

What's Happening: January 6, 2023

We hold in our prayers this week:

For the repose of the soul: Jennifer Carlson

Parishioners in need of Prayer: Kristi Beredo, Keira Gardner, Jim & Linda Good, Lowell Johnson, Bob Lewis, Tucker Handley, John & Mary Etta Bitter, Linda Purdy, Jo Oldenburg, Peggy Zimmer, Harold Babbit, Rick Nash

Homebound Parishioners: Anida Balmer, Cynthia Hall, Kay McKelvey, Sheena James, Molly Simon, Doug Bradfield, Ed & Marlene Wilkinson, Margo Tennant

Parishioners' Friends and Family: Lee Keller, Michael Rich (John Keller), JTristan (Jessica Philpott, Luke & Mark Sferra), Bonnie Jones, Gary Novak (Emily Malquest), Gerry Ross, Nacine Bryson, Paul Guinn (Joanne Hull), David Spencer (Beth O'Rourke), Dan Erwine (Cindy Lemmerman), Becky (Childcare), Lee Mehnert, Gail McCready, Josiah Andrews IV, Hugh Andrews (Tom & Sue Andrews), Frank, Carley Buhl (Liz Crosby), Weston (John Neumann), Elaine Glendening (Patti Dobro), Ashley Hoyt (Susan Jensen), Robin Yates, Michael Yancey (Amanda Chambers), Kirby Lee (Jeff Tennant), Emily Evans, Ruth Zimmer, Mardelle Evans (Peggy Zimmer), Don Aukerman, Julie, Karen, Gordon and Graham (Ann Bish), Charlotte Handley (Tucker Handley), Richey Ruscin (Linda Purdy), Rudy and the Capece Family (Jeff Gardner), Alberta Valente, Jayne Matthews, Joan & Chuck Bulf (Anida Balmer), Andrew Horner (Kathy Woolner)

**Join us for Sunday Worship... in person at 10:00 a.m.
The Rev. Brian Wilbert, Interim Rector**

The Service will be live streamed beginning at 9:50 a.m., and the recording will subsequently remain available by going to:

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC5r-XEvAg8xKiEI2jnl_s7g?

Everything you need for worship can be accessed at

<http://www.stpeterslakewood.org/news/sunday-worship/>

Welcome to St. Peter's! If you are attending services, please use the back glass door off the parking lot (where the elevator is located) or the front door to enter the church. At this time, the other two entrances will remain locked. If you need any assistance, please see one of the ushers or Tom Newman, St. Peter's Sexton. Masks are required for all unvaccinated persons in building at all times. Thank you for your cooperation.

Parents, if you wish to bring little ones to church, the care room is open every week. Children are also encouraged to sit in their special area in the front of the church on the carpet. Older children who would like to come to church are always welcome. We have activity bags at the back of the church with things to do based on the message of the day.

Welcome, Brian!



We welcome The Rev. Dr. Brian Wilbert to St. Peter's as its Interim Rector. Fr. Brian has over thirty years of experience and is looking forward to serving St. Peter's. PLEASE JOIN US in welcoming Fr. Brian to our church.

January Outreach Focus of the Month: *Beating Parkinsons*

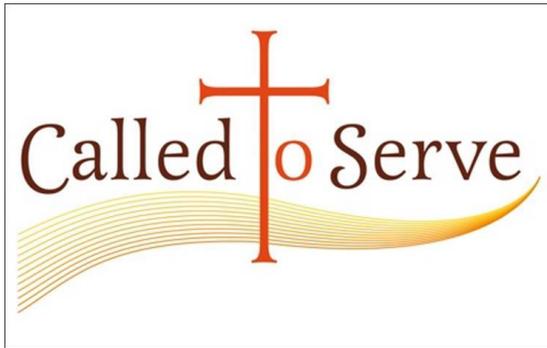


Rock It Out is an affiliate of Rock Steady Boxing, which is a national program of physical exercise for individuals who are living with Parkinson's disease. Though it may seem surprising, this non-contact boxing inspired fitness routine is dramatically improving the ability of people with Parkinson's to live independent lives. Rock Steady Boxing was originally founded in Indianapolis in 2006 by former county prosecutor Scott Newman, who was diagnosed with Parkinson's at age 40. Classes are taught by Certified Personal Trainers and include exercises such as calisthenics, weight training, and non-contact boxing that attacks Parkinson's at its vulnerable neurological points. The Rock it Out affiliate has been in Lakewood for almost ten years, and in addition to the Rock Steady boxing program also offers yoga and monthly seminars about topics related to Parkinson's disease. For more information, contact Maria Pujolas at:

Rock it Out
18626 Detroit Ave.
Lakewood, OH, 44107
(216) 383-6232
maria@rockitout.org
<http://rockitout.org>

ANNUAL REPORTS: All annual reports are due Sunday, January 15. The booklet will be printed and up on the website as soon as it's completed.

The Annual Meeting will be held on Sunday, January 22. There will be only ONE service beginning at 9:30 a.m. A pot-luck brunch will follow the service.



It takes quite a few hands to organize and run the Sunday worship services. From the Chancel Guild to the readers to the acolytes to the ushers, we count on folks to assist in every way on Sunday morning. This is a case where it truly does take the village to raise the event.

