

Family Life



St.
Peter's
ANGLICAN
CHURCH

MARCH 2019

KidMin Team

This month our children's ministry launched our KidMin Team, a group of leaders who have committed to serve regularly in our children's classes as teachers and class assistants. In addition to serving, these leaders have dedicated themselves to promoting unity, enthusiasm, and lay-led leadership as we work toward continuing to build a thriving children's ministry.

We appreciated the opportunity to commission this team on Sunday, February 24! We have sent these leaders out with the specific call to love, serve, teach, and pray for the children of our church.

Every week in our worship service, we pray for our children, "Lord, show them how much you love them. Grow their faith in your Son. Fill them with the peace and power of your Holy Spirit." Our KidMin Team has actively committed to participate in a practical way to bring our children his love, faith, peace, and power through serving in our children's ministry. We appreciate every one of the leaders who have joined this team, and we look forward to highlighting their work this spring.



If you would like to learn more about joining this team for our summer or fall rotations, please email Children's Minister Rebekah DeBoer at kidmin@stpetersbhm.org. She would love to talk to you more about this exciting opportunity!

Face to Face - Knowing God

In the church we often say that Christianity is about having a relationship with God, but what does that even mean? How do we have a relationship God? How do we know him? What does that look like? At the youth spring retreat coming up April 5-7 our theme is entitled "Face to Face – Knowing God."

God created us, saved us through Christ, gave us his Spirit to dwell in us, so that we could know him deeply and enjoy him in intimate relationship with him day by day. God created us for regular encounters with him! We cannot miss the magnitude of such a miracle. That the almighty, all-knowing, glorious God who created the heavens and the earth and everything in them wants for you and me to encounter him, to grow each day more in love with him, and live our lives in worshipful fellowship with him. Praise the Lord for such a faithful, loving Gospel.

We want all of our youth and children at St. Peter's to begin to understand and experience what it means to know God and encounter him regularly from an early age. On our retreat, we will walk through Scripture and take a look at several people in the Bible who knew and loved God deeply and encountered him in powerful ways. From Abraham to the New Testament apostles the Bible is full of stories like these! We'll also take time for personal and group prayer, meditation, and reflection so we can practice seeking and encountering God right now. We hope all of our youth are able to join us for this special retreat and that our whole St. Peter's community will join us in prayer over this weekend.



lake martin
april 5-7

register online at
<http://www.stpetersbhm.org/springretreat>

Bonfire + Movie Night



Come join us on Friday March 15 for a relaxing evening with the St. Peter's family. All ages are welcome.

Come hang out by the firepit in the garden courtyard, make some new friends, roast some smores, have some hot chocolate and snacks, and relax on a Friday night. We will have a family friendly movie playing for kids (and adults!) to watch if they desire.

Invite your friends and neighbors to come hang out and meet some new people! We'll start lighting the fire around 6:00pm.

Lent Family Formation

Lent begins on Wednesday, March 6. Lent is the 40-day season during the church that leads up to Jesus' death and resurrection at Easter. It is a meaningful season of repenting, fasting, reflecting on God's word, and turning to Jesus Christ as we set our eyes on the cross.

It is a common practice for Christians to fast, or give something up, for the season of Lent. Some people fast certain meals throughout each week, while others give up items for the duration of the season, such as alcohol, meat, desserts, or social media.

Many Christians also choose, rather, to take something on, either in addition to or in place of giving something up. This might be a new commitment to a service opportunity, a new exercise routine, a daily devotional routine, or some other type of spiritual discipline.

This season, the St. Peter's Family Life Team wants to encourage you and your family to journey

through this season of fasting, reflecting, and growing in faith together. Pastor Kevin has created a Lent Family Formation Guide booklet. These small booklets provide a way for your family to read through Scripture and pray together daily.

Each weekday, this guide will provide a Scripture passage, a question to discuss with your children, and a prayer to pray together. These devotional times should take no more than 5 minutes each day, perfect for before school or bedtime. Establishing a habit of spiritual disciplines is an incredibly formational practice in the life of children.

The Lent Family Formation Guide booklets will be available at our two Ash Wednesday services on March 6 at 12:00pm and 6:30pm.

If you cannot make it to an Ash Wednesday service, booklets will be available both at the front office during the week and at the Welcome table in the Ark on Sundays.



LENT

A JOURNEY THROUGH THE DESERT

ASH WED: MARCH 6
TO
EASTER SUNDAY: APRIL 21

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The Family Life Team is always wanting to know how we can better serve our church families. If there's anything we can do to serve you parents, your children, or your families, please e-mail me at FamilyLife@stpetersbhm.org.

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Mar 3	5:45 PM - 8:00 PM	Youth Group: What is Lent?
Mar 10	5:45 PM - 8:00 PM	Youth Group: Habits & Daily Liturgies
Mar 15	6:00 PM - 9:00 PM	Bonfire + Movie Night
Mar 17	5:45 PM - 8:00 PM	Youth Group: The Gospel & Mental Illness
Mar 24	No Youth due to Spring Break	
Mar 31	5:45 PM - 8:00 PM	Youth Group Movie Night

SAVE THE DATES

April 5-7	Youth Spring Retreat
April 21	Easter Egg Hunt
Jun 24-27	Vacation Bible School