

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

## ANNOUNCEMENTS AND REMINDERS

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**OUTREACH REPORT:** Sunday, May 1, 2016 is Outreach Sunday. The collection will benefit the Stepping Stone Mission.

This Soup Kitchen is located at 565 Diamond Avenue, Rocky Mount, Virginia. The mission is working to eliminate hunger and homelessness in the Franklin County community, by providing free food and shelter to people who have become victims of unfortunate circumstances, and cannot meet their own basic needs. They provide one hot meal every day between noon and 1 p.m. Please contribute what you can to this wonderful organization!

**The April collection was on behalf of our Sudanese student.** \$187.00 will be held in account for his 2017 tuition. The \$87 collected at the Pancake Dinner was also allocated for his tuition. Thanks to all who donated!

**The children contributed \$30** to both the Callaway Pack a Sack program and the Ferrum Panther Pack Program as part of the Easter Egg Hunt festivities.

**Outreach also allocated \$200** from it's budget to The Boys Home of Southwestern Virginia, The Callaway Pack a Sack and the Ferrum Panther Pack Program.

**Congratulations to Bob Pohlad and Carolyn Thomas** who were recently named joint recipients of the Eugene P. Odum Award for Excellence in Ecology Education.

**Fair Trade** products will be available in the Parish Hall after church on Sunday, June 5.

**Thanks to Bob Pohlad** for the photo gallery of pictures taken during the Bishop's visit to St. Peter's on Sunday. Feel free to download what you want and share the link with others. What a beautiful day it was. The link can be found at:

<https://bob-and-carolyn.smugmug.com/Events/2016-Bishop-Visit-St-Peters>

**Please send June newsletter info** by May 25 to Gary Holden at [gholden@ferrum.edu](mailto:gholden@ferrum.edu).



### SAINT PETER'S IN THE MOUNTAINS

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## ROCK CHURCH NEWS

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Sunday Service  
10:00 a.m.

Church School  
11:15 a.m.

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## UNITED THANK OFFERING

**OUR SPRING UTO INGATHERING WILL BE SUNDAY, MAY 15.** Please fill your little blue boxes and, if you need more, there are plenty more available at the church.

*In 2015 the UTO provided 55 grants totaling \$1,558,006,85 to 46 dioceses domestically and overseas. Examples of grants that have been given in this country so far this year are described below.*

*Diocese of Iowa* Joseph Nastruz Mark of Mission 1 \$2,500.00

### **Feeding the Hungry at Chef D's**

To provide a free meal to 50-75 people once a month at a local restaurant, Chef D's, in Des Moines, Iowa. Chef D's has become known for its outreach ministry to the homeless and poor in the area by providing a free meal in a restaurant setting with table service. Emphasis is placed not only on feeding individuals but also on giving them a sense of dignity. This is a collaborative project between Chef D's and Breaking Bread, a Eucharistic young adult group. The group plans to help serve these meals and give participants a chance to tell their story. The grant will fund the cost of serving meals for 10 months at Chef D's.

*Diocese of Kentucky* Erendira Jimenez-Pike Mark of Mission 4 \$2,500.00

### **Hear2Heal: Racial Reconciliation in the Diocese of Kentucky**

To promote racial reconciliation in the Diocese of Kentucky by facilitating an opportunity for diocesan leaders to understand injustices firsthand. This opportunity seeks to transform unjust structures of society, to challenge violence of every kind, and to pursue peace and reconciliation. This project will allow the wide range of churches in the diocese – rural to urban, conservative to progressive, poverty stricken to wealthy, and continually increasingly segregated – to gather together clergy and lay leaders to listen to people of color in their parish and neighborhood communities, reflect on their own biases and privileges, and then discern how to take this back to their parishes. The grant will fund honorariums for local community speakers, as well as food for the event.

