

APRIL 2022



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.



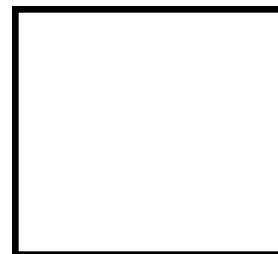
5th.....Prayer Shawl meeting, 7PM
9th.....Work Day, 8AM
10th.....Palm Sunday
11th.....Ladies Lunch, 12:30PM
13th.....Tenebrae, 7PM
14th.....Maundy Thursday,
7PM Stripping the Altar
15th.....Good Friday Liturgy at Noon
The Way of the Cross, 7PM
17th.....**EASTER SUNDAY** Eucharist, 9AM
Flowering of the Cross
Easter Egg Hunt, 10:30AM following
the service

“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



*He is not here:
for he is Risen,
as he said.*

—MATTHEW 28:6

Birthday & Anniversary Blessings , on the 1st Sunday of the month

Happy Birthday

Roland Midgette	4 th
Abigail Sigler	11 th
Tony Fry	11 th
John Belote	13 th
Larry Laine	13 th
Allan Monette	19 th
Haley Glaeser	23 rd
Valerie Sasser	23 rd
Jeannine Hunter	24 th
Ann Ekberg	25 th
Stephanie Eidam	25 th
Corrin King	28 th
Kimberly Truxell	29 th

ST. PETER'S CHURCH STAFF

Bishop	The Rt. Rev. Susan B. Haynes
Priest in Charge	The Rev. Jesse R. Lassiter
Secretary	Vel Shreve
Organist	Elizabeth Miller
Treasurer	Charlie Pfeifer
Sexton	Kevin Bates

VESTRY MEMBERS

Kimberly Truxell, Sr. Warden - ('23)
James Benn, Jr. Warden - ('22)

Susan Sigler ('22) Debbie Whitehorne ('24)
Charlotte Corbett ('22) Registrar—Peggy Pfeifer

Holy Father, the navigator of our souls, hear us as we hold up before you our annual Vestry. Be with us as we chart a course together, inspired by the presence of your Spirit. Give courage to our clergy, our leaders and each of us, as we move forward with your blessing. For all we do, we do to your glory. In Jesus' name. Amen

WE NEED YOUR HELP!!

We have a Work Day scheduled for Saturday, April 9th.. We need help weed-ing and laying mulch in the flower borders around the church grounds . Companies are asking for thousands of dollars to do this! Please come out and help us save some money for our church!

Work will begin at 8AM but any time you can spare will be greatly appreciated!

Please sign the list in the Parish Hall if you are willing to help.

THANK YOU!



The deadline for articles for the May issue of The Call is, April 15th,
Send articles to :
vel@stpeters-norfolk.org
or call the church office at 466-9392

BIBLE STUDY

Friday's at 10:30AM. They meet in the Diffenbaugh Library. All are welcome! . Bring your Bible and don't forget to bring a friend.



EASTER SUNDAY

April 17th

Holy Eucharist

Rite II with

Flowering of the Cross
at 9AM

Followed by
the Easter Egg Hunt at
10:30AM



PLEASE SIGN THE
EASTER PLANT LIST IN
THE PARISH HALL, IF
YOU WOULD LIKE TO
GIVE AN EASTER LILY
IN MEMORY OF A
LOVED ONE OR IN
THANKSGIING

Please keep these people in your prayers

June Faye

BJ

Lois

Audrey

Patsi

Xander & Family

Johnny & Nancy

Debbie & Kenny

Clay & Wanda

Bert & Ann

Vivien & John

Cheryl

Sean

Joan

Hazel

Sebastian

Wayne

Kathy

John

Lisa

Bob

Daniel

Mary

Eastin

Teresa

Charlie

Niko

Jessica

Robyn

Bill

Kathie

Jessica

Dewey

Dolores

Brian H.

Dylan

Becky

THE PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

The Prayer Shawl ministry will meet again on Tuesday, April 5th at 7PM in the Diffenbaugh Library. They continue to knit, crochet and loom infant hats, preemie hats, homeless hats, baby blankets and prayer shawls. In February the ladies made 3 baby hats, 3 washcloth, 11 homeless hats and 16 chemo hats, 2 Baby blankets, 20 Preemie hats, and 12 knockers. Don't know how to knit, crochet or loom??? They'll teach you! They have yarn, needles, crochet hooks and looms so you don't need to buy anything while your learning. If you would like to join this ministry or for more information call 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)

Joe
David
Kyle
Mario

Chloe
Courtney
Michael

Hannah
Frank
Allan



The Veterans are always in need of:

Toothbrushes, tooth paste, shaving cream, shampoo, conditioner, deodorant, razors, new unopened packs of socks (men’s & women’s), new clothig (no used clothing at this time), tissues & handkerchiefs. No candy, food or drinks right now.

