

# OCTOBER 2016

## St. Peter's Episcopal Church

*St. Peter's Church was organized in 1885 and the cornerstone was dedicated September 5th, 1886.*

*This structure still stands on Brown Avenue in Norfolk. The first worship service at our present site was in the parish hall on Christmas Eve, 1959. All existing construction was completed in 1965.*

2nd.....Commission Acolytes  
4th.....Prayer Shawl meeting, 7PM  
6th.....Finance Committee meeting, 7PM  
8th....."Feed the Hungry" with St. James, 10AM  
9th.....Commission Lectors/LEMS  
                    **Blessing of the Animals, 4PM**  
10th.....Columbus Day, School & Office closed  
20th.....Day School Board meeting, 7PM  
21st.....Ultreya, 7PM  
23rd.....Commission Ushers  
                    **Ministry Fair, 11:30AM**  
30th.....**Commitment Sunday**, Brunch at noon

“Celebrating and Proclaiming our Life in Jesus Christ!”

## “THE CALL”

### St. Peter's Episcopal Church

224 S. Military Highway  
Norfolk, VA 23502  
Phone: 757-466-9392



## OCTOBER 2016

Join us for Birthday and Anniversary Blessings on the first Sunday of the month

### *Happy Birthday*

### *Happy Anniversary*

Jacob, Pickurel	3rd
Tami Walton	4th
Peggy Pfeifer	6th
Caden Nash	10th
Maurice Caldwell	11th
Jeffrey Pfeifer	12th
Royden Snuffin	17th
Ava Keller	17th
Christine Truxell	23rd
Scott Rennick	24th
Eric Baker	24th
Jacob Shreve	25 <sup>th</sup>
Sierra King	25 <sup>th</sup>
Janet Chauncey	29th
Wendy Glaeser	29th
Jonathan DeLoatche,	31st

Jim & Judy Eller	10/3/98
Tami & Scott Walton	10/15/04
Kathleen & Sebastian Plusinski	10/15/05

### ST.PETER'S CHURCH STAFF

<b>Bishop</b>	<b>The Rt. Rev. Herman Hollerith, IV</b>
<b>Rector</b>	<b>The Rev. John M. Eidam</b>
<b>Secretary</b>	<b>Vel Shreve</b>
<b>Music Director</b>	<b>Joyce Baker</b>
<b>Treasurer</b>	<b>Carolyn King</b>
<b>Sexton</b>	<b>Kevin Bates</b>

### VESTRY MEMBERS

Charlie Pfeifer	-	Sr. Warden	('16)
Bruce Comfort	-	Jr. Warden	('18)
Judy Eller	('16)	Nancy Comfort	('18)
Cathy Midgette	('16)	Isaac Weisiger	('18)
Ana Nowland	('17)	Coach Sigler	('16)

### St. Peter's joins

**St. James** to "Feed the Hungry" on **Saturday, October 8th, at 10AM.** We meet at St. James. Call the office for more information, 466-9392.



### COMMITMENT SUNDAY

**October 30th.**

Come pledge your time, talent and treasure.

Brunch follows the 10AM service.

### **MINISTRY FAIR...Sunday, October 23rd.**

**All of our Ministries will be on display in the parish hall. It's a wonderful opportunity to learn more about what God is doing here at St. Peter's. You too can become part of the life and ministry of our parish.**

**The "Feed The Hungry" Ministry** We work with Blankets for the Homeless" supplying lunches, sweets, water, fruit and drinks.

If you would like to join our ministry, or make a meal or monetary donation, please contact Ricki Wright at (757)724-0594 or email [rickiwright@cox.net](mailto:rickiwright@cox.net)

**With the cooler weather around the corner the homeless are in need of hats, scarves, and gloves. Thank you!**

Please bring your donated items to church and place in the container provided in the parish hall. Thank you.!