*Virginia Theological Seminary* Taylor Poindexter Mark of Mission 1 \$2,459.99

### **Eucharist-Centered Gardening**

To support the expansion of the prayer/mediation garden on the seminary grounds to grow flowers for altar arrangements in the chapel and to support the communion wheat plot. This garden is part of six teaching gardens that have been established and successfully maintained. Methods will be used to teach the practical and display best practices in solidarity with subsistence farmers. The grant will pay for a rototiller, two tons of chicken manure to enrich the soil with needed nutrients, bird netting, and wood hinges, etc., to build a fence to keep vermin and birds out of the garden.

## EPISCOPAL RELIEF AND DEVELOPMENT (ERD)

For over 75 years ERD has served the Episcopal Church as it addresses long-term development work and disaster relief around the world. Each year about \$3 million is given in 40 countries in cooperation with the Anglican Communion and other partners to address issues such as relief of hunger, promoting health, sanitation and hygiene, economic development, as well as disaster relief.

**ERD has issued a call for donations to help with the recent earthquakes in Ecuador and Japan and for flood relief in the Houston, Texas area.**

There are many ways to contribute to ERD. A check to St. Peter's specifying it is for ERD will be sent directly to the agency. You may wish to go on the ERD website and use that means for choosing the specific work you want to support, how often you wish to give, and your method of giving. If you need any assistance in pursuing this opportunity, please contact Martha Perry who is St. Peter's contact person for ERD.



**BISHOP'S VISITATION**  
 Sunday, April 24, 2016



**TREASURER'S REPORT 2016**

Operating Account

	Revenue	Expense
January	\$7,226.00	\$5,419.86
February	\$4,252.00	\$6,796.14
March	\$6,051.75	\$5,380.29
April	\$5,827.00	\$8,758.27
Year to date	\$23,356.75	\$26,354.56

Non Operating Account

	Revenue	Expense
January	\$289.30	\$482.30
February	\$538.99	\$412.09
March	\$304.00	\$274.50
April	\$303.00	\$535.00
Year to date	\$1,435.29	\$1,703.89

## REMEMBERING: Louise Richardson

By Gary Holden  
May 2016



A native of Virginia's Franklin County, Louise Wythe (Jones)

Richardson was born April 22, 1929 in Callaway. Franklin County did not have a

hospital back then, so

Louise was born in her home, a two-room house off Turners Creek Road less than a mile from the Phoebe Needles Mission School. That house and several others were on a road that went up the hill behind the Phoebe Needles School, which is now the Phoebe Needles Center.

Louise's parents were Naomi (Richards) and Posey Jones. Louise was named after Dr. George Wythe Booth and his wife, Louise. Dr. Booth was one of the first doctors in the area and helped deliver Louise in her home in Callaway. She is the second of two children, including her older sister Evelyn.

Louise's family owned and operated Jones' Store, which included a mill, and the whole family worked there. The store building is still there today. If you've driven along Turners Creek Road from Ferrum heading towards the Phoebe Needles Center, you've seen the building on the left side of the road, which faces 90 degrees away from the road and with large rocks holding up the porch. Several years ago, the mill was moved to Explore Park in Roanoke.

The Posey Jones family lived on their farm, raising cows, chickens and hogs, and growing their own vegetables. The family canned a lot of food, both for the family and to take into nearby towns to sell or trade.

Back then, Ferrum's Mercantile store was in operation and the Jones family would take food there, and to Rocky Mount for "Court Day" on Mondays, where they would trade and sell items. They occasionally made trips to the Roanoke Market as well to do the same. Most families had one dairy cow back then, and when the cow had a calf, they would sell it to make money for the family.

Louise began her education at the Phoebe Needles Mission School when she was four years old. The Phoebe Needles School back then had two classrooms. One classroom was for first through fifth grade children, and the teacher for that age group was Miss Etta Davis. The other classroom was for sixth through seventh grade kids, taught by Miss Louise Wood.

The desks were always full at the Phoebe Needles Mission School. Children were taught math, history, religion and penmanship. Religion was always a big part of school back then. Louise sadly acknowledged the fact that children no longer are taught penmanship in schools today.

