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St. Peter's Weekly Vision – November 8, 2015

By Susan Ostrout

What just happened!!!

The Twenty-fourth Sunday After Pentecost - Service of Holy Eucharist Rite I at 8:00 a.m. & Service of Holy Eucharist Rite II at 10:00 a.m.

Mark 12:40-44: [Jesus] sat down opposite the treasury, and watched the crowd putting money into the treasury. Many rich people put in large sums. A poor widow came and put in two small copper coins, which are worth a penny each. Then he called his disciples and said to them, "Truly I tell you, this poor widow has put in more than all those who are contributing to the treasury. For all of them have contributed out of their abundance; but she out of her poverty has put in everything she had, all she had to live on."

Stewardship

We need your help in covering our parish expenses! Everything costs so much these days: staffing, administration, insurances, keeping our buildings warm and repaired. You should have received your pledge card for 2016 in the mail along with a message from the Vestry. In case you did not receive your pledge packet or have mislaid it, there are additional packets at the back of the church. The return of the pledge cards is critical to establishing our next year's budget. The Vestry will be working on preparing the new budget this month. Please help us pay our bills for the church we love.

Some statistics:

- **Last year 64 families pledged for the year 2015.**
- **As of Nov 8, 2015, we have received pledges for the year 2016 from 46 families. Please help by making a pledge for 2016 or increasing your current amount. Please remember we have several people who have moved away or passed away. Thank you. Brian Swanson, Treasurer**

*Thank you Lord
There's roof above me,
I have a good place to sleep.
There's food on my table,
And shoes on my feet.
You gave me your love, Lord,
And a fine family,
I thank you Lord,
For all your blessings on me.*

- Sunday's Bulletin announced the celebration of birthdays this week: Regina Hill (11/8), Andrew Savage (11/8), Barbara Parkyn (11/9), Thomas Atwood (11/10), DonnaLee Kay (11/11), and Jacob Downey (11/14). Have some fun by sending along your own best wishes or wisecrack!

Don't Miss!

- **Monday, November 9 – Vestry Meeting**
- **Every Tuesday, Choir practice 6:30-8:15 pm**
- **Every Wednesday 7:00 p.m. --- Holy Eucharist with Service of Healing. A lovely, quiet soul-refreshing informal service held in the church.**
- **Thursday, November 12 from 3-5pm – Phelps Hall - the Senior Friends of Hebron will be collecting new and used medical items such as walkers, crutches, wheelchairs, shower benches, disability-friendly gadgets, etc. to donate to NEAT, New England Assistive Technology, located in Hartford at Oak Hill. The items are sold to those who need them at very low cost and the money received is rolled back into the organization.**

A truck from NEAT will be in the Phelps Hall parking lot to receive the items. Please consider donating any of the items mentioned or anything else you might think of. Please call Cecile Piette at 860-643-8768 or Barbara Soderberg at 860-228-3106 (both with Senior Friends of Hebron) if you have any questions.

- **Friday and Saturday November 13th & 14th**. The CT Diocesan Convention Father Perry, Maryann Hickelton, and Brian Swanson will be attending.
- **Saturday, November 14 – Roast Pork Dinner, 4:30-6:30** or until sold out. Adults: \$13; under 12: \$6. We will hold our last community dinner for the year. The menu includes roast pork tenderloin, oven roasted potatoes, peas and carrots, sweet and sour red cabbage, applesauce, rolls and beverages. We will also feature our delicious dessert table. The cost is \$13 for adults, \$6 for children under 12. Take-outs will be available. This is a very popular dinner so come early!
- **Monday, November 16 Deadline - Urgent Appeal!!**
Keep Connecticut's Children Warm!
 Samantha Sullivan is seeking gently used or new coats and warm clothes sizes newborn to children's size 12. The clothes will be donated to **Covenant to Care for Children** in Hartford for distribution to children in need.
 Call Kim at 860-202-8449 if you have any questions.
 A box is in the narthex of the church for the collection of the clothing.
- **Saturday, November 21 -St. Peter's Annual Fall Clean-up -Buildings and Grounds Committee asks for help from all ages.** Please meet at Phelps Hall at 8:00 a.m. for coffee and start work at 9:00. This will include the cleanup around the church, garden, parish hall and rectory. It is a great way to get together with fellow parishioners, work on beautifying the church grounds, and have a few laughs. We also provide fuel for your efforts with coffee and donuts/bagels. Please come armed with your gloves, tarps, rakes. **"Many hands make light work" so the more people come, the quicker it will go.**
- **Sunday, November 22 – Special service of dedication of the restored stained glass windows at 8 & 10 and the blessing of the plaque listing the names of all the contributors to the restoration effort.**
- **Thursday, November 26 -Thanksgiving – Wouldn't it be nice to share your Thanksgiving meal with someone who will be alone on that day?**
- **Saturday, December 5, 2015 – St. Nicholas Fair**

Nuts and Bolts!

- Many of St. Peter's children have come through our doors been baptized, confirmed and now have moved away or at least gone off on their own. If you think they would like to receive a copy of the Vision, please let me know. Send me their emails. We would love to hear how they are doing.
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- Plans are unfolding for our Youth Program! Shortly you will be hearing much about a renewed youth program to start later this month. Judi Babin, Lynn Hassouna and Father Perry are in the process of creating opportunities for youth including Sunday morning discussions, youth events and a confirmation class. Stay tuned!!!
- Please take a moment and check out our new website designed by Robert Mangiafico: <http://www.stpetershebron.com>. If you have any good photos of events at St. Peter's Church, please share with us.



God knows the journey you need to take before you do.

Photo by Susan Ostrout – Cape Cod

- Check out our Comfort and Joy website designed by Pat Kell. Here is an example! <https://www.facebook.com/#!/thecomfortandjoycommunity>



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[A good life is when you
SMILE OFTEN, DREAM BIG, LAUGH A LOT AND REALIZE how
BLESSED YOU ARE FOR WHAT YOU HAVE.](#)