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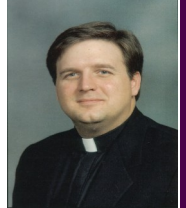
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A LETTER FROM OUR RECTOR

Dear People of Saint Peters,



If you look closely at the stained glass windows and wood working in most churches you will quickly discover that these works of art are frequently stuffed with symbols. Now, Dan Brown novels notwithstanding, in my experience, none of these point to some earthly treasure or scandalous secret. Still, unless you know what you are looking for and are familiar with the Christian history, their meaning can remain lost and elusive.



Take for instance this graphic: which is the letters I-H-S intertwined. You can find this or similar renderings in many older church buildings. These are the Greek letters Iota, Eta and Sigma (there is no letter J in Greek) and it is possible sometimes to see it rendered as I-H-C as well. Originally, these have stood for the first three letters of Jesus' name. Sometimes, other meanings have been attributed: such as "I have suffered", "Jesus H. Christ" or "In His service". While I abhor "Jesus H. Christ" these other two interpretations can be instructive, particularly "In His service".

Every Sunday, we gather for worship and offer ourselves "In His service"; for some that may mean assisting with the liturgy: some are ushers, lectors, acolytes, altar guild or chalice bearers. Some offer their talents as vocalist or musicians to stir our hearts with the inspiration of music. Regardless, all these blessings are offered to our community to the glory of God and the enrichment of our worship for our worship encourages and equips us to go out into the world "In His service".

Being respectful of the gifts each of us offers is essential and Saint Paul admonished the church in Corinth to be mindful and respectful of the talents shared with the congregation in love (1 Corinthians 12). No gift should be neglected or ignored — and I do not think that any of us at Saint Peter's would ever do this intentionally, but we must be vigilant and not complacent!

Recently, several members have raised a concern with me about this and it was part of a conversation on Facebook. One of our great blessings as congregation is our warmth, and people genuinely are excited to greet each other on Sunday morning. Yet, there can be more appropriate times to do this more than others. Our worship formally begins with a prelude and concludes with a postlude; both usually played on the organ. The purpose of this music is to center us: to get into a prayerful space for worship and to prepare ourselves for going out into the world. Many members rely on this time and want to enjoy the music. This can be particularly difficult when there is a lot of chatter and commotion. Please know that the purpose of the prelude and postlude is not just to "fill time" and that it really is offered "In



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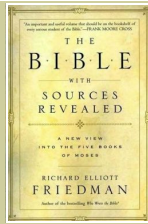
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If you would like to submit an article or announcement for the St. Peter's Keys, please do so by the 15th of each month

His service". Be sensitive and mindful of those trying to prepare for worship and please keep talking at a minimum once the service begins.

Please keep me in your prayers and know that you are daily in mine.

Faithfully, *Jeffrey*



WHAT THE RECTOR IS READING

"*The Bible Sources Revealed*" by Robert Friedman has been very helpful for our Tuesday Bible Study. For many years, Biblical scholars have considered the theory that the first 5 books of the Bible or Pentateuch come from several different sources. This book presents the sources with different colors so it is easier to identify the source. Our Bible study is enriched by the presence of Rabbi Beth Cohen from Seaside Jewish Community—now is a wonderful time to join and you would be most welcome!

VESTRY MINUTES—SEPTEMBER 3, 2013

Christian Formation

Meeting moved down to the Church School to have a special presentation with Mende George. She gave us a tour of the class rooms and an explanation/demonstration of what parents can expect their children will be doing each week. Classes will begin at 9:30 a.m. on September 22nd. Children will join the congregation in the Church during the Peace.

Financial Advisory Committee

Committee will meet September 16th at 4:00 p.m. in the Conference Room. They will review the portfolio and the Investment Policy.

Senior Warden's Report

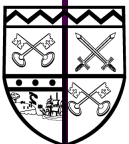
- Thanks are given to those who have sent in the duties for liaison groups and their budgets for 2014.
- Diocesan News
 - Camp Arrowhead had over 935 campers this year. They have joined with the Diocese of Pennsylvania.
 - Memorial House has had 52 groups or around 800 people using their facilities this year and 275 who came for rest and relaxation.
 - 2013 Bishop's Mission Fund is being used to help Primera Pasos in Georgetown.
 - Parish Life is being held on November 23rd.
 - Safe Church Training will be held September and October.
- Ushers badgers are attractive and being used.
- Fees for Weddings, Funerals and Memorial Services were discussed. Alec made a motion to accept the fees as presented. MJ seconded the motion and it passed by majority vote.

Junior Warden's Report

- deGrunchy Masonry Restoration will begin work on the wall along Market and Third Streets the week of September 9th. All permits have been acquired. Hope is to be completed in 6 weeks.
- Working on getting additional lighting for the steeple.
- Fire Alarm system is not up to present code. 3 proposals have been gotten for a new system. Total cost is between \$7,000 and \$10,000. Working on getting a site drawing of the Church. Don will check his files, thinks there is one from 1942 that maybe of help. Discussion followed. Natalie made a motion to authorize Stuart to use up to \$10,000 for a new fire alarm system. Alec seconded and all present agreed.
- Other projects still pending: repainting of the flagpole, office step handrail, repair to Sacristy exterior door and Church front door, Rectory kitchen repairs, electric hand dryers in bathrooms, security system in Church and /or office, and repairs to the Church roof/shingle.

