



“The Herald” Newsletter

St. Peter’s Evangelical Lutheran Church

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“His Love Endures Forever.”
Psalm 136

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Lenten Mid-week Services

Our 2018 Lenten series continues in March under the theme, “From Ashes to Glory.” Our theme focuses on the spiritual journey from Ash Wednesday to Good Friday and the Cross of Golgotha which we dare to proclaim as our “Cross of Glory. Services are about a half-hour Word and Sacrament gatherings. The Word of Life Deaf community joins us for evening worship.



The remaining schedule is as follows:
March 7: Does God Hear My Prayer?

(Psalm 66:16-20) Vicar Pal preaches

March 14: Am I A Worthy Disciple?

(Acts 26:12-18) Pastor Craig preaches

March 21: How Can I Follow Jesus to the Cross?

(Mark 8:31-38) Pastor Sarah preaches

Mid-Week Lenten Meals continue in March:

Please join us for a light dinner at 6:15 p.m. in the Café before our 7:00 p.m. service.



Holy Week and Easter

at St. Peter’s

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and Easter Schedules)

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March Worship Schedule

Sunday, March 4: *The Third Sunday in Lent*

New Day Service of Holy Communion at 10:45 a.m.

-- *Pastor Craig preaches*

Traditional Service of Holy Communion at 8:00 a.m., Service of the Word at 10:45 a.m.

-- *Pastor Sarah preaches*

Wednesday, March 7: *Mid-Week Lent 3 – Holy Communion*

7:00 a.m. & 7:00 p.m. Chapel Service of Holy Communion

--*Vicar Pal preaches*

Sunday, March 11: *The Fourth Sunday in Lent*

New Day Service of the Word at 10:45 a.m.

-- *Pastor Sarah preaches*

Traditional Service of the Word at 8:00 a.m., Service of Holy Communion at 10:45 a.m.

-- *Vicar Pal preaches*

Wednesday, March 14: *Mid-Week Lent 4 – Holy Communion*

7:00 a.m. & 7:00 p.m. Chapel Service of Holy Communion

--*Pastor Craig preaches*

Sunday, March 18: *The Fifth Sunday in Lent*

New Day Service of Holy Communion at 10:45 a.m.

-- *Pastor Sarah preaches*

Traditional Service of Holy Communion at 8:00 a.m., Service of the Word at 10:45 a.m.

-- *Pastor Craig preaches*

Wednesday, March 21: *Mid-Week Lent 5 – Holy Communion*

7:00 a.m. & 7:00 p.m. Chapel Service of Holy Communion

--*Pastor Sarah preaches*

Sunday, March 25: *Palm/Passion Sunday*

New Day Service of Holy Communion at 10:45 a.m.

--*Participatory reading of the Passion in place of the sermon*

Traditional Service of Holy Communion at 8:00 & 10:45 a.m.

-- *Participatory reading of the Passion in place of the sermon*

Thursday, March 29: *Maundy Thursday*

Pew Communion Sages Service at 11:00 a.m.

-- *Pastor Craig preaches*

“Holy Take Out Thursday” Service at 6:00 p.m.

-- *Pastor Jeffrey Pretz leads*

-- *Bring your own meal to the FLC*

Traditional Congregational Service at 7:00 p.m.

-- *Sister Dottie preaches*

-- *Corporate Confession, Foot and Hand Washing with Stripping of the Altar*

Friday, March 30: *Good Friday*

Waffles & Worship at 9:00 a.m.

-- *Meet in the FLC for Holy Week activities and worship*

-- *Intended for families of elementary school children*

Children’s Stations of the Cross Service at 12:00 Noon

-- *Service held in the church sanctuary*

Traditional Good Friday Service at 7:00 p.m.

--*Pastor Sarah preaches*

-- *The Passion as told by the Gospel of John will be sung*

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March Worship Schedule

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Saturday, March 31: Easter Vigil

Vigil Services of Light, Readings, Holy Baptism and Communion at 6:00 p.m.

-- *Vicar Pal preaches*

Sunday, April 1: Easter Sunday

Traditional Service of Holy Communion at 7:30 a.m.

-- *Pastor Sarah preaches*

Family Service of Holy Communion at 9:00 a.m.

-- *Pastor Craig preaches*

New Day Service of Holy Communion at 10:45 a.m.

-- *Pastor Sarah preaches*

Traditional Service of Holy Communion at 10:45 a.m.

-- *Pastor Craig preaches*

St. Peter's Puppet Theater: Lenten Videos

Puppets are telling stories from the Bible. And faith sharing (and hilarity) ensues. This is a great way to engage in a Lenten devotional (and have a little fun, too). Find it on our Facebook (<https://www.facebook.com/stpeterslancaster>) and our website at <https://stpeterslutheran.org/puppet-theater>. St. Peter's Puppet Theater is released every Wednesday during Lent.

Bonus! The videos can help you be a good evangelist, as well! (You can be a good evangelist...trust me!) Watch an episode, like it, and share with your friends. Perhaps add a message like, "This is what my church is up to, check it out!" They may be in need of some devotional time with God, and your sharing may be just what their soul needs at that moment. Plus...if you share enough...it might give you the courage to invite them to church come the Fall...you never know what the Spirit may do!



