



St. Peter's Church

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"Be strong and courageous. Do not be frightened, and do not be dismayed, for the LORD your god is with you"

Joshua 1:9

On behalf of the Vestry and Clergy of St. Peter's Church, our prayers are with everyone during these difficult and unprecedented times. Please remember that while our worship services are temporarily suspended, St. Peter's continues to be here for all of you in ways that allow our compliance with recent restrictions. Our website www.stpeterschurchalbany.org has phone and email contact info which will get you in touch with our clergy if needed.

Aside from the anxiety and emotional stress these events and restrictions have caused, many of you have likely suffered financial hardship. We pray for all of you and for the hopeful restoration of some normalcy in our lives soon; socially, spiritually, professionally and financially. The church is not immune to these hardships either. Our endowment accounts have declined significantly and the lack of worship services have eliminated weekly offerings while our operating costs remain. While we are dealing with these challenges, please know that we are positioned to weather this storm and recover quickly and strongly at its conclusion.

We encourage those of you that haven't already, to attend virtually the weekly worship service that is available on the website of the Albany Diocese www.albanyepiscopaldiocese.org. In addition, St. Peter's website has some helpful links for additional home worship along with resources for prayer and bible readings. Recently Father Hartt and Mother Sue have been posting enlightening morning and evening prayer videos on their Facebook pages which we would also encourage all to view.

For those of you that are able, we encourage continued giving to the church. This can be done through the link on our website where credit, debit and direct payments from bank accounts are available or should you wish to contribute by check, can be mailed into the church office at 107 State St., Albany, NY 12207. We appreciate any contributions which will be vital during this period.

We pray for everyone during this time and celebrate God's love which will guide us through. We look forward to the day when our doors reopen, the smiles and joy of our Brothers and Sisters spill out to the front steps and the magical sounds of the choir fill the air!

Faithfully,

George Scala

George Scala, Treasurer