

St Peter's Anglican Church November 16th, 2014 SETTING SAIL

THIS WEEK AT ST. PETER'S (November 16-November 22)

Sunday	1:00 pm	St. Peter's Players Rehearsal
Monday	9:30 am	Piecemakers
	10:30 am	Stephen Ministry
	7:00 pm	Men's Group
	8:00 pm	Arabian Horse Club Meeting
Tuesday	6:30 pm	Girl Guides
	7:00 pm	Parish Council
	7:00 pm	Stephen Ministry
Wednesday	11:00 am	Funeral Service for Lois Forsyth
	11:30 am	Hunger for Healing
	2:00 pm	Fellowship Tea and Service
	3:00 pm	Christian Meditation
	6:30 pm	Youth at CCC
	7:00 pm	Theology with Jane
	7:00 pm	St. Peter's Player's Rehearsal
Thursday	10:00 am	Holy Communion Service and Bible Study
	7:30 pm	Choir Practice
Friday	9:30 am	Yoga
	7:00 pm	St. Peter's Player's Rehearsal
Saturday	9:30 am	Chancel Meeting

Today is Stewardship Sunday. We encourage you to place your completed form on the offering plate today, or return it to the office this week. Pamphlets outlining this year's theme *Giving: An Expression of Gratitude, An Expression of Faith*, are available in your mailbox or at the welcome table. If you wish further information, there is also a worksheet available at the table.

As part of our campaign, we are praying for areas of ministry and service. Today we pray for the leadership of our Children's Ministries, Corinne MacLean, Aaron Havens, Anne Belanger and all those who assist them in their areas.

2015 Church Calendars will be on sale for \$5 following the 10 am service.

Advent and Christmas Services:

Advent Prayer Vigil	Nov 29	8 am – 4 pm
Lessons and Carols	Dec 14	7 pm
Children's Pageant Presentation	Dec. 21	10 am
Christmas Eve	Dec 24	4:30 pm; 7:30 pm; 10:30 pm
Christmas Day	Dec 25	10 am
Sunday	Dec 28	8 am; 10 am

GROUPS AND COURSES

St. Peter's Men's Group: We meet on the 1st Saturday for an IKEA breakfast at 9:30 am, and the 3rd Monday at St. Peter's at 7 pm. Our next meeting is Monday, Nov 17th at 7 pm. Please join us for great conversation and fellowship. Contact Barry O'Flynn at barryoflynn@shaw.ca or 403 681 4139.

Theology and a Pint: Next meeting on Nov. 17th at 7 pm at Limericks. Come join us for a lively discussion about God, life and Church. For more information, please contact Quinn at 403-869-5764.

CHILDREN AT ST. PETER'S

Sunday Mornings: Children are always welcome in our services.

Nursery and Spirit Zone (Sunday School) is usually held during the 10 am service. Nov.'s theme is the story of Moses and the Red Sea.

Tween Sunday School begins January 2015!!!

The Sunday School will host a Pot Luck lunch on Nov 23 after service.

All Welcome

Parents and their little ones meet to enjoy one another's company and a good cup of coffee on Tues at 10 am @ Ohana Café. Host helpers are needed one or more times per month. Please see Aaron Havens with whatever time you have available.

YOUTH AT ST. PETER'S

Sunday Bible Study, Nov 16, 10 am

**Youth Nov 19 – Meet at CCC
6:30 pm \$5**

The Youth have started their fundraising for their Mexico trip. Contact Aaron about donating opportunities.

Ohana Café Hours:

**11 am – 4:30 pm Mon-Thurs
Call Aaron at 403-252-0393 x 16**

PASTORAL CARE

Christmas Cookies – we are looking for donations of Christmas baking for Pastoral Care Christmas treats for our shut-ins. Call Joan at 403-238-7588.

