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## *Jim's Corner*

*Therefore I tell you, every sin and blasphemy will be forgiven men, but the blasphemy against the Spirit will not be forgiven. And whoever says a word against the Son of man will be forgiven, but whoever speaks against the Holy Spirit will not be forgiven, either in this age or in the age to come (Matthew 12:31-32, RSV).*

## ST. PETER'S CHURCH STAFF

### **Bishop:**

**The Rt. Rev. Susan B. Haynes**

### **Interim Rector:**

**The Rev. Dr. James W. Hunter**

### **Secretary:**

**Laura Kallestad**

### **Organist:**

**Elizabeth Miller**

### **Treasurer:**

**Charlie Pfeifer**



ne of God's blessings that I have found at St. Peter's is that there are many parishioners in the church who have inquiring minds. So it was, on one day after Ash Wednesday, that one such soul wandered into my office and wanted to know what Scripture meant by an unforgivable sin, and, more specifically, what it meant by "blasphemy of the Holy Spirit." After all, if God is love, how can there be any unforgivable sin? I have to admit that it had been a long time since I'd thought about this passage in which Jesus is addressing the Pharisees who were accusing him of being Beelzebul, the prince of the demons and the rival of the God of Israel. I confessed my ignorance (Lent is a good time for confessing), and I went to a commentary to see what it had to offer for insight. I thought that if one person was asking about this, there must be others who have wondered about the same thing, so I offer these thoughts to you.

Going back to the early church fathers, known as the Patristic

Period (the word patristic comes from the Latin word *patēr*, father), lasting from around 100 AD to the Council of Chalcedon (451), and even beyond to 700 AD, we find some interesting guidance. Hilary of Poitiers (c. 315-67) believed that to blaspheme the Holy Spirit was to deny God in Christ. "To forsake Christ is to forsake the nature of the Spirit of the Father residing in him. For Jesus fulfills every work in the Spirit of God, is himself the kingdom of heaven, and in him God is reconciling the world to himself. Therefore any blasphemy aimed at Christ is aimed at God, because God is in Christ and Christ is in God." In the context of the Pharisees' refusal to recognize God in Jesus, accusing him of being Beelzebul, was blasphemy of the Holy Spirit.

John Chrysostom (c. 347-407) thought that people could be ignorant of who Jesus was but they could not be ignorant of who the Holy Spirit was, "... due to their own previous experience. For the prophets had spoken through the Spirit. The Old Testament as a whole had an

exalted understanding of the Holy Spirit. What he [Jesus] says, then, is this: 'So be it – you may be offended at me, because of the humanity I have assumed. But you cannot say the same of the Holy Spirit. You cannot claim not to know the Spirit. Therefore your blasphemy has no excuse, and you will suffer the consequences both here and hereafter.'<sup>2</sup>

Severus (c. 465-538) was stricter in his interpretation. People could claim ignorance of the mystery of God's self-abasement as a man. "But in their blasphemy they heaped insults against the divine signs he [Jesus] manifested and the many miracles he worked through the Spirit who was in him and who is of the same essence [the same substance as Jesus]. They exclaimed, 'He casts out demons by the prince of demons.' Those insults ... Christ says they shall not be forgiven. They could not use ignorance as a pretext for their defense."

Augustine of Hippo (354-438) I find the most helpful. For him, "... it is unrepentance that is a blasphemy against the Spirit." By refusing God's love to forgive one's sins by remaining unrepentant, one rejects the Holy Spirit which communicates God's love. "You are speaking a very evil, utterly graceless word against the Holy Spirit ... if when the patience of God is beckoning you to repentance, you harden your impenitent heart. By doing so you store up wrath for yourself on the day of wrath and of the revelation of the just judgment of God, who will render to us all according to our works [on the Judgment Day]." God's grace is always available, but as long as one rejects it one will never be forgiven.

A modern commentator, M. Eugene Boring, makes the point that, "In Matthew's context, the sayings (vv. 31-32) are not speculative statements about which sin(s) may be unpardonable, but a pronouncement of judgment against the Pharisees. In Matthew, the Pharisees represent the kingdom of Satan, those who have already decided to kill Jesus (12:14), who block others from entering the kingdom of God (23:13), who are not planted by God but represent Satan's work (15:13-14) and are destined for condemnation at the final judgment.... [S]uch pronouncements function as warnings to church members and especially to church leaders. [Church members' and church leaders'] function is not to provide a doctrinal category of "unforgivable sins" about which Christians should be anxious."



