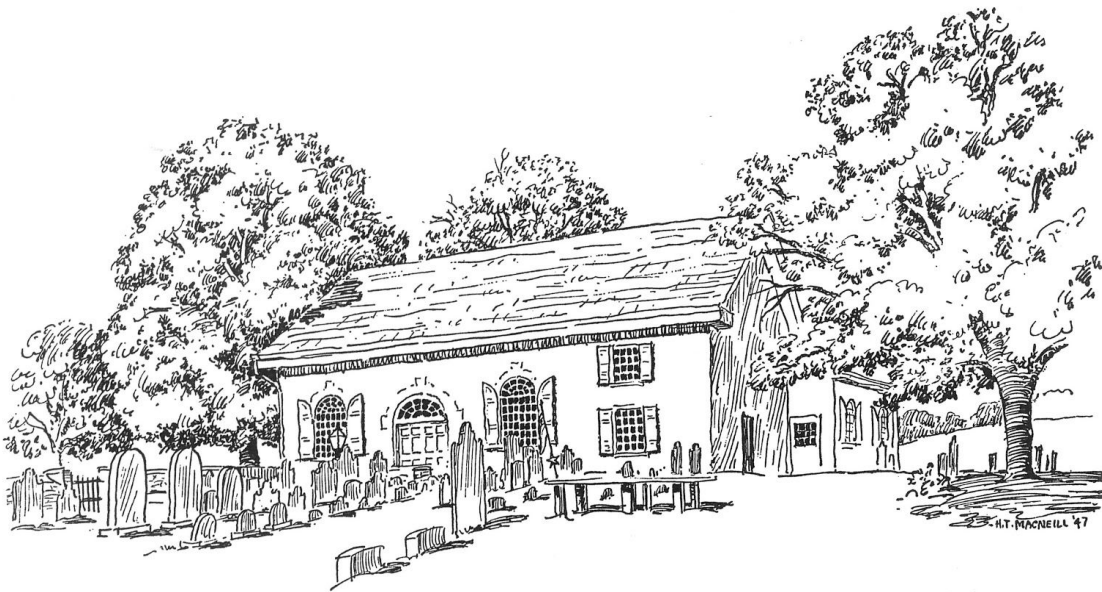


ST. PETER'S CHURCH IN THE GREAT VALLEY



THE ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

MORNING PRAYER — RITE TWO

AUGUST 16, 2020 — 10:00 AM

*Welcome! We are so glad that you are joining us virtually this morning. Corporate worship is important to us and we want to do whatever we can to maintain our sense of community even when we cannot be together physically. We encourage you to leave comments and even post pictures of yourself. In this way we can see one another even when we are not able to be with one another. In this leaflet the words to be said by all are **bolded**.*



THIS WEEK AT ST. PETER'S CHURCH

SUNDAY, AUGUST 16:

- 10:00 a.m. Morning Prayer – Rite Two – Via Facebook Live
- 11:00 a.m. Coffee Hour – Via Zoom
- 4:00 p.m. Outdoor Eucharist (please sign up)
- 5:00 p.m. Youth Group – Via Zoom

MONDAY, AUGUST 17:

- 9:30 a.m. Atwater Walk – Limit 4 people
- 12:00 p.m. Noonday Prayer – Via Facebook Live

TUESDAY, AUGUST 18:

- 8:00 a.m. Outdoor Eucharist (please sign up)
- 12:00 p.m. Noonday Prayer – Via Facebook Live
- 7:15 p.m. Vestry Meeting – Via Zoom

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 19:

- 10:00 a.m. Bible Study – Via Zoom
- 12:00 p.m. Noonday Prayer – Via Facebook Live
- 6:00 p.m. BYOB Social Hour – Via Zoom

THURSDAY, AUGUST 20:

- 12:00 p.m. Noonday Prayer – Via Facebook Live
- 8:45 p.m. Youth and Children Movie Night – Rector's Grove

FRIDAY, AUGUST 21:

- 8:00 a.m. Gathering of Men – Via Zoom

SATURDAY, AUGUST 22:

- 9:00 a.m. Stewardship Meeting – Via Zoom

SUNDAY, AUGUST 23:

- 10:00 a.m. Morning Prayer – Rite Two – Via Facebook Live
- 11:00 a.m. Coffee Hour – Via Zoom
- 4:00 p.m. Outdoor Eucharist (please sign up)

* all services Via Facebook live can also be viewed on our website stpetersgv.org

THE WORD OF GOD

Prelude

Hymn 51 *We the Lord's people*

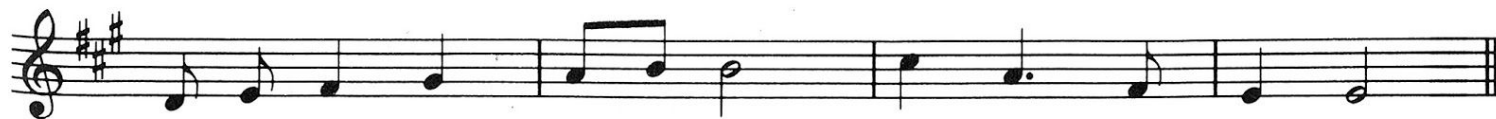
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1 We the Lord's peo - ple, heart and voice u - nit - ing, praise him who
2 This is the Lord's house, home of all his peo - ple, school for the
3 This is the Lord's day, day of God's own mak - ing, day of cre -
4 In the Lord's ser - vice bread and wine are of - fered, that Christ may



called us out of sin and dark-ness in - to his own light,
faith - ful, ref - uge for the sin - ner, rest for the pil - grim,
a - tion, day of re - sur - rec - tion, day of the Spi - rit,
take them, bless them, break, and give them to all his peo - ple,



that he might a - noint us a roy - al priest - hood.
ha - ven for the wea - ry; all find a wel - come.
sign of hea - ven's ban - quet, day for re - joic - ing.
his own life im - part - ing, food ev - er - last - ing.

Presider Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in your sight, O God, my strength and my redeemer. *Psalms 19:14*

Confession of Sin

Presider Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

People Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.

We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. Amen.

Presider Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

The Invitatory and Psalter

The people standing, the Presider says

Lord, open our lips.

People **And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.
Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen. Alleluia.**

Jubilate Deo Psalm 100

Setting: John Ireland (1879–1962)

O be joyful in the Lord, all ye lands; *
serve the Lord with gladness
and come before his presence with a song.

Be ye sure that the Lord he is God;
it is he that hath made us and not we ourselves; *
we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.

O go your way into his gates with thanksgiving
and into his courts with praise; *
be thankful unto him and speak good of his Name.

For the Lord is gracious;
his mercy is everlasting; *
and his truth endureth from generation to generation.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost: *
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end, Amen.

- 1 May God be merciful to us and bless us, *
show us the light of his countenance and come to us.
 - 2 Let your ways be known upon earth, *
your saving health among all nations.
 - 3 Let the peoples praise you, O God; *
let all the peoples praise you.
 - 4 Let the nations be glad and sing for joy, *
for you judge the peoples with equity
and guide all the nations upon earth.
 - 5 Let the peoples praise you, O God; *
let all the peoples praise you.
 - 6 The earth has brought forth her increase; *
may God, our own God, give us his blessing.
 - 7 May God give us his blessing, *
and may all the ends of the earth stand in awe of him.
- Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: *
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

The First Lesson*Isaiah 56:1, 6–8*

Thus says the Lord: Maintain justice, and do what is right, for soon my salvation will come, and my deliverance be revealed. And the foreigners who join themselves to the Lord, to minister to him, to love the name of the Lord, and to be his servants, all who keep the sabbath, and do not profane it, and hold fast my covenant—these I will bring to my holy mountain, and make them joyful in my house of prayer; their burnt offerings and their sacrifices will be accepted on my altar; for my house shall be called a house of prayer for all peoples. Thus says the Lord God, who gathers the outcasts of Israel, I will gather others to them besides those already gathered.

Reader Here ends the reading.

