
John Miller, friend of St. Peter's;
Bill Baker, former parishioner;
George Ferrell, great-uncle of Chrissy Wagner;
Rocket Johnson, friend of Carolie Kay;
Timmy Narsted, grandson of sister-in-law to Bill O'Keefe;
Julie Staub, friend of Tony & Stacey Wood;
John Unger, friend of Bill O'Keefe;
Bill Frick, friend of Bill & Amy O'Keefe;
Ruth Martin, friend of St. Peter's;
Steve Pinelli, brother of George Pinelli;
Martha Pitts, friend of Ann Bradshaw;
Michael Fowler, son of Jess & Donna Fowler;
Greg Lloyd, friend of Ann Bradshaw;
Mary Brazezicke, friend of Linda Holub;
Pat Heinen, friend of Bill O'Keefe;
Diane Bales, wife of friend to Bobby Nelms;
Michael Link, friend of Kurt Boestfleisch;
John Brammer, father of Lee Brammer;
Kent Cox, friend of Bobby Nelms;
Bob, friend of Nancy Goodman;
Dan Nefringer, neighbor of Linda Holub;
Sally Patterson, cousin of Amy O'Keefe;
Natalie von Hitritz's family in Venezuela;
Martha Holt, aunt of Sarah Adams;
Vicky Fry, cousin of Sarah Adams;
Carol Monsess, mother of Becky Woodall;
Ken McKinney, father of Jodie Dolci;
Barbara Taylor, friend of St. Peter's;
Pat Stafford, friend of St. Peter's;
Randy Vass, friend of Rod & Joyce Molina;
Ben Marshall, brother-in-law of Susan Cheyne;
Robert Kurtz, uncle of Jared Ellison;
Patricia Likes, sister-in-law of Joyce Peterson;
Debbie McSwain, sister of Catherine Pierce;
Meredith Richardson, uncle of Cindy Smith.

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Upcoming St. Peter's Events To Note

June 2019

- 2 Youth Sunday at 10:15 am Service, Reception Follows
- 14 Quin/Chipley Rehearsal, 5 pm
- 15 Quin/Chipley Wedding, 1 pm; Wedding Liaison: Carrie Evelyn
- 16 Father's Day
- 17 Vestry, 6:30 pm
- 17-20 Week 1 - R.E.A.L. Camp, Richardson Hall
- 21 18th Annual St. Peter's Golf Tournament, 9 am
- 24-27 Week 2 - R.E.A.L. Camp, Richardson Hall

July 2019

- 4 Church Office Closed for Independence Day
- 5 Deadline for August/September THE KEYS
- 15 Vestry, 6:30 pm
- 21 Commissioning of Missioners, 10:15 am
- 21-27 Youth Mission Trip to Beckley, WV
- 29-8/2 VBS: 9:30 am to 12 Noon



August 2019

- 1-2 VBS Continued, 9:30 am to 12 Noon
- 4 Annual Parish Picnic at the Davis Farm, 11 am, HE (Note new time!)
- 19 Vestry, 6:30 pm