

FISHERMAN'S NET

Saint Peter's Episcopal Church ♦ Lakewood, Ohio

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Dear St. Peter's Family,

As we begin a new year of ministry, you're invited to participate in our Annual Parish Meeting on **Sunday, January 25, 2026**. We will gather in the Undercroft immediately following our one combined service at **9:30 a.m.** To make our time together even more special, the Vestry will be preparing a continental breakfast, providing a wonderful opportunity for fellowship and shared table conversation as we prepare to discuss the life and business of St Peter's. There will also be something special for the young children. We will review the accomplishments of this past year and look toward our financial future by discussing the 2025 budget and our projected goals for 2026. Furthermore, we will hold elections for **four new members** to join our Vestry; their photo and biography is found within this FISHERMAN'S NET. These individuals will join our leadership body of 12, working closely with me to oversee both the practical operations and the spiritual mission of the church.

The heart of our gathering this year focuses on our collective future. Over the past twelve months, the Vestry has been hard at work crafting a new **Visioning Statement**. A vision statement is our "grand view"—the dream of what God might do through us. It will serve as the launching point for a revised Mission Statement now that we are on the reshuffled-world post-covid. Our current draft is as follows: *“St. Peter's aspires to be a welcoming, nurturing, and joyful Episcopal Church—open to all, growing together as we follow the way of Christ, and committed to the Spirit's transformation of ourselves, our community, and the world through God's love.”*

During the meeting, we will be asking for your honest input and reflections on this draft. We want to ensure this statement truly articulates our shared hopes as we seek to follow the Way of Christ together. Please join us for food, fellowship, and the vital work of dreaming for the years to come.

I am honored to start a fresh new year together with you as we minister in beautiful Lakewood, OH!

Fr. Mike

Coffee Hour with Host Families

Welcome Fall! On the next page are our host families for November and December.

As a refresher... this is how it works: 4 households will be assigned each Sunday. No one will have to do this more than a couple times each year. We ask that you plan to bring along with you on Sunday a plate of something to put out for coffee hour. Baking is not required but is always welcomed! The items you bring can be as simple as a bag of goldfish crackers, baby carrots and dip, grapes, crackers & cheese, donut holes -you name it. Just bring enough to share with a dozen people, All you have to do is leave the item on the dining room table 20 minutes before church. The verger will take care of putting things out and cleaning up (though you are always welcome to help!)

If you cannot cover your assigned Sunday, it would be most helpful if you call someone and switch Sundays or bring it ahead of time and we can hold until your assigned Sunday. You may opt entirely out of the rotation simply by contacting Amanda Chambers 440-669-6352 or amanda60chambers@gmail.com

With much gratitude,
Amanda Chambers

January 4

Beth O'Rourke-verger
Jessica Philpott
Brenda Pongracz
Bob Potts
Leslie Price

January 11

Jeff Tennent-verger
Linda Purdy
Jake & Jessica Redel
John & Marci Rich
Wadia Salah

January 18

Amanda Chambers-verger
Matt & Maureen Stanton
Julie Steigerwald
Cathe Step & Ryan Vogelgesang
David Tabar

January 25

Annual Meeting
No Coffee hour
Potluck Brunch

February 1

Debbie and Geoff Rudesill-Verger
Joe & Jacquelyn Tanis
Ken & Martha Taylor
Sarah Taylor
Brad & Deb Vandrasiak

February 8

Kevin and Holly St. Clair-Verger
Angie Whidden
Kathy Woolner
Betsy & John Yingling
Tom & Sue Andrews

February 15

Dan Lammers-Verger
Cherie Bauer
Stephen & Joanne Bickerton
Ann Bish
Jim Calhoun

February 22

Nan Archbold-Verger
Barb Caravona
Jim & Carrie Cofer
Liz Crosby
Maddy Crosby & Parker Wolfe



SECOND SUNDAYS! Zoom Zoom!

On the second Sunday of each month, you are invited to catch up with your friends at our **Virtual Coffee Hour!**

Join us and enjoy the company of St. Peter's online community!

The next gathering will take place on Zoom on SUNDAY, January 11 at 11:15 a.m. The following month's gathering will take place on Zoom on SUNDAY, February 8, 2026 at 11:15 a.m.



Please call Kathy Woolner at 440-503-6111 with any questions.

For ease in attending, simply add this link to your calendar:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82813898119?pwd=VU5QMjl0UmJkdTBudmJQRVphNTRVUT09>

Meeting ID: 828 1389 8119

Passcode: 18001



BIBLE STUDY



WEDNESDAY at 11:00 a.m., following the 10:00 a.m. Eucharist, in the office area lounge.

