

# The Beacon

*In thy light shall we see light.  
Psalm 36:9*

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## April 2025

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### Resurrection Life

*by the Rev. Abigail Crozier Nestlehutt*

Blessed be the longing that brought you here

And quickens your soul with wonder.

May you have the courage to listen to the voice of desire

That disturbs you when you have settled for something safe.

May you have the wisdom to enter generously into your own unease

To discover the new direction your longing wants you to take.

These opening lines to one of the poetic blessings in John O'Donohue's beautiful volume *To Bless the Space Between Us: A Book of Blessings* put me in mind of the resurrection. Many years ago, in her Easter message to the Diocese of Washington, D.C., Bishop Mariann Budde talked about the difficult process of letting go into new life. Of releasing the past in order to move toward the future. She wrote, "Resurrection comes as an invitation, sometimes gently, as the changing of the wind from winter to spring, and sometimes suddenly, as an opportunity that falls unexpectedly on your path. The initial experience may feel at first like a second death, but it isn't death. It's life."

I wonder if the caterpillar ever contemplates remaining inside the safety of their cocoon. I wonder if the dogwood ever tries to hold its flowers in bud rather than allow them to unfurl, exposing tender petals to the elements. Surely a parent knows the impulse to keep a child close when they yearn to go off and explore the world. Maybe you have resisted change even when it is clear that what once was must give way to what will be.

The women who went to the tomb early in the morning were perplexed when Jesus' body was missing. They became terrified at the appearance of two men in dazzling clothes who remind them of what Jesus had said. As the news spreads the disciples experience a range of emotions, and they need time to comprehend what

has happened. Jesus' friends did not want him to die and also they do not understand why he is no longer dead. They were captivated by his ministry and also not entirely sure how to carry it on without him.

This month we continue our Lenten journey, travel through the terrible beauty of Holy Week, and enter into the new life of Easter. The story is hard to believe and yet we do. We believe in a God who loves us entirely. A God who faced down and overcame death so that we might know the fullness of life. Pay attention to the longings of your heart and wonder about the new directions God is inviting you toward this season. In the pages that follow you will find examples of how the people of St. Peter's live as resurrection people. People who embrace new life by doing what we can to bring the justice, peace, and love of God's kingdom to this earthly realm. Thank you for all that you do, and prayers as you discern and accept what O'Donohue calls your "divine urgency."

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## **Special Liturgical Season Services**

### **Lenten Prayer Opportunities**

#### **Tuesdays at 9:15 p.m. Compline via Zoom**

Join with others in the end of day prayers of the church, led by our clergy. The Zoom link will be available in "Keynotes" or you may email Abigail at [abigail@stpetersgv.org](mailto:abigail@stpetersgv.org).

#### **Thursdays at 9:15 p.m. Compline via Facebook and YouTube**

Log onto Facebook for Compline led by our rector, Abigail, deacon, Jeff, and former assistant rector, Chris.

### **Lenten Soup Suppers**

#### **Wednesdays**

**6-7:30 p.m., Parish Hall, Historic Church**

You're invited to join the St. Peter's family for a Lenten Soup Supper series, "The Lost Art of Kindness: Civility as a Christian Calling." This is a ChurchNext video offering with Bishop Mariann Edgar Budde, with the final sessions on April 2 and 9. There will be a simple supper from 6-6:30 p.m. and a program from 6:30-7:30 p.m. For more details, see the flyer in the church or the barn. RSVPs appreciated: [parishadministrator@stpetersgv.org](mailto:parishadministrator@stpetersgv.org).

### **Stations of the Cross**

Our striking Stations of the Cross, featuring etchings by Jauneth Skinner, will be hanging in the barn throughout Lent. Booklets are available to guide you through on your own. On Sunday, April 6, following coffee hour, Deacon Jeff will lead a group to walk them together.

## Lenten and Holy Week Choral Music

### Palm Sunday

St. Peter's choirs will offer an *Evensong and Concert* on the evening of Palm Sunday, April 13, at 4 p.m. in the barn. A traditional choral Evensong will usher us into Holy Week, followed by a concert featuring the *Sunrise Mass* of Norwegian composer Ola Gjeilo (pronounced OH-la YAY-loh) with choir and string orchestra.