RUMMAGE SALE

Thank you to the volunteers who set up, cleaned up and helped run our Rummage Sale this weekend. Do you or someone you know have space available in your garage or basement to store our Fall Fair/Rummage Books? Please call Vera at 403-255-2406

MINISTRY AND OUTREACH

CHRISTMAS HAMPERS - On Nov 23rd, we start collecting for Christmas hampers for those needing help in our parish and beyond. We ask that donations be in by Dec 14th, which will give us time to buy needed items. We are not asking for perishables, as we will buy them before delivery to ensure maximum freshness and provide savings through bulk buying. Monetary donations to buy perishables and other needed items are welcome and charitable receipts will be provided. On Dec 21st we need about 7 to 8 drivers to deliver the hampers – signup sheets will be posted on Nov 23rd, Nov 30th, and Dec 7th. Anyone able to help put out sheets for the 8 am service, please contact Angela Bane at 403-281-2652.

Safeway Shoppers: Safeway is awarding 'stamps' for purchases that can be exchanged for a 'free' *Henckels* knife (Sept/14 to Feb/15). Please consider donating your extra stamps to St. Peter's. Knives obtained will be used in St. Peter's fundraisers, such as the "Red Can Table" at the Fall Fair. Stamps can be left in Box #122 or given to Deena Janzen. Thanks for your help!

Finance Dashboard through October 2014

	<u>Envelope Revenue</u>	<u>Total Revenue</u>	<u>Expense</u>	<u>Surplus/ (Deficit)</u>
Actual	278,604	349,546	383,351	(33,805)
Budget	<u>280,902</u>	<u>365,869</u>	<u>393,352</u>	<u>(27,483)</u>
Variance	<u>(2,298)</u>	<u>(\$16,323)</u>	<u>10,001</u>	<u>(6,322)</u>

Total Contributors 221

St. Peter's remains on track to finish the year close to the budgeted deficit of \$2,000 if historical giving patterns hold for the last two months of the year, and to enter 2015 benefiting from some favourable trends.

We made some progress with the special funding of our New Initiatives during October but are still lagging our target in this area. This special funding supports our Ohana Café community and youth outreach program, which is having a very positive impact on connecting St. Peter's to the local community and younger generations. One congregation member is helping by donating proceeds from some items sold on Kijiji. The green border envelopes at the back of the church can be used for special gifts to this program.

The Finance Committee encourages all congregation members to complete the confidential "giving intention" form for 2015 which was recently distributed. After summarization by the envelope secretary, this is an important source of information for developing the budget. The Committee has advised the executive that we should target a 4% increase in envelope giving to have a modest operating surplus available next year to replenish our building maintenance funds.

If you have questions or suggestions on St. Peter's finances, please speak to any member of the Finance Committee.

Grant Hanna Malcolm McKay Richard Bird David McKeown

UPCOMING EVENTS

Junior Achievement Students from Henry Wisewood High School will be at St. Peter's on Sun Nov 23 following the 10 am service selling candles as an entrepreneurial project.

Chancel Guild Meeting – Nov 22 at 9:30 am in Room 9. Please call or email Barb Crawford or Pam May if you are unable to attend.

Community Hubs Workshop - Nov 22, 1 pm – 5 pm at Knox Presbyterian Church. If you are interested in attending this workshop to learn about *places of resource* to help visitors to our church who are experiencing poverty issues and need somewhere to turn, please call Jane at 403-252-0393.

ACW will be visiting Samaritan's Purse, Monday Nov 24th. Please call Mary Anne, 403-271-2285, if you would like to attend and to arrange car pooling. All Welcome.

First Friday Club event for November is an Activity Night at Thornview Seniors, on November 22 at 7 PM. There are many activities to choose from: snooker, shuffleboard, floor curling, euchre and washer toss. You can play as many or as few as you want. Cost is \$3 per person to cover the cost of the hall. Call Keith at 403-252-9238 or Doug at 403-255-7932 if interested.

Food Bank Box: We collect non-perishable food items on a continuing basis. The box is in the Narthex.

Diapers (4,5,6), disposable mattress covers, and nursing pads are being collected for the Food Bank. Collection box in Narthex. Thanks.

Please note that in an emergency The Rev. Rosemary Bishop's phone number from Nov 2 – 23 will be 403-818-6362.

Contact us: St. Peter's Anglican Church, 903-75th Ave. S.W. Calgary, AB. 403-252-0393

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