FRIDAY at 8:00 a.m. at Joe's Deli in Rocky River, Wooster Rd. & Hilliard Blvd.

SUNDAY at 9:09 a.m., between the 8:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. services in the Undercroft.

For additional information call or email the parish office:

(216) 226-1772

office@stpeterslakewood.org

West Side CLE Episcopal Prayer Retreat – Saturday, January 31

Members of St. Peter's, Lakewood, St. Luke's, Cleveland, Ascension, Lakewood, and St. Barnabas, Bay Village are invited to gather at the Church of the Ascension on January 31st from 9:00am – 3:00pm with the Rev. Audra Abt, Canon for Innovation and Congregational Development. We will prepare for a prayerful Lent through practicing different forms of prayer, sharing fellowship and conversation, and come away with a commitment to supporting each other and our communities in a deeper life of prayer. If you are looking for a chance to grow in your spiritual life and want to connect with others in this journey as you prepare for Lent, this is the space for you!

Registration is free, but important to help us prepare for lunch and snacks. Please let us know you're coming by Sunday, January 25 using this online

form: <https://form.jotform.com/253465579031057>



GENEROSITY TEAM

Monthly Outreach

JANUARY OUTREACH PARTNER

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 might 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 Scott Newman, a former county prosecutor 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 attack Parkinson's at its vulnerable neurological points.

The Rock-it-Out affiliate has been in Lakewood for more than ten years, and in addition to boxing, it offers yoga and spinning classes along with programs for care partners of those living with the disease. For more information, contact Maria Pujolas at:

Rock It Out 18626 Detroit Ave. Lakewood, OH 44107

(216) 383-6232

maria@rockitout.org

www.rockitout.org



MEET THE VESTRY NOMINEES



COLIN

I have been a member of St. Peter's since 2022 and enjoy serving in several roles during worship services and on the Chancel Guild. I am originally from Cincinnati and after earning a bachelor's and master's degree from the University of Cincinnati, I moved up to the Cleveland area and currently work as a materials engineer. In my spare time I enjoy historical fencing, woodworking, and hiking. I appreciate the people who make up our parish and the chance to worship with them in a rich, meaningful liturgy. I hope to further learn about and serve St. Peter's and would be honored to be elected to the vestry.

Normally a 10 o'clock service participant I have been attending with my spouse, Cathe, for the past 18 years. Cathe and I live with our two sons, Charlie and Owen, in Lakewood. A general practice pediatrician for the past 27 years, I have been with University Hospitals for the past 13 years. Outside of work I enjoy cycling, cooking and yard work which luckily our Lakewood home requires nearly constantly.

In the many years I have been a member at St Peter's I have come to love and need the two hours of worship and fellowship each Sunday as a reset and focus for my week. I find joy in the time I spend at the church involved with the choir, the altar guild, caring for the Garth, being a chaperone for youth group events and mission trips as well as 2 prior terms on the Vestry. As we move towards a future that allows us all to grow in faith and fellowship together gracefully, I would be grateful to serve again on Vestry.

Hello! My name is Holly St. Clair and I have been a member of St. Peter's since 1977. As a child, I was active in the choir and youth group and served as an acolyte. Currently I volunteer each month at the Community Meal and serve as an usher. My husband Kevin and I live in Avon and were married at St. Peter's in 1994. We have two grown children and 1 grandson (who was baptized in November & played baby Jesus in the Christmas pageant this year!) I'm a dedicated teacher by profession and in my free time I love to travel, bike local trails and bake for family & friends. I am committed to serving on the vestry and bringing a positive energy and a fresh perspective to St. Peter's.



HOLLY



TUCKER

My name is Tucker Handley and I have been attending St. Peter's for ten years since I moved back to the Cleveland area in 2015. I work for an agency that provides mental health services for kids and adolescents. During my time at St. Peter's I have been involved with a variety of ministries, including Community Meal, Sunday School with the youth, and as a Lay Eucharist Visitor. This would be my second time on vestry here, and if elected I look forward to serving and helping guide the church over the next three years.



RYAN

IT'S THAT TIME AGAIN... ALL THINGS ROTA!

I will be prepping 1st trimester 2026 ROTA just after Christmas. The first trimester runs from February 1 through May 31.

Please let me know if you would like to join a ministry! Options abound: Lectors, Chalicers, Acolytes, Ushers, Bell Ringers, Videographers, Lay Eucharistic Visitors. We are in particular need of volunteers for the 8:00 a.m. service.

If you are on a ministry and would like to be removed, please let me know.

