

LENTEN QUIET DAY

Beloved is Where We Begin
helping each other remember

Meditations led by Lisa Richey

Saturday, February 20, 2016

Zion Episcopal Church
Washington, NC

(Hwy. 264 East, 1 mile east of Beaufort County Community
College)

Registration at 9:30 a.m. – Day begins at 10 and ends at 2:00
p.m.

Snacks and a light lunch provided

Dress casually, bring a Bible, note pad and pen/pencil

Sponsored by The Sue DuVal Daughters of the Pamlico Chapter
The Order of the Daughters of the King

For more information please contact Carolyn Lewis, Chapter
President at 252-946-1673

Building Fund Debt Balance

As of January 4, 2016, there
remains a balance of \$175,577.63.



The annual meeting of the
Altar Guild will be held on
Sunday, Feb. 14, in the
church after the 10:15
service. Everyone please

try to be there with your
suggestions and questions.



Barbara Grimes, Sacristan

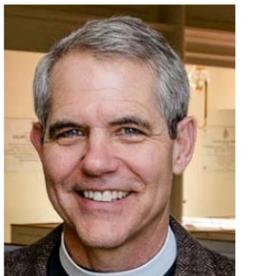
St. Peter's Episcopal Church

Keynotes

January 20, 2016



*"Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, they are a new creation; the old has gone, the new has come! All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ and gave us the ministry of reconciliation." 2
Corinthians 5:17-18*



It is often hard for me to believe that in Christ I'm a new creation. My body tells me each year that I'm not. The Bible tells me that despite what I see or feel, God is in the renewal business and, despite the fact that "all things are passing away" in this world, this new creation within me is not.

The promise of God to his people in both the OT and NT to create a new heavens and earth has given hope to many throughout the ages as they have struggled to persevere through difficulties and hardships. Knowing that anyone who is in Christ has become a new creation brings peace and joy to someone desiring to rebuild their life and start over. Paul exhorts Christians to be renewed in their minds and attitudes as they learn to live their lives as God's people. For those who put their faith in the Lord and seek to love God and neighbor as Jesus taught, new ways of thinking can lead to new ways of living that spring out of new ways of loving.

A transformed life in Christ does not happen in a few years but requires a lifetime of effort. Being made new is a mystery, and sometimes change is barely visible. In fact, some of the work that takes place by the Holy Spirit in our lives may not even be noticeable to us for many years. It is important for us to claim the promises of God and celebrate them. Doing so renews hope, faith and love in our personal lives as well as in the Church.

The year 2016 has just begun. St. Peter's begins a new chapter in her life, and we will begin the adventure of examining our ministry and mission together. Let me encourage you to try something new this year not only as a church, but also as individuals. We will be exploring ways to experience the love of God, the fellowship of the Holy Spirit and the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ this year.

For some of you this might consist in finding some place to serve in the church. For others it might mean going on a mission trip or getting involved in some kind of outreach in our community. For others it might simply be making a new friend or forgiving an old enemy. Discover what this means for you by first praying and then by doing as you step out in faith. Realize that as you do this God will work in you and through you to transform and renew your life as well as our church. Keep track of what you learn by keeping a journal. What you discover might be life changing!

Happy New Year and may God bless you in your new endeavor for the Lord.

In God's Grace,

Fr. Jim

Transition Team Event: Heritage

Our first church-wide event led by the Transition Team will be held on January 27 at 6:00pm-7:30pm. A meal will be provided. Activities are planned for children in K-8th Grade, and a nursery will be available for smaller children. Ninth-12th Grade are invited to participate with the adults at a teen table in All Saints' Hall. Please sign up on the bulletin board near the church office so that we can make our plans!

"I encourage you to come on January 27th. I believe that these events will be very spiritual, and you might even have some fun, too. More importantly, they will be healing and help us move on from past hurts as well as gain new vision for the future."

"I will be praying along with our Transition Team members and intercessors for your participation at this important event. And, I hope you will pray too."

Faithfully, Fr. Jim

MUSICALLY SPEAKING

Thank you for your kind comments about the choir music during the holiday season. We appreciate your continued support more than you know! We are working on some new anthems for the spring and refreshing our memory on some old favorites which we hope you will enjoy.



Several of the anthems for the spring are from a collection entitled "Canons and Crotchets". This is a delightful collection of two-part anthems from England and are all compositions by Richard Shephard.

Richard Shephard was born in 1949 and educated at The King's School, Gloucester and Corpus Christi College Cambridge. These pieces were composed while he was Head Master of the Minster School, York.

The two-part format mimics the style of English Boy Choirs where the youngsters sing the soprano line and adult males take the bass line. Hearing one of these choirs in a cathedral space is quite moving and the music is unmistakably English.

These works are based on pre-existing texts, many of them quite ancient. They include the 6th century Advent Hymn "Hark! A Herald Voice Is Calling", Isaac Watts beautiful "When I Survey The Wondrous Cross", John Wesley's "Author Of Life" and many others.

