



## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**December 27, 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	Epiphany Pageant Rehearsal Adult Forum

**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)

- **Epiphany Pageant:** January 3 (during the 10:00 a.m. service)
- **Office Closed:** Noon on December 31 and January 1.

**LAY MINISTERS:** (8:30) Reader/Prayers/Chalice Bearer—John Duncan.  
(10:00) 1<sup>st</sup> Lesson—Laura Frederick; 2<sup>nd</sup> Lesson—Jody McDaniel; Prayers—Keith Summerlin; Chalice Bearers —Andye Moss, Buster Wright, Rebecca Roberts, Bryant Steele, Alex 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.

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY** to those celebrating birthdays this week (December 27-January 2): Gin Gunther, Melanie Sumner, Hannah Knowles, Keri Smith, Christopher Livesay, Jimmy Kelley, Michelle O'Neill, and Susan Dunwoody.

**CONGRATULATIONS** to Canterbury Club and Choir member **Katie Johnson** on her marriage to Justin Stowe on December 23 in Royston, Georgia.

**FROM THE FINANCE COMMITTEE:** As the end of the year approaches, parishioners are asked to complete their 2015 pledges as soon as possible. Please be aware that gifts must be received at St. Peter's **before noon** on December 31 to be included in 2015 year-end pledge statements. This is an accounting/tax practice with which St. Peter's must comply. If you have any questions, contact the church office.

**PayPal is up and running. A link is on the church website site, [www.stpetersrome.org](http://www.stpetersrome.org). Select the "giving" tab, then "stewardship."**

**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 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 make 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. **This is the final week!**

**ST. PETER'S POLO SHIRTS 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!

Unless you have previously ordered your sweatshirt, the only remaining size available is 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)



## **CHILDREN'S CORNER- First Sunday after Christmas**

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 Jesus as the light of the world. What do we mean when we say that Jesus is the light of the world? When we are looking around a room, can we see better in the dark or in the light? Does light help us to see?

**Weaving God's Promises (pre-K through 5<sup>th</sup> grade)** – Today, the children and youth participate in the Epiphany pageant rehearsal, and continue to learn about the feast of Epiphany. This week, **all children and youth** Sunday School classes will meet with all available teachers and Mo. Nikki+ in the church. Snack will be available in Daniel Hall at noon. **The Epiphany pageant will be held on January 3<sup>rd</sup>, during the 10am service.**

**Also, this coming Wednesday, we do not have Family dinner, Children's Choir rehearsal, or EYC. Family Dinners, children's choir, and EYC will resume the following Wednesday on January 6.**