

JANUARY/FEBRUARY 2017

THE
 KEYS



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ST. PETER'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH, Morristown, NJ

FROM THE DESK OF THE RECTOR



AFTER THE NEW YEAR I spent some time in Berlin Germany visiting museums. It has been a life-long dream of mine to see the Pergamon collection of Hellenistic art, perhaps the greatest collection of 1st and 2nd century antiquities in the world. Some of you may have

seen some of this collection when it was exhibited at the Metropolitan Museum of Art last year. However, what is unique about the collection in Berlin is the way in which the artifacts are presented. They are surrounded by huge reconstructed monuments, as if you are indeed walking the ancient streets, surrounded by ancient implements and sculptures.

This year, the museum has opened a whole new floor dedicated to Muslim art and artifacts. It presents Muslim art and craft items over a period of about a thousand years, from the Arabic cultures that immediately preceded and initially received Mohamed to about 1600 AD. Most Muslim art is not representational, and so the design work and color, the structure and balance of the items are often what tell the story. Here is a beautifully interwoven sign,



which stood out-side a home in 9th century Persia:

It reads “I built this, so that the course of time will not overbear it. I shall not survive, but this will remain as a memory.” And so it does!

As the exhibit comes to an end, one enters a richly paneled banqueting hall of a private home in Aleppo’s Christian district. Two inscriptions given the years 1009 and 1012 according to Islamic calendar (1600 – 1603 AD) as the dates of its production. The former owner’s name is over the door: “Jesus, son of Peter.” He was a merchant and a trader in the Syrian town of Aleppo. He was a devout Christian which

is apparent from the inscriptions all around the room quoting from Psalms and New Testament scriptures in Arabic. Jesus’ Last Supper, Abraham’s Sacrifice, Mary and Saint George are all there.



Look at the gorgeous panels and beautiful wooden doors... I hope my photo has captured some of it. What moves one most is that the owner put all this effort into the room in which he would entertain guests. There was a huge devotion to welcoming strangers and treating them well, as there still is in many parts of the Middle East today.

When I was listening to the Museum Audio Guide and heard these words “What is thrilling about this home is that it can be visited today, because it became a hotel which is still serving guests!” And I realized, that of course this display had been put there before the recent bombings and the resulting flight from Aleppo. How poignant to be reminded of the great tradition of hospitality in that great city, when many of its citizens most need our welcome now.

We pray for peace each Sunday we meet, and now, today, there are so many who are in need. I think also of RAMP, and of the family we just placed in Boonton. They lost a son in Aleppo only a few years ago. I am grateful to God that we have been able to find them a safe home.

In the Lamb,

The Reverend Janet Broderick, *Rector*

ANNUAL PARISH MEETING FEBRUARY 12TH

Following the 10:15 Sunday service

A chance to get to know who is running for Vestry!

JUSTYN COMER

3 Term Vestry Member

"I have been fortunate to have discovered the community of St Peter's over the last couple of years. Janet has also been kind enough to let me host meditation classes in the chapel over the last year which has been very rewarding. I would like to serve on the Vestry so that I can expand my contribution to the fellowship of St Peter's."

ROBERT ROSENER

3 Term Vestry Member

"As new members to St. Peter's in 2001, Arline and I found a church in St. Peter's that gave us great comfort in our spiritual life. This comfort has continued to grow through the years. We like calling St. Peter's our church. During my years at St. Peter's I have been involved with the Usher/Greeter program. However, during the past year, I found other areas of interest where I became more involved in the Church's programs and missions - Stewardship, New Membership, Tutoring. I think it would be an honor to continue to contribute to the growth of St. Peter's by becoming a member of the Vestry. I like what is happening at St. Peter's and I want to take part in its growth."

SUSAN D'ALESSANDRO

3 Term Vestry Member

"St Peter's Rector, staff, and members welcomed me very warmly when I was new in town in 2014. Attending services and adult education, and participating in the 2016 retreat and Alpha Program have helped me to reconnect with and grow in my faith, and I plan to be confirmed in the Episcopal Church. I appreciate the great opportunities for fellowship that many work hard to create for the parish members. St. Peter's also gives to the greater Morristown community through the afterschool program, MAP program, "farmer's market," meditation classes, concerts, and more. St. Peter's has been a very positive part of my life. If chosen, I would gladly contribute to the mission of St. Peter's and continue our work within the parish and also for the greater community."

