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Dear St. Peter's Family

This year Advent's watchful waiting will take a special turn on Sunday, December 6, when we welcome our diocesan Bishop Anne Jolly to St. Peter's for her official visitation.

You may notice two distinctive symbols as the bishop leads us in worship: her miter, the pointed hat, and her crozier, or pastoral staff. The miter reminds us of the Holy Spirit's presence and power, while the crozier resembles a shepherd's staff—a beautiful symbol of the bishop's calling to guide and care for God's people. Both point us toward the life of faith all of the churches share across our diocese.

An important part of her visit will be the sacraments of Baptism and Confirmation, along with the opportunity for others to be received into the Episcopal Church or reaffirm their baptismal vows. These are meaningful moments in a person's journey of faith. In the Episcopal Church, Confirmation is only done by a bishop. In that symbol, every Confirmed Episcopalian shares in the unbroken line all the way back to the first Apostles. We will have the joy of celebrating those who are taking this next step in their spiritual lives, and we can support them through our prayers and presence.

How can we prepare for this special Sunday?

- **Pray:** Keep Bishop Anne, those preparing for Confirmation, reception, reaffirmation or baptism, and our parish family in your prayers throughout Advent.
- **Worship:** Join us on December 6 as we gather to welcome our bishop and celebrate the life of faith we share.
- **Connect:** Stay for the reception following the service. Take a moment to greet our bishop, introduce yourself, and share something about the life and ministries of St. Peter's.

Advent reminds us to make room in our hearts for Christ and to watch for the ways God is at work among us. What better way to do that than by gathering as a parish family, celebrating one another's faith, and welcoming our bishop with the warmth and hospitality that make St. Peter's such a special community?

I look forward to sharing this meaningful Sunday with you!

Father Mike

Coffee Hour with Host Families

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, rice cakes, 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

Nov 1

Liz & Nat Pendleton-verger
Matt & Sarah Marscher
Jeremy & Kelly Martin
Colin & Sarah McConnell
Dennis McCready

Nov 8

Pat and John Neumann-verger
Jan McDonough
Julian & Yhosila Norton
Naomi Opdycke
Brenda Pongracz

Nov 15

Dan Lammers-verger
Bob Potts
Leslie Price
Linda Purdy
Jake & Jessica Redel

Nov 22

Geoff and Debbie Rudesill-verger
John & Marci Rich
Wadia Salah
Matt & Maureen Stanton
Julie Steigerwald

Nov 29

Geoff and Debbie Rudesill-verger
Cathe Step & Ryan Vogelgesang
Barry & Emma Stormer
David Tabar
Joe & Jacquelyn Tanis

December 6

Bishop Visitation
Nan Archbold-verger
Ken & Martha Taylor
Sarah Taylor
Brad & Deb Vandrask
Angie Whidden

December 13

Jeff Tennant-verger
Kathy Woolner
Betsy & John Yingling
Christine & Jan Afungchi
Tom & Sue Andrews

December 20 & 27

Coffee service only

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, November 8, 2026, at 11:15 a.m. The following month's gathering will take place on Zoom on SUNDAY, December 13, 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://tinyurl.com/virtualcoffeehr> (takes you directly to the meeting)

OR

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82813898119?pwd=VU5QMjl0UmJkdTBudmJQRVphNTRVUT09> Meeting ID: 828 1389 8119 Passcode: 18001



Would You Like To Join St. Peter's Choir

If you have been thinking about joining the St. Peter's Choir this article is for you!

Rehearsals are on Thursday, at 7:00 p.m. in the New Chapel. The choir sings weekly at the 10 o'clock service, September – May.

The Sunday morning rehearsals begin at 9:15 a.m. in the church. While new singers are welcome at any time, the earlier in the choir season is definitely the best time to join.

