



Episcopal Church Women  
Diocese of East Carolina

June 21, 2016

Dear ECW,

School is out and summer has begun. We are busy planning our vacations and adjusting to hot, humid weather, but do not forget to mark your calendars for our August Gathering at Trinity Center. **All women (and men) are invited!**

Come join us at the Trinity Center on Wednesday, August 17<sup>th</sup>. We are delighted to have Lisa Towle, the President of the ECW National Board as our speaker. She spoke at the Province IV meeting held recently at Kanuga and shared an excellent message about our ECW, and the direction it's headed, from the national to the parish levels.

Our schedule for the day will be as follows:

9:00	Registration and Pick up new Diocesan ECW Handbooks
9:45	Assembly Begins
11:30	Holy Eucharist
12:30	Lunch

Handbooks for 2016-17 will be distributed during registration.

The cost for refreshments, lunch, and the use of Trinity Center facilities is \$20 per person. Please send checks made out to "ECW Diocese of East Carolina" along with the names of all persons attending to:

Nancy Hamblin, 118 W. 12<sup>th</sup> Street, Washington, NC 27889  
252-940-1999 nmhamblin4@suddenlink.net

This information will be needed **no later than August 1** so that we will have a correct count for Trinity Center to prepare the lunch.

If anyone might be interested taking advantage of what Trinity Center has to offer and stay the evening of August 16<sup>th</sup>, please contact Trinity Center at (252) 247-5600. We would love to have you join the ECW Board for fellowship at 5:00 and the Board Meeting at 7:00!

The dress is casual. Wear comfortable shoes. You may want to take a walk out to Sander's Point for some quiet time or enjoy a stroll on the beach.

Spread the word, invite your clergy, and bring a friend!

Always,  
*Nancy Hamblin*

St. Peter's Episcopal Church

Keynotes

July 13, 2016



Many of you commented on the music at the 10:15 service July 3. Patriotic hymns always receive a good response. The gradual hymn was particularly well received. (I am glad since I went outside our Hymnal to get it!)



The hymn was "This Is My Song" which is a poem by Lloyd Stone and Georgia Harkness. The lyrics remind us that everything isn't "all about us!" It is a gentle reminder that people of all nations love their country just as we love ours. Stanza three, which was the verse penned by Harkness, is a prayer for peace and unity among all nations.

The poem is set to "Finlandia" by Jean Sibelius. The piece, which is part of a larger work, was composed in 1899. Late Romanticism was giving birth to Nationalism and music and art were celebrating the common man. This work is quite representative of the time. (some may even think the tune a bit sappy!) Originally composed for orchestra, Sibelius later reworked it as a piano solo. Although it does not appear in our hymnal, it has been used for years in combination with the text "Be Still My Soul." The music remains as one of the most important national songs in Finland. When it was first introduced it was played under various names to avoid Russian censorship.

Jean Sibelius was born in 1865 in Finland. His primary love was violin and for a time he had visions of being a virtuoso. He later realized that his serious musical study had begun a little too late for this dream to be realized. He shifted his attention to composition. The bulk of his work is orchestral. He remains recognized as Finland's greatest composer. His works are credited with helping Finland develop a national identity during her struggle for independence from Russia.

As always, thank you for your kind comments and interest in the music here at Saint Peter's!

Doug Cutler

## Vestry Corner by Hodges Hackney

Greetings to Parishioners:

This year I am again serving as the Vestry person in charge of Administration. This Commission provides oversight regarding the appropriate use of parish resources including financial, personnel, real estate, and physical plant properties for the mission of the Church. It includes participation in the following activities:

- 1) Work with the treasurer and finance committee in developing an annual budget and in long range financial planning
- 2) Assist the stewardship committee in developing the annual stewardship program
- 3) Organize and report accounting procedures to include an annual audit
- 4) Oversee Insurance programs to provide coverage for property and other areas

The annual audit for 2015 will be conducted in the near future. We are very grateful to Cindy Cochran and Sam Grimes for volunteering their time and expertise to complete this audit. In addition to the annual audit, we contract with the Diocese to provide an outside audit every three years.

I am pleased to report that our net operating income for 2016 continues to be positive and exceed our projected budget. The building loan also continues to be paid down and the balance is currently \$155,325.

We are very blessed to have an outstanding Administration Manager in Jennifer Spivey to keep all of our financial and operational activities well organized and running smoothly. She makes my job easy.

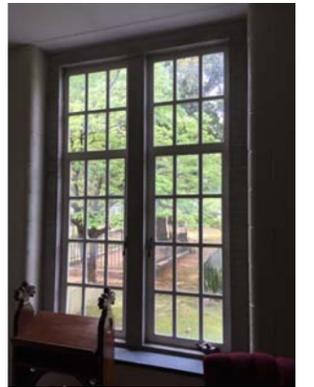
Many blessings to all.

Hodges Hackney

We are installing blinds in Father Jim's office to cut down on the afternoon heat from the southern exposure. If anyone would like to contribute to this in non-budgeted expense, please send a check to Jennifer with office shades for the notation.

As always, your contributions are appreciated.

