

**SAINT PETER'S  
IN THE MOUNTAINS  
EPISCOPAL CHURCH**

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Sunday Service: 10:00 a.m.  
Church School: 11:15 a.m.

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

Many thanks to those who have been mailing their pledge to Saint Peter’s, or using PayPal to keep up. A reminder will be sent regarding the 2020 pledges in the next three weeks. It is hard to keep up sometimes with all that’s going on in our world! If you have questions, please contact Nancy Bradley at 483-7966 or nbradleyone@gmail.com.

Thanks to Fair Robey for providing such wonderful music during the weeks we have held services on the lawn. We are also thankful for Andy Buckman, Allison & Eli Harl, Charlotte Hubbard, Pat Newcombe, Austin Robey, Denny Robey, and Lana Whited who have added to the music with voice and guitar!! We are blessed to have so much talent. If you want to join the list, please contact Fair.



*Fair Robey and Sue Spataro perform an impromptu duet at the Saint Peter’s Christmas pageant last December.*



*If you’d like to share something in a weekly or monthly newsletter, please send it to Gary Holden at gholden@ferrum.edu.*

**“COURAGE is not having the strength to go on;  
it’s going on when you don’t have the strength.”**

**—Theodore Roosevelt**

## Excerpts from The History of St. Peter's

by The Rev. John Heck

### How Things Came to Be...

First off, to write a history of Saint Peter's-in-the-Mountains is to write about the history of the Phoebe Needles School; the two are most certainly intertwined. Second, to write a history of anything I suppose, but most definitely of Saint Peter's and Phoebe Needles, is to create one more version of how this place developed that may or may not be entirely factual. In my years at Saint Peter's, I have rarely found two people who agree on exactly what happened around here or when. So this may not contain many accurate facts, but I hope it will capture the truth.

Sometime along about 1899 Mr. Esom Sloan and the Reverend Mr. Alexander Barr came together with a common idea. Their idea was to establish a school to educate the children living within a few miles of where the church stands today.



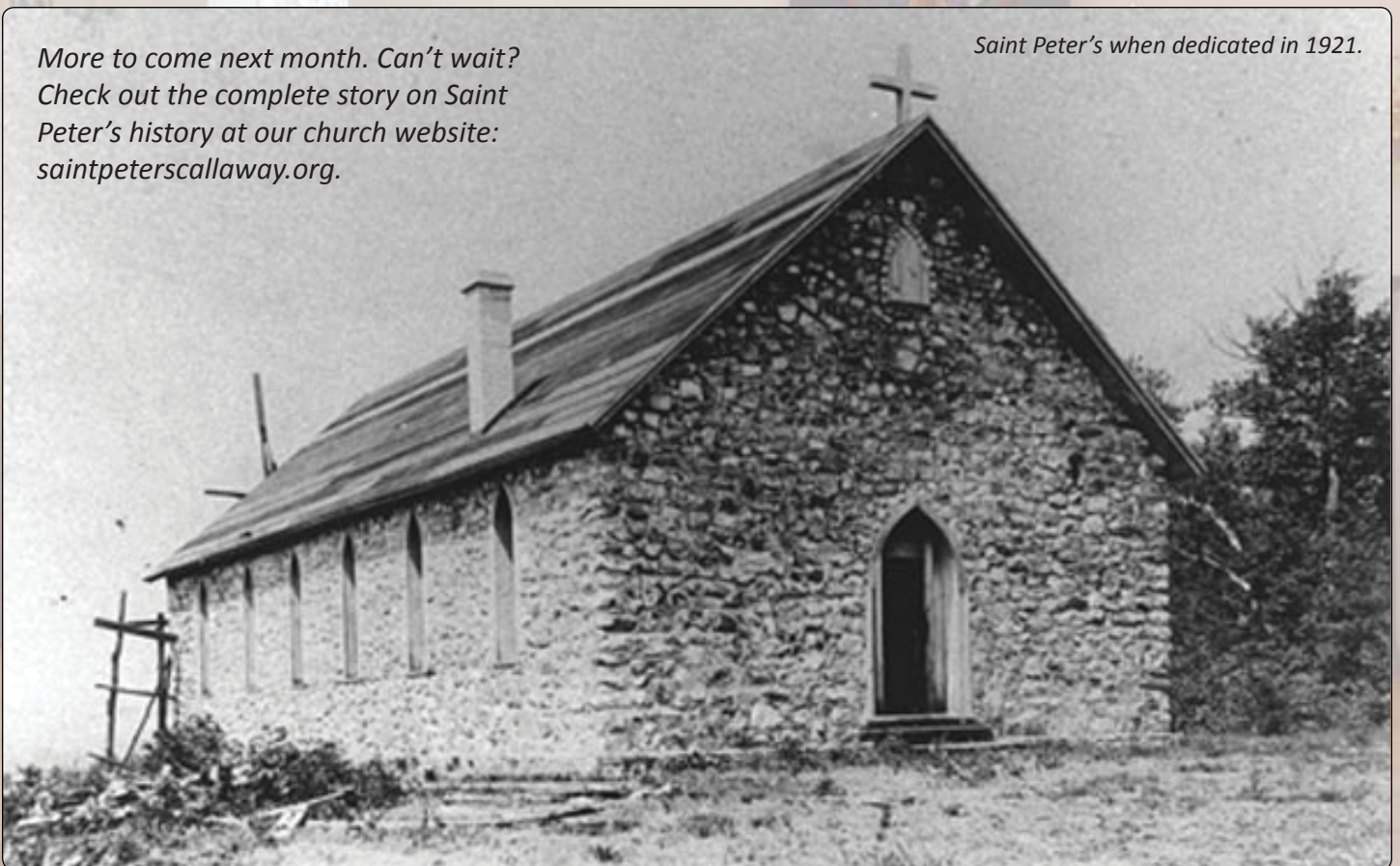
*Phoebe Needles School*

They wanted to be able to provide the basics of reading, writing and arithmetic, but also teach religious education. They sought to educate the mind, body and spirit.

