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ST. PETER'S UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
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Inviting to Believe + Inviting to Grow

Inviting to Serve

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Weekly Events

Sunday
Worship 8:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Worship & Praise Ensemble 4:30 p.m.
Pioneer Clubs (during school year) 5:00 p.m.
Youth 5:00 p.m.

Tuesday
Sisters in Christ Ladies' Bible Study 9:30 a.m.
(During school year)
Bell Choir Practice 5:30 p.m.

Wednesday
Service of Holy Communion 6:00 p.m.
Choir Practice 7:00 p.m.

Thursday
Bible Study 11:00 a.m. & 6:30 p.m.

Friday
Men's Christian Conversation 6:30 a.m.
Praise & Worship Music 7:00 p.m.

Monthly Events

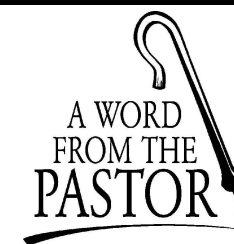
Emmaus Reunion Group 1st Monday, 7:30 p.m.
2nd Sunday Breakfast 2nd Sunday, 9:30 a.m.
Women of the Church 3rd Monday, 7:00 p.m.
United Methodist Men 3rd Tuesday, 6:30 p.m.
St. Peter's UMC Serves at Hope Mission
Soup Kitchen 4th Saturday, 9:30 a.m.

ST. PETER'S POST

Mission Statement: St. Peter's United Methodist Church exists to offer the love of God through Jesus Christ by inviting others, with us, to believe in Christ, to grow in Christ, and to serve Christ.

Vision Statement: The vision of St. Peter's United Methodist Church is to witness to the Kingdom of God by: guiding unbelievers toward Jesus Christ, nurturing believers to grow in grace and to become faithful members of Christ's Body the Church, and equipping church members to achieve joyful discipleship in our Lord.

August/September 2016



Come to the Water, Again

Last September, on a sun-filled afternoon, the community of believers called St. Peter's stepped out in faith and did something we had never done before. We, as a family, carried the Gospel of Jesus Christ out of the comfortable confines of our church building and into the public square. Certainly, I hope that each of us as a believer presents the Gospel out in the world on a daily basis, but this day at the end of last summer was different.

For two hours we gathered as a community in Jaycee Park on the waterfront, and showed the world what life in Christian community looks like. Through song and spoken word, members of our church family shared what God meant to them. Some spoke of the power of being a part of a praying community, others spoke of the transforming power of Jesus Christ in their lives. There on the stage, individuals gave a public witness to what God had done in their lives and the importance of being a part of the church through it all. And all the while, brothers and sisters in Christ, decked out in blue St. Peter's T-shirts, welcomed people with handshakes and warm hugs, and free popcorn and cold drinks, and invited them to "Come and See" what the Lord is doing at St. Peter's. Together we showed the people of Morehead City what Jesus does in and through the unique community called the Church.

This month, on Saturday, September 10, we are going to do it all again! From 5:00-7:00 that evening, at Jaycee Park on the waterfront, St. Peter's will hold its second **"Come to the Water"** outreach event. Don't you want to be a part? We need folks who are willing to share a testimony, sing a song, read a poem, offer a prayer, help with drinks and popcorn, hand out goodie bags, or just be present to greet folks and share a smile and a warm welcome. This is our opportunity, as a faith community, to show the local community what life looks like among people who love one another with the love of Christ. When you come, please wear your blue St. Peter's T-shirt so people will know you're part of our family. Make plans to be there – we want the world to see what a glorious life together God has given to us at St. Peter's!

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In his book *Pastor*, Bishop Will Willimon writes, "The church is a community gathered around the story of Jesus Christ as recounted in Scripture." Belief in God's gift of eternal life, made evident through the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ, is the bedrock of our life in community. Because Jesus died for our sins, we can share life with one another unhindered by sin, and we can experience the love of God which binds our lives together and makes us a community. Through "Come to the Water," God offers us a golden opportunity to go out into the world and invite others to become a part of His community, the body of Christ. Let's show the world how wonderful this life together is, so that they will see it and say to themselves, "I want what those people have – I want my life to look like that." If the world cannot see what the church has that the world so badly needs, then the church has failed to be the community God calls it to be.

Speaking of community, we miss you when you're not in worship. Please make Sunday worship a priority. It's a weekly opportunity for us to come together and celebrate being part of this special family. Dietrich Bonhoeffer said, "It is the voice of the Church that is heard singing together. It is not you that sings, it is the Church that is singing, and you, as a member of the Church may share its song." That song is so much stronger when all the voices are here to add their part!

So, see you in church!
Pastor Karl



Our "Come to the Water" event will take place on Saturday, September 10, from 5:00-7:00 p.m., at Jaycee Park on the Morehead City waterfront. The event will feature Christian music and testimonies from our congregation, as well as preaching from Pastor Karl. This is a great opportunity for our church family to share the Good News of Jesus Christ with the people of our community, and invite them to "Come and See" how the Holy Spirit is moving at St. Peter's UMC. This will be an amazing time of Christian music, testimony, preaching, and fellowship.

