



CROSSTOWN

February 2019

At the foot of the cross in downtown St. Petersburg



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Strategic Plan Invites You to ‘Engage More Fully’ In Life of Cathedral

A three-year strategic plan for the Cathedral was unveiled at the Annual Meeting on

January 27, emphasizing “four areas where we will focus our energies,” Dean Morris said.

Those areas are **children/youth and family ministries; our role as a cathedral; stewardship; and communications.**

“As you look through the plan, I encourage you to find a place in it where you feel a call to participate and engage more fully in the life of this great church,” Dean Morris said.

The plan’s Mission and Vision Statement is this: “Extend excellence in worship; grow and sus-

tain vibrant ministries; develop excellent programs and programming; lead through stewardship, evangelism, formation, outreach, and community engagement. Expand vibrant ministries in downtown St. Petersburg, Pinellas County, and the Diocese of Southwest Florida.”

Leaders of the four areas of focus spoke briefly to the plan.

On **children and family ministries**, children’s minister Hillary Peete told the audience, “We want this to be not just a place to drop in and drop out. We want St. Peter’s to be a place where we are known, where our children are known, where we are known as a family, and where we come to build authentic relationships. This is not about throwing out random programs; it’s about building relationships.”

Stewardship chair Ray McColgan said the



Dean Morris introduces the Strategic Plan: "A product of input from the congregation and the work of this and the previous chapter." Photo by HILL-ARY PEETE

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goal is to build **a culture of stewardship, 24/7**. “The pledge drive is in October and November, but stewardship of time and talent goes on all year.” In 2018 we focused on



Four new leaders join your Chapter. Left to right: Herb Polson, Kerry Carlisle, Lucas Fleming, and Karen Torrissi. Photo by JUDY STARK

stewardship of time; “this year we will be looking at talent.”

He also announced an emphasis on planned legacy giving, i.e., “remembering the Cathedral in your will, building our endowment, guaranteeing our future.” St. Peter’s is one of five parishes nationwide participating in a pilot program to encourage legacy giving, “and you will hear much more about this from us as the year goes by.”

On being the Cathedral, Dean Morris noted that we have an excellent reputation for the quality of our worship and music. There is more we can do to be a resource for the entire diocese. We are gaining prominence in the wider church, notably by hosting the North American Deans Conference in May.

As for **communication and messaging**, we are

working now to emphasize the Narthex as the “welcome center” where people are welcomed and invited; and Harvard Hall as the “fellowship center,” where we dig deeper into the life of the community.

Dean Morris pointed to the crucifix on the corner of Fourth Street and Second Avenue N. It is unusual for an Episcopal church to have a crucifix as its public identity; that is largely a Roman Catholic practice. A look back in history tells us that the dean at the time the crucifix was installed wanted to emphasize our ties to Roman Catholicism and our links to that tradition more than to Protestantism. “It may be time to rethink that: What we communicate about what it means to be Episcopalian, what message



Ray McColgan is our new senior warden.

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we are sending to people as they pass by on Fourth Street.”

Treasurer Tim Lanz presented highlights of the budget approved by the chapter, which show total projected income for 2019 of \$1,260,252. We have done a good job of controlling expenses. We have hired a CPA firm to handle our day-to-day financials and recommend ways to invest our increasing cash income.

The challenge: increase income — particularly through pledges and contributions — to cover the gap when the revenue stream from the Peterborough windfall ends in 2020.

Dean Morris thanked staff, the choir, the clergy, and volunteers, particularly those who staff the front desk, “the face of the Cathedral.” He presented gifts to chapter members ending their terms — Lucas Fleming (ending a one-year term created by a resignation, and therefore eligible to run for a full three-year term), Elizabeth Hasbrouck, David Hill and San-

dy Powers — and thanked those whose terms continue: Dianne Casorio, Susan Churuti, Ray McColgan, Samantha Nevins, Shar Nudelman, Gary Patterson, and Tim Staney. He offered his appreciation to Susan as she ends two years as the senior warden and welcomed Ray as the new senior warden.

By acclamation the congregation elected four new members of the chapter: Kerry Carlisle, Lucas Fleming, Herb Polson, and Karen Torrisi.

To learn more

* The full Strategic Plan is available at <http://www.spcathedral.org/strategic-plan> If you'd like a printed copy, please call the front desk: (727) 822-4173

* That's also where you'll find a link to the video shown at the Annual Meeting about life at the Cathedral.

Author of 'Inwardly Digest' Will Speak

Dr. Derek Olsen, author of *Inwardly Digest* — the subject of Canon Thomas Williams's popular class last fall — will speak from 9 a.m. to noon Saturday, March 2, at St. Thomas' Episcopal Church, 1200 Snell Isle Blvd.

