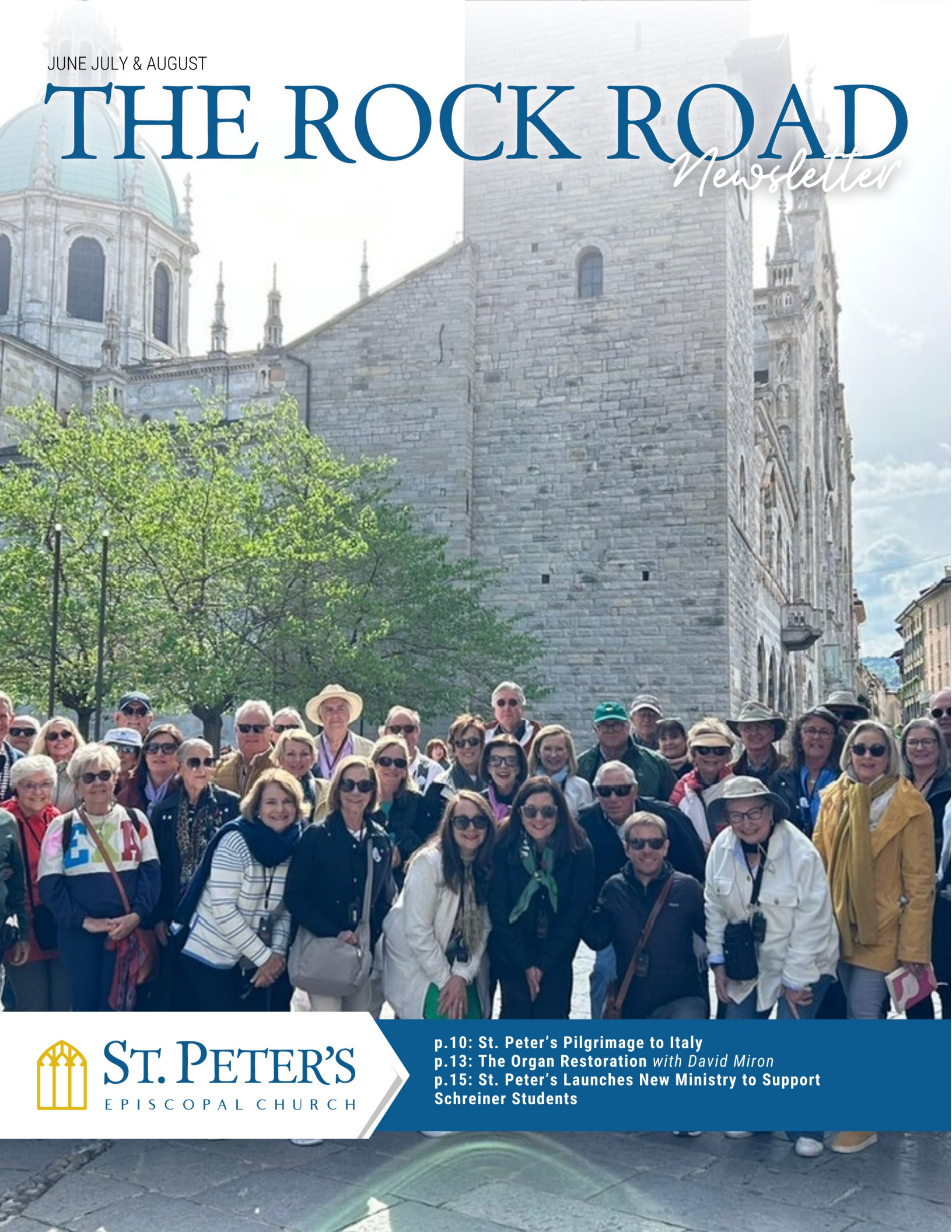


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We welcome all to join us in knowing Christ and making him known to others.

LET'S DO GOOD

When Fr. Bert asked me, as Senior Warden, to write the "front page" article for the Rock Road while he was on Sabbatical, I was stumped. As far as I knew, I had never done or said anything worthy of being on the Front Page. I truly believe my calling would be more likely in the Funny Papers. So, I was in a fix.

Then I remembered. I did make the Front Page once. Now, it wasn't due to much effort on my part, all I had to do was be born (thanks Mom). Yes, that is right, my Dad's best friend, the Editor of the Archer County News, printed a full front page announcement of my birth; "Mitchell Horany Has a Son". Now keep in mind, I did say the editor was my Dad's best friend, so I am not sure this edition had a circulation of more than one.

A lot of you may know the story of how my Dad, after three daughters, really, really wanted a son to carry on the family name. As fate would have it three months after my birth, he passed away suddenly of a massive heart attack. Recently I found an old copy of my Father's obituary written by that same editor in the same Archer County News. If you will indulge me, I would like to share a little of what he wrote about my Dad.

"During his 20 years of residence in Archer City, Mitch has served in almost every capacity that a **good** and valuable citizen could serve, and he did it willingly and well."

"It is extremely difficult to sum up all the good that was Mitchell Horany. All we knew of him was good and it was our God-given privilege to have know him intimately for 20 years."

So, before you begin to think my Dad was some saint, remember I said the editor was his best friend and elsewhere in the article he talks about some act of kindness that allowed him to save his newspaper. So consider the source.

In fact, that is what I am asking you to do by reading this. Unfortunately for you, I am the source, not Fr. Bert, Fr. Mike, or anyone else that has the actual ability to be on the Front Page of the Rock Road. I cannot quote Matthew, Mark, Luke or John (sometimes Larry the Cable Guy). I can give you a blank stare on any deep theological subject you care to pick. But what I do understand is the word "Good"!

