



**ST. PETER'S WAVE
APRIL, 2023**

St. Peter's is a community called to Love, Worship, Proclaim, and Serve.

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

“Invite, welcome, connect” is a theme for 2023 to help get the word out about St. Peter's and try to grow our membership. April is a perfect month to invite, welcome and connect- especially with Holy Week and Easter Sunday.

You may know people who have dropped out of attending church since the Covid shut down. You may know people who have given up on church at some point in their life. You may know people who are going through a tough personal crisis or period in their life.

Invite them to St. Peter's for a Sunday service. If Sunday doesn't work, in Holy Week we have a service on Maundy Thursday and two services on Good Friday. You can always invite them to a Tuesday 11 AM Bible study and, if you check with the office, you can bring them by some weekday when the secretary is here, and you can get into the church for a brief tour.

Holy Week begins with Palm Sunday on April 2nd. The 8 AM service will begin in the church as normal. Weather permitting, we will gather at 10 AM in the front yard for the Liturgy of the Palms and then process into the church. On Maundy Thursday, we will have one service at 6:30 PM. Good Friday we celebrate the Stations of the Cross at noon and the Liturgy with Holy Communion at 6:30 PM.

During the Sundays in April, be on the lookout for visitors and newcomers. Welcome them to St. Peter's and ask them to sign the visitor book, or better yet fill, out an information card found in the Narthex near the front door. Let's invite, welcome and connect in the month ahead.

Grace, Peace, and Love,
Bob+



Visible Vestry
March 21, 2023

Finances – we are okay, but pledges are down a little.

Alan Kershaw introduced a new spread sheet so we can see what checks were written for the month.

We introduced a new program called Invite, Welcome, Connect. Vestry members were asked to review so we can start this program next month.

We thanked Mark Taylor for doing a wonderful job on the floor in Stephenson Hall.

Kim Leahy will be returning as church secretary on April 11th.

We have quite a few new folks coming to St. Peter's and they are becoming actively involved.

Donna Tripp would like to hold another bakeless bake sale after Easter.

We are still seeking acolytes.

There will be a mandolin concert on April 29th.

The Bourne Substance Free committee will be hosting bingo on April 12th – sign up sheet in Stephenson Hall.

There are a few folks we are missing at church – we will try to connect with them

The next vestry meeting will be April 18th starting at 6:00 (note new time).

Celeste Hankey, Sr. Warden



CHRISTMAS

CRAFTING

Our goal is to make Christmas tree ornaments that we will sell at the Christmas Fair of our neighbor, St. Margaret's Church.

Join a drop-in group of parishioners on Tuesday afternoons from 1 – 3pm in May, June and July. We will take a break in August and then decide as a group if we want to

continue in the Fall. All are welcome. Just bring your curiosity and enthusiasm. There will be a variety of tasks to accommodate all levels of experience and expertise.

Address your questions to the organizers, Nancy Sherwood and Margery Buckingham.



From the sweet melody of the spring peepers reverberating through the early evening to the morning air filled with the songs of the spring birds or the crocus' emerging from the depths of their sleep, rising to feel the warmth of the sun. April brings the signs of new life! We may even feel that extra "pep in our step" this month.

Easter is a reminder of new life. This year the choir helps raise the "Alleluia's" in a robust arrangement by Ed Harris' "Alleluia". The title says it all. As we come, adore and confess that Jesus is God of God and King of Kings and the Maker of ALL wondrous things...let us raise our "Alleluia's" of praise for Jesus Christ is risen, He RISEN, INDEED !!! ALLELUIA, ALLELUIA, ALLELUIA!!!

Peace, love and life, in Christ,
Lisa



MANDOLIN CONCERT **April 29**

L'Esperance Mandolin Ensemble brings four centuries of music to St. Peter's Church-on-the-Canal. From Bach's sublime Contrapunctus to Gustav Holst's Suite on English Folksongs and Modeste Moussorgsky's Pictures at an Exhibition and contemporary masterpieces for the mandolin by Steven Antonelli, Hansjorg Brugger and Astor Piazzola, l'Esperane brings the unique voices of mandolin family instruments to a diverse program of classical, contemporary, and world music. Proceeds from the concert will go towards the ministry of St. Peter's. Tickets are \$25 on our website <https://lesperancemandolin.com> or \$30 at the door.