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)**Stewardship**

Focus for 2014 Stewardship program will be on Christian Formation. Guest preacher will be Rev. David Canan on October 27th. More information on the campaign will be coming.

Legacy Society

Celebration with the presentation of the plaque will be held on November 1st.

Worship and Music

Fall 2013 Sundays and Holy Days Music Calendar was presented.

Christian Formation

- Class rooms have been painted and ready for the start of classes on September 22nd.
- Samantha Welch will continue in the Nursery.
- Two Godly Play centers have been set-up and will be held on Sundays for age 3 through 1st grade and 2nd through 5th grades beginning at 9:30am. Children will join the congregation during the peace and remain in the church until the end of Services.
- Two "youth groups" are being planned. SPY will include 6th through 8th graders and they will meet every other Sunday following services. SPY High will include 9th through 12th graders and they will meet on the alternating Sundays following services. Meetings will be held noon to 1:30 p.m. and pizza will be included. Meetings will include devotions, study food and fun. Community outreach and fun activities outside the church will also be planned. Kick off pool party will be held on Sept 15th.
- Miscellaneous Projects
 - Godly Play lesson at Cadbury.
 - Intergenerational programs in the parish hall during Sunday School hour to include all ages young and old.
 - Webpage will up dated to include new narratives and photos. Thanks to Mary Thomson.
 - Will be keeping in contact with our newly baptized.
- **NEED VOLUNTEERS!** Anyone willing to help, please contact Mende.

Pastoral Care

Stephen Ministry is an extremely organized systematic model for delivery of lay pastoral care to hurting people, both within and outside the parish. Jeff, Natalie, Tom Carlson, Kay Malone, Steve Shirk and Elinor Boyce went to Pittsburgh for leadership training. Larry Hofer and Maryanne Latorre have been through the training and have joined our group.

Parish Life

Plans are underway for the Parish Picnic this Sunday. MJ will line-up several grillers. Vestry members are asked to extend an invitation to new members of the parish. Our thanks to Morgan Ross who volunteered to serve as life-guard at the pool.

Art Show

- Our goal of \$20,000 was raised to cover our Outreach expenses for the year.
- Spreadsheet was handed out comparing the last years.
- Committee has agreed to end the show at 3 p.m. in 2014.
- M&T Bank parking lot and the tent have been reserved for 2014.

Rector's Report

- 2 representatives from St. Paul's in San Miguel de Allende, Mexico will be visiting us in November and will

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

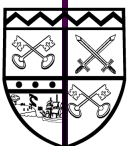
Yoga 6:30-7:30a
Art Group 9a-12p

First Friday

Insight Meditation 7:30-9p

Second Friday

Overfalls 7-9:30p



VESTRY MINUTES (CONTINUED)

- attend our Annual Meeting.
- Professor Deirdre Good will be doing a “Bible Study” Workshop on November 17th and preach on November 18th.
 - EfM classes will be held on Thursday evenings starting in September. Jeff and Natalie will lead the group of 7 people.
 - Jeff did not receive the Lily Grant. Will be talking with the Bishop for help paying the additional time clergy will be putting in.

Annual Meeting and Vestry Nominations

Annual meeting will be held on November 10th following the 10 a.m. service. Vestry nominations are Tom Crowley, Judy Cousins, Natalie Kerr and Tracy Mulveny.

Pilottown Cemetery Standing Committee

Nomination for Patty Warden’s vacant position will be addressed next month.

2014 Budget

Budget was briefly reviewed by line item. Not all requests have been filled in. A draft will be sent to members and they are asked to review and we will discuss on October 7th at 6:00 p.m.

Other Business

- Mary Van House and Helen Waite are working on plans to restore the Labyrinth in the Churchyard. Hope to have and update soon.
- Saturday night services are going well 35 to 50 people attending each week. Will continue as long as the attendance continues.

**EDUCATION FOR MINISTRY (EFM) IS IT WORTH IT?**

Education for Ministry has begun. As a new and unknown experience, you may have questions and curiosity about this adventure. It is both an outlay of money and an enormous commitment of time. Will it be worth it? ***You betcha!*** Will you ever use this knowledge? ***Certainly!***

You will recognize much of the content in the liturgy, Eucharist, Sermons, Bible Study; Shakespeare mined the Bible, authors referenced our religious heritage in fiction and non-fiction; it is essential in comparative religions’ studies. What is really satisfying as an EfM graduate is the recognition of topics you studied as you go about your travels; it will make you smile. Yes, it was all worth it!

-Helen Murphy

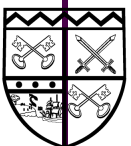
**PASTORAL HOSPITAL VISITS**

If you are wanting a clergy member to visit you, or a loved one, while in the hospital, please notify the hospital that you are an Episcopalian. Also, please notify the office of your Room Number — we cannot find your room without permission from you.