Dr. Olsen will speak not only about material covered in *Inwardly Digest*, but also about his work on the Psalms. There will be an opportunity for questions and answers, and he'll be available to autograph his book.

In *Inwardly Digest*, he “explores liturgical spirituality and how the prayer book serves as a repository of Christian wisdom and spiritual practice stretching back to the beginnings of the Christian movement.” Focusing on three key elements — the Calendar, the Daily Office, and the Eucharist — he discusses the spiritual principles behind them and provides clear, practical, easy-to-follow explanations of the service.

There is a \$10 charge for the Saturday event. Call to RSVP at (727) 896-9641.

Dr. Olsen will also preach at the 10 a.m. service at St. Thomas' on Sunday, March 3.

New Organ Console is On the Way; Piano and Voices Will Sub in February

Dwight Thomas, Music Director

Several months ago we announced that we'd be installing a new organ console. That work began the last week of January.

Our consultant, Bob Rusczyk, has been working since November on preliminary wiring in the church and on doing as much work as possible in advance so that he can connect things to the new console quickly once it's in position. A big part of the work will involve removing the old console and installing (safely) the new console and lowering it into its "hole" (once again, safely).

Once that is completed, numerous electrical and software tests have to be completed and tweaked to get the new console to communicate with our existing pipe organ.

While we are without an organ in February, our Sunday morning music will be provided by the piano and our staff singers (as

we did three years ago when the organ was being renovated and the cathedral interior was being painted).

Our hope — cross your fingers, no promises — is to have at least part of the instrument functioning on Sunday, March 3, along with the full Cathedral choir. That day is the Last Sunday after the Epiphany, which is typically a major festive service with great music before we begin our subdued Lenten observance on Ash Wednesday.

On January 27, the last Sunday morning with the old console, our former organist and choirmaster, Roberta Poellein, played the Concluding Hymn and the Postlude. Roberta was responsible for acquiring that console more than 20 years ago, and it is fitting that she was the one to play it out for its final Sunday morning.



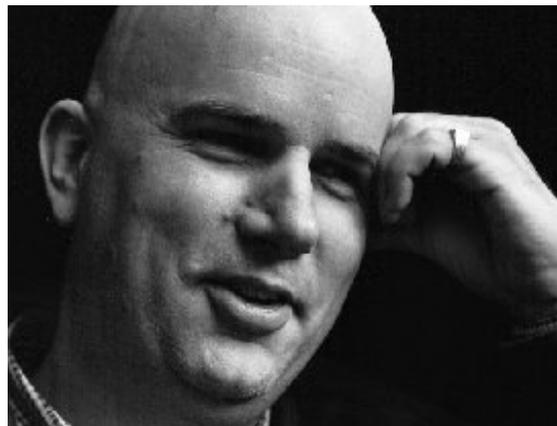
This is our new organ console under construction at Organ Supply Industries in Erie, PA. Photo by BOB RUSCZYK

February Evensong's Treat: Bermudan Composer's 'Truro Suite'

Our service of Choral Evensong at 5 p.m. on Sunday, February 24 — the Feast of St. Matthias the Apostle — will feature the “Truro Service” of Gabriel Jackson.

Jackson, born in Bermuda in 1962, is one of Britain's foremost and most celebrated composers.

His music is regularly performed, recorded, and broadcast throughout Europe and the United States, and has recently been heard as far afield as



Kiev, Kuwait, Taipei, and Ho Chi Minh City.

Particularly acclaimed for his choral works, his liturgical pieces are in the repertoires of most of Britain's cathedral and collegiate choirs, and he is a frequent collaborator with the leading professional groups of the world.

You can hear the Magnificat and Nunc Dimittis, as performed by the choir of St. Mary's Cathedral, Edinburgh, here: <https://tinyurl.com/ydayrw2c>

An organ prelude at 4:45 will be performed by Marco Jimenez, a student of Cathedral organist Dwight Thomas.

The Cathedral Chamber Choir will perform. Dwight Thomas is music director and organist. A freewill offering will be taken, and a reception follows.



St. Matthias was the apostle elected to replace Judas among the Twelve.

FOYER GROUPS

continue to meet at 5:45 p.m. on the third Thursday of the month in Harvard Hall for a good meal (\$5) and friendly fellowship. If you wish to join, please fill out the form available on the table in Harvard Hall. Our agenda is fun, food, and fellowship. No study required! Marion Fleming is eager to welcome you: mimideeda@gmail.com.

Video Premiere Helps Us Explore the Eucharist

Canon Katie Churchwell

All are invited to **Wholehearted Worship** on Saturday, February 23, a day featuring the work of Dr. Brené Brown and premiering the *How2charist: Digital Instructed Eucharist* video.

