

Keynotes

November 13, 2011

Saint Peter's is celebrating the love of Christ by reaching out and empowering for ministry.

"You don't pay love back; you pay it forward."

- Lilly Hardy Hammond

As my family unpacks our Christmas decoration boxes, there lying in a place of honor is an old, well used videotape (and I do mean video, not DVD). We plug it in and turn up the volume: "Fa-hu, for-rays, da-hu, dor-rays, welcome Christmas, Christmas Day..." Peace settles over the house. It is the annual viewing of *How the Grinch Stole Christmas* (and not that cheesy, cynical, contemporary version with Jim Carrey, but the original). The story unfolds and we are once again pulled into the tale of the Grinch (booo!) who misguidedly believes that Christmas comes in boxes and bags, but who discovers (with the aid of Cyndi Lou Who) that Christmas is about much, much more. And it is. It really is.

"Maybe Christmas," he thought, "doesn't come from a store. Maybe Christmas perhaps means a little bit more!"
- The Grinch Who Stole Christmas

The best Christmas gift I received last year was a box of chickens. These chickens weren't delivered to my house; they were delivered to a family in east Africa. With these chicks the family was able to provide a nutritious meal for themselves and start a small business selling the eggs. We, in turn, purchased a goat for my father-in-law, who, upon opening up the acknowledgement card he received from Heifer International, immediately telephoned us, exuberant in his joy. This year, I think a pig will show up in his stocking via Episcopal Relief and Development (I hope it's a sturdy one).



How much more stuff do you need, really (or really even want....)? **This year, I encourage you to consider Alternative Giving for Christmas.** Please stop by the display in the church hallway and peruse the many options available to you. There is everything from local options to international organizations. Even the grouchiest Grinch's heart can grow three sizes paying it forward.

Peace and Blessings to you and those you love,

Fr. Kevin

Welcome to the Newly Baptized

Jamie Keel

Welcome to the Newly Confirmed

Jaime Chavez

Kylee Clancy

Simon Harris

Emily Huettmann

Jamie Keel

Paul Keel

Lynda Lawson

Ian Stroud

Whit Stroud

Blue is dawning

Traditionally, the medieval and later English churches used blue during Advent because it conveyed multiple advent messages: the darkness of the night in which the world sleeps before the dawn of the Son of Righteousness; the color of the sky in which the Second Coming of Christ will appear; the color of the Jordan River in which John the Baptist baptized; and the color of Mary, the mother of our Lord. This Advent we will begin using blue for the liturgical color, remaining true to our Church of England heritage as well as reinforcing the primary theme of Advent: the Coming of Christ.

Through the generous donations of many of you, we were able to purchase our beautiful Advent hangings, without using any funds from the operational budget. Thank you. Thank you. Thank you. I hope that using these new symbols will serve to deepen our Advent worship and faith.

Peace,

Fr. Kevin



Community Thanksgiving Service

to be at Saint Peter's

Sunday, November 20th, 7 p.m.

This year Saint Peter's is hosting the Community Thanksgiving Service. This service, organized through the Inter-Church Forum, is an opportunity for the whole community to gather in song, prayer, and praise in response to the good gifts we receive from God. We have much to be thankful for this year. Come and give thanks.

Saint Peter's Christmas Ornaments

The Washington Area Historic Foundation has chosen Saint Peter's for their annual holiday ornament. The ornaments are available now and are for sale at the Arts Council and Estuarium.

Walk to Bethlehem

Saint Peter's has been invited to join other congregations in the diocese in a wellness program intended to improve the health of the congregation. We will "walk" to Bethlehem by logging our physical activity each week. Our goal is to log 6,032 miles from Oct. 2 to December 24. (We've logged 1,000+ miles so far)

There are conversion charts to convert your preferred method of physical activity to mileage. We invite EVERYONE to participate. All you have to do is log your mileage each week on the form outside of Jennifer's office. We will keep track of individual and total mileage. There are also sheets available for you to take home to track your weekly activity. We ask that you only count the actual exercise that you do, and not total number of steps walked per day.



