

St. Peter's Church

IN THE GREAT VALLEY



THE SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

HOLY EUCHARIST — RITE TWO

APRIL 11, 2021 — 10:00 AM

Welcome! We are so glad that you are joining us for worship this morning either in person or online.

Wherever we are, we worship together. In this leaflet the words to be said by all are **bolded**.



THIS WEEK AT ST. PETER'S CHURCH

SUNDAY, APRIL 11:

8:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist Rite I – Historic Church, please sign up
10:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist Rite II- Via Facebook Live* or sign up
11:00 a.m.	Adult Forum - Dismantling Racism - Cathryn Cheetham and Chris Exley
1:00 p.m.	Youth Group at the Fire Pit

MONDAY, APRIL 12:

12:00 p.m.	Noonday Prayer – Via Facebook Live
6:00 p.m.	Popcorn Theology – Via Zoom

TUESDAY, APRIL 13:

12:00 p.m.	Noonday Prayer – Via Facebook Live
7:00 p.m.	Finance Commission – Via Zoom

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 14:

10:00 a.m.	Morning Prayer and Bible Study – Via Zoom
12:00 p.m.	Noonday Prayer – Via Facebook Live
6:00 p.m.	Gathering of Women – Via Zoom

THURSDAY, APRIL 15:

10:30 a.m.	Prayer Group – Via Zoom
12:00 p.m.	Noonday Prayer – Via Facebook Live

FRIDAY, APRIL 16:

8:00 a.m.	Gathering of Men – Via Zoom
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SUNDAY, APRIL 18:

8:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist Rite I – Historic Church, please sign up
10:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist Rite II- Via Facebook Live or sign up
11:00 a.m.	Adult Forum - Our Food and Climate Change
1:00 p.m.	Youth Group at the Fire Pit

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

THE WORD OF GOD

Prelude *Alleluia! O Sons and Daughters, Let Us Sing*

arr. Flor Peeters (1903–1986)

Hymn 209 *We walk by faith, and not by sight*

St. Botolph

1 We walk by faith, and not by sight; no
 2 We may not touch his hands and side, nor
 3 Help then, O Lord, our un - lief; and
 4 that, when our life faith is done, in

gra - cious words we hear from him who spoke - as
 fol - low where he trod; but in his prom - ise
 may our faith a - bound, to call on you when
 realms of clear - er light we may be - hold you
 none e'er spoke; but we be - lieve him near.
 we re - joice, and cry, "My Lord and God!"
 you are near, and seek where you are found:
 as you are, with full and end - less sight.

Easter Acclamation

Presider Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

Presider Almighty God,

People to you all hearts are open, all desires known,
and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our
hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may
perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.

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;
glory 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

heav - en, 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.

The Collect of the Day

Presider The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Let us pray.

Presider Almighty and everlasting God, who in the Paschal mystery established the new covenant of reconciliation: Grant that all who have been reborn into the fellowship of Christ's Body may show forth in their lives what they profess by their faith; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The First Reading

Acts 4:32-35

Now the whole group of those who believed were of one heart and soul, and no one claimed private ownership of any possessions, but everything they owned was held in common. With great power the apostles gave their testimony to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great grace was upon them all. There was not a needy person among them, for as many as owned lands or houses sold them and brought the proceeds of what was sold. They laid it at the apostles' feet, and it was distributed to each as any had need.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 133

Based on *Ellacombe*, Hymn 210

How good and pleasant it is to live in unity.

1 Oh, how good and pleasant it is, *

when brethren live together in unity!

2 It is like fine oil upon the head *

that runs down upon the beard,

3 Upon the beard of Aaron, *

and runs down upon the collar of his robe.

[Antiphon]

4 It is like the dew of Hermon *

that falls upon the hills of Zion.

5 For there the Lord has ordained the blessing: *

life for evermore.

[Antiphon]

The Epistle

1 John 1:1-2:2

We declare to you what was from the beginning, what we have heard, what we have seen with our eyes, what we have looked at and touched with our hands, concerning the word of life-- this life was revealed, and we have seen it and testify to it, and declare to you the eternal life that was with the Father and was revealed to us-- we declare to you what we have seen and heard so that you also may have fellowship with us; and truly our fellowship is with the Father and with his Son Jesus Christ. We are writing these things so that our joy may be complete.