Canticle 9 *The First Song of Isaiah*

Setting: Hymn 679, *Thomas Merton*

1 Sure - ly it is God who saves me; trust-ing him, I shall not
2 Make his deeds known to the peo - ples; tell out his ex - alt - ed

fear. For the Lord de - fends and shields me and his sav - ing
Name. Praise the Lord, who has done great things; all his works his

help is near. So re - jice as you draw wa - ter from sal -
might pro - claim. Zi - on, lift your voice in sing-ing; for with

va - tion's liv - ing spring; in the day of your de -
you has come to dwell, in your ve - ry midst, the

liv - erance thank the Lord, his mer - cies sing.
great and Ho - ly One of Is - ra - el.

The Second Lesson

Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32

I ask, then, has God rejected his people? By no means! I myself am an Israelite, a descendant of Abraham, a member of the tribe of Benjamin. God has not rejected his people whom he foreknew.

For the gifts and the calling of God are irrevocable. Just as you were once disobedient to God but have now received mercy because of their disobedience, so they have now been disobedient in order that, by the mercy shown to you, they too may now receive mercy. For God has imprisoned all in disobedience so that he may be merciful to all.

Reader Here ends the reading.

Canticle 13 *A Song of Praise*

Setting: Hymnal S-236, John Rutter (b. 1945)

1. Glo - ry to you, Lord
God of our fa - thers; you are wor - thy of praise;
glo - ry to you. 2. Glo - ry to you
for the ra - di - ance of your ho - ly Name; we will
praise you and high - ly ex - alt you for ev - er.
3. Glo - ry to you in the splen - dor of your
tem - ple; on the throne of your ma - jes - ty, glo - ry to
you. 4. Glo - ry to you, seat - ed bet -
ween the Cher - u - bim; we will praise you and
high - ly ex - alt you for ev - er.

Descant

5. Glo - ry to you, _____ be -

5. Glo - ry to you, _____ be - hold - ing the

hold - ing the depths; _____ in the high vault of

depths; _____ in the high vault of hea - ven, glo - ry to

hea - ven, 6. Glo - ry to you, _____

you. _____ 6. Glo - ry to you, _____ Fa - ther,

_____ Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Spi - rit; we will

Son, and Ho - ly Spi - rit; _____ we will praise you and

high - ly ex - alt you Glo - ry to you! _____

high - ly ex - alt you for ev - er. _____

Jesus called the crowd to him and said to them, “Listen and understand: it is not what goes into the mouth that defiles a person, but it is what comes out of the mouth that defiles.” Then the disciples approached and said to him, “Do you know that the Pharisees took offense when they heard what you said?” He answered, “Every plant that my heavenly Father has not planted will be uprooted. Let them alone; they are blind guides of the blind. And if one blind person guides another, both will fall into a pit.” But Peter said to him, “Explain this parable to us.” Then he said, “Are you also still without understanding? Do you not see that whatever goes into the mouth enters the stomach, and goes out into the sewer? But what comes out of the mouth proceeds from the heart, and this is what defiles. For out of the heart come evil intentions, murder, adultery, fornication, theft, false witness, slander. These are what defile a person, but to eat with unwashed hands does not defile.”

Jesus left that place and went away to the district of Tyre and Sidon. Just then a Canaanite woman from that region came out and started shouting, “Have mercy on me, Lord, Son of David; my daughter is tormented by a demon.” But he did not answer her at all. And his disciples came and urged him, saying, “Send her away, for she keeps shouting after us.” He answered, “I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel.” But she came and knelt before him, saying, “Lord, help me.” He answered, “It is not fair to take the children’s food and throw it to the dogs.” She said, “Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters’ table.” Then Jesus answered her, “Woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish.” And her daughter was healed instantly.

Presider Here ends the reading.

The Sermon

The Reverend Abigail Crozier Nestlehutt

The Apostles Creed

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth;**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the Virgin Mary.**

He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

Presider The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Presider Let us pray.

People Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy Name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those
who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.