Oddly, Phoebe Needles was not the first school and Saint Peter's was not the first Episcopal Church on the current site. But that comes a bit later....

*More to come next month. Can't wait?  
Check out the complete story on Saint  
Peter's history at our church website:  
[saintpeterscallaway.org](http://saintpeterscallaway.org).*

*Saint Peter's when dedicated in 1921.*



## UNNECESSARY DOUBTS

A little boy and girl were playing together. The boy had a collection of beautiful marbles, while the girl had some candies with her. The boy offered to give the girl all of his marbles in exchange for all her candies. The girl agreed right away.



Story & photo from [alltimeshortstories.com](http://alltimeshortstories.com).

The boy gave all the marbles to the girl, but secretly kept the biggest and the most beautiful marble for himself. The girl gave him all her candies, as she had promised.

That night, the girl slept peacefully. But the boy couldn't sleep, he kept wondering if the girl had hidden some more tasty candies from him the way he had hidden his best marble.

Moral: If you don't give your hundred percent in a relationship, you'll always keep doubting if the other person has given his/her one hundred percent.



To continue contributing to Saint Peter's, you are invited to mail your check to either:

Nancy Bradley  
55 Tyree Street  
Rocky Mount, VA 24151  
OR  
Saint Peter's  
65 Rock Ridge Road

## Underdog Status

Who's our next lawnmowing Underdog? We have a few dates left for anyone interested in helping out.

A few quick rules:

- mow straight lines
- no chasing cars
- stay hydrated
- don't pee on the bushes (negotiable)

Call Danny Custer at 493-5333 if you think you're the top dog for the job.



## Mowing Schedule

Aug. 30	Newc
Sept. 6	Paul S.
Sept. 13	Gary
Sept. 20	Danny
Sept. 27	Gary

Oct. 4	_____
Oct. 11	_____
Oct. 18	_____
Oct. 25	_____

# SERVICE CALENDAR – September 2020

Children's

Readings

Lector

Chalice

Altar Guild

Acolyte

Chapel

## Aug. 30 Thirteenth Sunday of Pentecost

Exodus 3:1-15  
Psalm 105:1-6, 23-26, 45c  
Romans 12:9-21  
Matthew 16:21-28



## Sept. 6 Fourteenth Sunday of Pentecost

Exodus 12:1-14  
Psalm 149  
Romans 13:8-14  
Matthew 18:15-20



## Sept. 13 Fifteenth Sunday of Pentecost

Exodus 14:19-31  
Psalm 114 or Exodus 15:1b-11,20-21  
Romans 14:1-12  
Matthew 18:21-35



## Sept. 20 Sixteenth Sunday of Pentecost

Exodus 16:2-15  
Psalm 105:1-6, 37-45  
Philippians 1:21-30  
Matthew 20:1-16



## Sept. 27 Seventeenth Sunday of Pentecost

Exodus 17:1-7  
Psalm 78:1-4, 12-16  
Philippians 2:1-13  
Matthew 21:23-32



September 26 marks another trip around the sun for Paul Simms.

## SAINT PETER'S PRAYER & CARE TEAM

We have included in the Prayers of the People at each Sunday's worship service the names of those people in need of prayer that you have made known to the church. As a way of keeping those names before us in prayer, we are going to begin a Prayer Chain at Saint Peter's. This will be a group of people who are willing to commit to praying for each person on our prayer list on a daily basis. The Prayer Chain will also be responsible for updating the list, writing occasional notes to those in our prayers, and relaying needs that might be met by the congregation. If the group once formed desires to meet on occasion for prayer and discussion that is a possibility as well. Juanita Custer has offered to coordinate the group. Anyone is welcome to be a part of this group. Please let Juanita (hodges\_juanita@yahoo.com) know if you would like to participate in this group.



## September Birthdays

- 1 Terry Griffen
- 1 Francis Stansberry
- 2 Linda Sigmon
- 3 Jami Stanley
- 6 Beth Crow
- 13 Regena Sigmon
- 25 Billy DeHart
- 26 Paul Simms
- 29 Todd Hancock
- 29 Fair Robey

September 2020						
SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
		01	02	03	04	05
06	07	08	09	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30			

## 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)*

## PRAYER LIST – September 2020

Dylan Stanley	Glenda Pendleton
Lauren Stanley	Christina Roudabush
Sam Campbell	Linda Sigmon
Carol Osborne	Cindy Swinehart
Shelby DeHart	Linda Thomas
Denise Ellis	Eli Sydow
Sara Bier	Hazel Pendleton
Brad Bernard	Betty Hood
Jane Pohlad	Brian Bernard
John Malukei	Joe Puzycki
Jamie Stanley	Patsy Hubbard
Linda Green	Adam Johnson
Sandy Grice	

Help us O Lord, to put all our trust in your mercy and love. Give comfort to the sick and dying, and strengthen their families with your Holy Spirit. Help us to seek out and find ways, in our own day, to love and serve our neighbor; remembering especially those who lives and livelihoods are threatened by the COVID-19 virus.

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 also 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, and in particular for those who serve in harms way.



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### Zoom Weekly Meetings

Wednesdays - Bible Study at Noon  
Friday - "What's On Your Mind" at 5:00 p.m.

Meeting ID: 388 885 5255  
Password: 803568  
OR  
Dial by your location:  
646-558-8656 US (New York)

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/3888855255?pwd=YWUxZ3IHSXR3SkRwditUTzVxUORvQT09>

