

Keynotes

June 2023



“How Hymns are Chosen....”

I'm sure many of you have wondered about how hymns are chosen each Sunday. Some of you may have observed that the words of the hymns we sing echo a theme in the Gospel, the Psalms and the New and Old Testament readings; that's because the hymns were chosen for that very purpose. A priest I worked with years ago said that a well-planned worship service was like a beautiful, finely woven tapestry! That comparison resonated with me and has had a major impact on how I plan music for St. Peter's! Hymns are never randomly chosen but rather with care to unite as much as possible the themes of each Sunday. To expand our familiarity with our wonderful Hymnal, we sometimes sing hymns less familiar; but I would like to assure you that much thought and planning goes into hymn selection. With that said, some Sundays are much easier to plan for. If you noticed, the hymns for Pentecost Sunday were all about the Holy Spirit and divine inspiration. Trinity Sunday we sang “Holy, holy, holy....” I could go on and on, but you get the point.

My principal guide in selecting hymns and anthems is “The Episcopal Musician’s Handbook” published by The Living Church Foundation, Inc. This invaluable resource is published each year and coordinates hymns and service music with the lectionary year. We are currently in Lectionary Year A, so suggested hymns coordinate with readings for each Sunday. My process for planning is to select hymns using this resource and then consult with the choir about if the hymn is known by the congregation and if the hymn is singable by the congregation. By consulting the choir in the hymn selection process, I feel safe to say that the majority of the hymns are familiar. And if a hymn is not so familiar, just know that it was chosen because of its important message.

I enjoy receiving your hymn suggestions for the summer and please know that I will make effort to include your recommendations somewhere in the service.

Sincerely,
Sam



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



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Wanted: good people who want to serve others by partnering with us in Eagle's Wings food pantry ministry. Opportunities include: working in the food pantry, preparing boxes and bags of food items; retail store pick-ups of donated foods (using our vans); front office reception on Tuesday mornings; data entry Tuesday afternoons; interviewing clients to determine eligibility. Call: Ann-Marie Montague at 252-974-1138 with any questions and/or availability.

CHILDREN'S *Sunday School*

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

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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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 8am-3pm
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Vestry

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: Ken Adams-father of Chris Adams, Nell Anderson-friend of St. Peter's, Chris Burnett-friend of Bernice Marle, Eric Bonpain-son-in-law of Bet & Tom Archie, Terry & Sallie Cutts-friends of Joffre Fisher, JoAnn & Allen Dean Foster-friends of Joffre Fisher, Margaret Harris-friend of Joffre Fisher, Kassie Mason- relative of Pam & Ed Hodges, Tom Payne-member, Bob Savage-friend of Bernice Marle.

Prayer list requests may be made by completing a prayer card from the pew rack in church or by calling (946-8151) or emailing the church office (communications@saintpetersnc.org). Names will remain on the prayer list for 30 days.



"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 Joffre Fisher at 919-801-3192 or 252-946-2352 and know that prayer will begin in "real time." All of these requests are confidential and we are on call 24/7.

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. Thank you for your generosity!





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.



Back Pack Buddies extends thanks to this generous congregation for the funds and food donations throughout this school year. The minds and bodies of twenty-two Eastern Elementary children were enriched. THANK YOU!!!

Let's also give thanks for the members of the SPC Back Pack Buddies committee. The folks on this committee have participated diligently and happily for YEARS purchasing, stocking, packing and delivering food to our Kindergarten friends at Eastern Elementary. A list of the committee members is posted on the bulletin board in Gardner Hall.

ZION EPISCOPAL CHURCH YARD SALE

Friday, June 23rd, 3pm -6pm

Saturday, June 24th 7am-11am

7302 Hwy 264 East, at Bright Acres Rd, 2 miles beyond Beaufort County Community College (collectibles, household items, tools, men's, women's and toddler's clothing, some furniture and much more.)





- 7/1 Wesley Edwards
- 7/3 Tom Payne
- 7/4 Samantha Baldree
- 7/6 Maria Gachuz
- 7/7 Cecilio Cota, Louis Taylor
- 7/8 Isabel Gomez, Rebecca Paul, Elena Tellez
- 7/9 Ray Dennis, Pam Hodges
- 7/10 Lucinda Dominguez, Madeline Roberson, Logan Whitehurst
- 7/11 Armine Smith
- 7/12 Janet Bradbury, Davis Jones
- 7/15 Alex Loope
- 7/16 Chris Adams
- 7/18 Becky Furr, Florette Moore
- 7/19 Pat Capehart Brown, David Howdy
- 7/21 Rob Monath, Ethan Stroud
- 7/23 Carol Robinson
- 7/25 Sergio Higuera, Jerry Vick
- 7/28 Delfina Gachuz
- 7/29 Nancy Chaffee
- 7/30 Sharon Johnston

Congratulations Graduates!



Holden Archie, Grandson of Bet & Tom Archie
Graduated high school in Haily, Idaho

Luke Bonpain, Grandson of Bet & Tom Archie
Graduated high school in Cary, NC

Ellen Corbitt Currin, Daughter of Mary & Mac Currin
Graduated May 13, 2023 from Washington University in St Louis, MO,
Masters in Social Work (MSW)

Sarah Darden, Granddaughter of Delores & Bill Darden
Graduating high school
Will be attending the University of South Carolina

Matthew Donochod, Grand Nephew of Lynda Lane
Graduating high school
Will be attending North Carolina State University, studying Engineering

Tyler Gromow, Son of Sarah Bernart and Steve Barnes
Graduating with an Associate degree in Applied Science in Simulation and Game
Development from Wake Technical Community College

Suzie Harrington, Daughter of Lynn and Picott Harrington
Graduated from Washington Montessori Public Charter School
Will be attending North Carolina State University

Davis Lee, Son of Nita and Steven Lee, and Grandson of Franny & Val Johnson
Graduated from Pungo Christian Academy
Will be attending East Carolina University



Many thanks to Joffre Fisher and John
Thompson for their work to repair and paint
the parking blocks in the parking lot
making the area safer for everyone!



St. Peter's Summer Art Camp in July

7/10-7/13 (1st & 2nd Graders)

7/17-7/20 (3rd & 4th Graders)

9am-12pm (All Sessions)

Contact Cora Powell at

252-943-8408 to register.

(Cora teaches the 4 year old class at St. Peter's Dayschool.)

Many thanks to Tom Payne for donating an original historical document to St. Peter's. **SAINT PETERS PARISH: A RECORD OF THE CENTURY, 1822-1922** is a fascinating record of St. Peter's first 100 years. Though we have a hard copy of this, we will keep it in the safe for future generations. You can view the document online at <https://digital.lib.ecu.edu/13573>. It is full of wonderful details and worth the read!

