



ST. PETER'S EPISCOPAL
CHURCH



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ST. PETER'S KEYS

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A LETTER FROM OUR RECTOR

Dear People of Saint Peters,



Rather than writing my usual column on a particular theme, I thought this month I would share with you several announcements of particular significance to our family of faith.

First, I want you to know that our search for a new family minister continues. To date, we have received several resumes and our search committee is looking forward to interviewing them soon. My thanks to Karen Fischer for her leadership in these efforts. I am hopeful we will issue a call soon.

Second, I wanted to let you know that we will be adding a new service. A number of folks have been asking for a Saturday evening service so this summer, from Memorial Day to Labor Day, we will have a Saturday evening service at 5pm. The liturgy will be simple and include just the Gospel reading and simple homily. It should last about 45 minutes and be an excellent segue into a nice dinner in downtown Lewes. We plan to use this service as a "trial balloon" to see if there is enough support for an additional service at this time—so if you like the idea, please do come!

Finally, hard as it is to believe, this summer I will have served Saint Peter's for a full eight years. Typically, clergy are eligible for a sabbatical after six years and I have never taken one in the fifteen years I have been ordained. At the last Vestry meeting, I received their support to take one in 2014.

The concept of sabbatical comes from the Hebrew scriptures of the Bible and it is part of the tradition of taking Sabbath. In the second chapter of Genesis we read how God, after six days of creating, took a Sabbath or day of rest. In the 25th chapter of Leviticus, the people of God are called to take every seventh year as an opportunity to allow for rest and for the fields to rejuvenate. In the same way, a sabbatical is an opportunity for clergy to be lifted out of their context of ministry and rekindle themselves. I understand Fr. Doug did this during his tenure, as has our Bishop. Yet it is also important to recognize that the experience of sabbatical is not just for the clergy person; it is also for the congregation. It provides a period of time for reflection on what has been accomplished and where the Holy Spirit may be calling the church to go next.

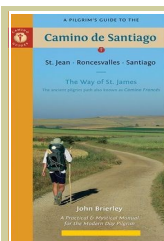
Certainly this will lead to bunch of questions and I am happy to speak to you about them if you like, but let me try and answer the big ones: When and Where? Well, at this point the plan is for me to go from March to May in 2014. During this time, Mark and Carlyle will be shouldering the pastoral responsibilities of the parish and will increase their time accordingly while I am away. Adele will continue to handle the administration of our parish and TJ will work closely with the clergy in planning the liturgies. Our new family minister will be in place, especially for the children and youth. My hope is that our Wardens Karen Fischer and Stuart Brahs will continue to serve and provide leadership for the Vestry.

While I am away, I will be traveling to France to Saint Jean-pied-de-port to begin the Camino de Santiago de Compestella or the pilgrimage path of Saint James. This is an almost 500 mile walk through northern Spain to the Cathedral of Saint James in Santiago. On average, I hope to travel about 15 miles a day, carrying all that I need in a backpack (not more than 20 pounds!). Some of you may be familiar with this from the recent movie *The Way* or Joyce Rupp's book *Walk in a Relaxed Manner* (both of which I have mentioned previously in this column). It is not too dissimilar from the context of the *Canterbury Tales*. For the most part I will be on my own, although Sheila hopes to join me for the last 100 miles. I am hopeful that the parish and I will receive a grant to make this possible, in which case I hope to also spend some time in the Christian communities of Taize and Iona. If we do not get the grant, the Diocese has some financial resources available for clergy coverage while I am away.

I am planning this journey not only for the spiritual significance but also for an opportunity to get myself into better physical shape; to be a better steward of my body and my health. I am also conscious that in many ways, I have already begun this journey, as I have increased my walking; researching the trip to know what I have to do to be prepared and of course praying. I hope you will join me in prayer too!

The symbol for the pilgrim on this Camino (*Spanish word for "The Way"*) is the scallop shell. Every pilgrim on the path carries one affixed to his pack. I've asked Vera to put it on this newsletter to mark the beginning of this trip. On the pilgrimage it is common to greet one another with the words "Buen Camino!" or Good Way! I wish the same for all of you.

Please keep me in your prayers and know that you are daily in mine. Faithfully, *Jeffrey*



WHAT THE RECTOR IS READING

In anticipation of my adventures throughout Spain, I have started reading *Camino de Santiago* by John Brierly, which is an in-depth guide and map of the medieval route affluent with historic and spiritual significance as well as over 1,800 buildings of great historic interest. It is considered the Practical & Mystical Manual for the Modern Day Pilgrimage.

VESTRY MINUTES—APRIL 15, 2013

Art Show—Shelly Souder

- Project Plan for 2013 was shared. Very helpful for those planning the event.
- 135 of the 140 booths are reserved and have started a waiting list.
- Will begin meeting bi-monthly in May.
- Volunteers are needed for the day of the event.
- Banners dates are being changed.
- Big THANK YOU to Julie Emery for her organization of the event and to the committee for their dedication and hard work.

Administration

- Thank you note was sent to Vera Bailey for helping with the Easter Egg Hunt.
- Reading of announcements at the beginning of Services was discussed. All present agreed to continue with announcements and to ask Committee Chair-people and Chalice Bearers to help.

Property

- Paint/repair steeple, waterproofing exterior walls of the Church and repainting of the flagpole is scheduled for mid-April. Hope to have roof/shingle repairs made on the Church at the same time.
- Burton Builders to install handrail outside office door.
- Reviewing proposals for wall restoration/repair. Hope to begin work after Labor Day.



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.



VESTRY MINUTES (CONTINUED)

- Waiting estimates for repairs to Sacristy exterior door and Church front door.
- Rectory kitchen repairs under consideration.
- Rogers Sign Company contracted for new signage at Pilottown Cemetery.
- Tiles on back stairwell of Parish Hall have been repaired.
- Securing estimates for installation of water purifier in conference room.
- Investigating installation of electric hand dryers for parish hall bathrooms.
- Alec going to Disaster Preparedness Workshop.