The Suffrages

Presider Show us your mercy, O Lord;

People **And grant us your salvation.**

Clothe your ministers with righteousness;

People **Let your people sing with joy.**

Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;

People **For only in you can we live in safety.**

Lord, keep this nation under your care;

People **And guide us in the way of justice and truth.**

Let your way be known upon earth;

People **Your saving health among all nations.**

Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;

People **Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.**

Create in us clean hearts, O God;

People **And sustain us with your Holy Spirit.**

The Collect of the Day

Almighty God, you have given your only Son to be for us a sacrifice for sin, and also an example of godly life: Give us grace to receive thankfully the fruits of his redeeming work, and to follow daily in the blessed steps of his most holy life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Presider continues

Almighty and everlasting God, by whose Spirit the whole body of your faithful people is governed and sanctified: Receive our supplications and prayers which we offer before you for all members of your holy Church, that in their vocation and ministry they may truly and devoutly serve you; through our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

Cantate Domino, canticum novum:
laus eius in ecclesia sanctorum.
Laetetur Israel in eo qui fecit eum:
et filiae Sion exultant in rege suo.

*Sing to the Lord a new canticle:
let his praise be in the church of the saints.
Let Israel rejoice in him that made him:
and let the children of Sion be joyful in their
king.*

text: Psalm 148

Intercessions

We invite you to pray for any concerns or thanksgivings either aloud, via Facebook comment, or in the silence of your hearts.

We pray for all those on the St. Peter's parish prayer list.

We pray especially for William Clarke Hudson and Patricia Hoke Picou, for whom our altar memorials are given

A Litany for Changing Times

O God, we ask for strength and wisdom in this uncertain time. We welcome your presence with the faith community of St. Peter's Church in the Great Valley as we respond: **Hear our prayer.**

God of all gifts and blessings we are thankful for the natural world that reminds us of our ever-present God. We are thankful for the gift of mindfulness, time spent gardening, and seeing the beauty of nature that surrounds us.

God of serenity, **Hear our prayer**

Lord, this pandemic has clarified our call to be stewards of the gifts you have given to us. We pray for the tools and will to conserve the bounty of our natural world. May our love for you ignite passion within us to fuel our quest to protect the planet.

God of our natural world, **Hear our prayer.**

Compassion without action does violence to those cannot breathe for want of nutrition, education, health care, economic opportunity, political agency, legal justice or personal liberty. Jolt us from our comfort and help us commit to walking and working alongside those who are fighting to have their voices heard.

God of justice and equality, **Hear our prayer.**

Our solidarity with all races, with the incarcerated, with those deprived of housing, education, and health care is bound by the Eucharist, Christ's manifestation of God's love for all. Kindle in us the aspiration to elevate the dignity of every human being.

God of compassion, **Hear our prayer.**

Summer beckons and we yearn to celebrate the simple pleasures of the season. Curb our appetites and waken us to our duty toward our common safety and the greater good. Guide us to find joy in modest services and help us to support those at the greatest risk. In a summer like no other, help us to celebrate the meaning and the power of your love.

God of unity, **Hear our prayer.**

We pray for the safety of our families and loved ones and all those who continue to care for our minds and bodies, especially those who are providing essential services. We pray for the elderly and the sick, for the poor and the homeless, and for all who live alone. We pray for all who are now seriously ill and for the souls of those who have died. May they rest in peace with you.

God of comfort and healing, **Hear our prayer.**

We thank you for our clergy, especially Michael, our Presiding Bishop, Daniel, our Bishop, and Abigail and Chris, our priests as they continue to provide spiritual guidance and wisdom. We thank all those who have contributed to allow us to stay connected through worship, online dialogue, and our first steps towards gathering safely in person. Continue to comfort, strengthen, and support the community of St. Peter's and all who join us in learning and prayer from near and far.

God of love, **Hear our prayer.**

Above all, we give you thanks for the great mercies and promises given to us in Christ Jesus our Lord; To him be praise and glory, with you, O Father, and the Holy Spirit, now and for ever. **Amen.**

A Prayer of St. Chrysostom

Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication to you; and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name you will be in the midst of them: Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come life everlasting. **Amen**

Announcements

Please see last page of the leaflet

Hymn 470 *There's a wideness in God's mercy*

Beecher

1 There's a wide-ness in God's mer-cy like the wide-ness of the sea;
2 There is no place where earth's sor-rows are more felt than up in heaven;
3 For the love of God is broad-er than the mea-sure of the mind;

there's a kind-ness in his jus-tice, which is more than lib-er-ty.
there is no place where earth's fail-ings have such kind-ly judg-ment given.
and the heart of the E-ter-nal is most won-der-ful-ly kind.

