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Dear St. Peter's Family,

As our nation prepares to celebrate its 250th year of independence, it is a fitting time to reflect on the roots that continue to nourish us. While we are thoroughly American in our citizenship, we remain deeply connected to our spiritual home in England through our Anglican tradition.

The freedoms we cherish today were planted centuries ago. The principles of liberty we enjoy were first voiced in the Magna Carta (in 1215), born out of the intense political turmoil. Similarly, the uniform liturgy that grounds our weekly and daily worship was shaped by Thomas Cranmer, forming the Book of Common Prayer. Our value for knowledge, science, and the liberal arts was nurtured in the halls of Oxford and Cambridge. Even the respect with caution we Episcopalians maintain toward civil government finds its roots in our historic relationship with the English monarchy.

We are the Church we are today because the Church of England brought its faith and practices to the American colonies. Truly, understanding who we are as Episcopalians rests firmly on our identity as part of the worldwide Anglican Communion.

This rich history is precisely why there is so much anticipation and energy building behind our upcoming pilgrimages to England in June 2027. We are offering two distinct ways to encounter this heritage:

- **The English Identity and Heritage Trip (June 13–20, 2027):** This journey will take us to London, Canterbury, Winchester, Salisbury, and Oxford. Together, we will experience magnificent cathedrals, the stories of ancient saints, the legacy of the monarchy, evensong, local pubs, quiet gardens, museums, and the mystery of Stonehenge.
- **The St. Cuthbert's Way Walking Pilgrimage (June 27–July 4, 2027):** For those seeking a different spiritual experience, we will gather in Edinburgh, Scotland, before setting out to retrace the path of medieval pilgrims. Walking roughly 10 miles a day, we will journey toward the holy tidal island of Lindisfarne. We will stay in welcoming inns, and you can rest assured that our bags will be transported ahead for us each day. This is an opportunity to challenge body, mind, and spirit, rewarded by the sacramental experience of God in creation.

I warmly invite you to prayerfully consider joining us for this season of spiritual growth and formation. Brochures, cost sheets, and registration forms are available at the back of the church and online (www.stpeterslakewood.org). Space is limited, so I encourage you to secure your place with a deposit soon (noting that final payment is not due until March 2027).

Many Blessings,
Fr. Mike Lager

FROM THE VESTRY

The Realm software is here! All parish members should have received an email to create their account on Realm. If you have not, please inform any Vestry member and/or Tom Newman. Our accounting system will officially transition to Realm on July 1st, with your first semi-annual giving statement coming to you in a new format. The transition for the remaining capabilities is set for August 1st. We want to ensure everyone is ready for this transition. If you have any questions or need assistance, we are here to help!

There are several summer events on the calendar. First, the Montana Mission Trip team is coming to Cleveland. There are several opportunities to join this mission and support those visiting. St. Peter's will have a booth at the Lakewood Art Festival on Saturday, August 1st. Per our much-loved tradition, church lady hat making will be our craft. If you'd like to donate supplies for the craft, a donation bin will be located in the back entrance foyer. Lastly, the annual Church picnic is set for August 23rd at Lakewood Park. The service will be held in the pavilion followed by a picnic in the park.

Wishing you a lovely, warm, relaxing summer!
Jessica Redel

**MORNING
PRAYER**

Mondays at
7:15AM
In the Oratory



There will be *Lemonade on the Plaza* after the 10:00 a.m. service all through July. Enjoy the fellowship.

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, July 12, 2026, at 11:15 a.m.** The following month's gathering will take place on Zoom on **SUNDAY, August 9, 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**

Thank You

From the bottom of our hearts, we'd like to extend a huge THANK YOU to the St. Peter's community for our baby sprinkle. The generosity and thoughtful gifts are certainly appreciated as we readjust to the many needs of a newborn.

We feel so lucky to have this kindness, love, and support as our family grows. We're looking forward to having you all watch Lucien grow with us!

With love and gratitude,

Joe, Jacquelyn, Reed, Remi, & Lucien Janis



Let's get connected.

