

October 2020

# THE BEACON :

## St. Peter's on the Hill

*"Let your light shine before others"*



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## Worship Safety Precautions Continue

As we enter the fall season, St. Peter's will still be observing safety precautions because of the coronavirus. Masks are still required, and social distancing is encouraged.

On tables in the entrances, there are bulletins, offering baskets, and hand sanitizer.

For those coming to worship for the first time, you'll see that every other pew is closed. Hymn singing is being offered by a member up front, accompanied by Kat Bowman.

There will be no nursery or Sunday School for the time being.

As of September 20<sup>th</sup>, a modified social hour after worship is being offered outside, weather permitting, with coffee and purchased individually wrapped snacks.

- If you are not feeling well, please stay home and enjoy the service online.
- If you think that you may have been exposed to the coronavirus, please wait a minimum of two weeks to come to church.



## New Directory

In the coming month, we will be presenting a new on-line directory. Online Church Directory takes our old church directory into the modern age!

Sitting safely in the cloud, their powerful database software provides 24/7 access to up-to-date member information from any computer or mobile device. Their FREE mobile app and unlimited messaging will allow our congregation to connect and engage like never before. We can even create a traditional printed photo directory with this company!

We will be rolling this new directory out in the coming weeks. You will be getting an e-mail letter from St. Peter's *and* from the Online Church Directory company with your Username and Password. Once you get that information, you will log in to add more of your information.

In the meantime, if you'd like to get a feel for the directory, you can do an on-line tour of its features by clicking here:

<https://onlinechurchdirectory.com/online-member-directory-demo/>



## The mission must go on!

Despite the limits set by the pandemic this year, our Room to Read Mission Team has been working hard to continue helping girls across the world.

Please see page 2 for Book Sale info!



## Room to Read Sunday October 18, 2020

Our Room to Read mission supports girls through their secondary education. This comprehensive program keeps girls in school, thus allowing them to marry later, earn a better wage, and make strides in gender inequality. By supporting this program, we are helping to eradicate or minimize poverty, HIV, human trafficking and illiteracy in some of the neediest parts of the world.

It is heartening to see such an outpouring of support, and knowing that this money will do so much good for deserving young women. St Peter's is a small community with great heart.

God bless you.

Please refer to the chart to the right for our Room to Read Book Sale Hours!

10/10/20	1-3 pm
10/11/20	11am -12:30 pm
10/13/20	2:30-4:30 pm
10/15/20	7:00-8:30 pm
10/18/20	11 am -12:30 pm
10/20/20	1-3 pm
10/22/20	7:00-8:30 pm
10/25/20	11 am -12:30 pm



“PURPOSE  
IS THE PLACE  
WHERE YOUR DEEP  
GLADNESS  
MEETS THE  
WORLD’S NEEDS.”  
~ FREDERICK BUECHNER



## Sewing Circle News

The Sewing Circle is sad to report this year due to the pandemic, we cannot accept personal food donations from the congregation for our Harvest Home Sunday that was previously set for October 11th.

A huge thank you to everyone who already donated financially to Harvest Home. If you are still considering making a donation to Sewing Circle for Harvest Home we are accepting donations thru October 4th. You can also mail in your donation to St. Peter's with Sewing Circle/Harvest Home on the memo line of your check. Kathy Krasley and Kathleen Wachsmuth will purchase groceries and deliver items to the organizations we support for Harvest Home. Thank you for helping to support the work of St. Peter's Pikeland Sewing Circle during this difficult time.

The Sewing Circle would like to remind everyone that they are still collecting Redner's Receipts. If you shop at Redner's, please bring your receipts to church. There is a can at the door by the offering baskets. Or you can mail your receipts to the church.



## Sunday School

Because of Covid, we are not going to be holding Sunday School or providing Nursery Care during worship service.

Thank you for your understanding, and we look forward to gathering again as classes when it is safe and healthy for all!



## A Note on Offering



Dear Church Family,

As we approach our eighth month in this time of the global pandemic, we can't thank you enough for the mailed-in contributions you have been continuing to send during these unprecedented times. As we are sure you are aware, our expenses continue even as attendance has dropped, and your continued support is crucial to our continuing operations.

Our church community is still very much alive, well and vibrant. Please continue to send your generous contributions if you can, and if you need any assistance whatsoever, please feel free to let us know.

We are in this together and we are there to help those in need.

## Book Club

St Peter's Book Club had a lovely time discussing American Dirt at Diane Dunn's house on September 17. It was not necessarily an easy book to read, but it was exciting (some would say tense) and it gave a personal face to the issue of undocumented immigrants. Many of us loved it! We enjoyed a cool and beautiful meeting with great camaraderie.

It was the club's last meeting. We are hoping that this is just a short hiatus during the cold weather and are looking for a leader or a team of leaders to keep it going. If you are interested, please contact Dave Zinn or any of the Elders.



## October Birthdays



Kirstin Smith	10/1
Meghan Cavan	10/3
Mackenzie Wookey	10/3
Alice Bierer	10/7
Herman Nieuwenhuizen	10/8
Steve Krasley	10/9
Douglas Beatty	10/11
Norman Norris	10/13
TJ Dunn	10/14
Emily Cavan	10/14
Lynn Mailey	10/15
Don Davidson	10/16
Jordan Spranger	10/17
Alexandra Furlong	10/19
Richard Merryman	10/20
Ian Mansmann	10/21
Bill Bierer	10/22
Rich Nicholson	10/22
George Smith	10/22
John Borzillo	10/25
Bob McClimon	10/26
Christina Whitlatch	10/28
Carol Krisch	10/28
Tyler Smiley	10/29
Erin Martin	10/31



### **Daylight Saving Time Ends**

Remember to turn your clocks **BACK** one hour before heading to bed on Saturday, October 31.