**Men's Bible Study**— Tuesday mornings at 7:30AM. The men are studying the Book of Isaiah. The 8th Century prophet Isaiah prophesied during the reign of four ancient kings of Judah. His message from God to the leaders and

**Women's Bible Study**—The Women's Bible Study group meet each Wednesday at 1PM, in the Diffenbaugh Library. They are studying the Book of Job. The Rector leads the study.

**The Intercessory Prayer Group** Meet Sunday mornings at 9AM in the Diffenbaugh Library. If you are unable to attend any Sunday, you may request the group pray for you or your loved one by writing on a prayer card and placing it in the Prayer Box on the

**Men's & Women's Cursillo Group** meet each Wednesday evening at 6:15PM.

**Co-ed Bible Study** meet Wednesday, September 7th at 7:15PM. They are studying the Book of Romans continuing with Chapter 12. Everyone is invited. They meet in the Diffenbaugh Library. Bring your Bible and bring a friend!

### Commissioning in October

2nd.....Acolytes  
9th.....Lectors/LEMS  
23rd.....Ushers

## **THE PRAYER SHAWL GROUP**

The group will not meet through the summer months. The next meeting will be Tuesday, October, 4th. They always meet the first Tuesday of the month. They knit, crochet and loom. All are welcome to join them. Bring your needles, hooks and looms. There are needles and yarn for you to practice with. They make hats and scarves for the homeless, baby hats, and sweaters for World Vision. For more information contact Millie Coward at 455-5887.



### *Please keep these people in your prayers*

June Faye	Laurie	Sandy
B.J.	Sebastian	Shirley
Nikko & Family	Paul	Christine
Lois	Fred	Chelsea
Joe	Christian	Patsi
Maria	Mary Lou	Carole
Melissa	Hannah	Brian
Tom & Family	Connie	Hazel
Xander & Family	Kevin	Joan
Johnny & Nancy	Al & Millie	Norman
Debbie & Kenny	Tammy	David
Angie & Peter	Stephen	Cheryl
Alison	Kathy	Oral
Rod	Brenda	Amy
Susie	Lynette	Jillian
Jeannie	Madeline & Drew	John
Alice	Gary	Kamika
Sand	Thomas	Heidie
Scott	Chris	Jessica
Jackie & Dave		

### **ALTAR FLOWERS**

If you would like to give altar flowers any Sunday through the year, please sign the Flower Chart in the vestibule. Sign your name beside the Sunday you wish to give. You may also call the church office at 466-9392. The altar flowers are \$70 weekly or \$35 when two families give on the same Sunday. The flower chart is on the wall in the vestibule, between the parish hall and the church. Sign up for the Sunday you would like to give flowers.



