



# THE ROCK

*And I tell you that you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church..."*  
*Matthew 16:18*

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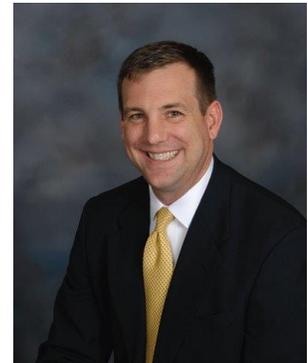
Easter changed the world. At first, only a few people knew about it. The disciples were curious about the conundrum of their rabbi. Mary Magdalene and Mary, Jesus' mother wept at the foot of the cross for they knew that death was final and that some things like a crucifixion could not be undone. His adversaries were reveling in victory for they thought that they had put an end to their foe. All of these people had their assumptions changed.

For many of us, we feel that there is a situation that is unchangeable. Anybody with a tattoo knows the cost of permanence. But even these decisions can have correction with certain procedures. One of my dear friends recently shared with me that he used to have plugs--those large holes in the earlobe that hold gauges--or earring-like jewelry. I was a bit shocked because you couldn't tell as he allowed the holes to close up years ago. But there were little scars on his earlobe!

There are a lot of things that can change in our life. Some of it is for better and sometimes it is for the worse. If there is anything I take from the story of Holy Week, it is that I do not need to fear change. It will always happen in our life, but when we see the hand of Christ moving in so many ways--it seems that even the hardest situations are manageable because of the sense of divine activity in the midst of all that is going on. I hope that you will come to some of the pre-Easter worship events because they meet us where we are. Palm Sunday and its celebration of a coming king changes quickly into a mob calling for the death of the very same man. Jesus saw a drastic change in the narrative which brings us to Maundy Thursday and Good Friday services. (Details inside) Jesus changed the story in all of these cases. And I believe that Jesus can change what you think is unchangeable as well.

In God's love,

Mark



Rev. Dr. Mark Caldwell

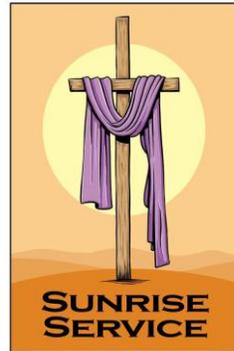
## Pre-Easter Worship Service Schedule

April 18 **Maundy Thursday** service at 7:00pm in the sanctuary

April 19 **Good Friday** service at 12:00 noon in the sanctuary

### Community Easter Sunrise Service at the Wellington Amphitheater

The churches of Wellington are hosting a community Easter sunrise service at 6:45 am on Sunday, April 21. You are invited to join with other Christians for this tradition that spans back to the beginning of the faith. Seats are limited, so consider bringing a blanket or portable chair.



## Worship Services



Traditional Worship

8:00 & 11:00 am

Contemporary

9:30 am

Sunday School All Ages

9:30 am

## Flowering of the Cross



On Easter Sunday, our congregation symbolizes the new life that emerges from the death of Good Friday through the traditional "Flowering of the Cross."

A large wooden cross covered with styrofoam will be placed at the front of the Sanctuary for our Easter Sunday services.

All households are asked to bring fresh-cut flowers to the service, so they can take turns placing them on the cross.

## Searching for a Full Time Youth Director

St. Peter's United Methodist Church is in search of a full-time director of youth ministries. The applicant should be a Christian of strong conviction with enthusiasm mixed with confidence, authority and compassion. As this is a job that requires a variety of hours, the applicant and family members, if applicable, should be aware of the non-traditional work schedule involved with this position. Interested persons can submit questions or a resume to [mcaldwell@stpeters-umc.org](mailto:mcaldwell@stpeters-umc.org).

## CHILD ENRICHMENT CENTER by Lori Maxwell



Busy is the word of the month here! The children are increasingly aware that they are growing bigger and bigger each day, so we will embrace this in our classrooms through art, science, and reading this month. We are going to focus on the life cycle of plants and butterflies. We've added Milkweed to the Prayer Garden to help the children see the cycle of the Monarch Butterfly.