Our new ministry and finance management system.

Everyone who can receive an email invitation to REALM has by now. **THIS IS NOT SPAM** or a fake email. In order for the parish to take full advantage of all the elements of the Realm system, the maximum number of parishioners need to be participating. If you have an individual email and did not receive an email invitation, please contact the office. If you do not have an individual email, please create one. As of this writing, June 22 there are 141 outstanding invitations. The original invitations were sent **April 30th**. From “St. Peter’s Episcopal Church” - notifications@onrealmmail.org

SAVE THE DATE! LAKEWOOD ARTS FESTIVAL!

The Lakewood Arts Festival is ALWAYS the first Saturday in August and this year that date is AUGUST 1!!

As in year’s past, this event requires a lot of volunteers and we are very hopeful that many of you can give us an hour or two to help make Church Lady Hats.

A sign-up sheet is in the back of the nave.

We will also need volunteers to cut paper in advance of August 1 and while we have a lot of supplies left over from last year, artificial flowers and similar “décor” are always welcome. We will put a bin at the back door in June for this purpose (and not to be confused with the St. Lukes bin please!)

Thank you all. If you have questions, please contact Liz Crosby:

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Montana to the CLE schedule:

- Saturday 8-Aug All Arrive, ice breakers, dinner at church – Pizza Party.
- Sunday 9-Aug Services, St. Peter's Lakewood - Montana to host coffee hour after church, picnic at Rocky River Reservation and games, evening compline.
- Monday 10-Aug Work Day - Habitat for Humanity Playhouse project, Dinner at Afungchwi home – backyard BBQ.
- Tuesday 11-Aug Magnet Program 10 AM - 1:30 PM (bring lunch) & Community Meal dinner prep/serve and join.
- Wednesday 12-Aug Cedar Point - All Day.
- Thursday 13-Aug Mathew 25 Statues, Morning Prayer and Tour at Cathedral, Rock Hall and Science Center, dinner at Linda Purdy's son's home and pool party.
- Friday 14-Aug Maltz Museum of Jewish Heritage, Cleveland Museum of Art and Cultural Garden, lunch in Little Italy, followed by dinner either with Church of the Ascension or at the Taylor home.
- Saturday 15-Aug Work Day - St. Lukes, followed by dinner at Lakewood Park in the Kiwanis Pavillion, swimming in the pool, and watching the sunset over Lake Erie.
- Sunday 16-Aug Depart for Montana.



Thank you to all of those who volunteered to host folks in their homes, feed us, and those that stepped up to drive us around.

CONGRATULATIONS GRADUATES



Jessica Pendleton, is graduating from Avon High School. She is attending University of Richmond this fall. She is majoring in Biology and will run Cross Country and Track.



Maeve Stanton is graduating from Magnificat High School. She will be attending Indiana University – Bloomington to study Biology on a Physician Assistant track.



Noah Opdycke is graduating from Rocky River High School. He will be attending Indiana University – Kelly School of Business.

SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL



GOD has the power to **PROVIDE**

GOD has the power to **HEAL**

GOD has the power to **COMFORT**

GOD has the power to **FORGIVE**

GOD has the power to **LOVE US FOREVER**

At Everest, kids discover what it means to hold on to God's mighty power in everyday life. Kids participate in memorable Bible-learning activities, sing catchy songs, play teamwork-building games, make and dig into yummy treats, experience one-of-a-kind Bible adventures, collect Bible Memory Buddies to remind them of God's love, and test out Sciency-Fun Gizmos they'll take home and play with all summer long. Plus, kids will learn to look for evidence of God all around them through something called God Sightings. Each day concludes with a Summit Celebration that gets everyone involved in living what they've learned. We hope to have some special visitors join us throughout the summer and share their real-life visits to Everest. Everest meets every Sunday over the summer weeks beginning June 14th. This is for ages 4 through 5th grade.

LOOKING AHEAD:

**Confirmation Retreat Morning 9 a.m.
to noon on Saturday, August 29th.**

**Homeless Awareness Sleep-Out
DATE CHANGE to November 14th.**

Youth Sunday's are August 30th & November 29th.