L'Esperance features musicians from Massachusetts, Rhode Island, New York, and Connecticut of different backgrounds and ages who come together to enjoy the pleasure of making music with each other. Since 1994, l'Esperance has been sharing

that joy with audiences around New England. Our music ranges from classical to contemporary, from Celtic to Klezmer, from rock standards to Baroque.

Want to make music with us? L'Esperance gathers on Tuesday evenings at 6:00 at St. Barnabas church in Falmouth. We'd love to add some classical guitars. Please call 401-345-6930 or email us at josh@lesperancemandolin.com for more information or to arrand a free Try Your Pluck Mandolin Lesson.

Substance Abuse Prevention and Support Group

Mark Your Calendars!!!!

April 12, at 7:00pm

Doors open at 6:30pm



That's right folks! The Substance Support and Prevention group will be hosting a fun family night fund raising BINGO for our Saint Peters Family and Friends to help support the Bourne Substance Free Coalition. Please sign up in Stevenson Hall by the coffee hour set up.

There will be prizes for the winners; play as many cards as you Dare!!!! \$1.00 donation per card. Snacks and beverages will be available for purchase. For more information or offers of help please contact any of the group members Larry H., Jim H., Celeste H., Kathy L, Jim L., Jane L., Donna B., Bob S. or Nancy S.

There continues to be an opioid epidemic in Massachusetts. Recently it has been reported that drug related deaths have already exceeded last years total. We would like to bring your attention to several new groups in the area that are working with the community to lend help for those suffering from abuse.

WAREHAM CONNECTS:

This is a youth coalition in Wareham similar to the Bourne Substance Free Group and provides prevention and training programs they can be found on Facebook @WarehamConnects

RICHIE'S ROAD TO RECOVERY

Weekly recovery walk and talk meets every Friday at 9:00am at the Lyman Reserve on Head of the Bay Road by the Wareham/Bourne/Plymouth Town Line for a leisurely 20-40 minute stroll through nature as they chat about paths to recovery. No RSVP is required but feel free to Contact Richie Newbert at 339-832-5387 or richiesroadtorecovery@gmail.com

YARMOUTH SUBSTANCE AWARENESS COMMITTEE:

Monthly Resource Drop-In Night offers resources for people and families dealing with addiction and assorted issues. Counseling and education will be available.

EVERY LAST WEDNESDAY OF THE MONTH 5pm to 7:00pm 1338 Route 28, SOUTH Yarmouth. At the Family Table Collaborative. Questions at ysac@yarmouth.ma.us

We hope you can join with us in prayer and conversation the next time we meet. "All Are Welcome". We will meet again on Monday April 10th, at 3:33pm at the Church.

Sincerely Submitted

Substance Abuse Prevention and Support Group, Celeste and Jim Hankey, Jane and Jim Lema, Nancy and Bob Sherwood, Donna Beers, Kathy Letzeisen, Larry Higgins

Here are some resources that are available for those who may need help at this time:

Massachusetts Substance Abuse Hotline 1-800-327-5050

Learn to Cope www.learn2cope.org

AA Zoom 425-436-6360
Access Number n 422932

APRIL CALENDAR

Sun., Apr. 2 PALM SUNDAY Services at 8 & 10am

Thu., Apr. 6 MAUNDY THURSDAY Liturgy 6:30pm

Fri., Apr. 7 GOOD FRIDAY

Stations of the Cross 12noon

Good Friday Liturgy 6:30pm

Sun., Apr. 9 EASTER SUNDAY FESTIVAL EUCHARIST 8am & 10a

Tue., Apr. 18 VESTRY Meeting 6pm

RECURRING EVENTS

Sundays: 8am - Holy Eucharist Rite I

10am - Holy Eucharist Rite II w/music

(unless otherwise noted)

Mondays: 4:30pm - Friendly Kitchen To Go

Tuesdays: 11am - Bible Study

Thursdays: 8:30am - TOPS

1st Saturday, 8:30am - Men's Breakfast

2nd Monday, 3:33pm - Substance Abuse Team

3rd Tuesday, 6pm - Vestry

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