

Q99 In a word, phrase or short sentence, tell us what you love most about St. Peter's.

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#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	Choir and the musical choices	11/6/2023 10:47 PM
2	It is a welcoming, inclusive place where you can grow your spirituality and experience good sermons and good music in our services.	11/6/2023 8:46 PM
3	weekly worship --good to excellent sermons--great music--welcoming coffee hour	11/6/2023 1:49 PM
4	This is a very friendly, open, welcoming, inclusive, and diverse community, not at all resembling the "frozen chosen." :)	11/6/2023 1:47 PM
5	The liturgical services.	11/6/2023 12:40 PM
6	We have had great clergy. Love Fr. Sam. Big help for me.	11/6/2023 12:14 PM
7	Liturgy	11/6/2023 11:43 AM
8	Community	11/6/2023 10:41 AM
9	An attitude of tolerance and inclusiveness.	11/5/2023 6:20 PM
10	Solemnity and beauty in worship service, I evaluate my past behavior, I praise and than God, I resold to do or thing differently based on sermon.	11/5/2023 6:02 PM
11	Altar lergy, friendship, family wedding, thoughtful funeral, Bishop Howe, Stephen Morris always there for me, I love everything about St. Peter's,	11/5/2023 5:48 PM
12	Wonderful church, great welcome, fine preachers	11/5/2023 5:25 PM
13	Acceptance	11/5/2023 3:20 PM
14	Music is spectacular, preaching inspiring and great people to get to know.	11/5/2023 2:46 PM
15	music and flowers and the members	11/5/2023 1:57 PM
16	The music. I was in the choir as a child there, under the direction of Robert Setzer, and participated in the Bell Choir under Carol Alexander at Good Shepherd Church in Dunedin. My aunt, Juliet Mastry Miller sang in the Cathedral's choir for years and years.	11/5/2023 1:22 PM
17	the welcoming faces	11/5/2023 12:11 PM
18	The spirit-filled worship and welcoming environment	11/5/2023 12:08 PM
19	Community	11/5/2023 11:56 AM
20	Good sermons.	11/5/2023 10:38 AM
21	I love the language of the traditional Rite I service at 8am and I love the choir at the main service.	11/5/2023 9:35 AM
22	The Friendliness of the people and the dignity of the liturgy.	11/4/2023 9:24 PM
23	After being involved in the music dept from 1968-1994 it was a joy to return to my home church prior to Covid seeing familiar faces. I love the liturgical service with excellent music, excellent preaching, and a representative congregation who are actively involved in the worship service.	11/4/2023 5:49 PM
24	The beauty and inspirational quality of the service	11/4/2023 4:44 PM
25	Most love: our community of love. Please consider adding a female priest to the team - especially for outreach in the community and Christian formation. Our clergy lacks diversity.	11/4/2023 3:47 PM

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26	It's welcoming nature.	11/4/2023 10:15 AM
27	Excepting	11/4/2023 9:19 AM
28	High intellectual content in both homelies and christian formation. Music	11/4/2023 12:24 AM
29	I love the friendships we've made over the years.	11/3/2023 9:10 PM
30	music, the warmth and friendliness of the congregation, the growing children's ministry.	11/3/2023 5:43 PM
31	The curate, priests, organists, staff, choir, openness, social justice, John Garrigues, -- is that short enough?	11/3/2023 2:17 PM
32	Fellowship	11/3/2023 1:39 PM
33	Its inclusiveness, it's beautiful music and liturgy, its stimulating speakers and educational opportunities.	11/3/2023 12:52 PM
34	That the Dean is gone	11/3/2023 7:44 AM
35	I love the warm and inviting feeling of our community, and the music, especially Evensong!	11/3/2023 3:39 AM
36	The warmth, connectedness, acceptance of the congregation. It's a feel-good place.	11/2/2023 11:29 PM
37	the worship and music and the welcome inclusivity	11/2/2023 12:29 PM
38	It's commitment to liturgical form, level of intellectual inquiry and spiritual wholeness.	11/2/2023 11:54 AM
39	Meeting with people of faith	11/1/2023 3:43 PM
40	Having the courage to always proclaim Christ as central in all we do in worship, then all other things fall into place.	10/31/2023 6:02 PM
41	St. Peter's helped fulfill my spiritual needs.	10/31/2023 1:03 PM
42	I love our music and our amazing community.	10/31/2023 10:25 AM
43	I knew 15 years ago when I came to the Cathedral I felt as though I had "come home". The kindness of people and clergy are important My one great disappointment I had stopped attending several years ago.. I was very disappointed the Dean nor anyone else had made an attempt to reach out to me to ask what happened .. I had been active in a few activities and when I stopped that was no communication	10/31/2023 8:22 AM
44	inclusive theology	10/31/2023 6:08 AM
45	Sunday services	10/30/2023 8:00 PM
46	The people	10/30/2023 10:59 AM
47	Maintaining traditional liturgical service.	10/29/2023 9:37 PM
48	The high quality and standards of our choral music offerings and the sense of community.	10/29/2023 5:28 PM
49	The music program and flowers.	10/29/2023 2:56 PM
50	I love the high quality of the worship sevice in the Episcopal tradition and the good preaching and opportunities to study and grow in faith.	10/29/2023 2:50 PM
51	Parish Hall and new facilities are nice. Terrible survey! Time to take down the sanctuary-keep artifacts-and build a model energy efficient structure. More \$\$ spent on the building-first and programs-second. Always been that way for 50 years! Time to recycle-Be an example of Dominion-environmental stewardship!	10/29/2023 2:31 PM
52	The Music and Prayer Book	10/29/2023 2:29 PM
53	The people and music	10/29/2023 2:13 PM
54	The energized atmosphere due to the presence of the new Curate who has exemplified a great pastoral spirit that has been long absent at the Cathedral.	10/28/2023 11:45 AM
55	That we are open to ALL of God's people!	10/28/2023 11:39 AM
56	I have been around St. Peter's for 30+ years. I have seen the ship get righted, and tremendous progress. It is great to go to a church that appears to be thriving.	10/27/2023 7:03 PM