Stuart and Alec are working on a 5 year Maintenance and Facility Plan for St. Peter's.

Pastoral Care

- Easter flowers were taken to shut-ins.
- Up-date given on parish members on the prayer list.
- Stephen Ministry moving forward. 7 members will go to Pittsburgh for training. Hope to have our program up and running by January.

Parish Life

- Lenten Series were well attended and enjoyed by all.
- Upcoming Choir Reception to be discussed when T.J. returns.
- Bishop visits this weekend. Jeff will get a cake for the reception following the 10 a.m. Service. Vestry members are asked to be present. Don will assist the Bishop.

Newcomers

- Several newcomers are being Confirmed, Received and Welcomed this Sunday. Several have gotten involved with the Art Show.

Stewardship

- No new pledges received this month.
- Need to be thinking about Legacy Society plaque for Charter Members.

Mission and Outreach

- Chili Cook-off was a great success. Raised around \$700 for Centro Infantil San Pablo.
- T.J. gave a presentation on his visit to San Miguel at the Quarterly Mission and Outreach Dinner.
- ECW Luncheon changed to May 9th at Irish Eyes at noon. Carlyle will lead program on focusing on "Loving Ourselves".
- UTO collected around \$685.00.
- Community Resource Center held an open house and ribbon cutting on March 23rd. Several members of St. Peter's volunteer their time and talent at the center.

Global Outreach

- Allocated \$1,000.00 to Mercy USA to help Syrian refugees.
- Working with Richard Scalenghe to explore options for improving health standards for clinics/hospitals in Haiti.
- Carol Wzorek will resign from the Local Outreach effective May 30th.
- Doug Craig bringing 6 prayer shawls home from San Miguel.
- Kairos Prison Ministry will be having Retreat Weekend May 2-5 in Georgetown. Lots of ways to get involved. Those interested should contact Alec Thomson or George Rudgers.

Worship and Music

- 16 people from St. Peter's attended the Evensong at the Cathedral in Washington, DC.

COMMUNITY GROUPS USING ST. PETER'S

- **Monday**

Yoga 6:30-7:30a
11a-12p
Insight Meditation 4-6p
Alcoholics Anonymous 7-8p

- **Tuesday**

Alcoholic Anonymous 12-1p

- **Wednesday**

Yoga 6:30-7:30a
Women's 12-Step 12-1p
Alcoholics Anonymous 7-8p
Narcotics Anonymous 8-9p

- **Thursday**

Yoga 11a-12p

- **Friday**

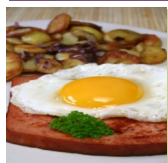
Yoga 6:30-7:30a
Art Group 9a-12p

- **First Friday**

Insight Meditation 7:30-9p

- **Second Friday**

Overfalls 7-9:30p

**MEN'S BREAKFAST**

The men of Saint Peter's meets the second Saturday of each month at 8:30am at the Blue Sea Café on Second Street. All men are welcome, so please come join us!



VESTRY MINUTES (CONTINUED)

- Lots of musical events coming up for April and May. See newsletter for listing.
- Bishop visits this weekend and will dedicate the new adult choir vestments and investiture choristers as full members of the choir.
- All services for Holy Week and Easter went well.
- All musical groups did a wonderful job during Holy Week and Easter Services.
- Attendance of around 600 was about same as last year for Easter Services.
- Station of the Cross pictures painted by William Dec looked great in the windows and greatly appreciated.

Christian Formation

- Gary Belkot did a presentation to the SPY high school group about the meaning of "Lent in our Lives".
- SPY did a wonderful job with the Stations of the Cross under the direction of Kelley Mallon, John Michael Sophos and Nathalie Willard.
- Planned events for SPY high school group include participation in the Autism Walk, a death penalty talk by Father Mark, helping with the Art Show in July and possible excursion to see some of the group members in Chorus Line at the local high school.
- Additional Godly Play materials have been purchased. Attendance averages around 10 children.
- Volunteers are needed on Sunday, May 19th.
- Nursery is well attended.
- Nathalie Willard, Pat Casadei and Father Jeff are discussing ongoing Family Ministry plans.
- Annual Easter Egg Hunt was a big success. A special thank you to all who helped hide the eggs and supervised the hunt under the capable direction of the "Boss Bunny", Vera Bailey.
- 14 members of the parish attended the Safe Church Training class.
- Lou will be painting the class rooms over the summer.

Rector's Report

- Father Jeff has been with us at St. Peter's 8 years in August and would like to take his sabbatical. He would like to go to Camino de Santiago in Spain March through May 2014. Mark and Carlyle would cover during this time. Natalie made a motion for the Vestry to fully support Jeff in taking his sabbatical. All present agreed. More details will be reported as they are finalized.
- Parking meters go into effect May 1st. Notice will be put into the bulletins and newsletter.
- Dean Belt is adding book rack to the chairs in the front of the Church.
- As a follow-up from the Vestry Retreat, we will be trying a short Holy Eucharist on Saturday evenings at 5:00 p.m. beginning after Memorial Day and running through Labor Day.
- Training for Ushers will be scheduled sometime in May.
- Family Ministry search has received 3 resumes for the position. They will meet again May 12th.
- "Fund Raising Policies and Procedures" draft was handed out and will be discussed at our next meeting.

Other Business

- Directory pictures have been removed from the bulletin boards in the parish hall. That space is available for any committee who would like to post items for their events.