Altar Guild Volunteers Needed for Holy Week



Volunteers are needed to help with Holy Week. Since it is such a special time of year for us, we have several unique services that need extra hands. No experience necessary! We will show you what needs to be done.

Please consider participating in these moving services!

Maundy Thursday-Stripping of the Altar

Easter Vigil-Redressing of the Altar

Please contact Betsy Linn if you are able to help 717-618-9615 or betsylinn1@gmail.com.

Easter Plants Seek a New Home after Easter Sunday



Our altar will be dressed with many beautiful plants on Easter Sunday but they'd like a permanent home. Please consider delivering an Easter plant to one of our homebound members who might not be able to make it to a church service on Easter. Sign up is available on the Parish Life bulletin board outside the church nursery or call Christine Smith at 717-299-0949 if you are able to deliver a smile and a plant to one of our members. Great family opportunity. Fifteen volunteer deliverers are needed, so please consider.

Holy Week and Easter at St. Peter's



SATURDAY (March 24th)

EASTER EGG HUNT in the Family Life Center at 10:00 a.m. Come and join us for all of the fun activities including a puppet show, pictures with the Easter Bunny, and of course, the Egg Hunt! No sign up is needed, just come and enjoy the fun! The schedule is below. We will also be offering free professional photos with the Easter Bunny in the Library again this year!



Time (approximate)	<u>Group A: Kindergarten and younger</u>	<u>Group B: 1st Grade and older</u>
10:00	Easter Bunny photos in the Library and activities in the FLC (crafts, games, etc)	Easter Egg Hunt (Fields outside, weather permitting).
10:20	Puppet Show in the FLC	Puppet Show in FLC
10:30	Easter Egg Hunt (Fields outside, weather permitting).	Easter Bunny photos in the Library and activities in the FLC (crafts, games, etc)

PALM SUNDAY (March 25th)

Palm Sunday Traditional Worship in the Sanctuary at 8:00 & 10:45 a.m. As we celebrate Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem, we also look ahead into the week, anticipating his trial and crucifixion. An interactive reading of the Passion Story in word and song, between leaders and congregation will be featured along with a Palm Procession and Holy Communion



Palm Sunday Breakfast in the Family Life Center from 9:00 - 10:00 a.m. Come for pancakes, eggs, sausage, fruit and drinks. All profits will go to help offset the cost of the ELCA National Youth Gathering in June. No sign up needed. Come for great food and fellowship!

New Day Worship in the Family Life Center at 10:45 a.m. The New Day worship will begin with a palm procession and special music. The service will continue with an interactive reading of the Passion Story through word and images. Holy Communion will be offered.

Holy Week Movie, "The Shack" - Sunday March 25th at 2:00 p.m. in the Café: – Come for a showing and discussion, snacks will be provided. We will discuss the following topics: *What does forgiveness look like? Does God punish the wicked? Where do you get "stuck"?* The discussion will be led by Pastor Ross and Sister Dottie.

THURSDAY (March 29th)

Sages Maundy Thursday Service in the Sanctuary at 11:00 a.m. All of St. Peter's Sages (those 80 or older) are invited to join us on Thursday, March 29th at 11:00 a.m. for a Maundy Thursday service. The service will feature pew communion and special hymns offered by the choir. Family and friends are welcome to attend with you. Following the service, lunch will be served in the Family Life Center. Please R.S.V.P. to the church office at 717-569-9211 or Christine Smith at 717-299-0949 for luncheon reservations or to arrange a ride by Monday, March 26th. Sign up is also available on the Parish Life bulletin board outside the Church Nursery. We look forward to seeing many of our Sages!



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Holy Week and Easter at St. Peter's (continued)

THURSDAY (March 29th)

"Holy Take-Out Thursday" in the Family Life Center at 6:00 p.m. Holy Thursday is in the midst of a busy week, like most weeks. So instead of skipping one of the most important events in the life of Jesus and our remembrance of Jesus' Last Supper, join us for "HOLY TAKE OUT THURSDAY" on March 29th at 6:00 p.m. for a fellowship meal and a brief sharing of the meaning of PASSOVER and the Last Supper. We will be meeting in the Family Life Center. Come from work or school bringing a packed meal from home or your favorite "Take Out" establishment. Bring all that you need to eat this meal-on-the-go. This will be an informal family friendly event with a sharing of the Lord's Supper. We expect to be finished with the meal and worship **within 45 minutes**. Pastor Pretz will have activity for the youngest pre-communion members of our families during the communion distribution. Weekdays are very busy so take this day for a stop at St Peter's with your packed meal at 6:00 p.m. and be on the road again before 7:00 p.m.! One could also stay for the formal congregational observance of Maundy Thursday in the Sanctuary at 7:00 p.m..



Maundy Thursday Worship in the Sanctuary at 7:00 p.m. This is a traditional service remembering Jesus' teaching and his mandate to love and serve one another. This service offers corporate and individual confession and absolution, laying on of hands, holy communion and foot washing. The service will conclude with the stripping of the altar.

