

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

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**ROCK
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NEWS**

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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.*

NEWS & NOTES

Advent Wreath making for families: Friday 11/26 and Sat 11/27, 2 persons would be scheduled at a time to make the window wreaths. Please contact Marilyn Rodgers (mroddgers304@gmail.com) to sign up for a time slot (two families per time slot).

Friday 11/26 at 9:00 -11:00, 11:00 - 1:00, 1:00 - 3:00

Saturday 11/27 at 9:00 - 11:00, 11:00 - 1:00, 1:00 - 3:00

Order your FAIR TRADE PRODUCTS for Christmas by Dec. 1, and have them delivered on 12/5 or 12/12. Use the order form attached to the newsletter. Simply fill out the "fillable PDF," and return it via email to secretary@oln-parish.com. Payments can be cash or check on delivery. Haitian growers who have been hard hit by earthquake and hurricanes this year, so your purchase of Fair Trade products makes a difference in their lives!

The next Celtic Community Worship service will be Sunday November 7 at 5:30 p.m. at Saint Peter's. Please invite a friend and join us for a quiet time of candlelit worship, music, and reflection.

The Callaway Community Thanksgiving Service is Sunday, Nov. 21. The time and place is to be announced. Please bring canned goods to be donated to Heavenly Manna. Any monetary donations will go to the Callaway Pack-a-Sack program.

The next Center for Lifelong Learning program at the Phoebe Needles Center is Tuesday, November 9 at 10:00 am. The program will be "Why Does Virginia Plant Life and Terrain Look Like It Does? Answer: Geology", presented by Rick Watson. Please call the Center at 483-1518 by Friday, November 5th, at noon. We really need your presence and support. It would also be a great help if you would pass this on to a friend!

The Phoebe Needles Center presents "Music in the Mountains" on Sunday, Nov. 14, from 1:30 - 5:00 p.m. Please join us in welcoming Andy Buckman & Mac Traynham (1:30 - 3:00) and Seph Custer (3:30 - 5:00 p.m.). We hope to be outside weather permitting. Bring a chair and your friends and neighbors!!! Hot dogs, chips, brownies, and drinks will be provided. There is no charge for the concert, but donations will be accepted for the 2022 Summer Camp Fund.

The Saint Peter's Thanksgiving Day service is November 25th at 10:00 a.m. Come as you are, bring your families, neighbors, or out-of-town guests. Let us with grateful hearts give thanks to God for all our blessings!

Vestry Elections -- Danny Custer and Patrick Nix will complete their term of service on December 31, 2021, and we need TWO people willing to serve in their place. If you are willing to serve on the Vestry, or would like to nominate someone else, please contact a member of the current Vestry. The election of new Vestry members will take place Sunday, November 28.

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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:

Saint Peter's
65 Rock Ridge Road
Callaway, VA 24067



Annual Stewardship

You will soon be receiving a letter with a proposed budget for 2022 and a pledge card. Please return your pledge card to the church in person or by mail by Sunday November 14th. The Vestry plans to finalize the church budget at their next meeting.

For those of you who like to plan ahead, Daylight Savings Time ENDS at midnight on Sunday November 7th at 12:00 p.m. Set your clocks back an hour!

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.

FALL SERVICES ...

We continue to watch and monitor the best practices regarding the spread of COVID-19, and will adjust according to recommendations from the CDC and orders from the Virginia governor's office.

For now, as we move forward into the fall and winter, the wearing of masks, passing the peace, and receipt of communion will be entirely up to each person to determine their own level of comfort. Communion is with bread only.

The Episcopal Church considers the receipt of one of the elements (bread or wine) to be all that is necessary for full communion. If you are not comfortable drinking from the common cup or intincting, you are not in any way obligated or compelled to do so regardless of what others in the congregation are doing. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Rev. John Heck.

HOLD THIS IMPORTANT DATE

Saturday, Dec. 4, this the 14th Annual Yuletide Festival at Phoebe Needles from 6:30 - 8:00 p.m. We will also have a special service to commemorate and celebrate the 100th Anniversary of the Consecration of Saint Peter's-in-the-Mountains Episcopal Church. The potluck supper begins at 6:00 p.m. Bring your favorite dish! We will sing Christmas carols after dinner. Please bring your family and friends.

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 (hodes_juanita@yahoo.com) or call 540-588-3655.