This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you, that God is light and in him there is no darkness at all. If we say that we have fellowship with him while we are walking in darkness, we lie and do not do what is true; but if we walk in the light as he himself is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin. If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he who is

faithful and just will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. If we say that we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us.

My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; and he is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Hymn 490 I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light

Houston

1 I want to walk as a child of the light.
2 I want to see the brightness of God.
3 I'm looking for the coming of Christ.

I want to follow Je sus.
I want to look at Je sus.
I want to be with Je sus.

God set the stars to give light to the world.
Clear sun of right-eous-ness, shine on my path,
When we have run with pa-tience the race,
The and we

star of my life is Je - sus.
 show me the way to the Fa - ther.
 shall know the joy of Je - sus.

Refrain

In him there is no dark - ness at all. The

night and the day are both a - like. The

Lamb is the light of the ci - ty of God. *rit.*

a tempo

Shine in my heart, Lord Je - sus.

The Holy Gospel

John 20:19-31

Presider The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to John.

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the religious authorities, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained."

But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe."

A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe." Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe."

Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

Presider The Gospel of our Savior.

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

The Sermon

The Reverend Christopher Exley

The Nicene Creed

We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.

Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation

he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He has spoken through the Prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

The Prayers of the People

Intercessor Rejoicing in the mighty acts of God who has delivered the people from sin and death through the resurrection of Jesus Christ; let us lift our voices and pray.

Risen Lord:

People **Hear our Prayer.**

Let us give thanks to God for the multitude of blessings showered upon us: For our lives and for those whom we love; for the beauty of this home that God has created for us; for our families and our friendships. Let us give thanks to the God of Life.

Risen Lord: **Hear our Prayer.**

Let us pray for the Church, that it may carry forward the redemptive works of God: For our clergy and our bishops; for the many people who serve the church, and serve the world through the church. For those gathered here in worship and prayer.

Risen Lord: **Hear our Prayer.**

Let us pray for the newly baptized, that the joy of Easter may ever grow within them, and that the Spirit may guide them in lives of active faith and service.

Risen Lord: **Hear our Prayer.**

Let us pray for the nations and peoples of the world, that the powers that oppress and destroy may decline, and that justice, peace, and prosperity be lifted up.

Risen Lord: **Hear our Prayer.**

Let us pray for those who are sick, those who suffer, those who struggle, particularly those on our parish prayer list. Let us pray for those who have died, especially Carl E. Weir, Sr., for whom our altar memorials have been given; that the hope born of Easter gives them peace, acceptance and renewal, and that through their struggles they may come into closer communion with the God who redeems and restores.

Risen Lord: **Hear our Prayer.**

Presider Gracious and loving God, Creator and source of life; hear our prayers which we offer in the hope of eternal life given through the resurrection of your Son, Jesus the Christ; who lives with you and the Holy Spirit, now and always. **Amen.**

The Peace

Presider The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Please remain at your place and exchange the Peace with a wave and greeting from where you are. Thank you!



THE HOLY COMMUNION

In order to keep everyone safe, only the bread will be distributed.

If you are worshipping from home, you may come to the bank barn following the service to receive communion.

Individual hosts will be in cups on the altar. You are welcome to stay and pray.

For those present in the barn, please wait until the priest has moved on to the next group before removing your mask to consume.

If you do not wish to receive communion, you may cross your arms over your chest and receive a no touch blessing.

The Anthem at the Offertory *Rise Up, My Love, My Fair One*

Healy Willan (1880–1968)

Rise up, my love, my fair one, and come away;
for lo, the winter is past, the rain is over and gone;
the flowers appear upon the earth;
the time of the singing of birds is come;
Rise up, my love, my fair one, and come away.

text: *Song of Solomon*

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer A

Presider The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Here, a Proper Preface is said, as appointed.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever say this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

Then the Presider continues

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Presider and People

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

The Presider continues

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

And now as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,
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 Breaking of the Bread

The Presider breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

Facing the people, the Presider says the following Invitation

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

As a reminder, please remain at your place, the Presider will come to you with communion.

While the Celebrant is distributing communion to those in attendance, the following prayer for spiritual communion will be offered. Those worshipping at home are invited to pray along with the Presider.

