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ST. PETER'S KEYS

The newsletter of St. Peter's Episcopal Church

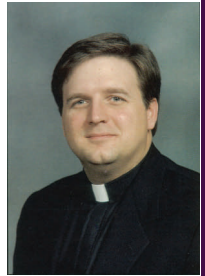
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A LETTER FROM OUR RECTOR

Dear People of Saint Peters,

Recently, I ran across this quote of an Arabic parable: "Get close to the seller of perfume if you want to become fragrant." Joan Chittister used it in the context of friendship, stating that the friendships we develop determine the quality of our own souls and she asked "What kind of friends do you choose?"



Church's are intended to be a community of Christians and as such are seen as a representation of the Body of Christ. Our purpose as given in the *Book of Common Prayer* "is to restore all people into unity with God and each other through Christ." What this means is that being Church is being a place of connection and relationship; a place where all are welcome and there are no outsiders. It is not that our differences fade away, but rather they are accepted as part of the uniqueness of each individuals. In the 12th chapter of Corinthians, Saint Paul reminds us that we are all part of the same body; our uniqueness is what brings balance and wholeness to the body.

This is one of the things that makes us different from other social organization. Some clubs can be exclusive while others may have cliques in which all members are NOT equal. If we are truly a church, we must be vigilant and intentional about breaking down cliques and divisions. It is not enough to say that all of our groups are open; we have to be constantly conscious of welcoming new folks into the mix and connecting with folks we may not know.

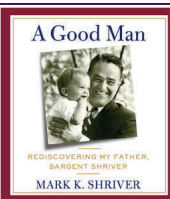
One of the ways we do this is by having a variety of ministries that appeal to different folks; some like to be lectors while others prefer to volunteer at the community center or serve on the Vestry or volunteer with the Art Show or Taste the Fruit of the Vine. No role or ministry is more important than any other. Each provides us not only with an opportunity to make an offering to God of our service but also an opportunity to get to know different members of our family of faith.

Another important way with strengthen our common life is our dinner groups. Each August, we offer the opportunity for our members to join a randomly constructed dinner group. Sometimes we encounter people we know and we gain an opportunity to know them better. Sometimes we get to meet new folks and build new friendships. They are intended to be a way to deepen our common life together and strengthen our congregation.

I hope you will participate in the dinner groups this year, and be open to meeting and connecting new folks in our Church. Don't be afraid to say "hello" and introduce yourself. Let us be willing to get closer to each other and strengthen our community so that we can be (smell) more like Christ and be the church he calls us to be. My thanks to Barbara McKendrew for her strong leadership in putting these groups together. Please look for the invitation form next month and keep me daily in your prayers and know that you are daily in mine.

Jeffrey+

WHAT THE RECTOR IS READING



***A Good Man*, by Mark K. Shriver**

I had the opportunity to meet Mark while on study leave in Chicago. The book tells the story of the life of Sargent Shriver and how he inspired the life of his children; speaking to the power of simple acts to inspire the lives of others.

VESTRY MINUTES

Pilottown Cemetery

- Has been made into a very welcoming place.
- Wendell Alfred has resigned. Jeff recommends Mary Van House for a term until 2015 and Ted Becker for another term until 2015. Doug made a motion to accept Mary and Ted on the committee until 2015. Terry seconded and all present agreed.

Treasurer's Report

2012 budget was reviewed:

- 198 pledges for a total of \$297,570.00.
- Suggested a notice in the Newsletter saying it can be received by email or from the web site.
- Doug made a motion not to amend the 2012 Budget at this time. Dan seconded and all present agreed.
- Dan presented Financial Advisory Report for the 1st. Quarter. Our Advisor is working on some 12 to 18 month investments.

Administration

- Thank you note from Father Michael Long. *(please see page 3 for a copy of the note)*
- Vera Bailey is working in the office. All is going well.
- No information on the Round Robin Bridge Group.
- Carol Wzorek is doing a Mutual Ministry review with Katherine.
- Announcements going well, just remember to speak into the microphone. Will have a notice in the newsletter and/or bulletin to remind people to call the office or come to the Sacristy 15 minutes before the Service.
- Goals and Policies will be discussed in July.

Property

Stuart reviewed on going projects.

Wall Committee

Terry has stepped down from chair of the committee and Stuart will take over.

Tax Credit

Can't submit anything to the State until all work is completed. 8 projects approved.

Mission and Outreach

- Global Outreach gave \$500 to Sabrina Hitzel Hammons for her Mission Trip to Africa.
- 15 members from St. Peter's worked on the Habitat house.
- Senior members of the parish were recognized at the ECW May Luncheon.

Parish Life and Newcomers

- Will have sign-up for Fall Dinner Groups in August.
- Reception was held after Evensong.
- Parish Picnic on weekend of September 8th. Cabins and tenting will be available.

Publicity

- Working on Ministry Brochure.

VESTRY MINUTES (CONTINUED)

Companion Parish weekend went well. Karen sent thank you notes to the Hansot and Marinello families for their hospitality. The Native Art hanging from St. Paul will be hung in the Sacristy.

Worship

- Organ was made all digital today by representative from Walker Technical.
- Organ pipes need to be removed by June 18th.
- Lectern will stay where it is for the summer.