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57	Excellent sermons, friendly and caring people, excellent music	10/27/2023 2:30 PM
58	Music and large clergy staff	10/27/2023 2:11 PM
59	sense of a common purpose	10/27/2023 11:55 AM
60	Great Sermons, Wonderful music and Choir. Members of church are very welcoming.	10/27/2023 11:14 AM
61	The music and the Beloved Community work.	10/26/2023 11:16 PM
62	The people and the music.	10/26/2023 7:38 PM
63	I love the people, music and flowers. I love that we have sermons from different clergy people to get different perspectives.	10/26/2023 7:10 PM
64	St Peter's is my spiritual sanctuary. I love the the worship services, the fellowship, the love of the people, opportunity to grow spiritually, to participate in all aspects of the church and the close friendships I have developed through the years and continue to make new ones.	10/26/2023 3:39 PM
65	Meaningful worship in a beautiful setting among wonderful people, many of whom are dear friends.	10/26/2023 3:17 PM
66	DEAN STEPHEN MORRIS	10/26/2023 11:52 AM
67	Music, Thomas's sermons & formation, the building, flowers	10/26/2023 11:40 AM
68	Sanctuary. Welcoming congregation.	10/25/2023 9:51 PM
69	It's inclusivity of all people, especially LGBTQ+ persons.	10/25/2023 9:36 PM
70	Caring people	10/25/2023 8:46 PM
71	Music. Include promotion of music to outside groups in priorities. Introduce St. Peter's to a natural affinity group - music lovers. There are dozens of nonprofits serving the homeless in St. Pete with minimal impact. Even the Sunrunner is facing the painful reality of assisting the homeless. Please respect the hundreds of years of tradition of the church, and offer the community something precious - the liturgy and music that can only be found at St. Peter's.	10/25/2023 8:08 PM
72	The community and fellowship of parishioners.	10/25/2023 5:08 PM
73	Beautiful Cathedral bldg, strong Episcopal liturgy & commitment, current staff, excellent music program, friendly people. (Not ranked)	10/25/2023 3:19 PM
74	Community	10/25/2023 1:54 PM
75	The liturgy & music are top quality.	10/25/2023 1:12 PM
76	All inclusive The quality of the clergy led previously by Stephen The development of Brandon who should be our next dean	10/25/2023 9:16 AM
77	The people	10/24/2023 9:47 PM
78	The music, the message, and the variety of ministries.	10/24/2023 8:37 PM
79	Baptismal Covenant strong	10/24/2023 8:23 PM
80	The worship service	10/24/2023 6:45 PM
81	Service and Music	10/24/2023 5:09 PM
82	The liturgy and on line discussions and classes. I can only attend services on line.	10/24/2023 4:23 PM
83	An Episcopal church with proper services and a soul	10/24/2023 3:40 PM
84	Welcoming	10/24/2023 11:42 AM
85	Inspiring	10/24/2023 10:21 AM
86	Superb liturgical music, good preaching, warmth of congregation	10/24/2023 1:57 AM
87	The people	10/24/2023 12:16 AM
88	Acceptance and being encouraged to be part/lead a department of ministry	10/23/2023 10:13 PM

