

SAINT PETER'S-IN-THE-MOUNTAINS

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*“To embody Christ’s teaching in appropriate ways
for serving the community, the nation, and the world.”*

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND REMINDERS

Sunday, September 7

Outreach Sunday (Ferrum
Community Mission Center)

**Church Picnic at Phoebe
Needles**

Tuesday, September 9

Phoebe Needles Center, 10:00 am
Center for Lifelong Learning

Sunday, September 14

Birthday Sunday

**Fair Trade Products Available
Church School Starts**

Outreach Report. The plate offerings on the first Sunday of each month are designated to Outreach. In August, the congregation gave \$171.50 to the Southern Virginia Child Advocacy Center. On Sunday, September 7, the plate collection will be donated to Ferrum Community Mission Center (also known as St. James Community Center).

Ferrum Community Mission Center started on the campus of Ferrum College in 1981 as an outreach ministry of St. James United Methodist Church. The ministry moved to its current location in 1988 and is open each Wednesday from 9:00 am until noon.

The purpose of this nonprofit organization is to serve those in our community who are in need of food and clothes. A bag of groceries is provided to families each month and clients can shop for clothing each week. An average of 52 families are served each week. Anyone who would like to donate your time, make a clothing or food donation please contact Rev. Mary White or Mitzi Secrest, Director at 540-365-0760.

Thank you for your generosity; it makes a difference in the lives of many people!

Our fall church picnic will be on Sunday, September 7 following the worship service. There will be a potluck lunch, and swimming will be available after we eat.

The next Center for Lifelong Learning program at the Phoebe Needles Center is Tuesday, September 9 at 10:00 am. Michael Pulice is the presenter of “Historic Log Structures in and Around Franklin County.” Please call the Center at 483-1518 by Friday, September 5 at noon.

Church School starts Sunday, September 14. The adults will start with the study of the Gospel lesson for the following Sunday. A little later (maybe September 28) we will begin a study of other religions, starting with Eboo Patel's "Embracing Interfaith Cooperation" – what it means to be "literate" about other faiths – and moving on to an overview of other religions. Eboo Patel, an American Muslim, is the founder and executive director of the Interfaith Youth Core in Chicago. He asks us to share in his vision of a better America – a robustly pluralistic country in which our commonalities are more important than our differences. Our study will start with several DVD presentations by Eboo as he leads us through a consideration of our own faith.

Fair Trade items will be available for purchase after the service on Sunday, September 14. Choose from coffee, tea, chocolate, cocoa, and olive oil.

Our prayers and best wishes to our college students as they begin a new school year – Nathaniel Hancock at the University of East Tennessee, Taylor Holden at University of Richmond, Mellea Mead at Champlain College, Dylan Stanley at Ferrum College, and Emily Willie at the Jefferson College of Health Sciences.

Brandon Grimes-Whited sends his gratitude for all the cards and letters received from his Saint Peter's family. His address is UMFS, 3900 West Broad Street, Richmond, VA 23230.

The Callaway Elementary Pack a Sack Program has a collection bin in the Parish Hall. Please bring one food item with you each Sunday so we can fill the collection bin and help provide children in our community with nutritious food for the weekends. A donation wish list of child-friendly food items is available on the memo board.

Would you like to become a Callaway Pack a Sack Partner? Enrollment forms will be left on the table in the Parish hall. Contributions are tax-deductible.

- \$7 fills one backpack for one weekend
- \$28 fills one backpack for one month
- \$252 fills one backpack for the school year

We need volunteers to sign up for coffee & refreshments each Sunday. Please check the list in the Parish Hall and add your name if you can help out one Sunday.

A reminder from the co-treasurer: Please remember that Saint Peter's depends on your pledge. If you have forgotten the amount of your pledge for 2014, please contact Christy Izard at 651-8743 or izard@swva.net. Reminders will be sent this month.

Have you considered serving on the Vestry? In December, we will elect two people to the Vestry for a three-year term that begins January 2015. If you are interested in serving on the Vestry, please talk with a current member of the Vestry and let them know (there is a list on page 9).

Saint Peter's Endowment Fund – "Keeping the Rock Church Solid." Every month Birthday Sunday donations go to the Saint Peter's Endowment Fund. How about matching your age in dollars?

United Thank Offering Awards Grant Monies for 2014

In 2014 the UTO distributed \$1,063,809 to 5 international organizations and 32 domestic organizations, 9 being for international work with a companion diocese. These include:

Diocese of Southwestern Virginia \$41,239

Dental Equipment for a Mobile Unit to Reach Underserved Children

R.E. Lee Memorial Episcopal Church of Lexington

To provide dental health care and oral hygiene to children living in poverty.

Diocese of Virginia \$17,000

Bread and Roses Ministry, Trinity Episcopal Church, Charlottesville

To provide commercial equipment for the church's kitchen for the food outreach ministry to serve the community.

Diocese of Toungoo, Province of Myanmar \$43,067

St. Peter Bible School, Thar Yar Kone, Myanmar

To build a Bible school with modernized facilities for future leaders, priests, and catechists.