A Prayer for Spiritual Communion

In union, O Lord, with the faithful at every altar of your Church where the Holy Eucharist is now being celebrated, I desire to offer you praise and thanksgiving. I present to you my soul and body with the earnest wish that I may always be united to you, and, since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, I beseech you to come spiritually into my heart. I unite myself with you, and embrace you with all the love of my soul. Let nothing ever separate you from me. May I live in you, and may you live in me, both in this life and in the life to come. Amen.

The Post-Communion Prayer

Presider and People

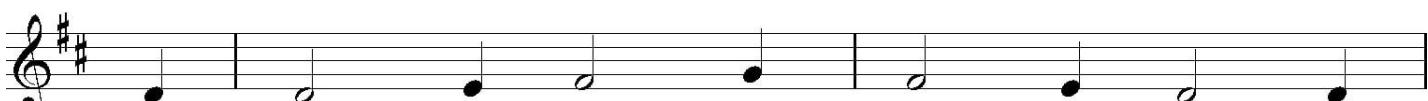
Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Blessing

The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Hymn 193 *That Easter Day with Joy was Bright*

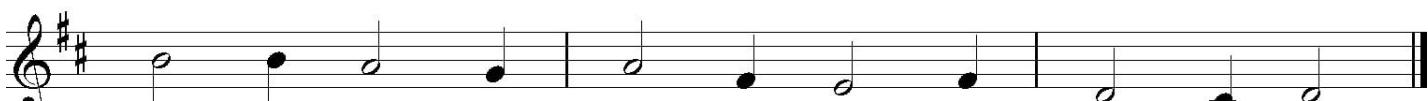
Puer nobis



1 That Eas - ter day with joy was bright, the
2 His ris - en flesh with ra - diance glowed; his
3 O Je - sus, King of gen - tle - ness, do
4 O Lord all, with us a - bide in
5 All praise, O ris - en Lord, we give to



1 sun shone out with fair - er light, when, to their long - ing
2 wound - ed hands and feet he showed; those scars their sol - emn
3 thou thy - self our hearts pos - sess that we may give thee
4 this our joy - ful Eas - ter - tide; from ev - ery wea - pon
5 thee, who, dead, a - gain dost live; to God the Fa - ther



1 eyes re - stored, the a - pos - tles saw their ris - en Lord.
2 wit - ness gave that Christ was ris - en from the grave.
3 all our days the will - ing tri - bute of our praise.
4 death can wield thine own re - deemed for ev - er shield.
5 e - qual praise, and God the Ho - ly Ghost, we raise.

The Dismissal

Presider Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia, Alleluia.

People **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia.**

Postlude Fanfare

Kenneth Leighton (1929–1988)

Thank you to Michael Trycickij and our choir for skillfully providing music for worship.

Thank you to our technical team, Mark Clark and Liam Reid.

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 in new ways, and we remain a community in which all are welcome!

MINISTERS OF THE LITURGY

Reader: Sue Lambert

Altar Guild: Mary Ann Tatum

Flower Guild: Diane Martineau

Usher: Steve Mark

THE VESTRY

Rector's Warden: Eileen Klein

Secretary: Susy Baum

Vestry Warden: David Graves

Treasurer: Peter Kreek

Class of 2021

Don Cheetham

Class of 2022

David Graves

Class of 2023

Doug Jones

Mark Clark

Eileen Klein

Mike Harman

Charlotte Tellefsen

Linda Holden

Lyndsay Knupp

Cathy Terlescki

Dave Lockner

Laurel Veitch

Youth Representative: Honor Nestlehutt

ST. PETER'S CHURCH IN THE GREAT VALLEY STAFF

The Rev. Abigail Crozier Nestlehutt, Rector

The Rev. Christopher W. Exley, Assistant Rector

Dr. Bruce W. Glenny, Organist/Choirmaster

Susan House, Parish Administrator

Gail Malcolm, Event Coordinator

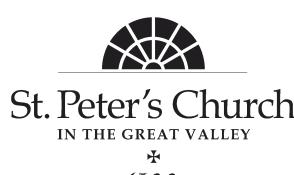
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ST. PETER'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

IN PERSON WORSHIP At St. Peter's we have returned to in-person worship on a sign up basis at 8:00 a.m. in the historic church and 10:00 a.m. in the bank barn. All pandemic related procedures are being followed including mask wearing and distancing. You may sign up using this link [St. Peter's Church in the Great Valley Registration Form \(reopen.church\)](#) The 10:00 a.m. service will continue to be live-streamed, as usual. Thank you!

