

ANNOUNCEMENTS

November 15, 2015

"Enter reverently, meditate quietly, worship devoutly, leave gratefully, serve Christ faithfully."

WELCOME TO ALL OUR VISITORS! If you are interested in knowing more about St. Peter's, please see an usher or one of the greeters who stand with the clergy after the service.

TODAY AT ST. PETER'S	
8:30 a.m.	Holy Eucharist Rite I
9:00 a.m.	Breakfast
10:00	Holy Eucharist Rite II
	Nursery available
11:15	Annual Meeting
	Sunday School
12:00	EYC Field Trip

CHILDREN'S CHAPEL: All children, age 3 through 2nd grade are invited to be a part of Children's Chapel which meets during the 10:00 a.m. service. Children meet in Daniel Hall immediately before church for a worship service and continue their worship in the church at The Peace.

LOOKING AHEAD AT A GLANCE: (See announcements below)

- November 17: Joy Trip
- November 22: Advent Wreaths

LAY MINISTERS: (8:30) Reader/Prayers/Chalice Bearer—Mark Jester. (10:00) 1st Lesson—Zibby White; 2nd Lesson—Andye Moss; Prayers—Norman Fletcher; Chalice Bearers —Annette Morris, Delores Nowell, Will Crawford, and Keith Summerlin.

CHURCH ALTAR FLOWERS are given by Norman and Dot Fletcher to the glory of God and in memory of departed loved ones.

CHAPEL ALTAR ARRANGEMENTS are given by Zibby (Elizabeth) White to the glory of God and in memory of departed loved ones.

CONGRATULATIONS to Ashley and Jack Smith on the birth of their daughter Morgan Elizabeth on November 5 here in Rome. Morgan is the granddaughter of Ellen and Roger Smith and the great-granddaughter of Cissy Rogers.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY to those celebrating birthdays this week (November 15-21): William Byington, Margaret Ingram, Harriet Owens, Andrea Bell, Antonia Wood, Lee Taylor, Babo Segars, Sophia Vargo, Joy Jones, Norma Littlejohn, D'Ann Downey, Harper Smith, Susan Alred, Alicia Wright, Sam Berry, Rosalee Kelley, Steve Gunther, and Christiana Hubbard.

INTERCESSORY PRAYER LIST: Harry McConnell, Charlie Rutledge, Cheryl Ranwez, Dana Davis, Lacy Hodges, Jan Davis, Steve Davis, John Morris, Mary Ann Knight, Cynthia Murphy-Burnes, Lisa Steudl Londolina, Susan Kelly, Margaret Olivera, Gabrielle Falk, Bob Brinson, Harriet Mowry-Owens, J.J. Owens, Jim Burton, Opal Hicks, Ladre Floyd, Ginger Noble, Delores Nowell, Judie Camak, Kinninger Family, Toby Gilmore, Jim Harrington, Britton Gilbert, Frankie Gill, Jim Austin, Lou Ella Hobgood, James O. Reed, Randy McGill, Missy White, Dagmar Schmitz Carlton, Michael York, Alicia Segars, Melissa Frisch, Suzanne Ludlum, Tori Brown, Matthew Breese, Jason Stephens, Jeff Deleo, Grace Truman, Scott Davis.

ADULT FORUM: Join us for Adult Forum that meets after the 10:00 a.m. service in Daniel Hall.

- November 22: Poetic Inquiry with Sacred Texts —Beth Hughes will lead participants through a new way of looking at the creeds and scripture through the practice of poetic inquiry, a process that is designed to "emote, evoke, and provoke experience."
- November 29: Coffee & Conversation Rebecca Roberts will introduce a new self-led model of theological inquiry and community building.

HABITAT—IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT: Recent rains have caused Habitat to revise its "Building of Faith" construction schedule, and St. Peter's **WILL NOT** BE PAINTING on November 21. As soon as we have their new schedule, we will re-connect with our volunteers.

IT'S NOT TOO LATE TO JOIN THE ST. PETER'S JOY GROUP for a day of shopping, fellowship and fun as we travel to **The Outlet Shoppes at Atlanta** in Woodstock, Georgia, *this* **Tuesday, November 17**. Depart St. Peter's at 9:00 a.m., return by 4:00 p.m. Cost is \$15 for transportation. Lunch on your own. Each traveler will receive a special coupon book. Guests over 21 always welcome. Call 706-291-9111 to reserve your space. Registration has already exceeded the size of a mini-bus, so now we have a full size motor coach. <u>Please invite your friends and let's fill the bus!</u>

ALL COLLEGE STUDENTS are invited to join the Canterbury Club on **MONDAY at 5:30 p.m.** in the Berry College Admissions Office Living Room. We'll start with a light supper (graciously provided by St. Peter's parishioner **Linda Jennings**), indulge in free-flowing conversation, **participate in a very important (and fun) service project**, and conclude with prayers for the evening. **Come and help fill shoe boxes for Operation Christmas Child!** Canterbury Club members will shop at The Dollar Store after church today... but if you can't shop then, you can still bring items. Don't miss our last Monday night meeting of this semester... and help make children smile at Christmastime. [Also, save the date for our **annual holiday dinner** at Janice's house on **Wednesday, December 2**. We will survey the membership about the best time... 5:00, 5:30, 6:00 p.m.? By popular demand, the three Maine Coon cats will be waiting for you!]

