

THIS WEEK AT ST. PETER'S (September 4-10)

Tuesday	7:00 pm	Stephen Ministry
Wednesday	10:00 am	Mayfair Care Home
Wednesday	7:00 pm	St. Peter's Players' Meeting
Thursday	11:30 am	Garage Dogs with Henry Wise Wood at St. Peter's

The Café re-opens with our famous **Garage Dogs** for Henry Wise Wood High School on **Sept. 8th** at 11:30 am. If you are interested in helping with this fun event, contact 403-252-0393 or speak to Jerrod or Jane.

Wednesday morning Care Home services begin again this month at Mayfair, Chinook and Beverly.

Welcome Back Service and BBQ lunch. Sunday Sept. 11 at 11:30 am. Hamburger BBQ and family fun (help wanted for BBQ'ing, games, etc.)

CHILDREN AND YOUTH AT ST. PETER'S

Our Sunday Morning Youth and Children's Programs begin on September 11! For more information about the programs, or to offer your time to these ministries, please contact the listed leaders.

St. Peter's Nursery: Parents, if you wish to take advantage of our nursery program, bring your child to the nursery under Cormack Hall (the gym) and we follow any instructions you might have for us carefully. Contact: Ann Belanger at 403-251-6505.

Children's Sunday School (Ages 3-10) takes place during the 10 am service. Contact Corinne MacLean at 403-255-7136.

Tweens (Ages 10-14) weekly meet during the 10 am service, and monthly for Sunday afternoon activities. Contact Ashley and Quinn at 403-324-2687

Youth (Ages 14 and up) have a varied program; sometimes meeting in class, and sometimes participating in the 10 am service. They also meet on Wednesday evenings for study and activity. The first meeting will be Sept 14 for games and pizza. Contact Jerrod at 587-703-4311.

GROUPS AND COURSES

God and other stuff: A young adult discussion group, 7 pm-8 pm every 2nd Monday. We are currently exploring Benedictine Spirituality. Our next meeting will be Sept 5th. Contact Jerrod McCormack at 587-703-4311.

St. Peter's Men's Group: We meet at IKEA for breakfast at 9:30 am on the first Saturday (Oct 1) of each month and at 7 pm at St. Peter's on the third Monday (Sept 19) at 7 pm in Room 9 at St. Peter's. Contact Barry at 403-681-4139 or barryoflynn@shaw.ca.

OHANA CAFÉ NEWS

Ohana Community Café is an outreach ministry of St Peter's Church. It operates throughout the school year, offering a safe place within our neighbourhood, and serving simple, inexpensive meals to high school students and others in need.

Dates to Remember:

- September 17th - Silver Cross Service and Lunch at St. Peter's.
- September 29, 30 and Oct 1st - St. Peter's ACW Fall Rummage Sale

Take In: Mon, Sept 19 - Wed, Sept 28 - 10-3pm including *small* items of furniture

Setting Up: Sept 26,27,28 - 10am-4pm; Sept 29, 10am-noon - including *medium* sized furniture.

Sale: Thurs, Sept 29 (1-6pm); Fri, Sept 30 (9:30-6 pm); Sat, Oct 1 (9:30-3pm)

Clean Up: Tues, Oct 4

Large items of furniture can be advertised.

Lunch for helpers -Wed to Fri. This is another community focused event and part of St. Peter's Outreach to the wider world. Please volunteer. Vera Apletree. 403-255-2406

- October 29th - St. Peter's Fall Fair

First Friday (Social) Club The annual kick-off will be a Wine and Cheese at 7pm on Friday, Sept. 16th at St. Peter's. Please bring an appetizer, cheese, dessert or wine. FFC is open to all adults. RSVP to Keith Shaw at 252-9238 by Wed. Sept. 14th.

Hunger For Healing Retreat, Oct 5/16, Mt. St. Francis Retreat Centre, Cochrane. Topic: Transformation; Presenter: Rev Natasha Brubaker-Garrison. \$35 includes snack, lunch, coffee and tea. All Welcome. Call Gwen Smith, 403-238-0105 or Betty Nadurak, 403-686-1110.

Companions of the Bishop Dinner

October 17, 2016, Ranchman's Club. Guest Speaker: Bishop Mark McDonald - "The Church's Ministry after the Truth and Reconciliation Commission". As this event is a fundraiser for the Bishop's Discretionary Fund, the cost of \$325.00 per person includes the fixed dinner cost as well as the donation component. Questions? Please contact Marc Herrel at herrelmarc@gmail.com.

