

St. Peter's Anglican Church

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The Season of Easter – He is Risen

Welcome to the second edition of the St. Peter's Newsletter.

An Easter Message

The Christian Church was founded on the resurrection of Jesus Christ. God raised Him to life again; therefore, all Christians have a reason to celebrate this most important festival of the Christian Church. The Lord Jesus Christ rose again from the dead. Without the resurrection of Jesus Christ, there would be no church or Christian faith and preaching would be meaningless (1 Cor. 15:13-14).

What was once a non-Christian Easter festival of the goddess of Eostara (which celebrated new life and a rebirth of the earth after a long winter) has been given a new Christian scriptural meaning of dying, death to sin and rising to a new life in Jesus Christ; a rebirth of baptized Christian in the risen Lord.



Christian Easter is marked by joyful music, singing, praising God for the resurrection of His Son, Jesus Christ and giving hope to humanity for life everlasting in the Kingdom. I hope that you will not only join us on the glorious day of Easter, but also at any one, (or all!) of the services offered during Holy Week. You are most welcome to join us in our event.

May you and your loved ones experience many Easter blessings and peace.

Rev. Sister Mary Florence Liew

Priest-in-Charge

1 Corinthians 15: 21-23

For since by man came death, by man came also the resurrection of the dead. For as in Adam all die, even so in Christ shall all be made alive.

Our Easter Banner at St. Peter's

Like all of the banners in the Church, our Easter Banner was conceived and stitched by our very own banner ladies many years ago. It has a gold lame cross and a lily on it, and backed by heavy cotton so that it keeps its shape while hanging. It also has a light blue background. Our Easter Banner goes up on Easter Eve and stays up until the season of Pentecost.

Lisa Turner





Parish News

Easter is a wonderful and very special time of year for all of us at St. Peter's, where we gather together to worship, to give thanks and praise to our Father for the sacrifice and the resurrection of His Son on our behalf. We would firstly like to thank the Rev. Sister Mary Florence Liew for her spiritual guidance throughout the year. As new wardens, we strife to make St. Peter's an exclusive spiritual environment and work towards dealing with ongoing financial situations. We were blessed to receive a generous donation from the late Joanne Wheeler, which will enable us to continue our growth and invest in those areas that need the most improvement. We continue to ask for your support financially through Sunday Offerings and other free-will Offerings. We thank you for your continued support, both past and in the future, and we extend our best wishes for a happy and joyous Easter.

Claude Williams, Priest-in-Charge's Warden *Lionel Suruibally*, Deputy Assistant Warden

Michael Barrow, People's Warden *Gloria Ramsay-Hall*, Deputy People's Warden

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Joanne Wheeler

We are blessed to have received a generous gift to the church by the late Joanne Wheeler. May her soul and all the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, rest in peace. A plaque commemorating her life will be made and placed in the main sanctuary.



1. When did you first come to St. Peter's Church?

I was attending St. Peter's Church from the day it opened. I was there for the opening Service, held on Sunday, February 26, 1958.

2. What is your role at St. Peter's Church?

My role at the church is being on the Altar Guild. I held this position for many, many years.

3. What is Lent like for you?

I try my best to not wear fancy jewelry and make-up. I also try to eat healthy and not shop as much!

4. What are your plans for Easter?

My plans for Easter are to spend time with my daughter's family and attend church as I usually do.

My Lenten Journey



Dorothy Weir

A Time for New Beginnings



The new year truly begins with the arrival of Spring. There is a spring in our step and fresh hope in our hearts as everything comes back to e greet it with great joy and tell ourselves this is going to be the time for new beginnings. Have you ever thought of neidence it is that Spring and Easter come at the same y the time Jesus Christ was in the tomb for three days ng the opening was miraculously rolled away and Jesus hant over death and he has been among us and ver since. In the Springtime of the year we celebrate n death and with eager anticipation we look forward

another great year. Hallelujah! A time of new beginnings. In the David Finnamore, would of liablire, the same miraculous events occur. Plants and flowers begin to shoot up out of the ground after the mounds of snow melt and disappear, just like the stone being rolled away. We work with renewed energy in our gardens, and on our farms, to ensure a bountiful harvest for the future needs of ourselves, and of our children and of our children's children. A time of new beginnings. It is the same with our beloved St. Peter's Church. After about two years in the Diocesan Intensive Care Unit, St. Peter's has emerged with a chance for new life. New ground has been prepared, new seeds selected and sown, which, with our support and nourishment, will take root and grow into a better and stronger church, not just for this year, but for many years and generations to come. A time of new beginnings. We, the present members of St. Peter's have inherited a great property and beautiful buildings for our worship services and social gatherings Proverbs 13:22 tells us that good people leave an inheritance to their children's children. This, then, requires each one of us to make a substantial contribution to ensure the long-term life of St. Peter's. St. Peter's needs each and every one of us to do our share. Don't leave it up the other guy or gal. Do more than you have ever done before. Triple or quadruple your weekly or monthly envelope offerings because that is what is needed to make St. Peter's great again. Yes, it is Spring time, it is Easter time and, this year, let us make it a time of a new beginning for a new St. Peter's. And a special word to those who are reading this on the web site. Come and visit us at 8:00 A.M., or 10:30 A.M every Sunday. Consider starting this Easter time, this Spring time, this St. Peter's time. Make it a time of a new beginning in your life. May God bless all of us in our efforts to make St. Peter's great again. Amen.

