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**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**April 16, 2017**

***“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**

9:00 am Easter Service – Nursery available

 Breakfast

10:00 am Easter Egg Hunt

 Hot Cross Buns and Beverages

11:15 am Easter Service – Nursery available

5:00 pm Easter Service in Spanish in the Chapel

**LOOKING AHEAD:**

Monday/April 17 **Church office closed**

Tuesday/April 18 **Chair Yoga**

 **Healing Service 12:15**

 **Church office closed**

Wednesday/April 19 **Celtic Service**

 **Adult & Children’s Choir rehearsal**

 **Dinner – Quiche**

 **EYC – Water Works Wednesday**

Thursday/April 20 B**ible Study 10 a.m. – Hebrews**

**LAY MINISTERS:** (9:00) 1st Lesson – Mary Burke Smith; 2nd Lesson – Luke Herring; Prayers – Ben Avery. (11:15) 1st Lesson – Randa Mixon; 2nd Lesson – Brian Hampton; Prayers – Randy Muller; Chalice Bearers – Keith Summerlin, Rebecca Roberts, Buster Wright, Brian Hampton.

**CHURCH ALTAR ARRANGEMENTS** Vase arrangements are given to the Glory of God and in memory of Bertha Evans Judd, Daniel Simpson Dodd, Clive Dodd and the Reverend Frank A. and Caroline Shore.

**INTERCESSORY PRAYER LIST** Charlie Rutledge, Mike Alexander, Neil Sanders, Carol Summer, Gregoria Betances, Ronnie Mull, Enloe Willingham, Chris & Patti Carnes, David Chester, Mark Crews, Louisa Johnston, Jason Breese, Mary Sisk, Andye Moss, Beth-Sarah Wright, Sunny Knauss, Elayne Winters, Ivey Sirmans and those who provide them care.

*To add a name to the PRAYER LIST, contact the church office. The prayer list will be refreshed the 1st Sunday of every month.*

**Happy Birthday** to those celebrating birthdays (April 17- April 22) Peggy Nash, Donald Flippen, Lloyd Griffin, Becky Jones, Natalie Wood, Jason Lemming, Asa Crawford, Emma Barron, and Madeline Trammell.

**CANTERBURY CLUB**

**Save the dates:**

**April 19th 6pm –** End of the Semester Dinner at the home of Janice Wright.

**April 23rd 10am –** Canterbury Sunday (with lunch following)

**All college students are invited.  Bring friends!**

**MISSON & OUTREACH** April is *National Child Abuse Prevention Month*. From July 2015 through June 2016, there were 402 confirmed cases of abuse or neglect in Rome and Floyd County. The Exchange Club Family Resource Center (FRC) provides in-home support and education to many of these families. What can you do to help? First of all, pray for hurting families and the agencies that work to help them. You can also support St. Peter’s Mission and Outreach project for April by donating cleaning supplies, paper towels, or sanitizers that parent aides can take into the home to help families with home hygiene issues. The supplies you donate are small items that can be the first step in helping these families.

**JOY travels to the Coca Cola Museum – May 4, 2017**

St. Peter’s JOY jaunt to Cedartown to visit the new and amazing *Cedartown Museum of Coca Cola Memorabilia*. Stroll through decades of history as revealed in the advertising art of this iconic brand. Lunch on your own at the local favorite Pirkle’s Deli. Depart St. Peter’s at 10am return by 2pm. Cost is $25, includes comfortable mini-bus transportation & museum admission. Add JOY to your springtime. Bring a friend, all guest >21 are always welcome. **Call church office to register, confirm with your non-refundable check.**

**WEDNESDAY DINNER Quiche.** Food is prepared based on the reservations received in the church office by NOON on Wednesday. Please call or email the church office with your reservation OR to change a standing reservation.

**SPRING PARISH PICNIC** on Clock Tower Hill! Join us on **Sunday April 30th**, immediately after the 10am service. Fried chicken, rolls, and water are provided. Folks are asked to bring a dish, assigned according to the first letter of your last name: **A-N any salad or side dish O-Z any type of desert** You may also want to bring a blanket and/or portable chair.



