



Ring in the **Good News**

ST. PETER'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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Lent Season

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A Holy Week is Coming

By Fr. Tom Simmons

We often imagine Jesus in abstract "heavenly" terms. But John said in his Gospel, "The Word became flesh and dwelt among us..." God-in-the-flesh! He had fingerprints and a signature, eye color and an address. God's breath smelled of the garlic and olives he ate for dinner.

In his first Epistle, John elaborates, "We declare to you what we have heard, what we have seen with our eyes, what we have looked at and touched with our hands, concerning the word of life..." (I John 1:1). John is saying, "We knew the man face to face. We walked with him." John was there with him in Jerusalem.

The neat thing about Holy Week is we get to be "there" with him, too.

We are approaching the climax of the Christian year when all that we have been waiting and preparing for come upon us in Holy Week and Easter. We join Jesus in his final week in Jerusalem, retracing his steps in his passion, death and resurrection.

Join us in enacting together this ancient journey of transformation.

It all begins on **Palm Sunday** when Jesus enters Jerusalem in procession to the acclaim of the



Walk with Jesus this Week to the Grave and Back

Palm Sunday – March 20, 8AM & 10:30AM

Tenebrae – March 23, 7PM

Maundy Thursday – March 24, 7PM

Good Friday – March 25, 7AM, 12PM, 7PM

The Great Vigil of Easter – March 26, 8PM

EASTER SUNDAY – March 27

Sunrise Service at Montcalm Farm – 6:45AM

Holy Eucharist 8AM & 10:30AM

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multitudes. They shouted "hosanna" and so do we when we join the crowd on Palm Sunday with our grand procession around the church.

But the jubilation was short-lived. The clouds of danger quickly gathered around Jesus...and us in the service of **Tenebrae**, on Wednesday at 7 pm. The haunting beauty of the Psalms make a powerful entrance into Jesus' passion.

We are there with him on the night he was handed over to suffering and death. Our Lord Jesus joins his disciples for the Passover, his last meal with them, the feast that has been characteristic of Christian worship ever since. We call that night **Maundy Thursday** where at 7 p.m. we gather around the table with Jesus and his disciples for foot washing and breaking bread. As we recount the betrayal of Jesus the altar and sanctuary are stripped bare, just as he was in his passion. We spend the night in vigil with Jesus in the Garden of Gethsemane.

The week that began with cheers of "hosanna" ended with shouts of "crucify". And so our Lord dies on **Good Friday**. We are there when they nailed him to the tree. We mark the dark day with two services of solemn prayer in the morning, at noon and night, walking with Jesus on the *Via Dolorosa*, in the Stations of the Cross. The death of Jesus casts a pall of darkness over the weekend. But then a light shines in the darkness. It's the light of the resurrection in the tomb of the pierced and broken body of Jesus. That body is reanimated by the power of God and Jesus emerges alive from the dead. Now we can say, Alleluia!

We join Jesus in the darkness of that tomb on Easter Eve for the **Great Vigil of Easter** at 8 p.m. It is the first liturgy of Easter. In the ancient way of reckoning, a day begins at sunset. So as the sun goes down on Holy Saturday, Easter Day begins. It begins in a darkened sanctuary, dark like the tomb. And then the light of Christ shines in our midst. We recount the saving acts of God, beginning with creation, until we come to the resurrection of Jesus. Then with the angels we proclaim, Alleluia Christ is risen!

This Great Vigil of Easter is THE principal feast of the Christian year. It is the top of the mountain we've been climbing since Advent began. The Vigil enacts and celebrates the moment of the resurrection, when Jesus passes from death to life and our liturgy moves from darkness to light. The liturgies of Easter morning are simply follow-on celebrations.

The heart of the Great Vigil is what is called "the Paschal mystery." If you're wondering what that means, there's a pithy little definition in one of the Great Vigil prayers. "Through the Paschal mystery, dear friends, we are buried with Christ by Baptism into his death, and raised with him to newness of life"

The Christian faith and life isn't just trusting and obeying the God who lives in heaven. We as Christians actually PARTICIPATE with Christ in his life, death and resurrection. That's the Paschal mystery. We are made one with Jesus through Baptism. What is true of him is now true of us. When he died and rose again, you were there in the tomb.

Or actually, you ARE there, because the Paschal mystery does not just look BACK in history. It brings the past FORWARD into the present and bids us participate in it. A monk and theologian named Odo Casel described how this works. "The mystery is a sacred ritual action in which a saving deed is *made present* through the rite; the congregation, by performing the rite, takes part in the saving act, and thereby win salvation."

Did you follow that? We participate in the death and resurrection of Christ through "a sacred ritual action in which the saving deed is made present...". The sacred ritual actions are the liturgy and sacraments we celebrate as a congregation. When we tell the story of God's saving work in our worship, we enact it and partake of those ancient events. They are made present to us as "living history" through the rite.

This is the weekly reality of our Sunday Eucharist. And it is preeminently the reality of the Great Vigil, which gives the fullest and most glorious expression of the Paschal Mystery.

Now, if I have you thoroughly confused, I invite you to **come to the Easter Vigil** to see and discover for yourself. It will be unlike any liturgy you have ever participated in - unless of course you have joined the Vigil before. We will join God in his saving work, baptize, lift our prayers with incense, shout alleluia with joyful noise, and party with champagne, sparkling cider and exquisite desserts.