Please, join us in All Saints' Hall on Sunday November 27th during the Sunday school hour; 9:15-10:00a.m.

In place of your regularly scheduled Sunday school classes, we will be making Advent wreaths for you to take home and use during the season of Advent. A light continental breakfast will be available while you, and/or your families, make up the wreaths.

Prison Fellowship Angel Tree

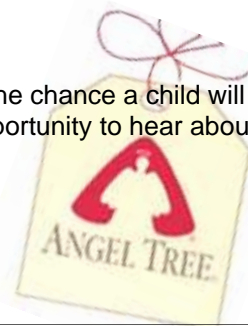
We are busily working on the steps leading toward the Angel Tree ornaments being on the Christmas tree in the atrium for the third Sunday of the month, November 20.

The Angel Tree program has altered the guidelines for 2011. Their "hope and goal is to serve every eligible child, so we are now **reducing the number of gifts per** child from two gifts (toy and clothing) to one gift (toy or clothing)" and the maximum age has been extended from 17 years old to 18 years old.

This year we have 43 children from 26 families (versus 84 gifts for 42 youngsters last year). The suggested per-gift dollar amount is \$15-\$25.

Please consider selecting an angel ornament from the tree. The tangible gift will reduce the chance a child will face Christmas without a gift or message from his/her incarcerated parent and will offer the opportunity to hear about the "greatest gift of all—the Good News of Jesus Christ."

Mary and Ray Dennis



Back Pack Buddies Grocery List*



dry cereal

cocoa made with nonfat milk

spaghetti & meatballs

ravioli

beanie weenies

pork & beans

green beans

vegetable soup

Ramen noodles

macaroni & cheese

shelf stable milk (walmart)

beef stew (Dollar Tree)

100% fruit juice

* individual serving sizes

Dayschool News

Saint Peter's Dayschool would like to thank all of you for supporting the Dayschool and the children by blessing us with gifts from our wish list. Thanks to you, we have many new items including: new toys, puzzles, babydolls, a car and a wagon, balls, new construction paper and paints, and new sand. We also received some cash, checks and gift cards.

The children are so excited each day as we share with them what God's angels (you) continue to do for us.

Thank you all so, so much and God Bless!



Susie Taylor, Director



Please mark your calendars!

**This Sunday, November 13th
there will be only one worship
service at 10:30am for
Consecration Sunday.**

**Lunch will be served after the
service in
All Saints' Hall.**

Zion Shelter and Soup Kitchen

The Soup Kitchen at the Zion Shelter here in Washington provides hot meals every noon, Monday-Friday. They typically serve between 25 - 40 meals per day. At this time of year, they are in need of canned vegetables (large #10 size, found at Walmart and Piggly Wiggly) and paper products (plates, plastic cups, knives, forks & spoons).

If you would like to donate any of the above items, please bring them to the church and place in the "Soup Kitchen" box in the hallway. Thank you.

Strategic Planning Calendar November - December

November

Action Plan: All newcomers receive at least one personal invitation to participate in a role, task or group within two months of submitting Household Information Form.

Responsible Party: Nancy Hamblin

Status: Ongoing.

December

Action Plan: Issue an ongoing invitation to families living close to Saint Peter's to attend family function.

Responsible Party: Roy Parker

Status: Ongoing.

Action Plan: Develop a protocol for identifying members who have stopped attending and once identified make contact with them

Responsible Party: Roy Parker, Ed Hodges

Status: Identification process to be in place Nov. 20

Action Plan: Develop a reference guide to be printed in Keynotes, posted on website, posted in "coffee area", etc. a "Who to call" list regarding pastoral care needs

Responsible Party: Fr. Kevin

Status:

Action Plan: Incorporate link "who to call if" on website and all parish-wide emails.

