

St. Peter's Episcopal Church

Please join us for online and in person worship for the

The Fourth Sunday of Easter
The Rev. Shawn Rutledge Presiding
4-21-2024

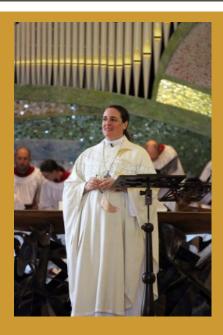
8:00am - Rite 1 no music, 10:00am - contemporary with music (The liturgical color this week is white)

Go to: http://www.stpetersepiscopalcg.org/ to be directed to St. Peter's webpage for access to bulletins, Prayer Request forms and online worship videos

Bulletins are provided at the service in 14pt. font. If you need larger font, you may print out a bulletin from home by going to the website (quick link button below) and scrolling down to below the picture where it says "Sunday Service Bulletin" on the left.

Brief Announcements

- Christian Education classes will start up again this week, April 21st.
- Painting is done! Come see the new look of the church. The entire outside was painted.



2024 Bishop's Appeal

Dear Friends,
Easter greetings to you all!
I can share some wonderful
news! This year's Bishop's Appeal
has been blessed by an anonymous
donor who has issued a challenge to
the members of the diocese. Every
gift made to this important campaign
will be matched dollar-for-dollar up to
\$10.000!

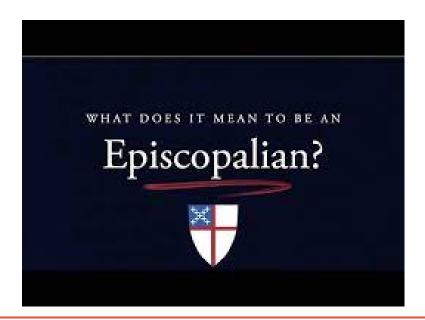
We hope to reach the \$10,000 goal by booking 100 gifts this year of \$100 or more. We hope you might be one of those leadership givers. Proceeds from the Bishop's Appeal this year will provide much-needed support for several diocesan ministries, including rural missions, our vital campus ministries, seminarian scholarships, and urban congregations worshiping in Spanish and Dinka.

Will you consider becoming one of our "100 for \$100" givers? And even if you are not able to give at that level this year, every donation will help us toward our goal of meeting the \$10,000 challenge!

Thank you in advance for your generosity to the 2024 Bishop's Appeal.

In Christ, +Jennifer

Donate Here



Christian Education

Spring 2024 What Does it Mean to be an Episcopalian?

As we move into Lent, it's time to prepare anyone who is interested in being Baptized, Confirmed, or Received into the church. At the same time, I'd like to help folks who are already confirmed/received members of the church come to a deeper understanding of exactly what it means to be an Episcopalian. My goal is to explore questions that even cradle Episcopalians may have about what we do and why we do it. If you attended last year's class, this one will be different.

Next Class: **April 21st**, 2024 - Starting approx. 15 minutes after the 10am service, in Fr. Shawn's office.

SCAM ALERT!

Always check before you reply

Many of you received yet another scam email last week on Friday, April 12th. This scam email was a little smarter than some of the previous ones, as they sent it just before 5pm on Friday afternoon, claiming that the Vicar was 'out of the office', and coincidentally that was exactly when the Vicar was starting his vacation. This small bit of 'credibility' was surely one reason that many folks initially believed the email to be



genuine.

As a reminder, whenever you receive an email claiming to be from the staff here at church, you should first look at the email it is coming from. This last one came from: "Rev Shawn Rutledge

<revshawnrutledge@gmail.com>"
which is not an email associated w/the Vicar.
If you look at the bulletins, or 3 Peter you
can see that the Vicar's work email is "Fr.
Shawn Rutledge

<shawn.rutledge@stpetersepiscopalcg.org>". Any email communication should be coming from either that email address, or through Constant Contact like this newsletter does.

Secondly, check to see if the email makes sense. If it seems suspicious please immediately reach out to the Vicar by phone call or text. The Vicar will immediately be able to verify whether he just reached out to you or not.

Thirdly, are there lots of grammatical errors, or does it seem as if the email was written by someone who doesn't speak English as a first language? These are vital clues that it is most likely a scam email.

And finally, please remember that no one on church staff will ever ask you for gift cards. This goes for the parish and also for the diocese. Sometimes these scams appear to come from the Bishop or the Diocesan office.

Bottom line, always ask if you're unsure. Be safe!

Outreach Ministry

The local school district nurses are looking for the following items to be donated:

- Peanut Butter & Jelly in plastic containers (no huge jars, these have to be carried by small children in backpacks)
- Fruit Snacks
- soft granola bars

All donation items can be placed in the narthex in the basket marked 'Outreach'.