You won't want to miss the great high feast of the Christian year. "The Lord is risen indeed!"





THERE ARE ONLY 300 SEATS AVAILABLE
FOR THE SIT DOWN SUPPER AND PRESENTATION FROM
COLONEL OLIVER NORTH

**RSVP NOW... FOR THE ST. PETER'S CHURCH
WILD GAME SUPPER & OUTDOOR SPORTS EVENT!**

Register at: www.stpetes.net

March 12, 2016

New Date!

1:00pm— 5:00pm OUTDOOR SPORTS EVENT (registration not required)
5:00pm—8:00pm WILD GAME SUPPER & PRESENTATION (registration required)
at Shadow Creek Event Center, 18090 Silcott Springs Rd., Purcellville, VA

No Admission Fee.....just bring your favorite Wild Game Covered Dish or Dessert/Side to Share!

Spend the day enjoying outdoor sports activities, browsing all our vendors tables,
eating a wild game feast and possibly going home with a great door prize or raffle item!

Each attendee will get one door prize ticket and have the opportunity to purchase more door prize and raffle tickets.

Door Prizes

Legacy Outdoor Sports Club Membership Fee
and first years dues (**value \$2195.00**)*
**(winner must pass standard application process)*
Four man guided Duck Hunt from
Widewater Waterfowl Stafford, VA (**value \$720.00**)
Two man guided Goose hunt
on Legacy Northern VA property (**value \$350.00**)
One man guided Whitetail Hunt on
Legacy Northern VA property (**value \$200.00**)
One man guided Turkey Hunt on
Legacy Northern VA property (**value \$200.00**)
One St. Croix #5 Fly Rod and Reel combo and a one
hour casting instruction session with Fish and Explore. (**value \$280.00**)
and many more.....

Raffles

Several "One of a Kind"
Oliver North personalized items.
The Friends of NRA will be hosting the infamous
"Wall of Guns" raffle.
Just to name a few.....

Contests/Activities

Youth Air Rifle range and instruction (Air Rifle provided)
Adult Archery Contest (Bring your own bow)
Youth Archery range and instruction (Bow Provided)
Fishing casting contest (Rod and Reel provided)
Big Buck contest (Must have tag as proof of 2015 Harvest)
Best Wild Game Covered Dish (Panel of judges)
VA department of game and inland fisheries
(Bones and Skins exhibit)

Participants

St. Peters Church
Legacy Outdoor Sports Club
Friends of the National Rifle Association
Freedom Alliance
Widewater Waterfowl
VA Department of Game and inland Fisheries
Fish and Explore
Hunters for the Hungry
Boulder Crest Retreat
Fortress Firearms
Wild Pursuits Hunting Consultants
Premiere Guides and Outfitters
Christian Warriors Adventure Camp

For You

~ An expression of liturgical worship ~

We embark on a journey on the first of the week
To honor, to love, to worship, to seek

Your Word is pondered, doxologies sung
Candles are lit and bells are rung

We glean from Your story the lessons to heed
We profess our conviction with the Nicene Creed

Together we kneel in sincere supplication
We pray for Your people and all Your creation

We transcend to the Heavens, we bow at Your throne
Your immanent Spirit reveals all we bemoan

No secret is hidden, not even a one
Those known and unknown, things left undone

You know our afflictions and all we lament
We're exposed and unworthy in earnest repent

Your radiant Glory on remorseful faces
Overwhelmed by your love and most merciful Graces

In coalesced celebration Your Peace is conveyed
Your Peace, Love and Joy manifestly displayed

Our first fruits, ourselves, we give them to You
It's our bounden duty, the least we can do

With angels we extol You, "Holy Holy" we sing
Of Heaven and Earth Hosanna is King!

In unison with Christ's Bride, together we say
The very words the Lord taught us to pray

The Christus Rex with its triumphant semblance
Evokes the Passion with heartfelt remembrance

With all of Your saints we together Commune
We're replenished, renewed in Your Sacred Triune

We've embarked on a journey, but it is not done
Our reasonable service, for You, just begun

By Tamara Tyler



Looking for a Few Good Fellows

By Fr. Tom Simmons

A lot of Christians are hungry. They are hungry for more study, community, thoughtful engagement with important issues, probing insight, and practical application than their congregation's Sunday School and small group offerings can deliver on a regular basis. They want to learn to LIVE their faith in a more challenging and effective way.

I think this search for "more" might end for many people with the C.S. Lewis Institute's *Fellows Program*, a year-long discipleship course designed for Christians ready to be disciplined about their spiritual growth, and who seek to be "more" useful for God's kingdom in our world.

The Fellows Program's unique approach focuses on the integration of the heart and mind in an interdenominational setting, and is designed to dramatically alter participants' trajectory of spiritual growth.

The program runs for one academic year, September through June, with summer readings beforehand and a retreat in September to formally initiate the year. Each month examines a different biblical theme, with an overall focus on spiritual formation, apologetics, evangelism and serving others.

A combination of dynamic teachers and writers, experienced mentors, effective small groups and active engagement with Scripture produces mature believers who can articulate, defend and joyfully live out their faith in every aspect of their life. It is a true feast for hungry souls seeking "more."

And it works.

