

# St. Peter's Episcopal Church

## Keynotes

October 2023



*The mission of St. Peter's Episcopal Church is to reflect the love of Jesus Christ by affirming and welcoming all to meet God in an oasis of love, responding to the needs of our community and healing the world through the power of the Holy Spirit.*

After months of discussion, prayer, and wordsmithing, the Vestry unanimously adopted this as the new mission statement of Saint Peter's at our September Vestry meeting. It's an incredible statement that reflects how our leadership understands our unique mission to Washington, Beaufort County, and beyond.

But it's not just the Vestry's, or the Clergy's. It's your mission, too. And what a wondrous mission it is! We have been invited by Jesus Christ to do all that we can to ensure Saint Peter's is a welcoming oasis of full affirmation and acceptance. There are no pre-conditions for belonging to Saint Peter's. Neither race, nor class, nor anything at all would prevent someone from meeting Jesus Christ in this place, and that is something to celebrate!

I wouldn't have the space to write out all the ways you respond to the needs of our community and offer the healing power of the Spirit. The recent Ministry Fair highlighted the incredible work you are doing in the world, outside the hallowed walls of our church. I remain amazed and excited to be serving Christ alongside you, for you truly are a people who want to see the love of God spread all around the world, beginning right here in Washington.

This mission, though, can't run only on prayer and good wishes. It requires your willingness to share your time, talents, and treasure. We are moving into Stewardship Season, and our campaign is centered on our new mission statement. Without your generosity and your faithful commitment to sharing your wealth, the mission of Saint Peter's would only exist on paper. Consecration Sunday is November 5th, and between now and then, I encourage you to prayerfully consider how God is calling you to share your gifts for the sake of the mission of Jesus Christ. Jesus said, "The Kingdom of God has come among you", and we are blessed with the opportunity to do all that we can to make the Kingdom of God more visible in our community. Thank you for your prayers and your willingness to share for the health and well-being of the world.

-Chris



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!



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# CHILDREN'S Sunday School

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



**Our devoted committee is buying, stocking, packing and delivering healthy weekend food for 15 Eastern Elementary students. This number will go up! If you want to help feed these underprivileged students, and assist in improving their school performance and general well-being, please consider making a much-appreciated donation. Checks may be mailed or brought to the church.**

***Proverbs 22:9 The generous will themselves be blessed, for they share their food with the poor.***

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](http://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](mailto: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](http://saintpetersnc.org).



**Office Hours**  
Mon-Thurs 8:30am-3pm  
Fri 8:30am-12pm

## Saint Peter's Clergy & Staff

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## Vestry

Lynn Harrington-Senior Warden/Christian Ed  
 John Thompson-Junior Warden  
 Sarah Bernart-Communications  
 Cathy Capogna-Clerk/Outreach  
 Joffre Fisher-Pastoral Care  
 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:** Eric Bonpain-son-in-law of Bet & Tom Archie, Tracie Bowen-friend of Pam & Ed Hodges, Chris Burnett-friend of Bernice Marle, Tim Cashion-friend of Pam & Ed Hodges, Bill Cheshire-member, Terry & Sallie Cutts-friends of Joffre Fisher, JoAnn & Allen Dean Foster-friends of Joffre Fisher, Katherine Hall-member, Margaret Harris-friend of Joffre Fisher, Adele Hernandez-friend of St. Peter's, Christine LeCompte-friend of Pam & Ed Hodges, Katherine Mitchell-member, Tim Nicholson-brother of Katherine Mitchell, Julie Edwards O'Lynnger-Goddaughter of Clay Carter, Tom Payne-member, Ann Peters-member, Ray Pippin-friend of St. Peter's, Bob Savage-friend of Bernice Marle, Larry Smithwick-friend of St. Peter's, Monica St. Onge-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 Laura Bliley at 252-495-3008 and know that prayer will begin in "real time." All of these requests are confidential and we are on call 24/7.



Scan to donate

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.

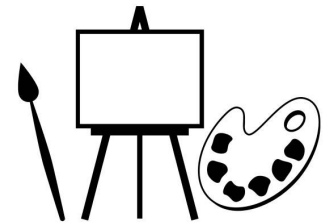
**Art Walk-** On Sunday, October 29 we will meet beneath the churchyard trees (Bonner Street) for fellowship and arts appreciation following the 10am service. Light refreshments will be provided. We will enjoy our time together until Noon-12:30pm

Artists/Exhibitors: If you want to participate, there is a sign-up sheet right outside Jennifer's office. It would be great if you could sign up by October 13. Watercolors, pottery, 3D, quilts, woodwork, jewelry, photography – it's up to you. You may put a price tag on your work or simply display it. (Donating a portion of your proceeds to SPC would be appreciated.)

On the morning of the event, there will be yellow flags placed around the churchyard to indicate places where you can set up your own table. Chairs will be provided. Catherine Partrick will be available all morning (8:00 – Noon) to assist if needed. If you have questions, please email Catherine at [communications@saintpetersnc.org](mailto:communications@saintpetersnc.org) or call her at 252-943-1687 (cell) or at church M-Th 11-3 at 252-946-8151.

Enthusiastic attendees: Please bring your checkbook. You may find “just the thing” for yourself or someone else! If it rains, we'll try to reschedule.

CHILDREN ARE ENCOURAGED TO PARTICIPATE.



