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Beginning again...

After his baptism, Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit in the wilderness, where for forty days he was tempted by the devil. And he answered the devil, 'One does not live by bread alone'... 'Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him'... 'Do not put the Lord your God to the test'...

(The Gospel according to Luke 4: 1, 4, 8, 12)

Lent is a time to begin again. It is the best time to begin again. It is the time that is **now**. It may be the only time we have. It is the time to begin again.

What are we "to begin?" Lent is a time to begin to look again at both the life of Jesus and at our own lives.

Lent gives us a time to look again at Jesus as he was "led by the Spirit for forty days in the wilderness, tempted by the devil." It was the time entrusted to him to sort things out for himself; to wrestle with the options and competing alternatives set before him; to decide which road he would travel, who were to be his companions, on whom and on what could he count. In the wilderness, he spent forty days and nights asking himself the question, "What does it mean to be Jesus?"

Lent gives us time to pause and take stock, to ask "What does it mean to be Jim?" "What does it mean to be Mary?" "What does it mean to be Tom?" "What does it mean to be Ruth?"

Lent is the time entrusted to us to ask,

Am I becoming the kind of person I want to become?

Or am I letting things slide? Am I giving way to the comfortable, to the easiest way, to the popular way?

When I look at my face in the mirror, what do I see that I most like? What do I see in the mirror that I most deplore?

Of all that I've done in my life, which is the one that I would most like to undo?
Which is the one that makes me happiest to remember?

Do I stand for something of which I can be proud? For what can I be counted?
Or am I just "going along to get along?"

If I had only one last message to leave to the handful of people who are most important to me,
what would I write or what would I say in twenty-five words or less?

If this were the last day in my life, what would I do with it?

As we hear ourselves trying to answer these questions, we begin to hear not only something of what we are, but we also hear of the people we are becoming and of the people we are failing to become. Lent is a time to begin again.

It seems to me that, above all else, Lent is a time for hope. Lent does not need to be a time of discouragement, when we give up trying to make something of ourselves. In Lent, we can decide to keep looking at the One who went through all that we must go through, the One who suffered and died and was raised. Lent is a good time to renew our vision of this Jesus, the One who goes with us wherever we go, the One who brings us to God—and to ourselves.

Lent is a good time to begin again.

Help us, O God, to be responsible in all that we do, or say, or think, to you alone, for you have taught us in your Son Jesus that when we are responsible to you, we are most responsible to ourselves, and wholly free because we are in your service. This we ask in his Name, for his sake, and to his glory. Amen.



James H. Purdy, Rector
with John B. Coburn
and Frederick Buechner

January 8, 2010



Ash Wednesday, February 17

7:30 A.M., Grace Chapel – The Imposition of Ashes; A Service of Holy Eucharist

12:00 Noon, Grace Chapel – The Imposition of Ashes; A Service of Holy Eucharist

6:00 P.M., The Undercroft – Service for families with young children. The Imposition of Ashes; The Proper Liturgy of the Day

6:30 P.M. – Lenten Supper – A simple supper will be served in the Undercroft at \$1.00 per person. Please make a reservation through the Church Office.

7:30 P.M. – The Imposition of Ashes; A Service of Holy Eucharist

Worship News

Ushers

Please join us in expressing our gratitude to Robert McK. Jones for his tenure as Head Usher of Saint Peter's Episcopal Church since September of 2003! In January Bob turned over the reins to Mike Newport. We are grateful to Bob—and to Mike—for their enthusiasm, grace, and willingness to lead this important ministry of hospitality within the Saint Peter's congregation. Thank you!



Easter Flowers

If you would like to have flowers placed in the sanctuary at Easter, in memory or in honor of a loved one, you must order **by Monday, March 15**. Please fill out an order form which may be found in the weekly Service Sheets on Sundays, February 21 and 28 and on March 7, or phone the Church Office at (314) 993-2306 and leave a request to have a form mailed to you. In order to meet the print deadline for the Easter service sheet, no orders will be accepted after March 15.

When placing your order, please mark your check for "Easter Flowers." No statements will be sent, so please enclose payment of \$50.00 at the time you place your order.