No audition is necessary, but an ability to read music is definitely helpful. If you are interested in joining the choir, please send an email to Bryan Mitnaul, organist and choirmaster at vabchbryan@gmail.com

Congratulations to our
Chili Cook-Off Winners
First Place: The Tripi Family
Second Place: Tom Purdy
Third Place: Holly St. Clair



SORRY, NO ST. CECILIA GUILD LUNCHEON IN NOVEMBER

St. Cecilia Guild will NOT meet in November due to Thanksgiving.

The Christmas luncheon is on MONDAY,
December 7th at noon at Emerald Necklace Inn.

We will meet in the St. Peter's parking lot at 12:30 to carpool because of limited parking at the Inn. Please watch for the Evite. Remember The Afternoon Guild at The Church of the Ascension will be joining us. It's a great chance to meet and get to know our fellow Episcopalians at the other end of Detroit Avenue. As always, if you have questions contact Lorna Jordan 216-647-3774.

Annual Blessing of the Animals



The annual "Blessing of the Animals" was well attended and a good time was had by all. The event is held in honor of the feast day of St. Francis of Assisi, October 4th, a favorite of the pre-reformation saints in the Anglican Communion, including the Episcopal church in the U.S.A. The 4th fell on a Sunday this year coincidentally. Perfect.



APPLE PICKING

Apple picking at Miller's Apple Hill Farm on Saturday, October 10th. Parishioners, friends, family, and staff attended and picked. Guess who is which. Sign up next year and get your apples. Everyone had a good time.



The Youth need your help with the Homeless Sleep-Out on November 14-15th

Please see the sign-up sheet in the back of the church.

We need help with the following:

Shift Chaperon/Security

Fire Wood

Breakfast Food/Hot Cocoa

Morning Clean-Up

DIOCESAN CONVENTION CLASS AND CHILDCARE

We have had the honor of being asked To host at the Convention. Larry Keith, Heidi Demaline, and I will host an all-day event: Yee Haw VBS, for the school age attendees.

Amanda Chambers and Amelinda Norton will provide childcare on Friday and Saturday.



Youth Sunday is November 29th along with “Go to Church as a Family”. The Children & Youth Choir will perform at this service. Youth Sunday, means our teenagers will be making the 10 a.m. service happen and happen successfully. And our children will be singing the song they worked on for the last couple of weeks. This is such an exciting time to watch them take such care and appreciation of their church.

Choir Practice Reminder

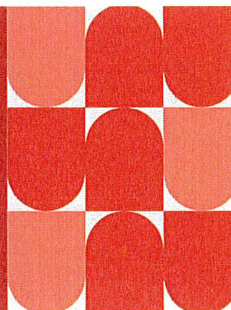
Choir practice for Children & Youth meets after the worship service in the sanctuary by the piano.

COMMUNITY MEAL

Collection of shelf-stable foods and grocery gift cards for the December meal is still going on. Place food in the bin in the back hall. Bring cards to the office.



**Blood Cancer
United**



NOVEMBER 2026 OUTREACH PARTNER

I am proud to share that St. Peter's is featuring **Blood Cancer United** (formerly the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society) as our November Outreach Partner of the Month. Behind every organization standardizing life-saving treatments are real stories of hope and survival—including right here in our own parish community.

In August 1993, as a 15-year-old, I lay in a hospital bed at Rainbow Babies and Children's Hospital, surrounded by my family who were preparing to say goodbye. Suffering from Non-Hodgkin T-cell Lymphoma, a massive tumor pressed against my lungs and squeezed my heart. I was sent to receive a maximum dose of radiation with little expectation of returning alive. Astonishingly, the radiation shrank the tumor, beginning an 18-month chemotherapy journey that ultimately saved my life.

Twenty years later, in 2013, my family faced cancer again when my eldest brother was diagnosed with leukemia. When chemotherapy treatments failed, a life-saving bone marrow transplant from our sister brought healing. Both times, Blood Cancer United stepped in to offer crucial support to my family.

