

St. Peter's Episcopal Church

Keynotes

December 2023



YOU'RE INVITED

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 24TH, CHRISTMAS EVE

9AM: HOLY EUCHARIST FOR THE LAST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

4PM: CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PAGEANT AND HOLY EUCHARIST

8PM: FESTIVE CHORAL MUSIC AND HOLY EUCHARIST

MONDAY, DECEMBER 25TH, CHRISTMAS DAY

10AM: ONE SERVICE OF HOLY EUCHARIST

SAINT PETER'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

101 N. BONNER ST // 252-946-8151 // SAINTPETERSNC.ORG



With our beautiful, old facility there are always small projects and needed repairs. We're also blessed with talented folks. If you're willing to help on occasion, please let us know how you'd be willing to help. Reach out to me, and when something comes up, I'll get in touch. Thanks in advance!



John Thompson 252-947-0497 johnsabertjr@gmail.com
Jr. Warden

Join Chris for coffee at the Main Cup
on Tuesdays at 1:00pm for good
conversation and fellowship.
All are welcome!



CHILDREN'S
Sunday School

Meets at 11:15am
Upstairs in the Youth Room



On behalf of our young friends at Eastern Elementary, thank you to all of you who have purchased Christmas honor cards and/or made donations supporting them. We are presently sponsoring 19 underprivileged students, supplying them with nutritious weekend food each week. Their teachers say this assistance helps their performance significantly and their parents/guardians are most appreciative for your generosity. If you want to help, checks may be made out to SPC with "BPB" on the memo line.

Just a quick note to remind everyone that if you receive a suspicious email or text from church clergy or staff asking for donations to purchase gift cards, send money to paypal, etc., please know that it is a scam. If you ever receive questionable communication which appears to be from the church or even fellow parishioners, please call the church office or contact the parishioner directly to verify BEFORE taking any action. 252-946-8151





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*Gifts of Securities

*If you are over 70 1/2, consider directing all or a portion of your RMD from your IRA to the church.

Please check with your tax advisor to see if you would benefit from using any of these options.

*Also, to make pledge payments or to give for any reason, you can do so from our website via the online giving link at www.saintpetersnc.org or scan the QR code.

*Mail your payment to PO Box 985, Washington, NC 27889

If you need assistance with any of these options, email or call Jennifer Spivey at the church office. (946-8151, jennifer@saintpetersnc.org)



Our Financial Assistance Committee accepts requests from those in need of assistance with utilities and rent each Monday. Donations to the Financial Assistance Fund support these needs and are always welcome. Checks can be made payable to St. Peter's with "FAP" in the memo line. You can also donate online via the website at saintpetersnc.org.



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Mon-Thurs 8:30am-3pm

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Lynn Harrington-Senior Warden/Christian Ed
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 Ed Hodges-Stewardship/Newcomers
 Susan Hodges-Worship
 Roberto Jimenez-Hispanic Congregation Liaison
 Carol Nash-Endowment
 Judy Van Dorp-Parish Life



Please Pray For:



Almighty God, we entrust all who are dear to us to thy never-failing care and love, for this life and the life to come, knowing that thou art doing for them better things than we can desire or pray for; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. The Book of Common Prayer.

Please Pray for: Cris Blalock-friend of Brennan Toliver, Eric Bonpain-son-in-law of Bet & Tom Archie, Tracie Bowen-friend of Pam & Ed Hodges, Chris Burnett-friend of Bernice Marle, Rudy Burns-member, Tim Cashion-friend of Pam & Ed Hodges, Terry & Sallie Cutts-friends of Joffre Fisher, Peggy Daniels & family-daughter of Leslie Whitehurst, Mary Dennis-member, Nancy, Otto, and Otto Florschutz, Jr.-friends of Ellen Nunnelee, JoAnn & Allen Dean Foster-friends of Joffre Fisher, Linda & Robert Gale-brother and sister-in-law of Linda Weathersby, Margaret Harris-friend of Joffre Fisher, Vanessa Hernandez-member, William Earl Hopkins-friend of Monica St. Onge, Christine LeCompte-friend of Pam & Ed Hodges, Katherine Mitchell-member, Julie Edwards O'Lynnner-Goddaughter of Clay Carter, Tom Payne-member, Ann Peters-member, Mary Frances Sitterson-friend of Loren Mumford, Larry Smithwick-friend of St. Peter's, Kelly Spivey & family-friends of St. Peter's, Jennifer Steenbergen-niece of Betty & Bill Cochran, Monica St. Onge-member, Steve St. Onge-uncle of Monica St. Onge, Leta Thompson-member.