Evening Prayer

On the weekdays during Lent, Evening Prayer is read at 5:30 P.M., beginning the day after Ash Wednesday, on Thursday, February 18, and continuing through Tuesday, March 30. (On Wednesdays the Holy Eucharist will be celebrated at 5:30 P.M., rather than Evening Prayer.) You are welcome **each evening**, but the parish list has been divided alphabetically, so that parishioners and their families will be named in our prayers on a specific day. Please watch the Sunday service sheets each week for your family's name.

If you would like to lead the Order for Evening Prayer on weekdays in Lent at 5:30 P.M., please just come in time for Evening Prayer and pick up an instruction sheet from the table at the entrance to Grace Chapel. Come as often as your schedule allows!



Palm Crosses

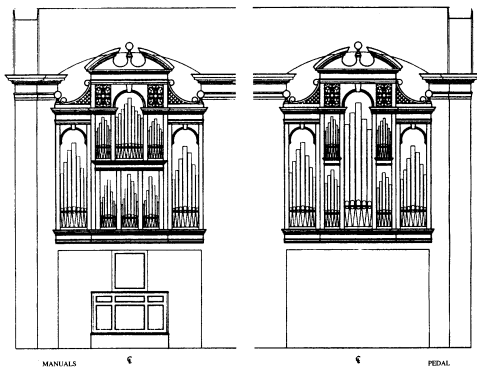
We will make palm crosses on **Saturday, March 27, 9-11:00 A.M.** in the lower level classroom of the Education Building. Instructions will be given. Everyone is welcome to come and help.

Sunday of the Passion, March 28

8:00 A.M. – Holy Eucharist 10:30 A.M. – Holy Eucharist

During the Church School Hour on the **Sunday of the Passion**, all children are invited to participate in a walk through the events of Holy Week.

The Meandering Musician by S. William Aitken



FRONT ELEVATION OF CASES

ASH WEDNESDAY – February 17th

6:30 P.M. - Supper with the Choristers (\$1 per person)

7:30 P.M. - The traditional Ash Wednesday Service in the Church – sung by the Choristers.

RECITAL: March 7th – 5:00 P.M. – ANDRZEJ ZAHORSKI – Organist, Abbey Church of St. Mary & St. Louis

EVENSONG FOR LENT: Sunday, March 7th – 5:30 P.M. The music of English Composer – William Byrd. Join the St. Peter's Singers as we begin Lent with choral music by one of England's most celebrated musicians – William Byrd (1543 – 1623) – the organist and composer for Queen Elizabeth's Chapel Royal.

SUNDAY – 14th March – 5:00 P.M. – A Truly Festive, Gala Concert !
George Frideric Handel's 325th Anniversary

THE FOUR CORONATION ANTHEMS & TWO ORGAN CONCERTOS

With the Saint Peter's Choir, Soloists and Chamber Orchestra -- TODD DECKER - Organist
Following the concert – an Anniversary Reception!

MARK THIS DATE ON YOUR CALENDAR! THIS WILL BE ONE OF THE MOST INSPIRING AND FUN CONCERTS YOU COULD ATTEND AT SAINT PETER'S!!

Handel wrote these four anthems – *Zadok the Priest* – *My Heart is Inditing* – *Let Thy Hand be Strengthened* – *The King Shall Rejoice* – at the request of King George II for his coronation service in Westminster Abbey on 11 October 1727. These stirring pieces show Handel's compositional skill at its peak – creating some of the most celebratory, elegant music you will ever hear!

The works are set for a choir of six parts accompanied by strings, trumpets, oboes, tympani and organ. *Zadok the Priest* has continued to be so popular that it has been sung at every subsequent coronation. (Preview: Sunday, February 14 – 10:30 A.M.) If you have seen the current film – *Young Victoria* – you will have heard the opening sections of this work as Victoria's coronation is depicted in the film. The organ concertos were written by Handel as concert "fillers" – What fillers!!

New CD of the Saint Peter's Organs

Inspirations from England



The new CD features prize winning organist *SCOTT MONTGOMERY*. Recorded on both of our Mander Organs, this disc features *Sasha Manning's Parade for St. Peter* – written for the dedication of the organ – as well as organ works by Bach, Mendelssohn, Bridge, Byrd and Vierne.

The CD is available from the Church Office for \$15 per compact disc.