The deadline for articles for the November issue of The Call is: October 15th

# **ASSIGNMENTS**

## **October 2—20th Sunday after Pentecost**

Acolytes

Ushers

Lector at 8AM

LEM at 8AM

Lector at 10AM

LEMS at 10AM

Altar Guild Duty

Nursery Attendants

Corrin King, Kimberly Truxell

Vicky Martin, Steve Galford

Maurice Caldwell

Charlie Pfeifer

Bonnie Rennick

Howard Belote, Kimberly Truxell

Mary Laine, Vel Shreve

Yvonne Authement, Karen Kakol

## **October 9th—21st Sunday after Pentecost**

Acolytes

Ushers

Lector at 8AM

LEM at 8AM

Lector at 10AM

LEMS at 10AMM

Altar Guild Duty

Nursery Attendants

Danny Nowland

Jim Jimeno, Steve Kakol

Tony Antonik

Bruce Comfort

Larry Shreve

Nancy Comfort, Bruce Comfort

Lynne Monette, Millie Coward

Wendy Glaeser, Jodi McGinty

## **October 16th—22nd Sunday after Pentecost**

Acolytes

Ushers

Lector at 8AM

LEM at 8AM

Lector at 10AM

LEMS at 10AMM

Altar Guild Duty

Nursery Attendants

Eddie Klaus, Christine Truxell

Isaac Weisiger, Larry Shreve

Drew Midgette

Bruce Comfort

Laura Kallestad

Eddie Klaus, Jason Nowland

Bobbi Bowery, Dot Pierce

Ana Nowland, Amanda Weisiger

## **October 23rd—23rd Sunday after Pentecost**

Acolytes

Ushers

Lector at 8AM

LEM at 8AM

Lector at 10AM

LEMS at 10AMM

Altar Guild Duty

Nursery Attendants

Corrin King, Kimberly Truxee

Sean McGinty, Vicky Martin

Vivien Valentine

Eddie Klaus

Judy Eller

Bruce Comfort, Nancy Comfort

Nancy Comfort, Judy Eller

Amanda Keller, Yvonne Authement

## ASSIGNMENTS Continued

### October 30th—24th Sunday after Pentecost

Acolytes

Ushers

Lector at 8AM

LEM at 8AM

Lector at 10AM

LEMS at 10AMM

Altar Guild Duty

Nursery Attendants

Danny Nowland, Eddie Klaus

Steve Kakol, Isaac Weisiger

Tony Antonik

Charlie Pfeifer

Bonnie Rennick

Kimberly Truxell, Roger Rennick

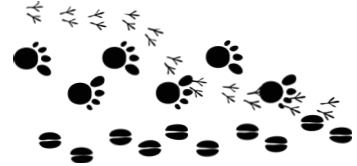
Bonnie Rennick, Lynne Monette

Karen Kakol, Wendy Glaeser



## BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS

**Sunday, October 9th at 4PM**



**GOD BLESS ALL OUR SERVICE MEN AND WOMEN AT HOME AND AWAY** Below is a list of men and women serving in the Armed Forces of our country. Our intention is to pray for them each week during Intercessory Prayer. We also encourage you to place this list in your home so that you can pray for these people daily. If you would like to have the name of a loved one added to the list (or deleted ) please call the office at 466-9392

Scott	Darian	Bill	Kyle	Jason	Eddie	Mike & Mark
Andy	Robbie	Bryan	John	Rick	Justin	Steven
Matt	Todd	Andrew	Hugo	Nick	Charles	Wesley
Daniel	Justin	Chris	Kambiz	Dwayne	Greg	Bryan
Carl Jr.	Dave	Charles	Francisco	Will	Grant	Bianca
Shannon	Christopher					

### All types of clothing is needed at the Veteran's Hospital

Please donate your gently used clothing to the VET's. Bring them to church and place in the container provided in the parish hall. Thank you!

The Veteran's Hospital is **no longer collecting magazines or books.**



### SUPPORT OUR VETERANS

The Veteran's Administration in Hampton is accepting the following items for the veterans: **Toiletries, Clothing, Candy, Games, etc.** Please bring your donations to church and Bill Weissner will deliver them to the hospital. Toiletries are needed the most. Please bring donated items to church and place in the container in the parish hall. Thank you for your support.

### MILITARY PRAYER BOARD

Remember to bring a photo to church of your loved one serving in the armed forces, at home or away. The photo will be placed on our Military Prayer Board just inside the church doors. This is one way we can honor and support our brave men and women. Don't forget to include name, rank and branch of the forces