Stewardship

- Good comments about the monthly newsletter articles.
- Legacy Society coming up on their 1st anniversary.

Christian Formation

- Will discuss “Road Map” in July.
- Mexico Mission Trip plans being finalized. Members will be commissioned at 10 a.m. July 8th.
- 2 mini groups planned for the summer.
- Need volunteers for the 2012-2013 school year.

Rector’s Report

- Summer Series going great.
- Will have Vera do a listing of Community Arts Calendar in the newsletter.
- Dan Somerset is going off the FAC. Jeff nominated Stuart Brahs for a 6 year term. Doug approved the nomination and all present agreed. Stuart and Dan abstained.

Papers have been signed for Tom Sombar and Company to do our Audit for 2011.

Practice for Ushers will be held between the Services on July 21st.

There is no 3 hour time limit for parking on Mulberry Street.

We will host a partner site for Trinity Institute November 9th and 10th. The theme is Radical Christian Life: equipping ourselves for social change. More information as it becomes available.

Mark and Carlyle working on new service format and will ask others to help. Hoping to start around 1st Sunday in Advent.

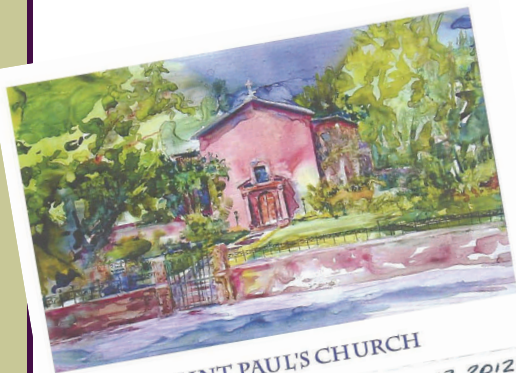
Lewes Rehoboth Association of Churches consultant review went well. They have 4 task forces working this summer: Membership, Thrift Shop, Community Resource Center and Finances.

M & T Bank and City of Lewes are on board for the Art Show. Julie Emery is doing a great job getting things organized.

**UPCOMING
AUGUST
EVENTS**

Summer Spirituality Series

- **August 2**
Hinduism
(presented Uday Jani, MD)
- **August 9**
The Inquiry—A Play
(presented by The Rev. Robert Smith)
- **August 16**
Forgiveness
(presented by Susan Robinson, PhD)
- **August 23**
New Hymns of Praise
(presented by Dean Donovan, St. Peter’s Lutheran Church Choir)
- **August 30**
Poetry, Prose & Praise
(presented by Aimee Wiest, PhD)



SAINT PAUL'S CHURCH

May 13, 2012

Dear People of St. Peter's,
Thank you so much for the warm welcome and hospitality I have enjoyed in Lewes. Every thing - air travel, being hosted at the rectory, parties, meals, and the invitation to preach and celebrate - have meant so much to me. I will always remember this visit and I look forward to being with you in the future. And thank you for the Des Plaines Plaque, which will find a place of honor at St. Paul's.
In Christ's Love, Michael

REMINDER:

Receive the monthly newsletter via email, or by visiting www.stpeterslewes.org. If you would like to be added to our email list, please contact secretary@stpeterslewes.org.

VESTRY MINUTES (CONTINUED)

- Need to have a discussion about fund raising and how funds should be distributed for Outreach and Missions.
- Jeff will be away on Continuing Education or vacation between June 18th and July 1st. Will be doing the service at Camp Arrowhead on July 29th and will be away in August to do a Revival in Tennessee.

Parochial Report was presented and discussed. Stuart made a motion to accept the 2011 Parochial Report. Karen seconded and all present agreed.

Do not worry if you have built your castles in the air. They are where they should be. Now put the foundations under them.

- Henry Thoreau

**SAINT PETER'S GRADUATES**

CONGRATULATIONS GRADUATES! Three of our parish members have graduated high school and are off to bigger and better adventures. We wish them a safe and prosperous road ahead.

Jenny West is the granddaughter of Virgil and Nancy Brown,. She is graduated from Cape Henlopen and is ranked 6th in her class. She plans on attending Belmont University in Nashville, Tennessee, and majoring in Music Business.

Travis Papp has been attending St. Peter's since the age of 3 weeks! He has been active in SPY, and YoungLife. He is and avid skim boarder, and musician. Travis received the Hatter Scholarship and will be attending Stetson University in Deland, Florida where he will be studying Digital Arts & Sound Engineering.

Caitlyn Phillips graduates from Sussex Tech ranking in the top 3% of her class, as well as a member of the National Honor Society and National Technical Honor Society. She is the recipient of the Presidents Education Award for Outstanding Academic Excellence, presented by President Barack Obama. Caitlyn will be attending Northeastern University in Boston, Massachusetts.

MEN'S BREAKFAST

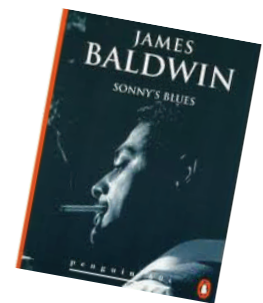
St. Peter's Men Group will not meet July or August, but will resume our regularly scheduled breakfast on the Second Saturday of each month, starting in September. Our breakfast group meets at the Blue Sea Cafe on Second Street at 8:30 a.m.

