



**UPCOMING INSPIRATIONS**  
**ST. PETER'S CHURCH**  
**Sunday, December 7, 2025**

Church Office (302) 653-9691 – Hours: Mon & Fri Closed, Tues - Thurs - 9:00AM – 1:00PM  
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*Please take this paper home and use it as a reminder of what is going on at St. Peter's and how you can offer your gifts and talents to support the many activities.*

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS:**



**Every Thursday-** Bell practice begins at 6:00 pm and Choir practice begins at 7:00 pm

**December 12<sup>th</sup>-** Church Cleaning- Friday at 9:00 am. Preschool will be open. Please enter using the office door.

**December 20<sup>th</sup>** Church Decorating, Saturday at 9:00 am (Windows/trees/wreaths); Nativity and poles will go out after the service on the 21<sup>st</sup>.

**December 21<sup>st</sup>** - Lessons & Carols at the 9:00 am Service

-Vestry meeting following the 9:00 am service.

-Finish decorating the church: Nativity and poles following the 9:00 am service.

-Christmas Flower Memorials are due.

**December 21<sup>st</sup>-** Carol Sing in front of the Presbyterian Church at 5:00 pm.

**December 24<sup>th</sup>-** Christmas Eve Service, Music prelude begins at 6:30 pm with the service starting immediately following between 6:45-7:00 pm.

**Music Notes:** 🎵 During the season of Advent, the postludes will feature Christmas carols from different countries. Please enjoy carols from Poland, Puerto Rico, Venezuela, and Chile.



**Christmas Flowers:** Please submit your request for Christmas Flower Memorials no later than **Sunday, December 21, 2025** to be included in the bulletin. Forms are located at each entrance to the church.

The lists for the **2026 Aumbry Candle and Altar Flowers** are available on the bulletin outside the kitchen window.

The Annual Stewardship Campaign ended on November 30, 2025.



**Thank you all for another successful campaign!**

If you did not turn in your pledge card, you can still do so, extra cards can be found in the front pew in the church. Please drop it in the offertory bag or return it to the church office.



We are getting ready for 2026. Time to crunch some numbers and complete our annual reports for 2025.

***The Annual Parish Meeting is scheduled for Sunday, January 18, 2025 following the 9:00am service. All committee reports are due by Thursday, January 8, 2026*** to the parish administrator. Please email report to

[stpeters.smyrna@verizon.net](mailto:stpeters.smyrna@verizon.net). If you have any questions, please contact Lisa Embert. The office number is 302-653-9691.



**Thanks to everyone who played Have You Seen This? for the month of November!** The following people submitted the correct location of the Preschool Birthday Bulletin Board located in the parish hall above the food table for coffee hour.

Dawn Adams, Yvonne Belle, Carol Binns, Paula Buckley, Georgia Carter, Diana Cullison, Betty Decker, Bonnie Forgacs, Harper Lee, Linda Lingner Stan McIntyre, Muff Meyers, Riley Richard, Rosemarie Richard, Melody Richards, Linda Slicher and Jane Woodall.

***The winner of the \$10 giftcard to WAWA is Betty Decker! Congratulations!***



***Have You Seen This?-December 2025-*** Each month a picture will be selected from around the church (including parish hall and office wing). There is a full color picture placed on the bulletin board across from the kitchen window and one sent in the weekly email.

*To play all you need to do is look around the building to see if you can locate where the item in the picture is located. If you are playing in person, write down the location and put it in the envelope provided on the bulletin*

board. If playing online, email the church office at [stpeters.smyrna@verizon.net](mailto:stpeters.smyrna@verizon.net) with the location.

Everyone who guesses the correct location of the picture will be placed in a drawing at the end of the month for a chance to win a \$10 gift card to WAWA.

**Let's get out and look around to see how beautiful our church is!**

### **Search Committee:**

The Search committee met this past week following the Thanksgiving holiday. They continue to edit our responses to the questions on the OTM/Office of Transition Ministry form, and we are formulating the answers for those to build our Job Description. Our plan is to approve the final version in the next week and send to Canon Brad Hinton for his comments and changes.

Hope to be able to have a posting by Mid to late December

Thank you to the congregation and ask for your continued prayers and support

We are ever mindful of the incredible trust you have put in us as your servants