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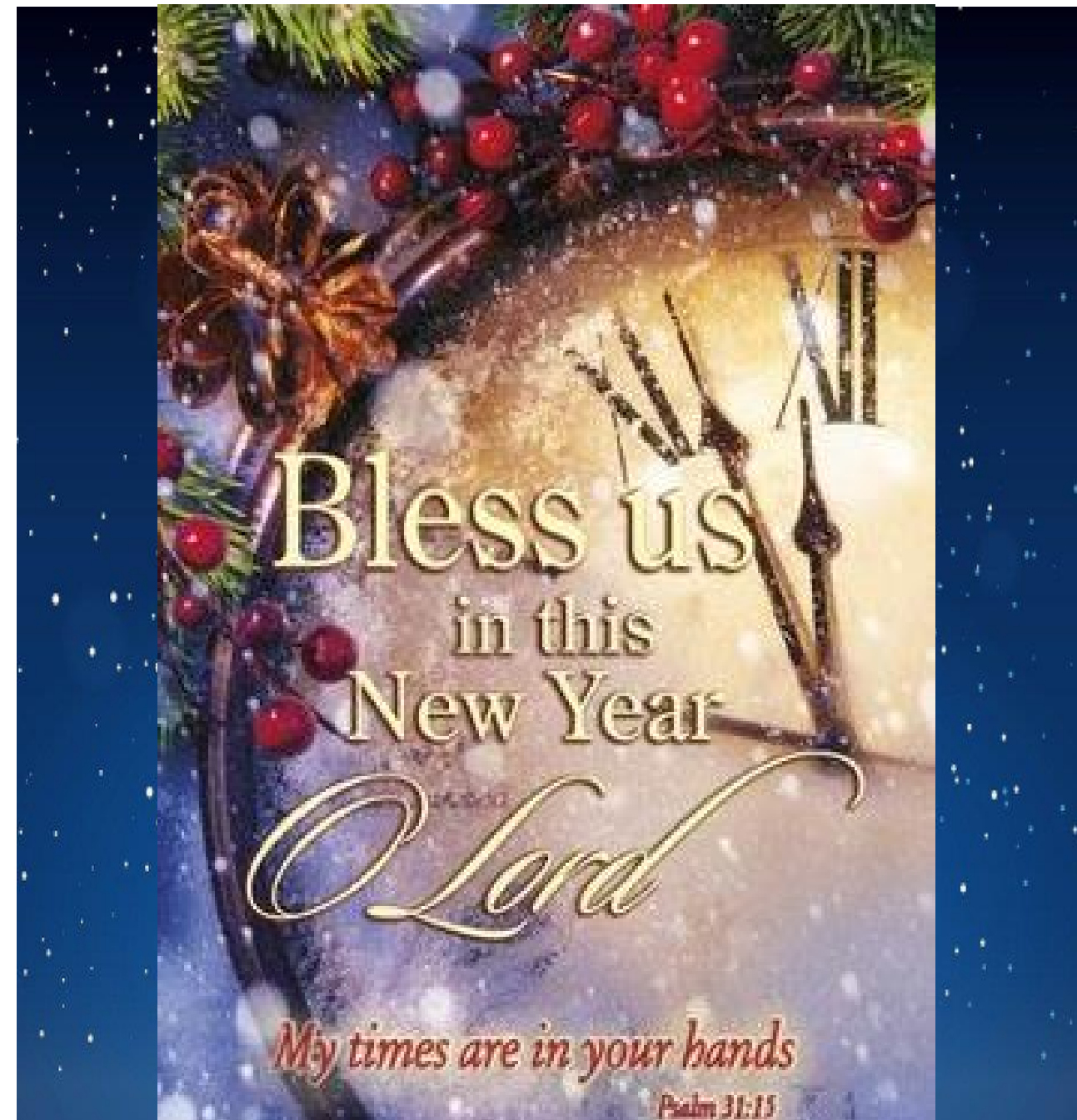
Onward