MICHAEL GIORDANO

3 Term Vestry Member

"I want to serve on the Vestry to help our community continue to thrive and grow, and to give back to a place that I feel has given me so much and has been so welcoming to my family and I."

ERIN PYNE

1 Term Vestry Member

"I am excited for the opportunity to get to better know the church, its members, and Morristown as a new member. I am glad that St. Peter's is an active church with many community-focused events and ministries. I would be thankful for the chance to foster community within the church and wider Morristown. As a single person, I also look forward to investing in relationships with people at the church, learning from others, and prayerfully assisting with the mission of the church."

CAMERON DUNNAN

2 Term Vestry Member

"I believe that in God's Love, I am called to again serve as a Vestry member, as a faithful steward of St. Peter's Morristown. I have a deep appreciation, regard and love for St. Peter's Morristown and believe that Vestry membership provides a truly meaningful way to further contribute to St. Peter's and serve the community at large."



PLAYING GAMES

As the official holiday season winds down, St. Peter's is still gearing up! We are so excited to present our Gourmet Game Nights, beginning on January 11th and continuing through February 22nd. It's a great opportunity for our grown-ups to relax together, remember childhood fun, and make new friends.

I grew up playing lots of board games and card games with my sisters. The competition was usually all in good fun (although not always!) and we learned through trial and error how to win graciously and lose gracefully—sometimes. More importantly, though, we learned about each other, and we established memories that we still laugh over today.

Why play games at church? What, other than a very good time, are we trying to establish when we gather together with no “serious” agenda? The answer is this: we hope and pray to know one another more, to laugh with each other, to remember one another with laughter and joy, to share our stories together. St. Peter's really is the beloved community, and we long to know each other more deeply as that community. The laughter we share moves into deeper experiences that we bring to one another. The stories we create together inspire us to create even more. The joy we have in each other's company at play transforms into even greater joy as we come together to worship.

If you've ever watched children at play, with games or toys or anything else, you've seen that it's serious business. And yet it's fun, too. For children, work and play are no different. Each is the other. I pray that for all of us who gather together for play, we can also see it as the divine work that it is. Our leisure time is not time wasted, but time beautifully spent making friends, being friends, and sharing that friendship with the larger community when we leave this place. Our time at play, our time breaking bread at the dinner table, becomes our time doing holy work and breaking bread together at the altar.

Come and see how we are transformed by laughter, joy in each other, and joy in God's presence!

With love in and through Christ,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Susanna +".

The Reverend Susanna Cates, *Assistant Rector*

THIS ADVENT AND CHRISTMASTIDE has been particularly exciting for the Music Department. Our annual Advent and Christmas services of Lessons and Carols drew record crowds this year, and we were again delighted to welcome several community leaders as lectors. Many members of our Parish Choir also sang a third service of Lessons and Carols, just a few days before Christmas, at the Hudson County Correctional Facility. We sang for roughly a hundred inmates, both men and women, in a gymnasium, sharing the joy of the season. Christmas Eve was particularly exciting this year, with brass and organ, enthusiastic congregations, and a number of Girls' Choir alumnae returning home from high school and college to sing with us.



Our new Organ Scholar, Jerrick Cavagnaro, joined us at the beginning of Advent . Jerrick is currently a junior at Westminster Choir College where he studies organ with Alan Morrison. He is pursuing bachelor's degrees in both organ performance and sacred music. From North Haledon, NJ, Jerrick attended Paramus Catholic High School when he began taking organ lessons after many years of playing piano. After gaining experience as a substitute organist in high school, he began working as the assistant organist at

Our Lady of the Valley and Holy Cross Churches in Wayne, NJ and also at the Jesus Christ, Prince of Peace Chapel in Haledon, NJ. More recently he was the music director at Good Shepherd Episcopal Church in Montville and Lincoln Park, NJ. Jerrick promises to be an excellent addition to the music program here at St. Peter's.