# October 2016

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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<b>2</b> 8am Holy Eucharist Rite I 9am Intercessory Prayer 10am Holy Eucharist Rite II Children's Chapel/Christian Ed. <b>11:30am Staff Meeting</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b> 7:30AM Men's Bible Study  <b>7PM Prayer Shawl</b> 8PM AA meeting	<b>5</b> 1PM Women's Bible Study 6:15PM Mens/Womens Cursillo 7:15 CoEd Bible Study	<b>6</b>  FINANCE COMMITTEE 7PM	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b> FEED THE HUNGRY with ST. JAMES 10AM Meet at St. James
<b>9</b> 8am Holy Eucharist Rite I 9am Intercessory Prayer 10am Holy Eucharist Rite II Children's Chapel/Christian Ed. <b>11:30am Vestry Meeting</b> <b>4PM Blessing of the Animals</b>	<b>10</b> COLUMBUS DAY Office & School closed	<b>11</b> 7:30AM Men's Bible Study  8PM AA meeting	<b>12</b> 1PM Women's Bible Study 6:15PM Mens/Womens Cursillo 7:15 CoEd Bible Study	<b>13</b>  CURSILLO WEEKEND AT	<b>14</b>  CHANCO	<b>15</b>
<b>16</b> 8am Holy Eucharist Rite I 9am Intercessory Prayer 10am Holy Eucharist Rite II Children's Chapel/Christian Ed.	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b> 7:30AM Men's Bible Study  8PM AA meeting	<b>19</b> 1PM Women's Bible Study 6:15PM Mens/Womens Cursillo 7:15 CoEd Bible Study	<b>20</b> DAY SCHOOL BOARD MEETING 7PM	<b>21</b> ULTREYA 7PM	<b>22</b>
<b>23</b> 8am Holy Eucharist Rite I 9am Intercessory Prayer 10am Holy Eucharist Rite II Children's Chapel/Christian Ed. <b>11:30am Ministry Fair</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b> 7:30AM Men's Bible Study  8PM AA meeting	<b>26</b> 1PM Women's Bible Study 6:15PM Mens/Womens Cursillo 7:15 CoEd Bible Study	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>
<b>30</b> COMMITMENT SUNDAY 8am Holy Eucharist Rite I 9am Intercessory Prayer 10am Holy Eucharist Rite II Children's Chapel/Christian Ed. <b>Noon—Commitment Brunch</b>	<b>31</b>					

# St. Peter's Children's Ministry

October 2016

## Pumpkin Prayer

Father in heaven, like a farmer you have watched me grow and picked me out from all the rest to house your light and glow. Open my mind to think of you. Open my mouth to sing. Open my eyes to see your world and share the joy you bring. Open my heart to be your home a warm and welcome shell, washed clean of sin. A place wherein your love and light may dwell.

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## Did You Know!!

What is All Hallows' Eve?

This day is most commonly called Halloween. It is the Eve of All Saints Day. Yes, a pagan holiday was incorporated into a new Christian celebration. All Hallows' Eve and All Saints Day in Christian tradition are tied together. All Hallows' Eve comes from All Hallows' Day. Hallow meaning Holy. We now know All Hallows' Day as All Saints Day. All Hallows' Eve was the night before All Saints Day and became shortened to "Halloween". For the European Roman Catholic, All Hallows Eve had a much greater significance than it ever had for Protestants or for the United States.

The actual celebration of Halloween goes back to the ancient Celts and a celebration held on October 31. It was a pagan celebration whose day was taken over by the church and remodeled to fit its own purposes. Over the years the actual celebration of the day in the United States has become an entirely non-Christian holiday a time for children to go "trick or treating," gathering candy, dressing up in outlandish costumes, and trying to find ways to scare themselves and each other.

All Hallows Eve is not often celebrated as a part of the Christian Year for most churches anymore, but many churches are attempting to find a way to have a celebration on this day that will lead children away from witches and ghosts a way to counteract the popular culture's fascination with this holiday. (It is second only to Christmas in retail sales.)

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## Corny Humor

I wonder how much deeper the ocean would be without sponges...

Which animal keeps the best time?  
A watch dog!



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## Dates to Remember

- October 2<sup>nd</sup>: **Birthday Blessings**  
Lesson: Luke 17:5-10 (faith and duty)
- October 9<sup>th</sup>: **Blessings of the Animals @ 4:00 pm**  
Lesson: Luke 17:11-19 (ten healed of leprosy)
- October 16<sup>th</sup>: Lesson: Luke 18:1-8 (the parable of the persistent widow)
- October 23<sup>rd</sup>: Lesson: Luke 18:9-14 (the parable of two men)
- October 30<sup>th</sup>: **Chapel Kids Sing at 10:00 am service**  
Lesson: Luke 19:1-1 (Zacchaeus the tax collector)

## Upcoming events:

### All Saints Day!

Children can wear costumes, (no scary ones, or gruesome ones please) ex: nurse, firefighter, make it saintly.

