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*Alleluia, Christ is Risen!
The Lord is Risen Indeed, Alleluia!*

It was wonderful to see so many people in church on Easter Sunday. It has been a long time since I have seen a church that full!

In this transition time for St. Peter's, coming back after the pandemic and during the search for a new rector, you have a great opportunity to try something new. So what are you being called to try?

It has been particularly heartening to see so many children in church. I know parents have been keeping an eye on the little ones in the children's corner, and so far, it has gone beautifully. Going forward I think we need a rota with one adult each week, whether a parent or not who will commit to arriving a little early and staying in the area during the service to help the children as needed in their carpet space. Of course, other parents are very welcome to be there also and help the children. I would also love to see a few adults who on a rotating basis would be willing to be part of a team that facilitates guided conversations and activities with the tweens and teens during part of Sunday services. I realize that this is the end of the school year, but it is a good time to get a new system going. Please let me know if you would like to be part of the children's ministry in some way.

As we expand the service to include receiving the sacrament in both kinds, I have found myself thinking, "How did we do this before the pandemic?" People who serve the chalice during the service or take the sacrament to people in their homes need to be licensed by the Bishop and receive periodic refresher trainings. Whether or not you have been licensed in the past, I am making an offer to anyone who is currently a Eucharistic Minister (serving during church services) or a Lay Visitor (taking the sacrament to people in their homes) and anyone who is thinking that might be something they would like to do, and anyone who just thinks

they would like to find out more about the meaning of the Eucharist in the Episcopal Church, and what and how we do what we do. There will be a workshop on May 14 from 9.30 until noon. Even if you are a newcomer to St. Peter's you are very welcome to join in. After this training, I will make sure licenses are updated and work on licensing those who feel called to this ministry.

Christ is alive! In many ways our lives are very blessed. Things are opening up and activities are getting going again, but how can we extend these blessings to the community and the world?

Small group gatherings can be very powerful in deepening our spiritual lives, bringing us together as a community of faith and exploring ways to be Christ in the world and show Christ's love. The midweek Eucharist and conversation based on the lectionary will now be meeting on Thursday mornings at 9.30 to give everyone a good start to the morning and leave plenty of time during the day to do all those things we like to do outside in Spring. What other opportunities for gathering can you think of? Meeting for coffee, or lunch? A hiking group? Getting together for fishing or boating trips? Getting together for some kind of craft activity? Participating in Metro Park clean up days together? Gatherings like that can be a wonderful springboard for new ministries.

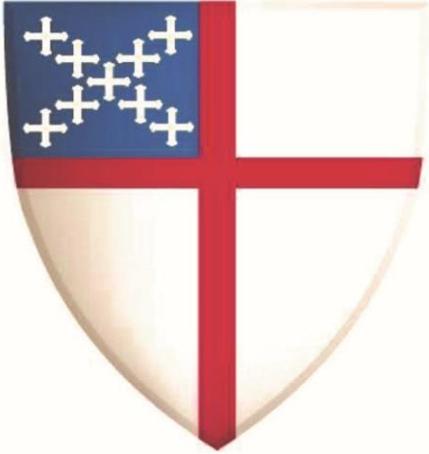
Christ is risen, Alleluia!
Let's show the world we believe it!

Blessings to you all,

Sally +

The Thursday Eucharist and conversation based on the Lectionary, formerly Brown Bag Lunch, will be moved to 9:30 a.m. on Thursdays April 28, May 19 and May 26.

May Outreach Focus of the Month: The Annual Bishop's Appeal



During the month of May, St. Peter's ministry outreach is the Bishop's Annual Appeal. The Bishop's Annual Appeal is the principal vehicle by which communicants

and congregations support many creative and vital ministries not otherwise afforded by the diocesan budget. It allows funding of ministries that are beyond the scope of individual congregations, helping us to act together as one community. The Bishop's Annual Appeal funds parish based outreach ministries. This is the primary means by which the parishes and parishioners of the Diocese of Ohio work together to support ministries that serve the poor, hurting, and disadvantaged in our region.

The Bishop's Annual Appeal is a primary source of funding for Episcopal Community Services (ECS), which provides funds for parish-based outreach ministries that feed the hungry, educate children and young adults, provide spiritual freedom for people who are in prison, give hope to those who are struggling, and carry out God's work in creative and inspired ways. Such programs provide crucial assistance to those in need. At the same time, they allow us to embody our Christian values and grow together spiritually.

Funds raised through the Appeal also help to underwrite mission trips and leadership development. They provide summer internships for high school and college students, and help to train and place newly ordained clergy.

Saint Peter's has directly benefited from the Bishop's Appeal with monies for the former curate as well as the youth mission trip. Lakewood Community Services Center is also a grant recipient. We are lucky to have Tucker Handley serving on ECS board. He can give you more information about the funding of outreach ministries.

