



The Episcopal Church of St. Peter by-the-Lake

**Morning Prayer – Rite II
The Sixth Sunday of Easter
May 10, 2026**

Prelude Music & Lighting of the Candles

Opening Sentence **BCP 77**

The Confession & Absolution **BCP 79**

The Invitatory **BCP 80**

Canticle: The First Song of Isaiah (sung) **BCP 86**

The First Lesson: 1 Peter 3: 13-22

The Second Lesson: John 14: 15-21

The Sermon: The Rev. Nick McDonald

The Lord's Prayer **BCP 54**

Suffrage 'A' **BCP 97**

The Collect of the Day **BCP 97**

Prayers of Intercession & Thanksgiving

The Grace **BCP 59**

'Sanctuary' (sung)

The Blessing & Dismissal

SANCTUARY

Words and Music by
JOHN THOMPSON
and RANDY SCRUGGS

Moderately slow

Chords: D, A/C#, Am/C, G/B, G/A, A

Chords: D, G/A, A, D, A

Lord, pre - pare me _____ to be a sanc - tu - ar - y, pure and

Chords: G, G/A, D, A, D

to - ly, tried and true. _____ With thanks - giv - ing, I'll be a

Chords: A, G, G/A, A, D, G/A, A

liv - ing sanc - tu - ar - y _____ for _____ You _____ Lord, pre -

Chord: D

You _____

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It is you, Lord, Who came to save
The heart and soul of - every man
It is you Lord, Who knows my weakness
Who gives me strength with- Thine own hand.

3

Lead Me on Lord, From temptation
Purify me, From within
Fill my heart with, Your holy spirit
Take away all my sin

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CONGRATULATIONS!

High School Graduates

Andrew Anzalone is graduating from East Lincoln high school. He will be attending NC State in the fall.

Makenna Garrett is graduating from East Lincoln High School and plans to continue her education at Gaston College with a view to becoming a medical or dental technician.

Ethan Graham is graduating from North Lincoln High School and will be attending Western Carolina University in the fall, studying Business Administration and Law.

Freya May Gustis will be graduating from North Lincoln High School. She will be attending Furman University in the fall and majoring in business administration with minors in international business and sustainability science.

Jacob and Joseph Hamby are graduating from East Lincoln High School and both are going into the Fire Service.

College Graduates

Caroline Clements graduates from Auburn and will have her Bachelor of Science degree in nursing.

Ijeoma Eziri is graduating from the University of Pennsylvania with a Bachelor of Arts degree majoring in Health and Societies / Finance.

Morgan McPeak is graduating from US Navy flight school and will be flying Helicopters.

Bailey Nicole Parton will be graduating from University of Colorado Anschutz Medical with a Bachelor of Science in Nursing Magna Cum Laude.

Joseph Plyler graduated from UNCC in December with a degree in business analytics. He also graduated from US Coast Guard training center this spring and is now *Seaman Joseph Plyler* stationed at Coast Guard station Key West.

EFM (EDUCATION FOR MINISTRY)

Stephanie Heil

Frances Smith



SPBTL NEWS AND EVENTS

CENTERING PRAYER 10AM, Meets downstairs every Wed. Please join us!

COFFEE HOUR Sign up in Fotinos Hall or call the office.

MUSIC MINISTRY: **Chancel Choir** rehearsals, Wednesday 7PM in the Nave until 5/13. **Handbell Choir** rehearsals are taking a break for the summer.

SUMMER CHOIR During the summer months, we will assemble a Gathering Choir each Sunday at 9:45AM beginning on May 24 to learn an easy-to-sing anthem for that same Sunday. Think of it as a Flash Mob Choir! Children and Youth are welcome too! Questions – Contact David Wilcox music@spbtl.com.

COFFEE WITH THE CLERGY Gather in Fr. Ron’s office at 9:30am on Sunday mornings for a relaxed, casual conversation based on questions you may have regarding faith, church, and society. We hope you can join us!

SPBTL Theater Group The Green Room Theater 2026 Season

Sundays at 3:00 p.m. w/lunch \$16.00/ticket \$10.00/person lunch at 12:15 p.m. in Furr Hall

- Four Old Broads 6/21/26

All are welcomed. If you have not participated in the past, please join us for good food, fellowship, and entertainment. Contact Cathy Littlejohn @ 704-650-4947 with any questions.

East Lincoln Community Chorus and Orchestra

June 25 & 26 | 7:00 PM and June 28 | 3:00 PM

Unity Presbyterian Church

Honoring the 250th Anniversary (Semiquincentennial) of independence on July 4, 2026, marking 250 years since the Declaration of Independence was signed in 1776.

Vision Board Night This month, we are excited to host our Vision Board event on Thursday, May 14th, at 7 PM. Please bring along some magazines and your vision for your boards. Feel free to invite a friend or family member to join in on the fun. *Light refreshments will be provided. EYC had some recent fun with Vision Boards - *Check out Fr. Ron’s on his office door!*

March YTD	Actual	Budget	Variance YTD	Notes:	
Revenue	\$111,546	\$119,957	-\$8,412		- Contributions given for support clergy are excluded from Revenue since non-budgeted
Expenses	\$123,000	\$119,957	-\$3,043		- Paid in full annual pledge contributions received are pro-rated for YTD Revenue
Net Total	-\$11,455	\$0	-\$11,455		

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Please use the “NOTE” field to indicate where the gift is to be directed (pledge, tithe, flowers, etc.)

At the Liturgy:
 Officiant: The Rev. Nick McDonald
 Filming: Jan McDonald

The altar flowers are given to the glory of God by Chris and Laura Thornhill in celebration of their 34th wedding anniversary and to honor all the ladies of St. Peter’s on Mother’s Day.