The work consists of a complete setting of the Latin mass, with curious titles such as “The Spheres” and “The City” that overlay a concept of “human development . . . a spiritual journey, or the creative process itself” on the sacred texts. The 35-minute *Mass* is inspired by contemporary film music and includes ethereal vocal effects as well as dramatic and soothing harmonic progressions. Please join us for this inspiring event.

### Holy Week

Holy Week services will also include a panoply of music from composers such as J.S. Bach, Byrd, Palestrina, Duruflé, Fauré, and Stanford. Brass, timpani, organ and choir will help us joyfully celebrate the Resurrection!

## Will You Keep Watch?

### Maundy Thursday, April 17, 9 p.m. - Good Friday, April 18, noon

The disciples slept while Jesus prayed in the Garden of Gethsemane. Their stomachs were full from the Passover meal. Their minds were even fuller remembering what had happened. Jesus had washed their feet. He had given new meaning to the bread and wine they shared. He had spoken of betrayal. He was clearly troubled. Now he wanted them to watch and pray. It is small wonder they succumbed to sleep.

Watch will be kept over the altar of repose in the Historic Church throughout the night of Maundy Thursday (beginning at 9 p.m.) and until noon on Good Friday. Parishioners are invited to be present in the Historic Church for an hour of their choosing to keep watch before the stripped altar. It is a time of profound quiet. In the

busyness of Holy Week this can be a time to be at peace or to be troubled, to wonder, to perhaps like the disciples succumb to sleepiness, to pray, to respond to stirrings of the Spirit. Will you keep watch?

Spend one hour this night at St. Peter's. Deacon Jeff will be in the church throughout the entire night for your safety. You may sign up by using [this link](https://stpetersgreatvalley-my.sharepoint.com/:w:/g/personal/parishadministrator_stpetersgreatvalley_onmicrosoft_com/EWpKIrlif3NMnaZApY9mGp4BI9aeatJpc21gOVWvkQK14A?e=cA39ZT) (paste this in your browser: [https://stpetersgreatvalley-my.sharepoint.com/:w:/g/personal/parishadministrator\\_stpetersgreatvalley\\_onmicrosoft\\_com/EWpKIrlif3NMnaZApY9mGp4BI9aeatJpc21gOVWvkQK14A?e=cA39ZT](https://stpetersgreatvalley-my.sharepoint.com/:w:/g/personal/parishadministrator_stpetersgreatvalley_onmicrosoft_com/EWpKIrlif3NMnaZApY9mGp4BI9aeatJpc21gOVWvkQK14A?e=cA39ZT)) or by contacting the church office.

### Easter Egg Hunt Following the 9 a.m. Family Eucharist

Sunday-school-aged children are invited to join us after the 9 a.m. Family Eucharist on Easter Sunday for an egg hunt. If you'd like to help prepare and hide eggs, please contact Seretha at [slcurry@stpetersgv.org](mailto:slcurry@stpetersgv.org).



## **Preview of Holy Week and Easter Services**

### **Palm Sunday Services**

April 13      8 a.m., 9 a.m., 11:15 a.m.  
                  4 p.m. Evensong with concert

### **Maundy Thursday**

April 17      Maundy Thursday Liturgy at 7:30 p.m. in the Historic Church  
                  Watch 9 p.m. until 12 p.m. on Good Friday in the Historic Church

### **Good Friday**

April 18      Good Friday liturgy at 12 p.m. in the Historic Church

### **Easter Sunday**

April 20      The Great Vigil of Easter at 6 a.m. in the Historic Church, brunch following  
                  Family Easter Eucharist at 9 a.m. in the Bank Barn  
                  Family Egg Hunt following the 9 a.m. service  
                  Festal Choral Eucharist at 11:15 a.m. in the Historic Church

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## **Notice of Annual Meeting Sunday, May 4**

The St. Peter's annual meeting will occur on Sunday, May 4, after the 10 a.m. service. The 2025 nominating committee has named Greg Bright, Katharine Campbell, Matt Goller, and Cassandra Shannon as vestry candidates. Their biographies can be found below.

The parish by-laws define eligible voters as "all confirmed persons of the age of eighteen years or upwards who shall have been worshipers in this Church as their usual place of worship for at least one year"; they also stipulate that members must be present to vote unless they have submitted an absentee ballot beforehand. If you have questions about your eligibility to vote, or if you will need an absentee ballot, please contact Rachel at [parishadministrator@stpetersgv.org](mailto:parishadministrator@stpetersgv.org) or by calling the office.