Diocese of Northern Mexico \$23,174


Community Room and Reception Area, Tamaulipas, Mexico


To provide equipment for a dining room to offer support and services needed by single mothers and their children, as well as migrants.

There are a lot of empty Blue Boxes! Please take one (or more) to fill for our November Ingathering. Thank God for a particular blessing as you put your coins in the box. Know that your contribution is helping to further the mission and ministry of The Episcopal Church both at home and abroad.

The Three Faces of Stewardship

 **Ordinary Stewardship** is the regular practice of returning to God a portion of all that God has given us. It involves teaching ourselves how to create a life built upon the notion that all that we have is a gift from God. This includes teaching the holy habits of keeping Sabbath and tithing and the concept that giving regularly of our time, talent, and money to God's work on this earth is as much a spiritual practice as prayer and worship.

 **Extraordinary Stewardship** involves the special occasions that arise in the life of Christian communities that call us to give beyond our ordinary habit. They involve increased risk and encourage us to experiment with sacrificial giving in order to help the community realize an especially important goal. The best example of extraordinary stewardship is the capital campaign.

 **Legacy Stewardship** is the way in which we address the matter of disposing of the accumulations of our lifetime. Who will use your stuff, when you no longer need it? It is the opportunity to leave a planned gift that constitutes both a legacy to generations yet unborn and a final witness to those whom we hold most dear.

From The Alleluia Fund, A Guide for Dioceses and Congregations, published by the Office of Stewardship, Episcopal Church Center, 2002 (see www.episcopalchurch.org/stewardship.htm)

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SEPTEMBER 2014

Margaret Brown	John & Hazel Pendleton	Loretta Mason
Bolling Izard	Brandon Grimes Whited	Gladys Stanger
Virginia Simms	Lindsay Marie Shelton	The Kiser Family
Cecile Konicki	Claire Parker	Deborah Yancy
Ben Golombisky	Bryan Strong	Reva Goode
Anne Garrison	Deniece Burnette	Diane Holliman
Lori Sloan & Family	Hazel Hamilton	David Ravita
Eddie Short	Barry & Betty Hood	Linda Thomas
Katie Lusk	Mia Walk-Hardy	Kate & Mac McCalley
Valerie Richardo	Jami Stanley	David Gumpper
Susan Smith	Kirsten Stanley	Louise Richardson
Ray Bechtel	C. I. Dillon	Ina Quinn
Michael Bentley	Lisa Whitlock	Gary Stoneman
Lovell Najari	Helen Akers	Dennis Daniel
Stanley Prokopriak		

We pray for John our Rector, Mark our Bishop, and Katharine our Presiding Bishop. May their ministries be guided by the grace of the Holy Spirit.

We pray for all those who were killed this week as a result of war and terrorism, and for families whose lives are being torn apart. Almighty God, whose will it is to hold both heaven and earth in the peace of your kingdom: Give peace to your Church, peace among nations, peace in our homes, and peace in our hearts.

We pray for those serving in the military, particularly for those who are currently deployed and serving in harm's way. We remember especially Shawn Durant.

SPECIAL FLOWERS

On Sunday, September 21, the flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God and in memory of Jerryanne Bier by Rebecca, Glen, Asa, Ursula, and Flora Stevens.

If you would like to add or remove a name from the prayer list, please contact Rev. John Heck at johnhheck@gmail.com or 483-1518.

PARTICIPATION CALENDAR – SEPTEMBER 2014

Sept.	Readings	Lector	Chalice	Acolyte	Altar Guild	Children's Chapel
7 Link	Exodus 12:1-14 Psalm 149 Romans 13:8-14 Matthew 18:15-20	Bob Pohlad	John Kirsch Dave Newcombe	Hailu Grimes-Whited	Christy IZard Kelley Beyer	Berhan Grimes-Whited Benton Heck
14 Link	Exodus 14:19-31 Psalm 114 Romans 14:1-12 Matthew 18:21-35	Carolyn Thomas	Bob Pohlad Carolyn Thomas	Peter Heck	Sondra Kirsch Marilyn Rodgers	Benton Heck Hailu Grimes-Whited
21 Link	Exodus 16:2-15 Psalm 105:1-6, 37-45 Philippians 1:21-30 Matthew 20:1-16	Lana Whited	Charlotte Hubbard Delia Heck	Berhan Grimes-Whited	Pat Newcombe Christina DiEno	Hailu Grimes-Whited Peter Heck
28 Link	Exodus 17:1-7 Psalm 78:1-4, 12-16 Philippians 2:1-13 Matthew 21:23-32	Katherine Grimes	Christy IZard Martha Perry	Benton Heck	Marilyn Rodgers Sondra Kirsch	Peter Heck Berhan Grimes-Whited
5 Link	Exodus 20:1-4, 7-9, 12-20 Psalm 19 Philippians 3:4b-14 Matthew 21:33-46		John Kirsch Deb Durant	Hailu Grimes-Whited	Deb Durant Patricia Rushmore	Berhan Grimes-Whited Benton Heck

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 Terry Griffen	2 Linda Sigmon	3 Jami Stanley	4	5	6 Beth Crow
7 Church Picnic at Phoebe Needles	8	9 Center for Lifelong Learning	10	11	12	13 Regena Sigmon
14 Church School Starts	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25 Billy DeHart	26 Paul Simms	27
28	29 Todd Hancock	30				

Is your birthday incorrect or missing? Please let us know: hawleyknob@gmail.com or 365-2992.

