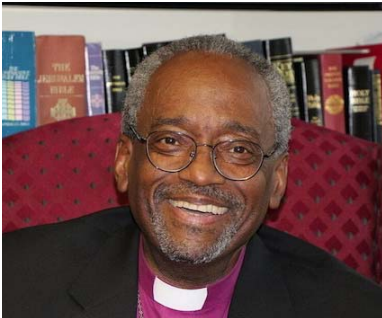




Meet the NEW Presiding Bishop!



Sunday, November 1st, All Saints' Day, marks the installation of Bishop Michael Bruce Curry as the 27th Presiding Bishop of The Episcopal Church. Bishop Curry's installation occurred at noon (Eastern time) at The National Cathedral in Washington, D.C.

Bishop Curry, formerly Bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of North Carolina, is

the first African-American to be elected Presiding Bishop of The Episcopal Church. He was elected and confirmed at the 78th General Convention of The Episcopal Church on June 27.

Born in Chicago, IL, on March 13, 1953, Presiding Bishop Curry received a Master of Divinity degree in 1978 from Yale University Divinity School in New Haven, CT. He has continued his studies at The College of Preachers, Princeton Theological Seminary, Wake Forest University, the Ecumenical Institute at St. Mary's Seminary, and the Institute of Christian Jewish Studies.

Presiding Bishop Curry was ordained to the diaconate in June 1978, at St. Paul's Cathedral, Buffalo, NY, and to the priesthood in December 1978, at St. Stephen's, Winston-Salem, NC. He began his ministry as deacon-in-charge at St. Stephen's, Winston-Salem, in 1978 and was rector from 1979-1982. He next accepted a call as rector at St. Simon of Cyrene, Lincoln Heights, OH, serving from 1982-1988. In 1988 he was called to become rector of St. James', Baltimore, MD, where he served until his election as the 11th Bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of North Carolina in February 2000.

Throughout his ministry, Presiding Bishop Curry has been active in issues of social justice, speaking out on immigration policy and marriage equality. In his three parish ministries, Presiding Bishop Curry had extensive involvement in Crisis Control Ministry, the founding of ecumenical summer day camps for children, preaching missions, the Absalom Jones initiative, creation of networks of family day care providers, creation of educational centers, and the brokering of millions of dollars of investment in inner city neighborhoods.

In the Diocese of North Carolina, Presiding Bishop Curry instituted a network of canons, deacons, and youth ministry professionals dedicated to supporting the ministry that happens in local

congregations. He refocused the Diocese on The Episcopal Church's Millennium Development Goals through a \$400,000 campaign to buy malaria nets that saved over 100,000 lives.

Presiding Bishop Curry has served on the boards of a number of organizations, including the Task Force for Reimagining the Episcopal Church (TREC) and as Chair and now Honorary Chair of Episcopal Relief & Development. He was a member of the Commission on Ministry in each of the three dioceses where he has served.

Presiding Bishop Curry has a national preaching and teaching ministry, having been featured on *The Protestant Hour* and as a frequent speaker at conferences around the country. He has authored numerous publications. His most recent book, *Songs My Grandma Sang*, was published in June 2015; *Crazy Christians: A Call to Follow Jesus* was his first book, in August 2013. He has received honorary degrees from Episcopal Divinity School, Sewanee, Virginia Theological Seminary, and Yale.

He is married to the former Sharon Clement, and they have two daughters, Rachel and Elizabeth.



All invited

Stone Soup & Jazz Fellowship
Sunday, November 1, 2015
5:00pm – 7:00pm

A fun evening for the entire family as we celebrate our ministry together at St. Peter's and look ahead to the future. You are invited to bring your favorite soup ingredient to church in the morning and the "soup wizards" will prepare delicious homemade soups for us for that evening!

St. Peter's Episcopal Church—Parish Hall

I commend to you the following personal piece of writing by 7:30am parishioner, Robert Wight. This is his gift to all of us at St. Peter's during this month which includes both Veteran's Day and Thanksgiving. Robert, thank you for sharing your thoughts, your faith, and your heart with us. We are so blessed that you have chosen to live out your faith within this community.

Pastor Diane



An Aging Soldier Reaches for his Steel Pot

As a youngster growing up in Nuuanu, my parents sent me, along with my brother, to the nearest church pre-school, the Nuuanu Baptist Church, on the corner of Bates Street and Nuuanu Avenue. We participated in Sunday school and in many other church activities, such as Royal Ambassadors, and received a firm grounding in the Bible and in Baptist religion. I did not realize it then, but this "experience" gave me membership in that part of society, which called itself "Christian".

After middle school, my church attendance went by the way side, as I moved through high school, college, and early adulthood. For *me*, church attendance and religion were not a necessary part of my adult life.