We encourage everyone to reserve the date for this important event in our parish when we reflect on the past year and look ahead to the coming one. There are plans for a reception following the Annual Meeting. Stay tuned to "Keynotes" for details to come!

### **Vestry Nominee Bios**

#### **Greg Bright**

Greg, his wife Kat, and two sons, Aiden and Desmond, joined St. Peter's Church in 2016 after moving to Malvern from Massachusetts. Greg last served on the Vestry from 2017-2020, and he was also part of the Stewardship Committee during that time. Greg acts as a greeter, reader, and Eucharistic minister at the 9 a.m. and 10 a.m. services.

Greg is a program and project manager for an environmental company and works remotely from his home. He enjoys being outside and staying active with his family and two German Shorthaired Pointers, Uhtred and Alfred. He recently ran his first trail half-marathon and his wife may be able to successfully pressure him to run longer races soon enough.

#### **Katharine Campbell**

Katharine, a life-long Episcopalian, is a long-time St. Peter's parishioner. She joined St. Peter's in 1982 upon her return from many years abroad. She has been an active member of the Altar Guild and a reader at the 8 a.m. and 11:15 a.m. services. Katharine previously served on the vestry and other committees, including the Stewardship Commission. Her interests include classical music, especially church music in the Anglican tradition, American antiques, and visiting her two daughters and families who reside in London and New Jersey.

## **Matt Goller**

I grew up in Hagerstown, MD, with an engineer father and substitute teacher mother. I graduated from the University of Maryland in 2006 with degrees in finance (for the future career) and history (my abiding interest and love), then moved here to work at Vanguard, where I still work as a product manager for mutual funds that invest in global stocks. I met my wife, Sarah, at Vanguard and we married in 2010. In nearly 20 years in the area I've lived in Paoli, Center City, Phoenixville (my favorite!), and Malvern. Proximity led to enrolling our kids, Maria and James, in St. Peter's wonderful preschool several years ago. After attending the Christmas Eve service in 2021 we decided to join the church, and love the comfortable camaraderie and thoughtful sermons delivered by Abigail and Jeff.

My faith in Christianity is most manifest through a curiosity about the history of its beginnings and development: how and why did it all begin, what are the key messages...those types of questions. In my own analysis (I have a report!), Jesus asks us all to love other people by being compassionate, faithful, forgiving, generous, gracious, humble, and peaceable, and by endeavoring to teach others. I try to keep this in mind every day....not that it's always easy with energetic youngsters at home. Outside of kid care, I enjoy reading, the beach, restaurants, and watching sports and movies. I hope to bring my own element of thoughtfulness to the vestry, but am most of all humbled to be asked to join.

## **Cassandra Shannon**

St. Peter's has been my home for as long as I can remember. In my earliest memories, I can see myself sitting in the choir loft of the Historic Church, watching my grandmother Suzanne sing from the hymnal. I still have the red robes that we used to wear while in the children's choir, and I remember being very nervous to sing in front of the whole congregation. I officially joined the choir in 2016. Singing in the choir has given me a sense of joy that I've never had before. These people are my family, and we have a special connection when we sing together.

This church has always had a special place in my heart. The campus has a certain feel to it that brings me comfort and safety. I am fascinated by the history behind these grounds. I even wrote a research paper about St. Peter's for an anthropology class in college. Most of the people in this congregation have known me for my whole life. I struggled with my faith journey during my college years, but kept getting drawn back to St. Peter's. There is a special energy about this place. The community connections at St. Peter's are unlike any other, and everyone is welcomed. I hope to be able to spend many more years enjoying the campus, culture, and community of St. Peter's Church in the Great Valley.