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I am partial to Augustine's interpretation of Matthew 12:31-32. God is love and yet if we reject his love, communicated by the Holy Spirit through absolution, by refusing to receive his forgiveness, then we have condemned ourselves. Stubborn unrepentance dooms one to condemnation. Thank goodness that decision is God's to make. It is not our job to decide what sin(s) is/(are) unforgivable, as Boring suggests, but to live in the Easter joy of Jesus' resurrection which promises us eternal life and gives us the ability to admit our wrongs and, with penitent hearts, be forgiven.

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<sup>1</sup> Manlio Simonetti, ed., *Ancient Christian Commentary on Scripture: Matthew 1-13* (vol. 1a, 26 vols.; Downers Grove, IL: InterVarsity Press, 2001), 249.

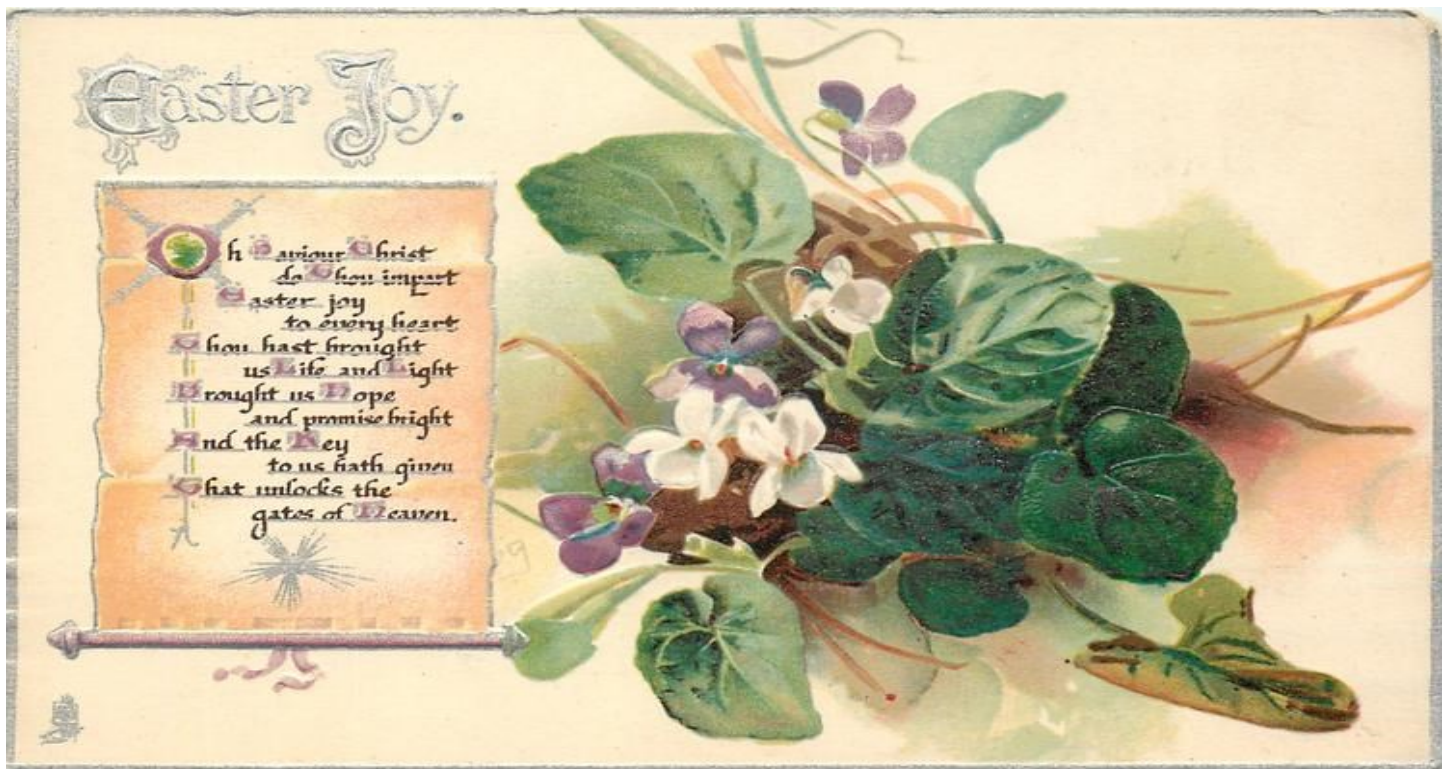
<sup>2</sup> Ibid. 250.

