

# Keynotes

October 2025



Stewardship season is here! For experienced members, you know what to expect. But for new members, the idea of 'stewardship' might be completely new.

In short, Stewardship Season is a time when we reflect on how we spend our time and invest our finances. As Christians, we aim to use our time and money to glorify God, strengthen the Church, and bring healing to the world. That's a lofty goal, but it's achievable because people like you are good *stewards* of what God has entrusted to you.

During this time, there will be spoken and written reflections from people about how faithfully giving time and money has enriched their lives and relationships with God. There are stories of how the money donated by you has helped families move into new homes after disasters and buy life-saving medicines for people in need.

Soon, you will receive a letter with a Pledge Card, which will serve as your way to make a financial commitment to Christ and the Church. Until then, please be in prayer about how God is calling you to share your time and money for the advancing of the kingdom of God!

And, in case you forget, Stewardship is as easy as 1-2-3!



-Chris

**Art Walk** will take place in the churchyard on Sunday, October 26 from 11:00am to Noon. Several of our parishioners will be exhibiting/selling their works so please come and enjoy the fellowship, the talents of our friends, and a warm cup of cider. If you want to participate as an exhibitor, please contact us at (252)946-8151 or [communications@saintpetersnc.org](mailto:communications@saintpetersnc.org).



SHARE  
YOUR  
IDEAS!

**Christian Formation:** Chris is most engaged as a teacher when the material and topics engage YOU! If there are things you are interested in learning, let Chris know. We can explore them together and learn more about the God we serve! Email him at [chris@saintpetersnc.org](mailto:chris@saintpetersnc.org) or let him know on Sunday morning!



**CALLING ALL WOMEN!!** Registration is now open for the Heart to Heart Women's Conference to be held on Jan 16 and 17 at Harvest Church with Lisa Harper as the guest speaker and Indy Dixon leading worship. It promises to be a weekend of rich teaching and meaningful worship. We hope you can join us for this special event! For more information, go to [www.hearttoheartconference.org](http://www.hearttoheartconference.org).

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



The church directory is **always** being updated. If you'd like a current copy, come by the office and get the latest version.



## **Giving to Saint Peter's has never been easier!**

\*Automatic Credit/Debit Card Payments

\*Gifts of Securities

\*If you are 73, 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))



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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**

Judy Van Dorp-Senior Warden

Jason Jacques-Junior Warden & Newcomers

Mike Behar-Stewardship

Joffre Fisher-Pastoral Care

Emily Garner-Communications

Mark Henley

Inda Hill-Worship

Susan Hodges-Clerk & Parish Life

Dave Loope-Community Connections

Ashley Padgett

Howard Smith-Community Building

Lucy Trejo-Spanish Language Liaison



**Every Wednesday** at 7am and 11am the Holy Eucharist is celebrated. We reflect on the lives of significant saints in the history of the Church and are empowered by their faithful witness to the Gospel. These services are wonderful opportunities to be encouraged and strengthened in your discipleship. The 11 am service also includes anointing with holy oil and special prayers for healing as desired.

**Zion Sack Lunch Ministry** – Lunches for Zion patrons may now be delivered to 328 N. Market Street, beside “House of Styles” barber shop. You may park behind it and someone will assist you. A revised list of guidelines is available on the bulletin board beside Jennifer’s office. Thank you for your participation!



#### USHERS NEEDED



Please prayerfully consider being an usher for Saint Peter’s; a much appreciated and fulfilling calling! Duties include greeting and directing members and visitors, assisting with seating, collecting offerings, and providing assistance to those in need. If this is something that interests you, please contact Hank Van Dorp at (252)214-



If you are interested in becoming a Layreader, please call the church office at 252-946-8151. Your service would be appreciated.



**We are looking for new members, past and present, to join us.**

#### **Questions?**

**Contact: Jason Jacques 678-596-5141**

**Brennan Tolliver 404-602-2417**

**Chris Chaffer 252-945-1492**

**1st Friday @ 4pm Riverwalk Coffee Shop**

**3rd Friday @ 4pm in ASH (Dinner follows)**





11/1 Brianna Leal, Maribel Villeda  
11/2 Austin Rawls, Katherine Tate  
11/3 Emily Huettmann  
11/4 Ann Behar, Robert Jimenez, Patrick Nash  
11/5 Mary Carter  
11/6 Michelle Fuller, Steven Gachuz  
11/7 Deeanna Burleson  
11/10 Austin Andrews, Bill Rianhard  
11/11 Eric Serrano  
11/14 Cristal Gachuz, Mary Skinner  
11/15 Lachlan Stroud  
11/16 Diego Adame, J.J. Jarvah  
11/17 Anne Pagnani, Leta Thompson  
11/18 David Ingles  
11/21 Peggy Koonce  
11/22 Vanessa Hernandez  
11/23 Crane Couch, Daisy Gachuz, Ann Tyndall  
11/25 Gayle Hudson, Ashley Padgett, Mia Pagnani, Travis West  
11/26 Kian Hernandez  
11/27 Bob Puphal, Josua Tavera, Jim Turner  
11/28 Benjamin Gachuz  
11/30 Kathleen Couch, Will Moore