***We will be honoring Saint Anne, mother to Mary and grandmother to Jesus.***



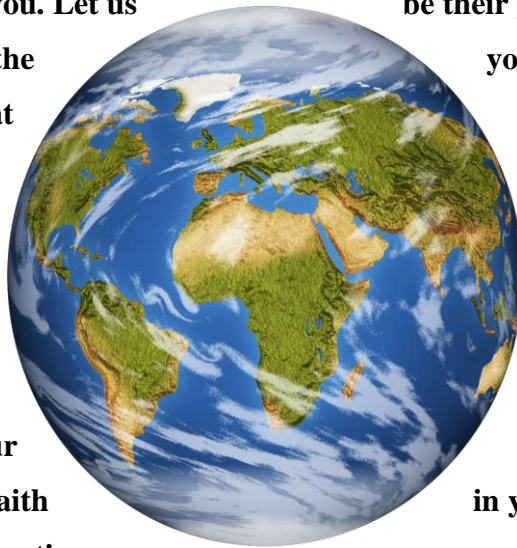
air heads	fun dip	milky way	smarties
almond joy	gummi eyeballs	mr. goodbar	sour patch
black jelly beans	gummi pet rat	nerds	tootsie pops
blow pop	gummy zombies	peanut butter kisses	tootsie roll
bottle caps	hubba bubba	peanut butter pumpkins	twix
box of boogers	indian corn	peep's ghosts	wax fangs
butterfinger	jolly ranchers	reese's pieces	wax lips
caramel apples	ju ju black cats	rolo	whoppers
chocolate candy corn	kit kat	scrame eggs	york pumpkins
chocolate taffy	laffy taffy	sixlets	
dumdums	m&m's	skull and bones	



# A Prayer for Our Youth

**God, Our Father,**

**You see your children growing up in an unsteady and confusing world. We thank you for the parents who faithfully bring their children to church on Sunday, so that they may know you. Let us be their guiding lights. Let us never take for granted the youth of this nation. Let us always remember that they are the future of our church. They are the future of this world. It is our responsibility to celebrate their strengths and applaud their triumphs. They need our support and protection, and, most of all, they need our prayers. Give them strength to hold their faith in you, and to keep alive their joy in your creation.**



**Through Jesus Christ Our Lord.**

## **CALENDER OF EVENTS:**

**October 1<sup>st</sup>- Apple Picking at Carter  
Mountain Orchid  
October 29<sup>th</sup>- Hallow Scream  
November 19<sup>th</sup>- Board Game and  
Pizza Night**

## **SUNDAY SCHOOL:**

**The Story of Jesus  
Teen Curriculum**

## **SPCA WISHLIST**

- Non-clumping Litter
- Heating Pads (NOT automatic shutoff)
- Dog & Cat Toys (hard toys, not stuffed for sanitary reasons)
- Peanut Butter
- Baby Wipes (non-alcohol based)
- Bleach
- Laundry Detergent
- Dish Soap

- Glass Cleaner
- Hand Soap
- Hand Sanitizer
- Heavy Duty Scrub Brushes & Sponges
- Paper Towels
- Ziploc Bags (all sizes)
- Newspaper
- Gently used linens (towels, washcloths, blankets)
- Shredded paper (cut long-ways - no cross cut shreddies)
- Shoeboxes
- Empty paper towel/toilet paper rolls
- Empty prescription bottles with caps
- Flat Screen Computer Monitors (new or used)

**WE WILL ALSO BE SELLING ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS  
THROUGH THE MONTHS OF NOVEMBER AND OCTOBER**



*Thank You for All Of Your Love &  
Support*



Rally Day 2016







# FROM THE RECTOR

**Vestry Highlights:** At their September 18<sup>th</sup> meeting, the Vestry:

+ Approved the August Financial Report

In August, our income was \$3,168 less than expected.