Now, just because I said I understand the word "good," I am not saying I always accomplish good. If that were even close to the truth I would feel better about writing this. On my Dad's tombstone, are these words: "His Daily Prayer Better Said in Deeds Than Words, Simply Doing Good." Now at least that is something I can strive for.

So, my challenge to the **good** people of St. Peter's while our fearless leader is away comes from Galatians 6:9 "Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up."

Gods Blessing on Us All,

Mickey Horany
Sr. Warden



CAMPUS IMPROVEMENTS

You may have noticed some updates and changes happening around our campus. These improvements have been discussed and approved by the buildings and grounds committee. This dedicated group of volunteers strives to make sure our church and grounds are safe and well kept.



**CHURCH DOORS
SANDED AND
RESTAINED**



**NEW WINDOWS
FACING MAIN STREET**



**ORGAN ROOM
WOOD STAINED**

SUMMER AT ST. PETER'S

During the summer season here at St. Peter's, ministry continues as a response to our Christian vocation "to Know Christ and to Make Him Known." Worship, education and outreach flow from our common life in the Holy Trinity of God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit. We tend to focus our lives and attention locally, quite naturally, but my thoughts as I write this piece are drawn beyond our nearest efforts to be Church in the particularities of Kerrville and environs. What the historic Creeds of the Church call "catholic", we know the Gospel of Our Lord is "universal".

I have just listened to a recent (May 12) sermon preached by the Most Rev. Hosam Naoum, Anglican Archbishop of the Episcopal Diocese of Jerusalem and the Middle East, as he visited Christ Episcopal Church, Greenwich, CT. (*View the sermon at afedj.org.*) The archbishop is a young man and a good preacher and advocate for our global Communion. Considering the intense pressures of life in his part of the Middle East, the archbishop remains joyfully hopeful that the Resurrected Lord Jesus is still the message by which true peace is practiced and made real wherever He is preached and followed. The gallant, heroic efforts of the people of his geographically enormous diocese are simply miraculous.

When our band of St. Peter's pilgrims made our way to the Holy Land in June of 2022, we worshiped at St. George's Anglican Cathedral in East Jerusalem and celebrated the Day of Pentecost with Archbishop Hosam and our Anglican sisters and brothers gathered there as one body in Christ. Afterwards, we had an audience with the archbishop, a warm and gracious--and brave--soul, whose wide ministry is sorely tried in this time of conflict, of which we can only imagine. I encourage you to go to the website of the American Friends of the Episcopal Diocese of Jerusalem (AFEDJ) and learn for yourself (and, perhaps, listen to the archbishop's sermon--and contribute!) what the "Peace of Jerusalem" can look like when Our Lord is proclaimed and embodied in works of mercy, peace and catholic goodwill. You'll be amazed--and humbled. From the place where our Christian faith began to right here in Kerrville, Texas, we share in one Body and one Spirit, one hope, one Lord, one Faith, one Baptism, one God and Father of all.

Meanwhile, let us remember that our beloved St. Peter's depends upon our faithful and generous duties continued locally this summer! Remember, also, Fr. Bert and his family in your prayers during his summer sabbatical!

Pax,

Mike+



St. Peter's Features

A SPOTLIGHT ON RECENT EVENTS

Holy Households

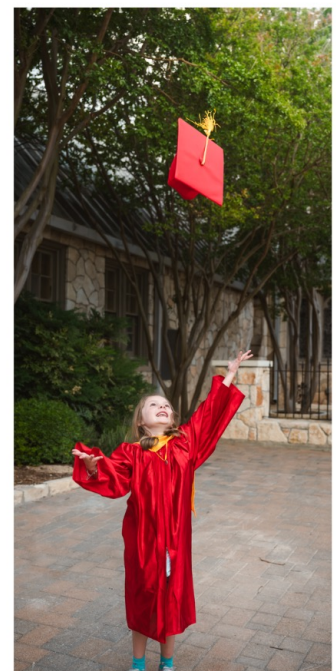
In our intergenerational "Holy Households," families came together to create prayer candles. Each family member cut strips of wax and adhered them to a provided candle. They then used wax markers to write how they would shine the light of Christ in the world. Additionally, they decorated their candles with wax shapes for embellishment.

These candles were taken home to be placed in a central location, serving as a daily reminder. Families will light the candle during gatherings to share how they have been the light for others and reflect on how others have been the light for them.



Kinder Graduation

On Tuesday, May 21st, the St. Peter's Kinder class of 2024 graduated in Tucker Hall. The heartwarming ceremony highlighted the skills they have developed over the years, including beginner Spanish, athletic abilities, and the importance of friendship. Classmates shared their future aspirations, ranging from "princess" to "astronaut." We wish this class the very best as they transition to new schools in our community and look forward to seeing them at future church events. They will always have a special place at St. Peter's!





Tacos and Talent

Our last night of fellowship in Tucker Hall before breaking for summer was a memorable one, celebrated with "Tacos and Talent." Ms. Brandy treated us to her delicious taco bar, followed by an exciting talent show. We had a large turnout of young parishioners who showcased their talents through songs, dances, jokes, and magic tricks, making it a night of fun for all ages. Although our regular Wednesday night dinners will pause for the summer, there is still plenty to look forward to. Join us on May 29th for a special "5th Wednesday" fellowship at the Trailhead Beer Garden. Then, on July 31st, don't miss our next "5th Wednesday" gathering at BB's Billiards and Bowling.



PARISH PICNIC 2024



Let us welcome the newly baptized: Josephine Mae Kennedy, Jordan James Kennedy, Canyon Anderson Keller, and Hollis Ruth Ligon.

CAMP MYSTIC



Congratulations to our First Communion Class: Jordan Kennedy, Olivia Lewis, Parker Lewis, Knox Ligon, Richard Riettni, Finn Schneider, and Renee Smajstrla.



