

JANUARY 2020

# ST. PETER'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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

**EPIPHANY SUNDAY  
CELEBRATION  
9AM, JANUARY 5**

Epiphany Hymn Sing led by Dr. Joseph Eppink and Epiphany activities led by Stephanie Wight

**9AM (PARISH HALL)  
11:15AM (SANCTUARY)  
JANUARY 12**

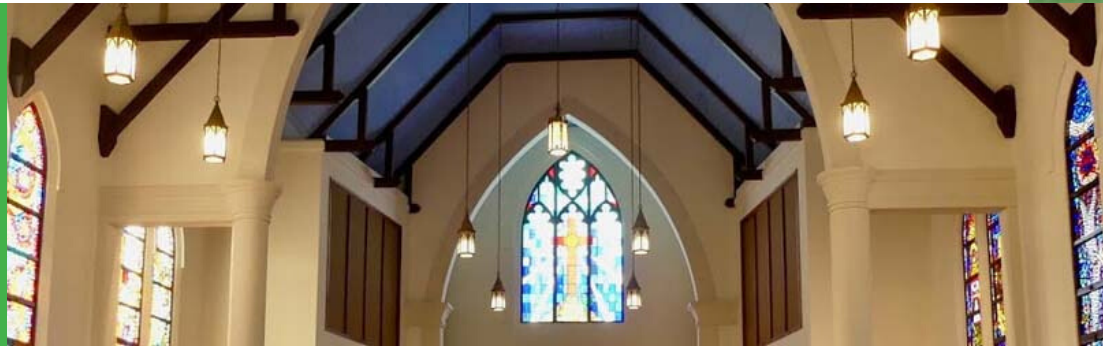
Discussion after both services with Connie Mitchell, Executive Director of Institute for Human Services (IHS)

**9AM, JANUARY 19**

Annual Report Q&A Conversation with Vestry Members

**8:45 - 9:50AM, JANUARY 26**

ANNUAL MEETING of the Congregation  
(Food will be served!)



*I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made.  
Wonderful are your works; that I know very well. Psalm 139:14*

*So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away;  
see, everything has become new! 2 Corinthians 5:17*

Author and theologian Frederick Buechner, in his memoir *Telling Secrets*, describes our "original self" as having "the print of God's thumb still upon it." As a church, we aim to nurture that spiritual essence within each us, empowering us to be bearers of God's love in this world. As a church, we strive to support one another through the joys, sorrows, and challenges of life and to be a place where people feel the love of God's presence through us, not just through words but in ways that touch souls.

As we enter a new year and new decade, a benediction derived from a 5th century prayer known as St. Patrick's Breastplate:

*God go before you to lead you,  
God go behind you to protect you, God go beneath you to support you,  
God go beside you to befriend you.  
May the blessing of God the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit be upon you.  
Do not be afraid. Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Amen.*

Pastor Diane



**A new look and a new editor!**

We are very grateful for the years that Nancy Rowe has served as editor of our monthly newsletter. With increased demands from our growing Jazz Vespers supper ministry, Nancy has passed this project over to Jason Baroza, a worshiper at the 10am service with his spouse, Rose. Jason grew up on Oahu and is a graphic and media artist/entrepreneur. With this issue, we are seeing the new look! Many thanks to Nancy for her superb editing skills over these years and to Jason for stepping in with his creative eye in keeping this important communication ministry going.

## 2020 Pledge Report

Together we are the church, and together we strive as a congregation to be and respond as "A Beacon of Hope...A Call to Serve" in the way of Jesus Christ. This ministry is made possible through the financial gifts, the time, and talent of those of us who form the community of St. Peter's Episcopal Church. As we finish year 2019, we have been looking ahead and making our financial commitments for 2020. To date we have received 65 pledges for \$214,432.00. By the annual meeting in January of 2019, we had 70 pledges, so we are still hoping a few more will be coming in. Grateful thanks to all who have made commitments to this ministry in 2020!

## NHS Workday

On Saturday, December 19, St. Peter's member, Christy Kwok, a senior at St. Andrew's Schools and president of the National Honor Society of The Priory, along with the NHS teacher advisor, Nydia Santiago-Cordero, brought the group to St. Peter's for a service day. With lots of elbow grease, they polished the pews and koa in the sanctuary and scrubbed down the Parish Hall tables. Velma Lee, chair of the Altar Guild, and Terry Dang, Jr. Warden, hosted them and provided a pizza lunch. The majority of the girls are seniors, two are juniors. Below is a recent photo taken of the NHS group. We are very grateful for their service to St. Peter's.



## The Good Book Club - Gospel of John (January and February 2020)

The Good Book Club is an invitation to all Episcopalians to join in reading the Gospel of John during Epiphany 2020. A section of John will be read every day in January and February. In surveys taken before and after the first Good Book Club project in 2018 (Gospel of Luke and the Book of Acts), participants reported growth in their understanding of scripture and a deepening of their prayer life. Sign-up today at: [goodbookclub.org](http://goodbookclub.org)

## St. Peter's Sunday Morning Book Study, 9am (Parish Hall)

Prepare for our next Adult Forum book study! Beginning February 2, we will read through, "Holy Envy: Finding Inspiration in the Faith of Others", by Barbara Brown Taylor. If you need help getting the book, please contact Rev. Jazzy, [revjazzybostock@gmail.com](mailto:revjazzybostock@gmail.com)



## It's breezy in the Parish Hall!

Terry is a "Wonder Man" Jr. Warden! After decades of crawling up on chairs to open the top windows of the Parish Hall, Terry designed and made a Christmas present for St. Peter's—an opening mechanism for those high up windows! Terry bought a long pole, attached a specially designed hook on one end and a rubber end on the other.