FINANCIAL UPDATE

Please note that our financial situation is increasingly tenuous, as monthly offerings continue to fall behind needed operating funds. While expenses are currently on budget, the shortfall continues. This will soon affect our capacity to serve God and the world here at St Peters.

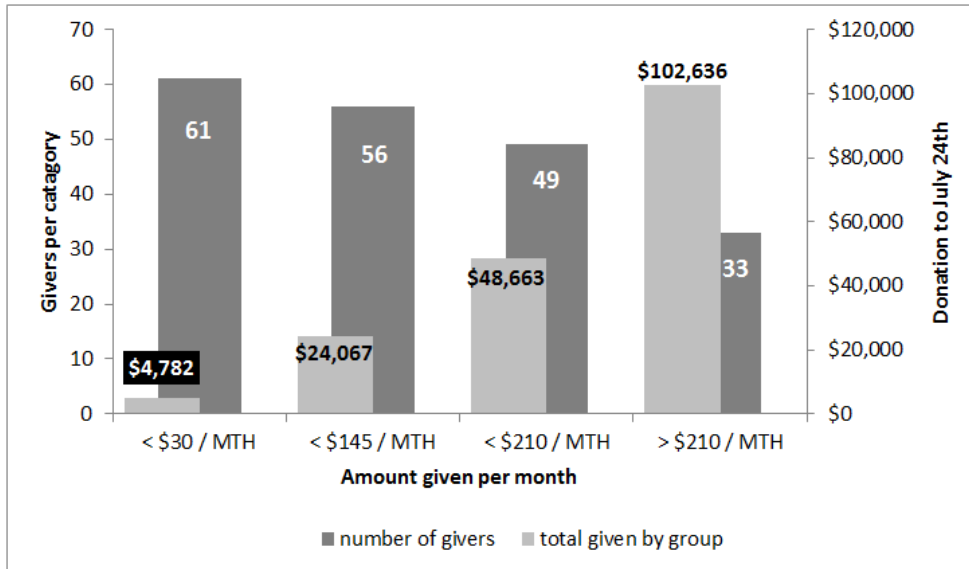
St Peter's Finance Dashboard at July 2016

	Envelope	Revenue	Expense	Year
ACTUAL	180,149	208,539	251,149	-42,610
BUDGET	196,040	232,240	252,678	-20,438
VARIANCE	-15,891	-23,701	1,529	-22,172

In order to determine our way forward, the finance committee is doing some basic research. Below is a chart representing monthly giving patterns to this point in 2016. Overall, it costs about \$33 weekly per attendee (\$143 monthly) to maintain our ministry, staff and facilities. Our current level is about \$30/giver.

To the end of July, there have been 199 donors to the church. As seen in the chart, 33 (about 17%) of our donors provide 57% of our funding. 117 (59%) of donors give about 16% of the total.

While not everyone is able to give largely, each of us is called to share the load as we are able. It is our mutual responsibility as God's people to ensure that financial obligations are met.



For next month's research, we will invite you to take part in a confidential online survey to help us evaluate our financial capacity, and help determine realistic ministry goals for our parish.

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Ministry Opportunities

If you enjoy working with seniors, and have a heart for worship, consider joining one of our monthly **Care Home worship teams**. Services resume this week after our summer break. We need musicians and able-bodied persons to help residents gather for services. Contact Joan Siddall for more information 403-800-1926.

Also knitters are required to make shawls - wool and pattern provided. Please contact Bonnie Sinclair at 403-253-8098.

Worship Ministry: This fall, we wish to increase congregational leadership in our worship services. If you would like to contribute in one of the following areas, please let Jane or David know.

- Chalice Bearers (serve wine at communion)
- Lectors (read scriptures)
- Prayers of the People (prepare and lead Sunday morning prayers)
- Torch bearers, crucifers and servers (carry processional candles, carry the processional cross, help the Deacon set the communion table)

All participants will be required to attend a training session to access abilities and to learn necessary skills.

Mom's and Tots: requires new leadership, as our current leaders (Margaret Fawcett and Lee Werth) are unable to commit to regular participation. This valuable ministry takes place Wednesday Mornings in Ohana Café. Please contact Jane if you are called to this ministry.

Community Dinner Team Leaders: We are looking for organized and hospitable leaders for two dinner teams. Each team prepares a monthly dinner three times over the year. Contact Jane or Paula.

Wanted: **Carpenter** to build a prayer box for community outreach project. See Jane for more information!