ST. PETER'S PILGRIMAGE TO ITALY

At 9:15 on August 18th, you are invited to the a video premiere. We will view a montage chronicling our journey through Italy, as well as share and reflect upon our Pilgrimage in Tucker Hall.

In April, 47 parishioners from St. Peter's embarked on a transformative pilgrimage to Italy. Mary Lou Blacharski, from St. Helena's in Boerne, cherished the new friendships she made. Reflecting on Capri, she shared, "Although we did not visit any particular religious sites in Capri, the beauty of the scenic views was a reminder of God's glory. Mount Vesuvius stood tall in the background."

Fred Henneke shared his adventure in Florence: "Before the pilgrimage, I read a biography of Michelangelo. I was determined to see the Medici Chapel. With Mary Lou and Cindy Bachman, we found it through Cindy's expertise with GPS. It was all I expected, filled with beautiful sculptures, tombs of popes, and Medici ancestors."

Their itinerary included Milan, Lake Como, Padua, Venice, Florence, Assisi, Rome, Capri, Pompeii, and Vatican City. This pilgrimage was a journey of faith, beauty, and fellowship.



THE ORGAN RESTORATION

with David Miron

The organ at St. Peter's has been not only a source of beautiful music but also a significant piece of our church's history. Nearly 100 years ago, the church acquired a used Hillgreen and Lane organ from Austin, financially possible from the new church fund initiated in 1927. By 1930, the new church building was under construction, and the organ installation was underway. The church was dedicated on December 28, 1930.

In 1956, discussions started with Otto Hofmann of Austin to rebuild the organ, a project completed in 1960 after a year of work. Hofmann retained most of the original components and enhanced the organ with new pipes and mechanical parts, resulting in an organ with two manuals and approximately 18 sets of pipes.

Further enhancements were made in the 1980s by Joe Park of Pipe Creek. He added a three-manual console and expanded the organ to 27 sets of pipes, including those in the back balcony. Around 2000, Robert Borchers updated the control system but made no other significant changes. The two original Hillgreen and Lane Windchests remain: the one in the balcony is in good condition, while the one in the former organ chamber next to the sacristy (adjacent to the current sound booth) requires rebuilding and will not be included in the current refurbishment.

Since 2018, our organist and music director, David Miron, has been overseeing the latest organ rebuild. As the project nears completion, our Communications Coordinator, Lauren Vereen, had the opportunity to visit the organ room and ask him about the project.

Tell me a little bit about how the organ project started and where we are currently?

In 2018, the organ chamber flooded a foot deep and all the woodwork started to rot. Everything was removed, and the wall to the school playground was sealed by an outside company, and everything was put back in. After I began putting things back together, the 4th Church of Christ, Scientist, in San Antonio closed and gave us their organ. I worked on the removal and storage of their organ, and when that was complete, I was able to put our original organ back together along with using parts from the gifted organ, which has been an ongoing process.

What challenges have you faced during this process?

The original layout of the organ room wasn't well thought out, so the vestry approved building a new framework. The pandemic delayed much of the work. I was doing much of the work in a shared workshop space in San Antonio, but that closed during the pandemic and I moved the work to my house. The space is tighter and makes things a little more difficult.



Pictured above, old wiring that was replaced, and water damage caused by flooding in 2018.

What has gone well during the project?

The people from our parish have been so supportive. We've had numerous volunteers help with some of the work, and gifts from anonymous donors that have been very appreciated. Having the vestry approve the new framework will make things significantly easier in the long run. And we are getting close to the end of finishing this project!

How is the new organ different from before?

The original organ had 1,700 pipes, and when complete it will have 2,300 pipes. This more complete set will improve the instrument's ability to accompany hymns. Also, the console has been completely remade. Originally it had 3 keyboards, and now it will have 4. The technical installation has made major improvements as well. The control system has parts all made from one company, making connections easier and with less work. Instead of a cable with 500 wires, we now have an updated fiberoptic cable connecting the console to the organ chamber.

What should we look out for in the coming months?

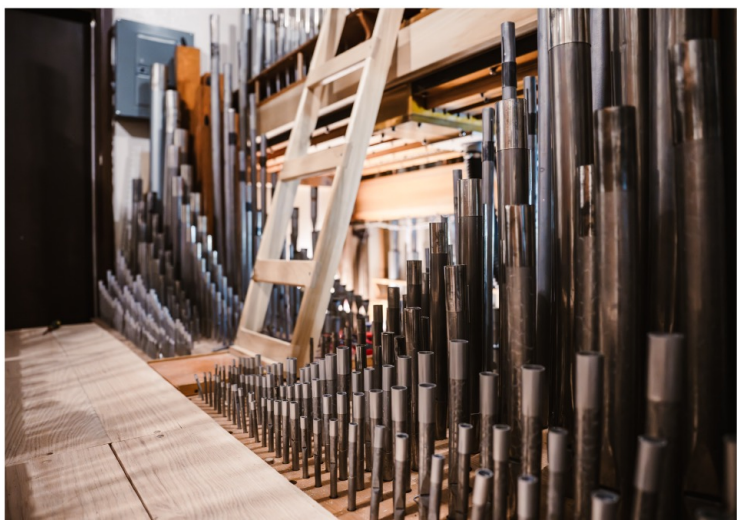
In May, you may have noticed some of the new woodwork and stain. This summer, more pipes will be connected and you'll start to notice a difference in the music, with notes becoming fuller and less high-pitched.

How do you know so much about organs?

When I was 19, I started working for an organ builder. I did that for 20 years, learning from him and occasionally taking on small jobs during that time. After that, I went into church music full time.

As the project nears completion, we are deeply grateful for everyone who has contributed to the organ's restoration. This remarkable instrument, now more powerful and versatile than ever, will soon enhance our worship services with its rich and beautiful sound. We look forward to celebrating its completion and enjoying the lasting impact it will have on our church's music for generations to come.