FRIDAY (March 30th)

Waffles & Worship in the Family Life Center at 9:00 a.m. Please join us for our annual Good Friday Waffles and Worship event on Friday, March 30th. Learn about the events of Good Friday in this interactive, child-friendly worship service along with breakfast and music. Please RSVP to Samantha at scuascut@stpeterslutheran-lanc.org



Children's Stations of the Cross in the Sanctuary at 12:00 Noon. Don't miss the **Kid-Friendly Stations of the Cross Good Friday Service** on Friday, **March 30th at noon** in the sanctuary. Kids will gain an understanding of the journey of Jesus from death to resurrection on Easter. Kids of all ages are welcome! No RSVP is required.

Good Friday Worship in the Sanctuary at 7:00 p.m. At the heart of this service is the passion reading according to John, which celebrates Christ's victory on the cross, and our honoring of the cross as we sing of forgiveness, healing, and salvation.



SATURDAY (March 31st)

Easter Vigil at 6:00 p.m. On the night before Easter Day, Christians around the world gather to celebrate Christ's passage from death to life. The service includes strong signs: new fire in darkness, light spreading from the light of Christ, the water and Word of baptism, the first resurrection meal and powerful words: the great saving stories of Hebrew scriptures and the first Easter gospel. We keep this wondrous night in the spirit of vigil, our lamps lit, awaiting Christ's coming both now and at the end of time. Alleluia! Christ is risen! And Christ will come again.

EASTER SUNDAY (April 1st)

Easter Sunday Traditional Worship in the Sanctuary at 7:30 & 10:45 a.m. We celebrate the Resurrection of our Lord with Holy Communion, festive hymns and music, and the story of the empty tomb.

Easter Sunday Family Worship in the Sanctuary at 9:00 a.m. We celebrate the Resurrection of our Lord with Holy Communion, festive hymns and music, and the story of the empty tomb, offered in an interactive way involving the congregation and our children.

New Day Worship in the Family Life Center at 10:45 a.m. The New Day Praise Band will help lead the community in festive music as we celebrate the Lord's resurrection. Special music will enhance the morning as well as images and video. The focus will be toward the transformation of death into life and our Lord's presence in our lives now and always.



Adult Christian Education

Weekdays

Wednesday Morning Bible Study — Pastor Ross' Wednesday Morning Bible Study continues its study of the Book of Mark this month, as we journey to Jerusalem with Jesus and his disciples. Please join us as we study the Bible in an engaged setting of discussion and presentation. This month's schedule is as follows:



March 7 – Mark 10:32-52 – Passion Prediction, Talk of Glory, and Bartimaeus

March 14 – Mark 11:1-33 – Palm Sunday and the early lessons of Holy Week

March 21 – Mark 12:1-44 – Parable, Questions, and the growing conflict of leaders

March 28 -- Holy Week Break – NO CLASS

The class meets Wednesdays from 9:30-11:00 a.m. in the Café area. Bring a Bible and a friend. Modest snacks, coffee and tea are provided.

Elevate Bible Study — Thursday, March 1st will be the last weeknight meeting of Elevate at 7:00 p.m. in the Youth Lounge. The meeting will now be twice a month on weekends on an event basis rather than a set time. The first meeting of such sort will be on Sunday, March 11th after church. We will meet at St. Peter's church and carpool to a lunch destination. More details to come. Contact Jim Moshos for more information at jimmymoshos@yahoo.com.



March Pub Theology — Wednesday, March 28th, 6:30 p.m. Come for a Holy Week discussion. Location to be announced.

Sunday Morning Classes – 9:15-10:15 a.m.

St. Peter's offers three distinct classes for our adults during the Sunday School hour

Crosspoints (Conference Room)

The Crosspoints adult Sunday school class will meet each Sunday in February with interactive discussion and dialogue around the topics below, facilitated by those noted.



March 4: World Beliefs—Atheism

March 11: World Beliefs—Islam

March 18: Theology of the Cross

March 25: No class, Palm Sunday Breakfast

Faith and Values (Room 100)

Join us this March for a variety of conversation, videos, and guests who share experiences about the ways we follow Jesus and our wonderful, miraculous journey.



March 4: Current Issues with Youth

March 11: Current Issues with Youth

March 18: The Sage

March 25: No class, Palm Sunday Breakfast

Faith and Values meets on Sundays, 9:15-10:15 a.m., Room 100

Sunday Morning Bible Study with Pastor Jeff Pretz (Library)

Sunday Morning Bible Study with Pastor Jeff Pretz will meet in the Library. Each Sunday this class will explore in depth the Gospel reading for that day. No class on March 25th - Palm Sunday Breakfast.

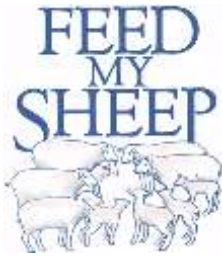
Social Ministry



Lydia's Closet clothing bank at St. Peter's

Our clothing bank for children and youth will be open Saturday March 3rd from 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. in the Youth Lounge. Contact Molly Olmsted if you are interested in helping (astaloo@me.com)

March Community Meal - Wednesday, March 7th at Grace Lutheran Church from 4:30 – 7:00 p.m. Please contact Jan Gigl at ronjangigl@comcast.net for more information.