This February 25th, I hope you'll join us for ¡Carnaval! This fund-raiser is our primary source of funding for Choir Camp, held each August for the Boys' and Girls' Choirs at Cross Roads Camp and Retreat Center. The Choristers get a head start on music for the upcoming year, rehearsing and singing services of Evensong and Compline each day. They also get the opportunity to do a high ropes course, a rock climbing wall, swimming, archery, and various other activities. This fund-raiser allows Choristers to attend camp at a greatly reduced cost, and no child is turned away due to financial need. Our ¡Carnaval! evening offers something for everyone- Latin food and dancing, dance instruction, beverages, and even a quiet room for those who prefer a more subdued atmosphere. If you're not able to join us on February 25th, I hope you might consider making a contribution to the Music Department to help sponsor a Chorister for camp!

Joshua Stafford,
Director of Music



Joshua Stafford, speaker at Inreach Luncheon & Lecture Series



*Devoted choristers hard at work
Left to right: Aidan, Marcos, Justin*

MEDITATION WITH JUSTYN COMER begins his next series of weekly Introduction to Meditation classes on Wednesdays, in the Chapel from 7:30 pm until 9:00 pm. Every class includes instruction for those new to meditation, and people may drop in and out of the series of classes whenever they wish.

¡CARNAVAL!

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 25TH

Fund raiser to benefit St. Peter's Choir Camp.
Latin music, food, dancing, raffle and good times!!



+ ASH WEDNESDAY

MARCH 1ST

FAMILY MINI RETREAT

SATURDAY, MARCH 18TH
Ukrainian egg decorating day sponsored
by the Sunday School



HOLY WEEK

PALM SUNDAY, APRIL 9TH

TENEBRAE, WEDNESDAY APRIL 12TH

MAUNDY THURSDAY, APRIL 13TH

GOOD FRIDAY, APRIL 14TH

EASTER VIGIL WITH BAPTISM APRIL 15TH

EASTER SUNDAY, APRIL 16TH



2016 WAS AN EXCITING YEAR on the campus of St. Peter's Church. We saw the removal of one of our 100+ year old boilers, the removal of an underground oil tank, roof repairs, renovations to 80 Maple Avenue, the repainting of the 1st floor of the Rectory, the replacement and installation of a new high-efficiency gas boiler in the Annex building, the beautiful renovation of our church bathrooms, refinishing of the Guild Room floor, and so much more!

Now in 2017, we will reap the benefits of this planning and hard work. The shape of our buildings is improving and what has been put in place is certain to last for many years to come. However, the work never stops. In 2017, we see the start of a multi-phase interior lighting project which begins with a new lighting control panel that provides not only the safety that we lacked in our current over-loaded panel, but greater control over the actual lights. Worship will be enhanced, power will be conserved, and flexibility to incorporate new technologies is gained. We will also begin to explore a new lighting design that will help to bring light to dark spots and accent some of the most beautiful features of the church.

A new high-efficiency boiler will soon be installed in the church, which will tremendously reduce our heating bills. The worn carpet in the undercroft has been replaced with a durable vinyl flooring. Work continues to repaint and restore the Rectory. The soil surrounding the old oil tank will be remediated of any toxins. New flooring using historic Welsh tile identical to that in the Nave will be installed in the vesting room, and several areas of damaged tile in the church will be replaced. We also will continue to explore options to solve our parking issues.

Your support and care of these wonderful facilities we have is a true testament to the fact that St. Peter's is near and dear to everyone – and will remain that way for years to come.

Jon Tyillian, *Parish Administrator*

THRIFT SHOP AT PETER'S

WITH COLD DAYS AHEAD it's a good time to enjoy the warmth of home and clean out your closets for the New Year. We have just the place for those items you no longer want, while benefiting a great cause!

We're excited to announce the grand opening of The Thrift Shop at St. Peter's in the Annex this Winter! All proceeds will benefit St. Peter's and St. Peter's outreach programs.

You may drop off your donations in the Annex on Sunday, January 8th & Sunday, January 29th following

the 10:15 am service until noon, and on Wednesdays in January 5:30-6:30 pm (before Gourmet Game Night & The Marriage Course), and by appointment on Mondays and Fridays.

We gladly accept clothing, jewelry, furniture, handbags, artwork, accessories, dishes, china, household goods, and vintage collectibles. We are not able to accept bedding, stuffed animals, or broken, torn or dirty items.