RECEIVING COMMUNION One of the clergy will remain in the barn until 12:30 p.m. every Sunday so that after you have finished watching the livestream of the service you may come to receive the consecrated bread. The host will be in an individual cup on the Altar. Come, offer prayer, retrieve your communion and consume. You may spend some more time in prayer if you wish. The doors will remain open, please wear a mask and maintain any physical distancing necessary. Friendly signs will remind you of all Covid protocols.

SPIRITUAL COMMUNION We have added the prayer for Spiritual Communion during the 10:00 a.m. service which will be said during the distribution of communion for those who are only able to be with us through the Livestream of the service. The prayer for Spiritual Communion is an additional way to completely connect the body of Christ together when it is impossible for all of us to join together. If you have questions, please reach out to Abigail (abigail@stpetersgv.org) or Chris (chris@stpetersgv.org)

ADULT FORUM TODAY Experiencing Dismantling Racism. Earlier this year, the diocese held a series of Dismantling Racism workshops, comprised of six modules (“Creating Covenant,” “God the Artist,” “History of Racism in America: How We Got Here,” “White Privilege,” “Internalized Oppression and Repentance,” “Healing and Reconciliation”), through which the youth of our diocese explored many aspects of the racial divide in the United States. The goal of this program, in its own words, is “to create a ‘Beloved Community,’ a place where all are loved by God and each other, and where we are one. To do that, we need to take apart some of those divisions . . . , to educate ourselves in how to dismantle the systems that divide us, learning to have educational conversation with those around us.” Chris Exley will be joined by Cathryn Cheetham, one of our teenage participants, in a discussion of what they experienced in the program.

POPCORN THEOLOGY on Monday, April 12 at 6:00 p.m. via Zoom. Please join us for a discussion of the 1995 movie, *Cry, the Beloved Country*, based on Alan Paton's 1948 novel published in the same year apartheid was adopted in response to the rise of the South African National Party. Starring James Earl Jones (as an Anglican minister) and Richard Harris, the film explores forgiveness on a personal level. (Be sure to rent the 1995 version of *Cry, the Beloved Country*.) Please look for Zoom information in Keynotes or contact Abigail at abigail@stpetersgv.org. Thank you!

GATHERING OF WOMEN on Wednesday, April 14 at 6:00 p.m. via Zoom. At this month's gathering of the women of St. Peter's we will talk about our planting and gardening plans. Whether you have a flower pot or two on a porch or balcony, or a garden worthy of inclusion on a garden tour, plan to share your ideas and helpful hints. Some may already have started germinating seeds under a grow light, and others may have tuned into the recent chatter about using teabags in the garden (which we hope someone in the know can shed some light on). Do plan to join us, whether you are a “regular” or are new to the group. If you have questions, please contact Lynn Mander whose contact information is in the parish directory or Abigail at abigail@stpetersgv.org.

HOLY HIKE PULPIT ROCK After being on hold for a year, our holy hikes resume on Saturday, April 24, with a hike up to Pulpit Rock. At our destination and surrounded by a beautiful view, we will celebrate a simple Eucharist. The 3.8-mile loop trail is located near Hamburg, Pennsylvania, about a ninety-minute drive from St. Peter's. Rated as moderate, this trail, with its 830-foot elevation gain, will be more challenging than our past hikes, which were more like “walks.” To learn more about the trail and to preview the hike in photos, visit www.alltrails.com/trail/us/Pennsylvania/pulpit-rock. We will meet at the Pulpit Rock trailhead at 8:30 a.m. to beat the crowds that use this very popular trail. Masks are optional while hiking, but must be used when distancing from others can't be maintained. Please use this link to sign up <https://rsvp.church/r/8OKiZt95> or contact Abigail at abigail@stpetersgv.org if you have any questions.

HOLY HIKE McKAIG NATURE CENTER For those who wish a more local adventure, our Sunday afternoon holy hike will take place at the McKaig Nature Center in Wayne. We will meet at Robert's Elementary School, 889 Croton Road at 4:30 p.m. on Sunday, April 25 for a gentle walk along trails by bubbling streams and through an old growth forest. We will walk together for at least a mile

with the option of adding more distance with additional trails. Eucharist will be celebrated in the area called “The Beach.” Masks are optional while walking, but must be used when distancing from others can’t be maintained. Please use this link to sign up <https://rsvp.church/r/8OKiZt95> or contact Abigail at abigail@stpetersgv.org if you have any questions.