"I remember every morning we sang songs in the auditorium, which was in the upstairs part of the building," said Louise. "You know, that's something that really stays with you."

One of the things Louise remembers about the Phoebe Needles School was the Christmastime.

"We had a Christmas program every year, and they brought in two or three pines for Christmas trees," said Louise. "We had snap-on candle holders for a couple dozen candles and each tree always had an adult standing next to it to make sure none of the candles caught the trees on fire."

They didn't attend dances or a lot of social activities. Instead they stayed at home and spent time with their family. Everyone lived modestly back then. There were very few cars; you'd maybe see three or four a day on Turners Creek Road.

Louise attended the Phoebe Needles School until 1940 when she left to attend Callaway School after completing seventh grade. Back then, eleventh grade was the culmination of your high school degree. After four years at Callaway School, Louise graduated. She recalls one teacher, Mrs. Elizabeth Robertson, who was instrumental in helping get her through Callaway High School.

"None of the children that came out of Phoebe Needles were very well-prepared for high school," said Louise. "Mrs. Robertson helped me so much over those four years."

Louise's daughter Elaine says that her mom did not tell this about her grades at Callaway High School; after much hard work, she graduated second in her class with a 98 plus grade average. She was one-tenth of a point behind the person who had the highest average.

Louise is one of the last few surviving children to have attended the Phoebe Needles School. Prior to her passing in February 2016, she was one of two surviving children who were members of Saint Peter's-in-the-Mountains Church. The other is Estelle Jones, who lives in Fork Mountain.

In 1946, Louise met her husband, Robert Lee Richardson, from southwestern Virginia. Robert was working at the time for Richardson-Wayland Electrical Company. One of the first power companies back then, RWEC is now headquartered in Roanoke and celebrated 100 years in 2013.

Before marrying Robert in 1948, Louise worked in Roanoke one year at a cafeteria and a couple years in a weaving mill.

In the summer of 1949, the couple moved back to Franklin County, and Robert was drafted into the U.S. Army in 1952. They had their first child, Elaine, in 1953 while he was stationed in Germany.

When Robert was discharged in 1954, he went back to work at Richardson-Wayland Electric and the family moved from town to town over the next few years. Some of the towns they lived in include Charlottesville, Fairfax, Harrisonburg, Alexandria and two stays in Norfolk where Jennifer was born in 1955.

"All that moving around was just too much for me," said Louise. "We bought a home on Turners Creek Road, but didn't move there until 1959."

Robert passed away in February 1994, almost 22 years ago. The couple had been married 46 years. Jennifer and Elaine and their families are part of the St. Peters-in-the-Mountains Callaway family.

Twins run in the family, as Elaine and Jennifer each had a set. Elaine had Scarlett in 1976, Melissa in 1979, and twins Martha and Matthew in 1981. Jennifer had Lisa in 1972, twins Devin and Kevin were in 1975, and Travis in 1981. Sadly, Kevin was killed in an automobile accident in 2005 at the age of 29.

Jennifer lives on Buffalo Ridge Road, which is about 500 yards down the road past Louise's home on the right side as you're headed towards Ferrum on Turners Creek Road. Jennifer's son Travis Pendleton lives in a home about 100 yards behind Louise's home with his wife Stephanie and their children, Tristan and Teagan. Elaine and her husband David live off Turners Creek Road in Ferrum, closer to Route 40.

Louise has nine great-grandchildren on Elaine's side of the family and four great-grandchildren from Jennifer's side of the family.

Sadly, Louise passed away on February 7, 2016 a few months shy of her 87<sup>th</sup> birthday.

"When I was a child, I remember sitting in the floor watching Mom knit, crochet, sew and embroider," said Elaine. "She was a talented seamstress who made our clothes. She instilled a love of creativity in my sister and me."

Elaine also remembers that her mom loved to draw, as well as play the guitar and piano. She taught Sunday school classes at St. Peter's. Back then, there were few resources available to use in the classes.