Responsible Party: Jennifer Spivey

Status:

An old rabbi once asked his pupils how he could tell when the night had ended and the day had begun. "Could it be," asked one student, "when you can see an animal in the distance and tell whether it's a sheep or a dog?"

"No," answered the rabbi.

Another asked, "Is it when you can look at a tree in the distance and tell whether it's a fig tree or a peach tree?"

"No." answered the rabbi.

"Then when is it?" the pupils demanded.

"It is when you can look on the face of any woman or man and see that it is your sister or brother. Because if you cannot see this, it is still night."

- From the *Tales of the Hasidim*

Please don't forget...

Operation Santa Claus in your Christmas giving plans. This annual drive provides personal gifts to the people from our area residing in Cherry Hospital, Creswell Center, Group Homes, the Behavioral Center in Beaufort County Medical Center and clients of the Beaufort County Developmental Center.



New gifts and monetary donations are welcome. Make checks payable to Operation Santa and mail to Beaufort County Mental Health Association, PO Box 663, Washington, NC 27889 or bring your gift to the designated box across from Jennifer's office at the church by Wednesday, December 7th. Do not wrap the gifts, please, no glass bottles or aerosol cans.

2012 Vestry Nominee Biographies

Bob Thomas

I am married to Carolyn Doyle Thomas and have an adult daughter, Amy, and son, Stephen. Our family moved to Washington in 1973 and soon thereafter we joined Saint Peter's. Amy and Stephen were active in EYC. Amy was married in the church, and Stephen was an acolyte. I attend church and Sunday school regularly and usher at the 10:15 service. I am a member of the Christian Formation Committee. I have been involved in the dental clinics, the cleanup days, the Toys for Tots, the Lenten services, the blood drives, EYC, and musical seminars.

I received civil and structural engineering degrees from Georgia Tech and NCSU. I am now retired after working for 43 years for various chemical companies as a civil project manager. I have been involved with the Washington Planning Board, Boy Scouts of America, county water system, homeowners association: swimming competition and judging, Science Olympiad, Relay for Life, and math tutoring.

Saint Peter's has been an important part of my life and being a member of the vestry would give me the opportunity to return to the church some of what it has given me.

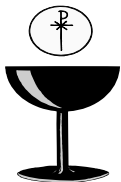
William Harrison Rianhard

My wife, Anna, and I retired to a beautiful house in Washington Park in 2005, which for a number of years was the Rectory for Saint Peter's. We moved here from Baltimore where we had lived for thirty six years. We have three children and five grand children who are all good looking, smart, show great promise and make us proud. My ancestry, on paternal side from New England, and maternal side from Virginia, traces back to the 1630's.

I was raised in Virginia, graduated from St. Christopher's School in Richmond and received two degrees from The University of Virginia. After serving in the Navy, my career was as a financial executive and management consultant. Anna and I were members of Emmanuel Episcopal Church, one of two venerable Episcopal churches remaining in downtown. At Emmanuel, I lastly served two terms as Junior Warden, overseeing a major renovation of mechanical, plumbing, and roof systems, which dated from seventy to nearly ninety years old. The church was attended by Lady Astor before her marriage to Edward.

Anna and I enjoy Saint Peter's immensely, and have participated in Sunday school, Alter Guild, Foyer, and other activities from time to time. I would be pleased to serve on the Vestry of Saint Peter's if elected.

Lay Eucharistic Ministry Brings Communion



Members of the parish who are not able to get to church because of illness or other impediment may ask that a Lay Eucharistic Minister bring the sacraments to them at home. If this is desired, please call the church office or Dewey Walker, 946-3266, to request such a visit.

If other active members would like to join this Eucharistic service and train to become a Lay Eucharistic Minister, please call the same numbers.

2012 Vestry Nominee Biographies

Sonia Privette

I began attending Saint Peter's soon after moving to Washington in March 1989. I had moved here from Wake County to work as an Assistant District Attorney and now I am in private practice with my own law firm here in Washington.

