

APRIL

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The Rt. Rev. Susan B. Haynes

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From the Sr. Warden

As the spring blossoms and the days grow longer, we approach Easter, a time of profound hope and renewal.

Let us remember the transformative power of Christ's resurrection, a beacon of light in a world often shrouded in darkness. May this Easter season be a time of reflection, joy, and a renewed commitment to faith, love, and service. I encourage you to join us for our Easter services and celebrations, where we will gather to celebrate the miracle of His resurrection.

May the joy of Easter fill your hearts and homes, and may the peace of Christ be with you always.

Happy Easter!



Wednesday's in Lent - April Schedule:

APRIL 2 and 9 - COMPLINE 7:00 P.M.

Worship Leader: Bruce Comfort

Soup, Salad, Service and Study:

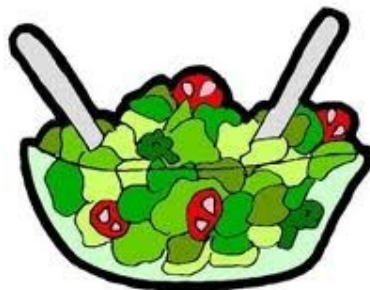
APRIL 2nd - Lector/Lem

APRIL 9th - Children's Education & Ushers

Dinner starts at 5:30 P.M.

Compline begins at 7:00 P.M.

Study begins at 7:15 P.M. and
ends at or before 8:00 P.M.



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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Soup and Salad Dinner, Compline and Study of Psalm 23 on Wednesday evenings during Lent. 		1 Prayer Shawl Ministry - 10:00 A.M. AA Meeting 7:00 P.M.	2 Wednesday Soup, Service and Study hosted by the: Lector/LEM Begins: 5:30 P.M. Ends: 8:00 P.M.	3 Bible Study - 10:30 A.M.	4	5
6 Morning Prayer 8:00 A.M. Rite I 10:00 A.M. Rite II The Fifth Sunday in Lent	7	8 AA Meeting 7:00 P.M.	9 Wednesday Soup, Service and Study hosted by the: Christian Ed. & Ushers Begins: 5:30 P.M. Ends: 8:00 P.M.	10 Bible Study - 10:30 A.M.	11	12
13 Holy Eucharist 7:45 A.M. - Rite I 9:45 A.M. - Rite II The Sunday of the Passion: PALM SUNDAY Vestry meeting after services	14 Ladies Luncheon - 12:30 P.M. Day School Board Meeting 6:00 P.M.	15 AA Meeting 7:00 P.M.	16	17 MAUNDY THURSDAY - Seder @ 5:30 P.M. Pot Luck @ 6:30 Tenebrae @ 7:00 P.M.	18 GOOD FRIDAY - Services at: 12:00 P.M.- Rite I 6:00 P.M. - "The Way of the Cross"	19
20 Holy Eucharist 8:00 A.M. Rite I 10:00 A.M. Rite II Easter Egg Hunt The Sunday of the Resurrection: EASTER SUNDAY	21	22 AA Meeting 7:00 P.M.	23	24 Bible Study - 10:30 A.M.	25	26
27 Morning Prayer 8:00 A.M. Rite I 10:00 A.M. Rite II The Second Sunday of Easter	28	29 AA Meeting 7:00 P.M.	30	May 1	May 2	May 3