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## Vestry Thanks and Appreciation

- To the Barn Kitchen Committee, including Eileen Klein, Tracey Patches, Paige Infortuna, Gail and Frank Guthridge, and work partners at Warfel who led the successful efforts to complete our new space. Liz Andersen and Michael Smith are assuming leadership roles as Eileen Klein reduces her involvement and the barn kitchen evolves in its role for the parish and the community.
  - To Eileen Klein, Gail McLaughlin, Gail Guthridge, Marcia McIlvain, and Michael Smith who hosted refreshments in the barn kitchen following the March 2 Sunday service.
  - Adult Forum: Phil Geliebter for his presentation on The Clare Project; Abigail Nestlehutt for her Lenten series on St. Peter, assisted by Seretha Curry.
  - To Melissa Shaner and Luci Russell for planning the Lenten Soup Supper series; Michael Smith for coordinating the food; Luci for facilitating the initial meeting; Suzanne Casey and all who brought soup, bread, and dessert, and all from both St. Peter's and St. Francis in-the-Fields who participated in the event.
  - To Bonnie and Terry Michael, Paige Infortuna, Seretha Curry, and the Sunday School children for making a delicious Pancake Supper, to all who provided bacon and other supplies, and to referee Steve Ockenden for leading the pancake races.
  - To Paul Reid for leading Sunday services in Abigail's absence on February 24.
  - To Michael and Michelle Harman for coordinating the sale of Sunday School chairs no longer useful to St. Peter's.
  - To J.P. Infortuna, Tim Hepp, Dave Tatum, Eric Lien, Doug Jones, Ron Soong, and Paige Infortuna who helped to clear out the attic and under the stairs in the barn.
  - To the Bad Boys & Girls for Jesus and other volunteers for their work to clear the property so that it looks its best this spring.
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## **New Chairs in the Barn!**

There are approximately 320 chairs in the barn, many only making appearances at Easter and Christmas. The rest of the time they have been stored in a corner of the kitchen. With the kitchen remodeling, storage has become more limited. The Vestry has realized that this is an opportunity to replace a number of these chairs, some of which have been damaged, with chairs that will be more versatile as well as more easily moved and stored.

Good news—another parish in the diocese will take 100 chairs, so they will be going to a good home. All the chairs will be in the barn for Easter, after which the plaques will be removed from the extra chairs. The Chair Committee has a list of all the plaques on the backs of the chairs, and the ones removed (primarily duplicates and names no longer associated with active parish members) will be mounted on a wall display.

Between Easter and Christmas additional chairs will not be needed for worship, though should a need arise, we can move folding chairs from the Historic Church. A subgroup of the Chair Committee is looking at options for replacement chairs that will work for both additional seating for worship as well as events like weddings and meals, thus expanding the possibilities for serving the community with our new kitchen. These options will be assessed from a financial perspective as well. Please reach out to the Chair Committee with any questions, and we welcome suggestions and ideas.

The Chair Committee

Nick Allen (Chair)

Melissa Shaner

Amy Fisher

Laurel Veitch

MaryAnn Tatum

Susy Baum

The Rev. Abigail Crozier Nestlehutt



## Christian Formation

### Adult Formation Returns after the Easter Hiatus on April 27!

#### The Image of God in the Garden of God, Part Two

by Seretha Curry

In part one, we explored different perspectives on the Creation story and what it means that human beings are made in God's image and likeness. In part two, we will focus more on the garden. Why a garden? Why were humans placed in the garden? Why two trees? How does the Eden imagery show up in other parts of Scripture? Please join us for the conversation.

### Children and Youth Ministries

#### Vacation Bible School

**Who's it for?** Rising 1<sup>st</sup> through 5<sup>th</sup> graders

**When is it?** June 23 to 27, 9 a.m. to 12 noon

**What happens?** Each day includes a lively Bible lesson with sets and costumes, a sing-along, a craft, outdoor games and recreation, and a mission-driven activity related to food and giving

**How much?** \$20 for one child, \$10 for each additional child in a family

**Registration coming soon.** Stay tuned to "Keynotes" for details, as space will be limited. Bonus: St. Peter's Lambs Camp is available for younger children at the preschool's discounted sibling rate. You can contact the preschool director Erinn White ([preschool@stpetersgv.org](mailto:preschool@stpetersgv.org)) for more information about Lambs Camp.

**Call for Volunteers!** We will need volunteers in the following areas: arts and crafts, music, recreation, youth helpers, mission moment, bread making, and shepherding. Please contact Seretha Curry at [slcurry@stpetersgv.org](mailto:slcurry@stpetersgv.org) for more information.

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## Green Stewards Calendar of April Events

Volunteer or Learn to Celebrate Earth Month. Our focus this year is on collaboration and plants. Further information on activities can be found on Facebook at Christian Care for the Environment or the references here.

