

JUNE 2018

St. Peter's Episcopal Church

St. Peter's Church was organized in 1885 and the cornerstone was dedicated September 5th, 1886. This structure still stands on Brown Avenue in Norfolk. The first worship service at our present site was in the parish hall on Christmas Eve, 1959. All existing construction was completed in 1965.

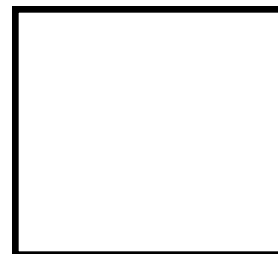
3rd Youth Sunday, Staff Meeting, 12:30PM
5th Prayer Shawl meeting, 7PM
7th Finance Committee meeting, 7PM
10th Vestry meeting, 11:30AM
11th Ladies Lunch at Olive Garden, 12:30PM
Day School Graduation Program, 7:30PM
17th Father's Day, School Board meeting, 11:30AM
18th Summer Camp opens, 7AM
23rd Annual Community Picnic, Riverside Baptist
30th St. Peter's Acolytes Yard Sale, 8AM-2PM

“Celebrating and Proclaiming our Life in Jesus Christ!”

“THE CALL”

St. Peter's Episcopal Church

224 S. Military Highway
Norfolk, VA 23502
Phone: 757-466-9392



Please keep these people in your prayers

BIBLE STUDY OPPORTUNITIES

Men's Bible Study– Tuesday mornings at 7:30AM. The men are studying the Book of Psalms. They meet in the meeting room beside Children's Chapel. Bring your Bible and bring a friend!

The Intercessory Prayer Group Meet Sunday mornings at 9AM in the Diffenbaugh Library. If you are unable to attend any Sunday, you may request the group pray for you or your loved one by writing on a prayer card and placing it in the Prayer Box on the table in the parish hall or in the Narthex. All prayers are kept confidential within the group.

Men's & Women's Cursillo Group meet Wednesday evenings. The womens group meet at 6:15PM and the mens grouping begins at 6:30PM.

Co-ed Bible Study Group also meet on Wednesdays. They meet in the Diffenbaugh Library. The study begins at 7:15PM. They are using the Forward Day by Day daily meditation books and accompanying scripture readings. They read, reflect and respond to the scriptures.

THE PRAYER SHAWL GROUP

The Prayer Shawl Group meet on the first Tuesday of the month. This month they meet June 5th at 7PM in the Diffenbaugh Library. The group will not meet in July and August but will meet again September 4th. The ladies make prayer shawls, that are given to our sick and shut in members, hats and scarves for the homeless, baby hats, sweaters for World Vision, and breast prosthesis for those undergoing breast surgery. For more information contact Millie Coward at 455-5887.



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June Faye	Joan
B.J.	Hazel
Joe	Mary
Lois	Kara
Sebastian	Joyce
Tom & Family	John
Xander & Family	Maurice
Johnny & Nancy	Christine
Debbie & Kenny	Niko
Angie & Peter	Cheryl
Al & Millie	Emily
Clay & Wanda	Daniel
Jessica	Bonnie
Bert & Ann	Steve
Leslie	Josephine
Karen	Dale
Florence & Howard	Fidelma
The Benn Family	Sarah
Brenda	Liz
The Daugherty Family	Susan
Charlie	Belinda
Kevin	Penny
Chris & Family	Joy

"FATHER'S DAY"

Dad's will be recognized on Sunday, June 17th with a small gift. Dad's and Grandpa's should pick up their "Father's Day" gift from the table in the narthex and the vestibule .

HAPPY FATHER'S DAY!



JUNE 2018

Join us for Birthday and Anniversary Blessings on the first Sunday of the month

Happy Birthday

Chuck DeLoatche	2nd
Joyce Baker	4th
Linda Ekberg	4th
Joyce Caldwell	4th
Kristy Pickurel	6th
Michael Monette	7th
Vicky Martin	10th
Jonathan Shreve	16th
Andrew Dieck	21st
Ella Lopresti	22nd
Sean McGinty	22nd
Bryan Pfeifer	23rd
Hilda Monte	26th
Karen Kakol	27th
Desiree Weisiger	28th

Happy Anniversary

Kimberly & Rob Truxell	6/1/91
Janet & Bob Chauncey	6/8/02
Ashley & Pat Pierce	6/19/99
Mary & Larry Laine	6/22/62
Jodi & Sean McGinty	6/23/07
Cathy & Andy Midgett	6/25/88

ST.PETER'S CHURCH STAFF

Bishop	The Rt. Rev. Herman Hollerith, IV
Rector	The Rev. John M. Eidam
Secretary	Vel Shreve
Organist	Elizabeth Miller
Treasurer	Carolyn King
Sexton	Kevin Bates