PARISH DINNER: Join us this Wednesday, November 18, for Family Dinner! MENU: Taco Bar! The cost is \$5 for Adults, \$3 age 10 and under, \$20 family max. Dinner service begins at 5:30 p.m. Reservations required by noon on Tuesdays. To RSVP, call the church office at 706-291-9111.Nursery will be available for the littlest angels. All members are invited to participate. Please let us know if you plan to attend so we can ensure adequate food and resources are available.

HAVE A HOLY ADVENT AND HELP OUR YOUTH GET TO IRELAND!

Right after Halloween, do you begin to feel the Christmas pressure? Do you feel like store Santa's are popping out of every corner and pages of holiday 'to do' lists are chasing you down the street? Never fear...Advent is here! (Well...almost). Advent begins on November 29th, and instead of feeling pushed by the commercial Christmas rush, you can enter a time of peaceful stillness in the spiritual practice of holy waiting for the coming of Christ. At home, you can use your own Advent wreath, Advent prayers, and practice suggestions that offer time and space for connection and reflection. Where can you get these wonderful spiritual tools, you say? Why, your friendly parish EYC offers two easy-peasy ways to help you out with that:

For those looking for a super simple way to enter the Advent season, you can order the 'Simplicity and Grace' Advent set for \$10.00 from any young person as the doors at the close of service. This set includes a lovely Advent wreath ring, a set of Advent candles, and suggested Advent prayers. You will be able to pick up your Advent set in Daniel Hall before noon on the 22nd.

For those looking for fun and festivity, you and your family will love the '*Get Ready to Get Ready' Advent Prep Event*, happening on November 22, beginning at 5:00pm. The evening includes dinner and crafting stations so that individuals or whole families can make their own Advent wreaths, Chrismons, and other seasonal items that will help us know God's peaceful presence as we practice waiting in the season of Advent. For those planning to make wreaths, please bring fresh greenery. Nursery will be provided. Dinner is \$5 for adults, \$3.00 for children. Craft cost is 10.00 per families and couples, \$.500 for individuals. Family/Children's Advent Calendars will also be available for purchase (\$5.00). Please call the office to make dinner and materials reservations.

All proceeds benefit the 2016 Ireland Pilgrimage Fund. You can have a holy Advent and help our Youth get to Ireland! It's a win/win!

EYC: Today, immediately after Sunday School, **EYC** is going on a field trip to the National Center for Civil and Human Rights Museum in Atlanta. Bring 20.00- \$15.00 for museum and transportation, and \$5.00 for lunch. Parents, pick up is at church at 6pm.

EYC will meet this coming Wednesday at 6:30pm in the EYC room, where we will have an interactive Civil Rights Presentation (Sunday's field trip follow up). We will also be packaging Advent Kits for pick up on Sunday, Nov. 22, for our fundraiser. Please come early for dinner (\$5.00), which is from 5:30-6:30pm. Parents, pick up time is 8:30pm.

CHILDREN'S CORNER: Twenty-Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

Parents/guardians of children in 5th grade or younger, please continue to escort your children to and from class, and sign them in and out. This is part of how we keep our little lambs safe.

TODAY IN:

Children's Chapel- After reading the gospel lesson, the children hear what Jesus says about his return and how we are to be ready? What are some things we can do to get ready for when Jesus comes again?

Weaving God's Promises (pre-K through 5th grade) – Today, the children learn about God's faithful servant Job. He goes through lots of bad trouble in his lifetime, but he won't curse God, as Satan tries to get him to do. Where is God when we are in trouble? Does God still love us? Why do bad things happen? How do you think God cares for us when we are sad, scared, and in trouble?

Rite 13- (6th & 7th grades)-This is a 2 year class focusing on recognizing the gifts God has given us, celebrating our creative potential, and learning to interact as a community of faith. Students study scripture, engage in prayer, and enter discussion on a variety of topics which offer them tools for faithful living in our church community and in the wider world.

J2A (Journey to Adulthood)- (8th and 9th grades minimum, older students are welcome) Students study scripture, engage in prayer, and enter discussion in which they learn and practice six basic skills of adulthood: active listening, negotiation, assertion, research & information management, partnership and leadership.

YAC- (Young Adults in Church)- Older high school students (through Seniors) engaged in ministry in St. Peter's meet with their mentor, Dr. Andy Anderson for discussion. The next gathering is tentatively scheduled for December 6, in Willingham House during Sunday School time.

Wednesday, we have our regularly scheduled...

Cherub and Junior Choir Rehearsals! Yay!!

- 5:30: Dinner in Daniel Hall
 6:15 -6:55 pm: We will sing and grow together as we learn about our faith through songs, stories, crafts and games!
- **Cherub Choir** (<u>3 years old through kindergarten</u>) will meet with Ms. Caitlin and Ms. Hollye on the 2nd floor next to the nursery.
- Junior Choir (1st-6th grades) will meet with Ms. Wanda and Ms. Dagmar on the 3rd floor in the bright yellow choir room. (6th graders are welcome to leave rehearsal a little early so that they may join in EYC activities happening later in the evening).