

WARE CHURCH

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Ware Episcopal Church
Gloucester, Virginia

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March Deadline
February 15th
Office Hours
9 a.m. - 1 p.m.
Mon. - Fri.

Lenten Programs & Services Begin Week of February 21st

Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper - On Tuesday February 21st, at 6 o'clock the day before Ash Wednesday, the men of Ware are preparing their world famous pancakes, sausage and baked apples for the benefit of Boy Scout Troop 111 to assist with camp scholarships, awards, and camping equipment. It's \$8 for adults, \$5 for children and \$20 for the whole family.

Ash Wednesday Services - The great season of Lent begins on February 22nd with celebrations of the Holy Eucharist in the Chapel of the Christ Child at 10 a.m. and 7 p.m.

The 2012 Lenten Series begins February 29th with "The Interim Ministry". The Rev'd Ted McConnell, Interim Rector of Kingston Parish in Mathews is the speaker for the first of four Wednesday evening programs on the search and calling process for a new Rector. After the 6 p.m. supper, Mr. McConnell speaks about Interim Ministry as a congregation searches for a new Rector. Come hungry and be ready to ask lots of questions. The next three Wednesday Lenten programs will address the search process. The final one will be a Variety Show for an evening of fun for everyone.

Dear Friends,

Years ago now I telephoned Fred Kittler, Secretary of Ware's Search Committee to suggest a candidate. I was surprised when he said that the committee wanted to speak with me. Jane and I were living in Montross with no plans to seek another church. That was the summer of 1984 and by November the Vestry had called me to be the Rector of this parish.

We moved to Gloucester with young children, pets and a tractor trailer load of household items. On moving day I called Beth Haskell, Junior Warden, to say that we ought to put it off for another day because it was snowing. I learned that the movers were on their way to our home!

For better or worse Jane and I bought an older home that needed lots of work. It was mostly covered with ivy and it needed so much to be done. Our neighbor mused that either someone very foolish or with a lot of money would buy it. The former seemed to be true. With the help of numerous parishioners, every room was completely redone over the ensuing years.

Since then there has been a metamorphosis at Ware Church. There were so many good things that Michael Murray and Al Jones had done to make it easy to begin a new ministry. Well established things included a newsletter, junior and senior choirs, men's and ladies' groups, Sunday School with lots of children and a youth group. The Respite program provided for children at risk and now it's known as the Family Room of Ware Church - a place for parents and preschool children.

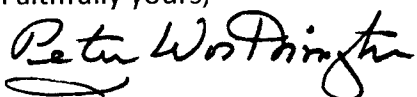
There have been many milestones along the way: "Mr. Eastman's" pipe organ, the purchase the Proctor property to insure Ware's future, and ongoing renovations of our parish facilities. Things have changed. The ladies no longer have to get on their knees to open the church safe, each restroom has hot and cold running water and all of the parish house is air-conditioned. A new sacristy has made the work of the Chancel Guild easier and the Music Room serves Ware's three choirs. Computers have changed the entire office and how church communicates.

It's been a joy to work with the staff. While some faces have changed, we are blessed to have Dawn Fleming, Dee Johnston, Virginia Laise, Sister Colleen Magill, Becky Morris, Vincent Pryor and Beth Richardson. They do so much every week! A "thank you" just doesn't cover all they do.

Best of all are the people of Ware Church! You've done so much from being acolytes to serving on the Vestry and working with all the committees and groups in between. Your warmth and good will have made it so easy to be the Rector of this special and unique parish. Thank you for everything and all you've done over the years.

The future is bright for Ware Church and, guided by the Holy Spirit, our next Rector will to continue your mission and ministry. May the Lord bless and keep each and every one of you.

Faithfully yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Peter Worthington". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style with a long, sweeping underline.

Christian Education at Ware



Epiphany Term Concludes on February 5th

The three term mini- series has focused on the environment, foods of the Bible, and how people learn about the Bible when they are deaf. For the past two Sundays, the programs have addressed the environment with Nuala Bgalbari's sharing her book, *The Woods of Wicomico*. Several animals exhibited leadership in saving the river and surrounding land's environment. Regina Gerstman spoke about the many foods in the ancient near East and introduced the children to a few biblical culinary delights.