The Rev. Callie E. Swanlund, creator of the *How2charist* and a certified Daring Way facilitator, will guide us through a day of nourishing

our hearts and engaging our senses in the rich beauty of Episcopal worship.

How2charist is a film that deepens our experience of the liturgy and invites others into the Episcopal Church. The Daring Way follows the work of Dr. Brené Brown on vulnerability and courage.



The Rev. Callie Swanlund

Callie will combine these to help us reflect on who we are called to be as beloved children created in the image of God, and how that affects our engagement in the Eucharist and other elements of Episcopal life.

The day includes lunch and Eucharist. This event is strongly recommended for anyone seeking confirmation this spring, as well as everyone who wants to know more about the Episcopal Church and why we do what we do.

Wholehearted Worship

Program: 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, February 23

Doors open: at 9 a.m. for coffee and conversation; lunch provided

Who should attend? Anyone seeking confirmation; everyone interested in a deeper understanding of Episcopal worship and a life lived fully as God's beloved.

Cost: \$15 a person. You can register online at spcathedral.org/wholehearted, or watch for sign-up sheets and pay in advance. Walk-ins welcome, but lunch may not be available.

Plan for Pancakes on March 5

Our annual Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper starts at 5:30 p.m. Tuesday, March 5. Come for pancakes, sausage, bacon, and king cake. It's \$3/person, \$5/family. No registration or signup needed; just come and enjoy. We'll have crafts and a pancake race for the kids.

Shrove Tuesday — also known as Mardi Gras — is the day before Ash Wednesday, the first day of Lent. In bygone days it was the custom to use up all the tasty goodies in the pantry before the penitential season of Lent. In some parts of the world the days leading up to Lent are known as Carnevale, which literally means "Goodbye to meat!"

We'll have more about Lent next month. For now, mark your calendars and come get your festive on.

More Than a Day of Service, a Chance For Kids to Build Relationships

Hillary Peete, Children's Minister

The first annual Martin Luther King Jr. Day of Service on January 21 was a success. More than 50 people turned out from the Cathedral. Among them were about 15 kids who participated in celebrating the life and legacy of Dr. King and spreading the love of Christ throughout St. Petersburg. Fred Noah, Natalie, Amelia, Milo, Joel, Adam and a few other kids from the community cleaned up and decorated the teachers' lounge at Campbell Park Elementary. Felix, Addison, and Crawford drew notes of encouragement and made sure that all the toy props in the craft closet were in working order, with the help of DeDe Sheetz and Jannie Hume.



Eden and Esther spiffed up the Children's Chapel, alongside Sandy Powers, and created incredibly creative cards for Campbell Park teachers with Mary Howe. Maggie, Abigail, and their mother, Sarah, washed every toy in the nursery, wiped down every surface, and organized the shelves. Kerry Carlisle and Conner worked magic in straightening up the youth room (Conner is a whiz with the



Maggie and Abigail washed the toys; Addison and Felix worked with Jannie Hume to write notes to Campbell Park teachers. Photos by HILLARY PEETE

label maker!). Whew! What a morning!

Aside from the astounding amount of work we accomplished, what made a greater impression on me were the relationships that were formed between the kids and those they served alongside. I believe this serves as an important foundation for how our children come to understand “mission” and “service.”

We all want our children to grow up believing in the importance of these ideals — not only because they make us better citizens, but because they are a vital part of our Christian identity. When our service



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Kids Serving Community

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work and mission projects are rooted in building authentic relationships with those around us, it becomes less about what “I” do for “others,” and more about making God’s Kingdom a bit more of a reality here on earth.

The tasks that kids and adults completed during our MLK Day of Service were nothing monumental, but the kids felt that they had talents to offer and that they were a valued part of the group. I’m pretty sure that Eden, Esther, and Mary will feel a greater connection when they see each other on Sunday mornings.

The Burnsed family will pray for the teachers at Campbell Park, and the teachers will see the tangible results of love from their Cathedral family. These are just a few examples of how service rooted in relationship continues to grow and grow.

What might this look like for your family, in your community?

- * Write a note of encouragement

or draw a picture for a Campbell Park Elementary teacher (you can definitely do this for someone in your own child’s school, too)

- * Make holiday cards (Valentine’s is coming up!) for our friends in the Peterborough Apartments

- * Take baked goods to a neighbor you know doesn’t have much company

- * Pick up a prayer list from church and pray daily for a name on the list

- * Surprise someone with a random act of kindness.

Since the first MLK Day of Service was such a success, it’s likely we’ll have one next year. But between now and then, look for ways to build relationships and serve those around you, even in the smallest ways. My hope is that our children believe that “service” is more than just a single project completed in a day and instead view serving others as a way of living the way Christ taught us to live.