DON'T FORGET

STEWARDSHIP MINISTRIES

This is a friendly reminder to recollect your pledge to St. Peter’s Church. Just like your family depends on regular bi-weekly or monthly income, St. Peter’s Church appreciates receiving your pledge on a regular basis throughout the year, too. Summertime is busy with many things going on in our lives. Thank you for remembering your pledge.



It has been a busy month here at St. Peters getting ready for the start of our Christian Education year.



Godly Play began September at 9:30. There are two classrooms and they are located on the lower level of the Parish Hall. Godly Play is offered for children ages 3 through 5th grade. Information with regard to our Godly Play program is located at the foot of the stairs in the Parish House and on our Website. Of course, you should feel free to contact Mende with any questions either at mgeorge@stpeterslewes.org or in the office at 645.8479.



For Godly Play both as Storytellers and Greeters. Being a Greeter does not require any preparation. You need only come to class and help out. Being a Storyteller involves minimum preparation and you are given all the materials ahead of time that you will need. Please email or call Mende if you feel that you wish to participate in our Godly Play program.

BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS



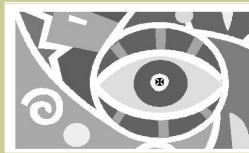
**Sunday, October 6th
12:00pm**

The children will hear a special lesson about St. Francis in their Godly Play classrooms.



BAPTISM CELEBRATIONS

Fr. Jeff and Mende are planning a special service in late Fall to celebrate all of the babies and children received into baptism this year at St. Peters that will include a special reception following the service. We hope everyone can attend in support of these families.



SPY
saint peter's youth

This year we are going to have two youth group offerings:

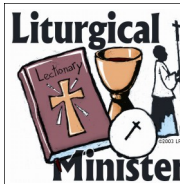
**SPY for grades 6 through 8 and
SPY HIGH for grades 9 through 12.**

SPY will meet on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month

SPY HIGH will meet on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month.

All meetings will be held in the SPY room from 11:30 to 1:00 and will include lunch. Nathalie Willard, John Michael Sophos, Drew Naylor, Fr. Mark Harris, and I will be leading the SPY HIGH group and my husband Alan and I will be leading the SPY group.

There will be a **special meeting for parents of SPY HIGH youth on Sunday, September 29, 2013 at 11:30 a.m.** in the conference room the purpose of which will be to discuss next year's Pilgrimage plans and our Nightwatch trip on February 7 and 8, 2014 to St. John the Divine in NYC.



LAY READERS/LECTORS/CHALICE BEARERS/etc.

We would like to thank you for your support and commitment to our parish and the Worship Ministry. Due to the wonderful response we have had for new volunteers, those "seasoned" participants may not be scheduled as frequently as in the past. We appreciate your understanding and cooperation. If you have any concerns please contact Fr Jeffrey.



OFFICE HOURS

**Monday—Friday 8:30am to 3:00pm ~ Office Holidays—the office will be closed on the following dates:
October 14, November 11, 28-29, December 25.**





SAFE CHURCH FALL TRAINING

OCTOBER 15 & 16
 6pm—9pm
 All Saints Church, Rehoboth

trainers:
 The Rev. Max Wolf
 Ms. Teri Smith-Jones

registration deadline: October 6

If you have questions, please Cinde Bimbi at 302.656.5441, xt 106 or cyndebimbi@dioceseofdelaware.net

Stephen Ministers: The After People

People often ask, "What exactly is a Stephen Minister?" One way to put it is that Stephen Ministers are the *After People*.

Stephen Ministers are there:

- ... *after* the phone call you hoped you'd never get.
- ... *after* the divorce papers are served and the bottom falls out of your life.
- ... *after* the funeral, when everyone has left and the emotions you've held at bay come crashing in on you.
- ... *after* the doctor says, "I'm sorry, but there's nothing more we can do."
- ... *after* the nursing home director shakes your hand and says, "Welcome to your new home."
- ... *after* the last child honks the horn, waves, and drives away—and the house suddenly seems empty.
- ... *after* the gavel goes down, the handcuffs go on, and your loved one is led away.
- ... *after* the baby arrives, demanding more of you than you ever dreamed possible.
- ... *after* you find a pink slip with your final paycheck.
- ... *after* your family and friends have heard your story one too many times, but you still need to talk it out.

Stephen Ministers are the "After People." They are ready to come alongside you—or your friends, neighbors, coworkers, or relatives—and provide comfort and support for as long *after* as needed.

www.stephenministries.org



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!

Congrats Tracy Mulveny for guessing the September riddle! The answer was 14!

Word Boxes are like miniature crossword puzzles, except that each word is filled in across and down the grid. That is, the answer to 1 across is the same as 1 down. Can you answer these boxes?