The Sheep are Hungry! Please Help Feed Them

Needed in March: *Peanut butter; jellies and jams; canned fruits; canned pasta; canned tomato products; spaghetti sauce; boxed macaroni and cheese; instant stuffing & potatoes; canned yams; complete pancake mix & syrup; canned tuna and chicken; tuna, beef & chicken helper; cereal; instant oatmeal.* Food Carts are in the Narthex. Items go to the Lancaster County Council of Churches Food Bank. *Thanks for your donations!*

Membership News

2018 New Member Classes and New Member Sunday

We will be having classes for visitors who are considering becoming members of St. Peter's Lutheran Church. Classes will gather at **9:15 a.m. on March 4 and 11**. The first session will focus on meeting the pastors and fellow new members. The second session will focus on ministries of the church. New members will be formally welcomed during the worship on **March 18**, during all three services. Our first class meets in Room 102 near the youth lounge. We hope to see you there!



If you are interested, please contact Pastor Sarah Teichmann (steichmann@StPeterslutheran-lanc.org) or Pastor Craig Ross (craig@StPeterslutheran-lanc.org) or call the church at (717) 569-9211.

Name Tag Sunday



Remember that Sunday, March 4th will be Name Tag Sunday. Bring an unusual nametag that you have collected over the years, or make one. ***This is your one chance to decorate a special Lenten nametag for you and your family and bring it to church.*** Just make sure your name is on it, so that you and others can greet those people about whom you know much (where they sit in church, how many kids they have, how they sing hymns, etc.), but for whom you may not yet know their names.

Grocery Card Ministry



\$6,500! That's the amount the grocery card ministry was able to contribute to the St. Peter's debt reduction for 2017! All thanks to our faithful shoppers who purchased cards last year. Every Sunday we offer gift cards from local grocery stores for you to purchase at face value and spend as you wish. The church receives 5% from each card sold. Please consider participating in this ongoing ministry as an easy way to help reduce the church debt. Many thanks to the dedicated "Card Shark" team who volunteer their time each week: Linda Siems, Stephanie Palic, Donna Aho, Randy Shue, and Ginny Gerhart. Please see any one of us at the grocery card table if you have questions about this great ministry. You may also purchase grocery cards through the week from the church office. *Pat Badorf*

The Tanzania Mission Committee

SUB COUPON SALE: SUNDAY, MARCH 4, 11, 18 AND 25

- At traditional services (in the Narthex)
- At New Day services (in the Café)
- At Word of Life Deaf services (in the Chapel)

Please purchase your S. Clyde Weaver sub coupons @ \$6.00 on the above dates. Each purchase helps to support our companion congregation Busoka Lutheran Church and the Busoka orphans in Tanzania.



The 8” subs are made to your liking and can be upgraded to a 12” sub for \$2.00 more when presenting your coupons. They can be used throughout the year up until mid-November for a quick, easy and delicious lunch or supper. There are four Weaver Store locations – Main Street, East Petersburg; Lititz Pike, Lancaster (Lancaster Shopping Center); Farmers Market in Lebanon; and Central Market in downtown Lancaster (open Tuesdays, Fridays, and Saturdays until 2:00 p.m.). All stores are closed on Sundays.

It is so convenient to have these coupons already paid for and ready to use. Why not buy extras, not only for you and your family but also to insert in birthday, thank you, and thinking of you cards? You’ll know you are reaching out to those close at home and across the world as well. The people of Busoka and the TMC members say “Asante sana” and “Thank you”!

Health and Wellness Committee

MARCH – Colon cancer awareness month



Colorectal cancer is the fourth most common cancer in the United States and the second leading cause of death from cancer. Colorectal cancer affects people in all racial and ethnic groups and is most often found in people age 50 and older.

The good news? If everyone age 50 and older were screened regularly, 6 out of 10 deaths from colorectal cancer could be prevented.

Please – take the time to:

- ◇ Encourage families to get active together – exercise may help reduce the risk of colorectal cancer.
- ◇ Talk to family, friends, and people in your community about the importance of getting screened for colorectal cancer starting at age 50.
- ◇ Be proactive and get tested yourself. It’s the prep that’s no fun, but getting a good report (and not needing another procedure for 10 years), is always the best news.

Communications Committee: The Website Is Your Friend!

March is a rather busy month at St. Peter’s Lutheran Church, and you don’t want to miss out on a program, a worship service, a devotional, or any other faith formational event. Why not make it easy on yourself and go to our website www.stpeterslutheran.org to find out the latest schedules and calendar events. Check out blog posts to help you plan or to engage your faithful preparations this season. Be sure to check out our Facebook page as well (<https://www.facebook.com/stpeterslancaster>) for posts about upcoming events or to catch the beauty and joy of a past event. If you have questions about events and schedules that you can’t find on the website, don’t hesitate to call the church office at 717-569-9211. The office staff will love to hear from you.

Facebook has announced major policy changes, and posts from pages like ours might be suppressed from your news-feed. Help us get St. Peter's message to you! You may need to check in directly with the church page or edit your news-feed preferences to make St Peter's a "see first" choice. You can also go to our website and find other ways to subscribe to our content. Thanks for following our page and being part of the St Peter's community!