Top photo: David's living room where much of the work has been done; Bottom three photos: The interior of the organ room, photographed May 2024



ST. PETER'S LAUNCHES NEW MINISTRY

To support Schreiner Students



St. Peter's is excited to announce the launch of a new outreach initiative aimed at supporting students at Schreiner University. This new ministry is part of our ongoing commitment to connect with and serve the broader community, starting with the young adults at our neighboring university.

Jenny Ligon, our Family Minister, has been working closely with the College and Young Adult Ministries Director, Tami Woods, developing initiatives to encourage our relationship with the college students living in Kerrville.

In early May, Jenny, along with Lauren Vereen, our Communications Coordinator, made a special visit to Schreiner University during the students' finals week. They brought along snack packs filled with treats to help the students power through their studies. The visit allowed them to explore the campus, including the library and the popular student hangout, the "Lion's Den," where they met several groups of students.

Lauren shared her thoughts on the visit: "We learned a lot on this trip. For one, Friday morning might be a little too early to find studying students. When we returned on a Tuesday afternoon, we found a much busier campus.

Everyone was super friendly and receptive to receiving the snack bags." Jenny Ligon added, "I think some students were surprised to see us, or wondered if accepting a bag meant we expected something from them. But once they realized it was just a pick-me-up with no strings attached, you could tell it really made their day!"

The American College Health Association's (ACHA) Spring 2023 national survey of over 55,000 undergraduate students revealed:

76% were experiencing serious psychological stress

53% met the criteria for experiencing loneliness

28% had been diagnosed with depression

American College Health Association. [American College Health Association-National College Health Assessment III: Undergraduate Student Reference Group Data Report Spring 2023 \(PDF\)](#). Silver Spring, MD: American College Health Association. Spring 2023.

Finals week, or really any week in university life, can be incredibly stressful. For many students, moving to a new place and navigating newfound independence can be challenging. Our hope is that these snack packs reminded students that the community is thinking of them, and that St. Peter's is a friendly place, willing to support them.

To build on this successful visit and further develop our relationship with the university, Jenny Ligon is launching several new initiatives:

Move-In Day Assistance: We will organize volunteers to help students move into their dormitories at the beginning of the school year.

Taco Tuesdays: We plan to brighten their week by handing out free breakfast tacos on campus every Tuesday morning.

Cram Bags: During finals week, we will distribute bags filled with snacks, gum, and coffee to help students stay focused and energized.

These activities are designed to meet the students where they are, offering practical help and a friendly face during challenging times. We are calling for volunteers from our church to join us in these initiatives. Whether you can spare a few hours on a Tuesday morning, help out during move-in day, or you have some ideas to share, your participation will be crucial in making this ministry a success.

By engaging directly with students and meeting their practical needs, we aim to build a supportive community that not only enriches their university experience but also connects them to St. Peter's Church in lasting and meaningful ways. If you are interested in volunteering or want to learn more about this ministry, please contact Jenny@stpeterskerrville.com.

Let's make a positive impact together!





CATCH THE WAVE OF COMPASSION: *Volunteer this Summer!*

For one beautifully chaotic week each summer, our campus is overrun with wiggly and excited children. During these four days in July, we seize this precious opportunity to introduce them to God's love and our church. Time flies as we make the best of this small window of time to share the teachings of Jesus with the most impressionable among us.

Year after year, our roster fills quickly, and we often find ourselves managing waitlists. What draws families from our parish and the broader community to this vibrant week? Perhaps it's their trust in our school, the delight of seeing Father Bert in costume, or the engaging activities planned by our family minister.

However, the true cornerstone of our Vacation Bible School's success is the dedication of our volunteers—those who decorate Tucker Hall, lead small groups, prepare snacks, and foster connections with the children.

Diving into children's programming is no small feat; it demands courage and commitment, yet it remains one of the most fulfilling ways to spend your time.

"The best week of the year for me is VBS," shares Carter Crain. "There's a flurry of preparation the week before, and each VBS morning brims with energy and excitement. Seeing the joy on the kids' faces always reminds me what it means to enter the kingdom of God."



BE LOVED.
BE KIND.
BE YOU.

Mickey Horany reflects, "What starts as seeming chaos at the beginning of VBS soon transforms into a blessing that soothes the soul. This is true for both the volunteers and the children, who, though they start out a bit lost, end up finding new relationships that are both physical and spiritual."

Barbara Cordova enthuses, "VBS week is the pinnacle of summer—exhausting yet exhilarating! There's no greater reward than seeing so many children filled with the joy of knowing Jesus. Volunteer! It will be fun!"

This year, and for all future summers, our beloved vacation bible school will evolve into "Compassion Camp," adopting a curriculum from Illustrated Ministry. Centered around the themes of love and kindness, lessons include kid-friendly theology, fresh and modern illustrations, and original music with lyric videos. With the strong curriculum combined with the amazing activities Family Minister Jenny Ligon has planned, Compassion Camp promises to be a unique and enriching experience.

We invite YOU to bring your energy, enthusiasm, and heart to Compassion Camp. Join us in making this essential program a beacon of joy and spiritual growth for our children. Your participation will ensure that Compassion Camp not only succeeds but continues to build upon the legacy of this summer program.

SIGN UP TO VOLUNTEER!

<https://www.stpeterskerrville.com/compassioncamp>



BRINGING COMMUNITY INTO THE CLASSROOM:

Special Visitors Enrich Learning at Our School

In the heart of our community, our school embraces an engaging educational approach: welcoming special visitors to our campus as a core part of our learning experience. These “field trips to school” involve collaborations with local organizations and community figures who visit our school at no cost. This not only fosters a vibrant learning environment, but also strengthens community ties.

