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THE KEYS SCONECTIONS SUNDAY by Will Henry Lawrence | Director of Communications

What is Connections Sunday? Really, it's every Sunday, but today especially, as a new school year has begun and Sunday School will soon begin, it's an opportunity to re-engage with the various ministries of St. Peter's both within our walls and beyond these walls in the world. Each of us is encouraged to seriously consider what it means to be connected to the Church–not just this particular cathedral church, but the Christian Church that spans the entire globe and you might use the Spiritual Gifts the Lord has given you to be part of the Church.

So today is Connections Sunday!

Many ministries are centered on a commitment to sharing in the common priesthood (service) of St. Peter's for the purpose of *building up Christ's body in this place*. Other ministries are centered on the commitment to sharing in the common priesthood (service) of St. Peter's for the purpose of *sharing in the mission to which God has called us in the world*. However, all these ministries are intertwined and serve to build up the body of Christ and be a light in the world, just as we are called to be both disciples who intimately know Jesus and serve one another in community, and missionaries who are sent out into the world preaching and baptizing in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ! Please walk through the displays with the purpose of discerning where and how God may be calling you to new service of Him in the life of our parish. If you are already involved in a ministry or two, that's wonderful! Consider that God may be calling you into something different. For some, this may require leaving something behind to pick something else up. For others, this may mean adding to your plate. For still others it may look like taking on a different or more engaged role in a ministry you recommit yourself to, but for all of us, being connected in a meaningful and life-giving way will require sacrifice of some kind.

Please know that you are not being asked to make the events and ministries at St. Peter's the center of your life, but all of us are being encouraged to more fully WORSHIP the Lord through MISSIONS AND EVANGELISM, DISCIPLESHIP AND FORMATION, and by learning, crying, laughing, serving, eating, celebrating, and teaching TOGETHER!

Each ministry has a way through which you may indicate your interest or desire to recommit your time to it. If you leave your name, someone from that ministry will contact you to help discern your involvement. Please walk through the transepts and see where God might be calling you to serve!

Thank you for the many ways in which you are already serving! Please continue to serve as you are called, even as you seek to further your commitment to Christ's body in this place and God's mission in the world.

Be sure to grab a copy of the Connections Guide to take home and help connect your spiritual gifts to particular ministries at St. Peter's.

After the dismissal, go directly from your pew to one of the transepts. Instead of greeting at the West Doors, clergy will greet in the transepts.

MISSIONS & EVANGELISM

PRISON: KAIROS | The Wakulla Correctional Institution Kairos prison ministry weekend has been rescheduled for October 26-29 at Wakulla Correctional Institution. If you would like to join the team for this weekend, please contact Bobby Carrouth or Prison Core Captain, Jason White, at jasonwhite48@gmail.com or 850.566.7702.

UNDER-RESOURCED: GRACE MISSION

Grace Mission has two volunteer opportunities:

- 1. We need two volunteers to assist with shower schedules on FRIDAYS FROM IOAM-I2:30PM. This involves handing each visitor a washcloth and towel and sanitizing the shower stall between showers. There are usually five showers during this time.
- 2. Additionally, we need volunteers to help with the Annual Grace Mission Blues and BBQ event on Saturday, November 4.

Please contact Heidi King at 850.668.5525 for more information.

PRISON: COFFEE DRIVE | Beginning in September, St. Peter's will begin regularly collecting GROUND COFFEE for our prison ministry needs. If you see it on sale at Publix, Costco, or anywhere else, pick up a few containers and bring them to the cathedral along with your peanut butter for ECHO. Please remember it will need to be **GROUND COFFEE** (*not coffee beans*). This will be used during our regular Prison Ministry events at local facilities. The large 3lb cans go the furthest, but we will take any and all that you can offer!

DISASTER RELIEF: HELPING OUR BROTHERS AND SISTERS IN HAWAII | CHRIST THE FOUNDATION ANGLICAN CHURCH & KINGSFIELD ANGLICAN MISSION (*Diocese of the Rocky Mountains*) are faithfully serving survivors of the wildfires through shelter, provisions, and more. The ANGLICAN RELIEF AND DEVELOPMENT FUND at this time is requesting donations and prayers. To donate, visit <u>ARDF.ORG</u> **PRISON: GOOD NEWS OUTREACH** | Good News Outreach is looking for volunteer drivers to deliver groceries to Seniors in Leon County on the second Saturday of every month. If you'd like to be a part of this vital program that reduces food insecurity for our under-resourced elderly neighbors, contact Jason White at jasonwhite48@gmail.com or Crystal Cromartie, GNO Food Program Manager crystalc@ goodnewsoutreach.org

UNDER-RESOURCED: BUILD A BUNK BED

Saturday, September 30th | 8:30-11:30am | Please mark your calendars and plan to join us right here in the parking lot at St. Peter's as we partner with SLEEP IN HEAVENLY PEACE to build 40 bunk beds for local children in need. Sleep in Heavenly Peace believes that a bed is a basic need for the proper physical, emotional, and mental support that a child needs and that all children deserve a safe, comfortable place to lay their heads. Join in this special time of creating beds for deserving children, as well as the opportunity to help deliver and set up. What an amazing opportunity to share God's love! For more information, visit <u>STPETERSFL.COM/BUNKBED</u>



DISCIPLESHIP

Women's Fall Gathering

Hosted by St. Peter's Daughters of the Holy Cross

October 6-7, 2023



...clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience. Colossians 3:12

ST. PETER'S ARTISANS | NEW GALLERY WALL EXHIBIT! | Meet the Artist, Liz Snowden. We welcome Liz and her Church Ladies series to our Gallery Wall downstairs! Liz is a native of Tallahassee, Florida, an FSU grad, and a self-taught artist. She has always enjoyed creating in various mediums and her style is ever-evolving. She currently works mostly in acrylics with a little mixed media thrown in for fun. Her style is colorful, whimsical and happy. It brings joy to her to create, and she hopes it brings joy to those who collect it. You can find her on Instagram at @lizsnowden_art

ACOLYTE MINISTRY | WE NEED YOU!