### Learn

**April 3 at 7 p.m.** “Backyard Wilderness” community event film at PSU Great Valley. Register at <https://greatvalley.psu.edu/events/community-events>.

**April 4 at 7:30 p.m.** Nationally recognized climate scientist, author, and environmentalist Kathryn Hayhoe speaks at Wayne Presbyterian Church.

**April 23 at 7 p.m.** Haverford Township Parks & Rec. Presentation on Grass Removal, Pollinators and Native Plants Zoom discussion. Register here: [https://anc.apm.activecommunities.com/haverfordtwprec/activity/search/detail/12025?onlineSiteId=0&locale=en-US&from\\_original\\_cui=true](https://anc.apm.activecommunities.com/haverfordtwprec/activity/search/detail/12025?onlineSiteId=0&locale=en-US&from_original_cui=true).

**April 28 at 7 p.m.** Zoom discussion of *Nature’s Best Hope: A New Approach to Conservation that Starts in Your Yard*. Link in “Keynotes” or contact Brenda Grove ([brendabgrove@gmail.com](mailto:brendabgrove@gmail.com)).

### Volunteer

**April 29 from 8:30 a.m. – 3 p.m.** Garden planting Church Housing in West Chester; May 6 and 9 similar activities at Church Housing Phoenixville sites. Contact Justine Nieves ([j.nieves@chcliving.org](mailto:j.nieves@chcliving.org)) or Brenda Grove ([brendabgrove@gmail.com](mailto:brendabgrove@gmail.com)).

### Enjoy

**April 26 from 12 p.m.-4 p.m.** Phoenixville Earth Day activities, music, and workshops at Reservoir Park. Reserve your free ticket at <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/phoenixville-earth-day-2025-tickets-1287807349449>. Contact: Rod Platt ([plattile@aol.com](mailto:plattile@aol.com)).

## Outreach

### Easter Feasts for Darby Mission!

Thank you to the many parishioners who have again made Easter even more joyful by filling a colorful bag with the makings for Easter dinners for families served by Darby Mission. You always come through!

A reminder: all filled bags need to be returned to church by Sunday, April 6. The Outreach Commission will purchase large roasting chickens and potted daffodils to deliver along with each bag.

If you have a question or if for any reason you cannot deliver your bag, please contact Betsy Comstock ([bcomstock50@gmail.com](mailto:bcomstock50@gmail.com), 484-639-4849) or Cathy Terlescki ([jterlescki@aol.com](mailto:jterlescki@aol.com), 610-805-6864).

### Garden Volunteer Breakfast

April 9 at 9 a.m.



Do you love gardening or just want to get your hands dirty? We need volunteers of all skill levels to help maintain the beautiful gardens at St. James School!

Join Head of School Dave Kasievich and our garden volunteers on Wednesday, April 9, at 9 a.m. on the St. James campus for a garden breakfast to learn about volunteering in our gardens. RSVP directly on the St. James website.

### St. James School Spring Clean Up and Campus Service Day!

April 26 10 a.m.-12 p.m.



Join us on campus on Saturday, April 26, for a community service day. We have our church partners St. Alban's Newtown Square, St. Christopher's Gladwyne, the RAH Neighborhood, and many more joining us for hands-on activities, a tour of campus updates, and a chance to be together. RSVP here: [https://host.nxt.blackbaud.com/registration-form/?formId=44e5db29-1146-42f9-8703-1fa1ceae080b&envId=p-V5Oo3NR0mU6jiGZHIB7n\\_Q&zone=usa](https://host.nxt.blackbaud.com/registration-form/?formId=44e5db29-1146-42f9-8703-1fa1ceae080b&envId=p-V5Oo3NR0mU6jiGZHIB7n_Q&zone=usa).

## Ongoing Outreach

### Habitat for Humanity

Habitat for Humanity volunteers on site on the third Saturday of every month. You can access more information, or sign up for Habitat for Humanity by pasting this link into your browser: [https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050548AEAB22A5FA7-49713154-brandywine#/#/](https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050548AEAB22A5FA7-49713154-brandywine#/). For more information, please contact Deacon Jeff at [jeff@stpetersgv.org](mailto:jeff@stpetersgv.org).