Fire Safety with Heroes

During National Fire Prevention Week in October, the Kerrville Fire Department makes a crucial visit to our preschool. Young learners meet firefighters—real-life community heroes—and learn about fire safety. These sessions are pivotal, as children learn that firefighters are friends and helpers, reducing the fear factor and equipping them with vital fire safety knowledge.

Cheering with Spirit

Spirit runs high during Tivy Homecoming Week, when the Tivy High School dance team and football players visit. Many of these athletes are alumni of our school, making this reunion even more special. They conduct a mini pep rally, teach our students cheers and dances, and share fun moments tossing footballs. It’s a day filled with energy, enthusiasm, and school spirit.

Dental Health with Twinkle the Tooth Fairy

In February, during National Children's Dental Health Month, Twinkle the Tooth Fairy visits with essential lessons on dental hygiene. Through interactive discussions about brushing, flossing, and making healthy food choices, our students learn how to take care of their teeth and gums, setting the stage for healthy habits for life.



Celebrating Young Minds with Animal Friends

April's Week of the Young Child is always a highlight, featuring visits from various animals. These encounters are more than just fun; they are educational, teaching our students about animal care and empathy, highlighting the needs of younger children and our responsibilities towards other living beings.

Safety First with Kerrville EMS

In May, during National EMS Appreciation Week, the EMS crew along with their mascot, Fire Pup, present lessons on safety—covering summer activities, home safety, and precautions to take at other homes. These sessions are critical in preparing kids for the wide array of situations they might encounter, emphasizing the importance of emergency services.

Additional Enriching Experiences

Our community integration doesn't end there. Special occasions see parents and local figures transforming into beloved characters like Santa, the Grinch, the Easter Bunny, and various superheroes, bringing joy and festive spirit right into our classrooms. Moreover, the Kerrville Police Department's visits with squad cars help reinforce the message that police officers are trusted helpers in times of need.

Our school also recently hosted a children's author in the library, who read to the Kindergarten class, enhancing literacy and fostering a love for reading. As Janet Boutin, our school director shared, "For our young students, the advantages of special visitors to school teach life lessons in a more hands-on, immersive fashion and within the comfort of our campus. These are the types of lessons our students remember for many years to come." Indeed, these experiences enrich our curriculum, deepen community connections, and provide memorable learning experiences that our students carry forward into their lives.





COMPASSION IN ACTION:

St. Peter's Launches Pete's Packs Ministry

We are excited to introduce a new ministry at St. Peter's, born out of a moment of need that inspired an idea. Occasionally, we encounter individuals who stop by our office seeking assistance. While we already offer vouchers for gas and bills, a few months ago, we were caught off guard when a homeless man stopped by asking if we had anything to give him. This encounter inspired us to create "Pete's Packs."

Pete's Packs are discreet brown paper bags containing essential hygiene products and other commonly needed items. Each pack will include a toothbrush and toothpaste, deodorant, socks, underwear, and other essentials. These packs are intended to provide immediate relief and a sense of dignity to those in need who come to us for help.

To ensure we are offering the most useful items, our Communications Coordinator, Lauren Vereen, reached out to the Men's Homeless Center run by the Salvation Army and Christian Assistance Ministries (CAM). Their valuable advice has helped us curate the contents of Pete's Packs to best serve the needs of those experiencing homelessness.

Since St. Peter's does not have a food pantry or shelter, each pack will include a reference card with information on local resources where individuals can find additional help. This initiative is not just about providing immediate relief but also about connecting people with long-term support.

Pete's Packs will be distributed discretely, and only as needed. We acknowledge it is rare that we have those from the homeless community stop by our offices, but in those instances we would love to be prepared to send them on with compassion and kindness. We hope as this ministry grows, parishioners can also keep a pack in their vehicle, to distribute if the need arises.

As a community, we at St. Peter's are deeply blessed. Many of us have not experienced the hardship of homelessness, but it is crucial to recognize and consider this population in Kerrville. Homelessness remains a pressing issue in Texas, with the overall rate continuing to trend upward in recent years. This increase may be attributed to a lack of affordable housing and soaring rent prices, which are consistent with nationwide data trends ([Texas Homeless Network](#)).

Pete's Packs is a small yet significant step in showing compassion and care to those who are less fortunate. We invite you to join us in this new ministry. You can support Pete's Packs by purchasing items from our Amazon wish list, linked below. Together, we can make a meaningful difference in the lives of those who come to us in need.

Contact Lauren@stpeterskerrville.com if you would like to get involved in this new ministry!

**SCAN OR VISIT THE
LINK TO PURCHASE
FROM OUR WISH LIST**

<https://a.co/2t9NGHi>





The Community of Saints Francis and Clare

AN UPDATE FROM THE TASK FORCE



The Community of Saints Francis and Clare (CSFC) is on track to begin our first cohort in the fall of 2025!

We plan to hire a coordinator for the program after Father Bert returns from his sabbatical. This person will facilitate the participant application process and develop the program in consultation with the programs at St. Anselm's in London and Community at the Crossing in New York City.

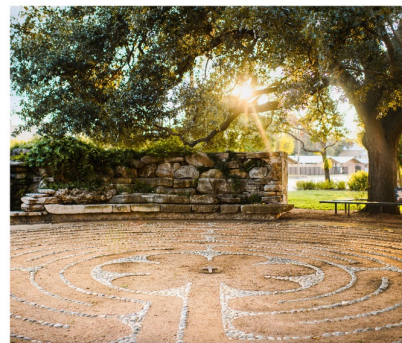
The CSFC task force is exploring avenues for parish involvement including a rotating monthly group of "houseparents" to assist in the everyday life and health of our participants. We are also in the planning stages of various committees to search for participants, find retreat and speaker opportunities, and involve our participants in the prayer and service life of our church.

