



## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**December 20, 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 2<sup>nd</sup> 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)

- **Christmas Service times:**
  - **December 24:**
    - 5:00 p.m. (music begins at 4:30)
    - 11:00 p.m. (music begins at 10:30) broadcast live on WLAQ 1410 AM
  - **December 25:** 10:00 a.m. (**Chapel**)

**LAY MINISTERS:** (8:30) Reader/Prayers/Chalice Bearer—John Duncan.

(10:00) 1<sup>st</sup> Lesson—Janet Byington; 2<sup>nd</sup> Lesson—Norman Fletcher; Prayers—Will Crawford; Chalice Bearers —Delores Nowell, Bill Byington, Curt Yarbrough, Brian Hampton, and Tricia Richards.

**CHURCH ALTAR FLOWERS** are given by Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Patton to the glory of God and in memory of Mr. and Mrs. Nevin Patton, Sr., Mr. and Mrs. Nevin Patton, Jr., and Mr. and Mrs. Haywood Osbourne.

**CHAPEL ALTAR ARRANGEMENTS** are given by Diann Kothe to the glory of God and in loving memory of Karl Kothe and other deceased family members.

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY** to those celebrating birthdays this week (December 20-26): Dale Carroll, Diann Kothe, Lilli Tucker, Travis Black, Lisa Horton, Jim Williams, Larry Head, Gabe Van Meter, Chandler Sumner, Linda Kane, John Taylor, Marshall Jenkins, Bob Dellenback, Ed Hine, and Julia Hodges.

**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, Barbara Wyatt, Cynthia Murphy-Burnes, Jim Reed.

**CONGRATUALTIONS:**

- **Ben Smith**, son of Elaine and Wright Smith, on his graduation of The University of North Georgia with a BS in Psychology.
- **Cameron O'Riley** on her ordination to the Sacred Order of Deacons on Saturday, December 19 at the Cathedral of St. Philip.
- **J.C. Albritton** on his reception into the Episcopal Church on Sunday, December 13 at the Cathedral of St. Philip.

**ADULT FORUM:** Join us for Adult Forum that meets after the 10:00 a.m. service. Our series of Advent and Christmas continues: Bridges to Contemplative Living with Thomas Merton.