	1	2	3	4	5	
1						1. Media Anthology
2						2. Apartment Security
3						3. Dull
4						4. Treatment
5						5. Hand-to-hand fight

SEEKERS SPIRITUAL TREASURES STORE HOURS

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



2013 ANGLICAN MUSICIAN IN RESIDENCE: DR. DAVID FLOOD

This year’s musician in residence is a familiar face to many at St. Peter’s, Dr. David Flood, Organist and Master of Choristers at Canterbury Cathedral, Kent, UK. We are very excited about David’s return visit and invite you to join in all of the following events:



♫ Organ Recital – Friday, October 18 @ 7:00 PM

David will play a full-length recital on St. Peter’s 78 rank, 3 manual organ. Tickets not required though a free-will offering will be taken to benefit the music fund.

♫ Open Choir Rehearsal – Saturday, October 19 @ 10:00 AM

Come and watch David rehearse our adult and chorister as they prepare music for the Sunday services.

♫ Festal Choral Eucharist – Sunday, October 20 @ 10:00 AM

Featuring composer William H. Harris’ *Communion Service in F* and Felix Mendelssohn’s *Hear my prayer* which concludes with the much loved “O for the wings of a dove” (Charlotte Freeman, soloist.)

♫ Solemn Choral Evensong – Sunday, October 20 @ 5:00 PM

Our weekend culminates in this uniquely Anglican service of evening prayer with canticles set by Thomas Walmisley, responses by Bernard Rose, and a thrilling anthem, *Insanae et vanae curae* by Franz Joseph Haydn. The Rev’d Ruth Lawson Kirk, rector of Christ Church Christiana Hundred in Greenville will serve as guest officiant. A farewell reception for David catered by The Essential Chef will directly follow Evensong.

CHOIR REHEARSAL SCHEDULE

SUNG COMPLINE SCHEDULE

- ♫ **Adult Choir**
Thursdays at 7:00pm
- ♫ **Choristers**
Sundays at 11:45am
- ♫ **Beginner Bell Choir**
Wednesdays at 5:30pm
- ♫ **Advanced Bell Choir**
Wednesdays at 6:30pm
- ♫ **Contemporary Choir**
1st & 3rd Sundays at 11:30am

First Thursday of every Month at 8:30pm
October 3 ~ November 7 ~ December 5

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.

SAVE THE DATE!

A Taste of Sussex Dinner with our friends from Mexico
*friends from our companion parish of St. Paul's in San Miguel de Allende:
 Adrian Ross, Senior Warden and Patricia Cortes, Head of School for Centro Infantil*

November 8, 2013
St. Peter's Parish Hall
Silent Auction
\$50 per person

Crab cakes ~ Chicken ~ Apple Pie a la mode
 Catered by Essential Chef

Limited Seating: 80 tickets—please call office to reserve seat
All proceeds to support Centro Infantil San Pablo








EPISCOPAL CHURCH WOMEN

ECW, a spiritually supportive and social gathering of women, works to further the mission of the church through outreach. Annual fund raising events support ECW's outreach efforts. All women of St. Peter's are ECW members and are encouraged to participate in ECW events and programs. To receive ECW news updates and event reminders via email, please send your name and email address to ECW email coordinator, Teri Munz, tfmunz@gmail.com.

Ladies' Night Out


There is no advance sign up, just bring an appetizer or a favorite beverage and join us on:

- ☛ **October 14th**, 6-8pm, hosted by Lynn Goebel, 34175 Beech Drive, Sandy Brae, Lewes.
- ☛ **November**, Date and Host to be announced.
- ☛ **December**, hosted by Diane Wilson, 10 Delaware Avenue, Lewes. Date and Time to be announced.

ECW Business Meeting

The ECW held its bimonthly **Business Meeting** on Wednesday, Sept. 11th. Some agenda items included planning for the annual Soup Luncheon on Saturday, Dec. 7th and consideration of donation requests. Donations were unanimously approved for RTG Mission House (Recovery through Grace), CASA San Francisco, and Centro Infantil San Pablo. ECW will hold its next business meeting November 13 at 10:00am in the Parish Hall.

Help Wanted

 ECW currently needs a Recording Secretary and a Chairperson for the December Soup Luncheon. Many are already committed to helping with this major fundraiser but a chairperson is needed. If you are willing and able to fill either of the above roles, please contact Delores Wardwell, 644-4234 (dandbwardwell@verizon.net) or Molly Rudgers, 827-4654 (mjrudgers@gmail.com).

The Way Home Program

ECWs state wide are supporting *The Way Home Program* by collecting travel or trial size toiletries for newly released prisoners. Your support is greatly appreciated. We will collect the following items at Ladies Nights Out in October and November.

- Shampoo and conditioner
- Disposable razors
- Shaving lotion
- Toothbrushes and toothpaste
- Wash cloths
- Hair brushes/combs
- Deodorant
- Lotion/powder (unscented or low scent)
- Bath soap, liquid soap
- Chap Stick

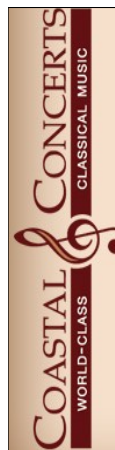


United Thank Offering is a devotional program of the Episcopal Church involving daily prayer and gifts of thanksgiving. In addition to prayer, coins and bills are collected in UTO Blue Boxes. 100% of these monies help to provide grants to support and strengthen the mission and ministry of the church worldwide. St. Peter's fall UTO campaign will begin October 6th. Please pick up UTO boxes at the church and return them on All Saints Sunday, November 3rd.