Over the last 22 ½ years, I have found a "home" in our wonderful Anglican community. I was both baptized and confirmed as an adult at Saint Peter's. My contributions to Saint Peter's include teaching Sunday School for over 11 years – from classes for 2 and 3 year olds up to adults; being a delegate to the Diocesan Convention in Fayetteville; participating in Foyer; and serving on Altar Guild. I have enjoyed volunteering in other various activities – selling baked goods, cashiering at the indoor/outdoor yard sales, aiding with the Dental Clinic, helping with dinner for vacation bible school, hosting guests in my home, etc.

I was a Girl Scout leader for 13 years, during which for 9 of those years I spent a lot of my time as the Cookie Chairman for Beaufort and Hyde Counties. I was a member of the General Federation of Women's Clubs – North Carolina for over 12 years and held positions on the local, district and state levels.

I am dedicated to giving all I can to Saint Peter's. Serving on the Vestry will be another way for me to put my talents to good use for our church.

Crystal Hardt

My husband Keith, and I and our 11 year old son, Gunnar, have been attending Saint Peter's since 2001. Our son was baptized here and Keith and I were both confirmed here.

I have been an independent consultant with the Pampered Chef for the last seven years. Prior to that, I worked at ECU in computer network analysis and security until I stayed home to raise our son.

Over the years I have been blessed to be involved in many ways at Saint Peter's. Some include: Angel Food, Funeral Food, FISH, Sunday School Teacher, VBS, EYC adviser, Upward, Cursillo, Alpha, Confirmation mentor, Parish Life committee, and help with ECW events. I attend a ladies Bible study each Friday. I am also a member of the Saint Peter's Day School Board.

Keith, Gunnar and I are so thankful and love being part of our Saint Peter's church family. I feel blessed to have the opportunity to serve on your Vestry.

Designated Outreach Contributions for October

Rector's Discretionary Fund - \$119

Bishop's Discretionary Fund - \$313

Zion Shelter & Soup Kitchen - \$159

Ruth's House - \$1225

FINANCIAL REPORT YEAR TO DATE OCTOBER 2011

	What actually happened	What we expected to happen	What we expect for the year 2011
Pledges and Contributions	406,924	404,550	506,835
Other income	5,998	500	3,000
Building fund transfer	33,107	31,230	37,476
Total Receipts	446,029	436,280	547,311
Outreach	40,604	37,497	48,080
Building loan payments	30,607	31,230	37,476
Employment	260,564	264,676	315,254
Operating costs	91,059	91,822	115,980
Parochial expenses	11,951	12,580	15,430
Total expenses	434,785	437,805	532,220
Surplus/ (Deficit)	11,244	(1,525)	15,091

BANK ACCOUNTS

	Operating		Building Fund	
Cash in Bank Jan. 1, 2011		50,452		19,158
Deduct 2011 Pledges paid and deposited in 2010	21,084			
Repay loan from Building Fund	25,000	46,084	Loan repayment	25,000
		4,368		44,128
Operating surplus		11,244	Funds to Operating	33,107
				11,021
Non-operating receipts to be disbursed at a future date		190	Donations & interest	8,276
Cash in Bank Oct. 31, 2011		15,802		19,297

Pledges and contributions received in October were \$2,743 less than expected but we are still \$2,500 ahead of the total we expected on a year to date basis. Effective in October the Building Loan was renegotiated and the monthly payment for principal and interest is now \$2,500 which is \$623 less than our previous cost; there is a timing difference between the funds transferred and the payments made which will be offset in November.

Total expenses for the year to date are just \$3,000 below what we expected and allowing for the expenses related to Consecration Sunday, which were not included in the original total for 2011, it is expected that total expenses for 2011 will be \$535,000 and possibly a little less. Jay Marle, Treasurer

Please join us
In celebration of
The Blessing of Our Marriage
Saturday, November 26, 2011
10:30 in the morning
Saint Peter's Episcopal Church
Blessings and Peace to You!
Keith and Crystal Hardt

Please join the Dayschool
as we show the church,
our family and friends how
thankful we are.