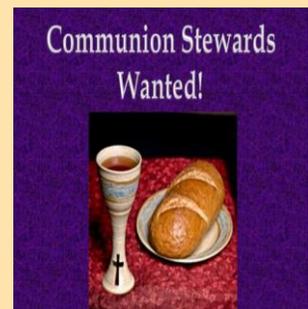
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## Communion Stewards



We are in need of a few communion stewards to alternate throughout the year. You will be serving communion on one or more of the first Sundays of each month depending upon how many stewards are on the list. If this is something that you would be interested in doing, please contact the church office at 793-5712 ext. 13



## INTENTIONAL DISCIPLING ADULT MINISTRIES



Rev. Rachel Lever

## WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBERS

On Sunday, March 3, we received three persons into membership at St. Peter's. They are Linda Haserot, Sara Thomas and Ryan Thomas. The Thomas' son, RJ, is a preparatory member.



## WOMEN OF ST. PETER'S March 11

### *Salad Bar Supper and Guest Speaker*

46 persons attended our March event. Rev. Dr. Sydney Sadio, pictured above, was our delightful guest speaker. He shared his earliest remembrances of Lent and what the season means to him.

## Food Ministry



## Urgent Need Please Donate

We have been helping those in our congregation, their friends and families who are in need every month with Publix gift cards. The need for help continues to grow so if you can help, please make your check out to St. Peter's putting Food Ministry in the memo section.



## REACH OUT TO CROS MINISTRIES

Make a difference here at home! Help us alleviate hunger in Palm Beach County. Help us stock the CROS Food Pantry in Lake Worth by bringing non-perishable food items with you to worship. Demand is heavy and often the supply is limited.

**CROS - Christians  
Reaching Out to Society.**



## WOMEN OF ST. PETER'S

April 8

### Bingo Night

Women of all ages are invited to join us for fellowship, fun, prizes and refreshments. There is no cost, but a love offering will be received. To make a reservation, email [rlever@stpeters-umc.org](mailto:rlever@stpeters-umc.org).



## UNDERWEAR DRIVE FOR KID'S KLOSET

### Sponsored by Building Better Moms

Building Better Moms is sponsoring its fourth annual Underwear Drive. This project will benefit needy children who are served by Kid's Kloset. BBM is grateful for donations of new, packaged and unopened, underwear for boys and girls. Please bring these to the foyer of the sanctuary. The Underwear Drive ends on April 25.

## BUILDING BETTER MOMS

### Registration for 2019-2020

The last two BBM meetings, of the 2018-2019 school year, are scheduled for April 11 and April 25. Registration for 2019-2020 begins on April 25. All those interested in this program are encouraged to register early. To request a registration form, please email [rlever@stpeters-umc.org](mailto:rlever@stpeters-umc.org).



## FLOWER MINISTRY

Each week, the altar flowers are taken to: 1) those who are in the hospital or rehab, 2) those who have lost a loved one, or 3) those who have a new baby in their home. I am very grateful for the following volunteers who deliver the arrangements on behalf of the church:

1st Sunday - Gloy George

2nd Sunday - Debbie DeLong

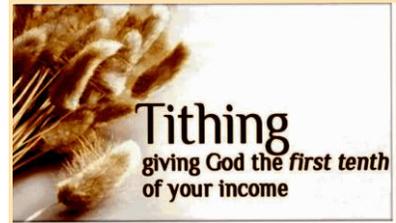
3rd Sunday - Kathy Siena

4th Sunday - Phyllis Gauger

5th Sunday - Linda Haserot\*\*

\*\*Linda is the newest member of this team.

If you would like to provide flowers in honor or in memory of a loved one, please contact Debbie Ferrugio, 793-5712 x 13. The cost is \$25.00 for one arrangement; \$50.00 for two arrangements.