In addition to receiving several generous donations from interested parties, we are working with a Diocese of West Texas grant writer to seek additional funding sources. Our ultimate goal is to offer scholarships to all participants who need them. We will continue to pursue other funding opportunities.

Stay tuned for more exciting news regarding the Community of Saints Francis and Clare. We greatly appreciate all the prayers for spiritual guidance for both the task force and the community itself.

*Mari Glamser, Lori Schriener, Mickey Horany,
Bob Kinnan, Amy Best, and Fr. Bert*





What can you do for St. Peter's?

Consider a gift to The Rock of St. Peter's!

You may know that the Rock of St. Peter's (the Rock) is an endowment fund. The money is managed by the Episcopal Church Foundation's representative in the Diocese of West Texas with financial advice from Frost Bank. The St. Peter's Endowment Commission, in conjunction with the Vestry, oversees the Rock. That means we help determine how it is invested, how much of it is spent, and help the parish understand how it operates. We determine how much of it is spent by recommending the percentage of the fund that is spent each year. Our current recommended spend rate is 4%. A four percent spend rate is well below the growth rate of our investments so the Rock will not be depleted but will continue to grow into the future.

The Rock represents the future for our Parish. It provides financial stability, steady income to the parish for church needs and ministries as well as a significant reserve for emergencies. Obviously the bigger the Rock, the more funds available to the Parish each year for growth, outreach and other needs that may arise.

What you may not know, is there are a variety of funds within the Rock designated to specific needs or causes in the Parish. When you make a gift to the Rock, you can designate which fund you wish your contribution to go. Some of the funds and their designations are listed below.

- St. Peter's School
- Burney Music Fund-can be used solely in support of our music programs
- Labyrinth Fund
- McCaskill Scholarship Fund providing scholarships to St. Peter's students.
- The MacDonald Family Endowment related to our apartment building.
- Maintenance Fund-to be used solely for maintenance of Church and grounds
- Get With it Fund-to be used as needed in the Parish at the discretion of the Vestry. This is the most flexible fund in the Rock-very few restrictions.

If there is an area of support listed above that is of particular interest to you, please consider making a gift to the fund within the Rock.

And remember, no gift is too small-every gift that grows the Rock is an investment in the future of our beloved Church.

If you have any questions or wish to learn more, please contact me, the Clergy or Kristie Keese for more information.

Grace and Peace,
Dave Weekley
Chair - Endowment Commission

FAMILY CAMP

Join us at Mustang Island!

SEPTEMBER 13th-15th

Join us at at Mustang Island Conference Center!



**REST, REFLECT
AND RENEW**



**ENJOY TIME AT
THE BEACH**



**CREATE FAMILY
MEMORIES**

CAMP RATES

Family of 1	\$305
Family of 2	\$410
Family of 3	\$530
Family of 4	\$660
Family of 5	\$785
Family of 6	\$910

*Rates include 5 meals:
Friday dinner to Sunday Breakfast*

**And most importantly, enjoy time with each other
and God in His creation, at our Island home!**

**REGISTER
TODAY!**

To register, please contact our
Family Minister, Jenny Ligon, at
Jenny@stpeterskerrville.com

CALENDAR OF WEEKLY EVENTS

WEEKLY & BI-WEEKLY GATHERINGS

PFF (Prayers, Fellowship & Football)

TUESDAYS Tucker Hall 12 – 1PM

PFF is a men's lunch group with no agenda. It's purely social and men of all ages are welcome. Join us for a delicious \$8.00 lunch and lively conversation! If you need more information, please feel free to call Jon Wilems at (281) 723-9671 or John Elliott at (830) 238-4958. An RSVP is appreciated, but not necessary.

The Brotherhood of St. Andrew's

TUESDAYS Bi-weekly Library 1PM

Men need Men's support: physically, emotionally, and spiritually. Come join us! We presently meet on the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of the month directly following PFF. Talk to James Horne, Carter Crain, Mickey Horany, Tom Murray, Don Glover, or email James Horne at mel_jam72207@yahoo.com for more information.

Contemplative Prayer

TUESDAYS 2-3 PM in the Parlor

Everyone is welcome! Our goal is to support one another in private contemplative prayer and meditation and share our faith journeys. We are affiliated with Contemplative Outreach LTD and World Community for Christian Meditation. For more information, please contact Susan Parker at 830-285-3874, or email her at parkers710@gmail.com for location information.

Path of Life

On Summer break until September!

Path of Life meets in the Multi-Purpose-Room off Tucker Hall at 10:30 AM. All are welcome to join this learning, caring and fun group! Books are available at the meeting. Led by Becky Purl and Betty Mosty.

Friday Book Study

FRIDAYS 11 AM – 12 PM Audio-Visual Rm.

We invite you to join us at 11 am every Friday either in person in the AV room in the office building or via Zoom. This fun and friendly group selects a new book every few months. We move slowly because of our in-depth conversations at meetings. Contact Susan Parker at parkers710@gmail.com or 830-285-3874 for more information.

Men's Group

WEDNESDAYS 6:15-7:15 in the Library

All men are welcome to gather in the library for prayer, fellowship, and study. We are currently reading and discussing the upcoming Sunday's Gospel Passage. Led by Carter Crain (fcc@me.com).

SUNDAY MORNINGS

Adult Christian Formation Class

Resumes in September

The Clergy has been leading a Sunday morning class based on the smash hit streaming series, The Chosen.

Holy Households

Resumes in September

An intergenerational Sunday School program for families and individuals of all ages. This new spin on traditional Sunday school is an engaging and fun way to dive into the scriptures!

WEDNESDAY NIGHTS *From September - May*

For June, July, and August, Wednesday Night Dinners and Formation classes will be on break. Enjoy your summer and we will resume Wednesday Night fellowship in September.

