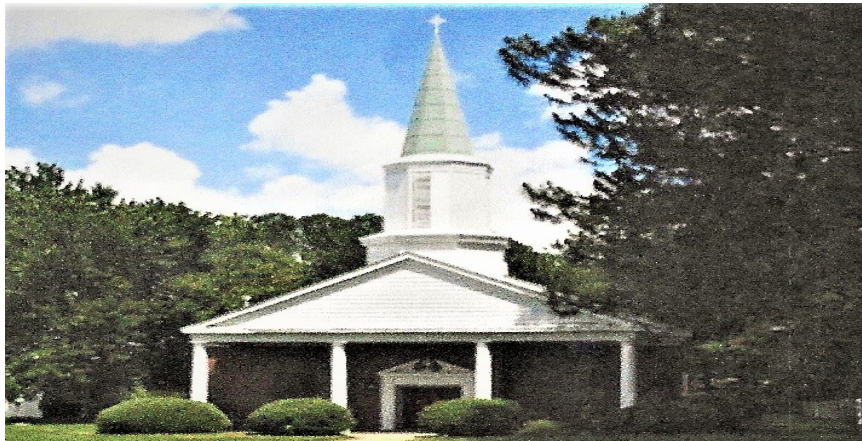


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The 2022 Flower Chart is located in the vestibule as you enter the parish hall. If you would like to donate flowers to the church any Sunday through the year, in memory of a loved one or in thanksgiving, sign the flower chart beside the Sunday you wish to give. The flowers are \$72 or \$36 if two people give on the same day.



Jim's Corner

Stewardship is a word that has acquired an unfortunate reputation. When mentioned, many folks think the church is about to start a building campaign and instinctively grab their wallets. They know the church is looking for money. It's difficult not to feel this way. Some of us have negative memories of past stewardship campaigns that have felt heavy-handed or as high-pressure holdups. I want to allay any such misgivings by laying out what happens when we give and why we give. I thank Dave Ramsey for what I am about to offer you.

Dave addresses what he calls The Great Misunderstanding, the mistaken belief that the way to have more money is to hold on tightly to it, as with a tight fist. To understand stewardship, one needs to understand its spiritual element. You see, you and I are simply managers for

the Lord. All of our material possessions are gifts from our Lord and we are given the responsibility to manage, to take care of, what God has given us. We are managers of what belongs to God, not owners. It is *all* God's, who is the source of everything, as Psalm 24:1 says, "The earth is the LORD's and all that is in it, the world and all who dwell therein" (BCP, 613). Once we accept this basic principal, then the tight fist on money begins to open up.

What happens when we give? Did you know that the Bible talks about money more often than it talks about love and grace? Why does the Bible tell us to give so often? It's because giving makes us more Christ-like. We know from Genesis 1:26 that we have been made in God's image. I argue that this means we are

to grow to reflect God's qualities, however dimly, of love, compassion, mercy, discernment, and generosity, to name but a few. God is a *giver* who has given us life and all that we have. Through our relationship with God in Christ, who gave his life so we may truly live, we have been made to be givers as well.

Wonderful things begin to happen when we give. Giving moves us to become less selfish and less-selfish people have more of a tendency to prosper in relationships and wealth. Because we are designed in God's image, we are happiest and most fulfilled when we are serving and giving.

By giving, we become more and more spiritually mature Christians. Why is this true? Cont, p. 2

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Because, giving is a reminder of ownership. God owns everything, as I said above, we are only managers of God's property which includes money. We know from 2 Corinthians 9:7 that "God loves a cheerful giver" and giving brings us joy. When we give our offering on Sunday morning, this is an act of praise and worship. This is why I place the offering on the altar, as a symbol of our joyful offering to the Lord during the Eucharist, the Great Thanksgiving. Finally, giving is spiritual warfare. It gives us a sense of the cosmic warfare between good and evil, between generosity and selfishness. There is that internal struggle we experience when we decide how much we give back to God. Do we put God first in our budget, or do we put all of our other priorities first? From what I've just said, it is easy to see how giving is a deeply spiritual practice.

Stewardship is a grace-filled word. It expresses our relationship to each other, to creation, and to the Holy Trinity. How we manage our resources is an expression of our faith in the God who is Lord of all and giver of all. I ask that we pray for guidance as we approach the coming stewardship program.