Prayer Chain Ministry

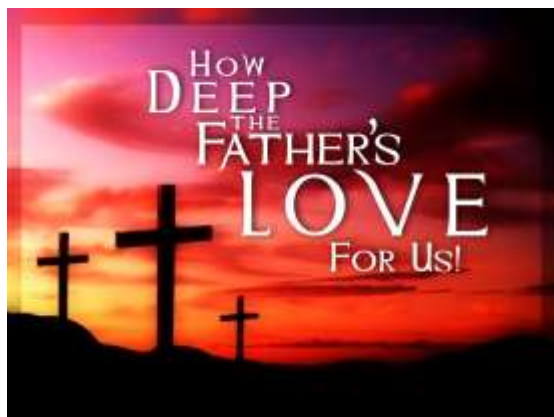
From Your Prayer Chain.....

DID YOU KNOW.....the Prayer Chain was started as a Vicar project?? Pastor Jerry Kulp began the chain, with the help of (the late) Joan Ralston and Pat Ross as co-chairs. Thelma Aurand, Dee Vulgaris and (the late) Nalda Olson were some of the first members that helped Vicar Jerry get things 'up and running!' Now there are over 30 members!! If you have any interest in joining this ministry, please contact either Ginny Gerhart (717) 626-7406 or Angela Moshos (717) 392-6201 'Be still and know that I am God' Psalms 46:10



Poem Prayer for March 2018

*By: Janice Riegel,
St. Peter's Prayer Chain*



God's Love For You

When life seems overwhelming
And you don't know what to do
You should turn your thoughts to God above
And He will see you through.

He'll smile when you are happy
Then will wipe away your tears
He'll wrap His arms around you
And will take away your fears.

So be sure to walk that winding road
With God forever, by your side,
He'll turn your tears to happiness
And will always be your guide.

Don't Miss Our Pysanky Display!

Pysanky are Ukrainian Easter eggs decorated with traditional Ukrainian folk designs using a wax-resist method. Many eastern European ethnic groups decorate eggs at Easter using the wax-resist method. In modern times, the art of the *pysanka* (decorated egg) was carried abroad by Ukrainian emigrants to North America, where the custom took hold, and was actually banned in Ukraine by the Soviet regime (as a religious practice), where it was nearly forgotten. In a large family, by Holy Thursday, 60 or more eggs would have been completed by the women of the house. The eggs would be taken to the church on Easter Sunday to be blessed, after which many were given away. The writing tool, called a *kistka*, is dipped in melted beeswax and applied to the egg. The egg is then dipped in dye. This process is repeated many times adding more designs and dipping the egg in a different color of dye each time. The wax is then removed by holding the egg over a candle flame revealing the intricate designs. The finished egg is varnished and the inside of the egg is removed by piercing small holes in the top and bottom. If handled carefully, the eggs can last indefinitely! St. Peter's was first introduced to this art form by Pastor Craig and Nancy Ross in the 1990's. Nancy continued to teach classes each Lent for several years. Some of the eggs, currently displayed in our Narthex curio cabinet, were created by Beryl Swisher, Jean Haus, Marilyn Collins, Carol Esbenshade, Pastor Craig & Nancy Ross, Beth May and Erin (May) McMonigle.



Worship and Music at St. Peter's

Thank you!

Thank you to everyone who was involved in this year's musical, "It's Cool in the Furnace." Between cast, crew, band, and other volunteers it was wonderful to see so many come together to make music and tell one of our important stories. All the conversations and questions that sparked as a result of working on this with the children were personally heart-warming for me. It's a joy to see our young people engaging with their faith and sharing it with others. Thank you for your hard work!

Special Music Opportunities

Opportunities for special music include April 22, 8:00 a.m.; April 29, 8:00 a.m.; May 13, 8:00 a.m.; and May 20, 8:00 a.m.. Other services are available, but these listed here have an acute need. Contact Adam to determine details. Accompaniment and/or pieces to play can be provided!

Calling All Instrumentalists

Would you like to help with St. Peter's Easter Sunday worship? St. Peter's is looking for instrumentalists to help lead hymns on Easter Sunday, April 1st at the 10:45 a.m. traditional service. Rehearsal will be in the Sanctuary after the late service on Sunday, March 25th. If you are unable to make it to rehearsal, but would still like to participate, please contact Adam at ahughes@stpeterslutheran-lanc.org for music and plans.

Sages Choir

The Sages choir will rehearse from 11:00a-12:00p on Thursday March 22nd and Tuesday, March 27th to prepare to lead the Sages Maundy Thursday Service on Thursday, March 29th at 11:00 a.m. All are welcome!

Musical Arts Concert – Saturday, March 3, 7:00 p.m. – Jonathan Rundman

The next Musical Arts concert will be Saturday, March 3rd at 7:00 p.m. Jonathan Rundman, a contemporary Christian folk/rock artist, shares his gifts in our lovely sanctuary. Come for an evening of beautiful music. Ten percent of the free-will offering will go to Lutheran Disaster Relief in response to the weather disasters last summer. Come back on Sunday, March 4th for worship at New Day led by Jonathan and our very own, Erik Teichmann.

New Day

Praise Service News



**Heartland
Sunday
at New Day**

Join us and our special guest Jonathan Rundman for this special worship service with original music written by Jonathan and sung with a Heartland flavor.

