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This Week at St. Peter's The First Sunday of Advent, November 30, 2025

Prelude

"Veni Emmanuel" Pietro Yon

Gathering Hymn #244

"Rejoice, Rejoice, Believers"

Scripture Readings

Isaiah 2:1-5, Psalm 122, Romans 13:11-14, Matthew 24:36-44

Hymn #654

"The Church's One Foundation"

Musical Offering

"A Prayer for Advent" Douglas Nolan

Communion Hymns:

#260 "The King Shall Come"

#438 "My Lord, What A Morning"

#241 "O'Lord, How Shall I Meet You"

Sending Hymn #259

"Fling Wide the Door"

Postlude

"Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence"
Arr. A.C. Whitworth

<u>Prayer of the Day</u>: Stir up your power, Lord Christ, and come. By your merciful protection save us from the threatening dangers of our sins, and enlighten our walk in the way of your salvation, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Prayer List Updates:

The grieving friends and family of Richard Hatch In Hospice Care: Cornelia (Janet Swanson's neighbor)

At Home: Minnie (Janet Swanson's mother)

Prayer requests can be given to the church office or made online via the

Pastoral Care page on our website.

Today's Worship Leaders

Greeter: Shawn Krum

Ushers: Paul Luciano, Phyllis Webster

Liturgist: Carol Schachinger Presiding Pastor Rev. Ed Larson

Communion Assts: Aline Glifort, Kathy Glifort

Altar Care: Kathy Glifort Chris Janson Coffee Hour: Thank you!

The worship leader sign-up form is in the narthex.

Communion: All are welcome to partake in the Lord's supper. Those not wishing to commune may come forward for a blessing. **Gluten-free bread** is available, just ask. Let an usher know if you'd like to be served at your seat. Wine is red; grape juice is white.

Poinsettias for Christmas: If you'd like to order Christmas poinsettias, the price is \$11. The sign-up sheet is on the hall-way bulletin board. The deadline for orders is **December 17**.



New Pastor for St. Peter's: Pastor Gilbert has accepted the call to St. Peter's and will start here on December 1. He will lead worship next **Sunday, December 7**.



On-line Donations: This QR Code will connect you to a variety of giving options. Simply use the camera on your phone and hold it over the QR code or copy the URL link https://app.onechurchsoftware.com/stpeterscc/egiving directly into your browser to give securely to St. Peter's by credit card or from your bank account. Thank you for your generosity!

Altar Flowers: Today's flowers are a gift from a member with many thanks to the "retired" pastors of St. Peter's for the past two years of support and care of this congregation. Thank you, Lord, for your many blessings on us!



Check out the 2026 Flower Chart on sacristy door for available dates.

Loaves & Fishes Pantry: The wish list this week includes crackers, tuna fish, and dish detergent. There's a bin in the narthex until Dec. 14 for donations of toys, and new clothing items. We love that these gifts go directly to "our" families. Gift cards to stores like TJ Maxx, CVS, Marshalls, Target, Old Navy, etc. can be put in the pantry mailbox or dropped off in the bin in a larger envelope. Thanks for opening up your hearts to our neighbors in need!

BOOK SIGNING on December 7: We will have Kolby Kaser here to sign the book, <u>Cape Cod Nature Boy</u> written by Marty Koblish and illustrated by Lytha Nicolson. Coffee hour will feature "Kay's Blueberry Muffins" (featured in "September"). We will have copies of the book on hand, and Kolby will be happy to sign them for you. Books will be on sale for \$20, and 50% from the sale of the books will be donated to the Loaves & Fishes Food Pantry.

Cranberry Fair Thanks: A BIG thank you to all who helped make this year's Cranberry Fair a success! Over \$14,000 was raised! Workers, donors, bakers, the silent auction team, café workers, etc. Thank you!

2026 Offering Envelopes: The offering envelopes for 2026 are now available in the narthex. Please pick up your envelopes. They are in alphabetical order by your last name. Thank you.

The Longest Night Christmas Service for 2025 will be on Sunday, December 21 at 7:00 pm. This service is for those who feel at odds with or estranged from the general feeling of joy and happiness typically associated with this time of year. You may have suffered a personal loss: death of a loved one, divorce, illness or job loss. This service seeks to comfort you by reminding you that you're not alone and your feelings are valid. Feel free to bring a friend or family member. We have invitations to this service for you to distribute to friends, family or neighbors who may appreciate this service. Rides will be provided; there is a sign-up form on a clipboard in the narthex for rides.

Collection for Seafarer's in Boston. Esther Circle's will be filling "ditty" bags with a hat, hard candy, gum, bandana, toothbrush, nail clippers, sewing kit, gloves (OSFA), small notepad &/or calendar, and a comb. Please pick up a bag and list in the Narthex and return by Sunday, December 7. For more information please contact Marianne O'Boyle, Lynn Hatch, or Gayle Olson.

IN THE COMMUNITY

Holden Evening Prayer for Advent on Wednesday Evenings @ 7 pm, at First Lutheran Church, 1663 Main Street, West Barnstable. Pot Luck at 6 pm.

St. Peter's Office Hours: Tuesday through Thursday from 8:00 am to 4:00 pm

SUNDAY, November 30—First Sunday of Advent

9:30 am Worship / Live Stream, Sanctuary

MONDAY, December 1

Loaves & Fish Pantry (until 3:00 pm) 1:00 pm Men's AWOL Luther Room 6:00 pm

TUESDAY, December 2

Sojourners, Parking Lot 8:10 am

Monomoy Bridge, Fellowship Hall 12:30 pm Broad Reach Grief Group, Luther Room

2:00 pm Loaves & Fish Pantry (open until 5:00 pm) 3:30 pm

WEDNESDAY, December 3

Loaves & Fish Pantry (open until 2:30 pm) Kathy's Bridge, Fellowship Hall 12:30 pm

1:00 pm

THURSDAY, December 4

FRIDAY, December 5

Loaves & Fish Pantry (open until 12:00 pm) Monomoy Bridge, Fellowship Hall 10:00 am

12:30 pm

Prayer Shawl, Luther Room 1:30 pm

2:00 pm Choir Practice, Sanctuary

Bell Choir Practice, Sanctuary 3:30 pm

SATURDAY, December 6

Women's Bible Study, Luther Room 10:00 am

4:00 pm SMMC Worship, Sanctuary

SUNDAY, December 7—Second Sunday of Advent & Pastor Gilbert's First Sunday

Worship / Live Stream, Sanctuary 9:30 am

Book Signing, Narthex 10:45 am