Sunday, October 19th is the **ECW SOUP SALE**. Come to the kitchen in ASH after the 8 o'clock or 10 o'clock service to purchase some delicious homemade soup. Thanks to our wonderful volunteer cooks we have many delicious choices: chicken noodle, Brunswick stew, chili, vegetable beef, tomato, ham bone vegetable and more. Each quart is \$10.00. Fill your freezer for the holidays or purchase some for a friend. Profits will be divided between Back Pack Buddies and CPC, the Episcopal Church Periodical Club. Thank you for supporting our fundraiser.



The Ripe for Revival food truck will be at Saint Peter's on Sunday, November 2nd after 9am Sunday School and staying until after the 10am service. This will be a Pay it Forward event.

To learn more about Ripe for Revival you can follow their Facebook and Instagram social media pages as "Ripe for Revival" or check out their website at [www.ripeforrevival.com](http://www.ripeforrevival.com).

Please be sure and visit them in the parking lot by All Saints' Hall on November 2nd. For more information or questions, contact Trish Litchfield at 252-375-1690.



St. Peter's will observe All Saints' Day on Sunday, November 2nd. 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 28th at noon.**



## 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:** Marjorie Adams-grandmother of Chris Adams, Manuel Solano Adriano-friend of St. Peter's, Bert Anderson-brother of Janet Bradbury, Nadine Barrett-member, Lorie Beacham-friend of Katherine Edwards, Charlie Brown-member, Tim Cashion-friend of Pam & Ed Hodges, Joffre Fisher-member, JoAnn & Allen Dean Foster-friends of Joffre Fisher, Victoria Gachuz-member, Jane Griffin-member, Timmie Hodges-friend of Fred Holscher, Diane Igoe-friend of Janet Bradbury, David Ingles-member, Lynda Lane-member, Pamela Lane & family-relatives of Lynda Lane, Mina Patel-friend of Laura Bliley, Tom Payne-member, Melanie Peters-niece of Ann Peters, Scott Seiden-friend of Michelle & Brian Fuller, Allison Smith-friend of Pam & Ed Hodges, David Steenbergen-nephew of Betty Cochran, Jennifer Steenbergen-niece of Betty Cochran, Marjorie Vreeland-friend of Linda Weathersby, Taylor Whichard-member, Audrey Kelder Wilson-friend of Laura Bliley.

**Back Pack Buddies is in full swing!** For the past 15 years, SPC has participated in this wonderful ministry. Each school year, nutritious weekend food is delivered to Eastern Elementary to feed approximately 18 needy kindergartners. The teachers see a marked improvement in the children's participation and performance, the additional food helps the families who are struggling to provide for their children, and the children LOVE the food! The parish "teams" enjoy shopping, bagging, and delivering each week so EVERYBODY WINS! If you are interested in helping out, you may make a monetary contribution by dropping off or sending a check payable to SPC (PO Box 985, Washington, NC 2788) with "BPB" on the memo line. Online contributions are also an option. Every penny is appreciated and used to purchase food!



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### Blessing of the



### Sunday, October 19th

### 4:30pm

### Saint Peter's Churchyard



**Volunteers are needed to provide Sunday Snacks for our growing Adult Sunday School Class and social time following the 10am service. There is a sign-up sheet posted on the bulletin board by the church office if you are interested in helping out. Thank you and please come join us!**

**Build it and they will come!** We are planning to resume nursery services and hoping the little ones will come. The nursery is set up so we now need a volunteer group to care for the children. If you love babies and toddlers, please consider offering to be in the nursery from 10-11 am Sunday mornings. Hoping for once in 6 weeks rotation. Email me if you'd like to join this special ministry – [vandorp@suddenlink.net](mailto:vandorp@suddenlink.net).



The **United Thank Offering (UTO)** is a ministry of the Episcopal Church. Through UTO, all of us - men, women and children - nurture the habit of giving daily thanks to God. These prayers of thanksgiving start when we recognize and name our many blessings. Saint Peter's has designated Sunday, November 2nd our Fall UTO Ingathering. Please use one of the blue boxes or one of the envelopes to make your donation to UTO. All funds collected are sent to the diocese for grants that address human needs and help alleviate poverty.

**Reading Glasses Needed!** The Financial Assistance Program's eyeglasses basket is very low on reading glasses. If you have glasses that you no longer need, please considering donating them to our clients. They are always so happy and appreciate to getting needed glasses when we meet with them. You can make a real difference in someone's life! New glasses are certainly appreciated also. Your donation can be left in the big brown basket on the side table in the church library. As always, thank you for supporting the Financial Assistance Program.



**Reading Glasses**

Chris will be celebrating the Eucharist at Cypress Glen on Thursday, November 20th at 11:00 a.m. If you have family or friends there, please invite them to attend.