The last presentation is on February 5th - "*Sustaining Ministry*." St. Mark's Gospel portrays our Lord's ministry as one of the proclamation of the Word and the ministry of healing. Those hearing and believing the word found themselves ministering to others. Bobby Ray joins the class to teach sign language to convey the message in another form or "voice" for those who can not hear.

Lenten Mite Boxes to Assist Gloucester-Mathews Free Clinic

Hey, kids—remind your parents to put their change in the Mite Boxes. If you don't have a Mite Box in your house yet, pick one up in the church. Be a "change bandit" and look for pennies, nickels, dimes and quarters. All the Mite Box money this year goes to help the Gloucester-Mathews Free Clinic provide health care to our neighbors.

Children's Confirmation Classes Begin February 12th

On the afternoon of April 22nd, The Rt. Rev'd Ted Gulick will be at Ware to confirm those who have not made a mature affirmation of their faith and receive those who have done so in another Christian tradition. Classes are to be held on Sundays during Sunday School on such topics as Church History - the folks who kept things going; the Bible - a collection of history, prophecy, short stories and love poems; the Prayer Book - over 360 years of worship in English; the Sacraments - signs and symbols of the faith; Congregations and Church - how this special group of people are organized to do the Lord's work, and other topics of interest. Please let our Rector, Peter Worthington know if you wish you child to be confirmed.

February 5th – Boy Scout Sunday at Ware Church

Troop 111 and its leadership will be joining us for services on February 5th at 10:30 in the morning. Bob Nichols serves as Scoutmaster. The troop was chartered on October 4, 1919, and has been in existence continuously. This fall they will celebrate their 93rd year of service to Gloucester.

Music Notes



Change of Seasons

What does the weather have in common with church music? Both are going to change. You can count on it. We will be seeing that this month when we go from the joyful season of Epiphany to the somber season of Lent. It's hard on you. Frankly, it hurts to give up singing "alleluia" during Lent. It hurts to omit the "Glory to God" and replace it with "Lord Have Mercy". It hurts to tone down the joyful hymns and replace them with more reflective, even somber ones. Just like that change from warm, sunny weather to cold, dreary weather makes your bones ache, the transition from Epiphany to Lent makes your soul ache. But, there is another way to look at it. Maybe, just maybe, we're supposed to ache from time to time. An aching body gets your attention, doesn't it? Maybe we all need the season of Lent to help us pay more attention to our spiritual lives. The music during our Lenten services will reflect the change from joyful to penitential and reflective. And, unlike the weather, we know exactly when the next change will happen—on Easter Sunday.

Handbell Workshop

The Handbell Choir will have a mini-workshop on Sunday, February 19th following coffee hour. By using modern technology via youtube, the ringers will learn advanced bell techniques from a master bell ringer. Bell ringing burns lots of calories, so the ringers will bring yummy food items and beverages to share during the session.

Junior Choir Schedule Changes

There will be no Junior Choir rehearsal on Wednesday, February 1st because the Gloucester County schools are closed that week. Regular rehearsals resume on Wednesday, February 8th. Suppers will be served on February 8th, 15th and 22nd. Beginning February 29th and throughout Lent, Junior Choir suppers will not be served because of the Wednesday Lenten Supper Series.

Senior Choir Needs YOU!

What's better than singing? According to Ella Fitzgerald the answer is more singing! The Senior Choir will be working on Lenten, Palm Sunday and Easter anthems this month. It's a great time to join in on the fun of singing. We welcome new members. No experience necessary!