Professor Emeritus Bob Pohlad Receives Melvin Johnston Award from Smith Mountain Lake Association

During their monthly meeting on Tuesday, October 19, the Smith Mountain Lake Association (SMLA) bestowed the 2021 Melvin S. Johnston Citizen Volunteer Award upon Ferrum College Professor Emeritus Bob Pohlad.

The annual award, named for philanthropist and SMLA founder Melvin Johnston, is given to those who have had a great impact on the Smith Mountain Lake area during the year, or over an extended period of time. SMLA board member Lori Smith, who also served as SMLA president from 2017-19, was Pohlad's counterpart in receiving the award.

Pohlad has served as senior scientist for the Water Quality Program (WQP) on Smith Mountain Lake, which was founded 35 years ago by Pohlad's late wife, Dr. Carolyn Thomas, and Dr. Dave Johnson. Both Thomas and Johnson taught at Ferrum College with Pohlad.

"I am very honored to be given this award by the SMLA, and to be a part of the Smith Mountain Lake Water Quality Program and the Master Naturalist Program," said Pohlad. "These programs help people engage in citizen science that enhances everyone's knowledge of our valuable local resources to benefit us all."

In his role as senior scientist, Pohlad coordinated the recent development and implementation of SMLA's new algae reporting tool, which has since been integrated into the Virginia Department of Health reporting system.

Pohlad also helps to train volunteers of the Blue Ridge Foothills and Lakes chapter of the Virginia Master Naturalists. These volunteers take on active projects at Smith Mountain Lake, such as monitoring waters and streams, invasive species control, and buffer landscaping. Pohlad designed curriculum for training and taught classes both in person and over Zoom during the COVID-19 public health crisis.

"The awards committee and the SMLA Board felt strongly that Dr. Pohlad's long record of service to the WQP was due appropriate recognition, as was his service in preparing so many citizen scientists over the years," said SMLA board member Geoffrey Orth, who also serves as the coordinator for Save our Streams. "He is truly, as the citation of the award indicates, the institutional memory of the WQP and a go-to person for some of our knottiest problems. It is hard to imagine how the WQP and its volunteer base would have reached its current level of expertise without him."



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HELP! We are looking for two people, one who would be willing to serve as the contact point for the United Thank Offering/Episcopal Relief & Development, and someone to coordinate the Outreach Ministries at Saint Peter's. Please talk to John Heck for more information.

NOVEMBER 2021

SERVICE CALENDAR

<u>Date</u>	<u>Lesson</u> (see LINK for details)		<u>Lector</u>	<u>Altar</u>	<u>Acolyte</u>
Nov. 7	24th Sunday After Pentecost	LINK	Dave	Maureen, Marilyn	Sammi
Nov. 14	25th Sunday After Pentecost	LINK	Pat N.	Lisa, Regina	Lucas
Nov. 21	Last Sunday After Pentecost	LINK	Bob	Pat R	Grace
Nov. 28	First Sunday of Advent	LINK	Lana	Kelley, Pat	Zoe
Dec. 5	Second Sunday of Advent	LINK	Rob	Sharon	Sammi



Danene and Jeff Bernard both celebrate birthdays in the month of November.

BIRTHDAYS

November

- 10 Danene Bernard
- 13 Shannon Simms
- 20 Jeff Bernard



Shannon Simms has a birthday this month.

Catching up with the Stansberry Family of Four (?)



PRAYER LIST -- November 2021

Tana Rosenblatt	Dana Ellis
Betty Wanamaker	Sam Vanderbilt
Clara Jane Rubarth	Michael Riley
Debra Connolly	Sam Campbell
Kelley Beyer	Carol Osborne
Rob & Margie Wiltshire	Lauren Stanley
Meagan Roop	Jane Pohlad
Larissa Feazell	John Malukei
Frances Kuhlbars	Jamie Stanley
Matt Foutz	Linda Green
Joe Mitchell	Sandy Grice
Ronnie Smith	Glenda Pendleton
Lorraine Roberts	Linda Sigmon
Justin Yates	Cindy Swinehart
Nancy Bradley	Linda Thomas
Helen Campbell	Hazel Pendleton
Steve Whitley	Betty Hood
Hildegard Whitley	Joe Puzycki

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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2021, Bob Pohlad