To volunteer at the shop, to donate furniture, or to make an appointment to drop-off items please contact Lynn Livingston at 973-216-1458 or cjmlynn@gmail.com

THE AFTERSCHOOL ON SOUTH

THE PROGRAM HAS CONTINUED TO GROW slowly and we currently have 43 students in Pre-K through grade 8. We have offered additional tutoring and have gotten great feedback from the classroom teachers so that we can focus our efforts on specific areas of student need. We hosted a Christmas party on the 22nd and the children were extremely grateful for the gift card and bag of treats graciously donated by Outreach.

We have space for 17 more children! If you know a child that would benefit from our caring, loving, learning community, please contact Dee: dklikier@stpetersmorrystown.org

Come downstairs and check out our new flooring that was installed over the Christmas Break! New year, new look!

Dee Klikier,
Outreach Program Coordinator



Christmas Pizza Party

THANK YOU

FROM OUTREACH, to all who participated in our Christmas giving programs. Gift tags were hung on our giving tree for about 60 children at Youth Consultation Service as well as men and women from Morris View and Spring Hills elder care facilities. We supported the prison ministry at the Morristown jail by collecting tubes of toothpaste to be incorporated into gift bags.



FROM THE ALTAR GUILD to everyone who helped to green the Church for our celebrations of Jesus' birth and to de-green afterwards. We received many compliments this year and wanted everyone to know how much your help was appreciated.



THE ST. PETER'S KNITTING GROUP meets on the second Tuesday evening of each month to knit or crochet together. We are always open to new members of all skill levels, and are happy to assist non-needleworkers to learn a new craft.

We make prayer shawls that are blessed and then donated to members of the congregation who are ill, in mourning, or who just need a warm reminder of God's love to spread on their shoulders or laps. About 12-15 prayer shawls are made each year.

Additionally, we make about 50 caps for the Lauren/Emily Failla Foundation (LEFF) which distributes them in baby bags with other products to high risk infants in the Morristown Medical Center's Neo-natal Intensive Care Unit (NICU). Each year in October, we send 10-15 scarves and hats to the mariners in the Seaman's Church Institute Christmas at Sea program. These warm outer garments go to mariners who come into the port of NYC and brave the cold on ships as part of the national Seaman's Church Christmas project.

If anyone would like to donate yarn, we use three to four matching skeins of Simply Soft brand or three skeins of Lions Brand Homespun to knit each shawl. The baby caps and chemo caps require only one skein of very soft, washable, baby acrylic such as Bernat Softee Baby yarn, and the Mariner's scarves, likewise, take a single skein of warm but washable yarn in masculine colors.

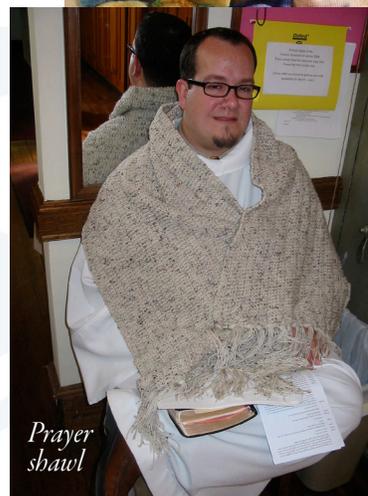
If anyone would like to knit, but can't join us on Tuesday evenings, we would be happy to accept independently knit items. Please contact Newly Preziosi at 973-543-4721 or newillwest@aol.com for a pattern, or to find out the location of our next group meeting.



Left to right: Carol Franklin, Nadine Sutcliffe, Jennifer Dyer



Above: Caps distributed to Morristown Medical Center's Neo-natal Intensive Care Unit (NICU)



THE KEYS SUBMISSION DEADLINES

The Keys is published bi-monthly on the first of the following months: , January, March, May, November. Kindly submit your text and graphics by the 15th of the month prior to the publication date. (For example, February 15, 2017 is the hard deadline for submission for the March/April 2017 *Keys*.)

INREACH LUNCHEON & LECTURE SERIES

EVERY MONTH THROUGH APRIL following the Thursday 12:10 pm service, the Inreach Committee sponsors a covered dish luncheon in the Parish Hall. Following the luncheon, a speaker presents a talk on a topic of interest to all of us. Listed below is a schedule of the remaining luncheons. All are invited. Please sign up on the bulletin board in the Parish Hall and indicated what you will bring: a main dish, salad, or desserts. You may also call Verna Farmer 973-538-5441 or Ruth Nicholson 973-8983759 to register. There is a modest fee of \$2.00 to cover the cost of paper goods and beverages.