VESTRY MEMBERS

Bonnie Rennick -	Sr. Warden	(‘19)	
Bruce Comfort -	Jr. Warden	(‘18)	
Nancy Comfort	(‘18)	Robert Olliges	(‘20)
Kimberly Truxell	(‘19)	Charlie Pfeifer	(‘20)
Rob Truxell	(‘19)	Linsey Shreve	(‘20)
Jim Jimeno	(‘20)		

ALTAR FLOWERS

If you would like to give altar flowers any Sunday through the year, please sign the flower chart in the vestibule. Sign your name beside the Sunday you wish to give. You may also call the church office at **466-**

9392. The

altar flowers are **\$70**

weekly or **\$35** when two



**The deadline for articles for the July
issue of The Call is:
June 15th**

**Send articles to vel@stpeters-norfolk.org or
call the church office at 466-9392**

JUNE

"LADIES LUNCH BUNCH"

This month, the group will meet for lunch Monday, June 11th, at 12:30PM. They meet at "Olive Garden Restaurant" in the Janaf Shopping Center in Norfolk. Please sign the list in the parish hall if you plan on attending. For more information contact Millie Coward at 455-5887



GOD BLESS OUR SERVICE MEN AND WOMEN

“Finally, be strong in the Lord and in His mighty power. Put on the full armor of God so that you can take your stand against the devil’s schemes.” (Ephesians 6:10-11)

Joey

David

Kyle

Christopher

Jared

Bucky

Bob

Mike

Jennifer

Courtney



SUPPORT OUR VETERANS

The Veteran’s Administration in Hampton is accepting the following items for the veterans: **Toiletries, Clothing, Candy, Games, etc.** Please bring your donations to church and Bill Weissner will deliver them to the hospital. **Toiletries are needed the most.** Donated items may be placed in the container in the parish hall. Thank you!



All types of clothing is needed at the Veteran’s Hospital

Please donate your gently used clothing to the **VET’s**. Bring them to church and place in the container provided in the parish hall. Thank you!



The “Feed The Hungry” Ministry

We work with Blankets for the Homeless” supplying lunches, sweets, water, fruit and drinks. If you would like to join our ministry, or make a meal or monetary donation, please contact Ricki Wright at (757)724-0594 or email rickiwright@cox.net

The homeless are always in need of socks. Now that the weather is warmer the needs for the homeless change. Items needed include jeans—women’s & mens, sneakers, T-shirts, large black trash bags, baby wipes, lip balm, sunscreen and bug spray. Thank you for your continued support of this ministry! Please bring your donated items to church and place in the container provided in the parish hall. Thank you! Many thanks to all those who donate items, and to those who dedicate their time in preparing lunches for the needy every month. Thank you all!



A REMINDER... St. Peter’s Youth Group is collecting spare change to help support the homeless in Norfolk. Please use the jar located in the parish hall to make your donations. Thank you for being faithful and generous.

Our Day School is collecting Box Tops for Education. Please bring your box tops to church and place them in the box provided in the parish hall. Thank you for your support!

MARK YOUR CALENDAR NOW... This year Vacation Bible School is scheduled for Monday, July 16th through Friday, July 21st. . More information later.



RIVERSIDE ANNUAL COMMUNITY PICNIC
Saturday, June 23rd from 1—5pm

ACOLYTE FESTIVAL TRIP TO NATIONAL CATHEDRAL

The National Acolyte Festival will be held Saturday, October 6 (10 a.m. to 3 p.m.) at the National Cathedral in Washington DC. St. Peter's, Norfolk, acolytes are excited to join acolytes from all over the United States as we gather for a re-dedication and worship celebration. We have secured a bus leaving from St. Peter's at 5:00 a.m. on October 6, and returning at approximately 7:30 p.m. We are inviting and encouraging acolytes and guests to travel with us to experience the festival. Registration for the festival and lunch are not included and will be your responsibility. Seating is limited so respond by August 1. More information on this will be coming. Questions? Contact Nancy Comfort at 757-480-0316 or comfort_1@cox.net.



ST. PETER'S CHURCH ACOLYTE MINISTRY YARD SALE

Saturday, June 30th, 8AM—2PM

Table rental \$10 must be paid by noon on June 27th. If you choose not to rent a table, you may donate items to the acolyte ministry.

For more information contact Bonnie Rennick at 389-5727 or call the church office 466-9392



St. Peter's Day School is currently accepting registrations for the 2018/19 school year. We teach children ages 2 through 5. School hours are 9am -12Noon. Before and after school care is available from 7am—6pm.