"You are never more like Jesus than when you pray for others." (Max Lucado) We have a dedicated prayer team at Saint Peters. If you want to be "one that prays for others," please join our team. If you are in need of prayer for yourself or for someone else, you can call Roxanne Holloman at 252-944-4951 and know that prayer will begin in "real time." All of these requests are confidential and we are on call 24/7.



Feliz Navidad! Please save your **stamps** from holiday mail for ECW. The proceeds from the sale of these stamps go to create Sunday School materials in Spanish for use in Latin American countries. Be sure to leave a ¼ - ½" border around your stamps. The stamp box is on the table outside the library. Muchas gracias!



Feeling left out during the offering since you didn't bring cash? Never fear! Simply scan this code with your smartphone and you can donate safely and securely through our Online Giving platform.



Our condolences are extended to:

*Family & Friends of Catharine Burns Liles
Family and Friends of Samuel Timothy Nicholson
Family and Friends of Mae Boyce Spivey & Roger Copeland Spivey*

Give rest, O Christ, to your servant with your saints, where sorrow and pain are no more, neither sighing, but life Everlasting.



The Altar Guild needs **large sized tin cans** to deliver altar flowers on Sundays. If you have any, please consider bringing them to the church.

We are looking for help with Sunday morning snacks for Sunday School and 11:15am coffee hour. A sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board by the church office. Nothing fancy needed! Please have food in All Saints' Hall by 8:45am and bring on plate(s) that can be left for the 11:15am coffee hour. Doughnuts, fruit, cheese and breads are popular. . .Call Judy for questions at 252 367-5419



The **Blessing Box** needs fruits, vegetables, canned meats, and ready to eat meals. Please look for the cans/containers with pull rings/pull top lids for convenience. Bottled waters and juices are also appreciated. Thank you for your generosity!





Our sincere thanks to Inda Hill, Chris Tkach, Becky Furr and Susan Watts for decorating our beloved church for the Homes Tour on December 2nd. Even though our sanctuary is always beautiful, these ladies enhanced its majesty and elegance substantially for the event. We appreciate their hard work, excellent taste and devotion to our lovely parish.

Thank you to Janet Bradbury & Carol Nash for the decorative and symbolic wreath, as well as the altar flowers they supplied for Advent & Christmas in the Church. Week after week throughout the year, these ladies create exquisite floral arrangements for our altar. These offerings honor our loved ones, living and deceased, while adding to the splendor of this holy space.

Ed Hodges & Riley Roberson acted as docents for the tour, sharing their historical knowledge of St. Peter's as well as their southern charm with this year's attendees. Our very talented Sam Holt played the organ for the event. All kindly donated their day to our church and our mission.

*Chris was present greeting and welcoming guests throughout the day. We are grateful to him for his contributions to St. Peter's **every day**.*

Blessings to all of you this Christmas season!

The Rena B. Harding room was decked out with lovely red poinsettias for the ECW Christmas Tea on December 2 at 10:30a.m. Twenty-eight ladies enjoyed mulled cider and an array of delicious goodies. The highlight of the tea was the arrival of the Day School children who sang Christmas songs! They were precious in their elf hats and reindeer antlers. Their performance brought great joy! As they were leaving, they passed out candy canes to each lady with a hug and a "Merry Christmas!" The poinsettias went home with the ladies over 80 and were delivered to those unable to attend the tea.





- 1/1 Ulises Correa, Sam Cox, Maribel Tellez
- 1/2 Karen Janice Adame, Mere Espinoza
- 1/3 Sam Holt
- 1/5 Swanson Graves, Rick Yakubowski
- 1/6 Juan Adame, Manuela Tavera, Taylor Whichard
- 1/12 Mike Behar, Sarah Scott Woolard
- 1/13 Elizabeth Propst
- 1/14 Lois McLaughlin
- 1/16 Daniel Adame, Gray Hodges, Jim Skillen
- 1/17 Mary Emma Holscher, Bill McLaughlin
- 1/18 Carla Arballo, Linda Weathersby
- 1/19 Todd Williamson
- 1/21 Mickie Johnston, Toddy Warren
- 1/23 Joshua Stiles
- 1/25 Sam Grimes, Dewayne Lawrence, Judy Van Dorp
- 1/27 Leslie Whitehurst
- 1/28 Mayhew Cox, Brynn Ward
- 1/30 Coop Cooper, Bob Diefendorf, Teimy Tavera

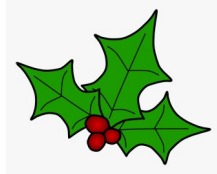
Sunday, December 31

8am Holy Eucharist in the Church

10am Holy Eucharist in the Church

12pm Holy Eucharist in the chapel (Spanish)

The Church Office will be closed December 25-27 and January 1.