Dave Ramsey, *Financial Peace University: Coordinator Guide* (Brentwood, TN: Lampo Licensing, LLC, 2012), 214.

Dave Ramsey, Financial Peace University, 215.

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VEL SHREVE

For these past 40 or so years we have been greeted with either “Good Morning” or “Good Afternoon, this is St. Peter’s, how can I help you?” Well this warm greeting is now retired! But we still can reminisce on what went on to bring her here to St. Peter’s.

Vel and Larry met in 1965 when he was stationed at USAF Croughton, England and Vel was a nurse in the local hospital. In 1968 they were married and subsequently moved to Keesler AF Bases in Biloxi Mississippi. They returned to England in 1972 and started their family with Jonathan and then Matthew. In 1976 they returned to the US and Larry was honorably discharged from the Air Force. They began their journey in Norfolk and expanded their family by one more with the birth of Linsey. They then moved to their current home in Virginia Beach.

Vel started working at St. Peter’s in 1982 when Rev. Diffenbaugh needed assistance in the afternoon to answer the phone. Shortly after Mrs. Linda Twiddy retired as Parish Secretary, Vel capably stepped into this position. Upon the arrival of Rev. John Eidam, Vel was tasked to be the Assistant Director of the Day School.

What will she do without us? A better question is what will we do without her? Vel has worn many hats over the years and her passion continues to be over the top. She assuredly shows her love for God, Family, the Day School and Church. Well Vel, it’s time to breathe and enjoy some me (beach) time for yourself.

Congratulations on a **JOB WELL DONE!**

SEPTEMBER

Birthday & Anniversary Blessings are performed on the 1st Sunday of the month.

Happy Birthday



Jody Bagett	3rd
Marlissee Snuffin	6th
Laura Kallestad	16th
Justine Winder	16th
Yvonne Lambeth	18th
Danny Nowland	21st
Robert Truxell	23rd
Hunter Johnson	28th
Luke & Reid Walton	29th

*HAPPY
ANNIVERSARY*

If we missed your special date, please let the office know (757)466-9392.



VESTRY MEMBERS

Kimberly Truxell, Sr. Warden - ('23)

Debbie Whitehorne, Jr. Warden— ('24)

Susan Sigler ('22)

Bruce Comfort ('22)

Charlotte Corbett ('22)

Register—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

The deadline for articles for the October issue of 'The Call' is September 15th.

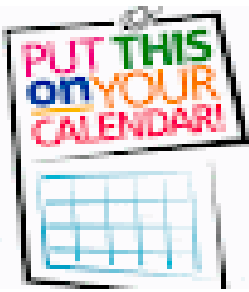
Send articles to :

laura@stpeters-norfolk.org
or call the church office 757-466-9392.

SEPTEMBER 2022



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 Bible Study in the library - 10:30 A.M.	2 Last Day of Summer Camp	3
4 9:00 A.M. - Rite I	5 Labor Day - Office Closed	6 BACK TO SCHOOL Prayer Shawl Meeting 7:00 PM 8:00 P.M. AA MEETING	7	8 Bible Study in the library - 10:30 A.M.	9	10 Worship Committee Meeting - 10:30 A.M.
11 8:00 A.M. - Rite I 10:00 A.M.-Rite II Ice Cream Social after 10:00 A.M. service.	12 Ladies Luncheon 12:30 P.M. @ Degollado Finance Meeting - 6:30 P.M. Vestry Meeting - 7:00 P.M. Day School Open House 7:30 P.M.	13 8:00 P.M. AA MEETING	14	15 Bible Study in the library - 10:30 A.M.	16	17
18 8:00 A.M. - Rite I Bake sale between services 10:00 A.M. - Rite II	19 Day School Board Meeting - 7:00 P.M.	20 8:00 P.M. AA MEETING	21	22 Bible Study in the library - 10:30 A.M.	23	24
25 8:00 A.M. - Rite I 10:00 A.M. - Rite II	26	27 8:00 P.M. AA MEETING	28	29 Bible Study in the library - 10:30 A.M.	30	