SAINT PETER'S READERS

St. Peter's Readers usually meet the 3rd Sunday of each month at 5 pm in the Conference Room. The dates and chosen books for the next two months are:

JULY 15—*Sonny's Blues* by James Baldwin (classic)

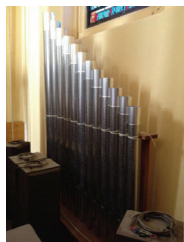
AUGUST 19— nonfiction title to be announced

**WE NEED YOUR HELP!**

If you have pictures of the Rectory—BEFORE the 2005 restoration—of the back and left side (where the garage is now), please contact Doug Craig at 302.645.5159. They are needed to complete our application to the State of Delaware for tax credit. Thank you in advance, *Doug Craig*.



ORGAN PIPE SALES AT ST. PETER’S



Here is a wonderful way to secure a nice remembrance of St. Peter’s parish for yourself or maybe as a gift for a former parishioner who has moved away but has fond memories of his/her days at St. Peter’s. Come to the St. Peter’s Art Show on Saturday, September 7th and between the hours of 10 and 2 you may come inside the church and purchase one of the pipes that were used in our church organ for many years! Display your treasure as a unique piece of art in your home. A bonus of every purchase is that the proceeds from the sale of these pipes will stay right here in St. Peter’s and be used to benefit our music ministry. There is a limited number of these available, so don’t miss out!

UPCOMING MUSIC CONCERT



Our Minister of Music, T.J. Thomas, will play an organ recital on Thursday, July 12 @ 12:15 PM at All Saints' Episcopal Church in Rehoboth Beach as part of the church's summertime WaterWorks Concert Series. Admission is free. For more information on WaterWorks Concert Series, hosted by All Saints Episcopal Church, please visit <http://www.allsaintsparish-rehoboth.org/>

BEGINNERS BELL GROUP

Are you interested in learning the art of English handbell ringing? Ever thought “it would be neat to ring handbells, but I am sure I’m not talented enough”? Reading music or previous experience is not required .. we’ll teach you! This is an inter-generational opportunity, both youth and adults are welcome. Several sessions will be held throughout the summer:

Thursday, July 5 @ 5:30 PM
 Saturday, July 14 @ 10 AM
 Wednesday, July 18 @ 5:30 PM
 Saturday, August 4 @ 10 AM

Each session is self-contained, so attend as many or as few as you are able. Please RSVP to T.J. which session(s) you will attend.

2012 KING’S COLLEGE COURSE OF THE ROYAL SCHOOL OF CHURCH MUSIC IN AMERICAN



On Sunday, July 22, T.J. Thomas and Kelley Mallon will travel to Wilkes-Barre, PA to participate in the 2012 King's College Course of the Royal School of Church Music in America. They will join a choir of 175 singers comprised of youth and adults from around the country guest directed by R. Walden Moore of Trinity Church on the Green, New Haven, CT. T.J. will again serve as Assistant Music Manager for this week-long course. Visit www.kingscollegecourse.com to see photo updates throughout the week of the course, July 22-29.



THANK YOU!

The Vestry wishes to thank Tim Campbell, Gary & Pat Casadei, Doug Craig, Pete Hansot, Phil Kless, Austin and Fr. Jeffrey Ross, and T.J. Thomas for their able assistance in dismantling much of the organ loft and removing various detritus around St. Peter’s Square. Their contribution of time and muscle-power is greatly appreciated.—*Stuart Brahs, Junior Warden*



MISSION AND OUTREACH MEETING

SAVE THE DATE! Our 2012 Second Annual Quarterly Meeting on Mission and Outreach will take place Sunday, July 29th at 5pm in the Parish Hall. This event will feature our Local Outreach Ministry. Those attending should bring a salad, side or dessert to complement the main dish. Following the supper, there will be a presentation on sharing St. Peter's outreach/mission work. After the presentation, we will hear updates from all groups, as well as table conversation.

OUR TWO CENTS WORTH



While we indicated in last month's article that we'd be delving into the Primary Investment Account, we couldn't help but notice that the eurozone crisis—and particularly the Greek vote on remaining in the currency union—has once again taken center stage in the media. You may also recall that the big sticking point with the Greek crisis is austerity measures—or controlling spending. With that in mind, we've decided to discuss St. Peter's expenses this month, saving the "long-term investments" discussion for later.

You've had a flavor of the income side of the budget in last month's article, but naturally, that's only half the story. Just like in your personal finances, the church has expenses for which we annually request your support. In the last decade, St. Peter's annual budgeted expenses have grown by 80% to around \$567,000. Those of you who have been with St. Peter's prior to the last two years may recall the pie charts which were provided at each year's annual meeting, reflecting the distribution of expenditures in the preceding calendar year. The church's 2012 budget has the following "expense distributions":

Administration	71%
Personnel (subset of Admin)	66%
Property	14%
Outreach	12%
Worship	2%
Christian Formation	1%

If you are shocked by the notion that two-thirds of our budget supports personnel, please consider what we gain from that investment: 2 full-time clergy (Jeff & Katherine), 2 part-time (retired and renowned) clergy (Mark and Carlyle), a full-time Minister of Music (T.J.), a full-time Parish Administrator with decades of experience (Adele), and a part-time Parish Secretary (Vera). These seven people shepherd a parish community of over 450 "pledging units" (i.e., households) with over a thousand individuals. And as the church at the heart of historic Lewes, these individuals are often the face of St. Peter's Church for the hundreds of visitors to St. Peter's Square each year.