<sup>3</sup> Ibid.

<sup>4</sup> Ibid.

<sup>5</sup> Ibid.

<sup>6</sup> M. Eugene Boring, *The New Interpreter's Bible: The Gospel of Matthew* (vol. VIII, XII vols.; Nashville, TN: Abingdon Press, 1995), 287.



# MINISTRY ANNOUNCEMENTS



The ladies of St. Peter's meet on the second Monday of each month for lunch and fellowship. On March 13<sup>th</sup> at 12:30 P.M., we will meet at Ynot -Italian-Pizza, Landstown Commons, Virginia Beach. Please join in on the fellowship we share at these luncheons. If you plan to attend, please sign the list on the bulletin board in the parish hall. For more information contact Millie Coward cell (757) 469-5887/m.jlc@verizon.net.



**The Altar Guild** welcomes any man or woman that is confirmed in the Episcopal Church to join the Altar Guild. We prepare the altar for celebrations of worship such as weddings, baptisms, and Sunday services. If you are interested and would like more information, please contact Millie Coward cell (757)469-5887/m.jlc@verizon.net.



**Prayer Shawl Ministry- Our meeting time has changed!!!!** We continue to meet on the first Tuesday of every month; however, starting with our March 7<sup>th</sup> meeting, we will gather at **10:00 A.M. in the Diffenbaugh Library**. We continue to be busy knitting, crocheting, and looming adult and baby hats, scarves, baby blankets, chemo caps, wash cloths, soap sacs, breast prosthesis, and prayer shawls. In February we completed 23 chemo caps, 1 preemie blanket, 20 preemie hats, 4 adult hats, and 11 breast prosthesis. If you are interested in this ministry but unable to attend the meetings, maybe you could help us by knitting or crocheting from the comfort of your home. For more specifics please contact Millie Coward, cell (757)469-5887/m.jlc@verizon.net



Need a gift for a new bundle of joy or the perfect gift for a baby shower? The Prayer Shawl Ministry is selling beautiful white shawls that may be used as a baby or lap shawl. They are \$40 each and all proceeds go to the Prayer Shawl Ministry to cover the cost of yarn for this ministry. If you are interested in purchasing a shawl, contact Millie Coward 757 469-5887/ [m.jlc@verizon.net](mailto:m.jlc@verizon.net).

**St. Peter's Day School** is looking for another Teacher of 3-year-olds. Hours for this position are 8:45 A.M. until 12:15 P.M., Monday through Friday. We are also interested in hiring aides for extended care now and in the summer. Contact the office if you, or someone you know, might be interested.



**Bible Study** meeting is on Thursdays at 10:30A.M., in the Diffenbaugh Library. All are welcome! Bring a Bible and don't forget to bring a friend.



Wednesday evenings in Lent following dinner and evening devotions, we are reading and discussing the book Surprised by Hope by N. T. Wright. Dinner begins at 5:30.

**CURSILLO** - We are making plans for another Cursillo weekend (#170) to be held at **Chanco on the James**. The **Lay Rector** for the weekend is our very own Bruce Comfort. Nancy Comfort, Kimberly Truxell, Laura Kallestad, and Ana Nowland are all on Team #170. The dates for the weekend are April 27<sup>th</sup> through April 30<sup>th</sup>. ANYONE can attend. If you would like more information, please contact any of us.