We are also accepting registrations for Summer Camp. Children ages 3—6 are allowed to attend. Summer Camp makes for a "fun filled" summertime. Special guests visit and entertain the children, fun activities each day, and "Water Day" every Friday.



Camp begins June 18th and runs through August 31st. Please call the office at 466-9392 for more information about these programs.

June 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 Softball game 6:45/7:45PM Princess Anne Park #2	2
3 <u>YOUTH SUNDAY</u> 8am Holy Eucharist Rite 9am Intercessory Prayer 10am Holy Eucharist Rite II Children's Chapel/Christian Ed. 11:30am Staff meeting	4	5 7:30AM Men's Bible Study PRAYER SHAWL 7pm 8PM AA meeting	6 6:15PM Mens/Women's Cursillo Grouping 7:15 Coed Bible Study	7 Finance Committee meeting 7PM	8	9
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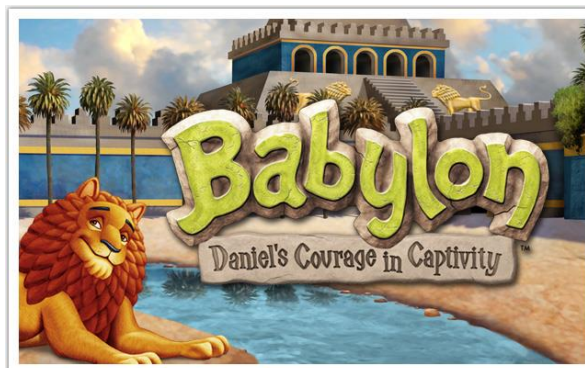
St. Peter's Children's Ministry

June 2018



Upcoming Events

Vacation Bible School - **July 16th - 20th**



**HAPPY SUMMER TO EVERYONE AND
ENJOY THE TIME OFF
BE SAFE!**

Dates to Remember

- June 3: Pentecost 2
Mark 2:23—3:6 Lord of the Sabbath
- June 10: Pentecost 3
Mark 3:20-35 Jesus and Beelzebub
- June 17: Pentecost 4 – **Father's Day**
Mark 4:26-34 Parable of the Growing Seed
- June 24: Pentecost 5
Mark 4:35-41 Jesus Calms the Storm

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

DESIREE WEISIGER - June 28th
GRACE THEBARGE - June 29th
Andrew Dieck – June 21st



Thank you, friend Jesus,
for my father who loves me,
for my grandfather who cares for me,
and for God, your father and mine,
who made me and is always with me.
How lucky I am!



St. Peter's Children's Ministry

June 2018





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Here's what to look forward to as we step into summer!

Every **LAST SUNDAY OF THE MONTH**, will be a **Bring Your Own Friend (BYOF)** to church Sunday! We will have snacks and the message will be tailored to new comers! So bring a friend and let's share the love of Jesus!

YOUTH SUNDAY: JUNE 3rd

The Youth will be involved in carrying out the many ministries it takes to hold the 10 o'clock service. They will be lemming and reading, and some will even share a short sermon and we also have a little surprise! Hope to see you there to support our Youth!

FOR KIDS: ADOPT-A-FAMILY

We are still collecting household items for a family that has just come out of homelessness. Please continue to bring in items so we can bless those in need!

In Sunday school, we are continuing to learn about the **different characters in the Old Testament** and just how God used them for his purposes! We are learning how God can do the same with us!

That's all for now!

Keep us in your prayers

If you have any suggestions or ways you want the youth to be involved, feel free to reach out!

XOXO

ASSIGNMENTS

June 3rd—2nd Sunday after Pentecost

Acolytes	Judy Eller, Danny Nowland
Ushers	Larry Shreve, Coach Sigler
Lector at 8AM	Charlie Pfeifer
LEM at 8AM	James Benn
Lector at 10AM	Jeffrey Pfeifer
LEMS at 10AM	Kimberly Truxell, Jason Nowland
Altar Guild Duty	Vel Shreve, Dot Pioerce
Nursery Attendants	Vivien Valentine, Amanda Keller

June 10th –3rd Sunday after Pentecost

Acolytes	Isabel Nowland, Bronwyn Shreve
Ushers	Sean McGinty, Steve Kakol
Lector at 8AM	Tony Antonik
LEM at 8AM	Maurice Caldwell
Lector at 10AM	Lynne Monette
LEMS at 10AM	Nancy Comfort, Bruce Comfort
Altar Guild Duty	Millie Coward, Judy Eller
Nursery Attendants	Wendy Glaeser, Karen Kakol

