

**SAINT PETER'S  
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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.*

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**NEWS & NOTES**

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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 this year for your birthday?

Confirmation/Inquirer's Meetings - March 13, 20, 27, April 3 Anyone who would like to be confirmed or received by the bishop on his next visit should plan to attend. We will meet from 11:15 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. following the worship service. This is also an opportunity for anyone else in the parish to refresh their memory on the history, liturgy, and hierarchy of the Episcopal Church. Please join us!!

If you are interested in Lenten Meditations, you might try those from Episcopal Relief & Development. Click on this link to subscribe: <https://www.episcopalrelief.org/church-in-action/lent/>

If anyone has no use for a COVID-19 rapid tests, you are invited to order a pack of four and donate them to the Phoebe Needles Center. We hope not to need any this summer, but it would be smart for us to be prepared. They are very easy to order. There is a limit of one package of four per mailing address. To order tests, click on this link: <https://www.covidtests.gov/>.

Here is a link for daily prayer and meditation that can be used in Lent and beyond! <https://pray-as-you-go.org>



## NEWS & NOTES

### Endowment Fund

"Keeping the Rock Church Solid." The Saint Peter's Endowment Fund receives donations every month; memorials to loved ones, from Birthday Sunday, and other donations. The Fund is growing! Our thanks to all who have contributed.

### Keeping Up with Our Commitment

Please remember that Saint Peter's depends on your pledge. If you have forgotten the amount of your pledge for 2021, please contact Lisa Whitlock at: LEwhitlock@embarqmail.com. If you are mailing your check to the church, please send it to:

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We are looking to add to the number of Lectors to participate in the worship service by reading the scripture lessons. If you are willing to read from time to time, please contact Dave Newcombe at 365-7157 or dnewcombe@ferrum.edu.



### SAINT PETER'S PRAYER & CARE TEAM

We include in the Prayers of the People each Sunday the names of those in need of prayer that you have made known to the church. As a way of keeping those names before us in prayer, those on the Prayer & Care Team also offer daily prayers, and send cards. You are invited to join this group of people who are willing to commit to praying for each person on our prayer list on a daily basis. If you are interested in joining the Prayer & Care Team, or would like more information, please contact Juanita Custer (hodges\_juanita@yahoo.com) or call 540-588-3655.





# MARCH 2022

## SERVICE CALENDAR

<u>Date</u>	<u>Lesson (details in LINK)</u>		<u>Lector</u>	<u>Altar</u>	<u>Acolyte</u>
Mar. 6	First Sunday of Lent	<a href="#">LINK</a>	Bob	Sharon	Sammi
Mar. 13	Second Sunday in Lent	<a href="#">LINK</a>	David		Matthew
Mar. 20	Third Sunday in Lent	<a href="#">LINK</a>	Lana		Lucas
Mar. 27	Fourth Sunday in Lent	<a href="#">LINK</a>	Rob		Grace
April 3	Fifth Sunday in Lent	<a href="#">LINK</a>	Katherine		Zoe

## MARCH BIRTHDAYS

March

- 3 John Heck  
Pat Newcombe
- 9 Susan Mead
- 12 Amy Crow  
Sondra Kirsch
- 17 Dylan Stanley
- 29 Sherri Custer
- 30 Flora Stevens



*Sondra Kirsch  
has a birthday  
in March.*



## The Season of Lent

The traditional purpose of Lent is the preparation of the believer through prayer, penance, repentance of sins, almsgiving, atonement and self-denial. Its institutional purpose is heightened in the annual commemoration of Holy Week, marking the death, burial and resurrection of Jesus, which recalls the tradition and events of the Bible beginning on Friday of Sorrows, further climaxing on Jesus' crucifixion on Good Friday, which ultimately culminates in the joyful celebration on Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of Jesus Christ.