Use the hook to open and then use the rubber end to push the window open. To close, do the reverse! Try it out. It works great! Thank you, Terry!!

### The Reverend Deacon Jenn Latham and Family

Have you noticed a new person assisting in worship? That's The Rev. Dcn. Jenn Latham. Jenn and her spouse, Mike Latham, and their daughters, Maile and Anya, moved to Honolulu from Grinnell, Iowa, in June, and have been worshipping with us at St. Peter's since late summer. Jenn returned to Iowa in December where she was ordained to the transitional diaconate on December 14th. She is transferring into this diocese to continue her journey to the priesthood. Jenn's spouse, Mike, grew up in Hawaii and was pleased to return to become the President of Punahou School, his alma mater. Anya is a high school student at Punahou, and Maile is in the process of applying to colleges. Jenn grew up in New Hampshire and is looking forward to serving in ministry in Hawaii. Their family loves to spend time outdoors, hiking, running, biking, and swimming. Hawaii is a great fit!



### Hiehie Ministry - December Report

We had a great turn out on volunteers at St Peter's as well as the patrons at Harris United Methodist Church on Thursday, December 19th. We had 32 patrons. We had volunteers Joanne Shibuya, Ruth Merz, Glenn and Jennie Pang, Rodney Pang, Dorothy Nesbitt, Norma and Frank Chun, Bill and Pokhui McKinney. We made 36 Croissant sandwiches, banana, tangerines, trail mix nuts, water, and chips. Tray of Christmas cookies and coffee were served. At Harris, Beth Cox, Lois Gray and I distributed lunch bags. Beth and I had to leave before closing so Lois graciously volunteered to stay until the end. Thank you to everyone for supporting this ministry!

Pokhui McKinney, St. Peter's Hiehie Coordinator



### K2P2 (Knit Two, Pray Two) Ministry by Nancy Rowe

After being blessed by the worshipping community on November 17th, three boxes of hats and scarves were sent by Nancy Rowe, organizer of the Knitters of St. Peter's Episcopal Church to the organization, Naphtali, that works with Lakota Indians:

*Dear Nancy,*

*The boxes arrived and I am delighted with all the wonderful things the knitters from St. Peter's Episcopal Church have made for the Lakota Indians. It has been a brutal winter so far and I am trying to get boxes out as fast as possible in an effort to keep everybody warm. The items you have sent will be a huge help in trying to accomplish this. Thank you to each and every one of you for your continued interest in and generous support of the work of Naphtali.*

*Best wishes for a very Merry Christmas and a new year filled with peace and good health.*

*Janet Conrad, CEO, Naphtali*



### Community Outreach Support

Thank you acknowledgements from two local agencies were received this month:



Thank you so much for your generous donation to Honolulu Habitat for Humanity in the amount of \$500.00. Your gift is more than just a donation. It is a lasting investment in families and communities our organizations serve. This investment allows us to strengthen communities and build a foundation in which the lack of affordable housing will be addressed on Oahu for years to come. For that, we are forever grateful.

Jim Murphy, Executive Director



Thank you for your thoughtful gift. The generous donation of \$500.00 to Lanakila Meals on Wheels, a program of Lanakila Pacific, will be used towards fulfilling Lanakila Pacific's mission to embody self-sufficiency and inspire inclusive communities where people of all ages and abilities are empowered to live independently and thrive in spirit. One hundred percent of your gift will benefit our local community.

Rona Yagi Fukumoto, President & CEO C. Mariko Miho, Executive Director

**28th Annual Liliuokalani Hookeikahi Service****7pm, January 17th, 2020**

Central Union Church, 1660 S. Beretania St., Honolulu, HI 96826

Four Choirs: Kaumakapili Church, Central Union Church, Kawaiahao Church, Kapolei Chorale and UHWO Chorus.

This ecumenical service will include Bishop Robert Fitzpatrick, Kahu Kaleo Patterson, and Dr. Kahu Haaheo Guanson from the Episcopal Church.

**Upcoming Youth Events**

Youth Ministry Retreat, March 20th through 22nd, Camp Mokuleia

Episcopal Youth Event EYE 2020, July 7th through 15th, University of Maryland

Summer Camp at Camp Mokuleia in June and July for Grades 1 to 12

Day Camp at St. Andrew's, led by Camp Mokuleia staff, Grades 1 to 5,

June 22 through 26. Visit [campmokuleia.com](http://campmokuleia.com) or speak with Pastor Diane or Rev. Jazzy.**Young Adults ~ Age 21-30**

Have you considered an international experience of service through the church? Deadline to begin service in the fall of 2020 is January 10th.

Visit the Young Adult Service Corps at: [episcopalchurch.org/global-partnerships/young-adult-service-corps](http://episcopalchurch.org/global-partnerships/young-adult-service-corps)**2020 Vestry****Senior Warden: Velma Lee****Junior Warden: Terry Dang****Clerk: Karin Kimura****Treasurer: Nancy Rowe****Rector: The Rev. Diane Martinson****Curate: The Rev. Jazzy Bostock****Term expires in 2019: Edmund Choy, Kyle Saito, Jaime Yamane****Term expires in 2020: Karin Kimura, Steve Mitchell, Barry Wood****Term expires in 2021: Gail Kuroda, Bill McKinney, Stephanie Wight****Pastor Diane: [pastordianem@gmail.com](mailto:pastordianem@gmail.com)****Rev. Jazzy: [revjazzybostock@gmail.com](mailto:revjazzybostock@gmail.com)****Church Office (Eva Cotter): [stpetershonoluluoffice@gmail.com](mailto:stpetershonoluluoffice@gmail.com)****BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES**

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