"I remember Mom drawing a master picture that dealt with the day's lesson for the students to color," said Elaine. "The student copies were made back then, two or three at a time, with carbon paper."

Elaine recalls that when they moved back to Callaway, her parents raised a garden, and her Mom grew gorgeous plants inside the house and in the yard. Every summer was filled with gardening, canning and freezing the produce that was grown in the garden.



*Louise with Elaine (left) and Jennifer circa 1959.*

## SERVICE CALENDAR – May 2016

May	Readings	Lector	Chalice	Acolyte	Altar Guild	Children's Chapel
<b>1</b> 	Acts 16:9-15 Revelation 21:10, 22-22:5 John 14:23-29 or John 5:1-9 Psalm 67	Jim Bier	Pat Newcombe Delia Heck	Zoe		Benton Tyler
<b>8</b> 	Acts 16:16-34 Rev. 22:12-14,16-17,20-21 John 17:20-26 Psalm 97	Bob Pohlad	John Kirsch Deb Durant	Tyler	Lisa Willie Regina Sigmon Danene Bernard	Berhan Peter
<b>15</b> 	Acts 2:1-21 or Genesis 11:1-9 Romans 8:14-17 or Acts 2:1-21 John 14:8-17, (25-27) Psalm 104:25-35, 37	Carolyn Thomas	Bob Pohlad Carolyn Thomas	Peter	Deb Durant Pat Rushmore	Hailu Zoe
<b>22</b> 	Proverbs 8:1-4, 22-31 Romans 5:1-5 John 16:12-15 Psalm 8	Gary Holden	Christy Izard Martha Perry	Hailu	Pat Newcombe Christiana DiEno	Benton Tyler
<b>29</b> 	1 Kings 18:20-21, (22-29), 30-39 Psalm 96 Galatians 1:1-12 Luke 7:1-10	Martha Perry	Dave Newcombe John Kirsch	Benton	Marilyn Rodgers	Berhan Peter

## BIRTHDAYS – May 2016

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>1</b> Hailu Grimes-Whited	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b> Josh Bernard	<b>7</b>
<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b> Glen Stevens	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b> Ben Hancock Dan Hancock	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>
<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b> Katherine Grimes	<b>21</b>
<b>22</b>	<b>23</b> Lana Whited	<b>24</b> Tyler Grimes-Whited	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>
<b>29</b>	<b>30</b> Adam Willie	<b>31</b> Shelby DeHart	<i>If your birthday is incorrect or missing, please let us know at <a href="mailto:gholden@ferrum.edu">gholden@ferrum.edu</a>.</i>			

### 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)*

## SAINT PETER'S-IN-THE-MOUNTAINS PRAYER LIST – May 2016

Stanley Prokopiak  
Hazel Pendleton  
Claire Parker  
Hazel Hamilton  
Betty Hood  
Mia Walk-Hardy  
Jamie Stanley  
The Kiser Family  
Diane Holliman  
Linda Thomas  
Kate & Mac McCalley  
Susan Mead  
Dee Sarver  
Sally Hollandsworth  
Linda Wingfield  
Ricky Gibson  
Jim & Marcia Vance  
Kirsten Stanley  
Benjamin Austin

Garrett Sweigert  
Nakia Bailey  
Kim Johnson  
Joey Jones  
Karen Zell  
Tom & Lindsay McKinnon  
Jane Stogner  
Frank Pendleton  
Nell Herring  
Steve Garrett  
John Newcombe  
Matt Hubbard  
Eli Sydow  
Jake Bailey  
Darlene Jordan  
Rebecca Stevens

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

We pray elsewhere 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. *Amen.*

We pray for those serving in the military, and particularly for those who are serving in harms way.

*If you would like to add/remove a name from the prayer list, please contact the Rev. John Heck at johnheck@gmail.com or 483-1518. If you would like to have the flowers on the altar in honor or memory of someone, please see a member of the Altar Guild.*

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