*Our condolences are extended to  
the family of Conner Delane Clark*

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

The **Blessing Box** needs fruits, vegetables, canned meats, and ready to eat meals. Please buy the cans/containers with pull rings/pull top lids for convenience. With the soaring temperatures, small bottled waters would also be appreciated. Thank you for your generosity!





## Ciompi Quartet

### ST. PETER'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

October 29, 4:00 pm

Program:

Franz Joseph Haydn: String Quartet in C Major, Op. 74 #1

Sofia Gubaidulina: String Quartet #2 (1987)

Shelley Washington: Middleground for String Quartet (2017)

Claude Debussy: String Quartet, Op 10

### **UTO Fall Ingathering – November 5, 2023**

The United Thank Offering (UTO) of the Episcopal Church is a personal spiritual discipline of thanksgiving that supports God's mission throughout the world. Through UTO, all of us – men, women and children – nurture the habit of giving thanks to God.

If you wish to practice the discipline of thankfulness, please pick up a blue box from the narthex of the church, or chapel, or from Gardner Hall. Start putting in coins or cash for your thanksgivings and bring your UTO gift to church on Sunday, November 5<sup>th</sup>.

Every penny will be forwarded to the Diocese, for every penny represents someone's prayer of thanksgiving. The money will be used to address human needs and help to alleviate poverty. Locally, Ruth's House and the Albemarle Food Bank have been recipients of UTO grants.





- 11/1 Brianna Leal, Maribel Villeda
- 11/2 Austin Rawls, Katherine Tate
- 11/3 Emily Huettmann
- 11/4 Ann Behar, Roberto Jimenez, Patrick Nash
- 11/5 Mary Carter
- 11/6 Steven Gachuz, Michelle Fuller
- 11/8 Carolyn Thomas
- 11/10 Austin Andrews, Anna Rianhard
- 11/11 Eric Serrano
- 11/12 Trenton Baldree
- 11/14 Cristal Gachuz, Mary Skinner
- 11/15 Lachlan Stroud
- 11/16 Diego Adame, J.J. Jarvah
- 11/17 Anne Pagnani, Leta Thompaon
- 11/21 Peggy Koonce
- 11/22 Vanessa Hernandez
- 11/23 Gram Barnes, Crane Couch, Daisy Gachuz, Ann Tyndall
- 11/25 Gayle Hudson, Ashley Padgett, Mia Pagnani, Josh Tayloe
- 11/26 Kian Hernandez, Valerie Simpson
- 11/27 Josua Tavera
- 11/28 Benjamin Gachuz
- 11/29 Judy Cheshire
- 11/30 Kathleen Couch

## Join us for Worship & Christian Education

### Sundays

8am Worship in the Church (English)

9am Adult Christian Education

10am Worship in the Church (English).

11:15am Children's Christian Education & Adult Coffee Hour

12pm Worship in the Chapel (Spanish)

### Wednesdays

7am and 11am Worship in the Chapel

2023 Pledge Balances are available by calling or emailing Jennifer at 946-8151 or [jennifer@saintpetersnc.org](mailto:jennifer@saintpetersnc.org).



### 2024 Vestry Nominations



If you or someone you know might be interested in being a candidate for the 2024 vestry, please contact a member of the nominating committee by November 1st. Lynn Harrington (919-215-1420), Ed Hodges (252-943-4420), or Carol Nash (252-944-3756). Before nominating someone, please talk with the individual first to make sure they are interested. We begin this process now to allow the nominating committee sufficient time to do their work, and to allow potential candidates more time to prayerfully consider their decision regarding the 3-year term. Thank you!

The eligibility requirements for service on the Vestry are as follows. The nominee must be:

1. 16 years of age or older;
2. An active member of the Episcopal Church and Saint Peter's Parish;
3. A confirmed communicant in good standing, a regular attendee at the Eucharist;
4. A contributor of record, actively helping to support the life and ministry of this parish.





St. Peter's will observe All Saints' Day on Sunday, November 5th. You are invited to share the names of your departed loved ones to be read on this day. For convenience, you may email [communications@saintpetersnc.org](mailto:communications@saintpetersnc.org) or call the church office (946-8151) with your names. **Deadline for submissions is Tuesday, October 31st at noon.**

## African Team Ministries Jewelry and Craft Sale is coming to St. Peter's in November! Be on the lookout for the display.



African Team Ministries is a Christian ministry working as an intermediary between African and American churches. With help from Episcopal, Methodist, Presbyterian, Lutheran, and Anglican denominations, we provide funding for orphan and refugee relief missions and evangelism in East Africa. The support we receive is sent directly to our partnering Bishops to provide school fees, tuition, books, and uniforms. This support ensures that the children receive an education and a measure of stability needed to rebuild their minds. We currently have children registered for sponsorship in Kenya, Uganda, Tanzania, and Rwanda. Through our support we are giving the gift of HOPE!



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



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**ACCEPT THE CHALLENGE!**

**HELP KEEP FEET WARM THIS WINTER BY  
DONATING NEW SOCKS**

**NEW socks in all sizes are needed!**

**The United Way will distribute socks to local organizations in Beaufort County  
who support infants & children, teens, families and the elderly.**

*Sock collections accepted throughout the month of October. Contact United Way at 975-6209.*



***Sunday, November 12th at 5:00 pm in the church sanctuary.***

This beautiful, contemplative service is a sung version of Evening Prayer found in the Book of Common Prayer and is a part of our rich Anglican tradition. Join us!