In August, our expenses were \$22 less than expected

Thus far in 2017, we are \$10,190 over budget

+ Discussed Schedule of Events for 2017 Stewardship Campaign

+ Reflected on Rally Day (held on September 11<sup>th</sup>)

+ Discussed 2017 Vestry recruitment- four positions will be open

**Rector's Prayer List-** Please join me in praying for:

+ Our Diocese and our Bishop, *The Rt. Rev. Herman (Holly) Hollerith*

+ Our Presiding Bishop *The Rt. Rev. Michael Curry*

+ Aldersgate UMC and their new pastor, Lee Crosby.

+ Our friends at St. James Holiness Church.

+ A successful fall Stewardship Campaign!

+ A big turnout for our Feed the Hungry Ministry- October 8<sup>th</sup>.

+ Lots more *Positive Change* for our youth collection jars.

**Answered Prayers-** Please join me in giving thanks to God for:

+ Our newest church members.

+ My incredibly talented *Church Staff*!

+ A fabulous Rally Day Family Picnic- fun time had by all!

+ Our new switch room space- thanks to *Bruce Comfort* and his crew!

+ The Acts of Random Kindness done by so many of you.

+ The generous donations made to the *Church Discretionary Account*.

+ Those good deeds "*known and unknown*" to us and done by our church members.

# RECTOR'S LETTER

## Stewardship 2017

During the month of October, our focus will be on Christian Stewardship. We will do this as the Vestry and the Finance Committee make plans and prepare a budget for the upcoming new year- 2017. The Bible tells us that all we have comes from God and belongs to God. We are simply stewards (placed in charge) of those things and our Christian duty is to use what we have been given responsibly and to God's glory. This includes our materials possessions, our skills and talents, and our time. As parents and grandparents (and godparents) we are also responsible for seeing that our children and grandchildren are raised in and taught the Christian faith. All of these things are at the heart of Christian Stewardship. In October, we have some events scheduled that will help you discern what part you might play in supporting St. Peter's (financially and otherwise) in the coming year.

On October 23<sup>rd</sup>, our Annual Ministry Fair will take place in the parish hall following the 10 AM service. The ministries of our church will be on display that day so you can begin to pray about what God may be calling you to do to serve Him and others in the coming year. Each ministry will have representatives present to answer any questions you may have and to "*sign you up*," if you so desire. A "*Procession of Ministry Banners*" will take place at the 10 AM service that morning, along with a "*Blessing of the Ministries*."

On October 30<sup>th</sup>, we will have a *Commitment Sunday Brunch* following the 10 AM service. All are invited to attend and enjoy a meal prepared by our Vestry and Finance Committee members. Early in October you will receive a stewardship letter, along with a *Commitment Card*. My hope is that you will take the month of October to count your many blessings (gifts) from God and prayerfully decide to make a financial commitment, along with a commitment of your time and talent, to the work of our church in the coming year. The *Commitment Card* is self-explanatory. You may bring the completed card to church with you on October 30<sup>th</sup> and place it in the offering plate at the designated time. This is to remind us that all of our commitments to God are an act of worship. The brunch, a time of celebrating our commitments, will follow in the parish hall. If you cannot attend services on *Commitment Sunday* you may mail your *Commitment Card* to the church or bring it the following Sunday.

I hope you will make every effort to attend both of these Stewardship events. As church members, it is important for each of us to be part of the life and ministry of St. Peter's. Jesus is counting on all of us to take an active part in living our lives as his disciples and doing his work in this community and the world.

Also, on Sunday, October 9<sup>th</sup>, we will have our annual *Blessing of the Animals* service to honor St. Francis of Assisi, the 13<sup>th</sup> century monk who had a special appreciation for God's animal kingdom. Critters of all kinds are invited to attend along with their owners. This is a wonderful opportunity to have your family's pets blessed. So bring your dogs, cats, hamsters, birds, fish, Guinea pigs, lizards, or whatever! They are all part of God's created order and worthy of His blessing. It all begins at 4 PM on the porch outside the front door of the church.

Peace and love,

John+