

Keynotes

February 2023



What started as a potential dream over a year ago is quickly becoming a reality. Many thanks to the fourteen parishioners and others who attended the mentor training program for Saint Peter's new ministry, Check and Connect. The vibrant training was led by two educators, Emily Bland and Maria Morris, as well as, Ashley Padgett, all from the Beaufort County Schools (BCS) administration.

Check and Connect is a comprehensive intervention designed to enhance student commitment at school and with learning for marginalized, disengaged students, through relationship building, problem-solving, capacity building, and persistence. Recognizing that multiple influences – home, school, and community – have on student disengagement, mentors will work to create positive relationships to provide consistent standards for educational performance and supports for students to attain them.

Developed by the University of Minnesota, Check and Connect is a data-based intervention to assist young students at risk of dropping out of school at the age of sixteen by developing meaningful one-on-one relationships with school-identified students. By creating personal relationships, this ministry has the proven potential of changing the lives of both the volunteer and the student. Mentors from Saint Peter's will partner with fourth and fifth-grade children from John Small School.

Teachers and administrators are currently in the process of identifying students and obtaining parental consent for the child's involvement in Check and Connect. Mentors from Saint Peter's will gather with students, parents, teachers, and administrators in early March for introductions and establishing relationships.

Although this is not an evangelical program, this is an exciting time in the life of our parish as we begin this new ministry to bring the power of God's love to those children through our acts of friendship, care, and concern. Please hold all of those involved in Check and Connect in your prayers as we begin a new journey.

Thank you, Saint Peter's, for being just who you are!



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We Need Your Skills!

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 Jennifer or me, and when something comes up, I'll get in touch. Thanks in advance!

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Approximately 96 fortunate St. Peter's parishioners were treated to a delicious Chili Dinner on a cold February 1 evening in All Saints' Hall. Our sincere thanks to Cathy Whichard and her team of energetic and talented cooks! They lovingly prepared the meal, further enhancing the hall with fresh cut camellias and a welcoming ambience. *A very special evening!!*



CHILDREN'S Sunday School

**Children's Sunday School meets each Sunday at
11:15am Upstairs in the Youth Room.**

Upcoming Sacred Ground meetings take place in the Rena B. Harding Room at 6:00pm . The final class is on **March 6.**



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





Giving to Saint Peter's has never been easier!

*Automatic Credit/Debit Card Payments

*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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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: **Becky Avery**-friend of Marsha & Hodges Hackney, **Dick Babcock**-member, **Loraine Babcock**-member, **Maria Bonitez**-friend of Ann Peters, **Chris Burnett**-friend of Bernice Marle, **Tim Cashion**-friend of Pam & Ed Hodges, **Michael Cooke**-relative of Ed Hodges, **Judy Cheshire**-member, **William Cochran, III**-member, **Amanda Cox**-friend of the Skillens, **Nathan Cutler**-friend of Joe Stringer, **Terry & Sallie Cutts**-friends of Joffre Fisher, **Dwayne Davis**- nephew of Betty & Bill Cochran, **J.B. Davis**-friend of Patrick Nash, **Jeff Davis**-friend of Pam & Ed Hodges, **Mary Dennis**-member, **JoAnn & Allen Dean Foster**-friends of Joffre Fisher, **Nell Howell**-friend of Betty & Bill Cochran, **Leigh Ann Hudson**-daughter-in-law of Gayle & Keith Hudson, **Alton Ingalls**-friend of Olivia & Riley Roberson, **Wesley Jones**-brother of Ashley Padgett, **Carl Jordan**-friend of Susan Dawson, **Kathleen Kennedy**-member, **Peggy Koonce**-member, **Catherine Liles**-mother of Mary Parker Liles, **Trish Litchfield**-member, **Vianey Lopez**-member, **Zach Martin**-friend of Joe Stringer, **Carol Mills**-friend of Betty & Bill Cochran, **Laura Mino**-mother of Lourdes Williamson, **Braxton Mira-Knippel**-grandson of Betty & Bill Cochran, **Florette & Henry Moore**-members, **Tom Payne**-member, **Darla Prescott**-friend of St. Peter's, **Rebecca, Bob Savage**-friend of Bernice Marle, **Howard Sharpe**-brother of Kay Sharpe, **Darlene Simmons**-sister-in-law of Betty & Bill Cochran, **Jennie Singleton**-friend of Susan Pendergrass, **Fran Sobol**-friend of Loraine & Dick Babcock, **Linda Taylor**-friend of Sally Pruden, **Blair Thompson**-cousin of John Thompson, **Toddy Warren**-member, **Roy Whichard**- member, **William W. Whitehurst, III**-son-in-law of Anna & Bill Rianhard, **Jan Wilkinson**-friend of Aynn & Ken Hadley, **Hans Williamson**-brother of Todd Williamson, **Todd Williamson**-member, **Mark Zenobia**-friend of the Hadleys.

The prayer list is an important and sacred tool in the life of St. Peter's Church. We pray to God for those we know (or don't know) to be restored to health and well-being. If your family member or friend improves, or hopefully fully recovers, please inform the office staff so they can be removed from the list. Thank you.