After college, like a good number of men of my generation, I served in Vietnam as a US Army Infantry Lieutenant. The Infantry GI, in addition to his personal weapon, had a formidable load to carry in *the* field. On his person or stuffed into his rucksack would be bandoleers of ammo grenades, bayonet, cans of c-rations, spare clothing, sleeping gear, personal items like radios and cameras, several quart canteens of water, poncho liner, entrenching tool, flak jacket, and finally, a 3-pound "steel pot" (WWII/Korean War vintage helmet with liner); all this to be carried, hours on end, in sweltering heat and humidity, conditions that make Honolulu's most recent "very hot" summer seem like a spring day. Many GIs, if they could get away with it, would hand carry their "steel pot" or tie it to their rucksack, rather than wearing it on their heads. At the beginning of any rest break, that "steel pot" would be dropped to the ground with a satisfying "thud", and was often relegated to the lowly role of a field expedient seat for the weary GI. But, as soon as incoming fire was received, "life and death" became the paramount concern, and the GI reached immediately for the two most critical items to his

survival, his weapon and his "steel pot". Slapping that "steel pot" on his head gave the GI a measure of physical protection, mental comfort, and reassurance, which helped him confront the enemy situation at hand. The unappreciated "steel pot", regarded by the GI as a weighty burden for much of his field service, became his essential "go to" comforter when facing the terror of combat.

Today, I find myself, as a 72 year old, facing a different challenge, that of aging. However, the immersion I had as a youngster in a Christian religion and which I filed away in my bag of life experiences, has always been with me, tucked away for me should I ever need it; and this, despite my lack of faithful attention to it through much of my adult life. Just as the soldier who reaches for his "steel pot" in times of peril, I find myself, reaching back in time for my *religious* "steel pot", as a protective resource in my final years.

I was baptized an Episcopalian in middle adulthood, but, even today, I still view my Episcopal experience through Baptist eyes, still puzzled by the "bells and smells" of its more formal worship and challenged by its unfamiliar hymns, when compared to the "simpler" Baptist worship and hymns of my childhood. That formality, however, will not stop me from finding comfort in the Episcopal Church, as I grow my participation, understanding, and faith.

For all veterans on this November's Veterans Day, for our congregation, and particularly for our aging members, I pray for each, a *faith-filled* "steel pot", which they can take hold of for comfort and reassurance in their life's journey.

Robert K. Wight



THANKSGIVING SERVICE



November 26
9:30 a.m.



On Sunday, October 18th, St. Peter's celebrated the lives and ministries of 16 members of the congregation who are in their 90s. A special booklet was prepared with photos and biographical sketches of **Bea Bryant, Eleanor Chang, Violet Chew, Bernard Ching, Rosie Ching, Roberta**

Dang, Miriam Everhart, Nora Fong, Gladys Ho, Steven Ho, Lily Ing, Eleanor Kashiwada, Stanley Kau, Lynda Pang, Laura Young, and Alfred Yuen.

There are copies of the booklet available to pick up in the sanctuary at the greeters' table.

Reflections on Ministry

Sim Kau

For the past over one year, I have been part of the Prayer ministry group. This is a small group of people headed by Tiare Ono and Pokhui McKinney. Prayer requests received are put on a confidential monthly list that is circulated to all members of the prayer group.

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St. Peter's has always valued the importance of prayer ... there used to be mid-week meetings, where people that

needed prayer could come and during Sunday services, we would call out the names of each person that request prayer. Now, the way the prayer ministry operates, I think, is even more meaningful and supportive because there is a lot more detailed information about the health of the persons we are praying for. So it helps us to pray in a more focused way. As the Body of Christ, we are called to love and pray for one another.

It has been a privilege to be able to share the health burdens and the joys of recovery from ill-health of fellow members of the congregation. But we do not just pray for immediate members of the congregation or their families ... we get prayer requests from friends or relatives of the congregation that do not come to St. Peter's . In this way, I really feel that the reach of St. Peter's is spread further than just the immediate congregation and their families. Many prayer requests are for long term chronic health situations and it is those situations, I feel, that really benefit from the continual consistent prayers of our group. I should know, I am on the prayer list myself.

From the time I moved here over 26 years ago, I have always felt the warmth and love of the congregation.

I have been so blessed to be part of St. Peter's and this is also my church now, although I come from a Lutheran church back in Singapore.

And it was because I so much felt the love and support of St Peter's through the prayer ministry, that I felt called to be part of the prayer group. Every month when I contribute to the church offerings, I know that I am helping to perpetuate and enhance the operations of the Church which includes this important prayer ministry.

It's CAN, CAN, CAN time!!!

Haroldwyn Chang and Amy Ono

Food Drive

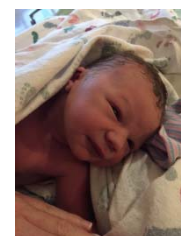


In collaboration with the Priory Schools, St. Peter's canned goods drive is underway. For the second year our partnership will provide much needed food support to clients of the Kuhio Park Terrace Family Center. The Center seeks to increase the knowledge of and confidence of parents in child-rearing activities; strengthen partnerships with parents and professionals in meeting the educational needs of children from birth through high school; and enhance the working relationships between home, school and community agencies.

Food Favorites include Spam, Vienna sausage, canned chili, canned soups, ramen, and rice. (*Please double-check the expiration dates on the canned items.*) Monetary donations are also gladly received - if you would like St. Peter's volunteers to shop for you. Just specify KPT on your check.