Please bring your donations to church and place in the box provided in the parish hall.
Thank you all for your continued support!

March LADIES
lunch at
Peter Chang’s
Restaurant
IN VIRGINIA
BEACH

14 attended



LADIES LUNCH

The next lunch will be Monday, April 11th at 12:30PM. They meet at Brickhouse Diner in the Providence Square Shopping Center in Va. Beach.

For more information or to RSVP please call Millie Coward at 455-5887

Also, please remember to sign the list in the parish hall if you plan on attending.

The 2022 Flower Chart is located in the vestibule as you enter the parish hall. If you would like to donate flowers to the church any Sunday through the year, in memory of a loved one or in thanksgiving, sign the flower chart beside the Sun- to give.



the flowers are \$70 or \$35 if two people me day.

The Lenten Offering envelope you received in **The Call** last month may be brought to church on Easter Sunday and placed in the offering plate.

Extra envelopes may also be found in the Narthex and the Parish Hall

April 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 Bible Study 10:30AM	2
3 9AM Holy Eucharist Rite I Children's Chapel/Christian Ed.	4	5 Prayer Shawl meeting 7PM 8PM AA Meeting	6 5:30 PM Supper 6:30 PM Worship 7PM Bible Study	7	8 Bible Study 10:30AM	9 WORKDAY 8AM
10 PALM SUNDAY 8:45 Liturgy of the Palms 9AM Holy Eucharist Rite II Children's Chapel/Christian Ed.	11 Ladies Lunch at Brickhouse Diner 12:30PM	12 8PM AA Meeting	13 Wednesday in Holy Week Tenebrae 7PM	14 Maundy Thursday with Stripping the Altar 7PM Hour of Prayer 9-10PM	15 Good Friday Liturgy at Noon 7PM Way of the Cross	16
17 EASTER SUNDAY 9AM Holy Eucharist Rite II Flowering of the Cross Children's Chapel/Christian Ed. 10:30AM Easter Egg Hunt	18	19 8PM AA Meeting	20	21	22 Bible Study 10:30AM	23
24 9AM Holy Eucharist Rite II Children's Chapel/Christian Ed.	25	26 8PM AA Meeting	27	28	29 Bible Study 10:30AM	30

St. Peter's Children's Ministry

April 2022



John 20:1-18 The Empty Tomb

A miracle is when something completely impossible happens. When there is absolutely no way for it to be true, yet it is. And at Easter, there are a lot of miracles for us to celebrate.

I bet you can guess the biggest one. Jesus rose from the dead! After 3 whole days of being dead, Jesus was alive again! I can't imagine a bigger miracle than that. **Miracle number 1.**

But it makes me so happy to think that Jesus didn't have to suffer for us forever. When He took our place on the cross, He was whipped, beaten, and had huge nails forced through His hands and feet. And then, carrying all of our sins, He suffered horribly in hell for 3 days. So much suffering for an innocent man. But Jesus chose to suffer so that we wouldn't have to. So that we might be able to join Him in heaven.

I think that amount of love is a miracle. For someone to love you SO much more than they love themselves, and to willingly suffer through so much pain; it's another miracle. **Miracle number 2.**

After Jesus rose from the dead there was another miracle. Jesus was buried in a small cave dug out of a rock, and to close it up they would roll a HUGE rock in the opening. It would take tons of men pushing together to get that rock to move. But when Jesus rose from the dead, that rock moved. With no one touching it, that HUGE rock moved out of the way. **Miracle number 3.**

Later that very day Mary Magdalene went to visit the tomb. When they saw the rock had been moved and Jesus was gone, she got very upset. She thought someone had stolen Jesus! But the next time she looked, it wasn't empty at all. There were two angels sitting right where Jesus had been. Angels! I call that **miracle number 4.**

At first Mary didn't understand. She thought those angels had stolen Jesus, and she started to cry. Mary turned around and was shocked to see someone right behind her. She asked didn't know who it was and asked if they were the one who stole

Jesus. But as soon as Jesus said her name, Mary could tell it was Jesus. All with one word, this man went from total stranger to close friend. **Miracle number 5.**

Then Jesus sent Mary back to the disciples so she could tell them what she had seen. In such a short time, Mary was able to experience 5 miracles, 5!

- Jesus suffered out of love.
- Jesus rose from the dead.
- The rock was moved and the tomb was opened.
- Angels appeared and spoke to Mary.
- Jesus appeared, looking first like a stranger, then as beloved friend.

Those are the things that make Easter so special. Miracles are so much better than candy. Jesus is so much better than the Easter Bunny. Angels are so much better than hunting eggs. And Jesus is so much better than it all.