**There are no secrets, just good surprises!**

# MARCH 2023

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
   <p><b>DINNER, DEVOTIONS &amp; DIALOGUE BEGINS MARCH 1ST</b></p>			<p><b>1</b> *</p> <p><b>Dinner/Evening Devotions/ Book Study</b> <i>All starting at 5:30 P.M.</i></p>	<p><b>2</b></p> <p>Bible Study in the Library - 10:30 A.M</p>	<p><b>3</b></p>	<p><b>4</b></p>
<p><b>5</b></p> <p>8:00 A.M. - Rite I 10:00 A.M.-Rite II 2nd Sunday in Lent</p>	<p><b>6</b></p> <p>Day School Board Meeting—7:00 P.M</p>	<p><b>7</b></p> <p>Prayer Shawl Meeting 10:00 A.M. 8:00 P.M. AA MEETING</p>	<p><b>8</b> *</p> <p><b>Dinner/Evening Devotions/ Book Study</b> <i>All starting at 5:30 P.M.</i></p>	<p><b>9</b></p> <p>Bible Study in the Library - 10:30 A.M</p>	<p><b>10</b></p>	<p><b>11</b></p>
<p><b>12</b></p> <p>8:00 A.M. - Rite I 10:00 A.M.-Rite II 3rd Sunday in Lent</p>	<p><b>13</b></p> <p>Vestry Meeting 7:00 P.M.</p>	<p><b>14</b></p> <p>8:00 P.M. AA MEETING</p>	<p><b>15</b> *</p> <p><b>Dinner/Evening Devotions/ Book Study</b> <i>All starting at 5:30 P.M.</i></p>	<p><b>16</b></p> <p>Bible Study in the Library - 10:30 A.M</p>	<p><b>17</b></p> <p>St. Patrick's Day</p>	<p><b>18</b></p>
<p><b>19</b></p> <p>8:00 A.M. - Rite I 10:00 A.M.-Rite II 4th Sunday in Lent</p>	<p><b>20</b></p>	<p><b>21</b></p> <p>8:00 P.M. AA MEETING</p>	<p><b>22</b> *</p> <p><b>Dinner/Evening Devotions/ Book Study</b> <i>All starting at 5:30 P.M.</i></p>	<p><b>23</b></p> <p>Bible Study in the Library - 10:30 A.M</p>	<p><b>24</b></p>	<p><b>25</b></p>
<p><b>26</b></p> <p>8:00 A.M. - Rite I 10:00 A.M.-Rite II 5th Sunday in Lent</p>	<p><b>27</b></p>	<p><b>28</b></p> <p>8:00 P.M. AA MEETING</p>	<p><b>29</b> *</p> <p><b>Dinner/Evening Devotions/ Book Study</b> <i>All starting at 5:30 P.M.</i></p>	<p><b>30</b></p> <p>Bible Study in the Library - 10:30 A.M</p>	<p><b>31</b></p>	

\*March 1st - Cursillo—Pasta e fagioli  
March 8th - Altar Guild—Bean Soup  
March 15th - LEMs/Lectors - Minestrone

5 March 22nd - Ushers—Chicken soup with glass noodles and ginger  
March 29th - Vestry - Taco Soup

## MINISTRY ASSIGNMENTS

### MAR. 5 - Second Sunday in Lent

Acolyte: Magdalena Kress

Ushers: Vicky Martin, Jim Jimeno

Lector: 8:00 - Susan Sigler, 10:00 - Larry Shreve

LEM: 8:00 and 10:00 - Nancy Comfort

Altar Guild Duty: Elizabeth Miller, Judy Eller



### MAR. 12—Third Sunday in Lent

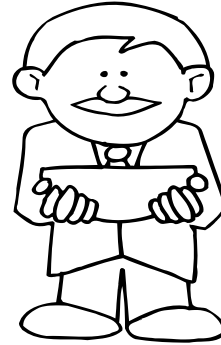
Acolyte: Carys Shreve

Ushers: Susan Sigler, Larry Shreve

Lector: 8:00-Charlotte Corbett, 10:00-Linsey Shreve

LEM: 8:00 - Bob Vanderslice, 10:00-Kimberly Truxell

Altar Guild Duty: Dot Pierce, Ashley Pierce



### MAR. 19 - Fourth Sunday in Lent

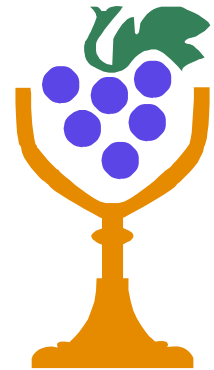
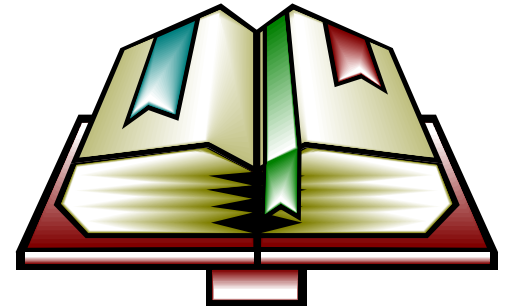
Acolyte: Bronwyn Shreve