MINISTRY ASSIGNMENTS

Sept. 4— 13th Sunday after Pentecost

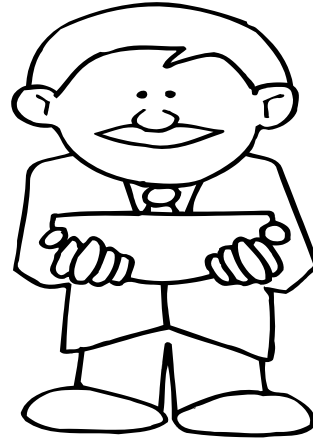
Acolyte: Magdalena Kress

Ushers: Larry Shreve, Susan Sigler

Lector: Kimberly Truxell

LEM: Judy Eller

Altar Guild Duty: Vel Shreve, Hilda Monte



Sept. 11—14th Sunday after Pentecost

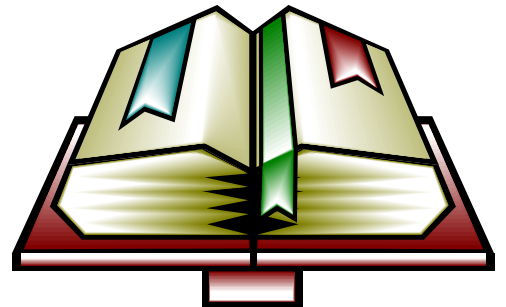
Acolyte: Charlie Pfeifer

Ushers: Steve Kakol, Vicky Martin

Lector: Larry Shreve

LEM: Kimberly Truxell

Altar Guild Duty: Dot Pierce, Ashley Pierce



Sept. 18—15th Sunday after Pentecost

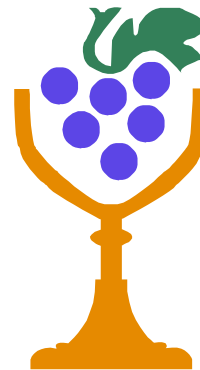
Acolyte: Bronwyn Shreve

Ushers: Jim Jimeno, Larry Shreve

Lector: Linsey Shreve

LEM: Debra Whitehorne

Altar Guild Duty: Millie Coward, Vel Shreve



Sept. 25—16th Sunday after Pentecost

Acolyte: Nancy Comfort, Carys Shreve

Ushers: Susan Sigler, Larry Shreve

Lector: Jeffrey Pfeifer

LEM: Debra Whitehorne

Altar Guild Duty: Jessica Trochanowski, Lynne Monette



MINISTRY ANNOUNCEMENTS



The Prayer Shawl Ministry will meet on Tuesday, September 6th at 7PM in the Diffenbaugh Library. After the short break we took for summer, the ladies will again be knitting, crocheting, and looming infant and preemie hats, homeless hats and scarves, baby blankets, chemo caps, and prayer shawls. Don't know how to knit, crochet, or loom??? We will teach you! We have yarn, needles, crochet hooks, and looms so you don't need to buy anything while you are learning.

Need a gift?



We are selling beautiful white shawls that may be used as a baby shawl or a lap cover. They are \$40 each and all proceeds go to the Prayer Shawl Ministry to cover the cost of yarn for this ministry. If you are interested in purchasing a shawl call Millie Coward at 757 455-5887 (land line) or email m.jlc@verizon.net. We would love for you to join us. Bring a friend!



The Acts of Kindness Ministry would like to thank everyone who contributed and helped put together the children's Summer Camp coloring book bags and other fun stuff! This year we enjoyed giving to 21 children and 4 staff members. We appreciate St. Peter's giving us this opportunity to serve the children at the Day School.



The Altar Guild is looking for new members. We welcome both women and men that are confirmed in the Episcopal church to join us. This ministry prepares the sanctuary and altar for celebrations of worship i.e., Sunday services, weddings, baptisms, etc. For more detailed information about the Altar Guild responsibilities, please contact Millie Coward, 757- 455-5887 (H), email m.jlc@verizon.net or text 757- 469-5887 (C). Your help is needed so please consider joining this very essential ministry for St Peter's.



St. Peter's Day School is currently accepting registrations for the new 2022/23 school year. We teach children ages 2 through Kindergarten. School hours are 9-12 noon. We also offer before and after school care. Our Day School is a ministry of the church. If you would like more information about our school, please call the office, 466-9392.



Bible Study meeting is on Thursdays at 10:30AM, in the Diffenbaugh Library. All are welcome! Bring a Bible and don't forget to bring a friend.



We will be meeting for lunch and fellowship on Monday September 12th, 12:30 P.M. at Degollado Mexican Restaurant 3814 E Little Creek Rd.