### Volunteer at the St. James School

**Go for the Gold Saturdays.** Tutors are needed to assist individual students or small groups with academics. Staff is present to support you. Select Saturdays, 10 a.m.-12 p.m. Contact Maggie Sanborn at [msanborn@stjamesphila.org](mailto:msanborn@stjamesphila.org) for further information.

**Welcome Table.** Volunteers are needed every Saturday morning, 8-11 a.m., to help organize and distribute food and clothing. Weekday volunteers are also needed, 9 a.m-5 p.m., to pick up donations, organize, and manage storage. Contact Tiana Jones at [tjones@stjamesphila.org](mailto:tjones@stjamesphila.org) for more information.

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## April Events

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### Popcorn Theology Lenten Series Conclusion

**April 7, 6 p.m.**

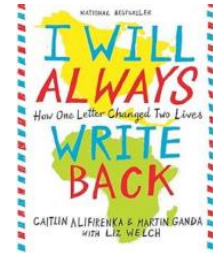
This Lent's theme is "Faith & Duty," and we conclude the series on **Monday, April 7 at 6 p.m.** with *Conclave* (2024), winner of the 2025 BAFTA award for Best Film.

Simply watch the film on your favorite streaming service or DVD and then join the meeting via Zoom to discuss its moral, ethical, spiritual, and cinematic aspects. The Zoom link will be sent to the parish email list on the Sundays before the Monday meetings. For more information, contact Mark Nestlehutt ([mark.nestlehutt@gmail.com](mailto:mark.nestlehutt@gmail.com)) or Steve Ockenden ([steveock@verizon.net](mailto:steveock@verizon.net)). All are welcome!

### April Book Club

**April 21, 7 p.m.**

*I Will Always Write Back: How One Letter Changed Two Lives* will be discussed on April 21 at 7 p.m. over Zoom. This book is the true story of a girl from suburban Philly and a boy from Zimbabwe and the correspondence that drew them into a life-long relationship.



In May we will discuss *Lula Dean's Little Library of Banned Books* by Kirsten Miller.

This book is a bracing, wildly entertaining satire about a small Southern town, a pitched battle over banned books, and a little lending library that changes everything.

### Chester Children's Chorus

**April 27, 4-5 p.m.**

Park Ave Community Center, Swarthmore

Join Chester Children's Chorus executive and artistic Director John Alston's interactive lecture as he explores Elvis' profound love of Black American music and its connection to both race and the popularization of rock and roll in America. Admission is free. Registration is suggested. Register at [ChesterChildrensChorus.org](http://ChesterChildrensChorus.org).

### Tribute to "The King"

**May 17 and 18, 4-5 p.m.**

Lang Music Building at Swarthmore College

Grab your blue suede shoes and get ready to rock and roll with the Chester Children's Chorus as 100 children pay tribute to "the King," Elvis Presley. The concert's first half is a mix of classical and choral pieces.

Admission is free! Seating is limited and on a first-come, first-served basis. Doors open at 3:30 p.m. Learn more at [ChesterChildrensChorus.org](http://ChesterChildrensChorus.org).

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## Future Events

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### World Labyrinth Day: Walk as One at 1

Circle Saturday, May 3, on your calendar to come walk the labyrinth at St. Peter's. Over recent months Cate Skindeleski, who is new to St. Peter's, has applied her landscaping talents and a lot of hard work to restore the labyrinth beautifully. This is just in time for World Labyrinth Day when people around the globe will walk a labyrinth wherever they are at 1 p.m. in their time zone, creating a wave of labyrinth walking. Save this date, invite friends and neighbors, and watch for more information in "Keynotes" and the May *Beacon*.

### Singing the National Anthem at the Reading Phillies with St. Francis-in-the-Fields

**Sunday, July 20**

Our friends at St. Francis-in-the-Fields have invited us to join them to sing the national anthem and enjoy a Reading Phillies game on Sunday, July 20. The game begins at 5:15 p.m. Tickets on the third base line, with the sun coming from behind, are \$15 each. Please indicate your interest by emailing Abigail at [abigail@stpetersgv.org](mailto:abigail@stpetersgv.org) or calling 610-644-2261. **RSVPs are needed by May 5.**

### 2026 Choir Residency



The Choirs of St. Peter's will be engaged in a week-long choral residency at Norwich Cathedral in July 2026. Parishioners and friends are invited to join us. Speak to Steven Patchel or any choir member if you are interested in joining in this choral pilgrimage. Deposits of \$500 will be required by July 2025 in order to hold your place, with the balance due in 2026. Past residencies have been deeply rewarding experiences of music-making, and historical and spiritual enrichment.