Ushers: Howard Belote, Steve Kakol

Lector: 8:00 and 10:00 - Jeffrey Pfeifer

LEM: 8:00 - Bob Vanderslice, 10:00 - Judy Eller

Altar Guild Duty: Vel Shreve, Nancy Comfort



### MAR. 26—Fifth Sunday in Lent

Acolyte: Judy Eller

Ushers: Susan Sigler, Vicky Martin

Lector: 8:00 - Bruce Comfort, 10:00 - Janet Chauncey

LEM: 8:00 and 10:00 - Bruce Comfort

Altar Guild Duty: Charlotte Corbett, Jessica Trochanowski



# MARCH

**Birthday and Anniversary Blessings are on the 1st Sunday of the month at both the 8:00 A.M. and 10:00 A.M. services.**

*Happy Anniversary!*

# HAPPY BIRTHDAY

No Anniversaries this month. If we have made a mistake, please contact the office.

Debbie Whitehorne	3rd
Joseph Kallestad	4th
Carys Shreve	18th
Liz Kress	23rd
Dot Pierce	29th

If you want to stay informed of church activities and updates, consider joining **St. Peter's REMIND** group. All you have to do is send a text message from your phone. Reminders and alerts will be sent to you on your phone .....it is as easy as 1 - 2 - 3!

**(1) Text To Number: 81010**

**(2) Include this Message in the comments: @3c6efe8**

**(3) Then press: SEND.**

If you have questions or need assistance, please see Liz Kress or visit/call the office.



**The deadline for articles for the April issue of 'The Call' is March 17th.**

**Send articles to :  
laura@stpeters-norfolk.org  
or call the church office  
757-466-9392.**

[A 2023 Flower Chart](#) is located in the vestibule as you enter the parish hall. It is [ONE](#) way to order flowers for a special Sunday. Please visit our website for online ordering if you would like to donate flowers in memory of a loved one or in thanksgiving. The website eliminates mistakes that could hinder the ordering of flowers. The price stays the same, \$72 per Sunday or \$36 if two people give on the same day.

Worship Committee Third Meeting Minutes  
February 4, 2023

**Attending** - Father Jim Hunter, Nancy Comfort, Millie Coward, Charlie Pfeifer, Elizabeth Miller, Bob Vanderslice

**Absent** - Judy Eller, Susan Sigler

**Opening Prayer** - Fr. Jim Hunter

**12/17/2023 Minutes** - reviewed by all with no corrections or additions.

**Discussion** –

Laura will need to send Bob Vanderslice a copy of the Lenten Brochure for placing on the website.

**Wednesdays in Lent** –

5:30-6:15 pm Soup and Salad Dinner followed by a short devotion, no music.

**Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper** –

February 21<sup>st</sup> 5:00-7:00 pm. Kimberly and Rob Truxell, Bruce Comfort will lead. The men traditionally cook. Laura and Kimberly have the information in Pancake Supper folder for reference. The event was in *The Call*.

Paper products will be needed for the Lenten suppers, bowls, utensils, etc. Millie will check on what paper products are needed and provide a list to Laura who will purchase. Items such as napkins the church uses can also be charged against the church account and can be used at the Lenten suppers.

Charlie will provide a flyer to Laura.

Nancy will post a volunteer sheet up for helpers on the bulletin board.

**Ash Wednesday** –

**Two Services: Both services will have Communion:**

Noon Service will have Rite I; there will be no music.

7:00 pm Service Rite II with music.

Place ashes on the Credence Table.

Each service will have its own bulletins.

Discussion on number of people who will attend for setting communion. Maybe 15-20 people at noon and 20-25 people at the 7:00 P.M. service.

The old palms will be burned by Millie and Bob for this service.