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89	The music and liturgy	10/23/2023 8:05 PM
90	I love the history and the connection of multi-generational worship within my family.	10/23/2023 6:42 PM
91	Well, the Owls is very good; however, it would be nice if vergers were a little less -- as a native NYker I can say -- stuck up in the air somewhere and deal with congregants as if we are somehow a bit less than they are. My observation.	10/23/2023 5:38 PM
92	Our faith community.	10/23/2023 5:07 PM
93	Loving and caring congregation.	10/23/2023 4:08 PM
94	the sanctuary	10/23/2023 3:44 PM
95	Music	10/23/2023 3:32 PM
96	Choir	10/23/2023 2:22 PM
97	Inclusivity	10/23/2023 12:49 PM
98	Since I am a caregiver for my Mom and can't leave her for long periods of time, the zoom meetings are very helpful to me.	10/23/2023 12:48 PM
99	Our history	10/23/2023 12:42 PM
100	The music	10/23/2023 12:41 PM
101	Music, sermon	10/23/2023 12:26 PM
102	style of worship and music, people and building and grounds	10/23/2023 12:05 PM
103	Worship	10/23/2023 11:42 AM
104	I love the experience overall, but it's time for some changes to meet growing needs and remain relevant while maintaining traditions. Traditional worship is good but some newer music and maybe a contemporary service held separately would bring much needed change. We do a wonderful job at outreach. But we need to begin inviting and investing time in younger generations and their involvement.	10/23/2023 11:29 AM
105	Parishioners	10/23/2023 11:16 AM
106	It's a beautiful spiritual experience.	10/23/2023 11:16 AM
107	The staff and our members	10/23/2023 10:46 AM
108	Christian practice expressed through love, understanding, and acceptance. St. Peter's and the American Episcopal Church's liberal social and political attitude fills me with hope.	10/23/2023 6:15 AM
109	Community	10/22/2023 5:03 PM
110	The music and the feeling of support and love from the clergy and members	10/22/2023 4:33 PM
111	The feeling of warmth and welcome by the members.	10/22/2023 3:05 PM
112	The people	10/22/2023 2:59 PM
113	Everyone is accepted for who they are	10/22/2023 1:42 PM
114	Saturday/Sunday worship services	10/22/2023 1:00 PM
115	Generally accepting of others with great music	10/22/2023 12:14 PM
116	I c the service online as I do not attend in person. My husband was Baptized St.P. He's in the garden niche awaiting me. Health issues I have.	10/22/2023 11:51 AM
117	The People	10/22/2023 11:42 AM
118	It's music and breadth of ministries is impressive. It needs to work much harder on diversity and inclusion issues, particularly at the leadership level. When I first came to the Cathedral, I was astonished that ALL of the clergy were cisgender heterosexual white men. How does that happen in this day and age? The selection of a new dean is a major opportunity to address this.	10/22/2023 11:04 AM
119	Preaching, Music, Children	10/22/2023 11:04 AM