There is wel-come for the sin - ner, and more gra - ces for the good;
 There is plen - ti - ful re - demp-tion in the blood that has been shed;
 If our love were but more faith - ful, we should take him at his word;

there is mer - cy with the Sa - vior; there is heal - ing in his blood.
 there is joy for all the mem - bers in the sor - rows of the Head.
 and our life would be thanks - giv - ing for the good - ness of the Lord.

The Dismissal

Presider Let us bless the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

The Blessing

Postlude

*Our prayer is that today's worship has encouraged you in love, strengthened you for service, and filled you with grace.
 Our worship and programs are happening virtually at this time, but we remain a community in which all are welcome!*

MINISTERS OF THE LITURGY

Readers: Bonnie Michael, KJ Mannon

Assisting: Ryan Battin

Flower Guild: Diane Martineau

Acolyte: Kristy Campagna

Thank you to Mark Clark for assistance with filming.

Thank you to Jeanne Lockner for providing beautiful photographs.

Thank you to Liam Reid for his technical assistance and film editing skills.

Thank you to Michael Trycieckyj for making it possible to hear our choir singing together even when they are in their separate homes.

THE VESTRY

Rector's Warden: Eileen Klein

Vestry Warden: David Graves

Secretary: Susy Baum

Treasurer: Peter Kreek

Class of 2021

Don Cheetham

Doug Jones

Eileen Klein

Alix Markee

Class of 2022

David Graves

Linda Holden

Cathy Terlescki

Laurel Veitch

Class of 2023

Mark Clark

Mike Harman

Lyndsay Knupp

Dave Lockner

Youth Representative: Honor Nestlehutt

ST. PETER'S CHURCH IN THE GREAT VALLEY STAFF

The Rev. Abigail Crozier Nestlehutt, Rector

Dr. Bruce W. Glenny, Organist/Choirmaster

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ST. PETER'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

WHILE WE ARE APART please check our website stpetersgv.org for updates and resources during the pandemic.

COVID RELATED UPDATES Diocesan rules keep us in Phase 2 until at least September 1. At this time all in-person gatherings remain restricted to 25 or fewer people and no food or drink is allowed. At St. Peter's we will continue to add outdoor in-person offerings throughout the summer. Our main Sunday morning worship will continue online until September. In late August we will begin to transition from pre-recorded, produced services to live-streaming worship. From there, when we are ready, we will add in-person, indoor Sunday morning services. Worshipping from home, virtually, will remain an option for the foreseeable future.

PARISH HOUSE PROCEDURES In order to keep everyone safe, our clergy and staff continue to work from home as much as possible. Typically there is someone in the parish office on weekday mornings. Please call in advance to confirm. The number is 610-644-2261. Please note that masks are required inside the parish house and we request that you not enter individual offices. We love visiting with you, but please help us to keep you healthy by visiting from the hallway. Thank you!

YOU ARE INVITED FOR OUTDOOR EUCHARIST Confident that it is safe to do so, we are adding more in-person, outdoor worship opportunities. Please join us on Sunday afternoons at 4:00 p.m. or Tuesday mornings at 8:00 a.m. for Holy Eucharist, weather permitting. The services will be simple and spoken with Tuesdays being a bit simpler than Sundays. In each case sign ups, masks, and distancing will be required, for now, and details will be sent to those who register. Our numbers remain restricted by diocesan rules. Sign up information for this coming Tuesday and for services in August is available in Keynotes. If you wish to attend this afternoon, please contact Abigail at abigail@stpetersgv.org.

ST. PETER'S HONEY God promised a land flowing with milk and honey. No milk here, but the bees of St. Peter's have provided us with beautiful, golden honey. Jars are available for purchase, \$15 for a large jar, \$7.50 for a small jar, while supplies last! Proceeds support the care of our hives. Please make checks available to St. Peter's GV. Please contact Elizabeth at elizabeth@stpetersgv.org or call the church office at 610-644-2261 to let her know when you would like to pick up your honey.

COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS REQUESTED As we continue planning for the upcoming program year we want to hear from you. We will offer many of our usual programs and services in virtual or covid-safe ways, but also will be developing new opportunities. If you have ideas or feedback, please contact Abigail at abigail@stpetersgv.org. Thank you!