**Lent** –

The services from the beginning of Lent to the end will use “A Penitential Order” BCP pg. 351, confession at the beginning of the service BCP pg. 350. The 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Lent, the entire Decalogue BCP pg. 317. The Exhortation then follows BCP pg. 316. The specifics will be in the bulletin for the Lenten services.



### **Palm Sunday – April 2**

Millie will talk to Dot on the number of palms and palmettos for the crosses to order and provide Laura the count to purchase. Vel had given a folder with all information for Palm Sunday to Laura. Millie will work with Laura on the Palm Sunday Palm order from the florist.

### **Tenebrae – Wednesday, April 5, 7:00 P.M.**

There is no Eucharist or music at this service. The service is from The Book of Occasional Services. This is a dark service, and the lights are dimmed from the beginning. Copies in larger print will be made for the readers. Readers may need to bring a flashlight; it was discussed to use the pulpit lights since no one knew if the batteries will last long enough.

The readers' Candelabras are positioned at the bottom of the steps. The Christ candle is taken to the Sacristy where it cannot be seen. There is nothing on the altar. The Credence Table can stay as normally set. No need for a vested acolyte.

Father Jim to ask Galilee if we could borrow a cymbal for the loud noise in the service.

### **Maundy Thursday – Rite II at 7:00 P.M. with Eucharist**

Millie will check how many attended this service last year for setting communion up. The lights are not dimmed during this service.

Father Jim will do a foot-washing during this service. This is strictly optional. A chair, basin of warm water, towel, will be stationed ready after the Creed. The Acolyte or LEM will bring the items between and center to the choir pews close to the end of the steps. It was suggested along with Father Jim, Kimberly also do the foot washing.

Stripping of the altar is done while the congregation is reading Psalm 51. Remove all items from the Altar - candles, elements etc. Put in Sacristy. Keep the Christ candle lit. The ambry door should be left ajar.

### **Seder Dinner – Potluck 5:45-6:45 P.M.**

It was discussed and all felt we are trying to do with 30 people what we used to do with 60 people. The Seder Dinner will not be held this year. A potluck dinner will be held instead. Paper products will be used for easy and quick cleanup.

### **Church Open After Maundy Thursday Service?**

Father Jim will announce to the congregation to see if there is enough interest to keep the church open after the Maundy Thursday service. What the hours will be to keep the church open depends on the response. A concern is for everyone who may come that everyone is safe. Also asking for security volunteers so no one is here alone.

Laura will put out an email to the congregation for responses to measure those coming from those responses. The cut-off date is March 15.

Laura will also put a sign-up sheet for times people can sign up for.

**Good Friday –**

Two services will be offered – Noon and 7:00 P.M. Reserved Eucharist will be offered from the ambry at both services. Fr. Jim will consecrate more wine and wafers if needed. There will be no music. Father Jim will not need the Chasuble. A LEM will be needed at both services.

**After Good Friday –**

Remove large cross.

**Easter –**

The Pascal Candle will be used and is removed after Pentecost Sunday. The flowering cross will be placed on the floor next to the clergy pulpit.

Millie will give Laura a count of the number of lilies to purchase.

**Mother's Day and Father's Day –**

Mother's Day usually a flower (carnation or rose) is given to each of the women. Question was how many flowers and where were they purchased?

Father's Day usually a basket of small items such as a key chain, bookmark, pen etc. It was noted there are men's items now.

**Pentecost Sunday –**

Red hangings will be used. The Pascal Candle stays till after this service.

**Trinity Sunday – June 4<sup>th</sup>**

White hangings will be used.

**Transfiguration Sunday – August 6<sup>th</sup> 10 A.M.**

White hangings and candelabras will be used.

**Next meeting: September 16, 2023**

Advent and Christmas to be planned and discussed.

# St. Peter's Episcopal Church

## Vestry Meeting Minutes

January 9, 2023

The St. Peter's Vestry met together in the Diffenbaugh Library at 7 P.M. on January 9, 2023. Attending the meeting were Fr. Jim Hunter, Interim Rector; returning vestry members Kimberly Truxell, Sr. Warden; Debbie Whitehorne, Jr. Warden, plus newly-elected vestry members Bruce Comfort, Vel Shreve, Linsey Shreve, Charlie Pfeifer, Judy Eller, Peggy Pfeifer, Liz Kress, and Howard Belote. Also present was John Eidam+.

