



ST. PETER'S
EPISCOPAL
CHURCH

THIS WEEK AT ST. PETER'S OCTOBER 5 - 12, 2025

End 68 Hours of Hunger Saturday, 9am, October 4. Join St. Peter's on the first Saturday of each month at 9am as we assist with this program that puts nourishing food in the hands of needy school children to carry them through the weekend. Rockingham Christian Church, 2 Keewaydin Drive, Salem, NH, just off I-93 exit 2. See Karen Furtado with questions.

THIS SUNDAY Blessing of the Animals 9:30am, Sunday, October 5. Celebrate the Feast of St. Francis by bringing your beloved pet to be blessed. We welcome animals of all shapes and sizes as long as they pose no threat to others! Animals can also be blessed by photo, and stuffies are also eligible. Please consider a pet food donation for the Friends of Manchester Animal Shelter.

THIS SUNDAY Book Club - Mere Christianity by C. S. Lewis Today, Sunday, October 5, after church. This book explores the core beliefs of Christianity by providing an unequalled opportunity for believers and nonbelievers alike to hear a powerful, rational case for the Christian faith.

THIS SUNDAY Loose Plate Collection on First Sundays The first Sunday of each month's loose plate collection funds both the St. Peter's discretionary fund and the Londonderry Good Samaritans Fund. These funds are used to help people in our parish and the Londonderry area who have fallen on tough times.

Prayer Shawl Ministry 10 am-noon, Saturday, October 11. We meet the 2nd Saturday of each month. We knit or crochet shawls, scarves, hats, baby shawls, premie hats, or hand stitch other items. No experience necessary, and you can also just hang out! See Linda Campbell with questions.

Brandenburg and Beyond Concert 3pm, Sunday, October 12. We are overjoyed to welcome back the "Contemporary Baroque" ensemble. The concert features works by Corelli, Dall'Abaco, Rutter and Del Anguila.

FELLOWSHIP:

Gratitude Dinner 5:30pm, Saturday, October 18. An evening of fun and fellowship to celebrate our ministries and launch our stewardship season. RSVP in Paperless Post or email church@stpeterslondonderry.org

Women's Monthly Lunch 12pm, Monday, October 27. We meet the last Monday of the month at Janie's Uncommon Café in Londonderry.

St. Peter's Men's Gathering 9am, Friday, November 7. in the Conference/ Dining Room. Bring your own coffee (or whatever) or use the Keurig and pull up a chair. If you have questions, speak to Bill Lannigan or Lee O'Connor. We meet the 1st Friday of the Month.

GROW:

The Word on Wednesday – Lectionary Study Group 6:30pm, Wednesdays. This fall we will be focusing our study on the Gospel readings from Luke, using N.T. Wright's "Luke for Everyone" as a guide. Direct questions to Gail Peters, fairwinds224@gmail.com. [Zoom meeting ID# 831 0843 2668](#)
[passcode: 007113](#)

Greater Nashua Crop Hunger Walk 1pm, Sunday, October 19. Once again this year, St Peter's will be walking in the Greater Nashua Crop Walk and we need your help. To join the team, donate or share the team page to ask for donations, please view at this link: <https://events.crophungerwalk.org/crophungerwalks/team/st-peters-of-londonderry-happy-feet-and-helping-hands>

This years theme is "Around the Block, Around the World". New this year is virtual walking - you can join the walk, or walk virtually either at the time of the walk or accumulate your steps over the course of the upcoming weeks. We are also selling T Shirts and hats. Reach out to Janet Robinson for more information at jerobinson14@icloud.com or 603-930-4900.

SERVE:

Blood Drive at St. Peter's Thursday, October 16, 12pm to 5:15pm. St. Peter's is hoping to host regular Blood Drives this year. Donations are at historically low levels so we need donors. You can help by signing up in the Narthex, or online, and by posting a flier around town.

St. Andrew's Food Collection supporting students at the local high school. Donations of cereal, pop tarts, breakfast bars, juice boxes, snacks, cups of fruit, peanut butter, applesauce, pasta, pasta sauce, and hygiene items like toothpaste, soap, shampoo, feminine products and deodorant. For more information, connect with Jackie Thesse, jtess2000@yahoo.com.

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Nashua Soup Kitchen 3:45pm-6:30pm, Thursday, November 6. We serve the first Thursday of every month. There is a signup sheet in the church narthex. Reserve a spot today! Contact Lee O'Connor with questions. You will also need to register online:

<https://nks.volunteerhub.com/vv2/lp/STPETERLONDONDERRY>

St. Peter's Clothing Ministry We collect clothing for homeless people in Manchester. Clothing donations can be dropped off in the plastic bin outside the church front door. Contact Emery Freethy with questions.

GIVE:

Diocese of New Hampshire Convention Saturday, November 1. The annual gathering of all the Episcopal churches in New Hampshire is coming up. Please pray for your delegates, Leslie Blake, Sarah Wells, Peter Henry, and Rita MacAusland, alternates Sally Nelson and Terry Robinson.

There are two opportunities to give connected to Convention. Donations received until Sun, Oct. 29.

Toys of Children of Incarcerated People (ChIPs) Bring a toy worth \$25 or a book to be given at Christmas. This year St. Peter's is focusing on gifts for 12-15 year-olds. Please no jewelry, craft supplies, messy thing, or pointy objects.

United Thank Offering (UTO) Return all your Lenten Mite boxes, or make a check out to "UTO." The UTO was founded in 1889 by Episcopal Church women to support innovative mission projects.

THINGS TO KNOW:

Did you know that it is possible to receive Communion at home, rehab or the hospital? We now have 9 licensed Lay Eucharistic Visitors who can bring Communion to you. If you wish to receive communion, please contact Deacon Diane and she will arrange to have someone visit you.

Did you know that it is possible to ask for healing prayer for someone else? This is called intercessory prayer. When you come for healing prayer share the name of the loved one for whom you wish to pray.

Church office hours Monday thru Thursday, 9-11. Our email address is church@stpeterslondonderry.org.

St. Peter's YouTube Channel Worship with us on Sundays with our YouTube channel, www.youtube.com/@St.PetersLondonderry, which offers live and recorded broadcast of our Sunday services.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- 68 Hours of Hunger, Saturday, October 4, 9:00 am
- Blessing of the Animals, Sunday, October 5, 9:30am
- Book Club, Sunday, October 5, after church
- Brandenburg and Beyond Concert, Sunday, October 12, 3pm
- Blood Drive, Thursday, October 16, 12pm
- Gratitude Dinner, Saturday, October 18, 5:30pm
- Greater Nashua CROP Hunger Walk, Sunday, October 19, 1pm
- Diocese of New Hampshire Convention, Saturday, November 1

MID-WEEK EVERY WEEK:

- **Caregivers Support Group** – Mondays, 11am – A space for community for those who care for loved ones. We talk about the challenges of managing healthcare, relationships and emotions.
- **Choir Practice** – Tuesdays, 6:45pm – Talk to Emery about lending your voice to lift up the community!
- **Meditation and Spiritual Friendship** – Tuesdays, 11am – Join us at 11 for meditation or after 11:30 for book discussion about a short passage of “Life Together” by Dietrich Bonhoeffer
- **AA Women's 12-Step Meeting** – Wednesdays, 12pm
- **The Word on Wednesdays** – Wednesdays, 6:30pm, on Zoom