Ladies' Breakfast

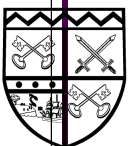
Ladies Breakfast Patty Soffronoff will be hosting a St. Peter's Ladies Breakfast to honor the visit of Patricia Cortes, Principal of Centro Infantil San Pablo in San Miguel, Mexico, on November 9 at 9am. All ladies are invited to come and meet our special guest. Please bring a breakfast delight to share! Those fluent in Spanish are particularly encouraged to attend! For more info, contact Patty at pesoffron@yahoo.com.



presents

Orion String Quartet
October 19, 7:00 pm

For online ticketing, or more information please visit
www.coastalconcerts.org



Vestry Nominations: A Sisyphean Challenge

By Dan Somerset, 2013 Nominating Committee

Over the last eight years, I have watched Vestry Nominating Committees tackle the challenge of finding a slate of candidates for elections at the annual meeting each November. The results of these nomination searches have been garnering less success in recent years. The committees only have been able to nominate four candidates for the next year's Vestry, inadvertently fostering the perception in some parishioners that the nominating committees have "hand-picked" their successors.

This year Pat Casadei, Terry Eidell, and myself—our fourth member, Tony Marinello, resigned last year to focus on re-locating to San Miguel de Allende and strengthening our companion parish relationship—strove mightily to improve the results of our nomination search. We started our search "early"—before the beginning of the summer season in our resort area. We included announcements in both the Sunday service leaflets and the parish newsletter. We identified and approached 40 parishioners whom we thought would make valuable contributions to the Vestry. Ten of those candidates were ineligible for Vestry service because they were not official members of St. Peter's Church (though many of them have been attending services for years). Of the remaining 30 candidates, the vast majority declined our invitations, though a half-dozen indicated they might be available for next year's nominations. In the end, we are only able to nominate four candidates to the 2014 Vestry: Judy Cousins, Thomas Crowley, Natalie Kerr, and Tracy Mulveny.

Included below you will find biographical sketches for Natalie and Tom; next month's newsletter will include sketches from Judy and Tracy.



Natalie Roberts Kerr

Fourteen months ago I accepted the request to fulfill the vestry term of a member who left the area. It has been a more rewarding experience than I anticipated; therefore I accept the request to serve a full term.

Serving on the Vestry is a wonderful way to learn about the workings of the parish. I am in awe of the amount of time, talent and treasure it takes to keep St. Peter's operating and providing as much outreach as it does.

I am a graduate of Chester County Hospital School of Nursing and Widener University where I earned a B.S.N. I am now retired from many years in community and hospice nursing.

Currently, I am the chair of the Seekers Standing Committee and manage the shop. I am a Stephen Ministry leader and look forward to participation in establishing this important ministry at St. Peter's. In addition, I will be an EfM mentor after training in October.



Thomas (Tom) Crowley

I recently moved to the Lewes area after nearly 30 years of the practice of law for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in Harrisburg. While practicing law, I was also involved in various charitable organizations, including the Central Pennsylvania Literacy Council (board member and president). I am currently serving as the Consulting Chief Strategic Officer of the C Diff Foundation, which advocates for C Diff prevention and treatment. I am trying my hand at photography, too.

I found a warm and welcoming community in Saint Peter's, both socially and spiritually. It is this community that so welcomed me as a newcomer that I would be honored to serve by being a member of the vestry.

I am already involved in three ministries, being a lector, and a member of the bell choir (first beginning and now advanced; you'll get to see me playing the "big bells" this year). Most recently, I signed up for the first year of Education for Ministry (EfM) to deepen my understanding of Scripture and theology.

I want to bring what I have learned through being involved in these ministries to the vestry and, combined with my past experiences both as a lawyer and as a member of various nonprofits, do whatever I can to preserve and grow the vision and community of Saint Peter's, the community that so welcomed me.



WARDEN'S MUSINGS

EPISCOPALIAN ACRONYMS AND THE SUCH

The Episcopal Handbook states that 70% of Episcopalians weren't born that way. That is born into an Episcopal family. The Episcopal Church is a church of refugees. It's no secret that the clear majority of those in Episcopal Church pews on Sunday mornings were not born Episcopalians. Most of us came from other Christian traditions or from no religious background at all. So it isn't unusual for one to become quite confused with the church's acronyms and terms used by our religion. John N. Wall states *A Dictionary for Episcopalians* we speak a distinctive language, and if we are to communicate God's good news as we have received it and experience it in our life together, then people need to understand that language. Dictionaries have long been tools for evangelism, as they enable newcomers and old-timers alike to understand the language we Christians use to describe our experience of God's grace.

