

July 2017



The Crossed Keys

Thank You Jeannene McKnight

For everything there is a season, and a time for every purpose under heaven. - Ecclesiastes 3:1

“For everything there is a season” and all of us have experienced or will experience when the seasons change. At St. Peter’s we are a church that is no exception to changing seasons. It is for this reason that I am writing to let the parish know that Jeannene McKnight’s last Sunday playing the organ will be July 23rd. This will be a change for the 10 a.m. service and the church, but it is not to say that you won’t hear Jeannene prayerfully playing during the week, playing piano at the 7:30 service, or working with her students in the church; nor is it to say that she won’t be around the church participating in the other ministries she is involved in.

Transitions are a natural part of life, but they are not necessarily graceful unless the people involved in them are. I want to thank Jeannene for being so gracious in this transition and working to assure that things were handled with grace, class, gentleness, and love.

Very few people have modeled faithfulness in their commitment to St. Peter’s like Jeannene has. Faithfully, week after week, selecting hymns, practicing and being here to play every Sunday in rain, snow, bitter cold, summer heat, with air conditioning or without. For this, and most importantly for the person she is in Christ, I am grateful for Jeannene’s ministry.

I would like to take an opportunity to allow the parish to express their appreciation to Jeannene in the following way. Please send a note of thanks via email to: stpeterssheridan@gmail.com and in the next edition of the Crossed Keys for August 2017 we will print them as a remembrance of our appreciation for her.

News and notes on what's coming up at St. Peter's

Rodeo Sunday and the Duprey Family – I have invited Father Dave and his children to provide some of the music for our service on July 16th, which is Rodeo Sunday. They will all be in town that week and I thought this would be a fun way to celebrate that Sunday.

Baptism Sunday – The Book of Common Prayer encourages Baptisms on Easter, Pentecost, All Saints Day and the Feast of the Baptism of our Lord (the Sunday after Epiphany) but does allow for other days at the discretion of the Rector. I am naming September 10th as one of those “other days” and it will be a special Baptism Sunday as we celebrate the 105th Anniversary of St. Peter's. We have a few Baptisms lined up and If you or someone you know has been curious about Baptism, please have them contact me or the church office.

Rearranging the Balcony – One of the things I noticed while I was in Seattle visiting an Episcopal church there was an area on the side of the church for moms with babies. It was not anything remarkable, just a space set aside with some pillows on the floor and a few chairs so a mom (or dad) could let their child stretch and get the wiggles out during service or feed their child and still participate. I went and asked some of the moms there why they liked it and they said it was because they could still participate in the service. I have talked to a few of our new moms here and noticed many go sit on steps or head in the basement to feed their children because they still want to try to participate in the service.

I spoke to Vestry about this and it was agreed that we could make some space in the balcony for moms to feed their children or kids who might need some “tummy time” to lay on a blanket while parents can still participate in the service. We have a wonderful nursery that is great for mobile kids and toddlers but this may be something that helps parents of newborns and infants participate in the service. I am not sure what this exactly will look like yet, but nothing that will change the structure or integrity of the church. I will be working with the Junior Warden and Hospitality Committee on this. I want to reiterate how vital it is for people to be able to participate in the liturgy and worship of St. Peter's and how important it is for us to be inclusive in finding ways for people to be able to participate. Stay tuned for more information in the coming weeks.



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Excerpt from An Extravagant Mercy by M. Craig Barnes

PLEASE READ ROMANS 6:1-23 Grace: God Beyond the Boundaries



The whole concept of grace is confusing to us. That is particularly unfortunate since it is pretty much the fundamental point of the gospel. We can at least take comfort in knowing that the Romans had a hard time understanding it as well. The apostle Paul spent most of his letter to the Romans explaining God's grace over and over again. It is as if to say that an illustration of how badly we need grace is the fact that we can't quite understand it.

Grace is better than the fulfillment of all our dreams. It is the fulfillment of God's dream -- our forgiveness. Grace means that God gives us what we need and not what we deserve.

It isn't really a difficult concept to understand, but that is not what confuses us. It's the gift that we can't quite accept. Do we really want what we don't deserve? We may not have been perfect, but we certainly have been careful. Don't we deserve something for trying so hard? Trust me on this. When it comes to standing before God, getting what we deserve is the last thing we want.

Receiving God's grace shakes the very foundations of our carefully constructed lives. It calls us to start all over and begin to live a passionate drama with this lover God who will do anything to save us. We even have to lose our interest in carefully constructed lives because, well, that may be the greatest sin of all.



Everyone enjoys our Sunday Coffee Hour!

Be sure to sign-up as a host.

**Sign-up sheet on the display in the
Parish Hall!**



ATTENTION: Booth Space Rentals Available.

The Women of St. Peter's are expanding opportunities to rent booths during the 2017 Christmas Bazaar.

"An Old-Fashioned Christmas"
Saturday, November 18.

We are looking for hand-crafted goods that do not compete with items sold in the Parish Hall.

The \$40.00 rental for a 12 X 10 foot booth space located in the Community Room includes an 8-foot table and 2 chairs.

For additional information and to make a reservation, contact Kathy Mc Nickle at 752-5745.

(Some restrictions apply.)