If you are interested in sharing a testimony in word or song as part of our program that day, please contact the Church Office (726-2175).

Please invite others to "Come to the Water," where we will share the love of Christ and St. Peter's Church. Your prayers and participation are greatly appreciated. May it all be for the kingdom's glory!

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The "Come & See" window decals are here! If you would like to place one in the window of your vehicle, please come by the Church Office and pick one up.

PLEASE NOTE:

Charge Conference will take place on
Thursday, September 22,
7:00 p.m.
at First UMC, Morehead City.

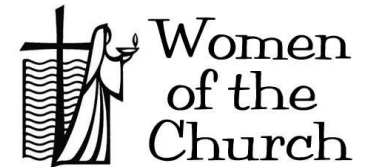
Members/Friends at Home

Sylvia Brown	Harborview Healthcare Center - 812 Shepard Street Morehead City, NC 28557	648-8566
Sherri Glancy	Water Oak Manor/3407 Oaks Road/P.O. Box 1189 New Bern, NC 28563	252-633-1143
Una Jackson	103 Hideaway Court/Cedar Point, NC 28584	
Dorothy Shaw	303 Barbour Road, #1301/Morehead City, NC 28557	808-3493
Jean Temple	Croatan Ridge Nursing & Rehab Center, 210 Foxhall Road/Newport, NC 28570	



Sisters in Christ will have their first meeting of the 2016-2017 school year this Tuesday, August 30. Please join us in the kitchen at 9:00 a.m. for coffee and refreshments. We will continue our study of "Twelve Extraordinary Women" at 9:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. All ladies are invited to join us and bring a friend!

Sisters in Christ invite you to help gather items for Operation Christmas Child Shoe Boxes. We have begun filling 41 boxes as we wait for items to be collected in August (soap only as we have many wash cloths), September (toothbrushes and toothpaste), October (hard candy, Tootsie Rolls, bubble gum), and November (\$7.00 donation, required for each box). So that we may meet or exceed the goal of 100 Shoe Boxes, please also consider donating any of the following items: hair brushes, colored pencils, pencil sharpeners, small notebooks, musical instruments, compact mirrors, small balls, jump ropes, small cars, and jewelry (for 10-14 year-old girls). Place items in the right side of the white wooden box in the Narthex. Thank you for helping with this ministry!



All ladies are invited to join the Women of the Church for an award-winning film classic "In Remembrance: Their Last Supper Together," on Monday, September 19, at 7:00 p.m. Through the film's unique perspective, we see the apostles as real people with questions and struggles, rather than the stained-glass icons we often take for granted today. Popcorn and drinks will be provided. You are welcome to bring your favorite movie candy.

The Women of the Church will begin a new Bible Study, "Colossions & Philemon," by Max Lucado, on October 17, at 7:00 p.m. "The Lucado Life Lessons Series" continues to be one of the best-selling guide series on the market today. This study will take you deeper into God's Word, through intriguing questions, inspirational stories, and personal reflections. There are excerpts from Lucado's books, as well as space for journaling. Books are on order and will be available in the church office soon. Plan now to take part in this great small group Bible Study opportunity with an awesome group of women!



January-July

Budget - \$177,567
 Actual Income - \$163,478
 Actual Expenses - \$172,568

Thank you for your continued financial support of the ministries of St. Peter's United Methodist Church.

-The Finance Committee



HYGIENE BAGS

The Outreach Committee invites you to help provide "Personal Hygiene Bags" for various local charities (Hope Mission Men's Shelter, Carteret County Domestic Violence Shelter, and Family Promise – to name a few). Items needed include: hotel-sized soap, shampoo, conditioner, sewing kits, shower caps, Chapstick, wash cloths, disposable razors, toothbrushes, toothpaste, dental floss, small packs of tissue, emery boards, ink pens, note pads, and any other items that you feel would work well. Please place them in the box in the Narthex. Thanks!



Pioneer Clubs will begin on Sunday, September 11, at 5:00 p.m.

A new format will be used this year: DELTA Club. DELTA is an acronym for Disciples Equipped for Life, Transformation, and Action. The program includes Bible lessons for kids, a Bible memory program, and awards for Bible and life-skill activities. Please come out and join us for this fun-filled adventure as we embrace God's Word together!

Where: St. Peter's United Methodist Church
 111 Hodges Street, Morehead City

When: Sunday Evenings – 5:00 p.m.

Who: All Children through 6th grade

Registration forms are available in the narthex.
 Register your children today!



YOUR HELP IS NEEDED!! Volunteers are needed to water the new shrubbery and do light weeding in the church yard. If you can help in any way, please contact Jay or Charlene Smith at 726-4826. Thanks!

UNITED METHODIST MEN

The United Methodist Men will meet on Tuesday, September 20, at 6:30 p.m. for a covered-dish dinner. All men are encouraged and invited to attend!