The children have been
learning about pilgrims and
Indians and the first
Thanksgiving.

We Are Thankful
Tuesday, November 22
9:15 am
Saint Peter's Church
Snacks afterwards
in All Saints' Hall

Help us decorate for Christmas!



We are now receiving monetary contributions to cover the cost of wreaths, poinsettias and other decorations for the church. You may give these gifts in memory or honor of a loved one. Please stop by the office or mail your contributions and information by Monday, December 5th. Thank you.

Diocesan Convention 2011

Are you interested in representing Saint Peter's at the **2012 Diocesan Convention, Friday and Saturday, Feb. 3rd and 4th in New Bern?** Delegates to Convention represent this Parish in the decisions of the Diocese. This is a great opportunity to see how the business of the diocese works as well as meet folks from other parishes. Qualified delegates (a) are confirmed members in good standing (age 16 or over, baptism recorded in the Parish roles, and faithful in corporate worship, working, praying, and giving for the spread of the Kingdom of God); and (b) shall have subscribed to the following declaration: I do hereby consent to be governed by the Constitution and Canons of the Church, as set forth in and by the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, and by the Constitution and Canons of the Diocese of East Carolina. **If you are interested, please contact Fr. Kevin (946-8151) or rector@saintpetersnc.org or Hodges Hackney (946-4004) by Monday, November 28th.**

Annual Reports

Ministry heads are asked to prepare their annual reports and give them to their vestry contacts **no later than November 25th**. These will be published in Keynotes and/or presented at the Annual Parish Meeting. Thank you.

Cursillo News

*Welcome to Saint Peter's
newest Cursillista
Lynda Lawson
DECOLORES!*

Calling all Cursillistas

Ultreya Welcome Back Party
Sunday, November 20, 2011, 3 pm
All Saints' Hall, Saint Peter's Episcopal Church
RSVP Crystal Hardt, 974-2798

Church Attendance

October 23, 2011

8 am
10:15 am 216
10:15 am, Spanish
Total: 216

October 30, 2011

8 am 56
10:15 am 130
10:15 am, Spanish 42
Total: 228

November 6, 2011

8am 46
10:15am 134
10:15am, Spanish 61
Total: 241

Sunday School

Adults 14
Children 11

Adults 26
Children 17

Adults 29
Children 11

From Bishop Marray

God Shows His love through the warmth and kindness of special people like you. Thank you and God Bless you for your love, warmth and hospitality. Love, Santosh & Lyn

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Nancy Hamblin	Evangelism
Vincent Holliday	Sexton
Jay Marle	Treasurer
Gillian Pollock	Director of Religious Education
Jennifer Spivey	Parish Administrator
Susie Taylor	Day School Director

Saint Peter's Vestry

Senior Warden	Hodges Hackney
Junior Warden	Walker Lynch
Christian Education	Hank Van Dorp
Evangelism	Roy Parker
Outreach	Swanson Graves
Youth	Read Allen
Worship	John Thompson
Pastoral Care	Betty Cochran
Parish Life	Cathy Whichard
Resources and Admin.	Ed Hodges
Special Projects	Todd Williamson
Buildings and Grounds	Tom Archie

Year A Revised Common Lectionary

November 13 readings
I Thessalonians 5: 1-11
Psalm 90
Matthew 25: 14-30

November 20 readings
Ezekiel 34: 11-16, 20-24
Psalm 95: 1-7a
Ephesians 1: 15-23
Matthew 25: 31-46

November 27 readings
Isaiah 64: 1-9
Psalm 80: 1-7, 16-18
I Corinthians 1: 3-9
Mark 13: 24-37

Altar Flowers

Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost

November 13

The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Mary & Anthony Capehart, Mary & Clifford Whichard, Asbourne Capehart Whichard and Anthony Ashbourne Capehart, Jr., by the family.