Now the hard part! If you will be out of town or otherwise unavailable to serve anytime between February 1 and May 31, 2026 please send me those dates. Please send to li2ard@aol.com and put ROTA in the subject line.

Finally, if you are particularly fond of Lent and Easter and have a service or office you really want to participate in, please let me know that as well. Here the official Lent/Easter dates:

ASH WEDNESDAY February 18, 2026

Noon and 6:30

All offices, including videographer, the for 6:30 service.

PALM SUNDAY March 29, 2026

8:00 a.m. & 10:00 a.m.

All offices. Reading of the Passion.

Holy Week March 30 through April 1, 2026

Monday through Wednesday -

readers and chalicers will be ad hoc.

Thank you to everyone for enhancing our worship together.

MAUNDY THURSDAY April 2, 2026

Readers

GOOD FRIDAY April 3, 2026

Noon & 6:00 p.m.

Noon: Readers, Chalice, Acolyte

6:00p.m.: Readers, Acolyte, Videographer

EASTER April 5, 2026

8:00 & 10:00 a.m.

In addition to regular offices we need two torch bearers and a clergy cross bearer at 10:00 a.m.

HUMAN SIZED EPIPHANY BOARD GAME.



We're Bringing the Bible to Life again, with our Human Sized

Epiphany Board Game.

We will begin a journey together by the toss of the dice and see who can make it to the holy family first. See you Sunday, January 4th.



Dewey's Super Bowl Pizza



Once again, the Youth will be making Dewey's Pizzas for our Dewey's Super Bowl Pizza Fundraiser to support our Summer Mission Trip. Payment can be made with the order or at pick-up

These delicious pizzas will be perfect to have at home to watch the game or to take to your Super Bowl Party. Order forms are available in the church office, the back of the church and in some Sunday bulletins. **Pizzas will be half-baked** and freshly made to order. They will be available for pick-up on Sunday, February 8th after each service. Dewey's has agreed to a maximum of 45 pizzas, so don't miss out on yours, order today! Sale ends Sunday, February 1st.

2026 Youth Mission Trip:
Montana to Cleveland

SAVE • THE • DATE

WHEN: Sunday, August 9th – Saturday, August 15th
WHERE: Cleveland
WHO: 5th – 12th Grade Youth



YOUTH GROUP Super-Bowl PIZZA FUNDRAISER

~Supporting Summer Mission Trip to Brothers' Keeper~
Order your Dewey's Pizza this Sunday through Sunday, February 1st from our Youth, using this form. **Pizzas will be half-baked** and freshly made to order by our youth group. They will be available for pick-up on Sunday, February 8th after each service. These delicious pizzas will be perfect to have at home to watch the game or to take to your super-bowl party. Complete personal order information on other side.

Start with a.... Large 12-cut Cheese Pizza \$17

Add Your Choice of Toppings \$1 ea.

Pepperoni, Sausage, Mushroom, Onion, Green Pepper, Black Olives, Bacon, Diced Tomato, Canadian Bacon, and Pineapple. *You may use this one form to order up to 2 pizzas*

Pizza #1 Large 12-cut Cheese Pizza	\$17.00
Toppings: (feel free to add as additional toppings)	
_____	\$ _____
_____	\$ _____
_____	\$ _____
Total for Pizza #1	\$ _____

Pizza #2 Large 12-cut Cheese Pizza	\$17.00
Toppings: (feel free to add additional toppings)	
_____	\$ _____
_____	\$ _____
_____	\$ _____
Total for Pizza #2	\$ _____

TOTAL FOR COMPLETE ORDER \$ _____

~THANK YOU FOR YOUR ORDER~

~Please place your completed order in the offering plate~



NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE NUMBER: _____

Payment due on Sunday Feb. 8th

Total Due: \$ _____

Payment made by CASH: _____

or CHECK # _____ (office use only).

Questions Contact

Michelle at 440-781-4161

– you tell us the toppings and the Youth will complete your order!

With the success and FUN of last year's Valentine's Dinner and Talent Show, we are doing it all again. We are looking for talent. Do you have a talent to share? We'd love to meet with you on Sunday, February 1st. Please contact Michelle to share your talent.

*Mark Your Calendars
and
Get Your Tickets!*

OPEN CALL

GOT TALENT?

**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 1ST.
TALENT MEETING**

OPEN TO ALL

MUSICIANS, SINGERS, DANCERS, RAPPERS, ACTORS, COMEDIANS, MAGICIANS, ETC.

WHERE

ST. PETER'S UNDERCROFT

WHEN

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 1ST. FOLLOWING WORSHIP SERVICES.