During Lent, many of the faithful commit to fasting or giving up certain types of luxuries as a form of penitence. The Stations of the Cross, a devotional commemoration of Christ's carrying the Cross and of his execution, are often observed. Many Roman Catholic and some Protestant churches remove flowers from their altars, while crucifixes, religious statues, and other elaborate religious symbols are often veiled in violet fabrics in solemn observance of the event. In certain pious Catholic countries, some adherents mark the season with the traditional abstention from the consumption of meat. [1] In some countries, grand religious processions and cultural customs are observed, and the faithful attempt to visit seven churches during Holy Week in honor of Jesus Christ heading to Mount Calvary.

Lent is traditionally described as lasting for forty days, in commemoration of the forty days which, according to the Gospels of Matthew, Mark and Luke, Jesus spent fasting in the desert before the beginning of his public ministry, where he endured temptation by the Devil. However, different Christian denominations calculate the forty days of Lent differently. In most Western traditions the Sundays are not counted as part of Lent since Sundays are always the weekly anniversary of the Resurrection and exempt from fasting or abstinence from meat; thus the period from Ash Wednesday until Easter consists of 40 days when the Sundays are excluded.

## Liturgical Notes for the Season of Lent

**Shrove Tuesday** (also known as Shrovetide Tuesday, Pancake Tuesday and Pancake Day) is the day preceding Ash Wednesday, the first day of Lent. Shrove Tuesday is determined by Easter; its date changes annually.

The expression "Shrove Tuesday" comes from the word *shrive*, meaning "confess". Shrove Tuesday is observed by many Christian denominations, including the Lutheran, Episcopal, Methodist and Roman Catholic Churches. Many of these Christians, on Shrove Tuesday, "make a special point of self-examination, of considering what wrongs they need to repent, and what amendments of life or areas of spiritual growth they especially need to ask God's help in dealing with." Being the last day before the penitential season of Lent, related popular practices, such as indulging in food that one sacrifices for the upcoming forty days, are associated with Shrove Tuesday celebrations, before commencing the fasting and religious obligations associated with Lent. The term *Mardi Gras* is French for Fat Tuesday, referring to the practice of the last night of eating richer, fatty foods before the ritual fasting of the Lenten season, which begins on Ash Wednesday.

**Ash Wednesday** is the first day of Lent in the Western Christian calendar, directly following Shrove Tuesday. Occurring 46 days before Easter, it is a moveable fast that can fall as early as February 4 and as late as March 10.

According to the canonical gospels of Matthew, Mark and Luke; Jesus spent 40 days fasting in the desert, where he endured temptation by Satan. Ash Wednesday marks the beginning of this 40-day liturgical period of prayer and fasting or abstinence. Of the 46 days until Easter, six are Sundays. As the Christian sabbath, Sundays are not included in the fasting period and are instead "feast" days during Lent.

Ash Wednesday derives its name from the practice of placing ashes on the foreheads of adherents as a celebration and reminder of human mortality, and as a sign of mourning and repentance to God. The ashes used are typically gathered from the burning of the palms from the previous year's Palm Sunday.

Although the imposition of ashes was generally seen as a Catholic practice, as it was mostly abandoned by Protestants except for Anglicans after the Protestant Reformation, it has become increasingly common in much of Christianity, now being observed by many Lutherans and Methodists in addition to Catholics and Episcopalians. Some Baptist and nondenominational churches, among other denominations, also observe this day.

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## PRAYER LIST – March 2022

Evelyn Milan	Nancy Bradley
Kelley Beyer	Helen Campbell
Paula Nichols	Dana Ellis
Craig Griffin	Michael Riley
Linda Frechette	Sam Campbell
David Hughes	Carol Osborne
Debra Connolly	John Malukei
Billy DeHart	Jamie Stanley
Rob & Margie Wiltshire	Linda Green
Meagan Roop	Sandy Grice
Larissa Fezell	Glenda Pendleton
Frances Kuhlbars	Linda Sigmon
Matt Foutz	Hazel Pendleton
Cindy Swinehart	Betty Hood
Joe Mitchell	Joe Puzycki
Kitten Guilliams	

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.



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