A survey of our Fellows found that 76% would be willing to lead a discipleship group in their home; 100% experienced an increase in their involvement in ministry to their family and neighborhood; 88% increase in their involvement in workplace ministry; and 84% said the program has "transformed or significantly impacted their life."

Those results have been noticed by others, too.

Churches far and wide have asked the Institute to help them develop the Fellows Program in their own cities. The Fellows Program started in Falls Church in 1999, as a partnership between Columbia Baptist, Falls Church Anglican, McLean Presbyterian, and Cornerstone Evangelical Free Church. Since 2005 it has spread to other cities like Atlanta, Annapolis, Seattle, Cincinnati, London, Chicago, Youngstown, Harrisburg, Virginia Beach, and Belfast.



Now the C.S. Lewis Institute's Fellows Program has come to Leesburg.

We seek to gather a group of Fellows in the month ahead to take advantage of this tremendous opportunity. We will be accepting applications in March, and will select participants by the end of April.

There are some Admission Requirements to be aware of.

1. Completion of an application, an interview with Institute staff, and two recommendations, one of which must be from the applicant's pastor.
2. The applicant's strong desire to know and love God more deeply and to live out the gospel more faithfully and to share it with others.
3. The applicant's strong desire to actively serve Christ upon completion of the program, evidenced by a commitment and tentative plan of action
4. The applicant's commitment to engage with the program in terms of attendance, reading, group participation, and being mentored in discipleship.
5. The applicant's willingness to be open about his or her intellectual, spiritual, and personal life along with a desire to receive insight and guidance from a spiritual mentor.
6. Support of the applicant's spouse, if married.

Each month's routine includes Scripture reading and assignments associated with the topic that month, meeting with a mentor, gathering in a group of three or four Fellows for prayer, fellowship, discussion, and/or to watch a monthly movie, and the Saturday morning Gathering for teaching and discussion.

Cost of the Program is \$3,500 per Fellow. However, due to generous support of the program, each Fellow is only responsible for their books, materials and the cost of the retreat. For more information about the CS Lewis Institute and the Fellows Program, please go to www.cslewisinstitute.org - applications are now available.

Is God Calling You to Serve on the Vestry?

By Fr. Tom Simmons

The Church thrives on good leadership. And in today's world, the stakes are quite high.

We are looking for a few good men and women who can be part of the core team leading and serving St. Peter's on the vestry. The congregation will select them for leadership on **May 1, 2016**. We need a diverse team of people with a good mix of the following capabilities:

- **Praying** – helping our church become more habitually dependent on God for guidance and provision and power as we reach out to serve our neighbors in the Loudoun Valley.
- **Visioning** – anticipating where God wants us to go, sharing passionate beliefs and values and hearing those of others, developing consensus on our direction in the future.
- **Planning** – analyzing ideas to make them actionable, designing good processes to make them a reality, defining tasks and roles and delegating to others.
- **Accomplishing** – turning plans into reality by gathering groups of people, allocating financial resources, integrating complex details into workable solutions.
- **Relating** – sharing yourself with others, caring for them, leading meetings that get results, and facilitating deeper discipleship with Jesus and development in ministry.
- **Speaking** – helping others see a vision, embrace the message, feel inspired to join the team, work hard to accomplish the goal, and take the next step in maturity with Jesus.

Have you got the capacity to do one or three of these? Do you know someone who does? I'd like to talk with you about your chance to serve with leaders of St. Peter's.

By Canon (Canon 12 of the Diocese of Virginia) the Vestry's role is to:

- "Cooperate with the Rector in promoting the spiritual welfare of his cure"
- "Support the programs of the Church and continuously encourage members of the congregation"
- "Give generously [2-3 hrs per week and tithe] towards the support of those programs"
- "Extend personally a hearty welcome to new members of the congregation"
- "Transact all its temporal business"

These describe a mission of becoming leaders who multiply the number and effectiveness of people who serve at St Peter's. "Becoming leaders" means:

1. **Growing in spiritual maturity.** Everything in the Church hinges on people living in a deepening relationship with Jesus, becoming mature followers of Christ. Leaders each have/develop the habit of practicing the Simple Ancient Disciplines of the Christian life.
2. **Growing together as a Christian community.** The Vestry doesn't just do "church business." We gather as a Christian community, breaking bread together, getting to know one another, caring for each other, growing together as a team leading the congregation.
3. **Growing more effective as Christian ministers and leaders.** We are in the people business and we work to develop the mindset, commitments and skills necessary for supporting, equipping and encouraging the many people who serve at St Peter's.

Our vestry works to implement our Strategic Plan by leading the congregation forward in four Areas of Ministry:

- **Communion** – leading us to serve God in Worship, Prayer, and Pastoral Care
- **Community** – leading us to serve one another in New Member Ministry, Hospitality, and Christian Formation
- **Commission** – leading us to serve the world in Outreach, Missions, and Evangelism
- **Support** – leading us to support all the above with good Communications, Administration, and Facilities

Please pick up a Vestry Candidate Questionnaire (available in the entryway or on our website) and return completed form to Fr. Tom or the Church Office by April 10.

Vestry Orientation Retreat to welcome new Vestry members will be on May 6-8 at Chesapeake Bay.