Blood Cancer United relies on generous donor support to drive medical progress and alleviate the burdens placed on patients and their loved ones:

- **Funding Groundbreaking Research:** Blood Cancer United has invested over \$2 billion in pioneering research. These funds directly support innovative treatment approaches that transform once-terminal diagnoses into treatable conditions.
- **Direct Financial Assistance:** Facing cancer brings significant financial strain. Donated funds provide direct relief to patients and families by helping cover co-pays, travel expenses for care, housing costs, and utility bills.
- **Patient Advocacy and Support Services:** Beyond research, the organization provides free information, support services, and acts as a dedicated voice seeking access to quality, affordable, and coordinated care for all.

Every donation directly contributes to life-saving research and critical patient aid. Please join me in supporting **Blood Cancer United** as St. Peter's Outreach Partner of the Month. – *Matthew Hout-Reilly*

HOMELESS AWARENESS SLEEP-OUT

All are invited to join us in the chapel after services on **Sunday, November 8th** to hear from Y-Haven and LMM. This helps our youth prepare their hearts for the event happening that following Saturday.

The Actual Event is Saturday, November 14th

This year and our Homeless Awareness Sleep-Out will be November 14th -15th. This will be our second year holding this event during the Thanksgiving season, where we are a little more focused on our blessings and thankfulness. Last year we raised the most funds to date and a part of that was possibly the timing. Another part of this was a parishioner taking this fundraising to another level and including his employer, staff, and extended family in our fundraising efforts. That led us to be able to donate over \$1,000 to each shelter.

We will be participating in the Homeless Awareness Sleep-Out on Saturday, November 14, 2026. This will be our 19th year sleeping outside on a cold night to raise awareness and funds for local homeless shelters. Our youth will be "Pan-Handling" on each of the four corners adjacent to our church. Even with cardboard boxes and tents clustered together, sleeping bags and layered clothing we are in for a cold night. Last year it was wet and very blustery winds.

Our evening will unfold as follows:

- 5:30 pm arrive at church and begin organizing our shelters outside **TENTS not boxes**
- 6:30 pm begin collecting donation along Detroit and West Clifton Avenues
- 11:00 pm head into the church for a snack, recap the evening, conversation
- Midnight head to bed in our boxes and tents
- 7:00 am head into the church for breakfast
- 7:45 am begin collecting donations again along the avenues of Detroit and West Clifton
- 10:00 am begin clean-up and head inside for communion

Adult chaperones keep watch in shifts all night long. As you know Lakewood has a large number of churches and bars so a lot of foot traffic pass by after last call. Some of this traffic stop by and warm up by our fire, treat us to some conversation, and make donations. Our youth take these monetary donations to these shelters personally, receive a tour and get some time for fellowship with residents. It is always important to us that our young folks see these fundraisers full circle.

Our youth in the past have chosen the following shelters to support; Laura's Home, LMM, Y-Haven, Veterans Domicile, and Norma Herr. We aim to raise about \$3,000 so that a donation of \$500.00 can be made to each of these shelters.

We will need a lot of help please take a look at our needs here and sign-up in the back of the sanctuary or give Michelle a call 440-781-4161.

Parishioners are encouraged to drive up that Saturday evening and stand alongside us, cheer us on, and maybe even bring us some donuts.

A Letter from our Director, Deb Csikos-Vandrasik:

Hi children's choir parents!

I'm so happy to direct the children's choir! I'm Deb Csikos-Vandrasik (Mrs. V), and I've been in the choir here at St. Peter's for about 29 years. I will admit I am not a music teacher, but I've taught for 16 years and have sung in choirs almost continuously for more than 50 years. I have also been playing trumpet for decades, including in several local bands. Bryan and I would love to see the children's choir grow in numbers and ability this year.

We are scheduled to sing:

November 29 (Youth Sunday)

December 24 (Christmas Eve)

December 27 (Lessons and Carols)

March 28 (Easter Sunday)

May 16 (Pentecost)

We have some challenging music scheduled, so it will help if your child can read lyrics. We will work on reading music throughout the year.

I can't stay after church on October 4 because of a band commitment, but I'm happy to answer any questions that you might email me. You can reach me at djcsikos@gmail.com.