Through the Bishop's Annual Appeal you are feeding the hungry, giving comfort to those who are struggling, developing leaders, strengthening the church, and changing scores of lives every day. The loose plate offering collected during the month of May will be used to support the Bishop's Annual Appeal.

Thank you for your generosity!

Every gift makes a difference!

IT WAS GREAT TO SEE YOU!

All of us are accustomed to the restrictions and sacrifices that are part of our Lenten Ritual and part of our preparation for the great gift that Easter brings: Resurrection! This year, the period of darkness seemed longer – more like 2 years of introspection, limitation and separation. But the gift of Easter this year seemed proportionately sweeter- like a tsunami of promise that is uniquely, Easter. On Easter Sunday nearly 200 people attended our two services in person at St. Peters. Alleluia!

We rejoice in many other victories this past month: the opening of the children's area and welcoming our youth! Our brass is gleaming following a 2-year hiatus of polishing thanks to our regulars who attended that Saturday brass-cleaning ritual. We held an Agape meal in preparation for Good Friday – likely the first group meal since February 2020. We are beginning new relationships with our neighbors and our community (more to come on this!) We are moving ahead and much thanks goes to all who have helped make this possible.

Ministries are being awakened and reformed and you are being called to join us. Please answer that call! It is truly so great to see you!



St. Peter's would like to extend a Mother's Day greeting to all mothers and grandmothers. Thank you for your support and unending love.

Ministry of the Sacrament

Called to *Serve*

Eucharistic Ministers

For all who have been licensed as a Eucharistic Minister or Visitor and all who are interested in what we in the Episcopal Church believe about the sacraments, especially those who think they might be interested in serving in this ministry. Saturday May 14 from 9:30 to noon.

All are welcome, but let the office know you intend to be there, so we can plan.

Altar Flowers



As we return to normalcy, we would like to have Sunday Altar Flowers on the high altar. If you would like to pick a Sunday to remember a love one or to honor someone special in your life, please contact the office the office at 216-226-1772. Seasonal flower arrangements are \$50. Call or stop by the office to see if your date is available. The people of St. Peter's thank you for your thoughtfulness and generosity.

St. Cecilia's Guild

St. Cecilia Guild will meet on Wednesday, May 11 at noon in St. Peter's chapel. We will have lunch and talk technology. Tech expert Keith Woolner will be answering our questions. He has the ability to explain issues with phones and tablets and help the most un-tech savvy among us. As a way to thank him, please bring donations of cash or check for Keith's MS walk fundraising efforts. (Keith is married to Guild member Kathy Woolner and is part of her MS team "Dessert First.")



Information on ordering box lunches will follow in an email from Lorna Jordan. For questions contact Lorna ljcookie1@gmail.com 440-455-1603.

In addition, save the date for our annual spring luncheon at the Cleveland Yacht Club on Wednesday, June 15. More information will be forthcoming.

Directory Updates...



Moved address?
New email address?
Have a new mobile phone?

Please contact the office with any address and phone changes. We try very hard to have the correct contact information for everyone in the parish. So, if you have a change to the Parish Directory, i.e. address, phone number, mobile phone, etc... or would like to add a birth date or anniversary date to our data base, please email the office at office@stpeterslakewood.org or call 216-226-1772. Thank you for your assistance with this project.



Flower Delivery People Wanted!

St. Peter's altar flowers are delivered to shut-ins, folks in the hospital, those having birthdays and anniversaries, and those who are in need or crisis. St. Peter's has always been fortunate to have a very dedicated number of people who have been willing to deliver the flowers to folks all throughout the cities of our parish. However, since the pandemic began, we had to curtail this ministry. Therefore, we are looking for a few drivers to deliver flowers. It doesn't take much time, the flowers are ready after the last service on Sunday, the Chancel Guild writes the note, and you just deliver to the address assigned. If we get enough folks, you would be scheduled about every two months. Call the office if you are willing to assist with this very valuable, rewarding ministry.



Thank you on behalf of the National MS Society



Dear St. Peter's family,
You have my heartfelt thanks for your generous support of the National Multiple Sclerosis Society, the January 2022 Outreach partner. I was honored to present the services provided by the MS

Society, and share my personal journey with MS. Your strong response was an example of "faith in action", with hugs, personal messages, and volunteers to join me at the May 7 Walk MS event. I was overjoyed at the news of the \$1,500 donation to the National MS Society from our blessed church members! Those funds will support research to find a cure, provide services and equipment to improve life for Ohioans with MS, and advocate for the MS community. Your support will benefit everyone touched by multiple sclerosis.