Guatemala Mission Trip 2016

By Bob Loker

St. Peter's Church will be sending a seventeen person team to Guatemala to serve with Redeemer's House International for a week in late June. This is St. Peter's fifth trip to Guatemala. Eight team members are from St. Peter's and nine are from other churches. The group from St. Peter's includes **Kelly Cockrill, Pam Pierce-Johnston, Anne Schultz, Mark and Nancy Baker, Hayes Baker, Michael Wagstaff and Bob Loker**. Other team members include Haley Alcock from Emmanuel Episcopal Church in Upperville, Andrew Battleson from Church of the Apostles in Dallas, Zhanna Camp from St. Francis deSales in Purcellville, Lucy Dickerson from St. James Episcopal in Leesburg, Becky Loker from Cornerstone Presbyterian in Maryland, Sarah Ruscitella from Purcellville Baptist, Hanna Snyder and Angie Cevallos from Cornerstone Chapel in Leesburg and Carly Webb from Massachusetts. Five members of the team are Kelly's Spanish language students at Loudoun Valley High School.



Feeding Station for Kids



Cheyli Being Fitted for Her New Wheelchair

We will be supporting Todd and Maureen Erickson, missionaries with Redeemer's House International, a ministry that builds holistic relationships with at-risk families. Our specific projects for this trip have yet to be assigned by the Ericksons. In the past we have helped with after school programs, run a soccer clinic, done family photography, provided reading glasses, improved the facilities at the learning center and served at a feeding station for undernourished Mayan kids. We also have helped out at Hope for Home, a home for severely handicapped children.



Serving at Hope for Home

One major way we minister is by bringing mission supplies into Guatemala in our luggage. The team packs most of their clothing and personal items into their carry on bags and uses checked luggage for carrying in supplies. Seventeen bags with a total weight limit of 50 pounds each means we can bring into the country about 700 pounds of carefully selected school supplies, sports gear, toilet articles, over the counter medicines and vitamins, photography gear, clothing and craft supplies. We also leave space for a gift or two for the missionaries.

In addition to supplies, we bring cash. Some of that money is allocated to be used for projects that have already been assigned. For example, last year we paid for paint for the after school center and a three burner gas stove for the feeding station for kids in the highlands. But we also bring discretionary "walking around money" so that if we see a God given ministry opportunity (and we always do) we can respond to that need. In past years we provided a customized wheel chair and a year's supply of Ensure for Cheyli who has cerebral palsy, and we paid for a medical workup for Diego who was also diagnosed with cerebral palsy.

Over the next few months we will be collecting supplies and funds to be used while we are ministering in Guatemala. We will have a box available in McCray Hall and a list of suggested items for contribution.



Diego and His Mom

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

By Kathleen Voss, Director of Children's Ministries

SAVE THE DATE for Vacation Bible School June 27th – July 1st

Please note this is a week earlier than usual!!! We will be releasing the theme, registration information and call for volunteers in the springtime!

LENT

Lent comes from the word *lencten*, which refers to the days getting longer in the springtime. As the grass and flowers start to grow, so too are we called to grow in spirit and love!

Kids can observe Lent too...

- Set aside special time for prayer
- Read a story or 2 from a children's bible to encounter God's word!
- Give up a special treat, like ice cream or candy, to remind us that it is God whom we should depend on!
- Practice acts of kindness, big and small! We grow when we show love and charity towards others.

Happy St. Patrick's Day Fun Facts

- St. Patrick is the beloved patron saint of Ireland
- He was born in Britain and captured by Irish raiders at 16
- It is believed that St. Patrick died in 460AD
- Leprechaun or "lobairein" means, "small bodied fellow."
- The Gaelic word for shamrock is "seamrog"
- The shamrock was used to symbolize the Christian Trinity and has been a symbol of Ireland since the 18th century
- The first St. Patrick's Day parade was held in New York City on March 17, 1762



I am lucky for....

Posey Simmons... My family, friends and my horse Nacho

Niklas Holdorf ... my funny dad!

Mary V Simmons ... my mom!

Emmy Holdorf ... I have my dogs, a black lab and German shepherd

James Nunaley... Scooby Doo

Sophie Brzozowsky ... when I get to play with my dad

Jordan Smith... my mom, mouth and nose!

Sarah Staggs ... my mom and dad!

Renee Geiger ... That I am able to teach Catherine, James and Alex who are such wonderful gifts to the Church! They brighten every Sunday and bring such joy and enthusiasm for prayer and learning activities. I am also so lucky to have Deana Czaban teach with me. We make a great team!

Mrs. Voss ... Kyle, Madigan and Shea and all of the beautiful children at St. Peter's.

“That’s My King! Do You Know Him?”

S. M. Lockridge (born Shadrach Meshach Lockridge, March 7, 1913 – April 4, 2000) was the Pastor of Calvary Baptist Church, a prominent African American congregation located in San Diego, California, from 1953 to 1993. He was known for his preaching across the United States and around the world. He is well-known for a six-and-a-half minute description of Jesus Christ, known as “That’s my King!” for Lockridge’s repeated refrain.

My King was born King. The Bible says He’s a Seven Way King. He’s the King of the Jews—that’s an Ethnic King. He’s the King of Israel—that’s a National King. He’s the King of righteousness. He’s the King of the ages. He’s the King of Heaven. He’s the King of glory. He’s the King of kings and He is the Lord of lords. Now that’s my King.

Well, I wonder if you know Him. Do you know Him? Don’t try to mislead me. Do you know my King? David said the Heavens declare the glory of God, and the firmament shows His handiwork. My King is the only one of whom there are no means of measure that can define His limitless love. No far seeing telescope can bring into visibility the coastline of the shore of His supplies. No barriers can hinder Him from pouring out His blessing.