MINISTRY ASSIGNMENTS

APRIL 6 -

Acolyte: Magdalena Kress

Ushers: Susan Sigler, Vicky Martin

Lector: 8:00 - Jeffrey Pfeifer, 10:00 - Janet Chauncey

Worship Leader: 8:00-Bob Vanderslice, 10:00-Linsey Shreve

Altar Guild: Millie Coward, Charlotte Corbett

Flower Guild: LENT - No Flowers

APRIL 27-

Acolyte: Magdalena Kress

Ushers: Jim Jimeno, Larry Shreve

Lector: 8:00 - Bob Vanderslice; 10:00 - Janet Chauncey

Worship Leader: 8:00 - Bob Vanderslice; 10:00 - Charlie Pfeifer

Altar Guild: Charlotte Corbett, Millie Coward

Flower Guild: Easter Lilies

APRIL 13-

Acolyte: Carys Shreve

Ushers: Jim Jimeno, Larry Shreve

Lector: 8:00 - Charlotte Corbett; 10:00 - Larry Shreve

LEM: 8:00 - Bob Vanderslice; 10:00 - Charlie Pfeifer

Altar Guild: Josie Jimeno, Judy Eller

Flower Guild: LENT - No Flowers

APRIL 17- Maundy Thursday, Seder/Tenebrae

Acolyte: Nancy Comfort

Ushers: Susan Sigler, Steve Kakol

Lectors: As Assigned

Worship Leader: Kimberly Truxell

Altar Guild: Millie Coward, Vel Shreve

Flower Guild: LENT - No Flowers

APRIL 18- Good Friday

Acolyte: Eric Evans

Usher: 12:00 - Vicky Martin

Lector: 12:00 - Bob Vanderslice

Worship Leader: 12:00 - Bob Vanderslice; 6:00 - Bruce Comfort

Altar Guild: Millie Coward, Vel Shreve

Flower Guild: LENT - No Flowers

APRIL 20- Easter

Acolyte: Eric Evans, Nancy Comfort, Judy Eller, Bronwyn Shreve, Brody Whitehorne

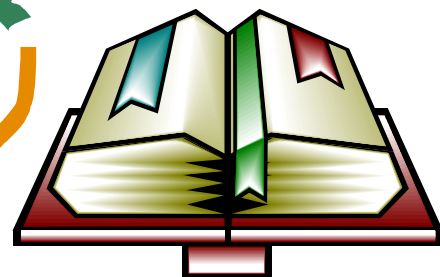
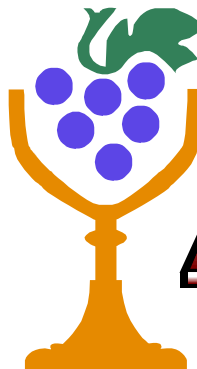
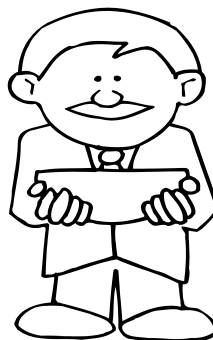
Ushers: Susan Sigler, Vicky Martin, Steve Kakol, Larry Shreve

Lector: 8:00 - Bob Vanderslice; 10:00 - Kimberly Truxell

LEM: 8:00 - Bob Vanderslice; 10:00 - Bruce Comfort

Altar Guild: Vel Shreve, Ashley Pierce, Millie Coward

Flower Guild: Easter Lilies





St. Peter's Summer Camp

June 16 - August 27, 2025

- Open 7:00 A.M.—6:00 P.M.
- Full-time/Part-time hours
- Ages 3 years - Kindergarten
- Experienced Staff
- Games & Activities
- Movie Days
- Water Fun Days
- Computer play, etc.

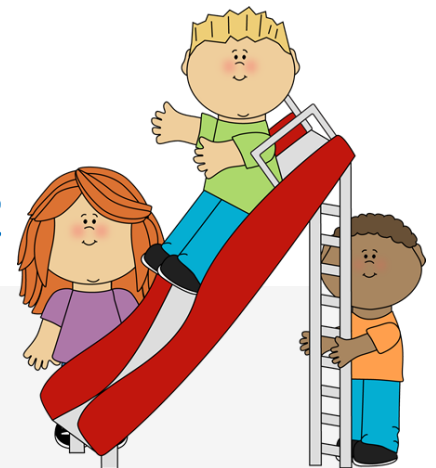
5 days a week (M-F).....	\$750 per month
$\frac{1}{2}$ day-5 days per week (M-F).....	\$575 per month
3 days a week (M/W/F)*.....	\$550 per month
$\frac{1}{2}$ day-3 days per week (M/W/F)*...	\$375 per month
2 days a week (M/W)*.....	\$350 per month
$\frac{1}{2}$ day-2 days per week (M/W)*.....	\$175 per month

Pre-registration required - \$70 (non-refundable deposit)

Location: 224 S. Military Hwy.
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HOLIDAYS OBSERVED: June 19-20, 2025

July 4, 2025



MINISTRY ANNOUNCEMENTS



The Ladies Luncheon-The ladies of St. Peter's meet at a different restaurant on the second Monday of each month for lunch and fellowship. We will be enjoying lunch at 12:30 PM on April 14th at Kelly's Tavern, Crossways Shopping Center, 1412 Greenbrier Pky., Chesapeake. Please join us and bring a friend. If you plan to attend, please sign the list on the bulletin board in the parish hall so we have an accurate number for reservations. For more information contact Millie Coward cell (757) 469-5887/m.jlc@cox.net.