**OFFICE HOURS**

Monday—Friday 8:30am to 3:00pm

Office Holidays—the office will be closed on the following dates:

May 27, July 4, September 2, October 14, November 11, 28-29, December 25



Summer Spirituality Series

- May 30** THE MIND-BODY CONNECTION, *presented by Dr. Udai Jani*
- June 6** 10 HYMNS YOU NEED TO DISCOVER, *presented by T.J. Thomas*
- June 13** INSIGHT ON THE SPIRITUALITY OF THE INCAS, *presented by Dr. Pando*
- June 20** THE SPIRITUALITY OF YOGA, *presented by Kim Bemis*
- June 27** ETHICAL WILLS, *presented by The Rev. Jeffrey Ross*
- July 4** *Cancelled for the holiday*
- July 11** PRAYER: WHOLE—HOLY—WONDER—ONE, *presented by The Rev. Perren Hayes*
- July 18** THE SCIENCE & SPIRITUALITY OF STARGAZING, *presented by Dr. Jim Mulvaney*
- July 25** WOMEN IN THE BIBLE, *presented by The Rev. Carlyle Gill*
- August 1** SPIRITUAL DIRECTION AS A REGULAR EXERCISE ON THE SPIRITUAL PATH, *presented by Paul Mast*
- August 8** CREATIVITY, *presented by Dr. Aimee Wiest & friends*
- August 15** FOLK & ROCK MUSIC NOIR THAT MOVES MY SPIRIT, *presented by The Rev. Mark Harris*
- August 22** FROM JESUS TO CHRIST: AN ART EXHIBITION, *presented by Paula Hartzell*
- August 29** REFLEXOLOGY, *presented by Anna Maria Kihn*



ST. PETER'S ANNUAL PLANT SALE—MAY 19

The Garden Committee will be hosting its annual plant sale in mid-May. Proceeds from this sale will fund the projects we hope to initiate for our lovely church yard this year. Past plant sales have funded the meditation garden, shade garden and spring bulb display.

We depend on donations from our many gardeners to provide us with the many plants we sell. And seeds remaining in the seed-sharing basket will be available that day as well. In the past we have had annuals, vegetables, herbs, perennials, shrubs, ornamentals and bulbs. Please look to your gardens as they come back to life in these longer, warmer days to see what you might be able to share.

Back by popular acclaim will be our garden boutique, for all those wonderful non-play items we love so dearly. We will need donations of books, garden ornaments, decorative pots, bird houses, garden tools or any other garden-themed material. To inspire all you shoppers, Maureen Sutton will be providing her delicious pastries and coffee for the early birds.

We will need volunteers throughout the morning to assist in setup, labeling, pricing, sales and clean up. There will be sign up sheets available at coffee hour starting on Sunday, May 4. Please try to give a bit of your time.

"He covers the heavens with clouds and prepares rain for the earth; he makes grass to grow upon the mountains"

- Psalm 147:8



ROYAL SCHOOL OF CHURCH MUSIC / VOICE FOR LIFE



Since 2010 St. Peter's has been an affiliate institution of the Royal School of Church Music. Founded in 1927 by Sir Sydney Nicholson, then organist of Westminster Abbey, the RSCM is dedicated to uplifting the spiritual life of faith communities through high quality choral music. St. Peter's uses the RSCM's curriculum, *Voice for Life*, for instructing our choristers and adult singers in vocal skills, musical understanding, and knowledge of repertoire. In addition to the behind-the-scenes work that happens at weeknight rehearsals, our choirs, as part of their new vesture, will wear the RSCM Voice for Life medal. These medals (pictured above) feature Saint Nicholas, the patron saint of RSCM, and are worn on colored ribbon. The color of a singer's ribbon indicates his/her level of achievement within the *Voice for Life* curriculum. Our choristers begin at the white level and successively work through the light blue, dark blue, red, and yellow levels. Our adult singers wear the same medal but on black ribbon signifying their membership in the Adult Choir.

Do you know a child or adult who loves to sing and would benefit from a free, first-rate musical education? T.J. is always interested to receive inquiries from potential new singers, both children and adults.

SPRING MUSIC HIGHLIGHTS

May 4, 4:30p – Our bell choirs participate in the **Second Annual Lewes-Rehoboth Handbell Festival** at Epworth UMC.

May 5 – Guest trumpeter, **Christopher Burkhardt**, band director at Beacon Middle School, will join us for Choral Eucharist at 10:00 AM. The adult choir will sing a section of Handel's *Dettingen Te Deum* which features a bass solo and trumpet obligato.

May 5, 5p – **Choral Evensong** sung by the choir of **St. Andrew's School**, Middletown under the direction of Nathan Costa. A brief concert and reception will follow the service.

May 26, 5p – **Choral Evensong for Trinity Sunday** sung by our Adult & Chorister choirs: join us for this last choral service before the choirs' summer holiday.

2ND ANNUAL LEWES-REHOBOTH BELL FESTIVAL

Our next festival takes place on Saturday, May 4 with the bell choirs from the Lutheran Church of Our Savior and Epworth United Methodist Church. A public concert will be held the same day at Epworth UMC at 4:30 PM, proceeds from the free-will offering will benefit the Lewes-Rehoboth Association of Churches' newly relocated Community Resource Center.

T.J. TO GUEST CONDUCT CATHEDRAL CHOIR SCHOOL!



As the Cathedral Choir School of Delaware searches for its next Artistic Director, several choral directors within the diocese have been invited to guest conduct the choir. T.J. will conduct CCSD's final Choral Evensong on Sunday, June 2 at 5:00 PM at the Episcopal Church of Saints Andrew and Matthew in downtown Wilmington. You are all cordially invited.

ADDITIONAL HANDBELLS ORDERED!



Thanks to the generosity of an anonymous donor our handbell program is expanding yet again! Our advanced bell choir currently rings 3 octaves (37 bells) of English handbells crafted by the Schulmerich bell foundry in Sellersville, PA. We have just ordered the complete 4th octave of bells, adding an additional 12 bells to the top end of the choir, bringing our total to 49 bells. These new bells will permit several of our ringers to learn a technique called "Shelley ringing". This technique involves a single ringer handling 4 bells at the same time, 2 in each hand. Be on the lookout for these additional bells when we begin our new program year in September.

SUNG COMPLINE EVERY FIRST THURSDAY @ 8:30PM

May 2

Join our Adult Choir in a short contemplative service of evening worship on the first Thursday of the month at 8:30PM. Compline consists of psalms, short passages from scripture, an office hymn, a canticle, a litany, collects and additional prayers; all sung to plainsong chant.





BULLETIN BOARD SPACE AVAILABLE!