Education News

Finding Grace in the Wilderness

Everyone is welcome to join the clergy and fellow parishioners in the Elliot Room for an opportunity to grow in faith with one another:

Sunday, February 21, 9:00 A.M. – Recovery Sunday – Two members of Alcoholics Anonymous will talk about how God’s grace helped them to overcome their addictions to alcohol.

Soup & Study

Wednesdays, 6:00 P.M.



A Lenten Film Festival!

Come enjoy four films with unique perspectives on community –
What can draw us together?
What can drive us apart?
Where can healing be found?

- February 24 *Babette’s Feast*
- March 3 *Young at Heart*
- March 17 *A Walk to Beautiful*
- March 24 **Viewer’s Choice** (to be decided at Soup & Study on March 3)



Join us at six o’clock in the Undercroft for great movies, popcorn, pizza,
and . . . time together in community!

(We will collect a free will offering to help cover the cost of the pizza.)

Book Group

Our books (all in paperback) for future discussions are:



- **March 3** - *Hotel on the Corner of Bitter and Sweet*, by Jamie Ford
- **April 7** – *Sylvia’s Farm: The Journal of an Improbable Shepherd*, by Sylvia Jorin
- **May 5** – *Forward From Here: Leaving Middle Age--and Other Unexpected Adventures*, by Reeve Lindbergh
- **June 2** – *The Moonflower Vine*, by Jetta Carleton

We meet on the first Wednesday of the month at 1:45 P.M. in the Elliot Room, and we welcome newcomers. Join us?

Dismantling Racism Training

The Diocese of Missouri will sponsor a two-day training workshop on Friday and Saturday, March 12 and 13, 8:30 A.M. – 4:00 P.M. at Columbia Hope Church. To register or for more information, contact Cory Hoehn, Offices of the Bishop, 314-231-1220, ext. 1383, or email choehn@diocesemo.org.

Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper



Tuesday, February 16, 5:30 – 7:00 P.M.

This is a day of feasting before Lent begins the following day. We will feast at Saint Peter’s with the Pancake Supper, served by the Confirmation Class. The cost is \$5.00 per person, or \$15.00 per family; free for children 2 and under. Tickets will be available at the door.

Ash Wednesday, February 17, 6:00 P.M.

On the first day of Lent, a day of penitence, there will be a special Children’s Worship Service for families with young children, including hands-on activities, story, and Imposition of Ashes.

On the **Sunday of the Passion**, March 28, all children are invited to participate in a “Walk through Holy Week” during the Church School Hour.

Children in Action!

We have had great fun for the first half of the Church School year as we continue in our third year with the new workshop rotation system for Kindergarteners through Fifth graders. There will be two more rotations before Church School ends for the summer. Our next rotation is “The Mystery of Easter.” It will begin on February 14 and continue through March 7. Children will experience the Easter story through art, kitchen, cinema, and story. The final rotation, “Jeremiah,” will begin after Easter, on April 11, and will continue through May 16. If you are interested in helping to teach any of the workshops in the last two rotations, please contact me at the Church Office, 314-993-2306, ext. 106, or email lschultz@stpetersepiscopal.org.



Preschool Church School

Our preschoolers are having a fantastic time this year with the new curriculum that uses flannel figures to tell Bible stories in a colorful, vibrant way. During the month of February they are learning the story of the Baptism and Temptation of Jesus. March follows with the story of the cross and resurrection of Jesus.

Peeps from the Playgroup by Lisa Reynolds, Director

Don’t miss out on the PLAYGROUP! Our program is very special and only available for a limited time in a child’s life. In order to attend, children must be two years old and no older than three years old on the first day of school. We are starting the enrollment process soon. To take advantage of this fabulous opportunity, please call the Playgroup Office for information: 314-993-6774.

Grace Prayer Network is Back!

The Grace Prayer Network is back, in a new, improved format, on its own website at www.graceprayernet.org. Meditations are emailed, and they’re also available indefinitely on the site itself. The format is now along the lines of a blog. Instead of being limited to a weekly emailed meditation on the lectionary, editor Bryan Miller and others post on other topics as well, several times each week. Please come and check it out!

A Year of Meditations by Bryan Miller

Saint Peter's parishioner Bryan Miller is one of 24 authors included in *Praying Day by Day: A Year of Meditations*, just published by Forward Movement. Her 23 one-page essays were published alongside contributions by writers including Barbara Cawthorne Crafton, Bo Cox, Thomas L. Ehrich and others. For more information, visit www.forwardmovement.org or call Forward Movement Publications at 800-543-1813 to place your order. The cost is \$14.95.