Homeless Awareness Sleep-Out Check Delivery is this month. Youth will be notified as to dates we will be heading to shelters identified as recipients of our funds raised last November.



St. Peter's Episcopal Church



Monthly Outreach

THE BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL 2026

Each year, the **Bishop's Annual Appeal** invites us to support ministries that go beyond the regular diocesan budget: planting new missions, supporting seminarians, helping struggling parishes, and offering pastoral aid where it's most needed. In July, our monthly **Community Outreach Offering** will support this important work. Your gift helps us serve not just locally, but across the diocese.



July 1 Regina Opdycke
July 3 Cipriano Beredo
Alexis Opdycke
July 6 Ray Chisamore
Peter Fahrenkopf
July 7 Lucas Opdycke
July 11 Jeff Tennant
July 13 Mary Fitz
Jon Demagall
July 15 Jim Ford
July 21 Karen Bradley
July 23 Paul Schwartz
John Pendleton
July 26 Anne Marie Foti
July 27 Keith Jochum
Joyce Green
Dan McDonough
July 28 Marilyn Schabel

July 1 Tom & Sue Andrews
July 1 Scott & Mary Fitz
July 12 Churchill & Evelyn Ward
July 22 Jeff & Kristen Gardner
July 25 Chris & Ginger Hill
July 27 David & Regina Opdycke
July 27 Bob & Christine Schauer
July 29 Andrew & Samantha Fitz
July 30 Neil & Joyce Green



PARISH PRAYER ROTA FOR JUNE 2026

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.



July 1	Bob Brown Jim Calhoun	July 16	Sara Ferry Douglas & Elaine Fifner
July 2	Barbara Caravona John & Janis Carlson	July 17	George Filko Andrew & Samantha Fitz, Jonathan, Patrick, Anna, and Katherine
July 3	Anthony & Cameron Cataldo, Vincenzo Amanda Chambers	July 18	Scott & Mary Fitz James Ford
July 4	Tren & Lisa Cheshier Joel & Carol Childs	July 19	Anne Marie Foti Griffin Fox
July 5	Linda Chisamore Ray Chisamore	July 20	Carol Francescani Richard Furry
July 6	Marilyn Cobb Mary Coe, Peter & Molly Kuhn	July 21	Stephen & Valerie Gage Evan Gardner
July 7	Jim & Carrie Cofer Suzanne Collart	July 22	Jeff & Kristen Gardner, Isaac and Keira Chas & Patti Geiger
July 8	Jason & Megan Combs, Eliza and Charlotte Bill & Liz Crosby	July 23	Sarah Gentleman Tiller James & Linda Good
July 9	Cody Crosby Madelaine Crosby & Parker Wolfe, Riley	July 24	Daniel Gourash, Emmet William Grane
July 10	David & Lisa Daley Victoria DehMalo	July 25	Robert Gray Neil & Joyce Green
July 11	Jon & Lesley Demagall, Lucy Heidi & Matt Demaline, Allison and Brooklyn	July 26	Michael & Jennifer Hammerlund, Jamie and Elisa Tucker Handley
July 12	Kelly & Jordan Dillon, Emily and Jake Terry & Patti Dobro	July 27	Sarah Hankey Tim & Jordan Hecker, Lia, June, and Margot
July 13	Penny Dolski Dennis Driscoll & Susan Murnane	July 28	Chris & Ginger Hill Tony & Lauren Hinkston, Caleb and Jack
July 14	Karen Eversman Peter Fahrenkopf & Susan Jenson	July 29	Clinton & Marcie Hist Sue Hofelich
July 15	Marie Fehik-Kirk, Lucy Steve Felder	July 30	Gerry & Tolisa Horning Dan & Matthew Hout-Reilly
		July 31	Joanne Hull Bob Hulligan

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Julie Steigerwald, Ryan Vogelgesang, Colin McConnell,
Holly St. Clair, Tucker Handley

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!