June 17th— 4th Sunday after Pentecost

Acolytes	Olivia McGinty, Gabi McGinty
Ushers	Larry Shreve, Vicky Martin
Lector at 8AM	Drew Midgette
LEM at 8AM	James Benn
Lector at 10AM	Larry Shreve
LEMS at 10AM	Bruce Comfort, Roger Rennick
Altar Guild Duty	Jessica Trochanowski, Nancy Comfort
Nursery Attendants	Yvonne Authement, Amanda Keller

June 24th—5th Sunday after Pentecost

Acolytes	Magdalena Kress, Corrin King
Ushers	Jim Jimeno, Coach Sigler
Lector at 8AM	Maurice Caldwell
LEM at 8AM	James Benn
Lector at 10AM	Judy Eller
LEMS at 10AM	Kimberly Truxell, Charlie Pfeifer
Altar Guild Duty	Bobbi Bowery, Vel Shreve
Nursery Attendants	Wendy Glaeser, Karen Kakol

FROM THE RECTOR

Vestry Highlights: The Vestry did not meet in May.

Thank you so much for all the cards, gifts, visits, and prayers given and said for me during the time of my knee replacement surgery. I am recovering nicely (slowly, but nicely) and the love and support I have felt these past several weeks have played a big role in this healing process. It is great to be a part of such a loving and supportive faith family.

In Christ's love,
John+

Rector's Prayer List- Please join me in praying for:

- * Our Diocese and our Bishop, *The Rt. Rev. Herman (Holly) Hollerith*
- * Our Assisting Bishop, *The Right Rev. Jay Magness*
- * Our Presiding Bishop, *The Rt. Rev. Michael Curry*
- * The people and clergy of our neighborhood churches.
- * St. James Holiness Church and their pastor, *Elder Gavin Wainwright*.
- * The leaders of our nation, our state, and our local governments.
- * Those who need God's healing touch in their lives right now.
- * Lots of *Positive Change* for our youth collection jars.
- * Lots of Day School Summer Camp enrollments.

Answered Prayers- Please join me in giving thanks to God for:

- * My incredibly talented and hardworking *Church Staff!*
- * Those volunteers working hard to renovate our kitchen- led by *Bruce Comfort*
- * The Acts of Random Kindness done by so many of you.
- * The generous donations made to the *Church Discretionary Account*.
- * A wonderful Day School year! Our wonderful Day School Staff!
- * The worship leadership of *Bruce and Nancy Comfort* during my absence.

RECTOR'S LETTER

Burdens and Yokes

Have you ever noticed that a great many people are carrying burdens? You can see it on their faces as they walk the malls or stand in line at the grocery store. Many people are not happy and I imagine that many of these people are living, what is for them, rather normal lives- complicated, but normal. Jesus said, ***“Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy and my burden is light.”*** (Matthew 11:28-30)

It takes a simple person to accept Jesus' invitation. You have to be simple enough to believe that someone cares enough about you to be interested in your burdens. And simple enough to believe that this particular someone is capable of lifting your load. Most important of all, you have to be simple enough to recognize your load. And that's where our complicated adult minds mess us up. We so often cling to our burdens because we don't realize they are burdens. We like the stuff that weighs us down and adds to our worries. We go shopping for them, look them up on the Internet, and drive bargains to get them. I'm not referring simply to our possessions (houses, cars, and investments) but about the whole fabric of our lives- the way we tie ourselves up with worries and fears, longings, resentments, and revenges.

There is a wonderful legend about the quiet years of Jesus- the years just prior to his baptism and the start of his public ministry. The legend goes that Jesus, the carpenter, was one of the master yoke-makers in the area around Nazareth. People came from miles around to purchase a yoke that was hand-carved and crafted by Jesus, the son of Joseph.

When customers arrived with their team of oxen, Jesus would spend a considerable amount of time measuring the team- their height, their width, the space between them, and the size of their shoulders. Within a week, the team would be brought back and he would carefully place the newly made yoke over their shoulders- watching for rough places, smoothing out the edges and fitting them perfectly to this particular team of oxen.

That's the same yoke that Jesus invites us to take. Don't be misled by the word *“easy.”* Its root word in Greek speaks to these *“tailor-made”* yokes that were *“well-fitting.”* Jesus didn't say that life with him would be burden-free. Burdens, it seems, are a part of life. It isn't a matter of living without burdens, but of what the yokes will be. The yoke Jesus invites us to take, the yoke that brings rest to weary souls, is one that is made exactly to our lives and our hearts. The yoke he invites us to wear fits us well, it won't rub us or cause us to develop sore spirits- and it's designed for two. Our yoke partner is none other than Jesus, himself. And because Jesus' yoke puts life in perspective, we can know what is important not just for today, not just for the next twenty years, but what is important for eternity.

Peace and love,
John+