It's not too late to join my WalkMS team for May 7, 2022. Let me know if you'd like a team shirt. You can register and/or donate to my team here: <https://mssociety.donordrive.com/team/dessert-first2022>

With love, Kathy Woolner,
Dessert First! WalkMS Team Leader

Coffee Hour & Fellowship Coffee Hour is Back!!!



Please join us for fellowship after the 10 am service. As the warmer weather comes, we will gather outside on the plaza Looking forward to see you soon.

~ Amanda Chambers

It's Spring Clean-Up Time! Mark Your Calendars...



Now that winter is almost over it's time for our spring clean-up and planting. The annual all-parish Spring Clean-Up and Planting Day has been scheduled for *Saturday, May 21st*. We'll start at 8:30 a.m. and finish around noon. We plan to have a cookout after the cleanup and planting. Come join us for some outdoor fun and fellowship. Watch the weekly What's Happening for updates. Thanks for your help.

Newcomers Series: Explore & Connect



St. Peter's newcomer's series, **Explore & Connect** will meet on May 22nd. The session will begin about 11:30 a.m. in the Undercroft. Everyone is welcome. A light lunch and snacks will be served.

Various members of the staff and the Vestry as well as members of the assorted ministries will be available to meet and greet our newcomers.

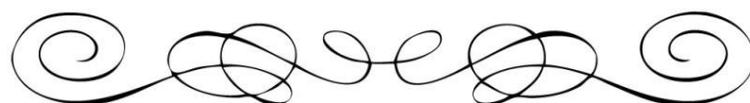
We will focus on meeting the staff, Vestry members, and learning about St. Peter's church as well as the Anglican Church worldwide and the role St. Peter's plays within that world-wide setting.

Newcomers will be given an opportunity to learn about missions and ministries within St. Peter's and possibilities for getting involved in those ministries. And, should they decide, will be welcomed into the church during a subsequent service. Please RSVP to Lorna Jordan (440)-455-1603 or ljcookie1@gmail.com.



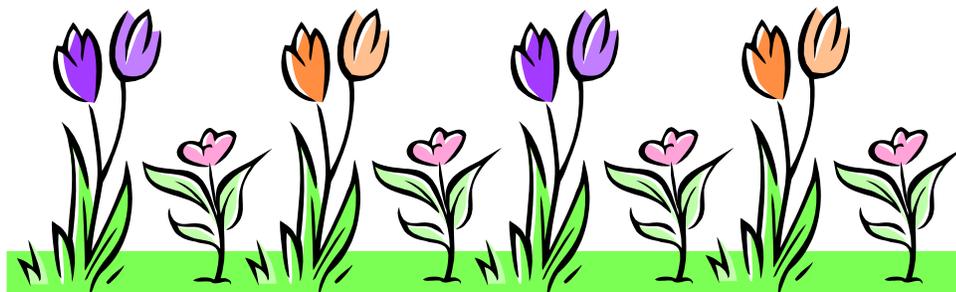
Thank you!

After a two-year hiatus, a group of parishioners plus one friend gathered in the kitchen to polish and make our brass sparkle for Palm Sunday and Easter celebration. Many thanks to Jeff Tennant, Scott and Mary Fitz, Sarah and Rory Taylor, Cathy Furuki, Sally Scoville, Neil Green, and Amanda Chambers. This group rocked it and was finished in an hour and 57 mins (under our 2-hour time frame 😊)! Many thanks to Bill Grane who spearheaded in this ministry for 30 years! Bill has decided it is time to pass the reins. His knowledge has been a great asset. We will gather again prior to Christmas. It is great fellowship; if you have any questions, please reach out to Amanda Chambers for more information at 440-669-6352.



May Events

<i>Sun</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat</i>
1 ONE SERVICE Holy Eucharist, 9:30 am Discernment III Brunch	2	3 Diocesan Clergy Conference <div style="text-align: right; margin-top: 10px;">→</div>	4	5 Choir 7:30 pm	6 Bible Study @ Joe's Deli, 8:00 am	7
8 Holy Eucharist, 8:00 & 10:00 am Coffee Hour Virtual Coffee Hour, 11:30 am	9	10 Community Meal 6:00 pm	11	12 Choir 7:30 pm	13 Bible Study @ Joe's Deli, 8:00 am	14
15 Holy Eucharist, 8:00 & 10:00 am Coffee Hour <i>NET Deadline</i>	16 Vestry, 6:45 pm	17 Foundation, 7:00 pm	18	19 Holy Eucharist & Bible Study, 9:30 am Choir 7:30 pm	20 Bible Study @ Joe's Deli, 8:00 am	21 Spring Clean-Up Day 8:30 am - noon
22 Holy Eucharist, 8:00 & 10:00 am Coffee Hour Explore & Connect, 11:30 am	23	24	25	26 Ascension Day Holy Eucharist & Bible Study, 9:30 am Choir 7:30 pm	27 Bible Study @ Joe's Deli, 8:00 am	28
29 Holy Eucharist, 8:00 & 10:00 am Coffee Hour	30 Memorial Day OFFICE CLOSED	31				



May Celebrations

Below is a list of birthdays and anniversaries for the month of May. If you are celebrating a milestone this month and are not on the list, please E-mail or call the church office to update your files.