The Last Sunday after Pentecost

Christ the King

November 20

The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Ed & Beth Hodges by the family.

The First Sunday of Advent

November 27

The greenery on the altar is given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Christopher Francisco by his family.

The Advent wreaths are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Marion and Fred Troutman and Margaret and James Hackney, Jr., by Marsha and Hodges Hackney.



UTO Fall Ingathering

If you were unable to bring your United Thank Offering to church last Sunday, please drop it off at the church office during the week, or put it in an envelope marked "UTO" and drop it in the collection plate this Sunday. Thank you

Please Pray For:

Herta Abarr - friend of Marilyn Roth

Nancy Ayer - friend of the Babcocks

Dick Babcock - member

Phil Becker - member

Kay Blake & family - relatives of Crystal Hardt

Tom Blount - friend of Dill Lynch

Dave Bradford - friend of Barbara Rumley

Ashley Burnette - friend of the Parkers

Tay Carter - member

Nancy Chaffee - member

Janice Cox - friend of the Sidburys

Peggy Daniels & family - daughter of Leslie Whitehurst

Becky Deans - friend of Leta Thompson

Kevin DeBruhl - friend of the Parkers

Gloria Dixon - step-mother of Cindy Stringer

Rachel Early - friend of the Lynches

William Garrett & family - son of Jane Garrett

Jay Garris - friend of Lalla Sidbury

Stan Godley - friend of the Williamsons

Mary Hadley - relative of the Hadleys

Cecilia Hayes - daughter of Laura Mino

Cherri Howdy - sister-in-law of Julie Howdy

Rysam Hurley - son of Jeannene Hurley

Ginger Jacocks - friend of Saint Peter's

Alma Jaski - grandmother of Sharon Yakubowski, mother-in-law of Dick Phelan

Lilly Jones - member

Carol Keim - friend of the Dennis'

Charlie Kenney - friend of Saint Peter's

The Lopez family - members

Sue Loy - friend of Mary Jones

Sally McGahey - friend of Mary Jones

D. J. Midgett - friend of Ed Hodges

Verna Motteler - member

Dick Phelan - member

Michele Portch - friend of the Sobols

Matt Rauschenbach - friend of Keith Hardt

Marsha Remyn - friend of Carol Mann

Root Rumley - son of Barbara Rumley

Mark & Vicki Shore - relatives of Stacey Lynch

Cottie Smith - friend of Pam Hodges

Joey Smith - friend of the Stringers

Fay & Kenneth Snow - friends of Dill Lynch

Mike Sobol - member

Jim Steinbacher - friend of Sick Phelan

Philip Sterling - member

Sylvia Sterling - sister-in-law of Philip & Jean Sterling

Tula Stowell - relative of Aynn & Ken Hadley

Sheila Swindell - member

Michelle Harris-Taylor - sister-in-law of Stephanie Harris

Wyatt Taylor & family - friends of Saint Peter's

Betty Tubaugh - friend of Peggy Hudson

Hilda Wallace - mother of Cindy Cochran

Russell & Betty Jean Waters - friends of Leslie Whitehurst

Todd Williamson - member

Lester Woolard - friend of the Walkers

Jeremy Yeagle - relative of the Stringers



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Calling All Lay Weeders!

We'll be having our annual **Fall Clean-up Day** **this Saturday, Nov. 12th beginning at 8am.**

Bring cutting tools and work gloves. Please mark your tools in some way with your name. Also, bring a sandwich and a drink for yourself and one other (in case someone forgets).

Assuming it will be a pretty day; we can have a picnic on the grounds afterwards and get to know one another better. Thank you.

Tom Archie

Salvation Army Bell Ringing



Saint Peter's will be ringing the bells for the Salvation Army on Saturday, December 3rd at WalMart. Please sign up to help out. The sign-up sheet is on the ECW Closet door in the hallway.

Thank you,

Swanson Graves