Dates to Remember

- ❖ **Apr 3rd – Fifth Sunday in Lent**
Lesson: John 12:1-8 *Jesus Anointed at Bethany*
- ❖ **Apr 10th – Palm Sunday**
Lesson: Luke 22:14-23:56 *The Last Supper*
 - **Wednesday, April 13th Tenebrae @ 7PM**
 - **Thursday, Apr 14th Maundy Thursday, Stripping the Altar @ 7PM**
 - **Friday, Apr 15th Good Friday – Way of the Cross and Liturgy**
- ❖ **Apr 17th – EASTER - Flowering of the Cross**
Lesson: John 20:1-18 *The Empty Tomb*
- ❖ **Apr 24th – Second Sunday of Easter**
Lesson: John 20:19-31 *Jesus Appears to His Disciples*

Happy Birthday!

Magdalena Krees (April 15th)
Zeke Trochanowski (April 17th)

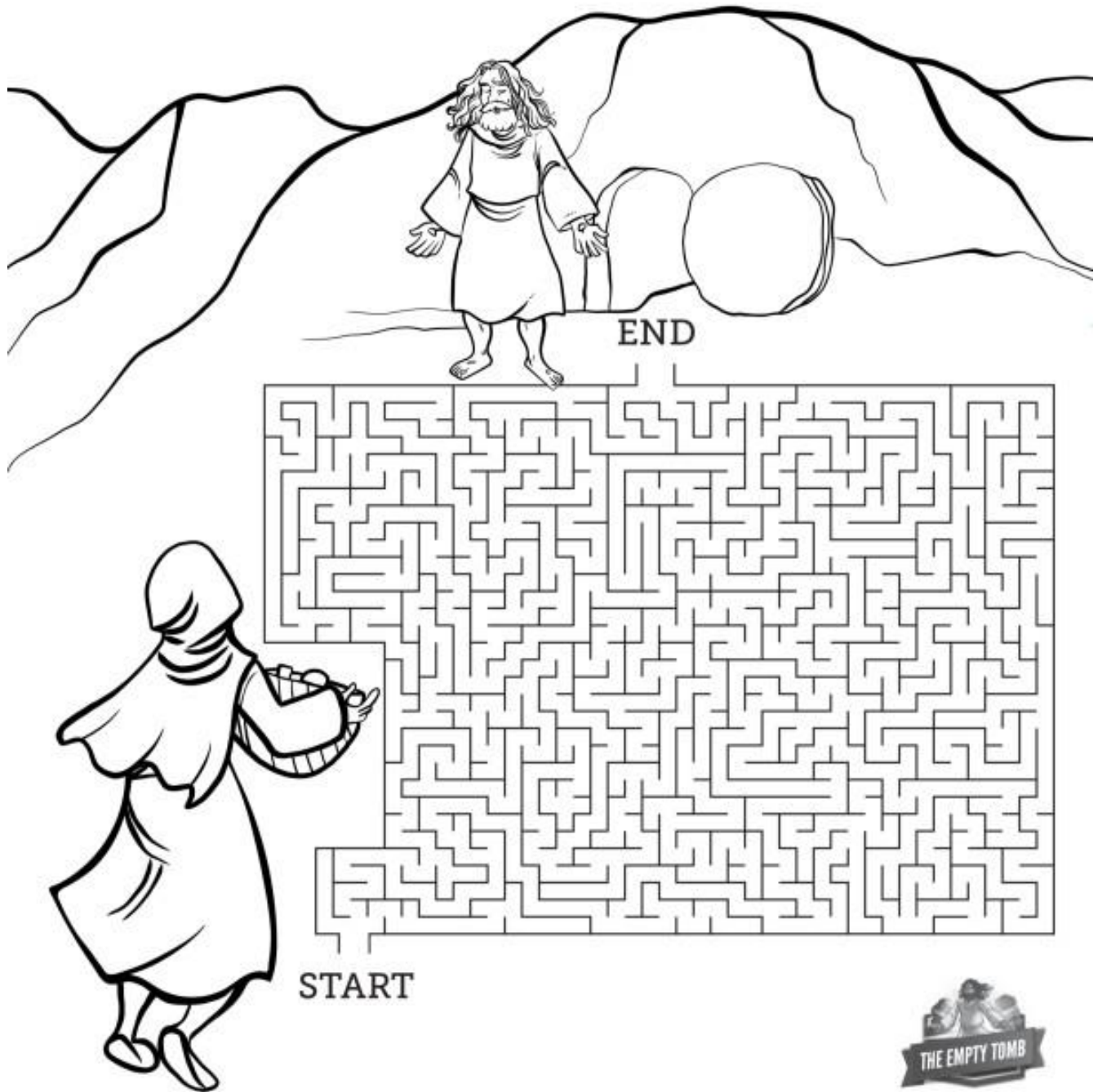


St. Peter's Children's Ministry

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THE EMPTY TOMB

Guide Mary to the Tomb



MARCH ASSIGNMENTS

April 3rd— 5th Sunday in Lent

Acolytes
Ushers
Lector
LEM
Altar Guild Duty

Nancy Comfort, Magdalena Kress
Jim Jimeno, Susan Sigler
Susan Sigler
Debbie Whitehorne
Jessica Trochanowski, Millie Coward