PUB THEOLOGY After the Lenten hiatus, Pub Theology will return on Monday, April 19th at 6:00pm. We will continue to explore many topics in the upcoming gatherings. Topics that have been suggested include: what the bible has to say about sex and sexuality, how our prayer book came into being, and how it was decided what books to include in the canons of scripture. The Zoom link for pub theology will be sent out in the Keynotes the week before. If you have questions, please contact Chris (chris@stpetersgv.org).

LIVE STREAMING UPDATE We are keenly aware that many people do not wish to use Facebook to stream our worship services. Thankfully, the software that streams our service can output to more than one place at the same time. We are now sending our livestream to both Facebook and YouTube each week. For those who watch on Facebook, nothing will change. Our website feed will now come from YouTube. You can also go to our YouTube channel directly to see the service. Our YouTube channel is available here: [St. Peter's in the Great Valley - YouTube](https://www.youtube.com/@stpetersonvalley). If you have any problems using the YouTube channel for viewing, please contact Chris at chris@stpetersgv.org.

SUNDAY NEEDS - USHERS AND READERS We are moving toward expanding our numbers for in-person worship, according to diocesan guidelines. In order to do this we must increase our usher and reader ranks. To volunteer, please contact Sarah Tellefsen. Her contact information is in the parish directory. Thank you!

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT We are grateful for all who have made on-going or one-time donations to support the ministry of St. Peter's. Your kind gifts may be mailed to the parish office or you can give electronically, via our PayPal account. Click [HERE](#) to make a one-time donation. You will also have the opportunity to make these donations recur every month. Again, thank you for your support.

THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE AND ANNUAL MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT Our nominating committee (retiring vestrypersons Don Cheetham, Doug Jones, Eileen Klein, and Charlotte Tellefsen and at-large members Jenny Disque, Trudi Graves, Shannon Mannon, and Luci Russell) has proposed the following slate to serve as the vestry class of 2024: Philip Cauffman, Kate Mallon-Day, Steve Ockenden, and Luci Russell. You may learn more about these members through their biographies in the April Beacon. The annual parish meeting will take place on May 2 via Zoom following a single 10:00 a.m. service.

LIVE-STREAMING CREW Interested in learning something new? We are putting together a team of people to assist with live-streaming on Sunday mornings. This is a pleasant and essential task and training will be joyfully offered. Please contact Abigail at abigail@stpetersgv.org if you would like to join the team. Thank you!

FOOD MINISTRY UPDATE Thank you for your continued generosity to our food ministry porch donations! For the month of March our donations totaled 283 pounds of needed nourishment for the folks at Alianzas de Phoenixville. Additionally, Alianzas received 12 holiday hams thanks to Doug Jones' supermarket holiday ham program. Thank you to all who participated in this special holiday outpouring of food.

For the months of April and May our porch donations will go to CYWA in Coatesville. They especially appreciate canned meats (tuna, chicken, beef), peanut butter, canned natural juice fruits, canned beans, pasta, tomato sauces, hearty soups, healthy cereals. They are so appreciative of all our gifts. Thank you.

NEEDLEWORK MINISTRY COMFORT AVAILABLE 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. If someone has lost hair due to chemo treatments, we have prepared chemo caps too. Or a simple prayer square can be sent. If you wish to support someone in this way, please contact Gail Malcolm. She is listed in the parish directory or you may call the parish office at 610-644-2261 for her contact information.

PRAAYER 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 call the church office at 610-644-2261 to arrange to receive one. Thank you.

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.

BIBLE STUDY takes place on Wednesdays at 10:00 a.m. via Zoom. If you would like to participate, please contact Chris at chris@stpetersgv.org or Abigail at abigail@stpetersgv.org for the necessary details.

PRAAYER GROUP Join us on Thursdays via Zoom. Please contact Chris for the link details at chris@stpetersgv.org.

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.

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!

PLEDGE ENVELOPES are available in the parish house for those who have requested envelopes. If you are not sure whether or not you have signed up to receive envelopes, please contact Mary Ann Tatum at maryanntatum5@gmail.com. If you wish to make a pledge, you may do so online at stpetersgv.org or you may phone the parish office to receive a pledge card. Thank you!