I hope to rehearse every Sunday after church. I will let you know if I plan to miss a week. That said, I will not be here on October 18 because it's my daughter's 30th birthday and we'll be visiting her in Minneapolis.

I'm looking forward to seeing everyone on October 11!

Deb Csikos-Vandrasik



St. Peter's Volunteers
at the T1D walk at
the Zoo on Sunday,
October 18, 2026



WINTER FUN YOUTH TRIP

SAVE THE DATE

The youth will be travelling to Peak 'n' Peak in Clymer, N.Y. for a winter fun outing, Friday, February 19th through Sunday, February 21st.

November 3 Lorna Jordon
 November 4 Owen Vogelgesang
 November 5 Sarah Taylor
 November 5 Joanne Hull
 November 7 Annika Mintzlaff
 November 9 Michael Bickerton
 November 9 Brooklyn D.
 November 10 Jeff Gardner
 November 11 Nan Miller
 November 14 Ann Bish
 November 14 Churchill Ward
 November 17 Keira G.
 November 17 Christine Schauer
 November 18 Dan Gourash
 November 19 Heidi Demaline
 November 22 Sue Hofelich
 November 24 David Nash
 November 25 Tom Purdy
 November 27 Lisa Cheshier
 November 27 Fallon A.
 November 28 Evelyn Ward
 November 29 Dan Hout-Reilly
 November 29 Madison Rudesill
 November 29 Michael Schauer



Realm Giving

These are the 4 ways to arrive at the Giving Page:

1 – Website – Log into your Realm account at Onrealm.org. On the Connect page click on Giving. Then click on the +Give blue box in the upper left.

2 – Realm App – In the Realm app click on the Giving Icon at the bottom of the screen. Then click on “Make a Gift”.

3 – QR Code – open the camera app on your smartphone and point it at the QR code. Click on the yellow On Realm box.

4 – Text – Text the word Keys to 73256

Once you use any of these methods to arrive at the Giving Page, you do the following:

Enter the amount of your gift and then click on the small down arrow to select where the money goes. The default is Regular Pledge Payment, but you can change it by clicking the down arrow to the right to see other options.



November 12 Bill & Kathy Grane
 November 23 Cindy & Ernie Lemmerman
 November 25 John & Susan Petty
 November 26 Dan & Matthew Hout-Reilly
 November 27 Tyler & Angie Whidden

PARISH PRAYER ROTA FOR NOVEMBER 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.

November 1	Dan Gourash, Emmet Bill Grane	November 16	Alison LaRosa Mark Lekan & Margarita Quispe Chocos
November 2	Robert Gray Neil & Joyce Green	November 17	Maggie, John Cindy & Ernie Lemmerman
November 3	Michael & Jennifer Hammarlund, Jamie, Elisa Tucker Handley	November 18	Amanda Love, Chuck Emily Malquest
November 4	Sarah Hankey Tim & Jordan Hecker, Lia, June, Margot	November 19	Matt & Sara Marscher, Roya, Kenzley Xavier
November 5	Clinton & Marcie Hist Sue Hofelich	November 20	Jeremy & Kelly Martin, Patrick, Amelia Regina Massetti
November 6	Ginny Holup Gerry & Tolisa Horning	November 21	Colin & Sarah McConnell Dennis & Amanda McCready
November 7	Dan & Matthew Hout-Reilly Joanne Hull	November 22	Jan & Dan McDonough Robin & Moira McNutt
November 8	Bob Hulligan David Hulligan	November 23	Evan & Olivia McParland Sumner & Penny Mead
November 9	Susan Jensen & Peter Fahrenkopf Keith & Monic Jochum, Fletcher	November 24	Justin & Jessica Mester Nan Miller
November 10	Susan Jensen & Peter Fahrenkopf Keith & Monic Jochum, Fletcher	November 25	Annika Mintzlaff Dave Mitzo
November 11	Caroline Jordan Lorna Jordan	November 26	Robert Montcrief Jared Morgan, Adeline
November 12	Daniel Karchmer & Sunita Mathew, Grace Karchmer Larry Keith & Michelle Killin-Keith	November 27	Sam Morgan Vicci Mowery
November 13	The Rev. John S. Keller Roger & Carol Kienze	November 28	Margaret Mroz David & Robin Nash
November 14	Bob & Cathy Kinison John Krebs	November 29	John & Patricia Neumann Barrett T. Newman, Jadon
November 15	The Rev. Mike & Kim Lager Dan & Sally Lammers	November 30	Amelinda Norton Julian & Yhosila Norton, Bjorn, Lucy
	Kevin & Linda Lange, Jack, Henry, Mia Tim Lange & Rebecca Austin-Lange, Ian Lange, Cayleigh & Fallon Austin		Al Oldenburg David & Regina Opdycke,