St. Peter's has supported the **Zion Shelter and Soup Kitchen** since its inception more than 30 years ago. In the beginning, men of our church spent the night welcoming the homeless men and sleeping there among them. Today we continue our support, monetarily. In addition, we supply lunches on the first Friday of each month to the shelter occupants on the weekend. Fifteen lunches are packed and delivered by St. Peter's volunteers. Detailed instructions and a sign-up sheet may be found on the bulletin board by Jennifer's office. Stop by and check it out. Consider joining this lunch bag ministry, helping to continue our support of Washington's homeless.





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.



FEED THE HUNGRY

The Blessing Box on Bonner Street needs:

- *Fruit & Vegetables (pop top or pull-top lids only)
- *Juices like Sunny D or apple juice and individual bottled waters
- *Beef Stew, Chili, Soups & Pastas, Instant Mashed Potatoes
- *Peanut Butter or Bumble Bee Chicken Salad or Tuna Salad Kits
- *Granola Bars, Breakfast/Cereal Bars, Pop Tarts

Individual serving sizes are best. Items need to have easy-to-open lids so our friends and neighbors in need can open them! Thank you!

Please join us for an **Outreach Meeting** Sunday, February 19th at 11:15am in the Woolard Room. We will check in on our various outreach projects and talk about our plans for the year. Everyone is welcome. Questions? Contact Becky Furr at 704-507-6176.



Help us keep in touch with you!

Please make sure and contact the church office if you have moved, changed your phone number or have a new email address. Send

updated information to communications@saintpetersnc.org or call 946-8151.





3/3 Nancy Hamblin, Heather Williams

3/5 Fred Scales

3/7 Joe Tomas Adame, MJ Peters

3/8 Janet Cutler

3/9 Maribel Edwards, Pastor Ramirez

3/10 Erin Eatman, Scott Harris, Sharon Whitehurst

3/11 Frank Johnston, Jr., Lilly Jones, Charlene Loope, Zack Pagnani, Mark Yates

3/12 Henry Capogna, Betsy Johnston

3/13 Janeth Madero

3/14 Fred Sanders

3/15 Cutler Lee, Megan Leigh Smith, Lisa Strang

3/16 Frank Johnston, Pam Klinger

3/18 Phil Holloman

3/20 Angelee Higuera

3/22 Richard Andrews, Jane Griffin, Alban Paul

3/23 Marcia Griffin, Jack Rodman

3/24 Julia Hurley

3/25 Lauren Mumford, Gary Strang

3/26 Sergio Ramirez

3/27 Keais Lynch, Elizabeth Behar Powell, Yahir Resendiz

3/29 Robin Skillen

3/31 Mary Scott Sheppard

OUTREACH - Saint Peter's Saturday, February 25, Food Pantry is coming up soon! How can you be involved?

- Contact Becky Furr to complete an Eagle's Wings volunteer form!
 - On Friday, Feb 24, 1 - 2pm, meet at Eagle's Wings to pack groceries,
AND /OR
 - Saturday, Feb 25, 9 - 11:30am help distribute the food at Saint Peter's.
- Packing the food on Friday is great fellowship, and the gratitude you receive from the recipients on Saturday is priceless. We welcome any member that has completed a volunteer form to join us!



An Invitation to join the chancel and handbell choirs!

If you would like to play handbells and or sing in the chancel choir, you are welcome to join us on Wednesday evenings! Bell practice is from 5:30-6:30 in the sanctuary balcony and choir rehearsal is from 6:30- 8:00 in the music suite. Our focus is on learning and rehearsing music to lead and to enhance worship each Sunday. Please consider committing to singing in the choir or playing bells as one of many forms of stewardship!

Please feel free to email, text or call me if you have questions or would like more information. Thank you!

Sam

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Stamp Ministry – ECW recently mailed 3,194 stamps to The Alliance Stamp Ministry. Thank you to all who saved your stamps! Despite being flooded out of their workspace for 6 weeks due to Hurricane Ian, this group raised \$35,000 last year. This money is used to create and publish Sunday School materials in Spanish for use in Latin American countries. Please continue to save your stamps leaving a ¼ to 1/3” border around them. The stamp collection box is on the table beside the church library.

Reading Glasses – ECW continues to collect readings glasses for use in the Financial Assistance Program. It is such a gift to be able to offer them to our clients who we see squinting to read things. They are amazed and grateful that that we provide glasses for them. There is a basket on the table in the library for new glasses or glasses you no longer use.



YOUTH PRAYER BREAKFAST 2023

FBC WASHINGTON MS 6:30 HS 7:30



**FEB
27**

JOHN HOLLOMAN
AMERICAN NINJA WARRIOR

KRISTI OVERTON
OLYMPIC SKIER

**FEB
28**



**MAR
1**

TERRANCE COPPER
NFL PLAYER

QUISHA HORTON
WORSHIP LEADER

**MAR
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**MAR
3**

PARKER BYRD
ECU BASEBALL

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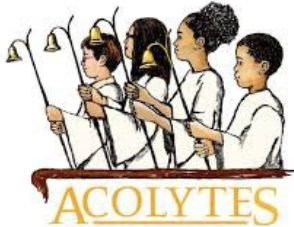
February 22

7am

Noon

7pm

*All services will be held in
the Chapel.*



Calling All Acolytes

If you are 10 - 18 years old, please consider being an acolyte. Being an acolyte is a fun way to contribute to the church service. Are you interested but worried you won't know what to do? No problem! We will provide training to go over everything you need to know. Interested? Contact Lynn Harrington, lynnpharrington@gmail.com or Karen Mann, kmann107@gmail.com.