The Altar Guild is still looking for **HELP!!** There are currently openings for both men and women in this ministry that need filling as soon as possible. You will be fully trained, at your convenience, and work with an experienced member. Only requirement for placement in the Altar Guild is that you are confirmed in the Episcopal Church. Benefits are unlimited, e.g. working with a great team, pride in knowing that you had a hand in helping to make the Altar beautiful and pleasing for our church family, and most of all the joy you will experience knowing that you are serving the Lord by preparing the Altar at St. Peter's for celebrations of worship for Sunday services, weddings, baptisms, and funerals. **Please** prayerfully consider applying for this critical ministry job today! Contact Millie Coward 757 469-5887/m.jlc@cox.net.



The Prayer Shawl Ministry- We welcome new members to join us to knit, crochet and loom for various organizations. The following items were made in March for distribution: 11 baby blankets, 6 adult hats, 2 child hats, 5 washcloths and 14 pocket prayer shawls. If you would like to help us supply these much needed items or learn how to knit, crochet, or loom please join us at our meeting April 1st at 10:00 A.M. in the library. We have expert teachers and all the supplies you will need to practice. Or, if you prefer, you may supply items from the comfort of your home. Just call, email or text me and I will be happy to pick them up for distribution. Please consider joining us not only to share your talents but for fellowship as well. For more specifics please contact Millie Coward, (757) 469-5887/ m.jlc@cox.net

Bible Study will continue meeting on Thursdays at 10:30 A.M., in the Library. Bruce Comfort leads the study on the Gospel of John. All are welcome! Bring a Bible and bring a friend.



St. Peter's Day School is struggling and they need your help. The school isn't just another building on our property, **it is an integral part of St. Peter's Episcopal Church itself!** The school has brought in new members to our congregation, helped pay bills and continues to be a ministry of this church. They need our help to advertise - through Facebook and other social media outlets, through advertising, and by word of mouth. We have two Facebook pages, one for the church and one for



the school - like and share! If you have a neighborhood newsletter, know someone who is a parent or grandparent of a child 18 months to 4 years, own a business or know someone who does, have access to other businesses that can post a flyer, attend meetings for any organizations in the area -- **YOU CAN HELP!** We have flyers ready to post, email, download or distribute. **Please help the school and thereby help the Church!**

Our next Cursillo weekend will be May 15-18, 2025 at Chanco on the James. St. Peter's own **Ana Nowland is the Lay Rector. Applications are being accepted for this weekend.**



St. Peter's Church Search Committee continues the search for a new rector for our parish. Canon Mary Thorpe, our diocesan representative, helps us with our search. She tells us we are right on track. Canon Mary has been helpful in mentioning St. Peters at the various committee meetings she has attended. We thank her also, for sending us the most recent Clergy Supply Lists. The lists help us find a supply priest for any given Sunday.

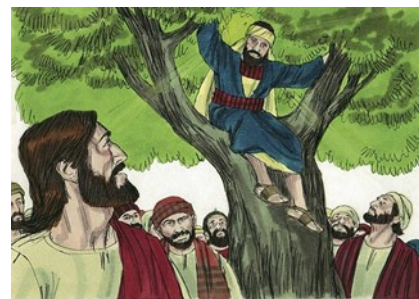
Please keep the Search Committee in your prayers, and please be patient with us. If you have a question, contact me or any committee member.

Blessings,



April 2025

April	6	Wendy Glaeser, Yvonne Authement	The Prodigal Son
April	13	Debbie Whitehorne, Samantha Whitehorne	Zacchaeus
April	20	Yvonne Authement, Wendy Glaeser	(Palm Sunday) Jesus Enters Jerusalem
April	27	Debbie Whitehorne, Samantha Whitehorne	(Easter Sunday) The Resurrection of Jesus



Easter Egg Hunt

Can you find how many eggs are in this scene?
Color in the picture and find all of the eggs!



WHAT'S LEARNED HERE IS FOR LIFE.