Interested in being part of our acolyte ministry? We are always looking to welcome more youth into this vital ministry of the cathedral. Acolytes play an important role in our Anglican style of worship, with ample opportunities to participate. Contact Acolyte Master Cal Melton at drcalmelton@gmail.com for more information.

WOULD YOU LIKE TO KNOW MORE ABOUT ANGLICANISM?

If you're interested in knowing more about Anglicanism, attend one of these Fall classes:

The Foundations for Discipleship:

- Common Faith | ANGLICAN CATECHISM
 13 September–15 November | 6:15-7:30pm
- Common Worship | PRAYER BOOK 101 18 September–30 October | 6:15-7:30pm

Visit <u>StPetersFL.com/LearnMore</u> or contact Katie Munroe at <u>KMunroe@StPetersFL.com</u> for more information.

MARY & MARTHA GUILD

Monday, 11 September | *9:45am* | Come join us at the Woodbrook Clubhouse. Our social hour begins at 9:45AM and the meeting starts at 10:30AM. Our guest speaker will be our new Curate, Ryan Cecil! Don't miss this opportunity to gather for a new year and meet old or make new friends. All women are welcome!

SECOND SUNDAY MIDDLE & HIGH SCHOOL PARTY! *Sunday, 10 September* | 6–8*pm* | Calling all middle and high schoolers–join us at the Youth House while the adults are in the Annual Parish Meeting. We will eat dinner, play games, and have fun! Our guest speaker will be Cheryl Cerreta, one of our high school volunteers. You might know her, but did you know she is fluent in American Sign Language (ASL)?! Come learn about Deaf culture and even some signlanguage from Chery!!

DISCIPLESHIP | **CLASSES** | The fall semester for both Sunday School and Wednesday night classes will begin soon! Grab a class catalog in the Narthex, pick your class, then sign up for fall classes and Wednesday night dinners at <u>STPETERSFL.COM/CLASSES</u>. Sunday School begins for all ages *Sunday*, *10 September* and our Wednesday night program begins *13 September*. Find out more about Wednesday nights on the back of *the Keys*.

Worship

VISITING THE CATHEDRAL?

Welcome–we're so glad you're worshiping with us today! Our nursery is available during Sunday morning services for children newborn through Kindergarten. We hope you'll join us on the lawn for coffee & other refreshments between morning services! Whether today is your first time or you've been coming for awhile, we are so glad you're here!

CATHEDRAL PRAYER LIST & CARE MINISTRIES

If you have any pastoral needs or know of someone who needs pastoral care and prayer, please contact Care Ministries Coordinator, Alice Sanderson at <u>ASanderson@StPetersFL.com</u>

Please call the Cathedral Office at 850.701.0664 or email <u>ASanderson@StPetersFL.com</u> to be added to the Cathedral Prayer List. <u>You can also submit a prayer request or Care Ministry Need at StPetersFL.com/Prayer</u>

Military: Lucas Bell, Jose Betancourt, Lt Col. David Chichetti, SSG Corey Daws, Lt. Col. Daniel Dean, Capt. James Dilworth, Capt. John Easterbrook Jr, Airman Drew Edwards, Sgt. Michael Gaskins, SSgt Corey Owen, Capt. Griffin Jax, Capt. Savannah B. Jax, Capt. Parker Jax, Capt. Chandler B. Jax, 1st Lt. Carson Jax, PFC Sam Henri, 1st Lt. Rebecca Jax, Gabriel Melendez, Col. Burt Newman, Major Gen. John Richardson, Capt. Oliver Rushing, Spc. Andrew Sanderson, Lt. Cmdr. Chris Smith, SFC Dewey Spence, Lt. Patrick Swain, Capt. Parry Thomas, Lt. Cmdr. Blake Van Brunt Jr, MM3 Tommy VanLandingham, SN Benjamin Waddill, PFC John P. Warren.

Parishioners, Relatives, and Friends: Richard Clemens, Carlton Dean, Eva, Fred, Pat Barnidge, Gordon, WH, Sara Clausen, Jenny Camacho, T. Herring, Sarah & Jim Hampson, Bobby Buckingham, Kim Wilson, Ed Moore, Clayton & Philip Jax, Jim & Helen, Tom McHaffie, Cindy & Ben, Bill Pandolfi, Mary Meloni, Vicki, Bart, Pat, Katherine Hilary Pontin *as of 8.24.23*

WEDNESDAY NIGHT CHORAL EVENSONG | We're excited that this fall, in lieu of Choral Compline, we will be offering Choral Evensong each *Wednesday at* 5:30PM. Come have dinner at 5PM and then head upstairs to the Chancel for Evensong or come for Evensong at 5:30PM and eat dinner in the Parish Hall right after, but before classes begin at 6:15PM. While various ensembles and the Men's Compline Choir will often lead, our Choristers will be leading this service on the following dates:

- 9.13 | Youth Choristers
- **10.4** 4th Grade & Older

12.6 | Youth Choristers12.20 | Chorister Christmas | All Choristers

ANNUAL PARISH MEETING September 10 | 6:30pm

11.1 | 2nd Grade & Older | K & 1st Grade: Prelude

Note | The Meeting begins at 6:30PM so please arrive between 6 & 6:25PM.