**Dec 20:** Tenderness

**Dec 27:** The Word Made Flesh

**Jan 3:** Coffee & Conversation

**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.



**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](mailto: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.

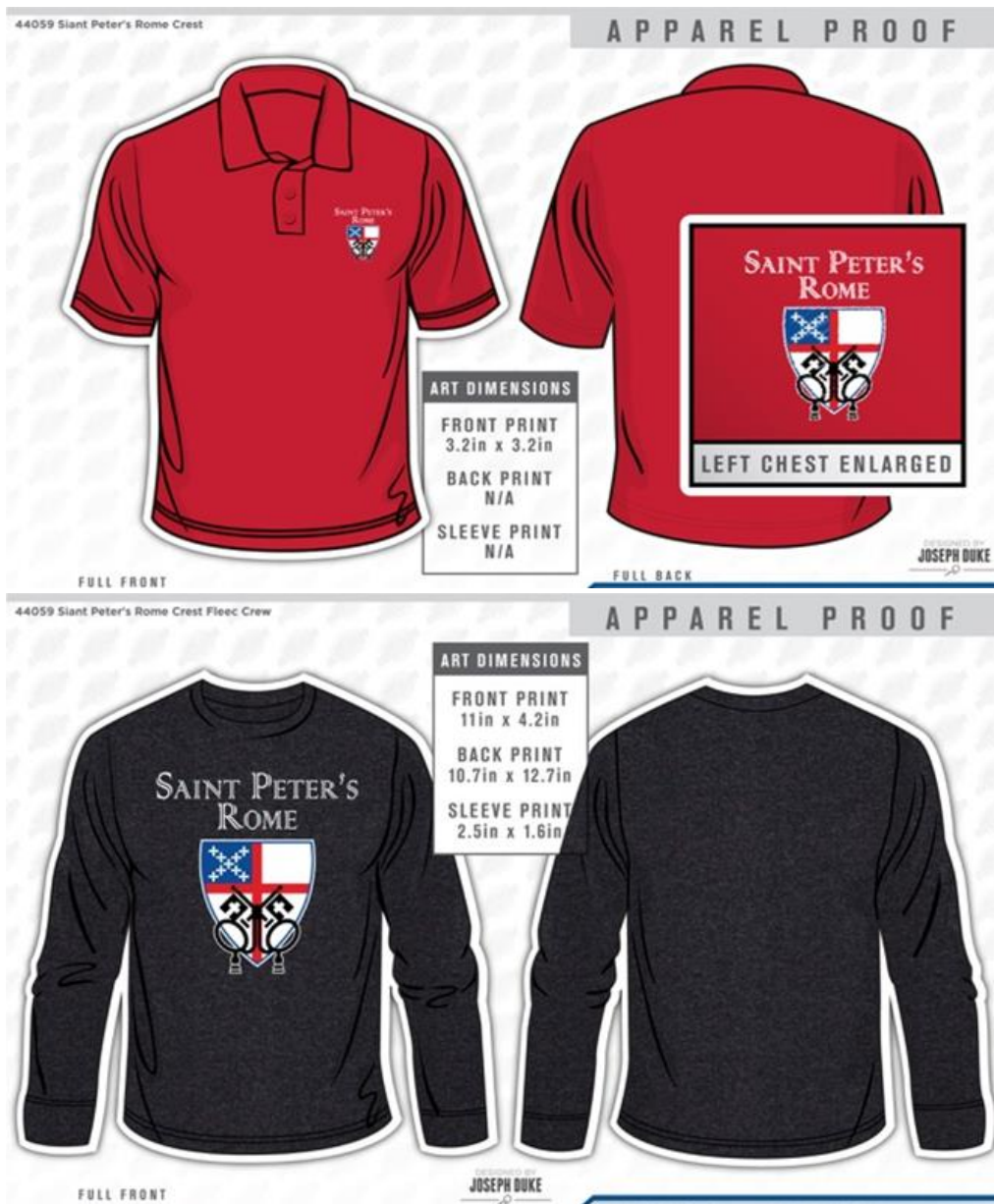
**CANTERBURY CLUB** wants to put your **extra 2016 calendars** to good use. As part of our service to the community, we are collecting calendars for families served by DFACS. Collection boxes will be located in Daniel Hall and the church office through December 31.

**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!

**NOTE:** We believed Polos would be in before Christmas, but they are currently slated for January 6 delivery.

Unless you have previously ordered your sweatshirt, the only remaining sizes available are large and extra large. There is a possibility of ordering more sweatshirts in other sizes, including children's sizes, if we have a minimum of 24 additional orders, so please e-mail Nikki+ if you wish to speak about the possibility of ordering another size, [nikki@stpetersrome.org](mailto:nikki@stpetersrome.org)



**EYC** ...EYC will meet this coming Wednesday at 6:30pm in the EYC room for dinner and a movie. Pizza for dinner. Parents, pick up time is 8:30pm.\* Those Sr. EYCs in Youth Choir will be meeting with the Adult Choir for rehearsal immediately after dinner.

### **CHILDREN'S CORNER-**

Children's Chapel and Nursery/Toddler care are available on the 2<sup>nd</sup> 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.

**Parents/guardians of children in 5<sup>th</sup> 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 learn about Mary, the mother of Jesus. They also learn about the special song she sang to God about the good things God had done for her. What good things has God done for you? Have you ever sung or said special words to God to thank God for God's goodness?

**Weaving God's Promises (pre-K through 5<sup>th</sup> grade)** – Today, the children continue to learn about the season of Advent, and also begin to talk about Epiphany, most specifically about the Epiphany pageant. This week, all children's Sunday School classes will meet with their teachers and Mo. Nikki+ in the church, before going up to their classrooms for snack. (Parents can pick up their children from grades k-5, from their classrooms, when Sunday School concludes at noon).

**Rite 13- (6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> 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)**- (8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> 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 monthly with their mentor, Dr. Andy Anderson, for discussion.