

JANUARY 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.

- 3rd First day of school in 2022
- 4th Prayer Shawl Group, 7PM
- 9th Epiphany Sunday, The Magi visit
Annual Parish Meeting following worship
- 10th Ladies Lunch, 12:30PM
- 16th Confirmation Sunday with
The Rt. Rev. Jay Magness
- 17th M.L. King, Jr. Day, School & Office closed

“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



JANUARY 2022

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

Happy Birthday

Michael Caldwell	1st
Robert Whitehorne	3rd
Marissa Weissner	3rd
Susie Johnson	10th
Larry Shreve	13th
Marissa McGinty	17th
Anna Kallestad	10th
Jordynne Wicker	20th
Floyd Parker III	22nd
Nancy Comfort	23rd
Linsey Shreve	26th
Judy Eller	29th

Happy Anniversary

Dana & Brad Bolding	1/4/03
Ron & Hilda Monte	1/26/20

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)

Howard Belote Jr. Warden ('21)

Charlie Pfeifer	('21)	Bruce Comfort	('22)
Linsey Shreve	('21)	Nancy Comfort	('22)
Susan Sigler	('21)	Charlotte Corbett	('22)
James Benn	('22)	Ana Nowland	('22)

CONFIRMATION CLASSES

**Confirmation classes begin
Thursday, January 13th, 7PM.**

**There will be six classes in
all lasting an hour each time.**

Anyone interested in

Confirmation, Reception or

Reaffirmation is asked to contact

**Father Jesse, 386-566-1967 or the
church office for more information,
466-9392 The Rt. Rev. Jay Magness
will be here to celebrate and confirm**

on Sunday, January 16th at 9AM.

**Classes will continue after
confirmation**

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

Please keep these people in your prayers

BIBLE STUDY

Wednesday Night Bible Study continues at 7PM, in the Diffenbaugh Library. All are welcome! We study the readings for the upcoming Sunday. Bring your Bible and bring a friend!



THE PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

The Prayer Shawl ministry will meet again on Tuesday, January 4th at 7PM in the Diffenbaugh Library. They continue to knit, crochet and loom infant hats, preemie hats, homeless hats, baby blankets and prayer shawls. Don't know how to knit, crochet or loom??? They'll teach you! In November they made 10 Chemo hats, 42 preemie hats, 4 baby blankets, 1 adult hat and 2 wash cloths. If you would like to join this ministry or for more information call Millie Coward at 455-5887

LADIES LUNCH The next lunch will be Monday, January 10th at 12:30PM. They meet at Vino Italian Bistro in the Fairfield Shopping Center in Virginia 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.



June Faye & Joe

BJ

Lois

Audrey

Patsi

Joyce

Xander & Family

Johnny & Nancy

Debbie & Kenny

Carl & Janice

Chris

Clay & Wanda

Bert & Ann

Katie

Debbie H.

Bernadette

Father Jesse

The Bates Family

The Benn Family

Joan

Hazel

Sebastian

Wayne

Jeff

Rod

John

Debra

Barbara

Jessica

Bob

Daniel

Mary

Tark

Bobbi

Mark

Brian H.

Dylan

Vivien & John

Charlie

Niko

Jessica

Beverly

Kathy

Bill

Kathie

Lisa

Karen

Vicki

Dewey

Ruth

Millie

Teresa

Patti

Debbie

Eastin

Cheryl

Laurie

ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

Please join us for our **Annual Parish Meeting**, Sunday, January 9th, following the 9AM service. We will be reviewing the 2022 Operating Budget.

Father Jesse will answer any questions you may have.

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
Mario
Aaron

Bucky
Bob
Mike
Jennifer
Courtney
Allan

Frank
Chloe
Jonathan
Michael
Hans
Hannah



“ACTS OF KINDNESS”

This ministry started out of need to the community. They have supported nursing facilities, the children of St. Peter’s and the VA Hospital in Hampton. For Veteran’s Day 50 flags were placed around the flag pole out front of church, and over 30 cards were made for St. Peters veterans, past and present. Anyone interested in joining this ministry is welcome. Please contact Nancy Comfort 480-0316 or Charlotte Corbett 474-2214.

The Veterans are always in need of:

Toothbrushes, tooth paste, shaving cream, shampoo, conditioner, deodorant, razors, new unopened packs of socks (mens & womens), new clothing (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!

For Veteran’s Day, the “Acts of Kindness” Ministry placed 50 flags around the flag pole out front of church, in honor of our veterans, passed and present, and all Veterans. This was their way of thanking all Veterans for their service.

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 Sunday you wish to give. The flowers are \$70 or \$35 if two people give on the same Sun-



MINISTRY LEADERS...

It’s time to submit your Annual Report for your ministry. Please have the report in to the church office by January 1st. All reports need to be compiled for the Annual Parish Meeting on January 9th. Thank you!

The Magi Are Coming!

Epiphany Sunday, January 9th. The Magi bring gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh to present to the infant Jesus. They also visit the children in Sunday School.



St. Peter's Children's Ministry

January 2022



Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

Making Room For God's Holy Spirit

Have you ever been told that you have to clean your room before a friend can come over? Or, if your family is having another family over, do you have to help clean the house? Why do you think we do that – why do you think we clean up before guests come over? I know, for me, the main reason I clean up before guests arrive is to help my guests know that there is room for them and that they feel welcome. I want them to feel like there is a place for them to sit and be comfortable, instead of feeling crowded by and squeezed in among all my things. I share this idea of cleaning up for guests because I think we see a similar thing happening in today's Gospel story.