The Family Room of Ware Church



The children enjoyed some wonderful quality time with the residents at Sander's Nursing Home. They were able to make a craft with them and shared some 'play dough fun' with the residents. We sang songs, danced, read a story and even enjoyed the parachute too! We invite everyone to come and join us at the Family Room on Tuesday and Thursday mornings from 10 a.m. to noon. Come enjoy some quality time with your children and grandchildren. We have free play, arts and crafts, play dough, circle time, story time, and the parachute. Please call Sister Colleen Magill, 693-3821 for more information.

February Birthdays



If you wish for your birthday to appear in the monthly list, please call the Church Office.

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| 1 - Doug Dwoyer | 12 - Mimi Ulsaker | 21 - Jessica Frye |
| 4 - Joyce Blymyer | 13 - John Kimberly | 21 - Mary Lawrence |
| 4 - Alexandra Richardson | 14 - Ed Hudgins | 21 - Barbara Roane |
| 4 - Lindsay Smith | 15 - Jacob Ward | 21 - Kate Zullo |
| 5 - Sarah Ingles | 16 - Justin Leigh | 22 - Kathryn Dykeman |
| 5 - Nell Jones | 17 - John Haracivet | 22 - Peter Worthington |
| 6 - Sean Frye | 17 - Nancy Wilson | 23 - Erin Jenkins |
| 7 - Marvin Hohenberger | 18 - Joanne Bartlett | 23 - Shelby Jenkins |
| 7 - Betty White | 19 - Robert Teagle | 23 - Doug Wilt |
| 8 - Charles Johnston | 20 - Katie O'Neil | 24 - Carolyn Hicks |
| 8 - Kim Roj | 20 - Rip Radcliffe | 26 - Carey Beverly |
| 10 - Robert Zullo | 20 - Hank South | 27 - William Mitchell, III |
| 11 - Chris Denton | 20 - Holly Zuger | 28 - Jeannie Teagle |
| 12 - Donna DeShazo | | |

Parish Register Entries

Burials

Barbara Cable Feild
January 10, 2012

Janice Heffernan Whiting
January 17, 2012

First Sunday Food Offering, February 5th

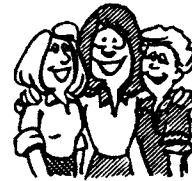


On the first Sunday of every month, Ware Church receives gifts of food and other personal items to restock the shelves at the Salvation Army Food Closet. Items needed this month include macaroni, spaghetti, canned meats, peanut butter, jelly, chicken with rice soup, and vegetable beef soup. Gifts for the Pantry can be left in the office or taken directly to the Salvation Army.

Women of Ware

All ladies are invited to join us.

WHAT: **WoW Meeting**
WHERE: Chapel of the Christ Child
WHEN: Tuesday, February 28th at 11:30 a.m.
PROGRAM: The Holy Eucharist
HOSTESS: Barbara Kemp



WHAT: **WoW Book Club**
WHERE: Jean Johnson's home, "Crickhouse", 7215 Belleville Lane, Ware Neck
WHEN: Monday, March 12th at Noon
BOOK: *The American Heiress* by Daisy Goodwin
HOSTESSES: Jean Johnson and Marianne Bowles
CALL: RSVP to Jean, 693-5280 by Friday, March 9th

Coffee Hour Hosts and Hostesses Needed

There is a sign-up sheet on the church porch for Coffee Hour hosts and hostesses for March 25th - May 27th. Sign up early so that you may choose the Sunday that best fits your schedule. You provide cookies. The lemonade and coffee supplies are in the kitchen. One or two people are needed each week.



Stewardship Report



Ware Church has received 134 pledges for 2012 with twenty of them being new ones. Our 2012 pledge total so far is \$228,953. In 2011, the pledge total was \$217,845. Thank you to all who have pledged in support of Ware Church with its mission and ministry.