## Wedding Anniversaries

Eileen and Bob Biddle  
 Tom and Lauren Carnevale  
 Daniel and Cindy Gorge  
 Barb and Sam McCabe  
 Bob and Dee McClimon Jr.  
 Richard and Grace Merryman  
 Doug and Laura Yeakle  
 Jeff and Jessica Griffiths  
 Greg and Sonja Wheelan




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### **Altar Flowers**

If you would like to provide the altar flowers for an upcoming Sunday, *please contact the church office to sign up.* Because we are currently unable to order the flowers, you must be able to provide your own.



### **Lectors Needed**

If you would like to be our lector for an upcoming Sunday, *please contact the church office to sign up.*

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### **New Modified Fellowship Time**

As you read briefly on the front page, after worship on Sundays, a new modified fellowship time has begun for those coming to the services. Weather permitting, a table will be placed outside for coffee and purchased snacks that are individually wrapped. If the weather is not favorable, this modified fellowship time will be held in Fellowship Hall.

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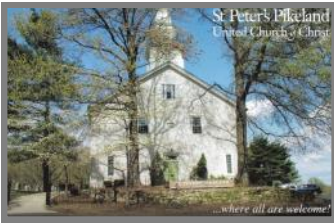
### **CEMETERY NOTES**

A new Dogwood tree was planted in memory of Florence Benjamin by daughter Eileen and Bob Biddle. Look from the corner of the parking lot, or walk down the old brick lined pathway.

We seldom walk that way, where there is a bench in memory of McCabe, Kershaw and Quay, a Dogwood in memory of Gil and Pearl Kessler and a Kousa Dogwood in memory of Peter Stine

In the next year or two, there will be room for another Memorial Dogwood.

If that's of interest to anyone, contact Wayne



# Our Prayer List

Please keep the following members and friends in your prayers:

## Church Staff

**Rev. Douglas Hanson,**  
*Pastor*  
**Annamae Moore,**  
*Worship Coordinator*  
**Kat Bowman,**  
*Director of Music and Organist*  
**Jill Cook,**  
*Church Secretary*  
**Deborah Wetty,**  
*Nursery Attendant*  
**Debbie Wolk,**  
*Bookkeeper*  
**Wayne Freese**  
*Cemetery Manager*

## **Church Officers 2020**

President of Congregation –  
Jim Phillips

Secretary of Congregation –  
Kathleen Wachsmuth

President of Consistory –  
Peter Warner

Secretary of Consistory –  
Michelle Case

Treasurer – Ken Whitlatch

## **Elders**

Michelle Case- Chair  
Ben Campbell, Wayne Freese,  
Judy Shupe, Deb Wetty, Dave Zinn

## **Deacons**

Bill Latta, Alexis McCarthy,  
Pete Warner, Doug Yeakle, Chris  
Zaro

## **Trustees**

Fred Wookey III-Chair  
Mark Myers, John Pandjak  
Scott Raichle, Peter Wilson,  
Drew Zummo

Andrea Lafleur  
Angie Schlessman  
Anthony Didesidero, friend of Anne Breiling  
Barbara Broyles, friend of the Wachsmuths  
Bob Dewilde  
Brandy Rhodes, Gail Phillips' nephew  
Caitie Blazic and baby Nicholas, friend of Judy Smythe  
Carol Meyer  
Charlie Sproule, Jr.  
Chris Saunders, friend of Micki Menkins  
Chris Webb, son of a friend of Lynn Mailey  
Clarice Bowman  
Doris Ingham, Joyce Rosen's mother  
Donna Rhodes, Gail Phillips' sister  
Friends and family of Sydney Cagle  
Greg Francis, Lee Ann Michener's brother  
Heidi Kieffer, daughter of Eric Johnson's cousin  
Hunter Firment, Nancy Smith's Grandson  
Ian Charles Harmon, the Booraem's grandson  
Jashown Banner, former student of Jackie Warner  
Jennifer Newell, Beth Newell's Sister-in-law  
Jennifer Osborne  
Joan Fink  
John Edwards, friend of Linda Johnson  
Kerri Haseman, Jane and Bob Breisch's niece  
Kevin Snyder, CEO of Bethany Children's Home  
Linda Halpern, Joyce Rosen's Sister in Law  
Margaret Breiling  
Mary Andersen, friend of the McCarthys  
Mike Solerno, friend of the Micheners  
Pamela (Miller) Murphy  
Patty Myers  
Peter Lenichek, Anne Breiling's cousin  
Peter Mahler, friend of Smythes  
Reagan Basile  
Rick Cassidy, friend of the Davidsons  
Sally Kramer, Cherri Romano's sister  
Sally Mehrens, sister of Lynn Mailey  
Sharon Divis, daughter of Judy Smythe  
Sue McVay, friend of Mary Jo Pandjak  
Sylvia Houff, Kathleen Wachsmuth's sister  
Sylvia Lawson