If you, or a group you know or belong to have an upcoming event and/or announcement and would like to “advertise” it in our Parish Hall, there is limited space available. Please see office for any questions or concerns.

METERS IN EFFECT!

Starting May 1 the parking meters on Second Street will be in effect. Please remember to feed the meter when visiting downtown. Also, a reminder that meters are *free* on Sundays until Noon directly in front of the church.



SAINT PETER'S LEGACY SOCIETY

Whatever you leave to your church in your will is deductible for federal estate tax purposes. Did you know that you can make a gift to St. Peter's Legacy Society that will cost you nothing during your lifetime, nor jeopardize your current financial security? For more info, please contact the office at 645.8479.

SEEKERS
SPIRITUAL TREASURES AT
ST. PETER'S SQUARE

SUMMER SPIRITUALITY SERIES BEGINS THIS MONTH!

It is that time of year for the wonderful SSS program held in the Parish Hall every Thursday at 7pm, followed by ice cream! Here is May & June's schedule. For more weeks or info, please contact the office.

- May 30** The mind-body connection, *presented by Dr. Udai Jani*
- June 6** 10 hymns you need to discover, *presented by T.J. Thomas*
- June 13** Insight on the Spirituality of the Incas, *presented by Dr. Pando*
- June 20** The Spirituality of Yoga, *presented by Kim Bemis*
- June 27** Ethical Wills, *presented by the Rev. Jeffrey Ross*



RIDDLE ME THIS ..

Each month we will post a piece of trivia or riddle. If you have the answer, email vbailey@stpeterslewes.org, and your name will be entered for a chance to win a water bottle! You will also be mentioned as the winner in the next issue. Good Luck!

Congratulations to Kelley Mallon — last month's winner!

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The answer to last month's riddle: Every letter but “E” was used in the paragraph

Given the following magic square on the right: Fill in the square in such a way that the sum of the numbers in each row (horizontally, vertically, and diagonally) equals to a sum of 264, even if you hold the square upside down. You are only allowed to use the digits 1, 6, 8, and 9, and each number may appear only once in the square.

Camp  2013
Arrowhead

CAMP SCHOLARSHIPS

Please contact Fr. Jeff Ross for more information regarding our camp scholarships. Or you may pick up a brochure in the parish office.

**SEEKERS SPIRITUAL
TREASURES STORE HOURS**

- Sunday: 9am—1pm*
- Monday: Noon—3pm*
- Tuesday: Noon—3pm*
- Wednesday thru Thursday: Closed*
- Friday: Noon—3pm*
- Saturday: 10am—2pm*



47th ANNUAL ART SHOW

Saturday July 6 is the annual St. Peter's Art Show. This event is a wonderful example of the adage "many hands make light work". You can help by designing the program, the day before the show, Friday July 5, preparing turkey salad, or setting up the parish hall for the luncheon. On the day of the show we need volunteers to set up the artists' spaces, staff the information booth, relieve artists who need a break, work in the kitchen or parish hall for the luncheon or be the wrap up and clean up crew. There is an opportunity for you to be a part of the St. Peter's tradition of hospitality and support for the community. St. Peter's Art Show is the "Art that Gives" with all the proceeds donated to local outreach to benefit of the citizens of Sussex County.

In June, we will have volunteer recruiters at each of the Sunday services with sign up sheets for: Friday to prepare for the luncheon AND Saturday to work outside as "show" volunteers and to work inside as "luncheon" volunteers. We hope that you will sign up for a task that will enable you to truly contribute as a member of the St. Peter's family.

Your volunteering efforts do not have to be limited to one day or the other nor are you limited to an outside or inside task but we hope that we can coordinate all volunteers so that no one is in two places at once.

If you have any questions concerning volunteer opportunities, please call Roberta Lindsay at 245-6512, Mitzi Kratt at 644-2672, luncheon coordinators, or Lynda Dunham at 644-8899, Sue Potts at 542-2271, show volunteer coordinators.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Monday—April 8, May 13, and June 10 at 6:30 p.m. in the conference room. Interested in volunteering on a committee? Please join us at an upcoming meeting or email artshow@stpeterslewes.org to find out all the ways you can become involved. If you would prefer to talk to someone about volunteering, please call the church office at 645-8479 and leave a message. No experience is necessary; all that is needed is a willingness to help where needed. Your participation is important because proceeds from the Art Show provide funds for our local outreach ministry.

PROGRAM ADVERTISING POSSIBILITIES

We are inviting businesses in the Greater Lewes area to join us in our efforts to help those in need. Entrepreneurs can help by purchasing ad space in the Art Show's program. The cost of an ad is \$20 for a "phone book listing" of 25 words. If you are interested in purchasing an ad, please call Tina Wical at 645-6476. If you are interested in designing the program, contact Tina Wical.



FRIDAY

- Set up dining room
- De-bone turkey and salad preparation

SATURDAY

- Serve breakfast to artists (indoor and outdoors) 6:30 - 9 am
- Prepare fruit salad at 8 am
- Prepare and serve luncheon (shifts begin at 10:30 & end 2:30) includes:
 - kitchen help
 - Dishwashing
 - dining room help
 - clean up

Support show logistics (2 hr shifts from 6:30 am to 5 pm)

- Street captains and traffic managers to set up and wrap up
- booth sitting
- information booth
- Children's program
- Silent Auction and Raffle support
- Staffing water /rest stations
- roving beverage sales
- end of show pick up and artist assistance

ART SHOW LUNCHEON

In the past, ECW members baked turkeys and cookies in their own kitchens. This tradition gave way to calling parishioners to ask for homemade cookies and for donations to defray the cost of turkeys that are baked in our parish kitchen. This year, after each service in June, we will be asking for turkey sponsorships and cookie bakers.

Look for turkey donation slip in the June bulletins and the big **TENS FOR TURKEYS** Poster in the parish hall.