We know at times our terms can be confusing or a little frustrating when acronyms are used without clarification. Here is a hypothetical example—the ECW will meet near the chancel and then proceed to the narthex or nave before 5:00 p.m. Sunday evening. Please make sure you bring your UTO box and the

LEVAS book. We also need someone to collect the BCP so those who will attend the first meeting of the EfM group will be prepared. We will discuss ERD and the purchase of a new chasuble for our Rector. Our meeting will end in the sacristy before the SPY group arrives.

Now, let's read it again - defining the acronyms and some church terms.

The Episcopal Church Women (national organization for lay women that has chapters in most parish churches) will meet near the chancel (area around the altar in traditional church buildings) and then proceed to the narthex (a vestibule or room between the main door to the outside and the main door to the nave) or nave (Latin word *navis*, meaning ship – large space running between the narthex and the chancel) before 5:00 on Sunday evening. Please make sure you bring your UTO box (United Thank Offering – offering of prayer/money organized annually in parishes to support the mission/ministry of the church throughout the world) and LEVAS book (Lift Every Voice and Sing – a hymnal used in the Episcopal Church that celebrates the African American heritage of our church). We also need someone to collect the BCP (Book of Common Prayer – the authorized prayer book of the Episcopal Church) so those who will attend the first meeting of the EfM (Education for Ministry – a four-year program of theological education for



laity) group will be prepared. We will discuss ERD (Episcopal Relief and Development—the Episcopal Church's domestic and international relief agency) and the purchase of a new chasuble (outer garment worn over an alb and stole by priests when celebrating the Eucharist) for our Rector. Our meeting will end in the sacristy (a place close to the sanctuary in which the chalice, paten, linens, vestments, and other essentials for celebrating the Eucharist are cleaned, stored, and made ready for use) before the SPY (St. Peter's Youth) group arrives.

We hope that our musings this month help some of you understand those pesky terms used in the Episcopal Church. We strive to provide an atmosphere of open curiosity and communication to those who may have questions or need some clarification about the church.

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:

OCTOBER 20 — "Other Voices Other Rooms", by Truman Capote

NOVEMBER 17 — "Garden of Evening Mists" by Tan Twan Eng (*meeting at 4pm*)





DID YOU KNOW?

It's not uncommon for folks to dispose of expired or unused medications (prescription and over-the-counter) by either flushing it down the toilet or dumping it down the drain. According to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, *"The improper disposal of unused medications by flushing them or pouring them down the drain may be harmful to fish, wildlife and their habitats."* (<http://drugs.about.com>)

Back in early 2008 an Associated Press investigation reported that, *"A vast array of pharmaceuticals — including antibiotics, anti-convulsants, mood stabilizers and sex hormones — have been found in the drinking water supplies of at least 41 million Americans."* Now, that's an "attention getter" isn't it? But to add to that "fact" it should also be noted that the concentrations of those drug were tiny — measured in quantities of parts per billion or trillion, which is **far** below the levels prescribed in a medical dose. Fortunately, municipal water supplies are closely monitored and in most cases have higher quality water than many commercially bottled waters .. but that was the subject of the "God's World" this past June and I'm not going to revisit that topic again at this time.

But what about the non-potable water that doesn't come to our homes .. you know .. the stuff that passes through sewer systems and eventually ends up in our streams, rivers, lakes, bays and oceans? Pharmaceuticals have been detected in trace amounts there, too, and the question scientists are asking is: "In time, what effect might these elements have on the growth and reproduction of aquatic organisms such as fish and frogs?"

Now, if you read last month's "God's World" you might remember that there was a "heads up" notice about the **National Drug Take-Back Day** that will occur on **Saturday, October 26th** from **10:00 am till 2:00 pm**. That's **good** news because this provides a safe and secure way to dispose of unwanted drugs .. a **great** alternative to "flush

and dump." And...according to the website of the Delaware Division of Public Health:

Anyone can bring medications for disposal to over 20 collection sites statewide. To find a collection site near you, visit: www.delawarehealthyhomes.org, or www.dea.gov. Prescription and over-the-counter pills, liquids, and cream medications will all be accepted—even pet medication. Injectables and aerosols are not included in the program, and will not be accepted. Collection is both free and anonymous. No questions or requests for identification will be made. Personal information should be removed from bottles and packages.

Unfortunately, there is some **bad** news, as far as this month's "God's World" goes. At this time, there is not any information as to where the collection sites will be for this event. As much as I've called and badgered the nice folks at DDPH (Can you imagine .. "the Queen" being an insufferable nag?!) I've been repeatedly told "that information won't be available until after October 1st." (Darn! And I tried **so** hard.)

Obviously I'll see that it is included in the Sunday bulletins and announcements, but you can always check for yourself by either calling the Delaware Dept. of Public Health at 302-744-4701 or visiting the websites listed above to find a collection location convenient for you to use. And since you'll probably be receiving this newsletter after October 1st, you might even get the information before I do since I'll be in Pennsylvania visiting family and friends and won't have internet access at some of their homes. No, they don't live in caves, they're just older than I am and don't "do" computers.