He’s enduringly strong. He’s entirely sincere. He’s eternally steadfast. He’s immortally graceful. He’s imperially powerful. He’s impartially merciful. That’s my King. He’s God’s Son. He’s the sinner’s Saviour. He’s the centerpiece of civilization. He stands alone in Himself. He’s honest. He’s unique. He’s unparalleled. He’s unprecedented. He’s supreme. He’s pre-eminent. He’s the grandest idea in literature. He’s the highest personality in philosophy. He’s the supreme problem in higher criticism. He’s the fundamental doctrine of historic theology. He’s the carnal necessity of spiritual religion. That’s my King.

He’s the miracle of the age. He’s the superlative of everything good that you choose to call Him. He’s the only one able to supply all our needs simultaneously. He supplies strength for the weak. He’s available for the tempted and the tried. He sympathizes and He saves. He’s the Almighty God who guides and keeps all his people. He heals the sick. He cleanses the lepers. He forgives sinners. He discharged debtors. He delivers the captives. He defends the feeble. He blesses the young. He serves the unfortunate. He regards the aged. He rewards the diligent and He beautifies the meek. That’s my King.

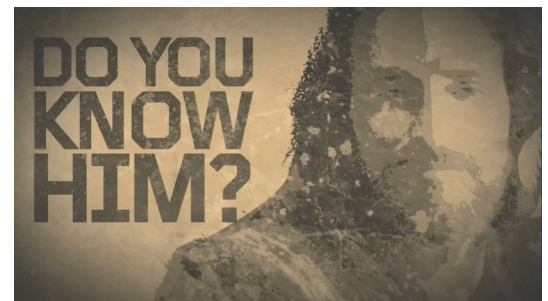
Do you know Him? Well, my King is a King of knowledge. He’s the wellspring of wisdom. He’s the doorway of deliverance. He’s the pathway of peace. He’s the roadway of righteousness. He’s the highway of holiness. He’s the gateway of glory. He’s the master of the mighty. He’s the captain of the conquerors. He’s the head of the heroes. He’s the leader of the legislatures. He’s the overseer of the overcomers. He’s the governor of governors. He’s the prince of princes. He’s the King of kings and He’s the Lord of lords. That’s my King.

His office is manifold. His promise is sure. His light is matchless. His goodness is limitless. His mercy is everlasting. His love never changes. His Word is enough. His grace is sufficient. His reign is righteous. His yoke is easy and His burden is light. I wish I could describe Him to you . . . but He’s indescribable. That’s my King. He’s incomprehensible, He’s invincible, and He is irresistible.

I’m coming to tell you this, that the heavens of heavens cannot contain Him, let alone some man explain Him. You can’t get Him out of your mind. You can’t get Him off of your hands. You can’t outlive Him and you can’t live without Him. The Pharisees couldn’t stand Him, but they found out they couldn’t stop Him. Pilate couldn’t find any fault in Him. The witnesses couldn’t get their testimonies to agree about Him. Herod couldn’t kill Him. Death couldn’t handle Him and the grave couldn’t hold Him. That’s my King.

He always has been and He always will be. I’m talking about the fact that He had no predecessor and He’ll have no successor. There’s nobody before Him and there’ll be nobody after Him. You can’t impeach Him and He’s not going to resign. That’s my King! That’s my King!

Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory. Well, all the power belongs to my King. We’re around here talking about black power and white power and green power, but in the end all that matters is God’s power. Thine is the power. Yeah. And the glory. We try to get prestige and honor and glory for ourselves, but the glory is all His. Yes. Thine is the Kingdom and the power and glory, forever and ever and ever and ever. How long is that? Forever and ever and ever and ever. . . . And when you get through with all of the ever’s, then . . . Amen.



St. Pete's Fellowship Hike

Saturday 9 April - 9am till Noon

- Rain or Shine -

Join us for the 2nd in a series of St. Pete's Fellowship Hikes @ the Short Hill and the Potomac River. This hike we'll stop at "The Cross" at Pinnacle Rock for



a prayer and the reading of some scripture and then walk on to Eagle Point (view the young "Eaglets" in their nest, sit and have breakfast) and then on to Buzzard Rock overlook for outstanding views west "Between the Hills".



All ages are welcome.

This one is a strenuous 800 foot ascent that will challenge all but the best hikers.

Kids and dogs are welcome. Bring water, binos, cameras, tick/bug spray, and your hiking gear. Breakfast will be provided. Meet by 9am at 10975 Georges Mill Road, Lovettsville, VA 20180.





