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Rector

The Vision

The Church of St. Peter, Apostle and Confessor
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9 AM Bible Study, Youth Program, Sunday School, Nursery
10 AM Holy Eucharist



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May Will Be An Exciting Month

From the Rector:



The Installation of Bishop Minns

This Sunday, May 6th, I will have just returned from the installation of Bishop Martyn Minns as the first CANA Missionary Bishop in Woodbridge, Virginia (Washington DC). The Most Rev. Peter J. Akinola, C.O.N., D. D., Archbishop of Nigeria, will be the celebrant and preacher at what is shaping up to be a grand and momentous event..

Please plan to join me at 9:00 a.m. for the Adult Class, and hear about all that happened. I will be very disappointed if I don't have a enough information about CANA, our cause on the world scene, and the event itself to more than fill our time together.

A CANA Newsletter

I don't know about you, but I have been feeling alone and isolated for the past three years. We weren't really a part of the church in Canada, and we heard very little about what was going on in CANA. Well, hopefully all this is about to change.

A couple of weeks ago I wrote a letter to the Archdeacon of CANA complaining about the lack of communication and the need for a newsletter. The Archdeacon, the Venerable Howell Sasser, supported my concern, but lamented his lack of funding and staff to take on such venture. (I was surprised to find out that ALL of Bishop Minns' staff are retired volunteers who only work half a day.) I then volunteered to edit and publish a parish style newsletter for CANA until a more professional staff and funding

becomes available. (I also volunteered the congregation to assemble, address, and mail it.) By the time this becomes too difficult for us to do CANA should be in a position to take it on. If everything comes together as expected we should mail out our first edition by the middle of this month.

Guest Preacher May 13th

For a couple of months now I have been talking with an Episcopal priest from a neighboring state who has not been permitted to function because of theological views that are more traditional than those of the diocesan bishop. Those of us who came to St. Peter's from the Episcopal Church may well understand just how awkward and lonely this person has been feeling.

I apologize for not telling you more about this priest, but until you meet this person face-to-face over the Mother's Day weekend identifying information will simply have to be withheld. By that Sunday this priest should be fully accepted by CANA, immune from any repercussions, informed all friends and relatives, and ready to enjoy your fellowship and support.

God bless you
Skip+

VESTRY NOTES

April's Vestry Meeting was held at the home of Marilyn Terwilleger. Following a short bible study, the group talked about the fun Easter Egg hunt and how good it was to have the children in the service with us. Shari Henney related information about the upcoming surgeries on her legs and indicated she is arranging alternate music arrangements for the days she will be absent from church. Discussion followed about summer music scheduling. We miss the choir when they are not there, as they add such a

spirit-filled presence to the service. If they suspend for the summer, as is customary, perhaps we will have a short practice before the service for all interested persons so the music will be familiar to many when we sing together in worship.

Treasurer's Report. Ken Flack reported a net gain in our bank balance. The purchase of our existing copier and advertising expenses have temporarily drawn down those accounts, but they will level out as the months progress.

OLD BUSINESS

Property Acquisition. Jim Mitchell advised he has looked into various property possibilities, including a Baptist Church on Thomes, an upstairs facility on Stillwater, commercial space in Tripoli Square on South Greeley Highway, property belonging to Peak Wellness off of Randall, and Dinneen's Mazda location in the downtown area. The first two are not really large enough, while some of the others bear further scrutiny. Stephanie Reeves mentioned checking on space in the old Gibson's Store on Carlson in the Indian Hills Addition. Marilyn Terwilleger informed us her conversations with Christ Lutheran were not fruitful. Due to the focus on their nursery, they really don't seem to be much interested in selling their church, in spite of their dwindling numbers.

By-Laws. Various revisions were considered and completed, with the bulk of the document remaining unchanged and endorsed as is.