JANUARY 19TH

Speaker: Rev'd Susanna Cates will share her Journey in Faith.

FEBRUARY 16TH

Speaker: Eva Jedruch, speaks of the role of women in Europe during WWII. Footsteps in the Sand tell about her mother, Zofia Hoffman, a lawyer and her experiences during and after WWI.

MARCH 16TH

Speaker: Richard Olsen will tell us about The Importance of Bees and their impact on food production.

APRIL 20TH

Park Ranger Eric Olsen discusses the American Revolution in New Jersey, and our involvement during the years our American army was encamped at Jockey Hollow.

ST. PETER'S WEEKLY EVENTS

WORSHIP

HOLY COMMUNION – Sunday

8:00 am & 10:15 am

2:00 pm Morris View Health Center

(3rd Sunday of the month)

5:00 pm Recovery Mass in the Guild Room

(3rd Sunday of the month)

HOLY COMMUNION – Thursday – 12:10 pm

Evensong – Wednesday – 6:00 pm

ADULT EDUCATION

Adult Forum – Sunday – 9:00 am

The Marriage Course – Wednesday – 6:30 pm

BIBLE STUDY, MEDITATION & PRAYER

Women's Bible Study – Monday – 10:00 am

Men's Bible Study – Saturday – 9:00 am

Meditation with Justyn Comer – Wednesday – 7:30pm

Centering Prayer – Monday – 7:30 pm

CHILDREN & YOUTH

Sunday School 10:00 am & 11:30 am

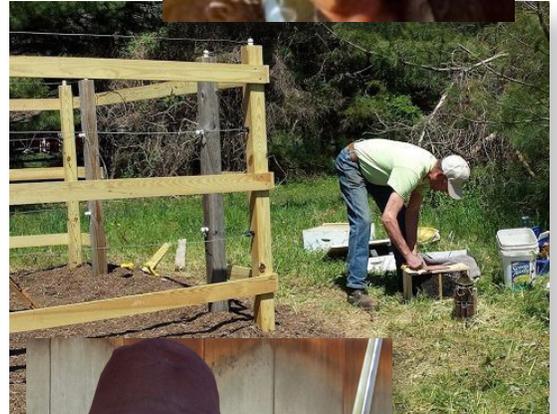
Youth Group – Sunday – 5:00 pm

THE CHOIRS OF ST. PETER'S

Adult Choir Rehearsal – Thursday – 7:00 pm

Boys' & Girls' Choirs –

Tuesday through Friday – 4:30 pm





*Above: Altar Guild members, Phyllis Mitchell, and Jennifer Dyer polishing the silver for Christmas
Below: Annual Christmas Cookie Exchange*



*ABOVE: St. Nicholas pays a visit to the Sunday School children
RIGHT: Greening of the church helpers*



FELLOWSHIP

- Coffee Hour – Sunday – 11:30 am
- Wednesday Dinners – 6:45 pm
- Bridge for Beginners and Beyond – Friday – 10:00 am
- Piano Bar – Friday – 9:00 pm (first Friday of the month)

OUTREACH

- The Afterschool on South –
Monday through Friday – 2:30pm
- MAP (Morris Afterchool Program) –
Monday – 3:00 pm
- North Porch – Thursday – 9:00 am
- Free Farmer's Market – Wednesday – 4:00 pm
- Soup Kitchen – Saturday – 9:30 am

ANNUAL PARISH MEETING
FEBRUARY 12TH, 2017



THE MARRIAGE COURSE
JANUARY 18TH, 2017



VESTRY "FUN NIGHT"
FUND-RAISER APRIL 29TH, 2017



PARISH RETREAT
MAY 5TH–7TH, 2017

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SUNDAY WORSHIP

8:00 am Holy Communion

9:00 am Adult Education

10:15 am Holy Communion with Choir

10:00 & 11:30 am Sunday School

11:30 am Fellowship Coffee Hour

WEDNESDAY WORSHIP

6:00 pm Evensong

THURSDAY WORSHIP

12:10 pm Holy Communion

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