The meeting opened with the first half of the Evening Prayer service. John+ followed to thank the vestry for its support of his feed-the-homeless ministry. Following his well-received remarks, John+ departed.

**Vestry Officers and Terms:** Fr. Jim stated he asked Kimberly to be Senior Warden before the Vestry meeting. He was later informed that the Senior Warden and Junior Warden are elected by the Vestry in the Diocese of Southern Virginia. He then asked that the Vestry vote to affirm his choice of Kimberly. There were no objections and Kimberly was elected by acclamation. Nominations were opened for Jr. Warden. Debbie Whitehorne and Bruce Comfort were nominated. The vestry voted by paper ballots that were counted by Jim+, and Bruce was elected.

By Canon, one-third of the vestry should be elected every year. At our Parish Meeting on January 8<sup>th</sup>, we inadvertently elected an extra person so for 2023 we have a 10-member vestry. In order to be able to elect three new members each year and remain at a total of 9 vestry members, some of the newly-elected vestry members would have to serve shortened terms. However, if a person rolls off the vestry having filled a shortened term, they are eligible to run for the next year without taking a year off. Jim asked if anyone was willing to volunteer for a shorter than a three-year term. Bruce, Vel and Linsey volunteered for a one-year term. Charlie and Judy volunteered for a two-year term. The result is as follows:

Kimberly, Bruce, Vel, and Linsey will serve through the end of 2023,  
Debbie, Charlie, and Judy will serve through the end of 2024,  
Peggy, Liz, and Howard will serve through the end of 2025.

Charlie was elected by acclamation to serve for another year as Treasurer. After 15 years, Peggy is stepping down as Registrar. Charlie agreed to take notes, and these minutes are the result. We need to identify Peggy's successor before the February meeting.

**December 2022 Minutes:** The December meeting minutes were emailed to Jim, the Wardens, and Laura Kallestad prior to the meeting. Kimberly recommended a couple of minor corrections, and the vestry approved the minutes as amended.

**Finance Report:** Charlie reviewed the December Financial Report with the vestry.

The Cash Account Balances for December 2022 are as follows:

Operating Account:	\$22,998.88
Money Market Account	\$50,063.53
Composite Fund:	\$62,911.85
CH Discretionary Fund	\$3,219.44
Total Net Assets:	\$139,193.70

- A motion was made and seconded that the financial report be approved, and the vestry approved the report.
- Charlie reported that additional pledges received after the budget was presented to the congregation at the annual meeting resulted in pledges increasing by just over \$8,000 compared to 2022.
- A total of twenty-nine pledges totaling \$131,090 have been received. Three of the pledges exceed \$200/week, 8 pledges have increased. The average pledge for 2023 is \$86.93 per week.

# St. Peter's Episcopal Church

## Vestry Meeting Minutes

January 2023

### Rector's Report:

- Jim+ reported his activities for the month.
- Jim+ handed out a Vestry organizational chart proposal. He asked for Vestry representatives to be a liaison to each parish ministry. He asked each vestry member to pick the areas that best fit their strengths.
- Jim+ would like the parish to develop By-Laws. This task will take some time, but he will supply one or more examples to help with the project.

### Senior Warden's Report:

- Kimberly discussed having counters to receive the Sunday offering and prepare the paperwork for turnover to the treasurer. There are necessary cash controls that fell by the wayside during Covid.
- The 2021 parish books were audited internally by Carolyn King and submitted to the Vestry and the Diocese. We will ask Carolyn King to audit the 2022 parish books.

### Junior Warden's Report:

- **Safe Church:** We are waiting for the government to decide when to open the process for applying for a grant to improve the safety and security of the property and occupants.
- **Youth:** Lynn McFarlin from the Diocesan Staff met with Debbie on December 19<sup>th</sup>, 2022, to discuss the opportunities for the Sunday School and the Youth outside the church. Opportunities to join with other parishes seemed to be the most practical.

### Old Business:

- **White Door Safety Lock and Doorbell:** This has not yet been installed. It will be scheduled after the first of the year.
- **Parish Hall Steeple:** Bruce has a \$11,000 bid to remove the steeple. He is still exploring alternatives.
- **Transition Team:** Bruce will chair the transition team that is being formed now. The consensus was that this transition process would take the place of a Staff and Vestry Retreat this year.