I hope you will enjoy these as they appear scattered throughout the year. The best part of the collection is the affordability. The collection of 20 pieces is available in one volume for the cost of \$50.00 which gives the church unlimited reproduction rights. Most anthems cost around \$2.00 or more per copy so this is a great bargain! I hope you enjoy!

Thanks

Doug



Polar Plunge

To Raise money for Stop Hunger Now

February 6th, 2016, 4pm

719 Short Drive



Come jump in the river to raise money for Stop Hunger Now.

Bundle warmly, but wear your bathing suits and please express yourself in fun, festive costumes.

There are plenty of opportunities to help and fund-raise even if you don't want to make the chilly jump.

Be a sponsor to someone on the list by taking a check by the church office with individual's name and polar plunge on it

Make an anonymous donation to church office

Come out and join the fellowship and cheer for the jumpers and join the post jump picnic

If you're interested in providing chili, fixings, or other please contact:

Sarah Ninan at 252-721-0112

New Dean of the Deacon's Training Program-The Rev. Deacon Katherine Mitchell



As some of you may or may not know, I was recently appointed as the new head of the Deacon's Training Program (school) for the Diocese of East Carolina. For the past three years, the Ven. John Gaskill, Archdeacon, very ably provided the leadership to develop and facilitate the curriculum for the Deacon's School that meets the required canons for ordination to the diaconate of the Episcopal Church. John, after three plus years, has stepped down from this role to provide more time for his position as an Archdeacon of the Church. No doubt, as you likely imagine, as the Dean of the Deacon's Training Program, I will be busier than before and I will have to endure a somewhat steep learning curve as I learn and grow in this new role.

The diocese is indeed fortunate to have a talented and creative pool of both ordained and lay people to draw upon in the training and education of our diaconal students and it is my full intention to rely upon these abundant resources. The intent of the school is to provide postulants and candidates to the diaconate with the education and skills necessary to fulfill their role as a deacon of the church.

These areas include an immersion into theology, scripture, church history, liturgy, homiletics, and pastoral care. Some of the courses will be taken "on line" using the material from the Church Divinity School of the Pacific, an Episcopal Seminary. On line or e-courses will be supplemented by specialized clergy and/or lay people to provide additional support and learning. Other coursework will be taught by a variety of clergy and lay instructors that have specific training and education in their areas of expertise. The school meets approximately six or more times a year at the Trinity Conference Center for a full weekend.

My role will be to mentor our students, recruit instructors, coordinate the various courses, serve as a liaison with the Commission on Ministry, arrange for internships, and facilitate and attend week-ends at Trinity.

I am both excited and somewhat daunted by the responsibility of what lies ahead of me. As I move forward in my new role, I ask for your continuing prayers and support.



St. Peter's is searching for a part-time Nursery Attendant. The following appeared in the Washington Daily News this past week. We also want to give parishioners the opportunity to share with anyone who might be interested. Please note that members of St. Peter's are not eligible for the position. Many thanks.

Part-time Nursery Attendant: Hours: Sundays 9:45am-11:45am and other times as arranged. Job requires providing dependable care to children ages 0-5 in a safe and nurturing environment that reflects a Christ-centered attitude and outlook. Applicants must be at least 18 years old with a high school diploma or equivalency. Previous experience preferred. Mail resume to: Nursery Attendant, PO Box 985, Washington, NC 27889.

Church Attendance

	Jan 3	Jan 10	Jan 16
8 a.m. service	43	50	47
10:15 a.m. service	97	112	90
Spanish language service	50	51	39

ECW MEETING FEBRUARY 3rd

We are pleased to announce that our speaker for the February meeting will be Jeff Jenkins who is the author of "I FOUND HIM!" This book is a collection of reflections about finding God in ordinary places. The author/photographer teaches simple life lessons using the lens of a camera. Looking at life from the back of a turtle, the wings of a swan or in the rays of moonlight glistening off a creek gives a very different perspective to what is truly important in our lives. Please join us at 9:30am on February 3rd and give Jeff a warm welcome as he discusses his wonderful book.

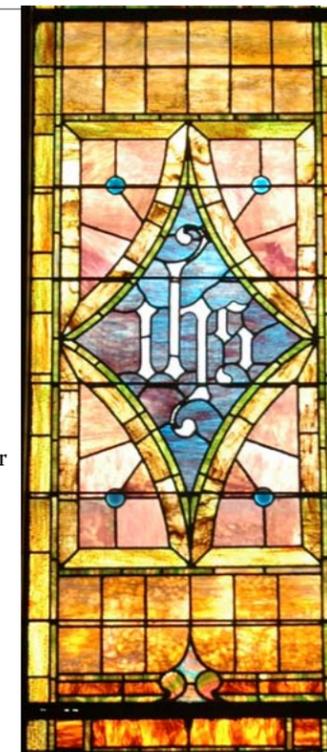
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- Emma Holscher-Christian Education
- Marcus Jones-Stewardship
- Patrick Nash-Buildings & Grounds
- Don Stroud-Clerk
- Hank Van Dorp-Parish Life



Please Pray For:



Almighty God, we entrust all who are dear to us to thy never-failing care and love, for this life and the life to come, knowing that thou art doing for them better things than we can desire or pray for; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. The Book of Common Prayer.