Advertising and Website. The committee of Stephanie Reeves, Jim Mitchell, and Marge Marcewicz has been working on various aspects of promoting St. Peter's. The Wyoming Tribune Eagle has not been particularly efficient in handling requests, and a response has not been forthcoming from the local magazine, Our Town Cheyenne. Apparently they are a family operation and manpower is in short supply. Gaye Flack suggested advertising on the community pages of the local television station; however, we think they cover only specific events. We may consider looking into what might be available with Trader's. Shari Henney noted that Matty Ludwig has put some things together for the brochure they are working on to highlight our ministries, activities, schedules, etc. and will bring a rough draft for preliminary review at the next meeting. Bob Henney has agreed to do a photo directory for us, similar to that of Kiwanis. Stephanie Reeves has met with a resource person to gather ideas for a bolder, vibrant web design.

NEW BUSINESS

Installation of Bishop. Bishop Minns is being installed on May 5, 2007, in Virginia. His wife, Angela, is asking for members of CANA (Convocation of Anglicans in North America) to participate in various roles, such as acolyte, choir, etc. Archbishop Peter Akinola from Nigeria will be there. They will make a banner for our church if people come from St. Peter's. This is going to be a big event – colorful, joyous, and spectacular – and they are encouraging as many to come as possible. The Vestry voted to send Father Skip and Senior Warden Jim Mitchell.

Visiting Priest. A priest from Rapid City, South Dakota, will be visiting St. Peter's in mid-May and will attend services with us on May 13th. She is an Episcopal priest who has been constrained by the bishop of South Dakota because of her orthodox stance and is currently affiliating with CANA. Father Skip has invited her and her husband to pay a call on us for support and consultation and we will be pleased to be hosting them. She will be planting a new church in South Dakota. Shari suggested we might set up a "twinning" arrangement with them.

New CANA Church. A sizeable congregation in Colorado Springs has broken away from TEC (The Episcopal Church) and has joined CANA. Father Skip will get ahold of them to establish contact for mutual support and encouragement.

Parish Picnic. June 29th is St. Peter's and St. Paul's Day. This would be a good time-frame to plan a church picnic. We will check into the pavilion at Frontier Park and Westgate to see which schedule and facility offers the best situation for us.

Albertsons Community Partners. Albertsons has discontinued their Preferred Card program which was linked to the quarterly community benefit we have been receiving from them. A new program is being put in place, with new Community Partner cards to be distributed in June.

Membership. In that this is a prime objective for us, we will be focusing on ideas and plans to increase membership at every meeting and at each opportunity.

Blessings to all,
Susan Oyler,
Secretary / Clerk of the Vestry

ROTA SCHEDULE WITH PRAYER TEAM

May, 2007

To preview the lessons, you may go to www.biblegateway.com

	OT LESSON	PSALM	NT LESSON	PRAYERS	CHALICE	PRAYER TEAM
May 6	Barb Clark Acts 11:1-8	Lu Hart Psalm 148	Jim Jensen Rev. 21:1-6	Barb Clark	Dan Clark Susan Oyler Roger Ludwig	Lu Hart Gaye Flack LEM: Matty Ludwig
May 13	Matty Ludwig Acts 16:9-15	Dan Clark (C) Psalm 67	Roger Ludwig Rev. 21:10, 22-22:5	Dan Clark	Stephanie Reeves Jim Jensen Marge Marcewicz	Gaye Flack Caryl Marion LEM: Lamar G.
May 20	Roger Ludwig Acts 16:16-34	Barb Clark Psalm 97	Nick Dawson Rev. 22:12-14, 16-17, 20-21	Susan Oyler	Dan Clark Marge Marcewicz Roger Ludwig	Susan Oyler Matty Ludwig LEM: Marge Marcewicz
May 27	Lu Hart Genesis 11:1-9	Jim Jensen Psalm 104:24-34, 35b	Susan Oyler Acts 2:1-21	Marge Marcewicz	Marge Marcewicz Jim Jensen Susan Oyler	Lu Hart Caryl Marion LEM:

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