But instead of cleaning rooms and homes, John the Baptist is telling the people in today's story to clean up their lives. The reason John tells the people to clean up their lives is to make room for two very important guests. The first guest they are making room in their lives for is Jesus.

When Jesus is baptized in today's story, we hear that he then receives God's Holy Spirit. With God's Holy Spirit in his life, we see Jesus go out and share the gifts of the Holy Spirit with others – like God's healing love, forgiveness and mercy. He also invites people, like his disciples, to follow him and learn how to do the same thing – how to make room in their lives for God's Holy Spirit. Later on, during and after Pentecost, we see how those disciples eventually learn to receive God's Holy spirit and share the same gifts as Jesus did with others, including God's love, healing, forgiveness, and joy.

The same thing can happen for us. We too can make room in our lives for Jesus – which then allows us to learn from Jesus how to make room in our lives to receive God's Holy Spirit. When we do that, then we too can share the gifts of God's Holy Spirit with the people around us. Just like Jesus did and that's the Good News for today.

Prayer

Dear God, thank you for Jesu who teaches us how to receive your Holy Spirit and share your love, healing, and light with others.

Thank you and amen

Important Dates

- ❖ Jan 2nd - 2nd Sunday after Christmas: Matthew 2:13-15,19-23; *The Escape to Egypt*
- ❖ Jan 9th – 1st Sunday after Epiphany: Luke 3:15-17, 21-22; *John the Baptist Prepares the Way*
- ❖ Jan 16th - 2nd Sunday after Epiphany: John 2:1-11; *Jesus Changes Water Into Wine*
- ❖ Jan 23rd – 3rd Sunday after Epiphany: Luke 4:14-21; *Jesus Rejected at Nazareth*
- ❖ Jan 30th – 4th Sunday after Epiphany: Luke 4:21-30; *Jesus Rejected at Nazareth*



Happy Birthday Marissa McGinty!
(Jan 17th)



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NEW YEAR'S WORD SEARCH

New Year's Word Search

J A N U A R Y F R I E N A C E
F R I E N D S Y A S R I L A H
N E Y S E R T I E M O W B L C
B S I L Y F A E N E I Y A E O
N O C R N V N V E Y D L B N U
A L D C L O C K L T I E Y D N
R U V E W M I D N I G H T A T
V T O A S T W S N O L Y I R D
G I A N I N G S E V E U A R O
C O N F E T T I T M I N G S W
R N O L C E L E B R A T I O N
A J A N U E L V E I M K E R A
Y P A R T Y H A A P Y S E V W
N E W Y E A R C L O K S O R Y
S H A P P Y E B A L L R E S O

BABY
BALL
CALENDAR
CELEBRATION
CLOCK
CONFETTI
COUNTDOWN
EVE

FAMILY
FRIENDS
HAPPY
JANUARY
MIDNIGHT
NEW YEAR
NOISEMAKER
PARTY

RESOLUTION
TOAST



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January 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2 9AM Eucharist Rite I Children's Chapel/Christian Ed	3 First school day in 2022	4 Prayer Shawl meeting 7PM 8pm AA meeting	5 Bible Study 7PM	6 EPIPHANY	7	8
9 EPIPHANY SUNDAY 9AM Eucharist Rite II Children's Chapel/Christian Ed. Annual Parish Meeting	10 Ladies Lunch 12:30PM	11 8pm AA meeting	12 Bible Study 7PM	13	14	15
16 9 AM CONFIRMATION with The Rt. Rev. Jay Magness	17	18 8pm AA meeting	19 Bible Study 7PM	20	21	22
23 9AM Eucharist Rite II Children's Chapel/Christian Ed	24	25 8pm AA meeting	26 Bible Study 7PM	27	28	29
30 9AM Eucharist Rite II Children's Chapel/Christian Ed	31					

JANUARY ASSIGNMENTS

Jan. 2nd—2nd Sunday after Christmas

Acolytes	Magdalena Kress, Nancy Comfort
Ushers	Susan Sigler, Coach Sigler
Lector	Bruce Comfort
LEMS	Bruce Comfort
Altar Guild Duty	Charlotte Corbett, Vel Shreve

Jan. 9th—1st Sunday after Epiphany

Acolytes	Bronwyn Shreve, Kimberly Truxell
Ushers	Larry Shreve, Vicky Martin
Lector	Jeffrey Pfeifer
LEMS	Kimberly Truxell
Altar Guild Duty	Millie Coward, Dot Pierce

Jan. 16th—2nd Sunday after Epiphany

Acolytes	Nancy Comfort, Judy Eller
Ushers	Steve Kakol, Jim Jimeno
Lector	Jeffrey Pfeifer
LEMS	Nancy Comfort
Altar Guild Duty	Jessica Trochanowski, Vel Shreve

Jan. 23rd—3rd Sunday after Epiphany

Acolytes	Jeffrey Pfeifer, Nancy Comfort
Ushers	Coach Sigler, Larry Shreve
Lector	Debbie Whitehorne
LEMS	James Benn
Altar Guild Duty	Charlotte Corbett, Dot Pierce

Jan. 30th—4th Sunday after Epiphany

Acolytes	Carys Shreve, Kimberly Truxell
Ushers	Vicky Martin, Susan Sigler
Lector	Janet Chauncey
LEMS	Kimberly Truxell
Altar Guild Duty	Vel Shreve, Hilda Monte