Bring your contributions to church any Sunday between now and November 22nd, or bring them to jazz on Thursdays. Priory students will bag the food for delivery to KPT on Monday, November 23rd in time for Thanksgiving. Baskets will be at each door of the church for your donations.

Announcing the Birth of Elias Tennimon



Son of Brandon and Hannah Tennimon and brother to Wyatt, Elias Pike Tennimon was born October 6th in Colorado. The Tennimons were members of the 10 o'clock congregation, but left for Colorado when Brandon was transferred by the army to Colorado Springs.

Reflections on Ministry



Elizabeth Winternitz

St. Peter's is our neighborhood church; Steve and I live just four blocks away. It's a great neighborhood to live in, offering all of the amenities of city living. By day, this particular stretch of our neighborhood, Queen Emma Road between Beretania and Vineyard, is lovely. It's noted for its architecture, and includes three sites on the National Register of Historic Places; the Neoclassical revival buildings of Central Middle School, and the Gothic revival buildings of Saint Peter's Church and Saint Andrew's Cathedral. It also includes Queen Emma Square Park, precious urban open space fringed by peach shower trees. By night, however, this stretch of road is very different. Schools and churches are locked and dark, businesses are closed. Few pedestrians have reason to be afoot. Private security firms patrol the area. It feels desolate and dangerous.

Thursday nights, however, are different. The doors of St. Peter's Church are wide open, jazz and light spill out. Inside, within the walls of our beautiful sanctuary, a mixed assemblage of jazz enthusiasts find respite from the busyness of their lives. They pray, listen to the Word, and savor music provided by some of the best jazz musicians in Honolulu. Many stay after Vespers to enjoy fellowship over a soup supper in the Parish Hall. A new, mid-week congregation is forming here at St Peters, a community coalesced by jazz, and nurtured by our hospitality.

O Lord, how manifold are your works!

Psalm 104:24a

St. Peter's has been blessed with a most amazing occurrence! St. Peter's is receiving a beautiful medium grand piano--as a gift!

Recently, our piano technician told us that we needed to begin saving for a new piano as the serviceable life of the upright piano in the sanctuary is nearing an end. We use that piano a lot--every Sunday at the 7:30am service and every Thursday evening at Jazz Vespers. Furthermore, the piano technician said, the piano we have is a "home piano". To replace it with an appropriate piano for our sanctuary space would cost thousands of dollars.

Out of the blue comes a text from Paul Yuen. A co-worker of his has a medium grand piano. Would the

church like it? Well, maybe, but we don't want just any piano in our sanctuary. For worship, we need a quality instrument. Our Lay Associate for Music and Worship, Manny Dayao, tried it out and came back very excited about the condition and sound of instrument. We checked with a piano assessor who looked over the instrument. The report: This is no throw away piano; rather, it is an instrument in very fine condition that we would be very fortunate to have. The cost: Free! Jason and Natalia Chan are eager to donate this piano to the church, and all they ask is that they be invited to the blessing and dedication of the piano. Done!

On November 1st after worship, we will make room for this medium grand piano by moving the pews around the organ area to other areas in the sanctuary. When the organ technician returns, we plan to shift the placement of the organ, but within the same general area, to better accommodate the piano in that space. In the meantime, we will open up the area so we will have the space we need for the piano and be able to begin enjoying its use in our worship. November 5th will be the debut of our new piano during Jazz Vespers, and on **Sunday, November 8th** the donors, Jason and Natalia Chan and their young daughter, will be with us as we give thanks for this gift and bless it to the glory of God. Please be sure to be here to meet Jason and Natalia and extend to them our warmest aloha and deep gratitude for their gift.

Red or Blue or BOTH?

Have you noticed the two boxes on the greeters table at the back of the sanctuary?



The Blue Box is for St. Elizabeth's collection: bags of rice (any size) and travel size toiletries: toothpaste and toothbrushes, shampoo, soap, body wash, lotion.

The Red Box is for Central Middle School - composition books (wide or college ruled), binders, pens, pencils, crayons, markers and erasers, rubber slippers (sizes 8-15)



Donations will be received every Sunday!



Coffee Hour Hosts

	7:30 a.m.	10:00 a.m.
Nov 1	Willis and Jan Yap Robert and Karen Savala	Margaret Chun, Haroldwyn Chang, Audrey Effler
Nov 8	Terry and Susan Dang Ron and Janet Kim	Sim Kau, Cheryl Bochentin
Nov 15	Linda Hino, Norma Chun, Kristen Connors, John Afong	Elizabeth Winternitz, Steve Mitchell
Nov 22	Myron and Beth Chang, Eleanor Chang	Nani Ho, Rae Gorman, Barbara Vlachos
Nov 29	Myrna Chun-Hoon, Rodney and Marvie Pang, Adele Low	Velma Lee, Joanne Shibuya

Blessing of the Animals - St. Francis Day Celebration 2015



Important November Dates

- November 1, Stone Soup Supper
- November 1-22, Food Drive
- November 4, Soul Food
- November 22, Pledge Card Ingathering
- November 26, Thanksgiving

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