The next Worship Rota will be created in the coming week. If you do NOT want to continue serving, please contact the office immediately and we will

remove you from the rota.

That said, we are in need of acolytes, chalice bearers, ushers, and bell ringers, especially for the 8:00 a.m. service. If you would like to participate in this very gratifying ministry, please contact the office at 216-226-1772 or via email at office@stpeterslakewood.org.

The rota will be mailed prior to the end of January and run through Pentecost Sunday. We appreciate your time and willingness to serve.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Our children's education ministry is an integral part of worship at St. Peter's and we rely heavily on our volunteers. Currently we need assistance with the following:



Middle School/High School ("MS/HS")

We are looking for 1 or 2 volunteer as a substitute for the month of January and as needed, thereafter. The MS/HS adult teacher will help with classroom teaching on Sunday's during the first half of the worship service. We have a prepared curriculum and the assistant will aid in developing discussions around the curriculum.

Elementary School

We are looking for 1 or 2 volunteers to assist with both in-church and out-of-church activities with kids aged 3 through 5th grade for assistance in the "soft space" and in classroom time once per month.

Infant and Toddlers

We need at least 4 volunteers for this ministry. The infant and toddler room has historically been staffed from 9:45 until 11:15 with two adults. These volunteers care for infants and toddlers whose parents are attending the 10:00 mass. To date, we have not had a huge demand for this ministry but it is our desire to keep it available. If there are no "users" before 10:15, the volunteers are free to leave or join the service.

For non-parishioners, St. Peter's will pay childcare professionals to perform this duty. If you know of a childcare teacher who is interested in a little extra income for 2 hours of work on Sunday mornings please refer them to the office.

Anyone interested in serving in these ministries should contact Leah Babaran, Liz Crosby or the office.



Dear People of St. Peter's,

Thank you so much for your incredible generosity. I was overwhelmed to receive such lovely gifts from you all.

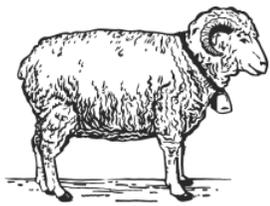
The Communion kit is so beautiful! I have already started to put it to good use. The gift tokens you gave me will encourage me to be very self-indulgent. I will enjoy using those too!

I have really loved the eighteen months I have spent with you. It has been a time with some challenges, but it is through challenges that we really get to know each other. You are a

wonderful congregation and I will miss you all, from the grownups to the youngest members who kept me on my toes and brought Joy to our Sunday mornings!

Know that I will be praying for you during the coming year, which will hopefully be the year in which you can really move forward together with God's grace and guidance and a new spiritual leader.

In Christ's love, *Sally+*



Bellwether

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Volunteer Days

On the 3rd Saturday of every month, beginning January 20, Bellwether Farm will hold volunteer days. Volunteers will have the option to sign up for either 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m., 1:00 - 3:00 p.m., or all day. Lunch will be provided for the all day volunteers. Activities will vary based on weather and needs of the farm, but there are opportunities to help for many age groups and abilities. Sign up on the <https://www.bellwetherfarm.com/get-involved/volunteer>.

There are still a limited number of offering envelopes available for 2023. If you would like to order them, please contact the church by contacting the office via phone at 216-226-1772 or via email office@stpeterslakewood.org

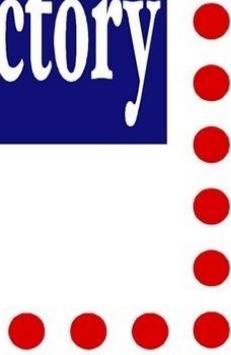
Also, remember to **discard** all your old envelopes. Each year many envelope numbers change, making the 2022 and previous years envelopes invalid. Thank you for your assistance and cooperation.





Church Directory

UPDATE



Please contact the office with any address, phone changes, or additions to your family. We try very hard to have the correct contact information for everyone in the parish. If you have a change to the Parish Directory, i.e. address, phone number, mobile phone, children, marriage, 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. Parish Directories are distributed at the Annual Meeting in January. Thank you for your assistance with this project.

treasurer

The Diocese of Ohio is looking for someone who can commit to a year or so of being the Treasurer for St. Luke's Church in Cleveland. As you know, it's a tiny church with a huge mission, and we're working toward building a "new" congregation in and through the elderly existing one. We also have a new clergy person, Leah Romanelli DeJesus, who is doing a great job.

St. Luke's doesn't have a vestry at the moment because of their ages and numbers so we have appointed a group of trustees to help in that way and we now need a treasurer. The job requires someone to balance their Quickbooks checking account monthly and provide a minimal amount of oversight to their competent administrator who does their books. This position will probably require an hour or so per month in the church building once the person gets it figured out.

If you might be interested and possibly available, please contact Brad Purdom. Thank you for considering this position. ~ Brad

The Rev. Brad Purdom

Canon for Congregations

The Episcopal Diocese of Ohio Office for Congregations

Phone: 216-774-0452

Fax: 216-623-0735

For pastoral emergencies, please contact

The Rev. Brian Wilbert at 330-608-8085

or via email at bwilbert@oberlin.net

Also, if you would like to put someone on the prayer list, please contact the office at office@stpeterslakewood.org