Norfolk. If you plan to attend, please sign the list on the bulletin board in the parish hall. For more information please call Millie Coward 757 455-5887 (land line), email m.jlc@verizon.net or text 757- 469-5887 (C).



You are invited...

St. Peter's is beginning a new Sunday school year! Enjoy some ice cream and fellowship in the parish hall!

Ice Cream Social

September 11th

(after the 10 o'clock service)



BAKE SALE



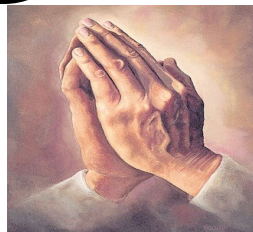
The Acts of Kindness

Ministry will host bake sales once a month to raise money in support of the various offerings we provide. Mark your calendars for our very first one – **September 18th** between the 8:00 A.M. and 10:00 A.M. services. Come enjoy delicious treats in support of the Acts of Kindness Ministry.

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	Chloe	Hannah	David	Courtney
Frank	Kyle	Michael	Allan	Mario



The Veterans are always in need of:

Toothbrushes, toothpaste, shaving cream, shampoo, conditioner, deodorant, razors, new unopened packs of socks (men’s & women’s), 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!

Please keep these people in your prayers

June Faye	Joan	Charlie
BJ	Hazel	Niko
Lois	Sebastian	Jessica
Patsi	Wayne	Becky
Kathy	Bill	Diane
Johnny & Nancy	John	Kathie
Debbie & Kenny	Lisa	Brian H.
Clay & Wanda	Bob	Dewey
Bert & Ann	Daniel	Dolores
Mary	Dylan	Eastin
Teresa	Robyn	Megan
Cheryl	Jonathan	Sarah
Myles & Family	Hannah	

St. Peter's Children's Ministry

September 2022



Scripture

"Whoever can be trusted with very little can also be trusted with much, and whoever is dishonest with very little will also be dishonest with much." Luke 16:10 (NIV)

One day Susie's mother sent her to the store to buy a loaf of bread. She gave Susie two dollars and told her she could keep the change. When Susie paid for the bread, the cashier accidentally gave her too much money back. Susie knew right away that it was too much money. What should she do? Should she tell the cashier that she had made a mistake, or should she just keep quiet? What would you do?

James was going through the cafeteria line at school and looked down to see a dollar bill on the floor. There was no way of knowing who had lost the money, and no one would ever know if he just picked it up and put it in his pocket. What should he do? What would you do?

Hector found a money bag like this one containing \$120 on top of a coke machine at his school. Wow! That is a lot of money. Just think of all of the things you could do with \$120! What should Hector do? What would you do?

Every day we are faced with decisions which test our honesty. It may be a small amount of incorrect change, a dollar found on the floor, or a large amount of money such as Hector found at school. The amount of money is not important, it is a question of doing what is right.

One day Jesus told a parable about a rich man who accused his manager of wasting his money. He called him in and told to give an account of the way he had been managing his money. Sure enough, he had been taking some of the money for himself and cheating his employer.

Since the manager knew he was going to be fired, he came up with a plan that would make a lot of friends. He called the people who owed his boss money and asked them how much they owed. When they told them how much they owed, he told them they only had to pay a much smaller amount. As you can imagine, the people were very pleased to only have to pay a fraction of what they owed. The manager now had plenty of friends to help him when he no longer had a job.

Jesus told this story to show that "Whoever can be trusted with very little can also be trusted with much, and whoever is dishonest with very little will also be dishonest with much." If you and I make sure that we are honest in the small things, then we can be sure that we will be honest in the big things. If people know that they can trust us in small things, they will know that they can trust us in the big things too.

Prayer: Dear Father, help us to remember what Jesus taught about honesty and help us to be honest in every situation, big or small. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

September Schedule

- 4th - Pentecost 13 - Luke 14:25-33
The Cost of Being a Disciple
- 11th - Pentecost 14 - Luke 15:1-10
The Parable of the Lost Sheep
- 18th - Pentecost 15- Luke 16:1-13
The Parable of the Shrewd Manager
- 25th - Pentecost 16 - Luke 16:19-31
The Rich Man and Lazarus



You are invited...

Ice Cream Social
September 11
after the 10A.M. service
Wear red!