***LAST CHANCE to purchase is FRIDAY, 12/22 from 8am-Noon**

Thanks to everyone who has purchased (or will purchase) Christmas Honor Cards this year! Not only are you able to honor your family and friends with a pretty seasonal card, but you are also assisting in strengthening your community. Most of these local agencies rely heavily on the generosity of others and **YOU MAKE A DIFFERENCE**. Your support makes a positive impact on the lives of the less fortunate. On behalf of these agencies and the folks they represent, thank you.

This year's program provided financial assistance to the following local, non-profit agencies: **Marion L. Shepard Cancer Center, St. Peter's Financial Assistance Program, Back Pack Buddies Program, Eagle's Wings, Open Door Community Center and Zion Soup Kitchen & Shelter.**

The Altar Guild needs to replenish the stock of knitted and crocheted baby blankets and quilts. If any of you are talented in this area and have some time, a quilt or a blanket would be great appreciated!





Heart to Heart Women's Conference 2024

Harvest Church - Washington, NC

Jan 26 & Jan 27
7-9 pm 9am-noon

featuring
Kristi McLelland



Kristi is a speaker, teacher, and college professor at Williamson College. Since completing her Masters of Arts in Christian Education at Dallas Theological Seminary, she has dedicated her life to discipleship, and to teaching people how to study the Bible for themselves. As a Biblical culturalist, Kristi writes about how God is better than we ever knew by explaining the Bible through a Middle Eastern Lens. Kristi's great desire is for people to truly experience the love of God in a personal way. This desire birthed a ministry in which she leads Biblical study trips to Israel, Turkey, Greece, and Italy. Kristi has taught and shepherded thousands, and has studied under Dr. Jim Martin, Rabbi Ken Alpren and world-renowned Israeli archaeologist Dr. Gabi Barkay. Kristi is the best selling author of Jesus and Women and The Gospel on the Ground. She is also the host of the popular Pearls podcast.

& special music by
Laura Cooksey

Laura has been a full-time session singer, worship artist, touring background singer and featured soloist for 15 years. She has toured as a worship leader for national conferences including Women of Faith and EWoman. She has also toured singing background vocals and as a featured soloist for artists including Mandisa, Natalie Grant, Nicole C Mullen, Matthew West, Michael W Smith and Amy Grant. Her voice can also be heard as a featured soloist in every Disney Park worldwide. Laura lives in Franklin, IN with her husband of 16 years, Kyle, and her 3 children, De'Aysha, Sharnarion, and Corey.



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Cut on the dotted line and mail the form below OR register online on our website:

hearttoheartconference.org | Please print legibly! Your email will be used to confirm your registration.

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Please include \$30 payment with registration form.

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Toys for Tots 2024 – A Grand Success!

This year's T4T's campaign kicked off in early November, and we were blessed to receive over 5,200 toys and 114 bikes by the time distribution day came on Sunday, December 10. Among Beaufort, Hyde and Washington Counties, there were 930 children who needed toys. Every child received more than 3 toys and stocking stuffers in their bag. Sunday was a busy, rainy day for distribution, but our wonderful volunteers came out in full force as we served more than 325 families locally with Christmas toys and cheer!

Thank you to all the volunteers who supported the T4T's effort this year! Without you, we could not have accomplished this wonderful mission. Your time and dedication is much appreciated. We look forward to continuing this program next year, so keep your calendars open. For more information, feel free to contact Michelle Clancy Fuller, Judy Van Dorp, or Henry Capogna.



Legacy of Edgar Woolard, Jr.

I should like to take this opportunity to remember a former member of St. Peter's who died on December 4, 2023 – Edgar Woolard, Jr. His family members were devout Episcopalians and supporters of our church. I was a friend of the family for many years.

Edgar Jr. lived at the northwest corner of Bonner and 11th Streets. The house is no longer there. Edgar's dad ran the very popular Courthouse Restaurant on N. Market Street, across from the courthouse.

Edgar Jr. graduated from Washington High School and N.C. State University. He began working for DuPont and eventually became CEO and chairman of the board.

Edgar's dad, for many years, cooked for the St. Peter's 7:00 a.m. Wednesday morning prayer breakfast and numerous EYC activities. His mother, Mamie, was active in the church.

During our fundraising campaign to build All Saints' Hall and renovated Gardner Hall, Edgar Jr. was contacted. He generously sponsored the Woolard Meeting Room in honor of his mother and father. His sister, Bobbie, and her husband, Hugh, gave the beautiful conference table and chairs for this room.

Later, during fundraising for repairs to the stained glass windows, Edgar Jr. sponsored a window in honor of his parents. It is located in the stairwell of Gardner Hall

One thing I distinctively recall is that Edgar Jr.'s dad always kept the Book of Common Prayer on a table next to his living room chair.

The Woolards were a good and generous family.

William I. Cochran, Jr.

Former Chairman, Building Committee

Former Chairman, Windows Restoration Project