Swanson Graves, Junior Warden



Help us keep in touch with you!

Please make sure and contact the church office if you have moved, changed your phone number or have a new email address.

Send updated information to [jennifer@saintpetersnc.org](mailto:jennifer@saintpetersnc.org) or call 946-8151.

## *ECW on the road to Trinity*

*I am hoping that a good number of our ECW members are making plans to attend the August Gathering at Trinity Center on Wednesday, August 17. What a treat it will be to hear from our National Board President, Lisa Towle, and see friends from other parishes.*

*We will carpool from Saint Peter's leaving at 7:00 AM. Please let me know if you plan to attend and let me know if you can drive a load of ladies (946-6905). Send your registration of \$20 to Nancy Hamblin by August 1 so you don't miss out on the fun and fellowship. (More details are located on the last page of this Keynotes.)*

*Cathy Whichard*

## *Church Nursery*

We want your family to have a wonderful nursery experience as we partner in your little one's faith development. Our nursery strives to be a place where each child feels safe and parents feel comfortable leaving their precious little ones. Our nursery provider, Tasha Daniels, is an experienced childcare provider who strives to make sure your child's experience will be a positive one. She enjoys children and looks forward to spending time reading books, making crafts, playing and sharing the love of Jesus with them while parents participate in our worship service.

All children ages 4 and under are encouraged to join Tasha on Sundays at 10:15am.



New members of the Altar Guild are always welcome. Teams serve once every 7 weeks and provide important and very needed services to Saint Peter's. Please contact Barbara Grimes at 946-6446 or [bgrimes10@suddenlink.net](mailto:bgrimes10@suddenlink.net) for more information. Thank you.



### Building Loan Balance

As of June 21, 2016, the balance of the building loan was \$155,325.



The Lay Eucharistic Ministers remind the parish that if a member is unable to attend services, the gift of communion can be brought to them. To request this ministry, please call the church office. A reminder, also, that if you or a loved one is entering the hospital or nursing home, please let the church office know. Too often it is assumed someone else has called, and the clergy are late to learn of the situation. Too many calls are better than none at all!



### Saint Peter's Attic Sale

***Hark!...The herald angels say...Saint Peter is cleaning out his celestial attic and he invites you to do the same!***

The **ECW** will host **Saint Peter's Attic Sale** October 14-15, 2016, in All Saint's Hall.

Saints and angels of Saint Peter's: please begin to plan what you would like to clean out from your attics and closets to donate to the sale. We welcome former treasures from your home, such as dishes and kitchen items, garden accessories and tools, furniture, rugs, gently used small appliances, artwork, fashion accessories, books, toys, sports items, and bric-a-brac. No clothing or shoes will be accepted, except those for babies up to the age of two.

Get busy! We can hardly wait to see what you find stashed away. Donations will be received the week before the October sale. Details will be provided in September.



### Ushers Needed

We are looking for reliable volunteers to join our Usher teams for the 10:15 am services. If you are interested, please contact Ray Heath at 974-0732 or by e-mail at [rheath10@suddenlink.net](mailto:rheath10@suddenlink.net) Looking forward to hearing from you. Thank you.

### Church Attendance

	June 26	July 3	July 10
8 a.m. service	41	28	42
10:15 a.m. service	69	91	94
Spanish language service	N/A	38	51

### ALTAR FLOWERS FOR JULY



July 3: Today's altar flowers are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of family and friends by Susan Sherwood Dawson.

July 10: Today's altar flowers are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Barbara & Bill Stringer, Linda Dixon and Rylen Eubanks by the Stringer family.

July 17: Today's altar flowers are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Cynthia Watkins Pool by Audrey & Dave Watkins and family.

July 24: Today's altar flowers are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Evelyn Payne Snow by the family.

July 31: Today's altar flowers are given to the glory of God and in thanksgiving for Saint Peter's Parish Family.

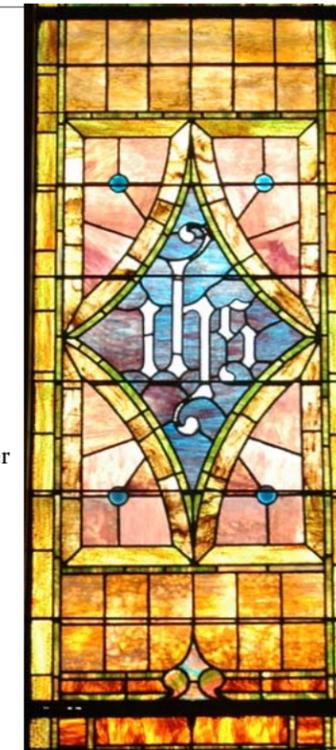
### Saint Peter's Clergy & Staff

The Reverend Jim Reed      Priest-in-Charge  
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Doug Cutler      Organist/Choirmaster  
Vincent Holliday      Sexton  
Lex Mann      Treasurer  
Jennifer Spivey      Parish Administrator  
Susie Taylor      Day School Director