Please Pray for: Rev. Danny Allen-Pastor at First United Methodist Church (Washington), Phillips Babcock-brother of Dick Babcock, Fred & Ryan Beachler-nephews of Michael Beachler, Judy Beachler-sister of Michael Beachler, Pricilla Blier-grandmother of Kristin Bradbury, Sally Bliley-member, Mike & Marcia Board-friends of Sonia Privette, Maureen Brancely-friend of Rudy & Mavis Burns, Bob Byrum-member, Barbara Dell Carter-friend of Pam Hodges, Walt Davis-friend of Betty & Bill Cochran, Janet Dixon-sister of Lynda Lawson, Rev. Carl Gunn-friend of Rudy & Mavis Burns, Mary Wesley Harvey-member, Carol Jones-friend of Pam Hodges, Cynthia Jones-member, Mac Jones-friend of the Walkers, Kathy Keasley-friend of Rudy & Mavis Burns, Rev. Lee Kinney-Pastor at First Presbyterian Church (Washington), Bo Lewis-friend of Sam & Barbara Grimes, Evelyn Lowrie-friend of Betty Cochran, Mark McCoy-friend of the Holschers, Susan McFarland-friend of Mary & Ray Dennis, Dr. Jimmy Moore-Pastor at First Baptist Church (Washington), Jessica Orr-daughter of John & Leta Thompson, Pat Pate-mother of Dana Peters, Hilda Privette-mother of Sonia Privette, Wayne & Betty Privette-uncle & aunt of Sonia Privette, Terry Raupe-friend of Cynthia Jones, Marilyn Roth-member, Mark Simmons-nephew of Betty Cochran, John Stowell-brother of Aynn Hadley, Stephanie Teal-niece of Michael Beachler, Sis Thornburgh-member, Nena Tyndall-member, Dr. Peter Vardy-friend of Rudy & Mavis Burns, Hallett Ward, III-son of Ann Ward.

Prayer list requests may be made by completing a prayer card from the pew rack in church or by calling (946-8151) or emailing the church office (jennifer@saintpetersnc.org). Names will remain on the prayer list for 30 days.

ALTAR FLOWERS FOR JANUARY



January 3: The flowers on the altar are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Dena Angel & John Gray Blount, Leonora Blount & James Kelly, Joan and Jim Lowry and Jimmy Lowry by the family.

January 10: The flowers on the altar are given to the Glory of God and in thanksgiving for the lives of friends and family by Beth Sloan.

January 17: The flowers on the altar are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Thompson Dumont Litchfield, Elizabeth Bowers Litchfield, Lucy & Frank Bowers, Grey & Jarl Bowers, Tennys & Charlie Bowers, Lt. Col. John Litchfield, Mary Litchfield, & Betty and Ford Little by the family and also in memory of Richard E. Phelan by his family.

January 24: The flowers on the altar are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of their loved ones by Dr. & Mrs. Neal Partrick.

January 31: The flowers on the altar are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Nellie Gray Whitley and Edmund Harding by the family.

Vestry Corner

I am excited about serving as your Senior Warden in 2016. We had a great Stewardship Campaign, and there seems to be a positive atmosphere at Saint Peter's. The Vestry had a great Retreat at Swanson Graves' Farm, and we are all excited about this coming year.

I hope all of our members will come out and participate in the Transition Team Event on Wednesday, January 27th at 6pm in All Saints' Hall. The team has worked hard to facilitate the discussions. Now, all we need to make it a success is YOU! Saint Peter's is your church and you need to come and express your thoughts and concerns. See you there!

Tom Archie, Senior Warden



Food Lion Project: Money in the Bank

Many years ago Saint Peter's Episcopal Church Women adopted the Food Lion Project to hopefully turn individually purchased groceries into cash for Saint Peter's projects. With every Food Lion gift card purchased by a parishioner, five percent of the card value goes into the ECW treasury.

This endeavor has been very successful! The ECW board decided that the proceeds from this project would be applied to the Building Fund. From 2006 to 2015 over **\$9,000** has been contributed to the principal of the Building Fund.

The present board would like to continue with this project with support from the parish. It is so easy to prepay for your groceries and contribute toward paying down our debt. Contact Betty Cochran to purchase the gift cards you need. It's as easy as that!

In addition, monies from other ECW fundraisers have been donated to the Building Fund. To date, about **\$24,000** earned from luncheons, auctions, tag sales, card sales, etc. has been earned and contributed to pay off the All Saints' Hall debt.

Good work, ladies! Wonder what we will do next. Any ideas?