**The men's group will continue to meet in the library on Wednesday evenings.*

OTHER MINISTRIES *(events and info)*

BEST TIMERS

Next gathering on June 20th

Best Timers is a social group with no agenda other than eating lunch together. We meet every other month on the 3rd Thursday of the month. Please contact Lynda Griffin, to acquire the location and time no later than the Wednesday before. All are welcome! Lk.griffin@gmail.com/830-896-5163

THE COTTAGE SHOP

Cottage Shop Hours

Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays 9 AM – 4:30 PM

Open on Monday for receiving only from 8 AM – 12 PM.

Consignments by appt. only.

The Cottage Shop, located on 958 Main St, is an upscale resale and consignment shop run by volunteers. Proceeds from the shop benefit many local and national charity groups. Stop by to learn more about volunteering, or to find that special treasure! New items weekly!

OTHER MINISTRIES *(events and info)*

THE ORDER OF DAUGHTERS OF THE KING (DOK)

The DOK meets the 3rd Thursday each month September through May. Enjoy your summer!

President: Elizabeth Schneider
elizjschneider@gmail.com

Members of the DOK undertake a Rule of Life, incorporating the Rule of Prayer and the Rule of Service. A Daughter pledges herself to a life-long program of prayer, service and evangelism, dedicated to the spread of Christ's Kingdom and the strengthening of the spiritual life of her parish.

JUNIOR DAUGHTERS (Jr. DOK)

Upcoming classes: TBD

We are so excited for our new chapter. For more information, contact Heather Stebbins at heathernp3@yahoo.com

THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH WOMEN (ECW)

Have a great summer! The ECW will resume meeting in September.

2024 ECW Yearbooks are available in the church office!

Episcopal Church Women of St. Peter's includes all women of the Church. If you are a member of St. Peter's, you are automatically a member of ECW and there are no membership dues. The ECW facilitates a number of outreach committees.

HAMBURGER MINISTRY

The 1st Sunday of the month, at the Doyle Center
(Date subject to change on holiday weekends)

Each month at the Doyle Center, a team of volunteers serves 120 burgers (first come first served) to the local community. All are welcome to this free meal. Burgers are served at 1 PM. If you would like to volunteer for this ministry, please contact Ross Rommel at arossrommel@gmail.com

LABYRINTH GUILD

Next meeting: TBD

The labyrinth at St. Peter's is a path of prayer, introspection and healing. We walk the St. Peter's Labyrinth as well as other labyrinths in the area. We also host organizations and groups who come to St. Peter's to walk our labyrinth.

LOVE FOR THE LEAST *(partners)*

Next meeting: TBD

Love for the Least is a MOVEMENT, moving with God in sharing the Compassion of Christ with an Unreached World, specifically working with orphans in Africa and North India and refugees in the Middle East.

ST. JEROME'S GUILD

On break until September!

As a library guild, our work is to provide books and space for parishioners to grow in knowledge, and faith. We catalog and shelve new books (both purchased and donated), host book reviews and offer book sales. Contact Victoria Mosty for more information at victoria92@me.com

STEAKS & STORIES

Next Date: TBD

An evening for the men of St. Peter's: join us for a steak dinner in Tucker Hall, with guest speaker

ST. PETER'S VESTRY

Meeting Dates: Tuesday 6/18, 8/20

Our vestry is the leadership body responsible for the parish, and the members are elected at the Annual Parish Meeting. Anyone is welcome to speak at the vestry meetings, If you wish to speak, please notify the Rector no later than the Tuesday before.

5TH WEDNESDAYS

Wednesday, July 31st

6 PM BB's Billiards & Bowling

In lieu of our regular Wednesday night programming, on 5th Wednesdays of the month we meet off campus for a fun and relaxing fellowship opportunity.

RSVP to Jenny@stpeterskerrville.com so we can reserve enough lanes!

SEASONAL EVENTS

★★★★★ Join us for ★★★★★ FAMILY GAME NIGHT



Bring a friend!
Dinner, Games & Puzzles provided

LET'S STRIKE UP SOME FUN THIS 5TH WEDNESDAY!

Wednesday, July 31

5PM Holy Eucharist

5:30 Caravan to BB's Billiards & Bowling

Gish Bowling & Fellowship

Email jenny@stpeterskerrville.com to RSVP



Celebrate Back-to-School with us at
**BLESSING
OF THE
BACKPACKS**
SUNDAY, AUGUST 11, 2024 AT 10 AM



Breakfast Tacos
in Tucker
after the service!

ST. PETER'S
CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

BACK TO SCHOOL BASH

Sunday, August 11

Noon

Louise Hayes Splash Pad

PIZZA & POPSICLES PROVIDED
BRING A FRIEND!





Congratulations!

to our graduating senior,
TRISTAN MOSTY

Tristan is bound for
Texas A&M this fall.

WHOOH!

LOVE for the LEAST

PARTNERS

Jerry and Stacy Kramer are back in Iraq for the summer. They are reporting that security is tighter than ever. The Highway of Holiness now stretches 877 miles! It starts just east of Tehran, Iran.

The goal is to go through the rest of Iraq and across the border into Syria. The churches they have started hold services and meet secretly in homes. They are held by leaders that the Kramers have trained. Jerry reports that God's word continues to grow and many are being baptized. They are now at two thirds of their goal for the "Highway of Holiness."

Jerry and Stacy ask for your prayers! The Holy Spirit is busy working within them and many! The Light of Christ is shining!



A restored church in Bashiqah, Iraq.

If anyone has questions or updates on "Love for the Least", please contact me at 830-329-5122 or email her at deelliott@hctc.net



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FLOWER CHART IN TUCKER HALL

If you would like to make an offering for the altar flowers in thanksgiving of a person or a special occasion, or in memory of a loved one, you may do so by signing the flower chart located in Tucker Hall.