A newsletter for
and about the people of
St. Peter's Church

JANUARY 2020

January 2020 Calendar

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| 1/4 | Littlest Parishioners; 10-11:30am |
| 1/5, 19 & 26 | Sunday School |
| 1/12 | Family Church |
| 1/28 | Ladies Night Out; 6-8pm |
| 1/7 & 28 | Yoga Upper Room; 7-8:15pm |
| 1/14 & 21 | Yoga Undercroft; 7-8:15pm |
| 1/21 | HeartSaver CPR/AED; 7-10pm |



Notes from the Interim Rector

The Sunday 9 a.m. Chapel Services and Adult Events

For January and February the 9 a.m. schedule will be:

1st and 3rd Sundays	Wee Believers
Jan. 5	Who Were the Wise Men?
Jan. 19	Jesus Shows God's Power

2nd Sunday, January 2: Adult Forum:

Three Ways to Deepen Your Prayer Life

Highlights of December Vestry Meeting:

- Canon Clark to meet with Wardens to finalize profile. Expected to be posted in first half of January.
- In Stewardship for 2020, we have 108 pledges for \$239,343, more needed to reach our goal.
- Investments are up 22.1 % for the year to about \$1,895,000.
- Christmas bonuses for staff were approved.
- Ladies' Night is January 22nd.

Fr. Bob Morris

May God be with you through the New Year and fill your life with comfort, love and cheer. May this day the days ahead, hold many blessings for you and yours.

HAPPY NEW YEAR

2020



Girls' Night Out

We hope you have been hearing the buzz around the past two Girls' Night Out!

Our next Girls' Night Out will be Tuesday, January 28th from 6pm-8pm.

We are shaking it up this time and will be meeting at A Sip of Art in West Orange (235 Prospect Ave, West Orange, NJ 07052) to paint and enjoy each other's company.

Price will be \$35, and we can bring in food and beverages, including wine!

This a really fun event you don't want to miss!

Please contact Pam Au at pamau@comcast.net to register!

Happy New Year to Our St. Peters Family

Thank you to all who shared the holidays with us and for a very successful 2019 season. The Op Shop couldn't thrive without all your support and donations. We are truly blessed to be part of such a fulfilling ministry. We look forward to another bountiful year in 2020 and continue to need volunteers to serve and grow our mission. The Op Shop will continue to be open in 2020 on Thursdays between 12PM and 3PM and Saturdays between 10AM and 2PM. Please consider giving of your time even for a few hours. We promise, it will be worth it.



Stephanie & Dawn

Thank you for your Christmas Donations!!

Thank you to all the parishioners from St. Peter's who provided Christmas gifts to the children from Family Intervention Services and Patch.! You truly have made such an impact on each of these children's thoughts and feelings about Christmas and provided aide to numerous families during their toughest times! Thank you so much for all of your support! I look forward to next year! If you have any questions about these organizations or about your donations, please feel free to contact myself at 973-618-9345!

Thank you!

Christine DiGiovanni

Sunday School

It is easy to burrow into our caves for the long cold winter, but so much better to take the time to warm up in the glow of the church and the special sense of community there. The lessons in Sunday School for prek -3rd grade will shift from the Old Testament to the New with the new year. The children love the gold boxes! The 4th-6th grade hear several important readings from Jesus's life including His calling of His first disciples.

I continue to be amazed at how the children remember lessons from years past and link lessons together! We will need a few more teachers for the spring so please volunteer to greet in Godly Play so you can see what an amazing group of children we have at St. Peter's and how rewarding it can be to teach. Greeting involves helping the children "get ready" to hear the stories, helping with crowd control and assisting those with the wiggles.

With Peace and Love,
Dana Leach
scottdanaL@aol.com, 973-364-7544

Calendar for January

January 5th, 19th & 26th -
Sunday School

January 12th - Family Church

Family Church

Family Church was awesome! (as usual). I was so proud of our amazing readers, Frankie Hunkele, Colin Carr, Sophia Khan and Nadira Khan. The ushers, Dylan Negrotto, Anthony DiGiovanni and Lyla Khan were a great help and our elements were delivered carefully by Charlotte Albano and Alexandra Hunkele. What a wonderful group!!

Our next Family Church will be January 12th when I believe we will have a visit from three Magi! Please reach out to me and volunteer your children :)

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Amazon Smile



Christmas may be behind us, but you can use Amazon Smile all year long to continue to support St. Peter's!