ECW—EPISCOPAL CHURCH WOMEN

ECW is a spiritually supportive and social gathering of women working together to further the mission of the church through outreach. ECW's outreach is financially made possible by several annual fund raising events. Monies raised in 2012 helped support Centro Infantil San Pablo, Primero Pasos, Casa San Francisco, Read Aloud and other local programs. All women of St. Peter's are welcome and encouraged to participate in ECW events and programs.

save
the date

LADIES' NIGHTS OUT:

There will be no Ladies Night out in May due to the Spring Luncheon. However, please join us:

Monday, June 10th, 6-8 pm at the home of Molly Rudgers, 16813 Kestrel Ct, Lewes

If you need a ride, please contact Dolores Wardwell 644-4234.

The LNO will not meet in July and August, but will resume in the Fall. Stay tuned for more information at the end of the summer.

LADIES SPRING LUNCHEON:

The Ladies Luncheon will be held at Irish Eyes— Lewes Room on Anglers Road. The cost is \$20 (*please make sure to note ECW Luncheon in the memo section of your check*) and will include buffet lunch, refreshments, and guest speaker, Rev Carlyle Gill, who will be discussing the program topic, "Loving Ourselves". Please RSVP to Adele in the office no later than May 7th by calling the office at 645.8479, or emailing afluharty@stpeterslewes.org.

BUSINESS MEETING

ECW's next Business Meeting will be held at 10 am, May 15th in the Parish Hall. All St. Peter's women are encouraged to attend and help plan for upcoming fund raising events that include the Art Show Luncheon and Raffle in July.

UTO INGATHERING

Our spring ingathering collected \$701.88. Thank you all for your generosity!

episcopal church women
Spring
LUNCHEON

MAY 9, 2013

12:00 noon

The Lewes Room—Irish Eyes
213 Anglers Road, Lewes

RSVP: 645-8479 by May 7
Cost: \$20—buffet, coffee & tea

**PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY**

In addition to our ongoing knitting of prayer shawls, the group is undertaking a new project over the next four months called "Knit for Kids", knitting sweaters, hats, and blankets for children in need. The items will be distributed by *World Vision* to wherever the need is greatest. 60% are distributed as far away as Armenia, Swaziland, and Tanzania, and 40% to destinations as close as Appalachia, New Orleans, and the Bronx.

Anyone wishing to knit for this effort may find copies of the patterns on the bulletin board in the Parish Hall. Yarn is available in the ECW closet near the kitchen. Finished contributions can be brought to the church office. Last Fall we had a wonderful response of items for the *Seamen's Center Christmas at Sea* and we hope to repeat that again this year. Please remember, recipients of prayer shawls may include people who are ill, grieving, new home, newlyweds, baptisms, relocations, graduations, shut-ins, college bound, deployments, etc. You may request a prayer shawl through the church office.



WARDEN'S MUSINGS

ST. PETER'S WALL— WHAT'S HAPPENING?

"What's happening with the wall?" - an often asked question from parishioners, local residents and historic preservationists. And a good question it is!

A bit of historic context might be helpful. Our Vestry colleague and church historian, Don Matthews, informs us that the earliest record of attempts to enclose St. Peter's churchyard with wooden rails was in September 1731. In April 1777 it was agreed that the "burying ground" would be walled in with a brick wall. It is reported that the first repair, along the Northwest side, occurred in early 1796. There is no indication that the wall suffered war damage during the British bombardment of Lewes Town in 1813. Over the next two centuries various wall sections were constructed, damaged, repaired and extended.

Fast forward to the 21st Century. The Rector and Vestry agreed that steps should be taken to repair and restore the wall around St. Peter's Square, especially the portion bounded by Market and Third Streets. When new pavements were laid in 2006 the Second Street wall section was repaired and screws were installed to strengthen it. The remainder of the wall now needs attention. In late 2011 the Vestry engaged structural engineers Gredell & Associates of Newark, DE, to undertake a comprehensive assessment of the walls and submit recommendations for their repair and restoration.

Gredell made its recommendations in early 2012 and the Vestry agreed that steps would be taken to make the needed repairs once funds to do so were identified. It is important to note that Gredell reported that the wall's integrity is sound and that it is not likely to topple over.

During last summer it became clear that St. Peter's would secure funds from a state historic tax credit that could then be sold to a financial institution. Encouraged that financing would be available, St. Peter's representatives met with city officials to brief them on the project and to secure guidance on necessary permits. In late August we advertised in *Cape Gazette*, soliciting proposals from local masonry firms. While the response was modest five firms were briefed on the project and Gredell's specifications. Project data and bid solicitations were also circulated in *Construction Journal*, a national trade publication. Nonetheless, none of the firms wished to undertake the project as outlined by Gredell & Associates.

With the onset of winter the project was put on hold. Soon after the first of the year, through Father Jeff's contacts with *Partners for Sacred Places*, the suggestions of *Preservation Delaware* and the Lewes Historical Society and the recommendations of several former Junior Wardens, we solicited proposals from a number of historic masonry restoration firms. *Construction Journal* also ran another bid notice. As a result, we have had several expressions of interest. Site visits have been made, analyzes of



"You spelled garbage wrong."

the existing cement conducted and we have received a number of solid proposals. As this article is being written (mid-April), these proposals are being carefully reviewed and follow-up discussions held with the masonry firms.

Inasmuch as the summer tourist season will soon be upon us and St. Peter's intends that the restoration project be as unobtrusive to downtown Lewes as possible, we have informed bidders that if the bulk of the project cannot be completed no later than mid-May, we would hold off until after Labor Day. Also, the work may be more extensive than originally envisaged as two firms have recommended that the corner sections at Market and Second and Thirds Streets be rebuilt.

We hope the foregoing will be of interest and that it will answer many of your questions. As always, we will be pleased to respond to any further questions and will continue to keep you apprised as significant developments occur.

Peace,
Karen Fischer, Senior Warden
Stuart Brahs, Junior Warden

SAINT PETER'S READERS

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

MAY 19 — "City of Thieves" by David Banioff

JUNE 16—"Proof of Heaven" by Eben Alexander; "Waking up in Heaven" by Crystal McVea; "Heaven is for Real" by Colton Burpo



EVENTS AROUND TOWN

Looking for something to do? This column is your insight into what is happening around town – including concerts, markets, holiday events, theater performances, fundraisers, etc.