Remembering Dr. King with Acts of Service for Others

Canon Katie Churchwell

Joining with others across the country, the Cathedral set its heart and hands into service to others on Martin Luther King Jr. Day, putting our faith into action as we engaged in service projects throughout downtown St. Petersburg.

We gathered at 10 a.m. on January 21 at the Cathedral, where the Rev. Paige Hanks led more than 50 cathedral and community members in a stirring service, using the prayers and scripture readings that commemorate the life of Dr. King and his legacy of respecting the dignity of all human beings through acts of justice and love.



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Serving in honor of MLK

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Remembering Dr. King's words — "Life's most persistent and urgent question is, What are you doing for others?" — participants broke into three groups to spread the love of Christ to Campbell Park Elementary

School, Peterborough Apartments, and the Cathedral nursery.

* At Peterborough, armed with Swiffer mops and dustcloths, cleaning spray, paper towels, and a vacuum, volunteers cleaned and vacuumed residents' apartments.

* At Campbell Park we cleaned and decorated the teachers' lounge.

* Our nursery underwent a deep sanitizing, ensuring the health of the cherubs who call the nursery home on Sunday mornings, while other volunteers wrote encouraging notes and assembled care packages for the

teachers at Campbell Park.

By 1 p.m., all that remained at these three locations were strengthened relationships, the shared love of Christ, a slight scent of cleaning products, and the lingering question of, "When will we do this again?"

At Campbell Park, we cleaned and redecorated the teachers' lounge (p. 9) and posted signs and notes of encouragement and thanks (left). Photos by KATIE CHURCHWELL.

At Peterborough, the cleaning team dusted, mopped, vacuumed and wiped down residents' apartments. Among the participants (clockwise from top left): Rich Rome, the vacuum-meister; Al Phillips and Karen Torrisi on Swiffer duty; Meg Banitch on kitchen cleanup; and Ellen Alexander, dusting. Photos by JUDY STARK.



Lincoln for the Defense: Book Club's February Choice

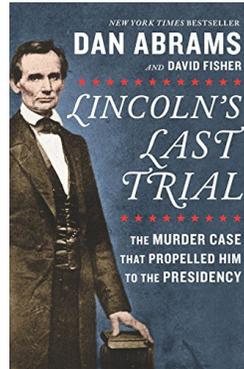
Abraham Lincoln was born on February 12, 1809, so it's appropriate that St. Peter's Book Club has chosen a Lincoln-related title for its gathering on February 26: ***Lincoln's Last Trial: The Murder Case That Propelled Him to the Presidency***, by ABC News chief legal analyst Dan Abrams and veteran collaborator David Fisher.

The book is based on a detailed transcript of the 1859 trial, discovered in 1989 in a garage that once belonged to the defendant's great-grandson.

The authors give readers a moment-by-moment account of the murder trial, which featured a well-liked young victim, a claim of self-defense, a deathbed admission, and Abraham Lincoln for the defense in his last trial before he sought the presidency in 1860.

In a review, *Publisher's Weekly* magazine commented: "Lincoln enthusiasts will find the illumination of his preternatural legal skills a worthy subject; casual readers will find the centerpiece murder trial an engrossing legal thriller."

The Book Club meets at 6:30 p.m. in the Chapter Room. Come whether you've read the book or not! Shar Nudelman will lead the discussion.



Please Fence Us In

A fence has been installed to block the view of air-conditioning units in the Memorial Garden. It stretches between the two sections of the columbarium on the south side of the Cathedral just outside the garden entrance to St. Mary's Chapel.

An Athlete and So Much More: Hear the Arthur Ashe Story on February 12

When Ray Arsenault appears at our February book talk to discuss his new biography, *Arthur Ashe: A Life*, here are some questions you might want to ask him:

* How did he manage to cut 300 pages out of the manuscript?

* Arsenault is a tennis player himself, and tennis is a game that requires speed, strength, strategy, and perseverance. How did those skills play out in Ashe's life both on and off the court?

Arsenault is the John Hope Franklin Professor of Southern History at the University of South Florida, St. Petersburg, and the author of many books about Florida and the South, including *St. Petersburg and the Florida Dream*, *Freedom Riders*, and *The Sound of Freedom: Marian Anderson, the Lincoln Memorial, and the Concert That Awakened America*.



Ray Arsenault

"Ashe has an amazing story, and there really is nobody else like him in the history of sports for what he was able to accomplish and the personal code of ethics he lived by," Arsenault said. "During my interviews with those who knew him, almost to a person they would say that he was the most inspiring person they met in their lifetime. Several of them broke down crying during our conversations."

Ashe was an outstanding athlete — the first African-American man to win a major tennis title, he became one of the world's most successful tennis stars, winning the Australian Open in 1970 and Wimbledon in 1975. He was inducted into the International Tennis Hall of Fame in 1985. The main stadium of the U.S. Open tennis tournament in Queens, NY, and the largest tennis stadium in the world is named for Ashe.