The "Challenge of Jesus" is a Lenten study by John Dominic Crossan that will change forever the way you read and hear the New Testament.

Why is it important to know the world in which Jesus lived and died?

How did Jesus, a Palestinian Jew, relate to those in his historical context?

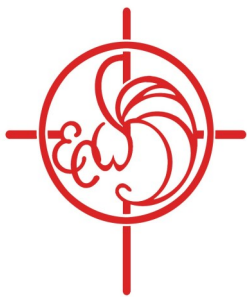
What difference did it make that he lived and died in a nation constantly in rebellion against the Empire of this time?

Who in his culture did he champion? Why?

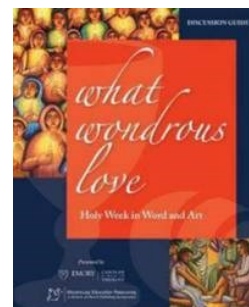
Join us for new insights and lively discussion beginning Sunday, February 26 at 9:00am in the Woolard Meeting Room, and every Sunday thereafter through Palm Sunday, April 2. Six Sundays of exposure to Jesus as you may not have ever imagined him.



Facilitated by The Rev. Polk Culpepper.



Please join ECW at our meeting on March 1, at 10:00 am in the music room. We will offer Part 2 of our video series “Wondrous Love, Holy Week in Word and Art” , presented by the Candler School of Theology, Emory University. (It is ok if you missed the first session.) We will continue our discussion of John Swanson’s stunning artwork as we focus on his paintings, *Jesus Washes the Disciples Feet* and *The Last Supper*. As with the first week, there is no homework , just discussion in class. This is open to all the women at St. Peter’s. Please feel free to bring a friend.



Back Pack Buddies is now serving **23 families** at Eastern Elementary—the most children we have served in our (now) 13 years of participating in this ministry! It seems we are the only church helping this particular school. If you want to help stock the shelves and fill the tummies of some needy Kindergartners, please send your donation to St. Peter’s at PO Box 985, Washington and put BPB on the memo line. If you’d rather bring individual portions, that’s fine too. If you have any questions, please call Catherine at (252) 943-1687. Thank you for your help!

FYI: Each bundle for each child each week contains 2 canned meats, 2 canned vegetables, 2 milks, 2 noodle products, 2 breakfast items, two snacks, 2 juices, 2 canned fruits, and one fresh fruit. This food is sent home with the children to supplement weekend nutritional needs. The teachers note considerable improvement in the children’s performance and attention as a result of this assistance.

The EES Guidance Counselor commented recently: "I wish you could see the kids’ faces when they are given their food on Fridays!"



March 1st through March 31st
Children's Book Drive

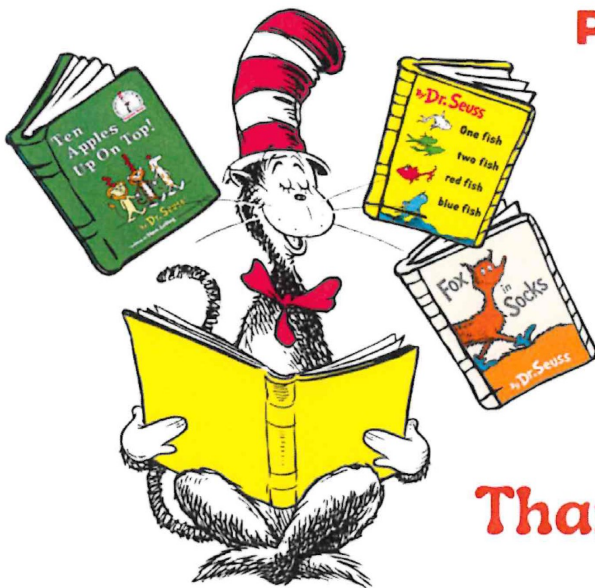
WE NEED YOUR HELP!

In celebration of Dr. Seuss' Birthday (March 2nd), Beaufort-Hyde Partnership for Children is collecting new and gently-used books for infants, toddlers, preschoolers and elementary school-aged children.

We are asking the community to join us in providing reading opportunities for children and their families in Beaufort and Hyde counties!

Books will be placed in literacy rich waiting areas for businesses and organizations, little libraries, summer feeding program sites, and our local community events.

You can help by donating new or gently-used books for infants, toddlers, preschoolers, and elementary-aged children!



**PLEASE DROP BOOKS IN THE
"BOOK COLLECTION BIN"**

THE BIN IS LOCATED:

outside the church office

**Thank you for
your help!**



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