Birthdays in May



May 02	Megan Bickerton
May 03	Ian Opdycke Eileen Boland
May 04	George Thomas
May 06	Chuck Wright Victor Cotrell
May 08	Jason Lance
May 11	Laura Wolverton Bob Brown William Baker
May 13	Ryan Vogelgesang Gaby Hammarlund
May 15	Finley Tolaro Marci Rich
May 17	Linda Good Noah Opdycke Andrew Perry Ginger Hill
May 18	Rachel Schwartz
May 19	Sally Lammers Elaine Fifner Mariann Wren
May 20	Kathy Martin Tom Baker
May 21	Claire Schwartz
May 22	Julie Stenger
May 24	Mary Coe
May 25	Susan Murnane
May 26	Stephen Bickerton John Petty
May 28	Will Crosby John Neumann Michael Perry
May 29	Anna Fitz
May 30	Cindy Keir
May 31	Denise Wheeler



Wedding Anniversaries in May

May 02	Phillip & Margy Callesen
May 11	Sumner & Penny Mead
May 21	Kevin & Holly St. Clair Matt & Heidi Demaline
May 22	Matt & Ellen Ospelt
May 24	Stephen & Joanne Bickerton
May 29	Kevin & Linda Lange

Remember: There will only be **ONE SERVICE** on Sunday, May 1st so that we may have our third Discernment meeting. The service will be held at 9:30 a.m. with a potluck brunch following the service.

We ask if your last name starts with the letters **A - L**, please bring a main dish to share, if your last name starts with **M - R**, please bring a side dish to share, and if your last name starts with **S - Z** please bring a dessert to share. Beverages will be provided.

Parish Prayer Rota for May

Please use this parish prayer rota in your daily prayers. We will pray for all the families and individuals in the parish serially over the course of a few months, we'll then start over again. Clip this page and keep it with your daily devotions for easy access.

May 1	Matt, Ellen, Truman, Grace & Grant Ospelt Charlotte, Jack & Fred Patrick	May 17	Ed & Julie Stenger Cathe Step, Ryan, Charlie & Owen Vogelgesang
May 2	Nat, Liz, John & Jessica Pendleton Claire Perrin	May 18	Virginia Stempel Carl & Shirley Tabar
May 3	Michael, Jenny, Anthony, Richard & William Perrins Ann Pesta	May 19	Dave & Donna Tabar Ken & Martha Taylor
May 4	Lisa, Jana & Alexander Peterson John & Susan Petty	May 20	Sarah & Rory Taylor Jeff Tennant & Bruce Smith
May 5	Jessica Philpott and Luke & Mark Sferra Brenda, Alexander & Christopher Pongracz	May 21	Margo Tennant George Thomas
May 6	Elaine Porter Bob Potts	May 22	Bruce Trautman David & Tina Uible
May 7	Fred & Yvonne Purdy Tom & Linda Purdy	May 23	Brad, Deb, Chris & Peter Vandrask David Wagner
May 8	John & Marci Rich Geoff, Debora & Madison Rudesill	May 24	Jessica Weese Marge Welfare (for the repose of her soul, age 102)
May 9	Jill Rumford & Annika Mintzlaff Wadia Salah	May 25	Pete & Denise Wheeler Tyler, Angie, Booker & Claribel Whidden
May 10	Marilyn Schabel Bob & Chris Schauer	May 26	Pat Wielinski Ed & Marlene Wilkinson
May 11	Paul, Wendi, Blake, Claire & Rachel Schwartz Sally Scovill	May 27	James, Jennifer & Abby Williams and Natalie Hannan Rita Williams
May 12	Deb Sefcek Walt & Joyce Senney	May 28	Robert, Laura, Jenna & Richard Wolverton Kathy & Sagan Woolner
May 13	Molly Simon Lois Smith	May 29	Mariann Wren Chuck & Ann Wright
May 14	Victor & Rochelle Smith Ron Stach & Doug Hoffman	May 30	Memorial Day: all those who have died in service to our nation
May 15	Matt, Maureen, Connor, Lilia & Maeve Stanton	May 31	John & Betsy Yingling John & Peggy Zimmer
May 16	Kevin & Holly St. Clair Julie Steigerwald		

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