SUNDAY MARCH 4

A circular inset photo shows Jonathan Rundman, a man with short hair, smiling and playing an acoustic guitar. He is wearing a dark blue button-down shirt.

Groups and Events



ST. PETER'S BOOK CLUB

St. Peter's Book Club will meet on Tuesday, March 20, 2018, at 1:30 p.m. in the Cry Room. Everyone is welcome to attend! Please contact Mary Ann Frontz at mafrontz@verizon.net if you have any questions.

WELCA — Come to WELCA and enjoy a taste of Lutheran World Relief's new Farmer's Market Coffee on Thursday, March 8th at 9:00 a.m. in Room 124. After a light breakfast, Beth McKinley, LWR's Regional Representative and Donor Advisor for Central/Southeastern PA, will be discussing LWR's new Coffee and Cocoa Initiative taking place in Nicaragua. All women are welcome. Our Personal Care Kit item for March is metal nail clippers, preferably with attached file. Any questions, contact Sally Rager, 717-569-6119 or Kathy Caldwell, 717-569-9959.

50 PLUS — Please join us for good food and fellowship on Thursday, March 1st at 11:45 a.m. in the Café. Vicar Pal will be making an authentic Hungarian meal that includes gulyas (goulash) which is a beef stew, cucumber salad and dessert. Please sign-up on the bulletin board if you are planning to attend by Sunday February 23. Also indicate whether you would like a diabetic option for dessert. The vicar will be sharing some highlights of Hungarian Nationalism. Please bring your own place setting and beverage. If you have any questions, please contact Debra Shue at 569-7740.

JUST FOR FUN — We will meet at Arthur's in the Eden Resort on Wednesday, March 7th at 11:30 a.m. Attendees will have a choice of: 1: Soup, salad and dessert 2: Full Buffet or 3: Order from the menu. Individual checks will be given and Eden Platinum Cards will be honored. Sign up on the bulletin board outside the Nursery by noon on Monday, March 5th. Please contact Dennis or Louise Sitler with any questions. drsitler@gmail.com, or call 717-568-2848. Hope to see you in March when spring will be just 12 days away.

Just for Fun Group 2018 Calendar of Events

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Hosts</u>
March 7	Lunch at Arthur's	The Sitlers
April 14	Dinner at Lombardo's	The Shues
May 2	Serve dinner at Grace Lutheran Church	The Swansons
	Dinner at Fiorentino's (Do one or both)	
June 9	Picnic at the Hollingers	The Hollingers
July 21	Bingo and Dessert	The Kenyons
August	Nissley Vineyards	The Hesses & Stoners
September 15	Bunko & Dinner	The Burkes
October	Dutch Apple Dinner Theater	The Nightingales
November 10	Potluck & Planning	The Tolberts
December 15 (5-7 p.m.)	Christmas Fellowship	Julie Tritch & Glen Hauck



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PLEASE CONSIDER signing up to receive the online version of the "Herald" Newsletter and help us save on our mailing costs. Contact Sandy Shattuck in the Church Office to sign up and start receiving the "Herald" by email. Please note: You may also pick up a copy at the Welcome Desk or Literature Racks.



SPIRITUAL GIFTS

“Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit”

Evangelism, Worship, and Long-Range Planning Committees Need Your Gifts!

St. Peter's currently has two committees that are without someone to lead them. The **Evangelism and Worship Committees** need someone who is willing to step into a chair position. If you have the gift of Evangelism, Ministry, Administration, and/or Leadership, here is a way to use your gifts! Get involved in planning and discussing worship at St. Peter's.

Do you like to make plans for the future? The **Long-Range Planning Committee** is also looking for members for their committee. This is ideal for people who have the gifts of Discernment, Wisdom, and/or Administration. Help to look at and plan for St. Peter's future years.

Hospitality people – We are still looking for **Coffee Bar** volunteers. See or contact Liz Wolf at lcwolf01@hotmail.com.

I urge you to get involved! Serving on a committee provides the opportunity to serve God and the church, and to get to know and work with the people of St. Peter's. Gifts are meant to be used. Use yours!

Blessings,

Mary Ann Frontz, Spiritual Gifts Coordinator

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The Library Display will be in the Narthex on Sunday, March 18. Thank you for your interest and participation in this endeavor to make it easier to borrow books! Book Return baskets are in the Library and in the Church office. Books may be borrowed for one month.

On display in the library are various books on Family Life. Please take a moment to go in and browse!

If you are donating books, PLEASE leave your name with the books or contact Mary Ann Frontz. We are getting books that are dropped off without the name of the donor. It is important that we know who to contact so that we can ask questions about the book if needed. We cannot read every book that is donated to determine its content! We appreciate donations, but the library shelves are getting full, so we must use discernment when accepting donations. Thank you for your cooperation.

Attention Married Couples:

Have you signed up for your spring Lutheran Marriage Encounter Weekend? Plants and grass need tending to grow healthy and strong, and so does your marriage!

Following are the scheduled Northeast US spring Weekends:

* March 16-18, 2018 at Heritage Hotel Lancaster in Lancaster, PA. A newly-renovated hotel, home of the unique tree-house-inspired restaurant, "Loxley's."