YOU ARE INVITED TO

Valentine's

DINNER & TALENT SHOW

Tickets are \$25pp

All proceeds support our summer mission trip hosting Montana

FEBRUARY 13

AT 6:30 PM

ST. PETER'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH
18001 DETROIT AVENUE
LAKEWOOD, OHIO 44107

TICKETS WILL BE SOLD 2/1 & 2/8 AND AT THE DOOR FOR THOSE WHO RESERVED THEIR SPOT

RSVP TO MICHELLE
440-781-4161
childrenyouth@stpeterslakewood.org



JANUARY 2026

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY		
				1	OFFICE CLOSED	2	Bible Study at Joe's Deli 8:00 a.m.	3
Pizza Drive				CC CLOSED	New Year's Day			
				Holy Name				
4	5	6	7	8	9	10		
HE 8:00 a.m. Adult forum 9:09 a.m. <small>The 2nd Sunday after Christmas Day</small> HE 10:00 a.m. Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Coffee Hour 11:15 a.m. Epiphany Transferred	VESTRY 7:00 p.m.	Staff Mtg. 10:00 a.m. Epiphany	HE 10:00 a.m. Bible Study 11:00 a.m.		Bible Study at Joe's Deli 8:00 a.m.			
	SACC	AA 7:00 p.m.		CHIOIR 7:00 p.m.				
11	12	13	14	15	16	17		
HE 8:00 a.m. Adult forum 9:09 a.m. HE 10:00 a.m. BAPTISM Sunday School 10:00 a.m. <small>The 1st Sunday after the Epiphany</small> The Baptism of our Lord Coffee Hour 11:15 a.m. Virtual Coffee Hour 11:15 a.m.		Staff Mtg. 10:00 a.m.	HE 10:00 a.m. Bible Study 11:00 a.m.		Bible Study at Joe's Deli 8:00 a.m.			
		AA 7:00 p.m.		CHIOIR 7:00 p.m.				
18	19	20	21	22	23	24		
HE 8:00 a.m. Adult forum 9:09 a.m. Sunday School 10:00 a.m. HE 10:00 a.m. Coffee Hour 11:15 a.m. <small>The 2nd Sunday after the Epiphany</small>	MLK Day	Staff Mtg. 10:00 a.m. CC Family Mtg. 5:30 p.m. UC Foundation 7:00 p.m. AA 7:00 p.m.	HE 10:00 a.m. Bible Study 11:00 a.m.		Bible Study at Joe's Deli 8:00 a.m.			
	CC CLOSED OFFICE CLOSED	AA 7:00 p.m.		CHIOIR 7:00 p.m.				
25	26	27	28	29	30	31		
ONE SERVICE 9:30 a.m. <small>The 3rd Sunday after the Epiphany</small>		Staff Mtg. 10:00 a.m.	HE 10:00 a.m. Bible Study 11:00 a.m.		Bible Study at Joe's Deli 8:00 a.m.	Retreat Ascension 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.		
ANNUAL MEETING		AA 7:00 p.m.		CHOIR 7:00 p.m.				

THE PARISH ANNUAL MEETING WILL BE HELD ON SUNDAY, JANUARY 25th. THERE WILL BE ONE SERVICE AT 9:30 a.m.

A BRUNCH WILL FOLLOW IN THE UNDERCROFT.

The Call to the Annual Meeting

In accordance with the Canons of the Episcopal Diocese of Ohio, and the Code of Regulations of Saint Peter's Church, I hereby announce that the Annual Meeting of Saint Peter's Parish, Lakewood, Ohio, will take place on Sunday, January 25, 2026, beginning with a celebration at 9:30 a.m. of the Holy Eucharist.

The Annual Meeting will take place in the nave of the Church. The purpose of the meeting will be to elect new members to the Vestry, to hear reports of the finances and various ministries of the parish, and to take action on such matters as may come before the body. Persons eligible to exercise seat, voice, and vote at the meeting shall be those aged 16 or older whose membership is recorded on the rolls of this church either through baptism or transfer, and who are known to the Rector and Treasurer as faithful in worship, giving, and serving in this last year.