LEWES

FIESTA FRIDAY! *May 3.* Downtown Lewes Mexican themed foods, refreshments, merchandise, etc. For more info, visit *Fiesta Friday*. (www.leweschamber.com)

BOOK SALE *May 4, 9-3.* Open to the public book sale bound to have just the perfect story to escape in! For more info, please visit *Book Sale*. (www.www.leweslibrary.org)

CHILDREN'S STORY TIME *Every Tues & Weds, 10:30A.* Have a little bonding time during a story and craft time with your favorite little "peanut"! Lewes Library. For more info, visit *Story Time*. (www.www.leweslibrary.org)

FARMERS MARKET *May 11 (every Sat).* The season kicks off with locally grown produce. For more info, please visit *Farmers Market*. (www.historiclewesfarmersmarket.org)

18TH ANNUAL BRITISH CAR SHOW! *May 4, 11-3.* The British Are Coming! Enjoy a wide array of classic British cars! For more info, please visit *British Car Show*. (www.www.leweschamber.com)

POOCHES IN THE PARK! *May 18.* Training demonstrations, doggie massages, photo opportunities, lunch and more! For more info or to purchase tickets, visit *Pooches*. (www.lewescanalfontpark.org)

REHOBOTH / DEWEY BEACH

FARMERS MARKET *May 7, 12-4p.* Opening day for the Rehoboth Beach farmers market to include live music and local chefs sampling foods. For info, please visit *RB Farmers*. (www.rehoboth.com)

DEWEY ARTS FESTIVAL! *May 11 10a-5p.* 2nd Annual arts and crafts festival. For info, please visit *Arts Festival*. (www.deweybusinesspartnership.com)

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY AUCTION! *May 16 & 17th.* 2-day event starts with live/silent auction and ends with golfing. For more info, visit *Habitat Auction*. (www.rehoboth.com)

SEASIDE ART SHOW & AUCTION! *May 18.* Honorary artist Amie Sloan invites you to a day of art, wine, and auctions! For more info, please visit *Seaside Show*. (www.rehobotbeachvia.org)

DE FEET BREAST WALK *May 19.* Walk/run to raise funds for breast cancer. For more information, please visit *Breast Walk*. (www.debreastcancer.org)

CHRISTIANITY ACROSS THE CENTURIES *May 19.* Seminar exploring the growth & spread of Christianity from its early roots to modern day. For more information or to register, please visit *Christianity Seminar*. (www.lcosrehoboth.org)

CAUSE 4 PAWS SPRING FLING! *May 31.* Fundraising event includes dinner, dancing, and live/silent auction. For more info or to purchase tickets, visit *Spring Fling*. (www.safehavende.org)

MISCELLANEOUS EVENTS

COASTAL CONCERTS strives to enhance live classical music in Southern Delaware and surrounding areas. To view upcoming concerts, please visit www.coastalconcerts.org.

REHOBOTH CHILDREN'S THEATER will be hosting weekly performances for audiences of all ages. For more info, visit www.rehobothchildrentheatre.org

POSSUM POINT PLAYERS brings the experience of live theater alike to the Sussex Country area. To view upcoming performances, please visit www.possumpointplayers.org

SOUTHERN DELAWARE CHORAL SOCIETY brings quality choral music to southern Delaware. For more info or to view upcoming events, visit www.southerndelawarechoralsociety.org

CLEAR SPACE THEATER is a leader in the vibrant performing arts community of southern Delaware. To inspire audiences through high quality performances. To view their event calendar, please visit www.clearspacetheater.org.

NANTICOKE HERITAGE DAY *May 18.* Dance performances, drummer, singers, flute, and more. Come celebrate the native Indian heritage. For more info, please visit www.nanticokeindians.org.

If you belong to, or enjoy, an organization with upcoming events, and would like to see it mentioned in the 'Events Around Town' page of the newsletter, please contact secretary@stpeterslewes.org.



May 2013

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| <p>Notes:</p> <p>5 *CINCO DE MAYO* 8a Holy Eucharist 10a Holy Eucharist w/Adult Choir 5p Evensong & mini-concert sung by St. Andrews Choir</p> | <p>6 8:30a Morning Prayer 5p Pilottown Cemetery Meeting</p> | <p>7 8:30a Morning Prayer 10a Bible Study 7p Vestry Meeting 7p Centering Prayer Group</p> | <p>1 8:30a Morning Prayer 9:30a Clergy Bible Study 5:30p Beginner Bell Rehearsal 6:30p Bell Choir Rehearsal 7:30p Holy Eucharist</p> | <p>2 8:30a Morning Prayer 4:30p Seekers Vol. Dinner 5:30p Choristers Rehearsal 7p Adult Choir Rehearsal 8:30p Sung Compline</p> | <p>3 8:30a Morning Prayer</p> | <p>4 8:30a Bell Festival—Epworth UMC Morning Prayer</p> |
| <p>12 *MOTHER'S DAY* 8a Holy Eucharist 10a Holy Eucharist w/ Handbells 11a Search Committee 11a Music Group Rehearsal 11:45a Choristers Rehearsal</p> | <p>13 8:30a Morning Prayer 6:30p Art Show Meeting</p> | <p>14 8:30a Morning Prayer 10a Bible Study 7p Centering Prayer Group</p> | <p>15 8:30a Morning Prayer 9:30a Clergy Bible Study 7:30p Holy Eucharist *NEWSLETTER DEADLINE*</p> | <p>16 8:30a Morning Prayer 10a HE at Cadbury 5:30p Choristers Rehearsal 7p Adult Choir Rehearsal</p> | <p>17 8:30a Morning Prayer</p> | <p>18 8a KAIROS Meeting 8:30a Morning Prayer</p> |
| <p>19 7a Plant Sale 8a Holy Eucharist 10a Holy Eucharist w/Adult Choir 5p St. Peter's Readers</p> | <p>20 8:30a Morning Prayer 10:30a Shawl Ministry 7p Local Outreach</p> | <p>21 8:30a Morning Prayer 10a Bible Study 12p Seekers Standing Committee 7p Centering Prayer Group</p> | <p>22 8:30a Morning Prayer 9:30a Clergy Bible Study 7:30p Holy Eucharist</p> | <p>23 8:30a Morning Prayer 10a HE at Cadbury 5:30p Choristers Rehearsal 7p Adult Choir Rehearsal</p> | <p>24 8:30a Morning Prayer</p> | <p>25 8:30a Morning Prayer</p> |
| <p>26 8a Holy Eucharist 10a Holy Eucharist w/New Music Group 11:45a Choristers Rehearsal 5p Evensong w/Adult Choir & Choristers</p> | <p>27 *MEMORIAL DAY* Office Closed 8:30a Morning Prayer</p> | <p>28 8:30a Morning Prayer 10a Bible Study 7p Centering Prayer Group</p> | <p>29 8:30a Morning Prayer 9:30a Clergy Bible Study 7:30p Holy Eucharist</p> | <p>30 8:30a Morning Prayer 10a HE at Cadbury 7p Summer Spirituality Series—<i>The Mind-Body Connection, Dr. Udayani</i></p> | <p>31 8:30a Morning Prayer</p> | |