"Being the richest man in the cemetery doesn't matter to me. Going to bed at night saying we've done something wonderful, that's what matters to me."

In addition to our people, your Vestry and parish leadership have performed near-miracles in maintaining our historic property with just 14% of the annual budget. Junior Warden Stuart Brahs, his predecessors, and the Property Committee are constantly vigilant about the state of our buildings and safeguarding current users as well as ensuring that this property will be here for future generations.

Last but certainly not least, St. Peter's Church dedicates 12% of its *monetary* resources from the main church budget to outreach. However, this is only part of the story, too. Nearly the entire ECW budget—which is not part of the main church budget nor administered by the Vestry—is devoted to outreach, nearly doubling the parish contribution to this worthy cause. In addition, Seekers proceeds also benefit outreach programs. And of course, you the parishioners of St. Peter's Church give of your time and talent in so many ways which cannot be easily quantified.

In light of the shape of St. Peter's expenses and budget challenges, we want to thank you for your patience and understanding in the face of what sometimes seems like constant requests for financial contributions. Each generation of church leadership tries its best to be effective and efficient stewards of the resources we have and those you entrust to us. It is our hope that with information like we're presenting in this series of articles, you'll be better able to participate in that stewardship effort in ways that resonate most with your personal beliefs and your aspirations for the future of this faith community. Thank you as always for your support, and please don't hesitate to contact us if you have any questions or want more information about stewardship at St. Peter's Church.

Your faithful Stewardship Chairs,
Tony Marinello and Dan Somerset



THE SPY'S IN THE NEWS

YOUNG SPY

We have been busy this Spring in Family Ministries. A number of new young families have begun to worship with us. Ollie Malecda, our nursery worker, has been doing a fantastic job with our wee ones, our nursery is bursting at the seams. I hope you will take a moment to introduce yourselves and extend a warm St. Peter's welcome to our new families. Many thanks to Joscie Steiner for her outstanding leadership and service with our Godly Play program, and welcome to Barbara and Nancy, our newest Godly Play volunteers. Our Godly Play program year came to a close with a wonderful celebration of Pentecost, the program will resume following the church picnic in September. Nancy, Barbara and I will be participating in a Godly Play Training in the fall. If you have an interest in volunteering with the Godly Play program, or would like to explore the training please contact Deacon Katherine. We had a wonderful Easter Egg Hunt, over 75 children participated. Many thanks to Carol O'Driscoll, Bruce Summer, and their family for facilitating the Easter Egg Hunt, and to Carolyn Kinden who stuffed almost 500 eggs.

SPY Girls and SPY2

SPY Girls, our newest St. Peter's youth group, began meeting in April. The girls, ages 4-9, gather on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of the month for food, formation, service projects and fun. The girls participated in their first mini-mission last month. Thanks to the Burton's for hosting the year-end pool party for SPY2 and also the O'Driscoll/Summer family for hosting the SPY Girls party. The Spy Girls and SPY2 Mini-Missions were based on "Abundant Life", an Episcopal Relief and Development curriculum focused on stewardship of the earth's resources and how our church is involved in relief and development efforts and specifically how they make a difference in the lives of children all over the world. They learned about water and soil conservation, planting and growing crops and the value of all of God's creatures. The "SPY Kids" did a number of service projects related to the mini-mission. I hope you will take a moment to look for the plants they planted in the church yard, the water barrels they painted, and the toad houses and butterfly baths they made for the parish gardens. A special thanks to Helen Waite for her help with this project and the Caruso's for sharing their "ark" with us.

OLDER SPY

Caitlin Phillips, Tavish Papp and Jenny West graduated from high school in June and are heading off to new adventures. Please look for their individual biographies in this issue of the newsletter. The SPY mission team has been busy preparing for our SPY Mission Trip to San Miguel. Later this month the 16 SPY Missionaries will depart for 10 days in San Miguel de Allende, Mexico. We will be working with the summer camp program at Cento Infantil San Pablo, a pre-school for disadvantaged children, and with the mattress project sponsored by St. Paul's Anglican Church, our companion parish in San Miguel de Allende.

SPY Mission Trip Fundraising

The San Miguel SPY Mission Team fundraising efforts have been very successful this year. We wanted to thank everyone for the tremendous support we have received from our parish family. The funds raised allowed us to cover over one half of the expenses for each missionary. Because of your generosity we have been able to make this opportunity available to all the youth of the parish. To date we have sold \$2,725 in Mission Stock and have raised \$650.42 from the Shrove Tuesday Pancake Dinner and the five SPY Mission Team Breakfasts. A special thanks to Karen Kohn and Sandy White, the entire Welch Clan, and all the SPY and their families who worked so hard to ensure the success of the 3rd Sunday Breakfasts. Each Mission Stock entitles one stockholder to attend the SPY Mission Team Stockholder's dinner. The dinner will be held September 29th from 5-7pm. If you would like to purchase stock, it's not too late. Please contact Deacon Katherine or Adele in the parish office.