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120	Open to all people regardless of race, sexual identity, or age considerations.	10/22/2023 10:40 AM
121	The People	10/22/2023 9:46 AM
122	Inclusion of LGBTQ and straight people.	10/22/2023 9:27 AM
123	The church is supportive of each member of the congregation and wants them to find a home there.	10/22/2023 9:02 AM
124	Atmosphere, friendliness, and inclusion	10/21/2023 10:42 AM
125	The people	10/21/2023 10:17 AM
126	Diversity	10/20/2023 4:17 PM
127	Loving welcome and hope for a more spiritual and supportive atmosphere for all people of the congregation. I see little being offered for the needs and concerns of much of the congregation	10/20/2023 1:55 PM
128	Sacred space	10/20/2023 12:45 PM
129	Acceptance of all people.	10/20/2023 10:25 AM
130	Friendly and caring atmosphere.	10/20/2023 10:09 AM
131	Our church leaders work to address the needs of everyone - children to middle age to older - intellectually and spiritually, both in the church and in our community.	10/20/2023 10:04 AM
132	The culture of welcoming & inclusiveness among our congregation & ministry.	10/20/2023 9:18 AM
133	Community	10/19/2023 5:06 PM
134	It's home.	10/19/2023 4:11 PM
135	I love that its physical presence (building and people) feels like & is my church home.	10/19/2023 3:45 PM
136	peaceful	10/19/2023 11:27 AM
137	Music, an uplifting sermon, arranging flowers for the beautiful Cathedral, and socializing during coffee hour.	10/18/2023 10:16 PM
138	evolving to a better place in God's world	10/18/2023 3:43 PM
139	I love the worship format, the various sermon types, and music and choir. I think there is plenty of things for people to get involved,,, they just have to want to. Staff work very hard to make people feel welcome and cared for.	10/18/2023 3:32 PM
140	It's where I touch base with one of the foundational elements of my life.	10/18/2023 1:45 PM
141	How welcoming we are, presence of children and youth	10/18/2023 12:05 PM
142	The worship experience. Nobody puts on the show better than St. Peters'.	10/18/2023 11:57 AM
143	The presence of God in the service and the caring and the friendliness of the congregation	10/18/2023 1:19 AM
144	I served on staff for 18 years. I love being a member. Covid and health issues have interrupted my attendance but we come as often as we can. I love the MUSIC. Dwight is exceptional.	10/17/2023 11:53 PM
145	The current level of formality, NOT a high church but with enough ceremony to fit comfortably, along with the deep messages/explanations that are given during the sermon.	10/17/2023 10:53 PM
146	Most of the sermons are good.	10/17/2023 9:55 PM
147	The open-mindedness within the church. The church takes mission and emphasis on being open to all races, genders, and sexualities.	10/17/2023 9:23 PM
148	The Clergy	10/17/2023 7:26 PM
149	High quality traditional music and liturgy. I do not believe this conflicts with my prior comments about desiring increased use of inclusive language.	10/17/2023 3:02 PM
150	Sunday worship service (10:15)	10/17/2023 11:53 AM
151	Our fascinating church history, and preservation of our longtime traditions, i.e. using hymnals, preserving our building and sanctuary (not tearing out the rood and donated stained glass that	10/16/2023 9:49 PM

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past families spent good money on.) Understanding that families and youth and multigenerational members are the key to a church's future. Not continuous change for the sake of change and adapted societal morality. Too much focus on certain groups. As a heterosexual, conservative male, I've felt alienated and worship considerably more now at other churches where I donate my time and resources now.

152	Elements of high church worship	10/16/2023 9:46 PM
153	The Cathedral is beautiful.	10/16/2023 9:31 PM
154	music	10/16/2023 9:28 PM
155	People are friendly and welcoming and generous.	10/16/2023 7:38 PM
156	It's people and the caring for one another	10/16/2023 6:13 PM
157	Individuality is embraced by our clergy and fellow parishioners	10/16/2023 5:43 PM
158	The community and worship experience of the last 70 years!!	10/16/2023 5:33 PM
159	The progressive and inclusive message each week.	10/16/2023 4:38 PM
160	The blend of the congregation, Music and choir, The talent of the Flower Guild floral creations, and the traditional service in worshipping God	10/16/2023 4:32 PM
161	Sense of community.	10/16/2023 4:20 PM
162	friendly people	10/16/2023 4:01 PM
163	our liturgy	10/16/2023 3:58 PM
164	Whenever I attend, the people are very friendly.	10/16/2023 3:53 PM
165	Traditonal service, music, fellowship, friends, bible study	10/16/2023 3:45 PM
166	Sanctuary & Music	10/16/2023 3:21 PM
167	In all honesty, it is the community of people, many whom are dear friends, and the fact that our age, life church is a major portion of our social activities. between the two of us we have served/been members of choir, ushers, readers, vergers, Foyer dinner preparation, and the the drama group ...	10/16/2023 3:09 PM
168	The Dean	10/16/2023 3:05 PM
169	The diversity of the priests, and their messages.	10/16/2023 2:50 PM
170	Answers reflect my minimal attendance since Stephen left.	10/16/2023 2:43 PM
171	The choir.	10/16/2023 2:40 PM
172	Sunday Eucharist I would like a daily Eucharist	10/16/2023 2:22 PM
173	Music, good sermons, art gallery, funeral outreach to community	10/16/2023 2:05 PM
174	Music and liturgy Our inclusiveness	10/16/2023 1:44 PM
175	The People	10/16/2023 1:23 PM
176	Sense of community	10/16/2023 1:17 PM
177	Congregation, clergy, liturgy.	10/16/2023 12:54 PM
178	I have never been to a traditional church that is so amazingly inclusive and friendly. I felt 'at home' and 'among friends' from the very first visit. We expressed a desire to get involved and several people jumped into action to see that we found a place within the church to volunteer and get to know other members of the congregation. Really a lovely group of people all the way around and we are very much enjoying participating.	10/16/2023 12:49 PM
179	Great music and a wonderful variety of preachers	10/16/2023 12:25 PM
180	I am welcome and bonded with congregation.	10/16/2023 12:15 PM
181	The connection of the liturgy to the congregation and with each other.	10/16/2023 12:13 PM