DID YOU KNOW? Four noteworthy events occurred in 1965. I graduated from college. I got married. Our daughter was born. And the Styrofoam packing peanut was introduced to the world.

Okay, so maybe matriculation, marriage and motherhood weren't as significant as the creation of the packing peanut, but they were (and still are) major milestones in the life of the "Recycle Queen." And, even though those three events aren't recognized (worldwide) as great accomplishments they all make "The Queen" happier than the existence of packing peanuts which were invented by the Dow Chemical Company in 1965. These days, it's very evident those little puffs of plastic have had a definite impact on our world and, unfortunately, not always a positive one.

The original particles were made from 100% virgin polystyrene resin that resembled the shape and size of a peanut in its shell. In addition to the peanut model, some were also shaped like an "S", "figure 8" or "W" with each shape designed to interlock when compressed. They were lightweight (0.17 to 0.2 lb. per cubic ft.) and less messy/dirty than other packing materials (newspaper/excelsior/cardboard/straw) commonly used to protect fragile items during shipping.

It sure seemed like Dow had come up with a winner. Here was a product that was fairly inexpensive to buy and use, lightweight, extremely durable and could be reused indefinitely. However, because these peanuts were practically indestructible it also meant they were an environmental disaster because they would last for hundreds of years when disposed of rather than being recycled. Not only that, they were being made from virgin raw materials.

By the mid-90's peanuts made from recycled polystyrene became available. The shape and color often indicated who made it and what it was made of. As a rule, **GREEN** meant the product contained **70% or more RECYCLED polystyrene** and **WHITE** meant it was made from **70% or more VIRGIN resin**. **PINK** indicated the product has been treated with a chemical to prevent static cling.

It was in the early-90's, however, that starch -based packing peanuts were developed as a more environmentally friendly alternative. Since the starch (corn or sorghum) in these packing particles came from a crop-based source rather than a petroleum-based one it made them completely non-toxic and biodegradable. There were, however, some drawbacks to this type of peanut as compared to its polystyrene predecessor. They were less resilient so they didn't last forever, there was some "dust creation," they weighed more (0.4 to 0.8 lb. per cubic ft.) and they were slightly more expensive. But, as "The Queen" has pointed out before, sometimes doing the "green thing" and treating our earth more gently isn't always the easiest, most convenient or cheapest path to pursue.

Now, if you're wondering, "What's the purpose of this packing peanut prose?" let me explain. The bottom line is because the majority of peanuts still being used aren't biodegradable, they should be recycled .. **NOT** sent to the landfill via our weekly garbage/trash collections. **Neither** should they be put into the Styrofoam Recycling Bin behind the parish hall. (They're **not** accepted by the company that recycles the styrofoam and "Queenie" is getting **REALLY TIRED** of having to sort through that huge bag of beverage cups, egg cartons, carry out containers, etc. before hauling it off to the transfer station near Milford every month!)

"Well then," you're probably thinking, "how do I recycle those pesky peanuts?" Ah ha, so glad you asked. They can be taken to any packing/shipping business (there are 3 here in the Lewes/Rehoboth are) and they would be **very** happy to take them off your hands. It's a win-win-win, you get to recycle the peanuts, the business owners don't have to buy as many new peanuts and the landfills are spared the presence of toxic polystyrene waste. That should make everyone happy .. especially Mother Earth as well as "The Queen."

AREA BUSINESSES THAT ACCEPT "USED" PACKING PEANUTS

*UPS Store – 18766 John J. Williams Hwy (Mon—Fri 8 to 6, Sat 8 to 3)

*Parcel Plus – 19266 Coastal Hwy (next to TGIFridays) (Mon—Fri 8:30 to 6, Sat 10 to 3)

*Javabyte/MailBiz – Midway Shopping Center (Mon—Fri 8 to 6, Sat 10 to 4)