"We keep moving forward, opening new doors, and doing new things, because we're curious and curiosity keeps leading us down new paths."

- Walt Disney

SPY July 2012

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 11:30a—SPY	2	3	4 5p—SPY2	5	6	7
8 10a— Commissioning of SPY Missionaries	9	10 Mission Trip Preparation	11 Mission Trip Preparation	12 Mission Trip Preparation	13 Mission Trip Preparation	14 12:30p—Mission Trip Departure →
15	16 <i>Mission Trip</i>	17 <i>Mission Trip</i>	18 <i>Mission Trip</i>	19 <i>Mission Trip</i>	20 <i>Mission Trip</i>	21 →
22 Mission Trip Return	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				



SAINT PETER'S 46TH ANNUAL ART SHOW

Please join us on Saturday, July 7. If you haven't already purchased your Raffle Tickets, there will be an opportunity to do so the day of the event. St. Peter's Art Show is the "Art that Gives" with all the proceeds donated to Cape Henlopen Food Basket and Community Resource Center, Primeros Pasos and LaCasita, Away Home and Crisis House, and Gull House and Meals on Wheels.



WARDEN'S MUSINGS — LOSING YOUR PEW



A pew is a long bench seat or enclosed box used for seating members of a church congregation or choir. Churches were not commonly furnished with permanent pews before the Protestant Reformation. The rise of the sermon as a central act of Christian worship, specially in Protestantism, made the pew a standard item of church furniture—could this have been due to the length of some sermons; perhaps one felt more comfortable seated than standing!

Did you know that pews were installed at the expense of the congregants, and were their personal property? There was rarely general public seating in the church itself. In these churches, *pew deeds* recorded title to the pews and were used to convey them. Pews were originally purchased from the church by their owners under this system, and the purchase price went to the costs of building the church. When the pews were privately owned, their owners sometimes enclosed them in lockable pew boxes.

At St. Peter's some of us have our favorite pew—Karen likes to sit in the fifth pew from the back of the church on the right side facing the chancel, whereas Stu sits closer to the front. We feel this is like our home away from home, and are very comfortable in our own space. Please don't ask us to move! But, as we have not paid for our little spaces, we must be hospitable to anyone who may want to share with us our precious domain. We need to prepare ourselves to lose our "regular" pew on some Sundays. We know St. Peter's is often full-to-the-brim on Easter & Christmas, and we are lucky to experience increasingly more attendees coming to St. Peter's each week.

We want to encourage new visitors to attend our church regularly and to feel welcomed in any pew they select. What a great opportunity for the "regular" pew person to see the action from a new pew. Maybe sitting in a new pew will introduce you to a new visitor, who may become a regular member of the parish. Or you may even introduce yourself to a long-term St. Peter's member you have never met. A recent article aptly noted that "sitting in a new pew is a pretty low price to expand the community of believers". Let's all try to sit in a different pew on Sunday and see if we develop a new perspective on the church and our congregation. And, you may be fortunate enough to make a new acquaintance, and, perhaps, St. Peter's a new parishioner. *Peace, Karen & Stu*

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SUMMER SPIRITUALITY SERIES

Please join us for this free series, every Thursday at 7pm in the Parish Hall. Some of the topics discussed are *Trends & Technology in the 21st Century Congregations, Hinduism, Forgiveness, Poetry, Prose & Praise*. Ice cream will be served following each program! *Please see page 3 for a full list of August topics.*

ST. PETER’S LEGACY SOCIETY

Jesus had a will. Not the conventional kind, but in the Scriptures he left explicit instructions for the distribution of his love. It is spelled out in the New Testament. How about your will? Is your love for God spelled out through the gifts you’ll make?

Leave a Lasting Legacy by Investing in St. Peter’s Future. Did you know that you can make a gift to St. Peter’s Legacy Society that will cost you nothing during your lifetime? A bequest alleviates estate taxes and doesn’t affect your current financial security.

"Every charitable act is a stepping stone towards heaven."

- Henry Ward Beecher

BIBLE STUDY GROUP

Bible Study meets every Tuesday at 10:00am in the conference room.



PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

Our knit/crochet group meets the 3rd Monday of each month at 10:30am in the Conference Room. For more information, contact Carole Somers 645.1906 or Mary Shea 644.2516.



CENTERING PRAYER GROUP



We meet every Tuesday at 7:00 pm in the Church. We learn the discipline of centering prayer and read Thomas Keating’s *Open Mind Open Heart*. Previous experience is not necessary—only the desire to experience the presence of God in our lives.

TASTE THE FRUIT OF THE VINE



Save the Date! The 7th annual Taste the Fruit of the Vine is scheduled for September 15, 2012. This event benefits the Sussex Community Outreach Program. The venue will be at the lovely home of Chanell and Chris Dagesse. Enjoy delicious wine and food pairings and tour their beautiful, newly-renovated home and gardens. For more information, please visit www.tastethefruitofthevine.org.

ATTENTION USHERS!