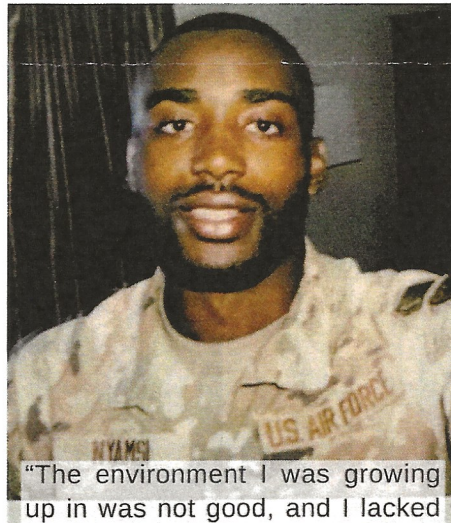
Hello from "The Hill,"

As we embark on the 119th year of our mission, we are excited for the possibilities that lie ahead. It truly is remarkable to think of the countless lives impacted because Boys Home became part of their story. Also, the future students who will soon have Boys Home become a new chapter in their life. **Your** support allows us to provide this amazing program to students throughout the country. Let's look at a few alumni and the influence the program had on each one on them.



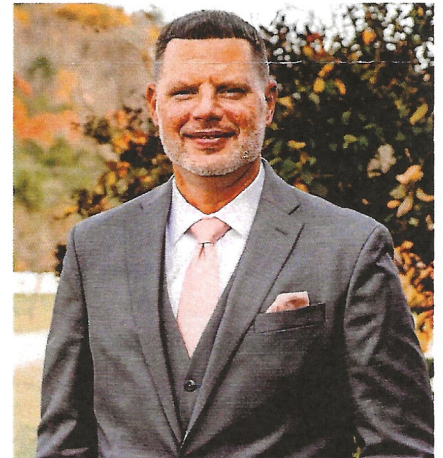
"The Boys Home program helped me at a fundamental time in my life, full of turmoil. It gave me hope when I needed it most. I can honestly say the staff are doing God's work. It helped me learn who I was as a man."

B. Pressley



"The environment I was growing up in was not good, and I lacked positive role models. Before Boys Home, I didn't care a lot about my future. While in the program, I grew in empathy, patience, and academically."

Ael Nyamsi



"Boys Home provided me with an education, encouragement, and showed me the true meaning of home. It changed my life for the better. I returned to work here in 2003, hoping to help the next generation of young men we serve."

Donnie Costigan

Similar to the alumni above, we are actively working to help the current students we serve write a transformative story. **You are cordially invited to meet our current students and staff at the Spring Open House and Community Day on Saturday, April 26, from 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.** Please note that lunch will be provided. The flyer on the back of the letter will provide more information. Feel free to bring a friend to help spread the word about our great mission. To ensure ample preparation for lunch, call Melinda Nichols at 540.965.7707 or email her at mnichols@boyshomeofva.org to make your reservation (R.S.V.P. by April 18).

Additionally, enclosed is a "Boys Home Lenten Prayer & Giving Calendar" for March and April. There are directions for how to use the calendar on the left-hand corner of the March calendar. Ideally, these are placed on community boards for groups to participate. As we enter into a season of reflection, we are grateful for the blessing of Boys Home and all of its dedicated supporters. Thank **you** for being an advocate and champion for children who simply needed Boys Home to become part of their story.

DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

Director of Development | Dr. J.R. Farrington
jrfarrington@boyshomeofva.org | 980.258.1484

Boys Home Spring Open House & Community Day

Saturday, April 26 | 11:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

You don't want to miss the 2025 Spring Open House and Community Day at Boys Home! Join us for a fun-filled day for all ages. The current students of Boys Home will be enjoying the event, too. Please mark your calendar and make plans to visit a mission changing the lives of young men since 1906. A lunch will be provided with hot dogs, chips, and drinks.



Games Cotton Candy

Face painting

Animal Exhibit
Boys Home Farm Animals

Inflatables

Snow Cones

Music Popcorn

Please RSVP by Friday, April 18

For any questions or to R.S.V.P., contact Melinda at 540.965.7707 or mnichols@boyshomeofva.org.

A P R I L

Birthday and Anniversary Blessings are on the 1st Sunday of the month at both the 8:00 A.M. and 10:00 A.M. services.

happy birthday

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

Leanne & Ricki Wright 25th

Roland Midgette	4 th
Samantha Whitehorne	9 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	25 th
Ann Ekberg	25 th
Stephanie Eidam	25 th
Corrin King	28 th
Kimberly Truxell	29 th

If we missed your special date, we are **very** sorry. Please take some time to let the office know so we can update our records. Call - (757) 466-9392 or email - laura@stpeters-norfolk.org

Please visit our website for online ordering if you would like to donate flowers in memory, thanksgiving, or celebration of a loved one or an event.

The website **eliminates mistakes** and the Flower Guild can personalize the arrangements easier.

The price is \$50 per Sunday or \$25 if two people share the date.