He went on to become a human-rights activist, philanthropist, and writer. He op-



February Book Talk

Speaker: Ray Arsenault, on his book, *Arthur Ashe: A Life*

When: Noon-1 p.m.
Tuesday, February 12

Where: Harvard Hall

Lunch available (\$5), or feel free to bring your own

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posed apartheid in South Africa and campaigned for black political power, high educational standard for college athletes, criminal justice reform, gender equity, and AIDS awareness.

Ashe died at the age of 49, having contracted HIV from a blood transfusion to treat a heart condition. “By the end of his life he had become, along with Muhammad Ali, the prime example of an athlete who transcended the world of sports,” Arsenault wrote in an op-ed in the *New York Times* last summer.

“In October 2016 President Barack Obama identified Ali and Ashe as the sports figures he admired above all others. While noting the sharp contrast in their personalities, he argued that both men were highly effective, “transformational” activists who pushed the nation down the same path to freedom and democracy.

Ashe “comes the closest to being an exemplary role model,” Arsenault says, paving the way for the athletes of today to speak their mind on public issues and fight for causes.



Gather 'Round the Youth Table For Latest News of Our Activities

Alicia Schmid, Youth Minister

Please swing by the new Youth Table in Harvard Hall during coffee hour. We will have general youth group info, opportunities to sign up for various Cathedral and diocesan events, and random raffles for gift cards or other goodies.

February might be the shortest month of the year, but we have several events on our youth calendar that you definitely won't want to miss. Please add them to your calendar so we can see you more in 2019 for faith, fun, food, and fellowship:

Sunday, February 3: We will join in festivities during a special **Super Bowl Sunday coffee hour**. Wear your team jersey! Visit the Youth Table for more info about our Super Bowl Raffle. Middle and high school students must be present to win.

Sunday, February 10: Join us after coffee hour to help tie-dye T-shirts for our **Cathedral Youth Spring Fundraiser**. No experience or craft skills needed.

Saturday, February 16: Any children's and/or youth ministry leaders are invited to attend **Christian Formation and Youth Ministry Day** at Church of the Redeemer in Sarasota from 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m.

March 1-3: New Beginnings #65 middle school weekend event at Day-Spring, our diocesan camp and conference center in Parrish.

March 5: Shrove Tuesday. Youth will help serve and host this event and there will be children's activities available (crafts and a pancake race). Please sign up to help — we need youth and adults!

Trivia Night Returns!

Back by popular demand: Pizza and Trivia Mix-Up Night!

Start your Valentine celebration at 6 p.m. Saturday, February 9. We'll have a variety of pizza and toppings and some Valentine treats. Gluten-free? We've got you covered. We'll serve wine as well as non-alcoholic beverages, so this event is open only to those 21 and older, please.

Our professional trivia emcee, Lee, will host the game, so sharpen your wits, unpack all those useless facts rattling around in your brain, and get ready to have some fun.

We'll be selling tickets (\$10) on Sunday, February 3, in Harvard Hall at coffee hour, or on our website, <http://www.spcathedral.org>, in the Events section. Speak to organizer Shar Nudelman (marvshar1@msn.com) if you have questions about the event or would like to reserve a ticket.



Help Fight Hunger by Joining the CROP Walk

Get in step by signing up for this year's Pinellas County CROP Hunger Walk on Sunday, March 24.

CROP (Communities Responding to Overcome Poverty) — a division of Church/World SERV — is committed to ending hunger here and abroad with programs that aid international development and help the most vulnerable in our own communities.

A quarter of the funds raised by CROP walkers in Pinellas County will be divided between the St. Petersburg Free Clinic and Daystar, which offers a wide variety of social services to those in need (daystarlife.com).

During March we'll collect non-perishable food items at the Cathedral and on the day of the event they will go to the Free Clinic for its food bank operation.

The walk begins at 2 p.m. on March 24 with registration at 1 p.m. at Gulfport Presbyterian Church, 5313 27th Ave. S. You can sign up to walk or to sponsor the Cathedral team at the coffee hours in Harvard Hall every Sunday from now until the day of the walk.

Walkers have a choice of two distances

— one mile and just under three miles. All ages are welcome to join in. There are activities for children at the beginning of the walk. Dogs are welcome.

So make the CROP Walk a part of your Lenten discipline this year. Come out to enjoy our beautiful Florida winter weather and share your blessings with those in greatest need.

To learn more about the international development and emergency work of CWS at home and abroad go to www.cwsglobal.org.