PLEASE join us on Sunday, July 22 at 9am for Usher practice! Ushering is one of the most important ministries at St. Peter's and we are in need of folks who are willing to serve. Ushers help us welcome newcomers and make sure the service runs smoothly. Please join us, whether you have been an usher for awhile or if you are interested in joining in this ministry! Questions, please speak to Fr. Jeff.



EVENTS AROUND TOWN—JULY

Welcome the newest addition to our newsletter! This column will be your insight into what is happening around town – including concerts, theater performances, markets, and anything else we can find to include.



LEWES SUMMER MUSIC CONCERT

This free outdoor concert is every Tuesday at 7pm in Stango Park, next to Lewes Library. Bring a blanket or chair. For more info, visit <http://www.ci.lewes.de.us/>.

LEWES FARMERS MARKET



The HLFM provides a family-friendly, community gathering place where consumers may purchase the freshest local foods available every Saturday from 8am-12pm at 110 Shipcarpenter Street. For more info, visit www.historiclewesfarmersmarket.org



DOWNTOWN LEWES 4TH OF JULY

Activities and games in downtown Lewes, starting at 9am, until 4pm. Decorated boat Parade on the canal at 2pm—you still have time to register your boat! For more info, visit www.leweschamber.com

MOVIES ON THE GREEN



Beginning at sunset every Thursday, July 5 thru August 9, Village of Five Points. Bring a chair, blanket and snacks. See movie list at www.leweschamber.com/calendar



63RD ANNUAL COTTAGE TOUR

Rehoboth Art League’s 63rd annual Cottage Tour is July 17, from 10am-3pm. To purchase tickets, or for more info, visit www.rehobothartleague.org.

REHOBOTH FIREWORKS



Come watch the fireworks on the beach in downtown Rehoboth. The show starts around 9:15pm, July 4th. For more info, visit www.downtownrehoboth.com



BONFIRES ON THE BEACH

Bring your blanket or chair and marshmallows for S’more fun! This FREE event happens every Wednesday night from 7:30-11pm. For more info, visit www.beachfun.com

24TH ANNUAL BEST OF DELAWARE



The Best of Delaware® Party is a fun event that celebrates excellence and raises funds for worthy local causes. For more info, visit www.cvent.com



CLASSICAL MUSIC CONCERTS

A non-profit initiative of volunteers, Coastal Concerts strives to enhance live classical music in Southern Delaware and surrounding areas. To view a list of upcoming concerts, visit www.coastalconcerts.org.

REHOBOTH CHILDREN’S THEATER



The mission of RSCT is to provide programs of entertainment, enrichment and education for audiences of all ages. They will be hosting weekly performances for children of all ages. For more info, visit www.rehobothchildrentheatre.org



POSSUM POINT PLAYERS

The Possum Point Players (PPP) was formed, "to contribute to the cultural diversity and vitality of Sussex County, Delaware, by bringing the experience of live

theater for education and visitors alike. To view their upcoming performances, visit www.possumpointplayers.org



SOUTHERN DE CHORAL SOCIETY

The Southern Delaware Choral Society was created to bring quality choral music to southern Delaware and to provide singers with the opportunity to enhance their musical knowledge and skills. For more info or to view upcoming events, visit www.southerndelawarechoralsociety.org/



CLEAR SPACE THEATER

The term “clear space” refers to a focus on the process, knowledge, and humanity of arts performance: the idea that we find ourselves in what appears on the stage. To be a leader in the vibrant performing arts community of southern Delaware. To inspire audiences, artists, and students through high quality performance and educational experiences. To view their performance calendar, visit www.clearspacetheater.org.

WATERWORKS MUSIC MINISTRY



All Saint’s Church & St. George’s Chapel presents the 4th Annual Organ Recital Series, every Thursday at 12:15pm. For more info, visit <http://www.allsaintsparish-rehoboth.org/>

If you belong to an organization with upcoming events, and would like to see it mentioned in the newsletter’s ‘Events Around Town’, please contact secretary@stpeterslewes.org.