April 6th—5th Wednesday in Lent

Usher
Lector
Altar Guild Duty

Larry Shreve
Debbie Whitehorne
Vel Shreve

April 10th—Palm Sunday

Acolyte
Ushers
Lector
LEM
Altar Guild Duty

Bronwyn Shreve
Coach Sigler, Steve Kakol
Janet Chauncey
Kimberly Truxell
Dot Pierce, Charlotte Corbett, Vel Shreve

April 13—Wednesday in Holy Week

Acolytes
Usher
Altar Guild Duty

(Tenebrae)

Judy Eller
Larry Shreve
Vel Shreve

April 14—Maundy Thursday

Acolytes
Ushers
Lector
LEMS
Altar Guild Duty

Kimberly Truxell
Larry Shreve, Jim Jimeno
Kimberly Truxell
Charlie Pfeifer
Millie Coward, Vel Shreve

April 15—Good Friday

Lector
Altar Guild Duty

Charlie Pfeifer
Vel Shreve

ASSIGNMENTS continued

April 17—Easter Sunday

Acolytes

Ushers

Lector

LEMS

Altar Guild Duty

Carys Shreve, Bronwyn Shreve

Larry Shreve, Jim Jimeno, Vicky Martin, Susan Sigler

Susan Sigler

Kimberly Truxell, Debbie Whitehorne

Millie Coward, Charlotte Corbett, Vel Shreve

April 24—2nd Sunday of Easter

Acolytes

Ushers

Lector

LEM

Altar Guild Duty

Jeffrey Pfeifer, Nancy Comfort

Coach Sigler, Steve Kakol

Jeffrey Pfeifer

Nancy Comfort

Vel Shreve, Dot Pierce

At their March meeting, the Vestry voted unanimously to discontinue live streaming our worship services on Sunday mornings beginning Sunday, April 10th, Palm Sunday. We hope you will consider coming back to church! We miss you!

St. Peter's Day School

is currently accepting registrations for the new 2022/23 school year and also for the 2022 Summer Camp. We teach children ages 2 through Kindergarten. School hours are 9-12 noon. We also offer Before and After School Care. The Summer Camp hours are 7AM—6PM., 5 days or 3 days a week. Our Day School is a ministry of the church. Our mission is to provide a comprehensive early childhood developmental program, that reflects traditional Christian principles and ideals, and seeks to foster within each child, an appreciation of and respect for self, family, home, church and country. If you would like more information about our school or camp, please call the office, 466-9392.



St. Peter's is in need of a **Parish Secretary and Day School Assistant Director.**

These are part-time positions beginning in July 2022. The applicant needs to be able to use Microsoft Word, answer the phone, maintain records, and prepare and distribute the Sunday bulletin and the monthly newsletter "The Call"

The Day School Assistant Director is responsible for the daily running of the school: staffing, registering children for school and Summer Camp, and collecting payments monthly.

It's a GREAT job!!!

For more information call the church office
466-9392

Priest's Letter

April

Lent

We are now deep into Lent, a season of repentance, as we actively await Holy Week and the climax of our Christian calendar, Easter Sunday. While we look toward this special time of year, we may give thanks for those Christians who gave us the traditions we now practice. Two people in particular are St. Cyril of Jerusalem and Egeria the Pilgrim.

St. Cyril was born around A.D. 315 in Jerusalem and became Bishop of Jerusalem in around 349. A controversial leader, St. Cyril was banished and restored to the episcopate three times. Around the time that St. Cyril was consecrated bishop, he wrote a series of *Catechetical Lectures* that became the earliest instruction for those wishing to be baptized.

St. Cyril also instituted the observances of Palm Sunday and Holy Week in Jerusalem, which included several devotions to sacred sites in the Holy Land for traveling pilgrims.

These devotions influenced a nun from western Europe named Egeria who wrote the first travel log of the Holy Land. Egeria spent several years visiting, praying, and worshipping at the locations where Jesus walked, taught, and healed many. Her travel log takes the form of a letter that also details visits to Old Testament locations and gives us a detailed example of how Christians worshipped long ago.

As we keep in our minds the goal of repentance in this season, we may also give thanks for these two Christians who have given us ways and examples of how to rededicate our lives to Christ.

May we continue in our observance of a Holy Lent with all the blessings of God Almighty,

Jesse+