## Communications Corner

Do you have information to distribute to the St. Peter’s community? Please see the information below to make sure your information goes to the right place. And remember, sending information to one publication **does not** constitute sending it to all. You should be specific about where your information should go.

Publication / Platform	Deadline	Send to
“Keynotes”	end of day, Tuesday prior	Parish Administrator (parishadministrator@stpetersgv.org)
The Sunday Leaflet	end of day, Tuesday prior	Parish Administrator (parishadministrator@stpetersgv.org)
<i>The Beacon</i>	end of day, 21st of previous month	<i>Beacon</i> General Editor (beacon@stpetersgv.org)
Announcement*(during Sunday services)	With the Sunday Leaflet, see above	---

*\*All announcements for Sunday morning should be submitted to the Sunday Leaflet by the end of day on the Tuesday prior. To request your announcement be highlighted by the presider, include that request with the leaflet submission.*

## February Financial Snapshot

### Paige Infortuna and Eric Lien

	Month of January	January Year to Date	Forecast (year-end)	Budget (2025)
Parishioner Contributions	51,368	130,045	496,023	455,915
*Other Income	9,122	12,626	229,613	224,632
Total Income	60,490	142,671	725,636	680,547
Total Expense	53,358	118,316	680,944	680,550
Surplus/(Deficit)	7,132	24,356	44,693	-3
<i>*Other Income: Interest, Rental, Endowment Distributions</i>				

## April Dates

**Every Tuesday and  
Thursday in Lent**  
Compline, 9:15 p.m.

**April 2**  
Lenten Soup Supper  
6-7:30 p.m.

**April 7**  
Popcorn Theology, 6 p.m.,  
Zoom

**April 9**  
Lenten Soup Supper  
6-7:30 p.m.

**April 13**  
Palm Sunday  
Evensong and concert  
4 p.m.

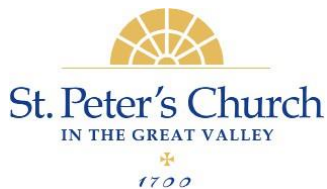
**April 17**  
Maundy Thursday  
Liturgy and Watch  
7:30 p.m.

**April 18**  
Good Friday Liturgy  
12 p.m.-1 p.m.

**April 20**  
**Easter Sunday**  
Great Vigil of Easter  
6 a.m.  
Easter brunch following the 6  
a.m. service  
Family Easter Eucharist  
9 a.m.  
Family Egg Hunt  
following the 9 a.m. service  
Festal Choral Eucharist  
11:15 a.m.

**April 21**  
Book Club, 7 p.m.





The Rev. Abigail Crozier Nestlehutt, Rector  
 The Rev. Jeff Moretzsohn, Deacon  
 Steven Patchel, Organist/Choirmaster  
 Seretha Curry, Assistant for Christian Formation  
 Rachel Martin Swartz, Parish Administrator  
 Erinn White, Preschool Director  
 Gail Malcolm, Event Coordinator Mario Delano,  
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 May Beacon:  
**April 21**

**Our Mission:**  
*by the power of the Holy Spirit, to nurture people of all ages in the knowledge and love of God in Jesus Christ, and to make Him known in the wider community*

***Weekly Offerings at St. Peter's***

***Sunday***

8 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite I\*  
 9 a.m. Family Eucharist\*\*  
 Sunday School\*\*  
 10:20 a.m. Christian Formation\*\*  
 11:15 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite II\*\*

***First Sunday***

10 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite II\*\*  
 Fellowship follows all services

***Wednesday***

10 a.m. Morning Prayer & Bible Study\*\*\*

***Thursday***

10:30 a.m. Intercessory Prayer Group\*\*\*  
 7:15 p.m. Compline\*\*\*

***Friday***

8 a.m. Gathering of Men\*\*\*  
 \* Historic Church  
 \*\* Bank Barn  
 \*\*\* Virtual

Parish office hours: 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Thursday.