NOVEMBER 2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 ALL SAINTS HE 8 & 10 Adult Forum 9:09 Sunday School 10:00 Youth Choir 11:15 Coffee Hour 11:15 Fall Back 🕒	2 Morning Prayer 7 a.m.	3	4 HE 10 a.m. Adult Forum 11 a.m.	5 	6 Bible Study @ Joe's Deli 8 a.m.	7
8 HE 8 & 10 Adult Forum 9:09 Sunday School 10:00 Youth Choir 11:15 Coffee Hour 11:15 VCH 11:15	9 Morning Prayer 7 a.m.	10 	11 HE 10 a.m. Adult Forum 11 a.m.	12 	13 Bible Study @ Joe's Deli 8 a.m.	14 AUTUMN CLEAN-UP Unhoused Awareness Sleep-out H.A.S.O.
15 HE 8 & 10 Adult Forum 9:09 Sunday School 10:00 Youth Choir 11:15 Coffee Hour 11:15 H.A.S.O.	16 Morning Prayer 7 a.m. NET DEADLINE VESTRY	17 FOUNDATION AA 7:00 p.m.	18 HE 10 a.m. Adult Forum 11 a.m.	19 	20 Bible Study @ Joe's Deli 8 a.m.	21 CONVENTION
22 Christ the King HE 8 & 10 Adult Forum 9:09 Sunday School 10:00 Youth Choir 11:15 Coffee Hour 11:15 T1D walk @ Zoo	23 Morning Prayer 7 a.m.	24 	25 HE 10 a.m. Adult Forum 11 a.m.	26 Thanksgiving Church Closed Childcare Closed	27 Bible Study @ Joe's Deli 8 a.m. Church Closed Childcare Closed	28
29 ADVENT Youth Sunday HE 8 & 10 Youth Choir Premier Adult Forum 9:09 Sunday School 10:00 Coffee Hour 11:15	30 Morning Prayer 7 a.m.	SAVE THE DATE THE AUTUMN CLEAN UP DAY WILL TAKE PLACE SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 14th. PLEASE BRING A RAKE AND GLOVES. THE CHURCH WILL PROVIDE BAGS AND OTHER TOOLS. COFFEE AND DONUTS WILL BE PROVIDED. 9:00 - 12:00				

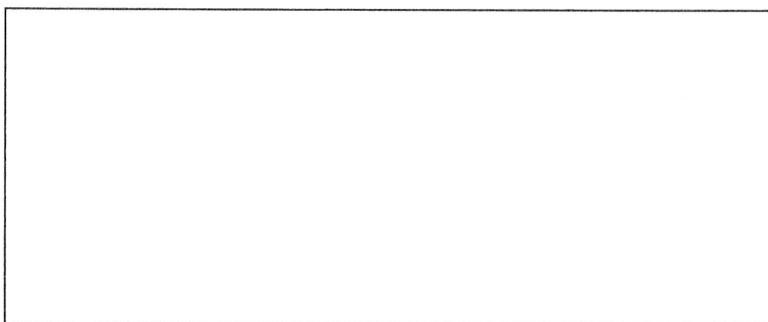
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Julie Steigerwald, Ryan Vogelgesang, Colin McConnell,
Holly St. Clair, Tucker Handley

Sunday Services:

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

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

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