PRAYER GROUP UPDATE There will be no prayer group meeting for the month of August. We will continue to pray, but we will not be meeting. Regular virtual gatherings will resume on Thursday, September 3.

NEEDLEWORK MINISTRY COMFORT Do you know someone who is struggling due to illness or grief or could simply use encouragement? The Needlework Ministry has created items to meet those needs. You can request a prayer shawl or lap blanket for someone who is ill in almost any weight or color. These also come with a cloth gift bag and booklet of prayers. If someone has lost hair due to chemo treatments, we have prepared chemo caps too. Other people could be sent a simple prayer square. If you wish to support someone in this way, please contact Elizabeth in the Parish office to make arrangements to pick up (in a Covid-safe way) a shawl or cap. Or, she can mail you a prayer square.

ATWATER WALKS Join Abigail on Monday mornings at 9:30 a.m. for a 45-60 minute walk through the neighborhood adjacent to St. Peter's, weather permitting of course. Limit of 4 people. Please contact Abigail directly if you wish to attend.

SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL While we are apart, each week we are sending the parents of the Sunday school children emails with attached pictures, puzzles, coloring pages and games related to the scripture lessons for the coming Sunday. Families not already receiving these Sunday school emails are welcome to join us by emailing SundaySchool@stpetersgv.org.

FOOD COLLECTION UPDATE Food collection continues. Please place any fresh produce that does not require refrigeration (squash, apples, potatoes, tomatoes) in the laundry baskets, ONLY on Wednesday for the Thursday delivery. *Thank you to all who left us small containers which previously held fruits and veggies to help us safely transport these items. At this time we have plenty.* Please do not leave fresh items at other times to prevent wild animals from being attracted to the porch.

MOVIE NIGHTS ARE COMING for all ages. We will once again use our inflatable movie screen and projector to show movies on the Grove. Physical distancing and masks will be required. You may bring items to drink and eat, but may not share it with others, and when not actively eating and drinking, you will need to wear your mask. For children and youth movies, at least one parent must stay. Bring your own chairs. A signup genius will be going out for you to let us know you are coming. Limited to 25 people for each movie. Email Chris at chris@stpetersgv.org if you have questions.

YOUTH AND CHILDREN MOVIE NIGHT is Thursday, August 20 at 8:45 p.m. This is for all families and their children. Parents will be responsible for children maintaining appropriate distancing from others.

YOUTH GROUP MOVIE NIGHT is Saturday, August 29 at 8:45 p.m. Youth Group members (rising 6th graders and up) are welcome to the next movie on the Grove.

ADULT MOVIE NIGHT is Saturday night, September 5 at 8:30 p.m. (We think it will be dark enough by then). A survey will go out for adults to vote on the movie to be shown on the Grove. This will be adults only.

DAILY DEVOTIONS BOOKLETS for August through October are available through the church office. While we are apart, if you would like to receive a Day by Day Daily Devotions for Disciples booklet please contact Elizabeth at elizabeth@stpetersgv.org or call the church office at 610-644-2261 and she would be happy to send one to you.

BYOB IS STAYING VIRTUAL The sensibly conservative guidelines of the diocese do not allow us to gather for any events where food or beverages are consumed. For this reason, we will continue to meet via Zoom for our Wednesday BYOB social hour until restrictions are eased. Thank you for your understanding and we look forward to visiting virtually!

RETURN TO IN-PERSON WORSHIP USHERS NEEDED The situation with Covid-19 remains uncertain and so we are making plans knowing that we must be flexible as well. It is possible that we will return to in-person, indoor worship in September. To make sure this happens smoothly and safely we need ushers who are trained in our new procedures. If you feel comfortable returning to indoor worship in the fall and wish to serve as an usher, please contact Abigail at abigail@stpetersgv.org. Thank you.

VOLUNTEERS WANTED The Stewardship Commission is looking for new members. Our commission plans and executes the annual St. Peter's stewardship season. We generally meet once a month during the summer and fall months. Our group shares the workload in a collegial fashion and with a bit of fun thrown in. If you are interested in joining the Stewardship commission, please contact Helen Ockenden. She is listed in the parish directory or you may call the parish office at 610-644-2261 for her contact information.