Lenten Meditations

The February/March/April issue of *Forward Day By Day* is available at no charge from the Church Office. This small booklet is a daily prayer guide with scripture and meditation.

Clifford Stanley Lecture Series Coming to Saint Peter's Church!

The Rev. Dr. Clifford L. Stanley Lecture Series presents

Bart D. Ehrman, Ph.D.,

James A. Gray Distinguished Professor, Department of Religious Studies,
University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

Biographical and bestseller book information available at www.bartdehrman.com

Lecture I: Friday, April 23, 7:00 p.m.

“A World of Contradictions? An Historical Approach to the New Testament”

Lectures II and III: Saturday, April 24, 9:00 a.m.

“Liar, Lunatic, or Lord? Searching for the Historical Jesus”

“Is the New Testament Forged? Literary Forgery in the Early Christian Tradition”

The Rev. Dr. Clifford L. Stanley Lecture Series is presented by a generous gift
from The Rev. Allan Zacher, Ph.D. and Deborah Zacher Endowment Fund.

Preparing for Bart!

Join Jamie Spencer at **7:00 P.M. on Wednesday evenings, April 7, 14 and 21** in the Elliot Room to open pages from the prolific writings of Bart Ehrman.

Dr. Spencer is a professor of English at St. Louis Community College. In recent years he has led discussion groups of religious works by C. S. Lewis and English religious poets at St. Michael and St. George (where he is a parishioner and Lay Reader), as well as at Ladue Chapel and Saint Peter's. He is an Associate Member of the Jesus Seminar and is preparing several articles on religious moments in literature.



Annual Meeting Election Results

At the January 24, 2010 Annual Meeting the congregation elected the following parishioners:

Members of the Vestry: J. Brigham (Brig) Buettner; Robert L. Harre; Fonda Hereford; William M. Jennings; Carrie Smith Marks

Lay Delegates to Convention: Kelly Daniel-Decker; James Freeman; Ann Randazzo; Cynthia L. Schellenberg; Robert Walters; Elizabeth D. Yount

Alternate Delegate to Convention: Virginia Vandenburg Smith

At the January 25 Meeting of the Rector, Wardens and Vestry, the following individuals were elected to serve one-year terms: J. Brigham Buettner—Senior Warden; Deirdre Noelker—Junior Warden; William R. (Bill) Gilbert, II—Secretary; and A. W. (Tony) Hooper—Treasurer.

Thank you to these individuals for their willingness to serve, and thank you to the Nominating Committee—J. Brigham Buettner, Chair; William H.T. Bush; Ginger B. Cornelius; Ned O. Lemkemeier; James H. Purdy; Herbert M. Wilson, III—for a job well done!

Newly Elected

J. Brigham Buettner, M.D. – Member of the Vestry

Brig has been a member of Saint Peter's Church since 1998 and is married to Merrill. They have two adult children: Amy and Jeff. Brig is a retired General Surgeon, Director of Medical Ethics at St. Luke's Hospital, and is a member of the Board of Directors at St. Luke's. He has served Saint Peter's Church as a former Member of the Vestry, Senior Warden and Junior Warden. He is currently a Lector.

Robert L. Harre – Member of the Vestry

Bob has been a member of Saint Peter's Church since 2007 and is married to Louise. They have two adult children: Liz Cauble and Peter Harre, as well as three grandchildren—who all reside in St. Louis. Bob retired from investment banking in 2001, after twenty years at Goldman, Sachs & Co. and fourteen years at A.G. Edwards. He now assists Louise in her antique and estate sale business. Before coming to Saint Peter's Church, Bob served as Member of the Vestry and as Junior and Senior Warden of St. Matthew's Episcopal Church in Warson Woods. He also served as a Member of the Board of the Episcopal Neighborhood School.

Fonda Hereford – Member of the Vestry

Fonda has been a member of Saint Peter's Church since 2001 and is married to G. Page Hereford. They have three children: Sally (17), and Emily and Thomas (15). Fonda is an insurance agent at AHM Financial Group LLC, an independent, local insurance and asset management company. Fonda specializes in personal risk management services at AHM. She has served Saint Peter's Church as a Church School teacher. She has also been involved in many MICDS School activities and has served on the mid-County YMCA Board.