* April 6-8, 2018 at Toftrees Golf Resort in State College PA. A peaceful resort surrounded by a golf course and nestled in the woods in the center of PA.

Registrations are also being accepted for the fall Weekends: September 14-16, 2018 at Spruce Lake Retreat in Canadensis, PA; October 19-21, 2018 at Olmsted Retreat Center in Ludlow, PA; and November 9-11, 2018 at Hampton Inn Berkshires in Lenox, Massachusetts.

Two nights lodging, 5 meals for each of you, and all supplies are included with your \$100 per couple registration fee, plus toward the end of the weekend you will be given an opportunity to make a confidential contribution of whatever amount you wish to help cover expenses and ensure the continuation of the program.

To be sure to get the Weekend of your choice, sign up TODAY. Simply go to: www.GodLovesMarriage.org, choose the Weekend desired, and pay the \$100 registration fee with your credit card, or mark the option to mail a check. For questions, please contact Northeast US Contacts for Lutheran Marriage Encounter, Fred & Julie Schamber, at 724-325-3166 or fjschamber@comcast.net.



Pastor's Letter

“These special holidays give rise to various liturgical calendars that suggest we should mark our days not only with the cycles of the moon and seasons, but also with occasions to tell our children the stories of our faith community's past so that this past will have a future, and so that our ancient way and its practices will be rediscovered and renewed every year.” — Brian D. McLaren

Dear Friends:

Brian McLaren is a rock star in the Christian church. Born into the Episcopal Church, his Christian vision soon grew beyond denominational boundaries and one of his labels is “an emerging church leader.” He yearns for the heart of Jesus, and

not so much the traditions related to our denominational stripes. With book titles like Naked Spirituality and Everything Must Change, he gets your attention. The quote above is from a book about recovering ancient practices in the Church in new ways. It is an ancient text for McLaren's light-speed writing practice (already ten years in print), but clearly still feels relevant for churches that try to walk that line between preserving our beloved traditions while also striving to connect with a new world that in increasing-ly unfamiliar with our Christian heritage.



The season of Lent offers us fertile ground for this kind of reflection. The word itself ... “Lent” ... can mean several things in the church. Literally, when the church began to observe this 40-day season of preparation, the Latin term “quadragesima” was used, which meant “the fortieth day” before Easter. In the Middle Ages, when church talk about this “forty day season” began to occur in the common vernacular of the people, the English word “Lent” was used,

having come from the Greek word “lenz” and the Dutch word “lente” which meant “spring.”

Now when people hear you refer to the Lenten season, they ask you if you are giving up chocolate. The devolution of our culture's understanding of this core theological season in the Church year may be discouraging to some of us. But I would suggest that it also offers us a great opportunity – one in which he have the privilege of embodying this old spiritual practice which is suggestive of opportunities that we name as “pilgrimage” ... or “exile” ... or “journey.”



McClaren suggests story-telling as one of our core practices that embody both remembrance and rediscovery. So might you consider recapturing that practice in a spiritual way this Lenten season, by sharing stories with those you love about Lenten practices that have been meaningful to you and the reasons they resonated with your core convictions of faith? Dare you try crafting new stories in your life and family that offer new meaning which connects these ancient practices with the new wildernesses through which we walk in the 21st century? Would you step up to the challenge of reflecting on how some of our most ancient rites might speak to national and global issues like school shootings ... the opioid crisis ... terrorism in our lands? Would you have the courage to think more locally and wrestle with our estrangement with each other over political perspectives, or ideas about social justice issues, or differences of opinion about worship practices? Would you find it valuable to initiate these kinds of conversations with your children and family members?

We often describe Lent as a season of reflection and discernment. That calling is not solely a personal and spiritual calling. It is also one which invites us to engage the various communities in which we live with ideas that we find invigorating and connective and life-giving. Heaven knows our world needs some more of that, these days. I would love to know your thoughts, if you ever have the desire to pass them along. Until then, I'll ...

See you in Church ...

Pastor Craig

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TWITTER — Welcome to the active (!) Twitter community for Saint Peter's Lutheran Church. Please follow us @stpeterslanc and use #stpeterslanc to chat about the sermon or events.



Pastor Sarah's Message

Dear friends in Christ,

My head has been focused on the season for Lent for some time. In fact, I think I started to plan for Lent on January 2! Move over Christmas, Lent's here! And as Lent began on February 14th (shared by another, slightly, more cutesy holiday) and Easter falls on April 1st (another "holiday" pops up on this day, but that's a conversation for later). In the meantime we are in the midst of Lent.

Did you try to take on any Lenten disciplines this season, perhaps some type of charitable work, Bible study, or other habit to draw you closer to God? If you haven't yet, no worries... you still have a month to try something new.

As I was pondering Lent, I found myself returning to Holy Week. Specifically, I was thinking about the Saturday of Holy Week. Typically at St. Peter's we gather for Easter Vigil, and the Vicar's message may mention more about the worship itself.

When thinking about Holy Saturday, I found myself going to the scripture—especially the Gospel of Mark. Do you know what Mark writes about Holy Saturday?

Absolutely nothing. Nada. Zip. Mums the word.

We read a long depiction of Jesus' crucifixion and then Mark picks up on Easter morning at the empty tomb, but there's only silence when it comes to Holy Saturday.