Happy Birthday

September 21st - Danny Nowland



St. Peter's Children's Ministry

September 2022



Back To School Word Search

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APPLE	SCISSORS	PLAYGROUND	LOCKER
DESK	TEACHER	SCHOOL	NOTEBOOK
LUNCHBOX	BACKPACK	STUDENT	RECESS
PENCIL	LIBRARY	WRITING	SCIENCE
SCHEDULE	MATH	CRAYONS	STUDY

St. Peter's Episcopal Church

Vestry Meeting Minutes

July 11, 2022

Opening: The St. Peter's Vestry met together in the Diffenbaugh Library on July 11, 2022. Attending the meeting were Fr. Jim, Kimberly Truxell, Susan Sigler, Debbie Whitehorne, Charlotte Corbett, and Bruce Comfort. Charlie Pfeifer, Treasurer, and Peggy Pfeifer, Registrar attended via zoom.

Vestry Meeting Opening: Charlotte gave the meditation and opened the meeting with a prayer.

May 2022 Minutes: The Minutes of the last Vestry Meeting which was held in May were distributed to the vestry. Kimberly moved that the minutes be approved. Susan seconded the motion. The minutes were approved.

Finance Report: There being no formal Vestry Meeting in June, copies of both the May and the June Financial Report were handed out to the vestry. Kimberly reviewed the May report and Charlie reviewed the June report

The Cash Account Balances for May and June 2022 are as follows:

	May	June
Operating Account:	\$28,471.48	\$34,926.17
Money Market Account:	\$50,050.97	\$50,053.03
Composite Fund:	\$74,210.78	\$74,210.78
Total Net Assets	\$146,864.52	\$155,049.50

Debbie moved that the May Financial Report be accepted. Kimberly seconded the motion. Kimberly moved that the June Financial Report be accepted. Susan seconded the motion. Both motions were approved.

Vacation Bible School Funding: It was proposed that \$200 to \$500 for VBS be funded by Youth restricted account. Debbie moved that it be so funded. Kimberly seconded the motion. The Vestry agreed.

Senior Warden's Report:

Meeting with Elise Balcom: Kimberly and Debbie will meet with Elise Balcom tomorrow concerning the church's coming transitional period.

Sunday Services: Kimberly informed the vestry that it had been proposed that St. Peter's return to two services on Sundays, one at 8AM and one at 10AM, starting on September 9, and lasting to the end of the year at which time it could better be determined if the congregation wished to continue that revised schedule. This suggestion passed the Vestry by acclamation. It was noted that this change should be widely communicated to inform all current and past church members in hopes of drawing them back to the church.

Junior Warden:

Lawn & Landscaping: Debbie informed the vestry that the mowing of the church grounds was being done quite well. However, the landscaping such as the trimming was not satisfactory. She has contacted the company concerning the problem.

Floor Waxing: During the waxing of the floors, wax was deposited on the carpets at the entrance doors and on the baseboards. Debbie has spoken with the contractor, and they are working on a solution to the problem.

Old Business

Vel's Retirement: Plans are well underway for Vel's Retirement Party on Sunday, July 24th. Invitations are going out to current and past staff and all congregation members as well as friends of St. Peter's.

New Business:

The Rev. Dr. James Hunter Housing Allowance: Whereas The Rev. Dr. James Hunter is employed as the interim minister of St. Peter's Church, Norfolk, Virginia which does not provide a residence for him, the vestry resolves that the total compensation to be paid to the Rev. James Hunter during 2022 be designated as housing allowance with the meaning of that term as used in Section 107 of the IRS Code of 1986. This housing allowance will stay in place until superseded.

There being no further business, Kimberly moved to adjourn. Bruce seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned and closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Peggy Pfeifer

Registrar

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This structure still stands on Brown
Avenue in Norfolk. The first
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was in the parish hall on Christmas
Eve, 1959. All existing
construction was completed in
1965.*

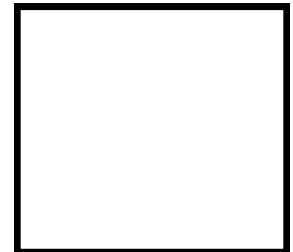
ST. PETER'S CHURCH STAFF

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Supply Priest	The Rev. Dr. James W. Hunter
Secretary	Laura Kallestad
Organist	Elizabeth Miller
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