Church Mice

Karl Zorowski



MAIL

June 3, 2016

Dear St. Peter's UMC,

We want to say ASANTE SANA!! (Thank you very much!!) Thank you for the gracious gift and for such a privilege to come and share with you guys last Sunday! We praise our Father for you!

Together Making Him Known,
--Chandler, Jamie, Selah, Miriam, & Gideon Sharpe

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June 27, 2016

My Dear Friends at St. Peter's,

What a wonderful church family you are! And how special that you shared such a nice variety of food – the meats, the two large potatoes, the salad fixings – no wonder Rodney had such a big smile when he came to the door. And I shared that big smile when I saw what he had. Thank you so much.

I appreciated everything!
Blessings to you!
Love, Dolores Horn

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July 6, 2016

Dear St. Peter's,

I'm writing this letter to express how grateful I am of the St. Peter's scholarship committee's contribution towards my college tuition. The donation made by the church will go an incredibly long way towards my education at UNC Wilmington, and guarantees that I have the resources I need to buy all of my textbooks and more for my first year of college. Education is not something to be taken lightly, so knowing that makes the contribution made by the church all the more significant and impactful on my life. My mother couldn't have been happier when I told her of the gracious amount given to us by the church, and the happiness and pride on her face was something that couldn't possibly have a monetary value.

I know that as I go forward with my education, a piece of the church will live on with me throughout my studies, in the form of the Bible given to me for graduating from West Carteret High School. I will refer back to the Bible in time of struggles at University, or times when I seek the guidance of God. Thanks to the church, I will always have a special spiritual connection with God that couldn't be created by any other church. It makes my anxiety about starting college almost completely disappear knowing that I will have the Lord guide me throughout my education, and that the church will be with me every step of the way.

I was thinking about taking on a federal loan to assist in paying for my textbooks my first year, because as I'm sure you're aware, those things aren't cheap. But the contribution from the church assures me that I won't have to take out a costly federal loan, and makes the burden on my mother of putting her third child through college all the more lighter. I know we wouldn't be in the fortunate position we are in today if it wasn't for St. Peter's United Methodist Church, and my future would be a lot less certain. Eternally grateful, Robert David Clark

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July 12, 2016

Dear St. Peter's UMC,

Thank you so much for awarding me the scholarship money. It will be extremely helpful in getting me through the next school year as I further both my education and my faith. I am so blessed to be supported by such a wonderful and generous church. Sincerely, Victoria Banks

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July 23, 2016

To the Women of St. Peter's UMC,
Thank you so much for the beautiful floral arrangement. It cheered me up when I needed it to. You are so sweet to remember me. I love and miss you all.
Janet Herring



LET'S BE PART OF A FEEDING MIRACLE!

In John 6:1-12, we read the story of Jesus feeding 5,000 people with five small loaves of bread and two small fish. A small boy, willing to give what little he had, played a pivotal role in this feeding miracle.

A young boy was willing to share, and thousands were fed on a hillside. It was a miracle! Through our willingness to do the same, a feeding miracle can happen here in Carteret County!

St. Peter's is sponsoring a Food Drive to collect non-perishable food for Martha's Mission to distribute to the needy in our community. The men of the church are challenged to collect 5,000 items of food, and the women are challenged to do the same. This food drive is a friendly competition to see which group – the men or the women – will be first to reach 5,000. When this goal is reached, the victors will be recognized in some fashion befitting their generosity.

Jesus can take what we offer to Him, even if it seems insignificant, and use it to fulfill His purpose. Can your gift of a can of soup feed all of those who are hungry in Carteret County? Jesus performed a miracle with only a few loaves and fish! We have neighbors who are hungry, and praying for a miracle. Your generosity can help make that miracle a reality.

"Rejoice in the Lord always;
again I will say, rejoice!"

Philippians 4:4



Ocracoke

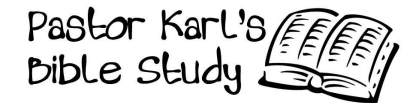
The Youth will be planning a day-trip to Ocracoke on Saturday, September 17. Watch the bulletin for more information.

Seafood Festival

The Youth will be in charge of a parking lot during the NC Seafood Festival Sept. 30-Oct. 2. Donations received will go toward future youth events. See Shannon Banks for more details.

Youth Pilgrimage!!

Pilgrimage is a weekend event that takes place on November 11-13, for youth in grades 6-12, in Fayetteville. At Pilgrimage, youth and adult advisors are challenged to a new or deeper faith in Jesus Christ. It is a time and place to discover that faith and discipleship can be fun! This year's guest speaker will be Romal Tune. If you would like to attend, please contact Shannon Banks (726-0258). For more information, go to www.nccpilgrimage.org.



Pastor Karl's Mid-Week Bible Study will begin meeting again on Thursday, September 8. The weekly classes are held in the morning from 11:00 to 12:00, and again in the evening at 6:30. If you come to the morning session, please bring a bag lunch for a time of fellowship following our study. Join us as we continue our study of the book of Revelation.