Make sure you use Amazon Smile when you order from Amazon and select **St. Peter's Episcopal Church, Essex Falls** as your charity. It all adds up!!

Littlest Parishioners' Playgroup Birthday Party!



Saturday, January 4th 10-11:30

The weather is cold so time to get the wiggles out at playgroup!! We will be having a birthday celebration at playgroup this month with cupcakes and games. I wonder whose birthday it is?!?

The Littlest Parishioners' Playgroup is for parishioners with children age 3 and younger. It is a lovely play group of young families sharing similar milestones and struggles.

Please join us the first Saturday of each month from 10-11:30. We will be in the upper room (unless the weather magically gets warm and snow melts then we will be on the playground). Older siblings are also welcome! Our February date is the February 1st so mark your calendars now.

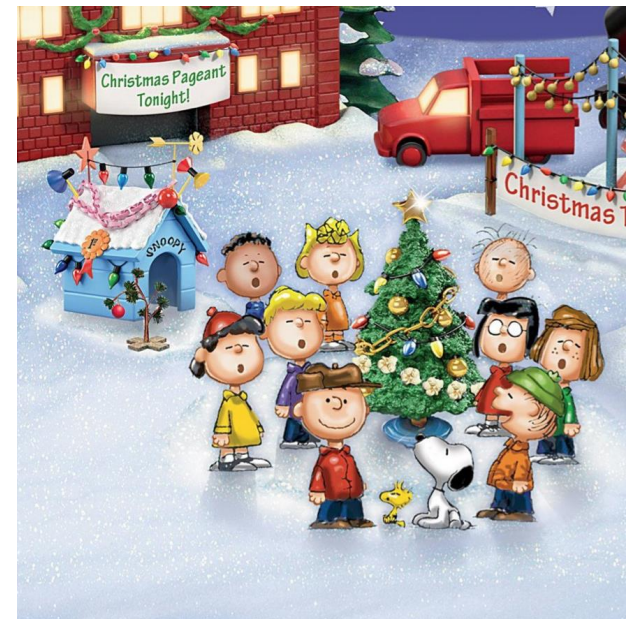
Any questions contact either Dana Leach at 973-364-7544, scottdanaL@aol.com or Nat Bernardo, nathaliabernardo23@gmail.com.

Thank You!!

The Advent Event was so much fun!! Many thanks to Sarah Latson & Nicole Dilkes for running it!! Also, thanks to the crafters for their creativity, all those who donated food, and to our SPY teens for their help. The Advent Event is another way St. Peter's does a great job of introducing our Sunday School aged children to SPY!

Christmas Pageant

At the time of this writing we have not yet had the pageant, but I can tell from rehearsal it is going to be a great one!! A million thank yous to Terri Korenstein and her elves!



SAINT PETER'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH



WELCOME to YOGA

Begin *2020* and your Transition from the season of hope and cheer to one of enlightenment, renewal and transformation with yoga.

Each weekly practice focuses on an ethical behavior - love, truth, honesty, balance, generosity; or a personal observance - purity, self-acceptance, self-discipline, self-study and devotion.

to help us become unstuck, build an awareness of a mind body connection, make peace with who we are grow.

Tuesdays 7-8:15 pm

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* January 7 & 28

*January 14 & 21 will be held in the Undercro

\$15 per class. One third tithed to the church. rsvp: pataliotta@gmail.com

Unfurl your mat,
Relax your breath, + *flow* in *Community*



ST. PETER'S HEALTH AND HEALING MINISTRY
IS SPONSORING

HEARTSAVER CPR/AED COURSE
(Adult and Child)

Training in adult/child CPR and obstructed airway. Also training in use of the Automated External Defibrillator.

Date: Tuesday, January 21, 2020

Place: Upper Room

Time: 7-10 pm (registration/sign in 6:45)

Cost: \$55 per person

You will receive certification valid for two years.

Please register as soon as possible so we can plan for the correct number of instructors. Register by calling the office at 973-226-6500. Give your name, contact number, and email to Eileen. Or you can e-mail me at sgnegrotto@yahoo.com

Let's take advantage of this worthwhile opportunity to help our families and community.

Rev. Susan Negrotto
Pastoral Assistant