Do you still have
PALM CROSSES
OR PALM FRONDS
from last Palm Sun-
day? The Altar Guild
will be collecting them
later this month. We
burn these palms to



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What Are You Looking For? Let a Bible Study Class Enrich Your Faith

We offer a number of opportunities for Bible study and personal spiritual growth. One of these may be just what you're looking for:

* **Men's Bible Study:** From 7:30 to 8:30 a.m.

Thursdays. All men are welcome to this class, which is currently studying the Gospel of Luke. You'll get an e-mail each week reminding you what we will be discussing. We close with prayer. On the second Thursday of the month, those who are able go out to breakfast together. Please speak to Frank Casorio if you'd like to know more (leprof46@hotmail.com).

* **Gospel Reflections:**

From 8 to 9 a.m. Tuesday, this class looks at the scripture readings for the coming Sunday. We focus on the Gospel. No homework or preparation necessary. We close with prayer. More information: judy Stark@yahoo.com.

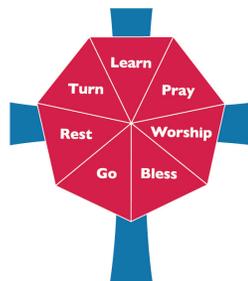
* **The Way of Love:**

This class, inspired by

Presiding Bishop Michael Curry, continues from 9 to 10 a.m. Sundays through February 24. Bishop Curry asks, "How can we, together, grow more deeply with Jesus Christ as the center of our lives, so we can bear witness to his way of love in and for the world?"

The class, led by Gabriele Stauf, offers reflection, discernment, and commitment around the practices of Turn / Learn / Pray / Worship / Bless / Go / Rest. Develop "practices for Jesus-centered life" that turn away from sin, hatred, and fear and toward the way of truth, hope, and justice. More at episcopal-church.org/way-love-reflections, or gabrielestauf@gmail.com.

* **The Good Book Club:** Join thousands of your fellow Episcopalians in reading Paul's Letter to the Romans, a few verses a day, through Shrove Tuesday (March 5). We have reading lists on the table in Harvard Hall, or here: goodbookclub.org, where you'll find additional materials: videos, podcasts, a downloadable booklet with meditations and questions, an introduction to "Romans 101."



THE WAY OF LOVE
Practices for Jesus-Centered Life

We'll Dance Our Way Through the History Of Dance in Movie Musicals

Our six-part lecture series, "A Brief, Lively History of Dance in Musical Film," continues this month and next.

The series looks at the development of dance in the musical film industry. The focus is on the intersections of dance with film technology, the rise and fall of studio industry, the director generations, and those dancers and choreographers who brought dance musicals to the screen.

We'll meet in Harvard Hall at 2 p.m. to view video clips on the big screen. Each session lasts about 90 minutes.

The first two sessions dealt with the beginnings of musical films and the Fred Astaire legacy. Here's the lineup for the remaining installments:

February 14: Part 3, Gene Kelly: The Creative Giant of Film.

February 28: Part 4, the 1940s-60s: The Golden Era of Musicals. Choreographers and dancers: Marge and Gower Champion, Bob Fosse, Debbie Reynolds, Nick Castle, Robert Alton, Ann Miller.

March 7: Part 5, the 1970s-80s: Blame It on Elvis. The death of the mega-musical and the return of Broadway. Elvis and rock and roll; Onna White, Alex Romero, Shirley Maclaine, Chita Rivera, Julie Andrews.

March 14: Part 6, 1980s through the 21st Century: The TV generation of directors. Actors stop training. The blockbuster film; Disney; the non-dancer celebrity.



Gene Kelly with Tom and Jerry in 1945's Anchors Aweigh.

Pledge Drive Results: The Numbers Are Growing

Ray McColgan, Stewardship Chair

As our annual pledge drive draws to a formal close, we are delighted to report that we received 27 new pledges, bringing our total of pledging units to 221. (A "pledging unit" could be an individual or a family.) Even better news: 86 of those pledging units increased their pledges by an average of 15.7 percent. What a blessing!

As of January 24, the total amount pledged for 2019 is \$757,633.96, which represents an increase of \$37,392.64 over 2018. We did not meet our goal of increasing pledges by \$50,000, but we did accomplish 75% of our goal.

It is never too late to pledge! If you have not already done so, we invite you to give prayerful consideration to how you can express your thanks for the blessings God has given you by returning some of those blessings to God in the form of a financial gift to St. Peter's.

The Stewardship Committee and the leadership offer our sincere thanks to all who pledged treasure and to all who make continuing gifts of time and talent to support the Cathedral.

These Little Lights of Ours: We Let Them Shine!

Betsy Adams

Messy Church came together for our first gathering of the new year on January 10. After another delicious meal created by Chef Mimi and her Messy kitchen crew, we learned that we were in a new season of the church year called Epiphany. Then we reviewed our Liturgical Colors song. Great fun was had by all as we jumped up when our color was called!