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May 2013

Worship Ministry Schedule

| DATE | READER | CHALICE BEARER | ACOLYTES | ALTAR GUILD | USHERS |
|---|--|--|---|---|--|
| May 5 <i>Sixth Sunday of Easter</i> Acts 16:9-15 Revelation 21:10, 22-22:5 John 14:23-29 | 8— Diane Wilson 10— Gary Belkot | 8— Louise White-Sykes, Kit Zak 10— Mac McMahon, Marj Lewis | 8— T Welch, Z Tyler 10— M Ross, Ava Caruso, E Campbell | 8— Betsy Hansot 10— Marj Lewis, Ruth Brahs | 8— Bruce Summers, Tim Willard 10— Frank Miller, Al Naylor |
| May 12 <i>Seventh Sunday of Easter</i> Acts 16:16-34 Revelation 22:12-14, 16-17, 20-21 John 17:20-26 | 8— Marllys Cowan 10— Ruth Brahs | 8— Charles Atwell, Karen Kohn 10— Mac McMahon, Marj Lewis | 8— R Jundt, J Edmonds 10— E Mallon, D Myers, A Mallon | 8— Betsy Hansot 10— Marj Lewis, Ruth Brahs | 8— Vernon & Eleanor Huber 10— Bruce Aldred & Sons |
| May 19 <i>Day of Pentecost — Whitsunday</i> Genesis 11:1-9 Acts 2:1-21 John 14:8-27 | 8— Eleanor Huber 10— Roo Brown | 8— Don Matthews, Judy Eger 10— Bruce Phalen, Susan Robinson | 8— T Miller, K Carmine 10— M Lewis, A Naylor, W Burton | 8— Karen Fischer 10— Marj Lewis | 8— Red Moulinier, Patty Warden 10— Jerry & Mary Shea |
| May 26 <i>First Sunday after Pentecost — Trinity Sunday</i> Proverbs 8:1-4, 22-31 Romans 5:1-5 John 16:12-15 | 8— Vernon Huber 10— Sid Miller | 8— Charlie Meyer, Mary Van House 10— Ingrid Miller, John Michael Sophos | 8— B Osler, K Fischer 10— A Caruso, S Miller, A Ross | 8— Jane Gibson 10— Marj Lewis, Ruth Brahs | 8— Michael Seifert, Harvey Holthaus 10— Ron Barlow, Teri Munz |
| June 2 <i>Second Sunday after Pentecost</i> 1 Kings 8:22-23, 41-43 Galatians 1:1-12 Luke 7:1-10 | 8— Sue Potts 10— Cynthia Campbell | 8— Don ProI, Angie Rummel 10— Dave & Elinor Boyce | 8— 10— | 8— 10— | 8— Charlie Atwell, Diane Wilson 10— Virgil & Nancy Brown |

SPECIAL SERVICES

READER

CHALICE BEARER

ACOLYTES

ALTAR GUILD

USHERS

May 9
Ascension Day

Richard Freeman

Dave & Elinor Boyce

NOTE: You are responsible for finding a replacement for a conflicting Sunday. If you will be out of town, please notify the office of your vacation times.

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 vbailey@stpeterslewes.org



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| Angie | Elizabeth | Mack Morgan | <i>Sue Meyer</i> |
| Betty | Geraldine Kenney | Margaret Thomas | <i>Tom Davis</i> |
| Bob | Gerry Cooney | Marlene Cooney | Tom Richardson |
| Brad, Paige, Madison & Tanner | Ginny | Matin Family | <i>Trevor Manis</i> |
| Brenda Hazzard | Jane Thompson | Mike Price | <i>Will Burton</i> |
| Carol Duncan | Janet | Minnie | Yvonne Culton |
| Carmen | JB Walsh | <i>Nancy Curley</i> | |
| Cheryle | Joan Porter | Packard Biddle | |
| Connie Peterson | John Williams | Rehn | |
| Connie Seta | Kara | Rob Groff | |
| Don Bravo | Karen Petermann | Roger Mitchell | |
| Efan | Kellee Harris | Ruth Brown | |
| | Lillian Wzorek | | |

**italics indicates St. Peter's members*

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



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

Patrick Baker, Phillip Bergeron, Taylor Donahue, Amelia Kern, Justin Neive, Dr. Mark Riddle, Zachary Shea, Andrew Taylor, Buddy Smith, Pierson Roenke, and Christopher Warden.

MAY BIRTHDAYS

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| 1 Tim Campbell | 27 Margaret Connor |
| 2 Jane Thompson | Ingrid Miller |
| Ann-Margaret Donato | Samantha Welch |
| 3 Barbara Moulinier | 29 Linda Raivel |
| 5 Debbie Simms | 30 Halina Athaney |
| 6 Tim Miller | Robert Patlan |
| 7 Curtis Reinhart | 31 Carole Ann Medd |
| Sam Willard | Phyllis Frick |
| 9 Bill Fisher | |
| 12 Terri Klopp | |
| Will Burton | |
| 14 George Freeman | |
| Jenny West | |
| 15 Dan Somerset | |
| 16 Joanne Shirk | |
| 17 Joanne Price | |
| 19 Betsy Hansot | |
| Kristy Wells | |
| 20 Teri Munz | |
| 21 Mark Harris | |
| 22 Grace Lowe | |
| 23 Rita Nelson | |
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| 24 Art Henry | |
| Lorraine Papp | |
| 25 Bob Fischer | |
| 26 Alec Thomson | |
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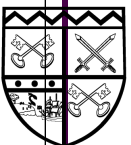
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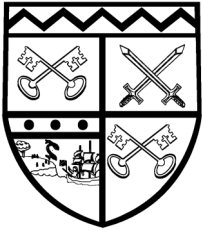
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| 5 Sue Potts & Karen Kohn |
| 6 Rufus & Katie Malecdan |
| 7 Jansen & Carol Fray |
| 18 Jim & Carol DeCatur |
| 24 Bruce & Barb Mellen |
| 28 Dave & Kelley Mallon |
| 29 Will & Tina Wical |



PARISH REGISTER

- Baptisms:**
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 Landon Joseph Welch
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 William Mowll
 Morgan Bravo Ross
 Melcena Clemmons
 James Rooney
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 James McMahan
 Christine-Ann Miller-Marcin
 Charles Oakes
 Ernestina Wical
 Judith Cousins
 Patricia Hannon
 Patricia Mowll
 Karen Moyer
 Patricia Okoniewski,
 Willard Wical
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 Domenic Thompson
 Catherine Malone
 Kathleen Thompson
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 Stephen Shirk
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 Douglas Catts & Jena Brammer
- Transfers:**
 Jeffrey & Arlene Gordon
- Burials:**
 Willis Rusco
 Harry Faust, Jr.

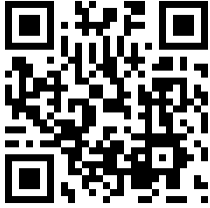




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