For ministry schedule changes,
contact Juanita Smith at 673-4928

ALTAR GUILD	LAY READERS	USHERS/Greeters	ACOLYTES
JULY 2	JULY 2	JULY 2	JULY 2
Sally LaBore Liz Swanson Carmen Rideout	7:30 Forrest & Sandy Asmus 10:00 Mike & Mary Beth Evers	7:30 Peter & Carol Clark 10:00 Stan Peddicord Frank & Georgia Boley Mary Dailey	Bobby St. John
JULY 9	JULY 9	JULY 9	JULY 9
Theo Powers Cara Nicholls Tina Mediate	7:30 Lois Hall 10:00 Linen Greenough Roberta Thompson	7:30 Bert & Ethelyn St. John 10:00 John Standish Sandy Tharaldson Dorothy Goodwin Frank Smedley	Bobby St. John
JULY 16	JULY 16	JULY 16	JULY 16
Linda St. Clair Sandy Tharaldson Shari Peddicord	7:30 Peter & Carol Clark 10:00 Lynne Outland Lee Helvey	7:30 Steve & Jane Jennings 10:00 Rick & Liz Rossa Karen Ferguson Frank Smedley	Bobby St. John
JULY 23	JULY 23	JULY 23	JULY 23
Ann Ernst Peggy Sorvik Georgia Boley	7:30 Laura Galloway 10:00 Paul & Christina Haworth	7:30 Roxanne Darnell 10:00 Ann Vaughan Robert & Jodene Prusak Cara Nicholls	Nate Haworth
JULY 30	JULY 30	JULY 30	JULY 30
Sharon Bedard Karen Nicolarsen Jaynie Spell	7:30 Sharon Bedard 10:00 Isabel Wallop Anne Vaughan West View: Roberta Thompson	7:30 Lois Hall 10:00 Gary & Lynne Outland Sandy Tharaldson Cara Nicholls	Nate Haworth





CALENDAR

of Events

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
2 <i>4 Pentecost</i> 7:30 HE I 9:00 SS 10:00 HE II	3 Church Offices Closed July 3 & 4	4  Independence Day!	5 St. Nick's Crafters 9am	6 Red Door 10-3 pm	7	8 Mug & Muffin 10:00-11:30 am (For all Ladies) Bring a friend!
9 <i>5 Pentecost</i> 7:30 HE I 9:00 SS 10:00 HE II	10	11 Midweek Eucharist service 12:05 pm SRS: Sugarland Ridge	12 St. Nick's Crafters 9 am 6:30 Men's Breakfast	13 Red Door 10-3 pm	14	15
16 <i>6 Pentecost</i> 7:30 HE I 9:00 SS 10:00 HE II	17	18 Midweek Eucharist service 12:05 pm SRS: Sugarland Ridge	19 St. Nick's Crafters 9 am Vestry 5:15 pm	20 Red Door 10-3 pm	21	22
23 <i>7 Pentecost</i> 7:30 HE I 9:00 SS 10:00 HE II	24	25 Midweek Eucharist service 12:05 pm SRS: Sugarland Ridge	26 St. Nick's Crafters 9 am 6:30 Men's Breakfast	27 Red Door 10-3 pm	28	29
30 <i>8 Pentecost</i> 7:30 HE I 9:00 SS 10:00 HE II	31	HE: Holy Eucharist I SS: Sunday School HE: Holy Eucharist II SRS: Sugarland Ridge				



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If anyone has an inspiring article; relevant/interesting facts; a short story/poem or testimonial, you may submit it to the church office for the Crossed Keys edition. Our Crossed Keys go out the 1st of each month. Submit by the 25th of the month. Thank you!

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Church Office Hours 9:00 am to 2:00 pm (Monday - Friday)

Registration form for St. Peter's Church-wide Camp (Friday, August 4th-Saturday, August 5th)

Contact Name: _____ Contact Phone: _____

Contact Email: _____

Please fill our one line below for each person in your party. Even if you can't make it to everything, consider coming to something.

Name (and list special needs)	Overnight?	Friday Dinner	Sat Breakfast	Sat Lunch
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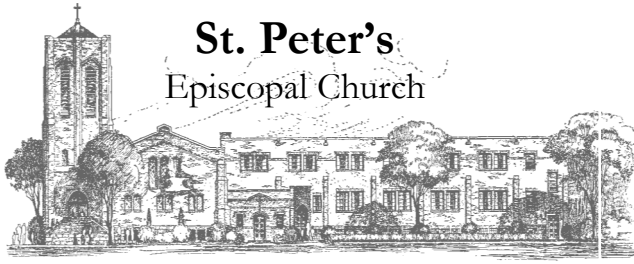
Lodging: Adult (13+) \$15; Child (6-12) \$10; Child (0-5) Free

Meals: Adults (13+) \$10 per meal; Child (6-12) \$7.00 per meal; Child (0-2) \$2.00 per meal, (3-5) \$4.00 per meal.

Housing is in shared bunk houses equipped with bunk beds. You will need to bring bedding and a towel. We will set aside one bunk house for women only and one for men only. Families should be able to find an area to stay together (there are five bunk houses in total).

Don't let cost keep you from coming; funds are available to help reduce the expense. Please get in touch with Karon in the church office for more information.

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