July 2012

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>1 8a Holy Eucharist 10a Holy Eucharist 11:30 SPY</p>	<p>2 8:30 Morning Prayer 1p Art Show Meeting</p>	<p>3 8:30 Morning Prayer 10a Bible Study 7p Centering Prayer Group</p>	<p>4 OFFICE CLOSED 8:30 Morning Prayer 9:30a Clergy Bible Study 5p SPY2 7:30p Holy Eucharist</p>	<p>5 8:30 Morning Prayer 10a HE at Cadbury 5:30p Beginner Bells 7p Summer Series</p>	<p>6 8:30 Morning Prayer 9a Art Show Setup</p>	<p>7 8:30 Morning Prayer ** ART SHOW**</p>
<p>8 8a Holy Eucharist 10a Holy Eucharist</p>	<p>9 8:30 Morning Prayer</p>	<p>10 8:30 Morning Prayer 10a Bible Study 7p Vestry Meeting 7p Centering Prayer Group</p>	<p>11 8:30 Morning Prayer 9:30a Clergy Bible Study 10a ECW Meeting 7:30p Holy Eucharist</p>	<p>12 8:30 Morning Prayer 10a HE at Cadbury 11a Staff meeting 7p Summer Series</p>	<p>13 8:30 Morning Prayer</p>	<p>14 8:30 Morning Prayer 10a Beginner Bells 12:30a SPY Mission Trip Departure</p>
<p>15 8a Holy Eucharist 10a Holy Eucharist 4p St. Peter's Readers **NEWSLETTER DEADLINE**</p>	<p>16 8:30 Morning Prayer 10:30a Shawl Ministry 7p Local Outreach</p>	<p>17 8:30 Morning Prayer 10a Bible Study 7p Centering Prayer Group</p>	<p>18 8:30 Morning Prayer 9:30a Clergy Bible Study 5p SPY2 5:30p Beginner Bells 7:30p Holy Eucharist</p>	<p>19 8:30 Morning Prayer 10a HE at Cadbury 7p Summer Series</p>	<p>20 8:30 Morning Prayer</p>	<p>21 8:30 Morning Prayer</p>
<p>22 8a Holy Eucharist 9a Usher Practice 10a Holy Eucharist <i>SPY Mission Trip Arrival</i></p>	<p>23 8:30 Morning Prayer</p>	<p>24 8:30 Morning Prayer 10a Bible Study 7p Centering Prayer Group</p>	<p>25 8a Bus Trip to Philly—Dead Sea Scrolls (meet in Food Lion parking lot) 8:30 Morning Prayer 9:30a Clergy Bible Study 7:30p Holy Eucharist</p>	<p>26 8:30 Morning Prayer 10a HE at Cadbury 7p Summer Series</p>	<p>27 8:30 Morning Prayer</p>	<p>28 8:30 Morning Prayer</p>
<p>29 8a Holy Eucharist 10a Holy Eucharist</p>	<p>30 8:30 Morning Prayer</p>	<p>31 8:30 Morning Prayer 10a Bible Study 12p Seekers Meeting 7p Centering Prayer Group</p>	<p>Notes:</p>			



Due to technical difficulties last month, the June **God’s World** article ended up in “email limbo,” so we’ll try again and hope that even though it may be “old news”.... better late than never works for you as well as it does for me.

Anyone who lives in or has visited Lewes is probably aware of the fact that we’re very proud to be known as “the first town in the first state.” I was surprised, though, when I checked the city’s website to see that there Lewes is referred to as the “First City in the First State.” I guess the increase in population since we moved to Lewes (31 years ago) has made us a “city” as opposed to a “town. But since change doesn’t come easily to me, I’ll no doubt continue to say “town” since I think “town” has a more “homey/intimate feel” than city. But, back to being first.

Yes, being “first” is usually a good thing and sometimes even a GREAT thing. Such was the case on May 1st when our Vestry made the decision to act upon a request from the St. Peter’s Environmental Committee. (The following is the request submitted to the Vestry on April 3, 2012.)

ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEE’S ENDORSEMENT/SUPPORT OF DeIPL

The members of the Environmental Committee are asking the Vestry to have St. Peter’s join with other churches and faith traditions here in Delaware to support the mission of the **DeIPL** which is the Delaware chapter of the national **Interfaith Power & Light** movement.

Interfaith Power & Light is a religious response to the environmental (as well as moral) crisis of climate change that is affecting not only us, but others around the world. IPL was founded by the Rev. Canon Sally Bingham, of San Francisco’s Grace Cathedral and the Episcopal Diocese of California. (At this time, IPL is in 39 states with 15,000 congregations participating.)

In order to “join”/support IPL, congregations are asked to sign a covenant (found within the brochure) and to make a commitment to do one or more items listed in the section “Congregational Covenant.” (St. Peter’s already “qualifies” since we have completed an energy audit and follow up work.)
Note: IPL does not ask/require any membership fee.

As Episcopalians, we pray regularly for “...the good earth which God has given us, and for the wisdom and will to conserve it...” (BCP 384) , “...reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory...” (BCP 388), “...the right use of the riches of creation, that the world may be freed from poverty, famine, and disaster...” (BCP 390) and “...the just and proper use of your creation...” (BCP 392). The Environmental Committee believes that by becoming members of **DeIPL**, we here at St. Peter’s would not only be taking action to support our prayers but we would also be demonstrating good stewardship of “this fragile earth, our island home.” (BCP 370). Wouldn’t it be exciting if St. Peter’s was the first Episcopal parish here in the Diocese of Delaware to join **DeIPL**?

The information below was taken from the **DeIPL** website. It is being included here to provide a general overview of who and what the organization is all about. More complete information can be found at (<http://www.deipl.org>) or in the brochures available from Father Jeffrey.

About Us

Delaware Interfaith Power & Light (DeIPL) marshals Delaware’s faith communities to face the serious issue of climate change. We seek to ensure a livable planet for ourselves and future generations. DeIPL was founded in 2011 as a chapter of **Interfaith Power & Light**, a national non-profit organization promoting energy conservation, energy efficiency, and renewable energy to combat climate change. Interfaith Power & Light brings the voice of the faith community into the policy-making arena to protect the earth’s ecosystems, safeguard the health of all Creation and ensure sufficient, sustainable energy for all. Many different religious traditions believe in our common responsibilities as stewards of this earth. And, many have put that belief into practice by taking action to protect the environment. Please visit our “**What We Believe**” page for links to these statements of faith and practice.

