ST. PETER'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

A Beacon of Hope...A Call to Serve!

COMMISSIONING OF THE VESTRY
AT BOTH SERVICES
Sunday, February 4
7:30 AM and 10:00 AM Worship

VESTRY MEETING

VESTRY MEETING Sunday, February 4 11:30 AM Parish Hall

ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE Wednesday, February 14 11:30 AM

K2P2 KNITTING/CROCHETING MINISTRY Saturday, February 10 and 24 9:30 - 11:30 AM



The year is already in the second month of 2024. It seems like we just put away all Christmas decorations and said goodbye to 2023. The new month has brought our beloved St. Peter's into a whirlwind of activity. A new class of vestry members was elected and we are certain they will bring new life and ideas into our community. Of course, we also have all had to come to a realization that we are losing our rock and leader who has guided us for the last 11 years. We observed some tears and much sadness during Pastor Diane's announcement after the annual meeting. We were all extremely touched by her emotional difficulty in giving us this news. We knew that she truly loved our church, our communities and every single person that touched her life these past few years. Hopefully, she realizes that she has touched all of us too. Each in different ways, but her time with us will be remembered fondly. Yes, she will miss us, but we will miss her dearly too. In her farewell letter, she asked us all to "support and love one another..." We should and will honor her wishes by doing just that.

We will gather to express our gratitude and remember many of those happy times we had with her during a luncheon planned for Saturday, March 2nd from 12:00 to 2:00 p.m. (more details come). Please make sure to join us to wish her well.

Ash Wednesday is approaching - Feb. 14, 2024, 11:30am.

We will have one service at 11:30am that will also be live-streamed and available for viewing on demand. Pastor Diane will be with us for the First Sunday in Lent, February 18, and then for the next four Sundays Pastor Ruth Peterson, chaplain at Kuakini Hospital and soon to be chaplain at Navian Hospice, will be the supply clergy for us. Manny Dayao and The Rev. Haaheo Guanson will take turns leading Jazz Vespers beginning February 22nd. Other activities and events will continue as always.

Bible study will continue on Wednesdays at 10am by Zoom under the leadership of Konstantinos Karampakakis.

A Moment with Music on Facebook posted by 6:00 a.m. every weekday by Dr. Joseph Eppink. Children's formation will continue on Sundays at 9:00 a.m. with Uncle Beez, Uncle Chucky, and Ms. Muffin.

The Lenten Series with Dr. Eppink and the choir has been canceled due to scheduling conflicts. New Prayer Circle requests should be sent to Tiare Ono at tiare.h.ono@gmail.com. Tiare will be coordinating the Prayer Circle List from now on.

A note from Janet Kim: I have offered to take over the newsletter writing duties in the interim until we find a new Pastor and request assistance from all of you. The newsletter is produced with the help of many including Amy Ono and Susan Sugiyama. Pastor Diane was able to put out a very detailed description of all that is happening at St. Peter's in her articles. I know I will not be able to duplicate her efforts, but do request the assistance of those who attend the many events and are able to take pictures and give descriptions of the event to help me produce a product that will be informative to all. Please send any articles and pictures to me at janetnews2024@gmail.com. Thank you!

St. Peter's Episcopal Church Annual Meeting

January 28, 2024 was the church's annual meeting. A recap of the year was given by the different areas of the church community including the Senior Warden and the Treasurer. A copy of the annual report was also distributed (on-line as well) and may be requested if you did not receive it. The main order of business was the election of the Vestry and delegates for the Diocesan Convention. The voting results were as follows:

The 2024 Vestry:

Senior Warden - Velma Lee

Junior Warden - Terry Dang

Treasurer - Nancy Rowe

Terms expiring 2024: Sue Jennings, Janet Kim, Stephanie Wight

Terms expiring 2025: Michele Baldovi, Paula Choy, Chucky Nakoa

Terms expiring 2026: Leila Diamond, Paul "Hal" Halvorson, Bryant "Beez" Zane

Delegates elected for Diocesan Convention in October include:

Leila Diamond, Joseph Eppink, Velma Lee, Nancy Rowe, Bryant "Beez" Zane Alternates are: Justin DeLoss, Stephanie Wight, Myra Kong, Kia'i Neff, Liana Kanuha, Barry Wood.

Nancy Rowe will be attending Diocesan Convention as a member of Diocesan Council, so she declined the position of representing St. Peter's. Justin DeLoss, first alternate, will take her place.



Camp Mokulē'ia Summer Opportunities

The Camp Mokuleia summer schedule for 2024 is out and you may register online at www.campmokuleia.org. Elementary, Middle School and High School camping experiences for grades 1

through 12 are available. For all campers, a \$150 scholarship is available for week long residential camp and a \$75 scholarship for mini-camp and day camp. Contact the church office for the scholarship code before registering online. This is a beautiful camp of the church up on the North Shore. Spirit-filled memories are made that last a lifetime!

New Film Screening, "The Philadelphia Eleven"

The Cathedral of St. Andrew's invites everyone to a screening of the new film, "The Philadelphia Eleven," February 18, 5:00pm. Learn about the extraordinary story of the ordination of the first female priests in The Episcopal Church. All are invited, but the Cathedral requests an RSVP at office@cathedralhawaii.org.

Legacy Gifts

Have you considered St. Peter's in your estate planning? By remembering St. Peter's, you ensure a lasting legacy to God's ministry in and through this church. Some of the planned giving options that you can discuss with your estate planner include: bequests, charitable gift annuities, charitable remainder trusts, memorial endowment funds, gifts of stock and real estate, donor-directed distribution agreements, charitable remainder trusts, and qualified charitable distributions. Designating gifts for "unrestricted use" is best as that allows the vestry to make decisions regarding best use of the bequest over the decades to come. Thank you for considering a gift that will further St. Peter's ministry for years to come!

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Rector: The Rev. Diane Martinson

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FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

FEB 01	Kathleen Chang
FEB 06	Baptistine Ching
FEB 07	Valerie Baldovi
FEB 10	Joseph Eppink
FEB 12	Norma Chun
FEB 14	Rie Connors
	Taka Kimura
FEB 16	Ed Kam Jr.
FEB 18	Sophie Ono
FEB 19	Roland Tam
	David Thompson
FEB 21	Lisa Kau
FEB 22	Junko Kobayashi-Uyetake
	Jonalyn Uehara
FEB 23	Connor Allen
	Colbie Chun
FEB 24	The Rev. Phil Paradine
FEB 26	Susan Sugiyama
FEB 27	Ernelle Lum

NOTE: NO ANNIVERSARIES THIS MONTH