*You are cordially invited to
The 14th Annual
Afternoon Tea*

*Sponsored by
The Mt. Calvary Guild of
The Episcopal Church Women of
St. Peter's Episcopal Church*

Saturday, April 9, 2016

2:00 ~ 4:00 pm

McCray Hall

*Please bring your daughters, mothers,
sisters, and friends*

Speaker: Megan Drew Tiller

With Boys Home of Virginia

*Free Will Offering toward
The McCray Hall Renovation*

GOD SO LOVED THE WORLD

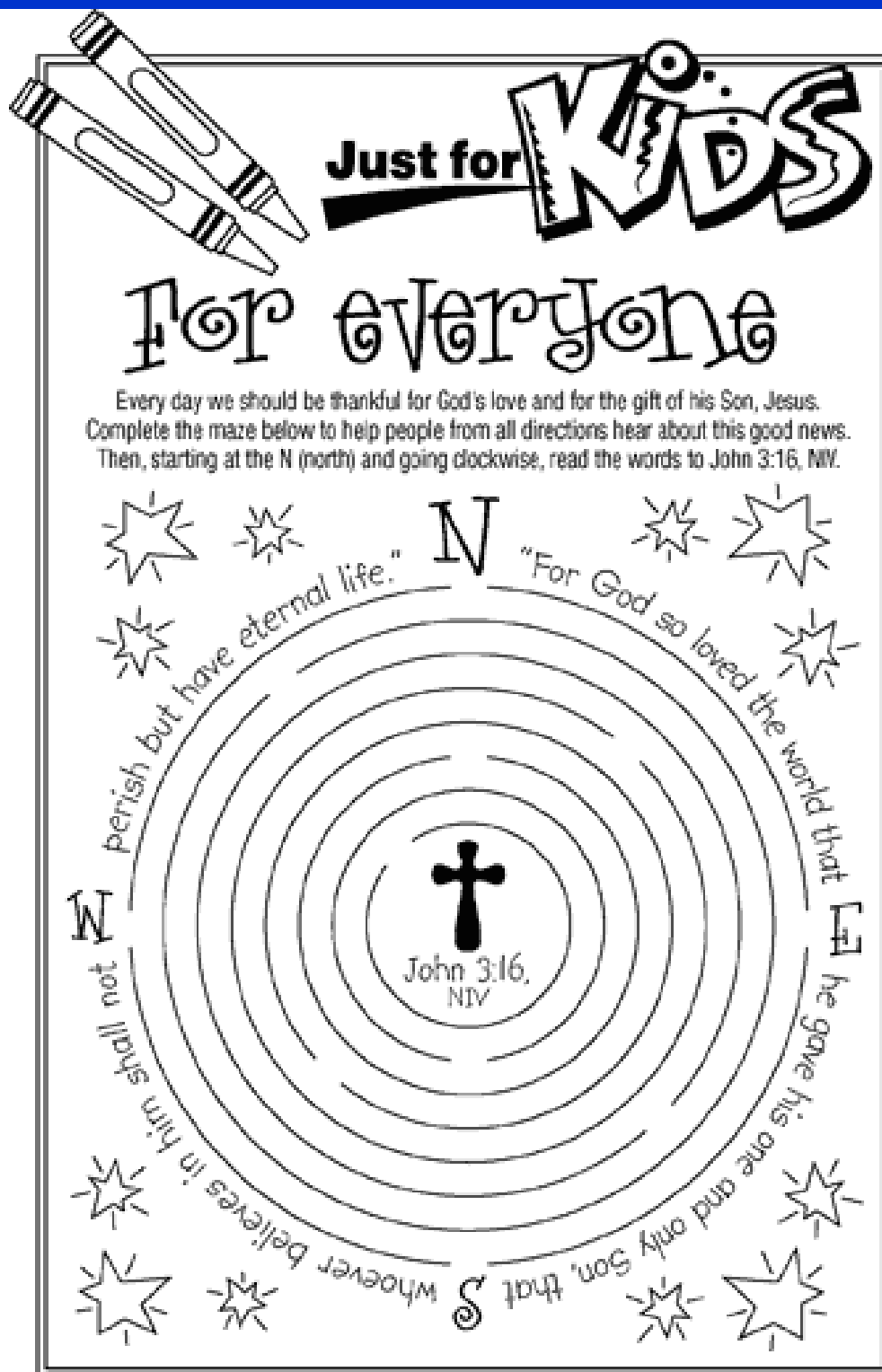
This craft is a reminder of God's love for the world and of Jesus' sacrifice for everyone.

What you need:

- Two pieces of 8 1/2" x 11" white or light-blue construction paper
- Circle shape that fits paper (plastic lid or paper plate)
- Black marker or crayon
- Masking tape
- Shallow box, box lid or old cookie tray
- Blue and green paint
- Two paper plates
- Two marbles
- Two plastic spoons
- Scissors

What you do:

1. On one piece of paper, trace the circle shape.
2. Using two pieces of masking tape, make a cross in the center of your circle.
3. Place your paper inside the box, box lid or cookie tray.
4. Pour blue paint onto one paper plate and green onto the other. Place one marble in each color of paint.
5. Using a spoon, take out one marble at a time and place on your paper.
6. Roll each marble back and forth, around and around, alternating between colors.
7. After your circle looks like the planet Earth with lots of blue and green, cut out the circle.
8. Glue the circle onto another piece of paper.
9. Around the circle, write the words to John 3:16, NIV: "For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life."
10. Take off the masking tape and see the cross that's left. Keep your artwork as a reminder of how much God loves you!



Shout Out to **Hayes Baker** for achieving the rank of Eagle Scout in Boy Scout Troop 163 on February 7, 2016!

Eagle Scout is the highest advancement rank in Boy Scouting. Only six percent of all Boy Scouts achieve the rank of Eagle.