The Parish Calendar

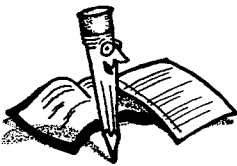
March 3	Vestry Planning Retreat	8:30 a.m.
March 5	Vestry Meeting	7 p.m.
March 7	Lenten Supper & Program	6 p.m.
March 11	Daylight Savings Time begins	
March 14	Prayer Group	10:30 a.m.
	Lenten Supper & Program	6 p.m.
March 21	Lenten Supper & Program	6 p.m.
March 28	Lenten Supper & Program	6 p.m.
April 1	Palm Sunday	
April 2	Vestry Meeting	7 p.m.
April 5	Maundy Thursday Service	10 a.m. & 7 p.m.
April 6	Good Friday Service	Noon
April 8	Easter, Mite Boxes & Flowering of the Cross	8:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.
April 13	Prayer Group	10:30 a.m.
April 22	Bishop's Afternoon Visit	
May 6	United Thank Offering Ingathering	
May 7	Vestry Meeting	7:00 p.m.
May 9	Prayer Group	
May 13	Mother's Day Breakfast	9:00 a.m.
May 27	Closing Sunday School Exercises	9:30 a.m.

Ware's Prayer Group Meets Wednesday, February 8th



There are times when it helps to know someone is praying for you, a member of your family or a friend. The Prayer Group provides this ministry. If you have a request, call Anne Clark at 693-4026 or Bruce Forsberg at 776-7734. They gather Wednesday, February 8th at 10:30 a.m. in the Library.

Vestry Planning Retreat on March 3rd



The Vestry gathers Saturday, March 3rd to plan the search for a new Rector of Ware Church. The Rev'd Charles L. Johnson, former assistant to Bishop David Lewis will lead the day. The day begins at 8:30 and continues into the afternoon.

Kingston Parish Sponsors Sexual Abuse Prevention Workshop

Kingston Parish in Mathews is offering the Diocesan Workshop on Sexual Abuse Prevention on Saturday, March 10th, 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Lunch is included. This workshop is very informative and should be attended by those who work with our children and have not received a Diocesan Certificate for Completion of this training. Please call Ginger Richards at 725-0718 to register.

Parish Leadership

THE 2012 VESTRY AND CLERGY

The Rev'd Daniel O. Worthington, Jr., Rector

F. Breckinridge Montague, Senior Warden ★ Henry W. Moncure, Junior Warden
Nancy D. Dwoyer, Register ★ Edward H. James, Treasurer

Amy M. Clayton ★ Sally L. Hartley ★ Elizabeth B. Hay ★ Colleen A. Hollenback
Michael D. Jenkins ★ Jacqueline C. Kilduff ★ W. Lloyd Ward ★ Ralph E. Williams

Alexander B. Atkins, Jr., Hugh C. Dischinger, Herbert I. L. Feild, C. Flippo Hicks,
and Donald P. Roane, Honorary Members of the Vestry

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Elizabeth D. Richardson	Christian Education Director	sundayschool@warechurch.org
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Vincent Pryor	Sexton	

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DATE	ACOLYTE	CHALICIST	ALTAR GUILD	COFFEE	COUNTER	GREETER	LECTOR	USHER
February 5 5 Epiphany	Alex Richardson Jacob Ward Patrick Berg	Peter Teagle	Feb. 3-9, T#2 Susan Jenkins Chair	Mary Ann Griffith	Ed James Diana Joyce	Kenny Richardson	Fran Musick	8:30 Maynard Nichols 10:30 John Masiak Kirk Canaday
February 12 6 Epiphany	Emily Canaday Carter Hartley Andie Hartley	Ann Brown	Feb. 10-16, T#3 Bruce Forsberg Chair	Nell Jones Barbara Kemp Helen Brown	Mike Jenkins Fran Musick	Barbara & Pete Roane	Youth	8:30 Bill Shaw 10:30 Nelson Horsley Jack Cooper
February 19 7 Epiphany	Blair South Jillian Lawrence Newie Lawrence	Tom Hay	Feb. 17-23, T#4 Donna DeShazo Chair	Jane Smith	Jacque Kilduff Lisa Lawrence	Debby & Kenny Wiggins	Jimmy Kilduff	8:30 Jeff Tyll 10:30 Judy Cathey Bryan Hartley
February 26 Last Epiphany	P. J. Teagle Jack Teagle Evan Clark	Peg Moncure	Feb. 24-Mar. 1, T#5 Barbara Roane Bobby Ray Co-Chairs	Jacque Kilduff	Henry Moncure Lewie Lawrence	Nancy Wilson	Steve Parker	8:30 Dick Zima 10:30 Catesby Jones Frank Lansinger
March 4 1 Lent	Tabytha Clayton Catesby Jones Cabell Jones	Peter Teagle	Mar. 2-8, T#6 Jane Worthington Chair	Mary Whitley	Breck Montague Catesby Jones	Sue & Rick Zima	Pete Roane	8:30 Scott Kalbrener 10:30 Lloyd Ward Chris Morgan
VESTRY ON DUTY			February 5 Ed James	February 12 Mike Jenkins	February 19 Jacque Kilduff	February 26 Henry Moncure	March 4 Breck Montague	