William M. Jennings – Member of the Vestry

William has been a member of Saint Peter's Church since 2008, and is married to Kristin. They have two children—Sarah L. Jennings (13) and W. Mason Jennings (11). William is the President of Saint Mary's Hospital and the President of SSM Heart Institute. He has served Saint Peter's Church as a member of the Stewardship Committee. He has served the community as a Board Member for the Clayton Chamber of Commerce; Council Chair for the Missouri Hospital Assn. – St. Louis; and Provider Board Member for the St. Louis Regional Health Commission.

Carrie Smith Marks – Member of the Vestry

Carrie has been a member of Saint Peter's Church all her life. Carrie is married to David M. Marks and they have three daughters—Katie (6), Ella (4) and Madeline (6 months). Prior to her children's births, Carrie spent ten years in management consulting with Accenture in Washington, D. C. and St. Louis; currently she is a fulltime mother. She has served Saint Peter's Church as the Coordinator of MOMS; as a Lay Reader; and as a Member of the Playgroup Commission. She has also served as a Board Member for The Haven of Grace.

Kelly Daniel-Decker – Delegate to Convention

Kelly has been a member of Saint Peter’s Church since 2008. She and her husband Todd have two children—David (9) and James (4). Kelly is a homemaker and voice instructor. She serves Saint Peter’s Church as a member of the Choir.

James Freeman – Delegate to Convention

Jim has been a member of Saint Peter’s Church since 2008. He is married to Betty. They have five children and nine grandchildren who live in the St. Louis area. Jim and Betty moved to St. Louis from Columbus, Ohio at the end of 2007 following Jim’s retirement from St. Jude Children’s Research Hospital where he served as a Philanthropic Advisor for eight years. Jim served on the Vestries of Trinity Episcopal Church in Columbus and Trinity Episcopal Church in Seneca Falls, NY. He has served Saint Peter’s Church as an Alternate Delegate to Convention and as a Member of the Annual Stewardship Committee.

Ann Randazzo – Delegate to Convention

Ann has been a member of Saint Peter’s Church since “forever,” having been baptized, confirmed and married in Saint Peter’s Church. She is married to Tony, and they have three daughters—Mary (25), Amy (22) and Barbara (15). Ann is a database administrator for IBM, and has worked for IBM for over 22 years. She serves Saint Peter’s Church as Acolyte Master and Lector. Additionally, Ann is a member of the Hospitality Committee.

Cynthia L. Schellenberg – Delegate to Convention

Cindy has been a member of Saint Peter’s Church since 1988. She married Mark in Saint Peter’s Church in 1992. They have two teenage sons—Mason and Parker. She and Mark own M-R Music, which specializes in sheet music. Cindy is a fulltime mother and homemaker. Her past occupations include elementary/secondary school band director and caterer. Cindy has served Saint Peter’s as a choir member since 1995. She has held offices in the Woman’s Guild; has helped cater parish events; and assisted with crafts during Vacation Bible School. She serves the community as an adult leader of Boy Scout Troop 313; a Music Merit Badge counselor; and is a member of the flute section of the Meramec Community College Symphonic Band.

Robert Walters – Delegate to Convention

Rob has been a member of Saint Peter’s Church since 2006. He is a sales and marketing consultant. Rob is a member of the Men’s Breakfast Group at Saint Peter’s Church.

Elizabeth D. Yount – Delegate to Convention

Liz was a member of Saint Peter’s Church years ago and returned in 2004. She and her husband Jeff have three children—Katherine (22), Michael (19) and Christopher (16). Liz is a CPA, specializing in individual and expatriate taxation. She has served the community as the past Board President of Delta Gamma Center for Children with Visual Impairments, and in various volunteer positions at her children’s schools—MICDS and Forsyth Schools.

Virginia Vandeburgh Smith – Alternate Delegate to Convention

Ginger has been a member of Saint Peter’s Church since 2003. She and her husband Robert have two children—R.B. (12) and Alexandra (10). Ginger is currently the President of the Reed School Association (parents’ organization), and serves Saint Peter’s Church as a Church School teacher. She is a former member of the Saint Peter’s Playgroup Commission.