### New Business:

- **Parish Hall Rental:** Parish Hall rental fees and regulations were discussed. It was decided that a refundable security deposit of \$100 and a rental fee of \$25 per hour would go into effect now with possible changes in the future. The kitchen can only be used for warming food prepared at another location.
- **Beer/Wine at Parish Events:** The Vestry revisited the long-held policy of not having alcohol allowed at parish events. The consensus was that we should not change the policy at this time.

There being no further business, the meeting was moved to be adjourned. The motion was seconded. The meeting was adjourned and closed with conclusion of The Evening Prayer service followed by The Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Peggy Pfeifer

Registrar

## GOD BLESS OUR SERVICE MEN AND WOMEN

“Finally, be strong in the Lord and in His mighty power. Put on the full armor of God so that you can take your stand against the devil’s schemes.” (Ephesians 6:10-11)



**Joe - Chloe - Hannah - David - Courtney -  
Frank - Kyle - Michael - Allan - Mario**



### The Veterans are always in need of:

Toothbrushes, toothpaste, shaving cream, shampoo, conditioner, deodorant, razors, new unopened packs of socks (men’s & women’s), new clothing (no used clothing at this time), tissues & handkerchiefs. No candy, food, or drinks right now.



*Please keep these people in your prayers*

Please bring your donations to church and place in the box provided in the parish hall. Thank you all for your continued support!



### VESTRY MEMBERS

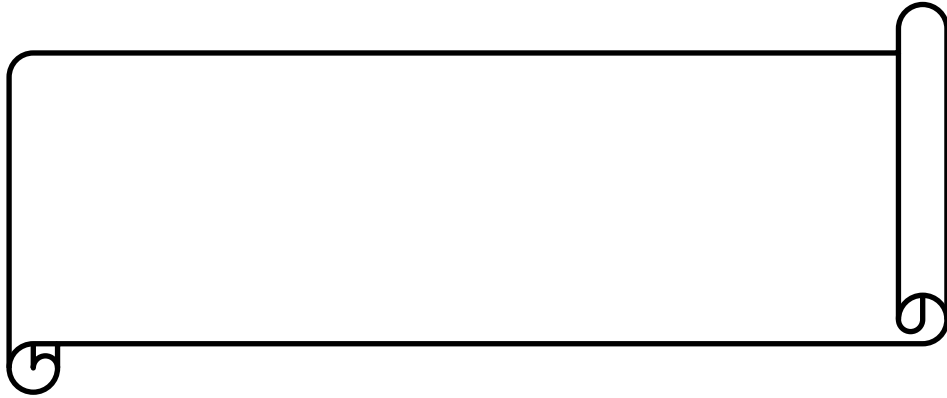
**Kimberly Truxell, Sr. Warden - ('23)**

**Bruce Comfort, Jr. Warden— ('23)**

Linsey Shreve ('23), Vel Shreve ('23), Judy Eller ('24), Charlie Pfeifer ('24), Debbie Whitehorne ('24), Howard Belote ('25), Liz Kress ('25), Peggy Pfeifer ('25)

Holy Father, the navigator of our souls, hear us as we hold up before you our annual Vestry. Be with us as we chart a course together, inspired by the presence of your Spirit. Give courage to our clergy, our leaders and each of us, as we move forward with your blessing. For all we do, we do to your glory. In Jesus’ name. Amen

Joan	Howard	Johnny & Nancy
BJ	Evie	Debbie & Kenny
Lois	Gary	Clay & Wanda
Patsi	Eddie	Myles & Family
Kathy	Niko	Perry & Mary
Dolores	Jessica	Bert & Ann
Teresa	Becky	Jim & Nancy D.
Jonathan	Laura	Charlie & Leslie
Hannah	Kathie	Kathy & Tim
Nancy	Brian	Paul & Lee
Elma	Eastin	Toby & Debbie
Bryan	Megan	
Sebastian	Sarah	
Wayne	Charles	
Lisa	Luanne	
Dewey	Bob	
Dylan	Daniel	
Robyn	Kathleen	
Diane	Hollister Family	



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