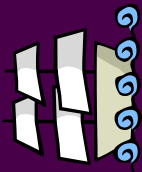


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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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<p>20 8a Holy Eucharist 10a Holy Eucharist 11:30a Contemporary 11:45a Choristers Rehearsal 5p St. Peter's Readers 5p Choral Evensong</p>	<p>21 8:30a Morning Prayer 10:30a Shawl Ministry 7p Local Outreach</p>	<p>22 8:30a Morning Prayer 10a Bible Study 7p Centering Prayer Group</p>	<p>23 8:30a Morning Prayer 9:30a Clergy Bible Study 5:30p Beginner Bell Choir 6:30p Advanced Bell Choir 7:30p Holy Eucharist</p>	<p>24 8:30a Morning Prayer 10a HE at Cadbury 7p Adult Choir</p>	<p>25 8:30a Morning Prayer</p>	<p>26 8:30a Morning Prayer</p>
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Worship Ministry Schedule

DATE	READER	CHALICE BEARER	ACOLYTES	ALTAR GUILD	USHERS
October 6 <i>Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost</i> Lamentations 1:1-6 2 Timothy 1:1-14 Luke 17:5-10	8— Anna Maria Kihn 10— Jen Mason	8— Kit Zak, Patty Warden 10— Tom Carlson, Elinor Boyce	8— 10—	8— Tracy Mulveny, Marj Lewis 10— Ted & Ruth Barnett	8— Harvey Holthaus, Michael Seifert 10— Teri Munz, John Myers
October 13 <i>Twenty-First Sunday after Pentecost</i> Jeremiah 29:1, 4-7 2 Timothy 2:8-15 Luke 17:11-19	8— Rob Morgan 10— Jack Emery	8— Marj Lewis, Judy Eger 10— Dave Boyce, Mac McMahon	8— 10—	8— Shelly Souder 10— Ted & Ruth Barnett	8— Tim Willard, Diane Wilson 10— Bill & Carolyn Dec
October 20 <i>Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost</i> Jeremiah 31:27-34 2 Timothy 3:14-4:5 Luke 18:1-8	8— Sue Potts 10— Roo Brown	8— Mary Van House, Louise White-Sykes 10— Bruce Phalen, Angie Rummel	8— 10—	8— Karen Fischer 10— Jane Gibson, Judy Howard	8— Vernon & Eleanor Huber 10— Jerry & Mary Shea
October 27 <i>Twenty-Third Sunday after Pentecost</i> Joel 2:23-32 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18 Luke 13:10-17	8— Marlys Cowan 10— Gerhard Kuska	8— Charlie Atwell, Karen Kohn 10— John Michael Sophos, Ingrid Miller	8— 10—	8— Marj Lewis 10— Jane Gibson, Judy Howard	8— Red Moulinier, Patty Warden 10— Stuart & Ruth Brahs
November 3 <i>Twenty-Fourth Sunday after Pentecost</i> Habakkuk 1:1-4, 2:1 2 Thessalonians 1:1-4, 11-12	8— Lowell Fleischer 10— Dale Miller	8— Mende George, Don Prol 10— Marj Lewis, Judy Eger	8— 10—	8— Karen Fischer 10— Marj Lewis, Shelly Souder	8— Diane Wilson, Charlie Atwell 10— Bruce Summers, Ron Barlow

SPECIAL SERVICES

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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.

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

LEWES IN BLOOM SALE Oct 5, 9a-2p. Take advantage of this plant sale from our members own gardens! Spring flowering bulbs are the high-light! For more info, visit *Plant Sale*. (www.lewesinbloom.org)

SIDEWALK SALE Oct 5, 10a-5p. Downtown Lewes merchants' sidewalk sale! Sure to find a great deal! For more info, please visit *Sidewalk Sale*. (www.leweschamber.com)

MARITIME FESTIVAL Oct 5, 11a-8p. 18th Annual Boast the Coast festival. Enjoy maritime-themed activities throughout the day, topped off with a Lighted Boat Parade on the canal. For more info, visit *Boast the Coast*. (www.leweschamber.com)

A PINK AFFAIR TO REMEMBER Oct 18, 11a-2p. Luncheon & Fashion Accessories Show & Sale. For info, please visit *Fashion Show*. (www.leweschamber.com)

WINE, CHEESE & BEER! Oct 19, 4-6p. Come socialize in the Park at the 8th Annual Tasting event! For more info/to purchase tickets, please visit *Tasting*. (www.leweschamber.com)

HAUNTED SUSSEX HERITAGE TOUR! Oct 19, 4-10:30p. Take a walk through history during this tour visiting haunted graves, hotels, Spirits of Cannonball House, the ferry terminal and more! For more info, please visit *Haunted Tour*. (www.historiclewes.org)

REHOBOTH / DEWEY BEACH

INTERNATIONAL BEACH-COMBING CONFERENCE Oct 3-6. 5th Annual event held in the UofD's Virden Center will offer a weekend of workshops, field trips, lectures and more. For information or to register, please visit *Beachcombing Conference*. (www.beachcombingconference.com)