Once you sign up for a specific Sunday, you may then make payment to St. Peter's in the amount of \$50. The flowers will be enjoyed by all in worship that Sunday and prayers for your offering will be included in the Prayers of the People.

Following the worship services that Sunday, the flowers on the altar will then be delivered to patients in the hospital and/or homebound parishioners.

Let us worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness!

WELCOME BACK! *The Rev. Dr. Ben Nelson*

Ben Nelson is the Head Chaplain at TMI Episcopal School, and will visit St. Peter's as a guest preacher periodically over the next few months. We look forward to welcoming him back to our campus!



July 7
July 14
August 4

The Rector's Sabbatical

The vestry would like to remind the parish of Father Bert's current sabbatical. We hope his time away will bring him rest, renewal, and refreshment. His last service was May 12th and he will return on August 11. Please join us in prayer for him and his family while he is away.

Mickey Horany,
Vestry Senior Warden



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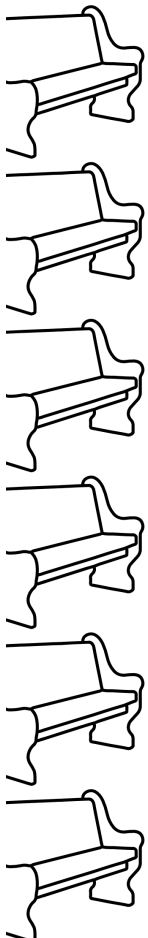
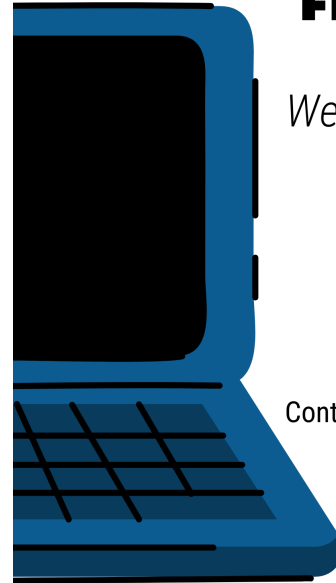
Want to get involved? We have the perfect spot for you!

JOIN THE FRONT OFFICE HELPERS

We could use YOUR help!

Please consider serving your community, potential new church members, and existing parishioners as a volunteer.

Contact ginny@stpeterskerrville.com or come by the office!



WE NEED USHERS!

WE COULD USE YOUR HELP!

If you are interested in assisting our usher team, please reach out to Doug Holmes or Nellwyn Sadler.

If you are unable to make a full commitment, we could also use seasonal ushers!

DOUG HOLMES

holmes.d4549@gmail.com

NELLWYN SADLER

nellwynsadler@gmail.com



PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

Do you knit, crochet, loom, or sew? There is a place for you in our ministry!

Please contact Nellwyn Sadler or Imelda Horne for more information.

mel_jam72207@yahoo.com
nellwynsadler@gmail.com



Many of our ministry groups meet throughout the week. Please contact Ginny in the church office to schedule a meeting room and time.

Below you will find the contact information for Ministry Leaders. Please be in touch with your respective Ministry Leader to learn how members of your ministry group are engaging with one another.

If you have questions, call the office. If you need support from your clergy, please contact Fr. Bert or Fr. Mike. We are here for you to know Christ and make Him known to others.

Ministry Group

Clergy
Clergy
Family Minister
Youth Minister
Communications and Rock Road
Contemplative Prayer
Path of Life

Sisters in Scripture
Friday Book Study
Chancel Choir
Praise Team
Acolytes

Altar Guild
Eucharistic Visitors
Greeters
St. Paul's Guild
Ushers

Labyrinth Guild
St. Jerome's Guild

Rosemary's Helping Hands
The Order of the Daughters of the King
The Brotherhood of St. Andrew
Hospital Visitors
Office Volunteers
Rock Roadies
Prayers, Fellowship and Football (PFF)
Community Best Timers
Episcopal Church Women (ECW)
The Cottage Shop
Love for the Least Partners
Hamburger Ministry
Men's Group (Wed. evenings)

Contact person

The Rev. Bert Baetz
The Rev. Mike Wheeler
Jenny Ligon
Peyton Ives
Lauren Vereen
Susan Parker
Becky Purl
Betty Mosty
Lisa Earl
Susan Parker
Claire Rabson
Danny Burgess
Lee Underwood
Calvin Smajstrla
Dawn Hatch
Fr. Mike Wheeler
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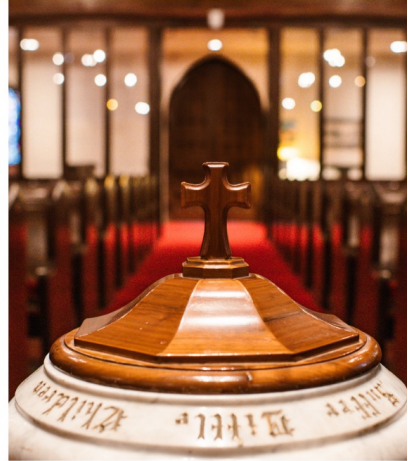
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ST. PETER'S

EPISCOPAL CHURCH



WORSHIP SCHEDULE

We welcome all to join us in knowing Christ and making him known to others.

SUNDAYS *Summer Schedule*

8:00 AM **The Holy Eucharist - Rite One**

10:00 AM **The Holy Eucharist - Rite Two**
and streamed online

WEDNESDAYS

5:00 PM **The Holy Eucharist - Rite Two**

See our website: www.stpeterskerrville.com for links to current worship services.

In addition, past worship services and offerings are available on YouTube. Our Youtube channel link is on our home page - or search in YouTube for St. Peter's Episcopal Church, Kerrville!



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