Next we heard from Ms. Gail about two people who had waited and prayed in the Temple for years — Anna and Simeon. They waited for God to fulfill his promise in sending a savior for the world. When Mary and Joseph arrived at the Temple with

Jesus, these two folks knew that this small baby was the promised savior!



Ms. Gail explained to us what a prophet is. She told us about a special day that reminds us that Jesus is the light of the world. This day is called Candlemas. We learned that in order to

follow Jesus, we need to become lights in this world. Our song for the day was “This Little Light of Mine,” which we sang with great gusto.

Our next Messy Church gathering will be Thursday, February 14. We will learn how Jesus’s followers asked



We made stained-glass votive candle holders, created candles and jelly-roll candle snacks, and sang with gusto to Cathy Rome’s accompaniment. Photos by HILLARY PEETE

him they best way to talk with God. Join us to explore what Jesus’s answer was.

Messy Church is our monthly intergenerational family gathering involving worship, crafts, music, storytelling, and a shared supper at 5:45 p.m. on the second Thursday. For more information contact Betsy Adams (betsyadams@earthlink.net).

Photos by BETSY ADAMS



Movie Lineup: Mother Teresa, Nuclear War, Songs, and Servants

Susan Regan

Our series of free movies at 7 p.m. Friday nights continues. Bring your friends, enjoy the popcorn, watch the movie on the big screen in Harvard Hall.

Note our special guest on February 8, a nuclear submariner who can tell us what life — and warfare — are like underwater.

February 1: *The Letters* (2015, PG). This inspiring biographical drama portrays the remarkable life of Mother Teresa through the lens of a decades-long correspondence with her confidant and spiritual mentor, Father Celeste van Exem.

February 8: *Crimson Tide* (1995, R). Controversy boils over when Soviet rebels point nuclear weapons at the United States, and a message for the nuclear-missile sub USS Alabama gets cut off during transmission. Will the Alabama prevent

a nuclear holocaust, or start one?

For this movie we'll have a special guest, Rear Admiral Gerald Talbot, USN (Retired), who spent 35 years in the nuclear submarine community and commanded at the submarine ship, squadron, and group levels. He served on active duty from 1972 to 2007. He is the husband of Judy Talbot, a member of our Altar Guild.



February 15: *Young@Heart* (2007, PG). Coldplay, the Clash, and Jimi Hendrix will never sound the same once you've heard the Young@Heart chorus, a group

of Massachusetts senior citizens who thrill audiences worldwide with their unusual — and unusually poignant — covers of rock songs. Stephen Walker's humane and heartwarming documentary follows the elderly ensemble as they prepare their latest show for public performances.

February 22: *Bicentennial Man* (1999, PG). The Martin family purchases an android named Andrew to perform menial household tasks. Before long they realize they may be rubbing off on their domestic servant as Andrew begins to experience human feelings and creative thought.

The Burns Movie Series honors our late founder and programmer, Eddy Burns. Comments and suggestions: Susan Regan, sfrcpa23@gmail.com.

'Mourner's Path' Program Offers A Return to Joyful Living

Anita Pernell-Arnold

What is grief?

Grief can be hard to describe or explain. Yet it is a commonplace experience, one that we all face during our lifetimes. We may ask ourselves: Why am I feeling this way or thinking this way?

For some, grief may last too long. Time is different for each of us, and difficult to understand, which may make us feel alone. Sometimes it may be difficult for family and friends to continue to discuss our loss.

Some people are able to go it alone. Some are unable to figure out what the issues are and/or what to do about them. These are some of the reasons we offer a program called "Walking the Mourner's Path" to provide support for grieving people and help them understand, in a group of fellow mourners, what the



issues are and how to face them.

We are dedicated to helping people to understand that they are not alone. Help and support are available when we call on Jesus and the Holy Spirit. There is great comfort in dealing with these problems with other people. The goal of The Mourner's Path is a return to joyful living.

The next series of "Walking the Mourner's Path" meetings is set to start the week of February 18. The specific day and time will be set by the facilitators and the participants.

We strongly urge that those who participate in the program commit to the full eight weeks, because each meeting creates building blocks for the material that follows. The program is led by trained facilitators

and a priest with experience in pastoral care and grief issues.

For more information about Walking the Mourner's Path, which was created by an Episcopal priest and is used in churches nationwide, visit www.mournerspath.com

If you are interested, please contact me, Jerry Buchert, or Canon Tallman. There will be a short get-acquainted meeting before the program starts.

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Cheer for Your Team On February 3

The pregame will start early on Super Bowl Sunday — February 3. You're invited to wear your favorite team jersey or colors that support your favorite football team, from tiny-mites to pro, local or not. As Episcopalians we can love each other even if we root for different teams.