Chili Lunch - Sunday, March 17

Thanks to all who supported our annual Chili Lunch on Sunday, March 17. All money collected, \$366, will be given to the church. Most importantly, it was a wonderful time of conversation, laughter and re-connecting with former parishioners.



Mother's Day -Sunday, May 12

All are invited to join us for our Mother's Day Celebration following the 10:30 a.m. service. We will be having a light lunch courtesy of the Fundraising & Planning Committee. All women are encouraged to attend our 8:00 or 10:30 a.m. services as we will be handing out special gifts. All men are asked to participate in serving the women for the lunch. A reminder to bring your apron!



Spring Sale - Saturday, May 11

Our Spring Sale will be held from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the church. We will be having a bake table in the Owen room, courtesy of the Sunshine Group. Donations of baked goods are welcome and can be brought to the church the Friday before or on the day of the sale before 9 a.m. so that they can be priced. In the upper hall, we will be having Vendors selling goods. Vendor tables are \$25 each. For more information regarding this, please contact Valerie Blackmann at 416-264-0709 as she will be graciously organizing this for us. Furthermore, we will be selling spring items in the Foyer and in the lower hall. There will also be a raffle and 50/50 draw. All donations are welcome, with the exception of Books and Clothing. Please speak to any member of the Fundraising & Planning Committee for more details regarding our Spring Sale.

Spring Clothing Drive/Community Lunch - Saturday, June 1

Our Annual Spring Clothing Drive and Community Lunch will be held at the church on this day. Please stay tuned for more information to follow for the Spring Clothing Drive. In addition, we will also be having our monthly Community Lunch from 10:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. as per usual. Donations are always welcome. Please speak to Gail Thompson if you would like to donate to any of these events or would like additional information.

International Night - Saturday, June 1

On Saturday, June 1 at 6:00 p.m. in the lower we will be having our Annual International Night. This event will include a dinner, a cash bar, raffles and a 50/50 draw, door prizes and entertainment. Wine and Beer will be on sale for \$6 each. Ticket sales will begin on Sunday, April 28 at the 8:00 and 10:30 a.m. services. Our prices remain at \$25 for Adults, \$15 for teens 13-18, and kids 12 and under are free! Come out to support us as we explore and learn about our different cultures, traditions, foods and much more! Please speak to any member of the Fundraising & Planning Committee for more information.

Spring Concert - Saturday, June 22

Introducing our first ever Spring Concert, scheduled for Saturday, June 22 at 6:00 p.m. in the main sanctuary. Tickets will be on sale starting in May. Tickets are \$25 for adults, \$15 for teens 13-18, and 12 and under are free! More information regarding performers is to follow. Save the date!

Easter Services:

Palm Sunday - Sunday, April 14

8:00 a.m. Said Holy Eucharist

10:30 a.m. Choral Holy Eucharist

Come and join us as we will process around the church (weather permitting)

Holy Wednesday Service - Wednesday, April 17

11:30 a.m. Tenebrae Service

Maundy Thursday Service - Thursday, April 18

6:00 p.m. Seder Supper

7:30 p.m. Stripping of the Altar and the Last Supper of the Lord

Good Friday Service - Friday, April 19

10:30 a.m. Holy Service

Easter Vigil Service - Saturday, April 20

6:00 p.m. Easter Vigil Dinner

7:30 p.m. Service of New Fire and First Holy Communion

Easter Day Service - Sunday, April 21

8:00 a.m. Said Holy Eucharist

10:30 a.m. Choral Holy Eucharist



St. Peter's Anglican Church provides numerous opportunities for parishioners and members of the community to worship.

We have two Sunday services:

8:00 a.m. Said Eucharist Service

10:30 a.m. Choral Service (alternating between Morning Prayer and Holy Communion)

The Book of Common Prayer (BCP) and the Book of Alternative Services (BAS) are both used at the Sunday Services, alternating week by week.

We also have a Wednesday morning service:

11:30 a.m. Holy Communion Healing & Anointing Service

The new contemporary service is used at the Wednesday morning service.

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To Know Christ and Make Him Known

Editor's Note

Thank you for reading the second issue of St. Peter's Newsletter. I would specially like to thank Dorothy Weir and David Finnamore for their contributions to this Easter edition Newsletter. It was a pleasure to interview Dorothy Weir and ask her questions about her Lenten Journey! In addition, I would like to thank the Rev. Sister Mary Florence Liew and the Wardens of St. Peter's Church. Furthermore, I would like to express a hearty thanks to all of the members of St. Peter's Church and our surrounding community for their support as we seek to Know Christ and Make Him Known.

Jaime Barrow