~ The Rev. Michael Lager



- 01-Jan Claire Perrins
- 02-Jan Anida Balmer
- 02-Jan Isaac Gardner
- 03-Jan Kristi Berado
- 04-Jan Chas Geiger
- 08-Jan James Calhoun
- 12-Jan Victoria Bickerton
- 12-Jan Leslie Downs
- 14-Jan Cherie Bauer
- 15-Jan Jonathan Fitz
- 16-Jan Debra Vandrasik
- 17-Jan Peter Kuhn
- 18-Jan Bill Grane
- 20-Jan Carter Bickerton
- 20-Jan Sophia Bolander
- 20-Jan Scott Fitz
- 25-Jan John Lekan
- 28-Jan Mary Blesse
- 28-Jan Robert Potts
- 31-Jan Michael Callesen
- 31-Jan Jack Hinkston

Jan 7 Brad & Debra Vandrasik
 Jan 25 Roger & Carol Kienzle

Coffee Hour Conversation About
A Parish Trip To England

Recently I made an impromptu comment in the middle of a sermon that we should 'take a pilgrimage trip to England to see Christopher Wren's architectural masterpiece, St. Paul's Cathedral in London. There were several "Let's Go!" responses (LOL). Subsequently, I've thrown out the idea at different times, and each time I heard people say, "We should plan it!" THEREFORE.... I would like to invite you to a table conversation during Coffee Hour on Sunday, January 11th in the new Chapel. No commitments...just brainstorming at this time. I will bring some possibilities. Bring your ideas and we will see what can percolate for 2027!!!!

Fr. Mike



PARISH PRAYER ROTA FOR DECEMBER

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, then we'll start over again. Clip this page and keep it with your daily devotions for easy access.

01-Jan	Joseph Jacoby Dick Jacquemotte	16-Jan	Bob Moncrief Vicci Mowery
02-Jan	Susan Jensen & Peter Fahrenkopf Keith, Monica, & Fletcher	17-Jan	David Murphy David & Robin Nash
03-Jan	Lorna Jordon Dan Karchmer, Sunita Mathew, Grace Karchmer	18-Jan	Jane Nash Meredith Nash
04-Jan	John Keller Robert & Carol Kienzle	19-Jan	John & Patricia Neumann Barrett T. Newman, Jadon
05-Jan	Larry Keith & Michelle Killin-Keith John Krebs	20-Jan	Amelinda Norton Julian & Yhosila Norton, Bjorn, Lucy
06-Jan	Mike & Kim Lager Dan & Sally Lammers	21-Jan	Al Oldenburg David & Regina Opdycke
07-Jan	Jason & Christine Lance Kevin & Linda Lange, Jack, Henry, and Mia	22-Jan	John & Monica Opdycke Naomi Opdycke
08-Jan	Alison LaRosa Mark & Margarita Lekan, John	23-Jan	Beth O'Rourke Alex & Christina Paschyn
09-Jan	Cindy & Earnest Lemmerman Amanda Love, and Chuck	24-Jan	Charlotte Patrick, Jack, and Fred Patrinos, Mary Elaine
10-Jan	Emily Malquest Matt & Sara Marscher, Roya, Kenzley, Xavier	25-Jan	Nat & Elizabeth Pendleton, John and Jessica Claire Perrin
11-Jan	Jeremy & Kelly Martin, Amelia, Patrick Gina Massetti	26-Jan	Michael & Jenny Perrins, Anthony, Richard, William Ann Pesta
12-Jan	Colin McConnell Dennis & Amanda McCready	27-Jan	Lisa Peterson, Jana & Alexander John & Susan Petty
13-Jan	Jan McDonough Kate McHale	28-Jan	Jessica Philpott, Luke & Mark Sferra Mike & Chris Piskuno
14-Jan	Robin & Moira McNutt Sumner & Penny Mead	29-Jan	Brenda Pongracz, Alexander & Christopher Elaine Porter
15-Jan	Michael Miller Dave Mitzo	30-Jan	Bob Potts Leslie Price
		31-Jan	Tom & Linda Purdy Daniel & Susan Rath



GENEROSITY TEAM
Bowling



ST. PETER'S BOWLING
JOIN US AT 6:30 p.m. at FAIRVIEW LANES

Monday, January 12th / Monday, January 26th

Contact Tucker Handley –(985) 228 – 3198 thandley01@yahoo.com

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St. Peter's Vestry Officers & Members:

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Clerk: Jessica Redel; Treasurer: Dan Lammers

Members: Jim Cofer, Dennis Driscoll, Matthew Hout-Reilly, Keith Jochum,
Beth O'Rourke, Naomi Opdycke, Leslie Price, Julie Steigerwald, Dave Tabar

Sunday Services:

8:00 a.m. & 10:00 a.m.

**Holy Eucharist & Prayers for Healing:
Wednesdays at 10:00 a.m. in the Oratory**

Website: www.stpeterslakewood.org

St. Peter's is on FACEBOOK. Don't forget to follow us!