St. Peter's MARCH ROSTER 2016

		March 6	March 13	March 20	March 27
		4 Lent	5 Lent	Palm Sunday	Easter
LECTORS	Early	William Lawrence	Gail Donohue	Terry Duhring, Peter & Erin Schellhase, Mark Baker, Drew Lavan, William Lawrence, Kelly Wyatt, Kelly Cockrill, Dell Nunaley	Dell Nunaley
	Late	Eamon Coy	Dan LaPre	Jon Corbett, Eamon Coy, Traci Eddinger, Dan LaPre, Mark McKinley, Liz Tuohy, Kyle Voss, Randy & Linda Stoutenburgh	Lauren Hunt
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS	Early	Judy Hall, Peter Schellhase	Paul Donohue, James Hall	Terry Duhring, Peter Schellhase	Judy Hall, Buddy Andrews
	Late	Lauren Hunt, Jonathan LaPre	Linda & Randy Stoutenburgh	Tom Coate, Dan LaPre	Randy Stoutenburgh, Dave Hunt
SUB DEACON	Early	Tim Hall	Buddy Andrews	NA	Tim Hall
	Late	Tom Coate	Dave Hunt	NA	Linda Stoutenburgh
INTERCESSOR	Early	Kelly Cockrill	Paul Donohue	Terry Duhring	Peter Schellhase
	Late	Traci Eddinger	Randy Stoutenburgh	Marty Thompson	Traci Eddinger
ACOLYTES	Early	Josh, Megan & Olivia Smith, James Nunaley	Kimberly & Colin Donohue, John Matthews	Adam & Eric Gibson, Mark Matthews, Hayes Baker	Aubrey & Addie Winger, Isabella Tucker
	Late	Chris Hunt, George & Henry Simmons	Dan LaPre, Lauren Hunt, Jon Coate	Katya Clavelli, Jonathan LaPre, Lexi Eddinger, Grace Falatko	Chris Hunt, George & Henry Simmons
COFFEE HOUR HOSTS	Early	Peter & Erin Schellhase, Chris & Terry Duhring	Bill & Beth Gibson, David & Carla Ramsey	Jim & Wynell Schatz, Linda Turner	NA
	Late	Jon & Charlotte Corbett, Paul & Sherri Kakol	Bill & Renee Geiger, Jon & Kristin Coate	Keith & Regina Brzozowsky, Travis & Rebekah Ehrich	NA
USHERS	Early	Bill & Beth Gibson	Todd & Pam Johnston	Paul Miller & Lorraine Landolt	Rick & Kelly Cockrill, Zan Shah, Dick Wilhelm
	Late	Susan Collins, Sandy Wehr, Billy Dillon, Jimmy Eddinger	Keith & Regina Brzozowsky, Marty & Erica Thompson	Steve & Anne Schultz, Tred Parry, Jim Heim	Ben & Anna Curtis, Eamon & Jenn Coy
GREETERS	Early	Rebecca Smoot	Dell Nunaley	Mark Baker	Rebecca Smoot
	Late	Eamon & Jenn Coy	Jon Corbett	Traci Eddinger	Steve Schultz
TELLERS		Pat Long & Sven Johnson	Howard & Linda Evans	Joe Clavelli, TBD	Pat Long & Sven Johnson
ALTAR GUILD		Bobbie Wilhelm, Jean Kuhns, Ruth Ensor, Anna Curtis, Kat Clavelli, Wynell Schatz	Bobbie Wilhelm, Jean Kuhns, Ruth Ensor, Anna Curtis, Kat Clavelli, Wynell Schatz	Sophiann Nunaley, Nancy Baker, Chris Lafferty, Patty Costantino, Rebecca Smoot, Marina Liburdi	Sophiann Nunaley, Nancy Baker, Chris Lafferty, Patty Costantino, Rebecca Smoot, Marina Liburdi

If you are unable to fulfill your ministry on a day you are assigned, please (1) find your replacement and (2) notify the church office of the change in schedule. Thank you for serving!

MARCH Anniversaries and Birthdays

ANNIVERSARIES:

3-13 Eamon & Jennifer Coy

BIRTHDAYS:

3-4 Peter Staggs
 3-5 Dave Grommons
 Anne Schultz
 3-7 Jenn Coy
 3-8 Robert Costantino
 3-9 Betsy North
 3-16 Debi Parry
 3-17 Hannah Marsh
 3-20 Linda Stoutenburgh
 3-22 Michael Marsh
 Erin Schellhase
 Rebecca Smoot
 Dick Wilhelm
 3-23 Jonathan LaPre
 3-25 Eamon Coy
 3-26 Anna Curtis
 3-27 Linda Evans
 Adam Gibson
 3-28 Anastasia Ayers
 Roman Clavelli
 Charlie Collins
 Billy Dillon
 Kurt Nordstrom
 3-29 Jon Corbett
 3-30 Mary Paul Jones

Mark Your Calendar!