The deadline for articles in ‘The Call’ is the fifteenth of each month.

**Send articles to :
laura@stpeters-norfolk.org
 or call the church office - 757-466-9392.**

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, Michael, Matt, David, Mario, Kyle, Frank, Courtney,
Hannah, Chris, Chloe, Allan, Roger



*Please keep these people in your prayers.
Notify the office to remove from or add to
these lists. Thank you.*

The Veterans are always in need of:

Toothbrushes, toothpaste, shaving cream, shampoo, conditioner, deodorant, razors, tissues & handkerchiefs (new unopened). No candy, food, or drinks right now. They **are** accepting used clothing items again.

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



VESTRY MEMBERS

Sr. Warden - Linsey Shreve ('25)

Jr. Warden - Debbie Whitehorne ('24)

Judy Eller ('24), Charlie Pfeifer ('24), Liz Kress ('25), Peggy Pfeifer ('25), Vel Shreve ('26), and Charlotte Corbett ('26)

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.

Edward Klaus III	BJ Neaves	Karen Kakol
Niko Miyashiro	Lois Deloatche	Haley G.
Jessica T.	Patsi Walton	Mary Johnston
Wayne Radford	Kathy Vanderslice	John Eidam
Karleen Smith	Dewey Radford	Barbara LaDue
Luanne Cattley	Mary Robson	Robyn Klaus
Roger Bowser	Sarah Kakol	Charlotte Corbett
Howard Belote	Susan Sigler	Eddie Klaus II
Nancy Davis	Dot Pierce	Joyce Caldwell
Mary Horkey	Josie C	Megan C
Val Powell	Debbie Hollister	Joan Crowther
Denise McCue	Shelly-Ann Tenia	Bert Truxell
Teri Stephenson	Marlena Spiva	Alan Cowart
Christine Alexander	Krista Itzen	Pam Standish
Temperance Robinson	Holly Robinson	James Boyd
Rachael McIntosh	Tom Lambert	Susie Manning
Bob Alford	Dan Smith	Betty Hayden
Joan Wilson	John Miller	Sharon Dashiell
Megan (Whitehorne) Daniels	The Rev. Canon Ross Wright	
Eddie & Lisa Stanfield	Paul & Lee Nelson	
Bruce & Nancy Comfort	Clay & Wanda Smith	
Leslie & Charlie Pereira	Debbie & Kenny	
Dianne McKnight	Myles & Family	
Brian & Brenda Hallman	Jodi & Sean McGinty	
Kathy & Tim Sarver	Mary & Larry Laine	
Dee & Glen Smith	Wade & Karen Freidt	
Sheila & Tom Lambert	Evans Family	

St. Peter's Episcopal Church

Vestry Meeting Minutes

February 9, 2025

Opening: The St. Peter's Vestry met together in the Diffenbaugh Library following the 10:00 A.M. service on February 9, 2025. Attending the meeting were Kimberly Truxell, Judy Eller, Bruce Comfort, Charlie Pfeifer, Linsey Shreve, Vel Shreve, Charlotte Corbett, Nancy Comfort, and Peggy Pfeifer. Liz Kress was absent. This meeting began with a meditation by Bruce Comfort at 11:15 A.M. The meditation and counter schedules were distributed to all members present.

Minutes: The minutes from January 12, 2025, were read and a motion from Charlie Pfeifer was made accept the minutes and was seconded by Charlotte Corbett. It was passed by acclamation.

Financial Report: Charlie presented January's Financial Report. Charlie noted that on the first Sunday of the month, all open plate offerings are designated to the church discretionary account. Kimberly asked that this announcement be printed in the bulletin for informational purposes. A salary for a part time priest was omitted from the budget for 2025 and it was suggested that it be included to reflect a more accurate financial statement. Linsey Shreve motioned to accept the financial report and budget, and Bruce Comfort seconded. All approved.

Senior Warden's Report: Kimberly Truxell announced that Linsey Shreve arranged for Fr. J.K. Maher to celebrate on February 23rd, March 16th (changed to 9th), March 23rd and March 30th. It was agreed that the Vestry should implement the phone tree again to help keep in contact with the congregation. Nancy made up individual phone list cards which were passed out.