SIDEWALK SALE Oct 4-6. 37th Annual weekend long sale on the sidewalks of downtown Rehoboth! For info or to register, please visit *Sidewalk Sale*. (www.beach-fun.com)

BARK ON THE BOARDS Oct 5. 3rd Annual event includes pet contests, kids activities, and demonstrations. For more info, visit *Bark on the Boards*. (www.delspca.org)

BEACH BRUNCH Oct 6. Come enjoy a variety of delicious foods prepared by local celebrity chefs, live music, exciting live auction, and more. For more info, visit *Brunch*. (www.mealsonwheelsde.org)

CHRISTMAS SHOP Oct 10-13. 51st Annual Christmas sale at All Saints Parish. Come find unique gifts for the coming holiday! For more info, please visit *Christmas Shop*. (www.rehoboth.com)

REHOBOTH JAZZ FESTIVAL Oct 17-20. One of the best jazz festivals in the world! Three event venues, local restaurant specials, and more! For more info, please visit *Jazz Festival*. (www.rehobothjazz.com)

SEAWITCH FESTIVAL! Oct 25-27. 24th Annual event features activities, parades, contests, local shop/restaurant specials and more! For more info please visit *SeaWitch*. (www.beach-fun.com)

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.rehobothchildrenstheatre.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, inspiring audiences through high quality performances. To view their event calendar, please visit www.clearspacetheater.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.



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



Amanda Wynn	Diedre	Kellee Harris	Paul Hormick
Anne	Dorothy	Larry Hickernell	Ron & Carolyn
Anthony	Efan	Lillian Wzorek	Russ Phipps
Barbara Edelman	<i>*Elise Brown</i>	Lorraine White	Sharon Dardine
Bill Marston	Ginny & Ken Refsnider	<i>*Lou Corozzi</i>	Sonny
<i>*Brian Mellon</i>	Glenn	<i>*Mac McMahon</i>	<i>*Susan McElligott</i>
Brian Vickers	<i>*Jane Stuchell</i>	Maggie Hazlett	Tess Pardine
Carole Edison	Jean	Malcolm Holec	Thomas
<i>*Charlotte King</i>	Jeremy Beining	Mary Ellen Brown	Tina Wright
<i>*Chris Long</i>	John	Matt	Tinker
CJ Hasson	June	Michael Straighttiff	Tom & Will
Connie Seta	<i>*Kay Schechinger</i>	Nathalie Popham	Tom Bravo
Cynthia	<i>*Karen Reale</i>	Packard Biddle	Vann
<i>*Dean Donovan</i>	<i>*Kathryn Harris</i>	<i>*Pat Staby</i>	
Deane	Kathy		<i>*italics indicates St. Peter's members</i>
Delle Family	Kathy Lorelli		

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.

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

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| 1 Gail Mavromatis | 19 Pete Hansot |
| Michael Fountain | 20 Margaret Isaminger |
| Karli Sunnergren | Kathy McCain |
| 2 Avery Mallon | Jack Naylor |
| Kearney Mallon | 23 Ruth Macintire |
| 3 Sue Meyer | Wanda Berrigan |
| Paul Somerset | 25 Duane Willis |
| 4 Dawn Petterson | 26 Terry Eidell |
| 5 Jean Keats | Marj Lewis |
| 6 Kristine Alumno | 27 Hudson Keller |
| Anthony Caruso | 29 Sabrina Hammons |
| 7 Tonia Welch | Andrew Somerset |
| 8 Greg Kodjanian | 30 Andrew Freeman |
| Frank Miller | 31 Vicki Harpster |
| 9 Gary Belkot | |
| 11 Kathy Reinhart | |
| Mary Anne Steele | |
| 12 John McKay | |
| Chuck Rorbach | |
| Jennifer Bowers | |
| 13 Judy McKay | |
| 15 Tom Welch | |
| Barb Mellen | |
| 17 Helen Murphy | |
| Roberta Lindsay | |
| Randy Burton | |
| 18 Ann Freeman | |
| 19 Denise Emery | |



PARISH REGISTER

Baptisms:

Holy Unions:

Kristin Baumgarth & Alexis Cuadros

Transfers:

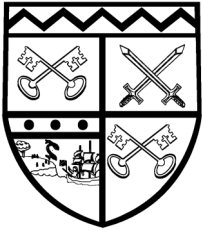
Burials:

Doris Lehman

OCTOBER ANNIVERSARIES

- 6 Rick & Betty Fenters
- 12 Brian & MJ Hughes
- John & Judy McKay
- 15 Richard & Teresa Caruso
- 19 Drew McKay & Susan McElligott
- 21 William & Jean Eubank
- 22 Michael Cote & Barbara Tenney
- 26 Richard & Tina Jundt
- 30 Terry & Bettylee Carmine

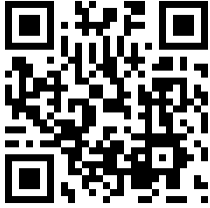




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