### ST. PETER'S

#### AUTOMATIC OFFERING PLAN

#### YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS

#### MADE EASY

St. Peter's Automatic Offering Plan is similar to payment programs offered by banks and utility companies. Your contributions are automatically withdrawn from checking or savings accounts at any bank or credit union. It's 100% safe. No one but you has access to your account and nothing can be withdrawn without your authorization. You can change or cancel your contribution by simply sending a written notice to St. Peter's. For more information or to obtain an authorization form just click on the link [Electronic Funds Authorization form](#) or please call the office, 793-5712, ext.13.



### ST. PETER'S GREETERS AND WELCOME CART VOLUNTEERS

I would like to thank you for your generous gift of time to volunteer to greet our church family and welcome visitors as they come to worship on Sunday.

**We are always looking for volunteers and if you have an interest please contact Shelly Albright**

[salbright@stpeters-umc.org](mailto:salbright@stpeters-umc.org)

or call 561-800-8375.

Thank you again for your help.

## YOUTH MINISTRIES by Samantha Scott



Our Confirmation Class had an amazing time at Warren Willis for their retreat. We experienced amazing music, inspirational Worship and lots of fun around the camp. These youth have almost completed their journey to be confirmed. Mark your calendars and join us on May 5 to welcome them into the Church.



Coffee and donuts are served from 8:00 to 11:00 am.



We are always looking for some volunteers to help on Tuesday mornings to straighten out and supply the sanctuary. If this is something you would be interested in please contact Debbie Ferrugio in the church office at 561-793-5712 ext. 13.



### Adrenaline Trampoline Park

We also had a great time at Adrenaline Trampoline Park on March 3. Special Thanks to Melanie & Mark Hooks, Mark Forrest, and Melissa Wickers for volunteering to help with this event.



Methodists have "The Upper Room Living Prayer Center" prayer ministry with a 24-hr, toll-free Prayer Line at:

1-800-251-2468.

Here at St. Peter's we have an intercessory prayer group called the Pathway to God Prayer Team.

Kelly Hutcheson is our new Pathway to God Prayer Chain coordinator. You can send your prayer concerns to [HutcheKe@gmail.com](mailto:HutcheKe@gmail.com) and she will forward them to the rest of the prayer chain team.

## RESOURCES



### Ash Wednesday Soup Supper

Thank you to everyone that came out to support the Youth Program during our Ash Wednesday Soup Supper.



Our youth program has so many great opportunities for Worship and fun in the month of April. Join us to feel God's amazing love.

*Youth Group*

# Easter EGGstravaganza!

April 14  
4 pm – 6 pm

Join the Youth for this night to celebrate the Easter season!

# 30 HOUR FAMINE

April 27-28

Join us for this Hunger Awareness Program and Service Projects!!

## Family Night

# YOUTH GROUP

**Parents can:**  
Volunteer for dinner set-up  
Volunteer with games  
Attend the Parent Class (5pm)  
Enjoy dinner with everyone

**April 28**  
**4pm-7pm**

### Sunday Mornings

High School

Sunday SMALL Groups

Grades 9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>

11:00 am  
Youth Room

Faith

# F.R.I.E.N.D.S

Middle School Youth Hour  
11:00 am Sunday Mornings  
Room 106

- Atlantic District
- The Florida Conference
- UMC Global

St. Peter's at Home and Around the World



COMMUNITY CHRISTIAN COUNSELING CENTER



Please contact Samantha Scott for information about any of the above programs or events at [sscott@stpeters-umc.org](mailto:sscott@stpeters-umc.org)

## Prayer Lanterns

### Prayer Lantern Release

April 18  
7pm

Support our Youth Program by purchasing your lantern today!

\$10 each

Contact Samantha Scott at [sscott@stpeters-umc.org](mailto:sscott@stpeters-umc.org) to purchase

**Buy your Prayer Lantern Today!!**

## CHILDREN'S ARTS



### JENN MORGAN

Coordinator of Children's Arts  
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### **\*NEW SINGERS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME!\***

There are only 2 months left until the Children's Choir takes  
it's summer break so come join the fun now!