**POTTED EASTER LILIES may be picked up AFTER the 11:15 service today.**

 **VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNTIES:**

**HABITAT FOR HUMANITY –** Volunteer to assist in the ReStore to sort, clean and price donations given to Habitat to fund the building of houses. Call 706.378.0030 OR email torri@habitatcoosevalley.org to volunteer.

**COMMUNITY KITCHEN April 21, 2017**

Contact Marny Busbin marnyr@bellsouth.net to volunteer & help in the community kitchen. St. Peters date for May is 5/19/2017.

**RESTORATION ROME - Mondays & Fridays 9am to noon.** Volunteers are needed to sort and process several large loads of donations at the Clothes Closet at Restoration Rome. Please call Jeanne Mathews at 706-676-1039 if you can help. **CLOSED TOMORROW** but will resume Regular hours on Friday, 4/21/2017 9am to noon.

**VBS Save the Date – June 5-9, 2017 9am to noon!**

Get ready for Rome: Paul and the Underground Church! This is a VBS adventure in which kids from Rome, GA can travel back in time to experience the devotion and excitement of being a part of God’s underground church during the time of Roman rule. Join us in Rome: Paul and the Underground Church! **Registration kick-off on May 7th.**

**APRIL 30TH IS YOUTH SUNDAY!** This is when our youth lead a large portion of our service and we honor our graduating seniors. If you have a senior graduating from high school, please let us know by calling the church office, so that we may recognize them on this special Sunday. Thank you!!

**~~~~~EYC EVENTS ~~~~~**

**Wednesday – 4/19/2017**, weather permitting, is Water Works Wednesday! Water bombs, water balloons, Big Bubbles…wear your get wet clothes and I’ll wear my shower cap. See ya at 6:30! Snacks available. Parent p/u is 8:15pm at church. Don’t forget to come early, at 5:45pm if you want to eat parish dinner, which is $5.00 per person.

**EYC is open to 6th-12th graders, and all gap year students!**

**Church Office CLOSED on Monday & Tuesday April 17th & 18th.**

**Church Office**: Phone - 706.291.9111 Fax - 706.232.5007 Email: elizabeth@stpetersrome.org

**Office Hours:** Monday – Thursday 8am to 4pm and Friday 9am to 12 noon

**Website**: stpetersrome.org  **Facebook**: St Peter’s Episcopal Church

**CHILDREN’S CORNER!**

**EASTER Sunday**

There is no Children’s Chapel or Sunday School today, but both will resume next Sunday.

While there is no Children’s Chapel offered today, there is still Nursery/Toddler care available on the 2nd floor of the Education Building.

We especially invite pre-school aged children and older to participate in our 9:00am Easter service.

**Please know that ALL little ones are always welcome at any service here at St. Peter’s. If your infants and/or younger children are staying with you in the pew during service, we are delighted to have the whole family joining us in worship.**

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

**Celebrating Easter with our Young Ones**: Just a reminder…



**Mite boxes**:  At the 9:00am Service, please place the boxes in the baskets provided at the back of the church. At offering, any children who wish to do so may walk up the aisle as we offer the baskets at the altar, just before communion. (Parents, if your little one is too young to walk, you are welcome to carry them and walk with us as we make the offering). This offering goes to help those who are served by the Episcopal Relief and Development Fund.

Immediately after the 9:00am service, please bring your baskets (we have buckets, if baskets have been forgotten) and join us on the front lawn for the annual **St. Peter’s Easter Egg Hunt.** Children, pre-school and Kindergarten age, are invited to hunt with their parents in the court yard right next to the church parking lot.  Older children are invited to hunt in the yard in front of and behind the church office/Willingham House. (NO eggs are hidden in the memorial garden, so please confine the fun to the front and back of the office building/Willingham house. Also, no eggs are hidden in the ivy on our grounds, for safety purposes).  We’ll see you there!!

***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.***