PLEASE DRIVE GENTLY One of the blessings of this pandemic time is that we are seeing a large, but safe, number of visitors on our beautiful church grounds. Many of them walk or jog over from Atwater. If you are driving on campus, please be especially careful, particularly at the turn in the exit road. Thank you!

FOOD MINISTRY The Food Drive will continue for the foreseeable future, although the receiving agencies may vary. The Outreach Commission is supporting the Community Youth and Women's Alliance (CYWA) Food Pantry in Coatesville with a financial contribution. One Commission member is helping to unload, sort and pack donated food and prepare it for distribution. Please continue to put your food contribution of canned goods, rice and beans in the bins on the porch outside of the Parish House. *We have received notice that pet food is welcome as well!* As always, the need is greatest for protein items including tuna fish and peanut butter. For questions or to volunteer to deliver, please contact Eileen Klein. She is listed in the parish directory or you may call the parish office at 610-644-2261 for her contact information. Thank you for your continuing support.

PLEASE SEND YOUR PICTURES/VIDEOS As we have become better at moving our worship experience online, we are seeking to include more members of our parish. One of the things that we miss is seeing you and hearing your voices. We usually 'go live' about 15 minutes before the service starts. During this time, we have been just showing a title page that says that the service will begin at 10am. We would like to augment that with pictures and/or videos of our parish family. Please consider sending some digital pictures or a very short (15-30 second) video to Chris at chris@stpetersgv.org. We will include them in the gathering time video played before worship begins. We need to receive anything you send no later than Thursday for inclusion on Sunday.

CONTACT INFORMATION FOR PASTORAL PURPOSES We are beginning to keep a list of designated emergency contacts for parishioners. This list will be made available to ushers, clergy, and staff to be used in the case of emergency on campus or in the event that we wish to reach you for pastoral purposes, but you are not available at your usual number. This is entirely voluntary and offered as a service for those who wish. If you would like for the contact information for your designated emergency person to be kept on file at the parish, please email the following information— your name and phone number, any allergies you have, the name, phone number and email address of your emergency contact person to: pastoralcontact@stpetersgv.org. Thank you.

VISITING SAFELY AT YOUR HOME OR AT CHURCH We cannot sit with you inside your home, but Abigail and Chris are happy to stop by your house for a visit in your driveway or yard. You can stay at a safe distance, but enjoy a bit of face to face company. Also, our beautiful campus offers plenty of spaces to visit outdoors, and we would be happy to meet with you at St. Peter's if you prefer, following whatever the most current guidelines are at the time. Please contact Abigail at abigail@stpetersgv.org if you or someone you know would welcome a visit.

TECHNOLOGY HELP Since we have moved all church programming into the virtual space, you may be struggling with how to connect to some of the events we are having. Help is available anytime, to handle your technology and connection issues and questions. We want to help you, in any way possible, to participate in our events and worship. Please reach out to Chris at chris@stpetersgv.org or call the office at 610-644-2261.

BIBLE STUDY will continue to take place on Wednesday mornings via Zoom. If you would like to participate, please contact Chris at chris@stpetersgv.org for the necessary details.

NOONDAY PRAYER To help keep us grounded in this time, Abigail and Chris have added daily Noonday prayer to our offerings. This will be available on Facebook live at 12:00 p.m. Monday–Thursday. Please join us virtually as you are able. Also, if you wish to spend time in either the historic church or bank barn for private prayer, please contact Abigail at abigail@stpetersgv.org or her cell at 410-829-4180 to make arrangements.

THE GATHERING OF MEN Please join Cliff Castle every Friday at 8:00 a.m. via Zoom. All men in the parish are invited to this virtual morning gathering. If you would like to join this group, please contact Cliff to receive the zoom link. Cliff is listed in the parish directory or you may contact the parish office at 610-644-2261 for his information.

PRAYER LISTS Because our leaflets are now on a public platform each week, they do not include the parish prayer list, however we are happy to share it with you at your request. Please contact Elizabeth at elizabeth@stpetersgv.org or call the church office at 610-644-2261 and she will be happy to send one to you. Thank you.