### **\*APRIL REHEARSALS\***

Friday, April 5, 12 & 26 in the Fellowship Hall  
Angel Singerz (3yrs. - K) - 4:30PM - 5:00PM  
Celebration Singerz (1st - 5th) - 5:00PM - 6:00PM



### **Come Hear The Children Sing!**

Sunday, April 14th  
11am Service

Special performance with the  
Chancel Choir.

## Contact Information

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## **\*ATTENTION YOUTH BAND\***

If you love music come join us!  
We are looking for a drummer!

### **Youth Band Rehearsals**

Sundays from 3PM-4PM in the Youth Room

## **CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES** by Shelly Albright



Keep your eyes and ears open for upcoming information about all of our kids programs that will be happening this summer. We will be kicking off the summer with VBS. In addition we will be hosting 3 weeks of basketball camp. **And** we will be having a brand new camp where children will work on mission projects. More information on this exciting new camp will be coming soon.

### **Annual Easter Egg Hunt: April 14 at 12:15am**



Join us on Palm Sunday, April 14, in the Sanctuary at 12:15pm for our Annual Easter Egg Hunt. Children from birth to grade 5 are welcome to participate.

**Make sure to bring your Easter Basket!**

### **Summer Basketball Camp Dates:**

Week 1: June 17-21

Week 2: July 8-12

Week 3: To be Determined

Our summer camps will be for children who have completed 1st grade through 6th grade. For the registration form contact Shelly Albright at [salbright@stpeters-umc.org](mailto:salbright@stpeters-umc.org)



# Vacation Bible School June 10-14

Registration opens April 15 for participants and volunteers.

We will be sending out an email with all pertinent details.



Vacation Bible School: This year's theme is ROAR! Life is Wild God is Good This epic African adventure engages the whole herd. At Roar, kids explore God's goodness and celebrate a ferocious faith that powers them through this wild life.

## Mission Minute by Marcia Kendall



### CROS Ministry needs our help!

Remember to fill our donation box every week - many people are in need of food that we can donate. The box is just to the right as you walk in the sanctuary door - canned goods and boxed goods are desperately needed each week.

**Did you know** that a group of volunteers from St. Peter's takes the food each week to Lake Worth to the distribution center and also volunteer in the warehouse. We are in need of more volunteers to join this group.

**The Cuba Caravan** had a very successful trip to our sister churches and will be presenting at a service - watch for the date in The Rock.

## Operation Christmas Child

**DONATIONS FOR THE MONTH OF APRIL - WASHCLOTHS**



## **SALTY SERVICE INTERNATIONAL MISSIONS**

### **One for Israel-** Eitan Bar

Most have heard that a rocket hit a house in Central Israel. It was only 5 miles from Netanya, where most of the staff lives and their Bible College. It's amazing that only six were injured, including a 50 year old woman and two infants, It's important to realize that God worked a mighty miracle saving the lives of the family whose house was hit by the rocket fire.

### **Zambia-** Nate Steury

The Steurys are coming to the USA in mid-April so that they can attend their son, Mark's graduation. They will be in Florida April 16-May 21. A group of people are waiting on a new church building. The church is the Enright Memorial Church in Ndola, 40 minutes from where the Steurys live. This church was started when the Enrights moved to Zambia from Congo in 1999.

### **Liberia-** Lena and Elias Johansson

God has been good to them this year. They have a new house with running water and electricity. The people they have been called to serve are highly involved in secret societies. They have some good attributes like building houses from natural materials, hunting and fishing, but also female genital mutilation, keeping children from education, addictions to opium and alcohol, blood sacrifices, torture and devil worship. As the people are reached with the word of God, they take a stand against their own people and they might be killed. Please pray for their safety.

### **Puerta de Golpe and Alonso de Rojas**

The team visiting Cuba returned Monday, March 25th. We give Glory to God that we sailed through customs with no problems. In fact, when we started through, the agent said, "American? Go, The people are so grateful for your love and generosity as there is a shortage of most medicines, soap and deodorant. We saw updates on their construction projects and visited their missions. They send their love and greetings to all at St. Peter's.

In His service,  
Carol Walters Curtis and Ann Lewis