Pastoral Care News

Wednesday Family Night

Bring your family to the Undercroft at 6:00 P.M. on **Wednesdays: March 10, April 14 and May 12** (on the second Wednesday of the month). We’ll order pizza; salad and dessert will be provided. The cost is \$5/person or \$15/family. RSVP by Noon that day to Ann Sutter, ann.sutter@sbcglobal.net so we will have a count for pizza.

Men’s Breakfast



Join us on March 9 (on the second Tuesday of the month) at 7:15 A.M. in the Undercroft for a breakfast gathering of the Men’s Group of Saint Peter’s Episcopal Church.

Sunday Sandwiches

2nd – 8th Graders, please help! Join other parishioners one Sunday each month to make lunches for the Sunshine Ministries, which provides services to homeless men in St. Louis. Let's make as many lunches as we can! We meet 10:00 – 10:30 A.M. in the Undercroft kitchen on Sundays, February 14 and March 14.

Woman's Guild



We thank Connie Schnuck for recently hosting a wonderful tea for the committee that is planning the Garden Tour Fund Raiser which will be on June 9, 2010. A large number of guild members and garden lovers were present who are committed to this endeavor and are really excited about it. The gardens that have been selected for showing are just beautiful. They will be open from 1:00 to 5:00 P.M. on the 9th, and for those whose work will prevent them from attending the tour during the day, and those who just want to enjoy this day a little longer, there will be a garden party from 5:30 to 7:30 P.M. The proceeds from the day will be given to small local charities that help women, children, and families. Ticket sales begin May 1st. If tickets are purchased before June 1st, each ticket will be \$20.00. If purchased after May 31st, tickets will be \$25.00 each. Tickets for the evening Garden Party will be \$55.00 if purchased before June 1st and \$60.00 after that. There is still more room for volunteers, so if you would like to join us, please contact Libby Weinman. We will share more information for you as we get closer to June. Stay tuned. It is going to be great fun!

Our Guild meetings are continuing on Tuesdays with our programs as follows:

- February 16 and 23, March 2 – 12:45 P.M. —“A survey of Women's Interpretative Approaches to Scripture,” presented by Deborah Krause, Dean and Professor at Eden Theological Seminary
- March 9 through April 6—Easter recess

Evening Women's Association

Please join us the first Friday of each month for fun, friendship and frivolity. All women from the parish and community are welcome; please bring a friend! We meet at 7:00 P.M. in the Undercroft followed by Compline at 9:00 in Grace Chapel. For more information about each of our gatherings, contact Jane Gilbert (jane_gilbert@email.com) or Linda Ryder (llryder@charter.net).

St. Louis Chamber Chorus Concert



Plan to attend the next concert of the St. Louis Chamber Chorus, “Tchaikovsky's Vespers,” on Sunday, February 21, at Saint Stanislaus Kostka Church, 1413 North 20th Street. A remarkable St. Louis ‘first’ will be this performance of the Vespers (op. 52) by Tchaikovsky, directed by a specialist in Russian repertoire, Professor John Stewart. His choir from Washington University will join the Chorus.

Mark your calendar for the April 11 concert, “Strings Attached,” at Grace United Methodist Church. For tickets or more information go to www.chamberchorus.org.

Help for Haiti

Episcopal Relief & Development (ERD) has disbursed emergency funding to the Diocese of Haiti to help meet critical needs such as food, water and shelter. In addition to your prayers, you may help by sending a gift to ERD: www.er-d.org or P.O. Box 7058, Merrifield, VA 22116-7058.

Look for the Manger!



Once again Saint Peter's manger greets us as we enter the church building. When you come for worship on Sunday mornings, please remember to bring canned and other food items to help fill the food pantry at the Williams Temple Neighborhood Outreach Center. With many hearts and hands contributing, we can feed those who are hungry.

Generosity at Christmas

Thank you to all who participated in the special Christmas Offering 2009. As of January 6 we received \$4,230 in support of the mission and ministries of The Haven of Grace (www.havenofgracestl.org).

Additionally, "lots and lots" of toys and clothing were placed under the Giving Tree and distributed to children through the Neighborhood Outreach Center of the Williams Temple Church of God in Christ and the Salvation Army Family Haven.

Members of the Saint Peter's Church Pastoral Commission and several willing volunteers delivered poinsettias to "mostly-at-home" parishioners and those who have buried loved ones since Christmas, 2008. Thank you!