At coffee hour after the 10:15 a.m. service we'll have Super Bowl snacks (just in case there aren't enough chips and dips wherever you're going later in the day). Go, team!



Opposing teams, but pals: Arturo Macias and Judy Beck at the 2018 Super Bowl coffee hour. Photo by JUDY STARK

Reader's Theater Welcomes You

Jack Clark

Perhaps there is an actor in you JUST BEGGING to step on-stage! As we continue into our second season, the Cathedral Reader's Theater Players are seeking talents yet to be realized. Come and explore invigorating works of literature with us, and share in the experiences and emotions that great dramatic works evoke. In the process, you will sharpen your speaking skills, improve your breathing, and fine-tune presentation talents. Who could ask for more?

All are welcome. Meeting times are 6 to 7:30 p.m. Wednesdays, usually in Harvard Hall. Come join us in the fun! Contact jackaclark@hotmail.com.



Our Newest Priest

The Rev. Paige Hanks became the newest priest in the Episcopal Church when she was ordained at the Cathedral on January 5. More than 130 friends and relatives were here for this joyous occasion, many from the churches in Texas and North Carolina where she was raised up for ordained ministry and served as a deacon.

Paige will be with us at the Cathedral for the foreseeable future, celebrating at one of the weekday Eucharists, offering pastoral care, and serving on the altar at weekend services.

Photo by KATIE CHURCHWELL

February Transitions

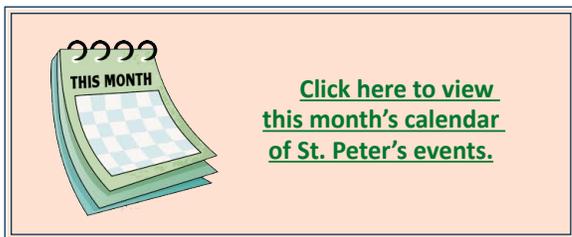
Birthdays

1	Bob MacDonald	6	Courtney Crosby	16	Judy Ferrara
1	Byron Shoupe	6	Isla McDowall	16	Adrienne Haines
1	Patty Hollingsworth	11	Charles Lowe	17	Ed Shamas
2	Jim Jeffries	11	Alice Meyer	17	Emily Lenhardt
2	Jenna Parsons	11	Gabriel Paiz	17	Savanna Andrews
2	Mason Parsons	12	Ray McColgan	17	Peyton Parker
3	Rendall Sanchez	12	Mike Grimshaw	18	Presley Emma Ponte
4	Tom Walker	14	Monnie Moore	19	Jeff Kirkwood
4	Johnathan Ellis	14	Lance Orchid	20	John Wilson
4	Nathaniel Norris	15	Fred Stansbery	20	Bill Barlow
5	Fran Spector	15	Elizabeth Howlett	20	Lynne Albee
5	Christopher Etter	15	Jaclyn Hager	21	Bari Bryant
6	Roberta Yancey	15	Sally Kebler	21	Melissa Smith
6	Kathy Hancock	15	Mike Zuravel	23	Dorothy Longstaff
6	Kate Munkittrick	15	Garrett Mastry	23	John Ellis

26	Marianne Hallas	28	Bronwyn Gairing
27	Lou Schrader	28	Clark Gairing
28	Scott Nonken	28	Rosamond Katzel
28	Audrey Hamm		

Anniversaries

2	Shands & Joan McKeithen	14	Peter & Ashley Gairing
5	Gareth & Debra Eich	14	John & Lisa Beck
5	Neil & Susan Savage	14	Sam Tallman & Mike Zuravel
6	Michael & Carol Piper	18	Brent & Marion Huber
14	Jack & Kit Clarke	28	James & Rick Knight
14	Stephen & Elizabeth Schroeder		
14	Mario & Judith Loehrer		



St. Peter's: A Guide

At the foot of the cross in downtown St. Petersburg

Our Worship Schedule

Sunday

8 a.m.: Holy Eucharist Rite I and
Sermon
A traditional service, no music

10 a.m.: Children's Chapel and
Middlers' Chapel

10:15 a.m.: Holy Eucharist Rite II
and Sermon
Worship music led by choirs

11:20 a.m.: Coffee Hour

Saturday

5 p.m.: Holy Eucharist Rite II and
Sermon
A traditional service, no music

Monday through Friday

Holy Eucharist, 12:05 p.m.
Holy Eucharist and Healing:
Wednesdays, 12:05 p.m.

**If you have a pastoral emergency after hours,
please call Canon Sam Tallman
on his cell phone, (727) 251-0629.**

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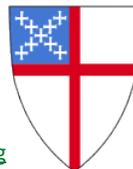
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