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The “request” ended with the question, “Wouldn’t it be exciting if St. Peter’s was the first Episcopal parish here in the Diocese of Delaware to join DeIPL?” Now, if you read Matthew 7:7 or Luke 11:9 you’ll see that the scriptures tell us, “Ask, and you will receive...” Well, we asked and we received. On May 2nd I received an email from John Sykes (President of DeIPL and husband of parishioner Louise White - former Vestry & choir member, and current chalice bearer) informing me that St. Peter’s (Lewes) and St. Andrew’s School (Middletown) had “signed on as member organizations of Delaware Interfaith Power and Light.” So it seems that here in the “first town in the first state” St. Peter’s has indeed become the first Episcopal parish to become a member of DeIPL. Oh yeah.....it’s good being first!

Other Delaware faith community members of DeIPL include: Unitarian Universalist of Southern Delaware - First Unitarian Church of Wilmington - New Ark United Church of Christ - Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Newark - St. Andrews School - Limestone Presbyterian Church)

July 2012

Worship Ministry Schedule

DATE	READER	CHALICE BEARER	ACOLYTES	ALTAR GUILD	USHERS	VESTRY HOST
July 1 2 Samuel 1:1,7-27 2 Corinthians 8:7-15 Mark 5:21-43	8—Marlyns Cowan 10—Doug Craig	8—Judy Eger, Marj Lewis 10—Mac McMahan, Robert Patlan	8—R Jundt, K Carmine 10—E Mallon, A Mallon, R Jundt	Ruth Brahs Nancy Brown Teri Munz	8—Vernon & Eleanor Huber 10—Terri & Buzz Klopp	8—Nathalie Willard 10—Pat Casadei
July 8 2 Samuel 5:1-5, 9-10 2 Corinthians 12:2-10 Mark 6:1-13	8—Eleanor Huber 10—Eleanor Hodges	8—Vernon Huber, Mary Van House 10—Bill Peterson, Bruce Phalen	8—K Fischer, T Miller 10—D Myers, A Caruso, W Burton	Ruth Brahs Nancy Brown Teri Munz	8—Red Moulinier & Patty Warden 10—Jerry & Mary Shea	8—Kelly Mallon 10—Don Somerset
July 15 2 Samuel 6:1-5, 12b-19 Ephesians 1:3-14 Mark 6:14-29	8—Margaret Isaminger 10—Barbara McKendrew	8—Louise White-Sykes, Marj Lewis 10—Ann Freeman, Sue Robinson	8—A Naylor, T Welch 10—R Jundt, S Miller, C Hancock	Ruth Barnett Ted Barnett Roberta Lindsay	8—Teri Munz, Diane Wilson 10—Bill & Joanne Shirk	8—Karen Fischer 10—Barbara McKendrew
July 22 2 Samuel 7:1-14a Ephesians 2:11-22 Mark 6:30-34, 53-56	8—Anna Maria Kihn 10—Sid Miller	8—Kit Zak, Robert Patlan 10—Ingrid Miller, Don Matthews	8—K Carmine, R Jundt 10—D Myers, A Mallon, E Mallon	Ruth Barnett Ted Barnett Roberta Lindsay	8—Tim Willard, Diane Wilson 10—Virgil & Nancy Brown	8—Pat Casadei 10—Tony Marinello
July 29 2 Samuel 11:1-15 Ephesians 3:14-21 John 6:1-21	8—Sue Potts 10—Gary Belkot	8—Don ProI, Karen Kohn 10—Angie Rummel, Don Matthews	8—T Miller, K Fischer 10—C Hancock, M Lewis, W Burton	Ruth Barnett Ted Barnett Roberta Lindsay	8—Dean & Peggy Belt 10—Ted & Ruth Barnett	8—Don Matthews 10—Nathalie Willard

NOTE: If you cannot make your scheduled Sunday, please find a substitute and call/email the office.

SAINT PETER’S PRAYER LIST

The following people request your prayers for healing and support. If you would like to add or remove a name on the list, please notify the church office at 645.8479, or email secretary@stpeterslewes.org



Warren Smith	Debby	Peter	Curt Fuddy
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Packard Biddle	Ann		
Madison Handley	Don Matthews		
Tyler	Frank Del Gaudio		

Our sorrows and wounds are healed only when we touch them with compassion. ~ Buddha



Please pray for the safety of your armed forces, especially:

Patrick Baker, Phillip Bergeron, Taylor Donahue, Shawn Keller, Amelia Kern, Brit Landry, Justin Neive, Dr. Mark Riddle, Zachary Shea, Andrew Taylor, Lori Wilson

JULY BIRTHDAYS

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| 1 Kenneth Alumno | 25 Charlene Ortwein |
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| 6 William Malecдан | 27 Stella Pope |
| 6 Laurel Fountain | 27 Dave Mallon |
| 7 Jerry Wells | 28 Wendell Alfred |
| 8 Brooks Emery | 30 Kristofer Alumno |
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| 17 Bill Shirk | |
| 17 Ken Wheeler | |
| 17 Don Matthews | |
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| 19 Mary Howard | |
| 19 Jane Gibson | |
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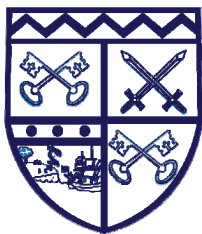
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