As with any ministry in the church, if you feel God calling you to become more active in the Outreach Ministry you can talk to **Karen Perkinson** at 520-518-5647, stop by the monthly meeting **Tuesday**, **May 7**, **at 10am**, or talk to the Vicar to help you explore that call more fully.

ECW Crafting Group (Closed until Further Notice)



The ECW (Episcopal Church Women)
Crafting Group are going on hiatus. Please
direct any questions to Susanne Lieber
littleyankee@gmail.com.



Prayer Shawl Ministry

The Prayer Shawl Ministry meets once a month on the 3rd Saturday of the month. Folks get together to share the projects they're working on, get inspiration, and just visit with friends:)

You don't need to be a knitter or crocheter to join the prayer shawl ministry! The group has also become involved in the creation of plarn mats for the unhomed. As such, they need folks who are willing to wield a pair of scissors and cut up plastic bags into 'plarn' (plastic yarn), and folks to string those cut up loops of plastic onto carboard tubes so that they can be used to knit and crochet the plarn mats.

The next meeting will be at the next **PLARN** event, **Saturday**, **April 20th from 10am-12 noon** at the Morman church located at 2841 N Trekell Rd, Casa Grande (Kitty-corner to Union High School, at McCartney and Trekkel).

Hope to see you there!! In the meantime any PLARN mats can be brought to CG Helps 350 E 6th Street Casa Grande. If you need plastic for PLARN or have PLARN made and you need to get it to someone who crochets let Kari know.

If you have questions, or you'd like to RSVP you can email: casagrandeplarn@gmail.com



St. Peter's Episcopal Church Daughter's of the King

The Kenosis Chapter VIII

The next meeting of the Daughter's of the King: Thursday, April18, 2024 @10:30am in Burton Hall! or on Zoom.

Note: Meetings are the Third Thursday of each Month!

As Daughters we pledged ourselves to a life-long program of prayer, service, and evangelism, the spread of Christ's kingdom in the world. Serving God is an exciting, incredible journey. It is a journey in word and deed. The light of Christ has come into the world and it is reflected to the world through you and me. Let your light shine!

If you have any questions in regard to: The Order of The Daughter's of the King!

Please come to any of our meetings.

or

Please Contact Maryan Gosselin in the Church Office TWF 8:30am to 2:15pm 520-836-7693 or Maryan @978-407-0798

Have we missed seeing the things God is doing now in our lives and in our world? Jesus invites us to live with joy, constantly alert for signs of God's grace around and within us. God is present and at work. Grace and salvation are here and are available to us in abundance.

There is cause for authentic celebration!

Br. David Vryhof, SSJE

Submitted by: Judy Cahall, Member of "The Daughter's of the King".

We give thanks to You through service to Him who brings the fullness of life to all believers, in His Name and For His Sake, our King and Savior, Jesus Christ. **Amen**.

If you would like The Order of the Daughters of the King to pray for you or someone else in need of prayers.

please email:

DOKPrayerRequest@stpetersepiscopalcg.org

Please note:

We have the Spring Assembly coming up on April 13, 2024, Sun City, AZ

Evangelism and Service:

\$ 200.00 was Pledged to Outreach: went to Sleeping bags and assorted essentials needed for the those persons in need.



https://apps.apple.com/us/app/forward-day-by-day/id561455965

Forward Day by Day Daily Prayers!! Download to Phone!

Any Questions ask Maryan Gosselin

Altar Guild

Please contact Debbie Slaybaugh, our head of Altar Guild, or the Vicar if you feel called so to serve. You can reach Debbie at <a href="mailto:debbis



shawn.rutledge@stpetersepiscopalcg.org

Instant Church Directory

You are able at any time to update your information in the 'Instant Church Directory' or look up anyone else's info!

https://www.instantchurchdirectory.com/members/dashboard

If you have problems using the directory, please do not he sitate to call or stop by the Church Office, and Maryan, our Church Administrator, can give you a hand on Tuesday, Wednesday or Friday between the hours of 9:00am and 2:15pm

Office Hours

The office will be open this week from Tuesday thru Friday.

The Vicar will be in the office from 8am-4pm. You can reach him by email at shawn.rutledge@stpetersepiscopalcg.org, or by phone at 602-688-2273.

Maryan will be in the office from 8:30am-2:30pm Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday. You can reach her at maryan.gosselin@stpetersepiscopalcg.org or by calling the church directly at 520-836-7693.

For **Pastoral Care and Counseling**, please call the Pastoral Care Line: 520-483-4288

I may not see your call right away between the hours of 10pm and 7am, but otherwise I'll try and return your call or text within a few hours.





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