### Vestry Organization

Tom Archie-Senior Warden  
Swanson Graves-Junior Warden  
Maria Gachuz-Hispanic Ministry  
Barbara Grimes-Worship  
Hodges Hackney-Administration  
Nancy Hamblin-Pastoral Care  
Mark Henley-Outreach  
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), Rose Arlin-mother of Roxanne Holloman, Will Armstrong-nephew of Janet Bradbury, Phillips Babcock -brother of Dick Babcock, Alan Bawden-friend of the Marles, Ryan & Fred Beachler-nephews of Michael Beachler, Phil Black-friend of Ed & Pam Hodges, Conoley Blake-member, Nancy Chaffee -member, George Etheridge-brother of Anna Sizemore, Bonnie & Calvin Grooms-friends of Henry & Florette Moore, C.T. Jones-cousin of Leslie Whitehurst, Rev. Lee Kinney-Pastor at First Presbyterian Church (Washington), John Knippel-friend of Betty & Bill Cochran, George Maddrey-father of Trisha Baker, Florette & Henry Moore-members, Dr. Jimmy Moore-Pastor at First Baptist Church (Washington), Bee Morton-member, Jessica Orr & Family-daughter of John & Leta Thompson, Pat Pate-friend of Ann Peters, Chris Parker-nephew of Tricia Baker, Dr. Raeford Pugh -father of Laura Bliley, Barbara Bonner Rasmussen-member, Acra Samuels-daughter of Hodges & Marsha Hackney, Mark Simmons-nephew of Bill & Betty Cochran, Elaine Stephenson-sister of Tricia Baker, Paul Stevenson-grandson of Dill Lynch, Sis Thornburgh-member, Callie Dawson Wallace-friend of Saint Peter's, Janet White-cousin of Dill Lynch, Benjamin Harrison Whitehurst -grandson of Bill & Anna Rianhard, Blake & Brittney Williford-member, Carah & Aughtry Williford-members, Bren Whitford-friend of Mark Henley.

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](mailto:jennifer@saintpetersnc.org)). Names will remain on the prayer list for 30 days.

### Anglo/Hispanic Congregation Questionnaire

The Anglo/Hispanic Congregation Questionnaire is available in the narthex of the church or at the church office. Please pick up one, fill it out and return it to the designated box just outside Jennifer's office. You may also access the survey online through the church website at [www.saintpetersnc.org](http://www.saintpetersnc.org) or directly at [www.surveymonkey.com/r/5SHTBVK](http://www.surveymonkey.com/r/5SHTBVK).

*Fr. Jim*

Education for Ministry (EFM) Registration is Open for September 2016

EFM is a unique four year distance learning certificate program in theological education based upon small group study and practice. Since its founding in 1975, this international program has assisted more than 80,000 participates in discovering and nurturing their call to Christian service. EFM helps the faithful encounter the breadth and depth of the Christian tradition and bring it into conversation with their experience of the world as they study, worship, and engage in theological reflection together.

Questions: Contact Diane Furlough phone 757-272-6382 or e-mail [d\\_furlough@yahoo.com](mailto:d_furlough@yahoo.com).

When: EFM meet on Monday evenings at 6:30pm.

Where: Saint Peters Episcopal Church in the Woolard Room.

Start Date: To be announced

How to Register: Registration forms and payment forms will be located in folder next to the staff and vestry mail boxes.

Cost: 350.00 scholarships sometimes available.

Registration will be open to all Episcopal Church's in the Deanery.



#### **Why you should join Efm by Lynda Lawson**

*After hearing Ed Hodges talk about how important Efm had been to him and knowing that Ed was an historian, I signed up. Even though I was 71 years old at the time, it seemed that would be worth the time and energy invested and that it would be helpful both in informing me about the church that I had just joined and about the church in general. I was not disappointed.*

*The first two years are especially rewarding as we study the Old and New Testaments: the history as well as the importance and meaning of those books. Third year is the history of the Christian church and what an incredible history it is! It is utterly amazing that we have a church at all considering the obstacles that have been placed in the path of its development. The fourth year we studied some theology and learned how to apply it to our own everyday lives.*

*I would heartily recommend that anyone interested in church, religion, or history and their connections to our everyday lives take the course. It is definitely worth it!!!*

#### **Reflections on Efm by Paul Keel**

*Efm is not easy to describe; it's easier to describe what it is not. It is not a Bible study, though the Bible is thoroughly examined and studied. It is not a class in church history or theology, though both are learned about in Efm. It isn't really a class in anything. Efm is an adult learning seminar, designed to equip the people of God (us) for ministry. All baptized Christians are called to ministry, whatever form that may take, and Efm is an excellent preparation for whatever that may be. I will be graduating from Efm this year, having completed four years of seminars, and I can say that Efm does work. I grew up in a Christian home, went to a Christian school and studied the Bible from elementary school until early adulthood, yet I have learned more about holy scripture than ever before in the first two years of Efm. I've also learned much about the history of our faith, and have been exposed to the works of many theologians. The most important thing I've learned from Efm is Theological Reflection, which is a practice used to view anything in theological terms. My descriptions of Efm fall short of what it actually is, but if you are interested in exploring your faith and tradition, preparing to find your ministry or changing your perception of what that might be, Efm can help.*