

St. Peter's Episcopal Church

Keynotes

March 2024



Dear Friends,

Easter will soon be upon us, but before we get to Easter we must go through Holy Week, a time of reflection and repentance preparing us for the celebration of the risen Christ. While it is without doubt the busiest season of our church year for clergy and lay ministers, it is more importantly the most sacred time in our Christian faith.

The season of Lent ends and Holy Week begins Palm Sunday, the day we process with palms proclaiming and signifying Jesus is king, the long-awaited messiah as he triumphantly rides into Jerusalem astride a donkey. Holy Week begins with ecstatic shouts of 'hosanna' and palm waving, ending Good Friday with shouts of 'crucify him'.

We all have things that interfere, if not prevent with our ability and desire from fully embracing the salvation offered by Jesus through His death and resurrection. It may feel challenging, if not daunting to let go of the heart-filled greed and loathing that prevents us from being the person God calls us to become. Holy Week provides us with an opportunity to examine ourselves carefully.

The Apostle Paul says, "I want to know Christ." (Phil 3:10). This raises the question for me, and perhaps you as well, "How do you know Christ?" Paul declares the knowledge of Jesus in our hearts is very different than head knowledge. Head knowledge comes from facts stored in our brain learned over a lifetime. Whereas, heart knowledge arises from the depth of our souls, making us feel warm and secure. Heart knowledge evolves into an intimate, personal knowing and love of God by following Jesus, by living a life that manifests God's love. Our love for God is most evident when we "do unto others what you would have them do unto you and love your neighbor as thyself."

Holy Week gives us another opportunity to prepare and ready our hearts to greet with astounding joy, the risen Christ who promises us eternal life. May each of you have a blessed Holy Week.

Rev. Katherine

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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Jr. Warden

CHILDREN'S
Sunday School

Meets at 11:15am
Upstairs in the Youth Room

Please prayerfully consider being an usher for St. Peter's Church; 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 call Hank Van Dorp at (252)214-8141.



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!

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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Mon-Thurs 8:30am-3pm
Fri 8:30am-12pm

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Vestry

Judy Van Dorp-Senior Warden
John Thompson-Junior Warden

Mike Behar
Sarah Bernart
Cathy Capogna
Joffre Fisher
Susan Hodges
Jason Jacques
Roberto Jimenez
Dave Loope
Ashley Padgett



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: Chris Adams-our Pastor, Tracie Bowen-friend of Pam & Ed Hodges, Chris Burnett-friend of Bernice Marle, Tim Cashion-friend of Pam & Ed Hodges, Terry & Sallie Cutts-friends of Joffre Fisher, JoAnn & Allen Dean Foster-friends of Joffre Fisher, Ruby Fulford-friend of Cindy & William Cochran, Margaret Harris-friend of Joffre Fisher, Jamie Larkin-brother of Martha Larkin, Christine LeCompte-friend of Pam & Ed Hodges, Mary Parker Liles-member, Trish Litchfield-member, Chris McLendon-friend of Bet & Tom Archie, Katherine Mitchell-member, Tom Payne-member, Jennifer Steenbergen-niece of Betty & Bill Cochran, Leta Thompson-member, Robert Weathersby-brother of Linda Weathersby, Peggy Woolard-cousin of Joffre Fisher.

"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.



Our condolences are extended to:

Family & Friends of Jewell Dellinger Furr, mother of Steve Furr

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

Please save your **stamps** from 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. Thank you!



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.

Holy Week at Saint Peter's Episcopal Church



The Sunday of the Passion:

Palm Sunday, March 24, 8 & 10 AM in the Church (English)

12 Noon in the Chapel (Spanish)

The Liturgy of the Palms & Holy Eucharist

Wednesday, March 27-7 AM Morning Prayer and 11 AM Holy Eucharist in the Chapel

Maundy Thursday, March 28, 7 PM

Service in the Church (Bilingual)

Holy Eucharist, Washing of Feet, Stripping the Altar



Good Friday, March 29

12 Noon until 5pm Self-Guided Stations of the Cross



The Sunday of the Resurrection: Easter Day, March 31

8 AM, Holy Eucharist in the Church (English)

10 AM, Holy Eucharist and the Flowering of the Cross in the Church (English)

(Remember to bring fresh cut flowers!)

12 Noon, Holy Eucharist in the Chapel (Spanish)

Easter Egg Hunt in the Churchyard following the 10 AM Service

& prior to the 12 Noon Service.

(Remember to bring your Easter basket!)





