

ANNOUNCEMENTS December 13, 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	Sunday School	
	Adult Forum	
	Wired Word	

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)

- **December 13:** All the Single Ladies
- **December 19:** Cameron O'Riley's Ordination to the Deaconate
- Christmas Service times:
 - o December 24: 5:00 p.m. & 11:00 p.m.
 - o December 25: 10:00 a.m. (Chapel)

LAY MINISTERS: (8:30) Reader/Prayers/Chalice Bearer—Mark Jester. (10:00) 1st Lesson—Betsy Awsumb; 2nd Lesson—Zibby White; Prayers—Nia Rose; Chalice Bearers—Bryan Johnson, Tom Dasher, Bryant Steele, and Buster Wright.

CHURCH ALTAR FLOWERS are given by Nancy Starr and her family to the glory of God and in loving memory of Dr. Harlan Starr.

CHAPEL ALTAR ARRANGEMENTS are given by Irby Ledbetter and her family to the glory of God and in memory of Al Ledbetter.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY to those celebrating birthdays this week (December 13-19): Ronnie Mixon, Anna Nichols, Charlie Beaucham, Roger Smith, Meredith Cole, Bob Swanson, Mary

Dixon, Melissa Edwards, Michelle Wood, Sammie Peirson, Brian Kinder, Megan Massey, Beth Starnes, Sharon Norman, and Drew Moss.

INTERCESSORY PRAYER LIST: Harry McConnell, Charlie Rutledge, Cheryl Ranwez, Dana Davis, Lacy Hodges, Sue Hodges, Jan Davis, Steve Davis, John Morris, Mary Ann Knight, Margaret Olivera, Delores Nowell, Lou Ella Hobgood, Missy White, Michael York, Alicia Segars, Judy Barcik, Fred White, Treven Bedwell, Heather Keaten.

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

Dec 13: We begin our series Advent and Christmas: Bridges to Contemplative Living with Thomas Merton. The booklets will be available to pick up in Willingham House. The series opens the writings of Thomas Merton in easily digestible pieces and eloquently pairs them with the words of other great spiritual thinkers. The topic for the Third Week of Advent is Compassion.

Dec 20: Series continues with the theme Tenderness

Dec 27: Series continues with the theme The Word Made Flesh

Jan 3: Coffee & Conversation

PARISH DINNER: Join us this Wednesday, December 16, for Family Dinner! Menu: Chili or Stew with Cornbread with a Veggie Option. 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. There will be no dinner December 23 or December 30.

ORDINATION: The Right Reverend Robert Christopher Wright, by the grace of God, the Bishop of Atlanta will ordain Lori Cameron O'Riley to the Sacred Order of Deacons in Christ's One Holy Catholic and Apostolic Church on **December 19, 2015 at 2:00 p.m.** at the Cathedral of St. Philip, 2744 Peachtree Rd NW, Atlanta. A reception will follow the Atrium.

DECEMBER OUTREACH PROJECT: The Mission and Outreach committee are collecting toboggans, scarves, gloves, and socks for the men and women at the Salvation Army Shelter. You can also makes checks payable to St. Peter's designated for December Mission Project.

CHAIR YOGA AND BIBLE STUDY: Chair yoga will conclude this Tuesday, December 15 (11:00 a.m.) and will resume on January 12. Bible Study will conclude Thursday, December 17 and will resume on January 14.