The Haven of Grace by Alison Zeller, The Haven of Grace Community Relations Coordinator

Greetings from The Haven of Grace! The Haven of Grace family ended 2009 with a wonderful holiday season. The residents decorated the shelter, baked cookies, listened to carolers, and enjoyed a holiday-themed Mom's Night Out. Of course, there were presents, too! Community supporters generously blessed The Haven's mothers and children with many gifts of clothes, toys, and basic necessities through our Adopt-A-Family program.



During the holiday season, kind-hearted individuals and organizations donated many items for our Incentive Closet. Residents are able to choose items from this closet as rewards for going above-and-beyond at the shelter or for reaching programmatic milestones. Currently, we are requesting towels, a stereo, cleaning supplies, and baby items. More details and a complete wish list can be found on our website: www.havenofgracestl.org.

Now that 2010 has begun, we are looking forward to our series of four Mom's Day Out events—a time for children to play, while their mothers attend an educational seminar. The Haven's Alumni Network is busy planning for the first of these events scheduled for March 6. Other Mom's Day Out events will be held June 19, September 11, and December 12. If you would like to volunteer to help at these events, please contact Alison Zeller, azeller@havenofgracestl.org.

Be sure to save-the-date for The Haven's newest fundraising event, Whirl 'n Twirl. We want you to grab your dancing shoes and join us at 7:00 P.M. on Friday, April 9, at Palladium Saint Louis for an evening featuring delicious food, a great band, and one extraordinary cause—ending the cycle of homelessness in young, pregnant women. For ticket information, contact The Haven at 314-621-6507.



Easter Egg Hunt



The Saint Peter's Church Youth Group invites children ages eight and younger to an Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, April 3 at 10:30 A.M. on the front lawn of MICDS, rain or shine. The Easter Bunny will be there! Please RSVP to the Church Office (314-993-2306, ext. 100, or office@stpetersepiscopal.org).



Prayer List

We pray for all those in this congregation who work in God's ministry—Jim, Kelly, Stephen, Jay, and Joe, our clergy; the other members of the staff; and for our parish family. For our Ministry on the River, and for mariners who labor on our river systems and their families. For the Diversity Task Force. For Shenandoah Elementary School, its students and teachers and for the Saint Peter's/Shenandoah School Partnership. For The Haven of Grace staff, babies, and their mothers; and all previous residents of The Haven of Grace and their children. For the men and women of the armed forces. For this community, the nation, and the world—especially for the people of Haiti. We pray for those committed to our ongoing prayers—for all parishioners and for our families and friends.

Our Servicemen and Women

Please join in prayer for our men and women who are serving in the armed forces. If you would like to add the name of a serviceman or woman to the list which will be printed in the weekly service sheet, please contact the Church Office (314-993-2306, ext. 100 or email Office@StPetersEpiscopal.org).

Office Note

The deadline for the next issue of *Rooster Tales* is February 26, for Holy Week and Easter (March 28 – May 30). Please submit your article to the Church Office, or e-mail it to Carol Lyons at clyons@StPetersEpiscopal.org.

Upcoming.....

Holy Week

March 28 through April 3



Easter Day Schedule

Sunday, April 4

6:00 A.M. – Sunrise Service –
Holy Eucharist – Columbarium/Garden

7:30, 9:00 and 11:00 A.M.
Holy Eucharist

THE PARISH STAFF

The Reverend James H. Purdy, Rector
The Reverend J. Stephen Bergmann, Pastoral Assistant
Rabbi Joseph R. Rosenbloom, Rabbi in Residence
Laura M. Schultz, Director of Christian Education
Muriel Morley Jahn, Co-Coordinator of Youth Ministries
Kathy M. Jones, Financial Administrator
Carolyn S. Lyons, Parish Secretary
Alexandru Mixich, Full Time Sexton

The Reverend Kelly B. Carlson, Assistant to the Rector
The Reverend Jay L. Kanzler, Assisting
S. William Aitken, Organist and Choirmaster
Lisa Reynolds, Playgroup Director
Phil Potaczek, Co-Coordinator of Youth Ministries
Cindy K. Heuermann, Stewardship Ministry Coordinator
Mandy Van Velkinburgh, Receptionist/Office Assistant
Florica Mixich, Part Time Sexton