- 4/1 Christopher Adame, Yesenia Gachuz, Mac Hudson, Kimberly Tellez
- 4/2 Marie Boyd, Cynthia Cota
- 4/4 Davis Lee
- 4/6 Tom Archie
- 4/7 Bet Archie, Jim Smith
- 4/8 Emily Garner, Megan Huettmann
- 4/9 Richard Pfeiffer, Olivia Roberson
- 4/12 Mauricio Tellez
- 4/13 Dick Babcock, Tiana Harris, Alex Tellez, Gustavo Tellez, Anna Sizemore
- 4/14 Maria Arballo, Roxanne Holloman
- 4/15 Susan Cantwell
- 4/16 Hodges Hackney
- 4/19 Barbara Walker
- 4/20 Clarissa Phillips
- 4/21 Adan Tellez, Arely Monter
- 4/22 Marsha Hackney
- 4/24 Mavis Burns, Sharon Yakubowski
- 4/26 Pat Holscher, Will Roberson
- 4/28 Laura Bliley
- 4/29 Neal Partrick
- 4/30 Jaime Chavez, Catalina Hernandez



RESERVE THESE DATES
2024 Episcopal Church Women's ATTIC SALE

Saint Peter's ECW will host an **Attic Sale** on Friday, April 19 from 2:00 pm to 6:00 pm and on Saturday, April 20 from 8:00 am to 12:00 noon, in All Saints' Hall. The proceeds from the sale will support the donations ECW makes to community organizations.

We need **YOU** to help us make this event a wonderful and profitable experience. Begin now to plan what you would like to clean out from your attics, closets, garages, and storage buildings. We'd love to have your treasures and discards!

We welcome donations of the following: dishes and kitchen items, garden accessories and tools, furniture, rugs, gently used small appliances, artwork, fashion accessories, children and adult toys, sports items and exercise equipment, home décor and bric-a-brac, linens (bed, bath and kitchen), infant and toddler toys and specialty items (playpen, etc.), holiday decorations, and collectibles. And more!!

Clothing, shoes and hats will NOT be accepted.

We will receive donations in All Saints' Hall on Saturday, April 13th and Sunday, April 14th through Thursday, April 18th. Times will be announced later. Donations will NOT be accepted after Thursday. Pick-up of large items can be arranged.

A receipt for your donations will be available upon request.

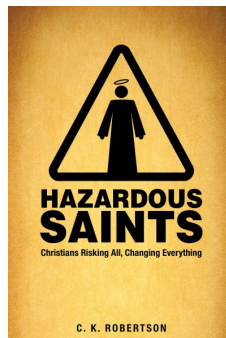
And, of course, we need **YOU** to volunteer. Help is required during the receiving of the donations, for pricing the donations and to sell all of these wonderful donations. Sign up sheets will be posted in Gardner Hall for your convenience. We need the help of **MEN** and **WOMEN**!

Search all of the nooks and crannies of your home and do a real good job of purging items no longer useful to you but of need to someone else. And sign up to help make this 2024 Attic Sale the best ever! You don't want to miss the good time we always have working together for such a good cause.

Lenten Suppers & Programs



Thursdays in All Saints' Hall
Through March 21st
Covered Dish Supper
beginning at 6pm
Followed by a DVD-based program



Visit: <https://www.churchpublishing.org/hazardoussaints> for more information on the series.



We will be making **palm crosses** in the kitchen on Thursday, March 21 from 10am-11am. Please come and help.



The Back Pack Buddies at Eastern Elementary very much appreciate your contribution of food and financial assistance this school year. Your support has been invaluable to them!

There are 12 more weeks of school left, so if you'd like to help fill the bundles for our little friends, bring or send a check to SPC (memo line: BPB). Every penny will go towards nutritious food for their weekends. Blessings and grace to you!



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

Easter Flowers

Please help us beautify our church for Easter. You have the opportunity to give flowers in memory or in honor of someone special. Please give your monetary contribution to Jennifer in the church office by Wednesday, March 20th at noon.



Altar Guild Spring cleanup will be Saturday, March 23 from 10am-12pm and on Sunday, March 24 from 1pm-3pm.

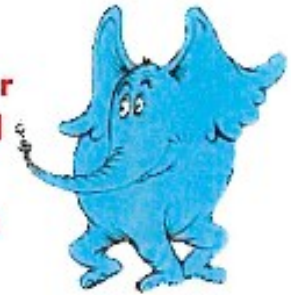
March 1st
through
March 31st

Children's Book Drive



In celebration of Dr. Seuss's birthday (March 2nd), Beaufort-Hyde Partnership for Children is collecting books to further increase access to quality early literacy materials for children and families in the communities we serve.

These books can be found at our local community events, little libraries, and summer feeding programs. We also partner with local businesses and organizations by providing books to create literacy-rich waiting areas in our community.



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

For more information:



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**PLEASE DROP BOOKS
IN THE "BOOK COLLECTION BIN".
THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTRIBUTION!**

Collection bin is located just outside the church office near the bulletin board.