Prayer for a Birthday

O God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray, on these your servants as they begin another year. Grant that they may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen their trust in your goodness all the days of their life, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

(Book of Common Prayer, p. 830)

DIOCESAN PRAYERS – SEPTEMBER 2014

Sunday, September 7, 2014

Pray for the people and mission of Grace Memorial, Lynchburg, and for their priest, the Very Rev. Catharine Montgomery. Pray also for the Rev. Bill Bumgarner, the deacon accompanying Bishop Mark on this visitation.

Pray also for safe travel for Bishop Mark and Martha as they attend the House of Bishops meeting in Taiwan. May the Holy Spirit be present in all discernment and deliberations.

Sunday, September 14, 2014

On this Ember Day we pray for all postulants and candidates for Holy Orders, especially from our diocese: Jack Brockway, Sharon Bryant, Becky Crigger, Greg Crigger, Anne Grizzle, Robert Morris, Susan Peyton, and Nina Salmon. Give thanks for the Commission on Ministry's dedication to discerning and supporting those who seek ordination.

Continue to pray for Bishop Mark and Martha as they attend the House of Bishops meeting in Taiwan. May the Holy Spirit be present in all discernment and deliberations.

Sunday, September 21, 2014

Pray for safe travel home as Bishop Mark and Martha return from the House of Bishops meeting in Taiwan. Pray for safety and enjoyment for all participants in Pedal and Paddle, our bike riding/canoeing youth event this weekend in the Abingdon Convocation.

On Native American Day, we pray for St. Paul's, Bear Mountain, Amherst, and their priest the Rev. Phyllis Hicks, the first Native American woman to be ordained an Episcopal priest in Virginia. Pray also for the Monacan tribe and their sacred space, Bear Mountain.

Sunday, September 28, 2014

Pray for the people and mission of Christ, Pocahontas, and their priest, the Very Rev. Russell Hatfield. Pray also for the Rev. Preston Mitchell, the deacon accompanying Bishop Mark on this visitation.

As fall convocation meetings begin, give thanks for the commitment and work of the Deans of the Convocations: Abingdon, the Very Rev. Russ Hatfield; Augusta, the Very Rev. Thomas Crittenden; Lynchburg, the Very Rev. Catharine Montgomery; New River, the Very Rev. Phyllis Spiegel; and Roanoke, the Very Rev. John Heck.

THE PHOEBE NEEDLES CENTER presents ...

Saturdays @ the Center

This fall begins a new program at the Phoebe Needles Center. Saturdays @ the Center are seminar programs designed to discuss everyday practical life issues from a faith perspective. In addition to a presentation from each speaker, there will be questions and conversation, lunch, and time for Christian fellowship, all in the beautiful surroundings of the Phoebe Needles Center.

You are invited to arrive beginning at 9:30 a.m. for coffee and refreshments. The program will begin at 10:00 a.m., lunch will be served at Noon, and the seminar will conclude by 3:00 p.m. The cost of each program including lunch is \$25.00.

Our first four programs will focus on race, the Bible, and aging. Where is the living God today in the midst of these issues and in our lives? How does our faith influence our understanding and actions? Each of our presenters for these programs are well qualified and sensitive to how our faith in God comes to bear on how we think and respond to the decisions we face each day.

Advance registration is required (on or before noon on the Monday before each program). You may pay online using PayPal, or mail a check in advance of the program along with your registration. For more information, contact the Phoebe Needles Center at 540-483-1518 or 800-848-1677. Information is also available on our web site: www.PhoebeNeedles.org.

September 13

Nina Salmon, Assistant Professor of English at Lynchburg College, and a member of Saint John's Episcopal Church, will present her work on "Bishop Marmion and the Integration of the Diocese of Southwestern Virginia."

October 11

Dr. Elizabeth Struthers Malbon, professor in the Department of Religion and Culture at Virginia Tech, and a member of Christ Church, Blacksburg, will make a presentation on the Gospel of Mark.

November 8

The Rev. Jane Siglohis a retired Episcopal priest who has served churches in the dioceses of Connecticut and Southwestern Virginia. Jane is the author of *Like Trees Walking*, a thin volume of stories, confessions, poetry, theology, and scripture (which her editor says she treats with "irreverent awe.") Her topic will be "Aging with Grace and Good Humor."

December 13

Elizabeth Foster, the newly retired Director of Christian Education at Christ Episcopal Church in Blacksburg, will present a program on "The Making of the Saint John's Bible."

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