Junior Warden:

1. Sexton is working out so far. Bruce will make sure to keep an eye out and make any advisements or corrective actions.
2. Lawn care – Bruce was interviewing a company but as of now they do not have insurance.
3. One of the furnace units in the church is not functioning. Climatemarkers has suggested that we not repair but replace the unit. The cost of this would be approximately \$4500+ and the one on the other side is of the same age and in similar disrepair and will also need to be replaced soon. Bruce will contact them and get more information on possible repairs or replacement deals. His suggestions would be to repair at this time and implement a "Comfort My People" campaign to solicit funds to replace both later especially since we are coming to the end of the winter season. The Vestry agreed to repair it now and Charlie and Peggy Pfeifer have offered to have the Pfeifer Memorial pay for this repair.
4. Diamond Exterminators is switching to "Bait Stations" which includes bi-annual inspections and insurance. The cost of this is \$950.00 but we will receive a discount, and the final payment would be \$460.00. It was agreed that we should do this; Bruce will sign the contract and return it to Diamond.

Old Business:

1. Charlotte asked if we will continue to support the Boys Home. She did send chocolate and a gift card for Valentine's and a birthday. The original donation was made at Christmas, and we adopted one of the "homes" on campus that had 7 boys. Her question presented to the Vestry was whether we would continue to support these boys throughout the year with seasonal gifts and birthday gift cards (\$20.00 each). It was agreed to classify this under "Outreach" and continue with these gifts/donations.
2. The safety walkthrough with Church Insurance was cancelled (1/22/2025) due to weather and has been re-scheduled for 2/18/2025.

Vestry Meeting Minutes continued

February 9, 2025

New Business:

1. Bruce Comfort has agreed to take on the leadership of Pancake Supper. The Worship Committee will discuss this at their meeting on February 16th.
2. Ash Wednesday services (March 5th) are subject to approval for a lay person to distribute the ashes if a priest will bless them. A notice will be put in the bulletin for the congregation to bring in their palms. It was believed that we currently have plenty of blessed ashes for the services but the return and burning of the palms from the previous years will occur regardless.
3. Wednesdays in Lent will continue as usual. Different ministries sign up for duty each Wednesday. Vel Shreve will handle the scheduling. Cursillo will do the first Wednesday and Vestry will do the 19th of March. The Altar Guild, Lector/LEM, and Sunday School/Ushers will choose the remainder of the weeks available. The study included in these Wednesday gatherings will be the book A Shepherd looks at the 23rd Psalm by Phillip Keller. Bruce will lead this study.
4. Kimberly addressed the desire to have the Seder and Tenebrae on Maundy Thursday as has been done in the past. This too will be confirmed and managed by the Worship Committee. Good Friday services and Stations will be discussed also.
5. Bruce and Nancy Comfort attended the Diocesan Council – only changes decided on was to rename it to Diocesan Convention.

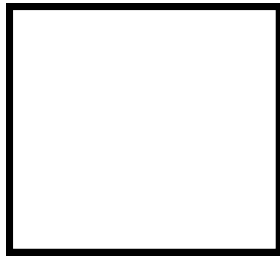
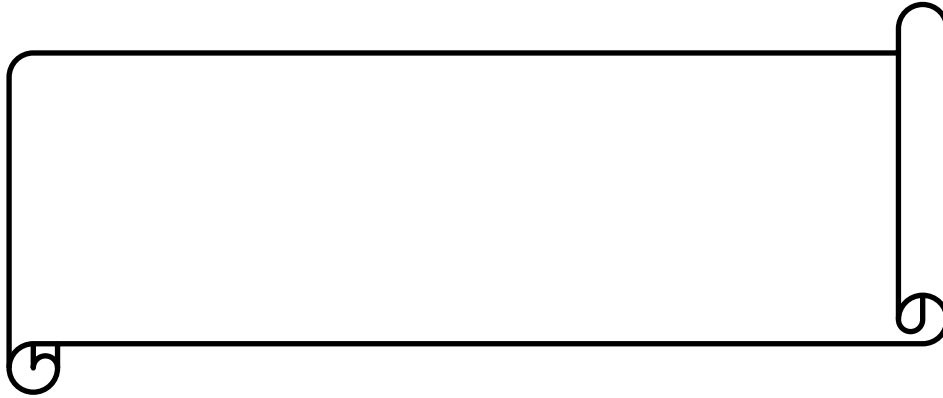
The next Vestry meeting will be on March 9, 2025, following the 10:00 A.M. service.

There being no further business, the meeting was closed with the Lord's Prayer and then adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Laura Kallestad

Registrar



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“THE CALL”

We *celebrate* the love of Christ and *proclaim* our faith by *welcoming* and *serving* all.

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