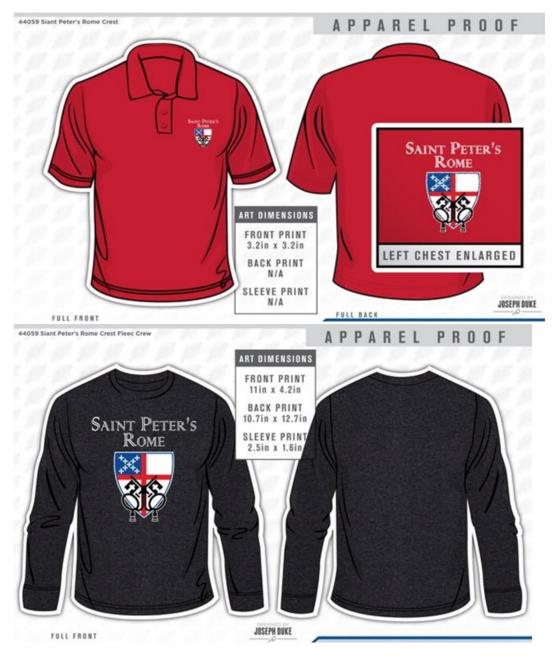
Get Your NOTE CARDS Today! To help *support Youth Formation Pilgrimage to Ireland*, note cards featuring pictures of St. Peter's windows are now on sale. These cards are on ivory stock, with ivory envelopes, and are sold in packs of 10 for \$10 each. They will make terrific gifts for friends and family as well as for the buyer. Thanks to the generosity of several parishioners, these cards are available at no cost to the parish for their publication. This means that every bit of your purchase goes to HELP SEND OUR STUDENT PILGRIMS TO IRELAND!!

WRITING AS A WAY OF HEALING: Beginning Friday, January 8 at 10:00 a.m. D'Ann Downey will offer a new opportunity for writing as a way of healing. The first session, which began in September, was so well-received that the group asked to add two additional meetings to their session!

The group will meet for 6 weeks at D'Ann's home. If you are interested e-mail ddowneywarley@comcast.net no later than January 1. Participants will need to commit to attend sessions regularly. We need a minimum of 5 and a maximum of 10 for group formation.

St. Peter's polo shirts are coming soon AND sweatshirts, are NOW IN!

Just when you thought Episcopalians couldn't look any cooler, now you can get your very own, St. Peter's polo shirt (red) for \$25.00 and your very own St. Peter's Sweatshirt (heather grey) for \$35.00, with the exceedingly cool logo seen below (tastefully embroidered on upper left chest of the polo and beautifully screen printed on the center front of the sweatshirt). ALL PROCEEDS HELP SEND OUR STUDENT PILGRIMS TO IRELAND!! They are awesome to wear and great to give as gifts...and they're going fast....get yours today!



EYC will NOT meet Wednesday, because we will be meeting on Friday, December 18, for our lock-in, which includes going to see the new Star Wars movie: The Force Awakens! Join us at 6:30 for food, fun, and festivities. Parents, pick-up is at 9am on Saturday. Please rsvp with Lee Niedrach at niedrach@uga.edu

All Sr. EYCers are asked to come to Youth Choir rehearsal from 8-8:30 for the next three Wednesdays.

CHILDREN'S CORNER- Third Sunday of Advent

Children's Chapel and Nursery/Toddler care are available on the 2nd floor of the Education Building during the 10am service, and Sunday School is available for all children and youth, pre-k through High School grades immediately after service. If your younger children are staying with you in the pew during service, we are delighted to have the whole family joining us in worship. Little ones are always welcome.

For Busy Little Hands in Church: We provide scriptural coloring sheets, crayons, and a children's guide to the Eucharist, in the back of the church to help children in understanding our scripture readings and our corporate worship.

Today in:

Children's Chapel- After reading the gospel lesson, the children learn about what John the Baptist taught us about following God. What are some ways to follow God, to do the things that God wants us to do? How does that help us get ready for Jesus to come?

Weaving God's Promises (pre-K through 5th grade) – Today, the children continue to learn about the season of Advent. How do we get ready for Jesus? If Jesus already came once on the first Christmas, why do we say Jesus is coming again?

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.

Also, this coming Wednesday, we have our regularly scheduled... Wednesday Night 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 ($\underline{3}$ years old through kindergarten) will meet with Ms. Caitlin and Ms. Hollye on the 2^{nd} 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).