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182	Everyone on the alter.	10/16/2023 11:51 AM
183	Music	10/16/2023 11:43 AM
184	Leads the way in loving thy neighbor	10/16/2023 11:36 AM
185	Music and liturgy	10/16/2023 11:31 AM
186	Music and Homilies	10/16/2023 10:57 AM
187	Judy Stark. I stopped following Paul of Tarsus decades ago, but I continue to design and produce Crosstown out of love for a Christian who "walks the walk" — who cares more about compassion, forgiveness, inclusiveness, and what the Christian Testament calls "agapé."	10/16/2023 10:53 AM
188	the choir, and the worship service that is focused on worship and not distracted by other things	10/16/2023 10:43 AM
189	Music (which could be better)	10/16/2023 9:31 AM
190	Our choir and sermons	10/16/2023 9:28 AM
191	The love between the congregation members	10/16/2023 9:17 AM
192	service and music	10/16/2023 8:44 AM
193	Music, ministries, accessibility to the building during the week, the special services based around music and the great Holy Days, Easter and Christmas!	10/16/2023 8:43 AM
194	The whole package	10/16/2023 8:42 AM
195	The Eucharist, and traditions of "the church".	10/16/2023 8:27 AM
196	My Sunday participation in the worship service and the other services provided by the Music Ministry are what is most important to me.	10/16/2023 8:25 AM
197	I love that St. Peter's offers a traditional, well rounded and ceremonial approach to Christianity without bending to social whims of the day.	10/16/2023 8:20 AM
198	I love our services and sermons deeply. The traditional services are the best part of St.Peter's. As a person in their 20s I feel a deep need for tradition and so many churches have abandoned the rituals which guide our worship. The music and the sermons at this church are truly magical. I do not ever want to see them change. My husband and I feel so blessed to have found this congregation.	10/16/2023 7:58 AM
199	Excellence in liturgy and music.	10/16/2023 7:22 AM
200	St. Peter's is one of my favorite places to be ever since childhood. My family has worshipped here for generations, as other families have as well. I always feel welcome because of the community that has always been so strong since my family first became members. The strength and bond of the congregation makes it a loving place that I always feels like home. I am hopeful and supportive of a new Dean that will bring about much needed transformation and healing after our previous Dean. I pray that leadership working on this transition will prioritize the congregations needs throughout this process and handle our church with care.	10/16/2023 7:02 AM
201	Worship in community	10/16/2023 6:48 AM
202	tradition	10/16/2023 6:45 AM
203	I love all that Hillary and Michelle do. Plus I love Brandon's sermons. Maybe I'm in a dark spot too. Idk. Thanks. Have you considered Father Ryan Whitley? He could be good.	10/16/2023 6:35 AM
204	All are welcome	10/15/2023 5:08 PM
205	Vitality of community.	10/11/2023 12:40 PM
206	IT IS A BROAD TENT WITH A PLACE FOR MANY	10/11/2023 10:08 AM
207	The way true congregation and clergy apply Christian teachings toward one another.	10/10/2023 11:28 AM
208	Worship & community	10/7/2023 2:33 PM
209	Being an affirming, welcoming place to worship.	10/5/2023 2:18 PM
210	The people,the clergy, the staff.	10/4/2023 8:32 PM

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211	Seeing people that I consider friends on a weekly basis	10/4/2023 4:18 PM
212	supportive faith community, strong friendships	10/4/2023 4:10 PM
213	That we can be welcoming while maintaining excellent liturgy and programs	10/3/2023 10:19 PM
214	Inclusiveness and engaging	10/3/2023 9:33 AM
215	The inclusive community where I feel I can meaningfully serve	10/2/2023 6:11 PM
216	Friendliness of congregation and inspired services.	10/2/2023 5:40 PM
217	1. Warm, welcoming nature of the congregation. 2. Traditional worship service with great music.	10/2/2023 2:08 PM
218	The people	10/2/2023 12:00 PM
219	How welcoming and affirming we are.	10/2/2023 11:59 AM
220	The collective experience of God's message, music and love of St. Peter's members.	10/2/2023 10:22 AM
221	I love the diversity of the congregation in a downtown location.	10/2/2023 8:51 AM
222	Inclusivity	10/2/2023 7:17 AM
223	Preaching, music and inclusivity	10/1/2023 5:03 PM