Mar. 1 Vestry Ministry Mtg. 7pm
 Mar. 2 Mission Team Mtg. 5:30pm
 Lenten Lesson Supper 6:30pm
 Mar. 5 Men's Breakfast 7am
 Mar. 8 Vestry Exec Mtg
 Mar. 9 Lenten Lesson Supper 6:30pm
 Mar. 12 Game Supper & Sports Event 1-8pm
 Mar. 13 *Daylight Savings Time Begins*
 Youth Group 4:30pm
 Mar. 15 Vestry Mtg. 7:15pm
 Mar. 16 Lenten Lesson Supper 6:30pm
 Mar. 17 TOL Dinner *(hosted by Men's Breakfast Group)*
 Mar. 19 Men's Leadership Mtg. 7am
 Literary Guild 5pm
Mar. 20 Palm Sunday – Holy Week Begins
 Newsletter Deadline
 Guatemala Mission Prep Mtg. 5pm
 Mar. 21 Mt. Calvary Guild 10am
 Mar. 22 Pastoral Care Team Mtg 5pm
Mar. 23 Tenebrae Service 7pm
Mar. 24 Maundy Thursday Holy Eucharist 7pm
 All Night Prayer Vigil 8:30pm
 Acolytes All Night Vigil 8:30pm
Mar. 25 Good Friday Stations of Cross 7am
Good Friday Liturgy 12pm
Good Friday Stations of Cross 7pm
Mar. 26 Great Vigil of Easter 8pm
 Dessert Reception 10pm
Mar. 27 Easter Sunrise Service 6:45am
Holy Eucharist & Children's Chapel 8am
 Easter Egg Hunt 9:30am
Holy Eucharist & Children's Chapel 10:30am

St. Peter's Acolyte Easter Egg Hunt Coming soon!

Donations of Easter Candy are needed
 by Maundy Thursday, March 24.

Please make sure candy can fit into plastic eggs.
 Donations may be placed in the labeled box
 located in McCray Hall.



Revised Common Lectionary Readings for MARCH

Date	Sunday	First Lesson	Psalm	Second Lesson	Gospel
6	4 Lent	Joshua 5:9-12	32	2 Corinthians 5:16-21	Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32
13	5 Lent	Isaiah 43:16-21	126	Philippians 3:4b-14	John 12:1-8
20	Palm Sunday	Isaiah 50:4-9a	31:9-16	Philippians 2:5-11	Luke 22:39 – 23:49
27	Easter	Acts 10:34-43	118:1-2, 14-24	1 Corinthians 15:19-26	John 20:1-18

MARCH

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	1 Vestry Ministry Mtg	2 HOLY EUCHARIST Mission Team Mtg Lenten Lesson Supper Series	3 Choir Next Step Community	4	5 Men's Breakfast HOLY EUCHARIST
6 HOLY EUCHARIST SS/SF Classes Choristers & CS Bible Study	7	8 Vestry Exec Mtg	9 HOLY EUCHARIST Lenten Lesson Supper Series	10 Choir Next Step Community	11 12  & Outdoor Sports Event 1-8pm
13 <i>DST Starts</i> HOLY EUCHARIST SS/SF Classes Choristers & CS Youth Group Bible Study	14	15 Vestry Mtg	16 HOLY EUCHARIST Lenten Lesson Supper Series	17 TOL Dinner Choir Next Step Community	18 19 Men's Leadership Mtg Literary Guild HOLY EUCHARIST
20 Palm Sunday HOLY EUCHARIST SS/SF Classes Choristers & CS Mission Prep Mtg Bible Study Newsletter Deadline	21 Mt. Calvary Guild	22 PC Team Mtg	23 HOLY EUCHARIST Service of Tenebrae	24 Maundy Thursday HOLY EUCHARIST All Night Prayer Vigil Acolytes Vigil	25 Good Friday Services 7am Noon 7pm 26 Great Vigil of Easter Reception
27 Easter HOLY EUCHARIST & Children's Chapel Easter Egg Hunt	28 Office Closed	29	30 MORNING PRAYER Bible Study MSSG	31 Next Step Community	

KEY: CS=Choral Scholars; FBF=Friends Being Friends; MSSG=Men's Spiritual Support Group; PC=Pastoral Care;
SF=Spiritual Formation Classes; SS=Sunday School; TOL=Tree of Life



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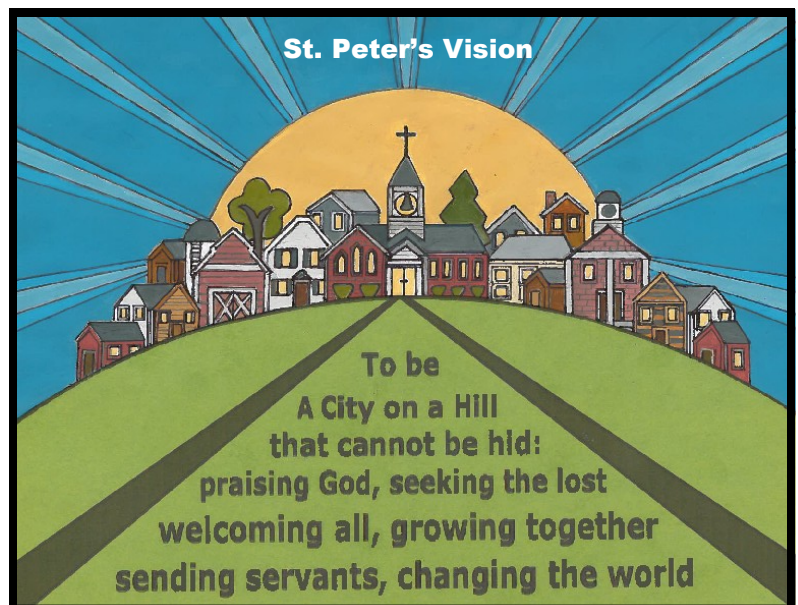
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