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 Please find your own substitute if you cannot serve on your appointed day and inform the office of the change. 

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<p><i>A nursery for children 6 and under is available during the 10:30 am service.</i></p>			<p><i>Brigid of Kildare</i> 1</p>	<p><i>The Presentation of Our Lord Jesus Christ</i> 2</p> <p>10:00 am Fam. Room</p>	<p>3</p>	<p><i>Anskar of Scandinavia</i> 4</p>
<p>5 Epiphany 5</p> <p>8:30 am Holy Eucharist 9:00 am Senior Choir 9:30 am Sunday School 10:30 am Holy Eucharist Noon Handbells</p>	<p>The Martyrs of Japan 6</p> <p>7:00 pm Vestry</p>	<p>Cornelius the Centurion 7</p> <p>10:00 am Fam. Room 7:00 pm BSA, Cabin</p>	<p>8</p> <p>10:30 am Prayer Gp. 5:00 pm Jr. Choir 6:00 pm Jr. Handbells</p>	<p>9</p> <p>10:00 am Fam. Room</p>	<p>10</p>	<p>11</p>
<p>6 Epiphany 12</p> <p>8:30 am Holy Eucharist 9:00 am Senior Choir 9:30 am Sunday School 10:30 am Holy Eucharist Noon Handbells 2:00 pm Courthouse Players</p>	<p>Absalom Jones 13</p> <p>7:30 pm BSA Com. Meeting</p>	<p>Cyril and Methodius 14</p> <p>10:00 am Fam. Room 6:30 pm FR Bd. Mtg. 7:00 pm BSA, Cabin</p>	<p>Thomas Bray 15</p> <p>5:00 pm Jr. Choir 6:00 pm Jr. Handbells March <i>Grapevine</i> Deadline</p>	<p>16</p> <p>10:00 am Fam. Room</p>	<p>Janani Luwum 17</p>	<p>Martin Luther 18</p>
<p>Last Epiphany 19</p> <p>8:30 am Holy Eucharist 9:00 am Senior Choir 9:30 am Sunday School 10:30 am Holy Eucharist Noon Handbell Workshop</p>	<p>President's Day 20</p>	<p>21</p> <p>10:00 am Fam. Room 6:00 pm Pancake Supper 7:00 pm BSA, Cabin</p>	<p>Ash Wednesday 22</p> <p>10:00 am HE, Chapel 5:00 pm Jr. Choir 6:00 pm Jr. Handbells 7:00 pm HE, Chapel</p>	<p>Polycarp of Smyrna 23</p> <p>10:00 am Fam. Room</p>	<p>St. Matthias 24</p>	<p>25</p>
<p>1 Lent 26</p> <p>8:30 am Holy Eucharist 9:00 am Senior Choir 9:30 am Sunday School 10:30 am Holy Eucharist Noon Handbells</p>	<p>George Herbert 27</p>	<p>28</p> <p>11:30 am Women of Ware Chapel of the Christ Child</p>	<p>Ember Day 29</p>		<p><i>Put your trust in God; for I will yet give thanks to him, who is the help of my countenance, and my God. – Psalm 42:7</i></p>	