However, Jesus was very busy on Saturday.

In our Apostles' Creed, we profess that on Friday he "suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried" and on Saturday he "descended to the dead" and on Sunday "the third day he rose again from the dead."

That Saturday is often known as the "harrowing of hell" or in modern English "the robbing of hell." With this comes the idea that when Christ died, he freed souls from the places that no one else could go, and brought these lost souls to himself and everlasting light.

I find myself thinking about Holy Saturday because if this is the day that Christ can go to the darkest of dark places with the mission to draw the lost to himself, then perhaps this Holy Saturday (and the entire season of Lent) may be a time where Christ can enter into the darkest of my dark places, too.

Perhaps this Lenten season, you can join me in being open about some of those dark places in your life that can feel like "hell" and live in the confidence that there's no place too dark, too deep, or too dead for the light of Christ to shine and transform.

Peace to you my friends,

Pastor Sarah

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Thank you Note:

"I would like to thank Pastor Ross and Pastor Sarah and our Vicar for their visits while I was hospitalized. Thank you to the members of St. Peter's family for the cards and payers. This was a tricky surgery and there were a lot of unknowns to think about going into the process. Everything proceeded well."

Tom Kenyon



Letter From the Vicar

Erős vár a mi Istenünk! [A Mighty Fortress is our God!]

As we continue in the Lenten season, let us all continue to reflect on our relationship with God as well as reflect on the sacrifice and resurrection of God’s only Son, Jesus Christ. This is a wonderful time for self-examination and to strive for improvement so that we can do better in following in Christ’s ways. I am looking forward to Holy Week when we commemorate the events that are so important to all of us—the crucifixion, death, burial, and resurrection of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. I am still in awe of how much God loves us through what God did on our behalf through Christ as noted in John 3:16-17: *For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life. Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.* During Holy Week, I am especially looking forward to the Easter Vigil and hope that many of you will come to St. Peter’s for the Easter Vigil service on Saturday evening. It will be during vigil that we will illuminate our membership in the communion of saints, celebrate baptism, and partake in Holy Communion. We will also bring back “Alleluja” which the children of St. Peter’s buried on Transfiguration Sunday last month.



A BIG THANK YOU to all who donated cans of soup toward Souper Bowl 2018. The final tally came to 601 cans of soup—that’s 527 lb.! St. Peter’s exceeded last year’s drive by 51 cans! As promised, Pastor Craig and I donned Eagles T-shirts on February 25th to commemorate the drive’s success. And another BIG THANK YOU to Tom+Chee’s on Fruitville Pike for their monetary gift through their sales of soup on Super Bowl Sunday. Both the soup and Tom+Chee’s gift benefit the Lancaster County Council of Churches Food Hub.



Last, it’s hard to believe that I only have a little more than three months to go here at St. Peter’s. I hope that those of you who have partaken in the series of Crosspoints classes—*Co-Existing with World Beliefs*—which began on February 18th, are finding the classes to be enlightening and enriching. *Co-Existing with World Beliefs* is my intern project. The focus of the series is not only to learn about four of the world’s major religions (Judaism, Islam, Buddhism, Hinduism) as well as atheism, but also to do a compare/contrast analysis with Christianity. The goal of the classes is to facilitate discussion on ways we, as Christians, can co-exist in peace with members of these groups despite all the differences.



Christianity



Hinduism



Buddhism



Islam



Judaism



Atheism

Blessings to you all!

Vicar Pal



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From the Director of Music

Lent and the Center

Lent is in full swing and we're rapidly approaching the center of the church year, Holy Week. Late in Lent this lectionary year we hear many readings from the gospel of John. Often cited as being the more difficult and 'heady' gospel, John emphasizes the depths of Jesus' authority and personhood where the synoptic gospels (Mark, Matthew, Luke) tend to focus a bit more on Jesus' ministry.

This month has Jesus driving the merchants out of the temple, comparing himself to the bronze serpent lifted high on a staff, and promising similarity between sown seeds and his eventual death. Communally, we sing of these important images, using the words from the hymns "Canticle of the Turning," "My Faith Looks Up to Thee," and "Now the Green Blade Rises." We finish the month with Palm/Passion Sunday, kicking off our yearly Holy Week observance proclaiming Jesus as Lord of all and asking him to come save us, then retelling his Passion according to Mark.

Holy Week is the center of our church year and gives us an opportunity to reflect on the central tenets of our faith: Maundy Thursday focuses on the new commandment we receive from Jesus to love one another as he has loved us. On this night we sing songs to remind each other that neighbors in need of loving care are all around us. At the close of the service, our attention turns toward Good Friday as a lone voice chants a psalm of lament while the altar is stripped.

Good Friday recounts the Passion story of Jesus, sung by a trio of voices, set in the context of Jesus' triumph over death on the cross. At the end of the service, Jesus on the cross is likened to a flourishing tree, despite being choked by our human self-hood, words of hope for this *Good Friday*.

Easter Vigil is THE NIGHT! This is when everything happens: Jesus Christ breaks forth from the tomb and is risen, we hear the greatest hits of the Old Testament, alleluias are restored, water flows for baptism, bread and wine are shared in communion, and we are shown how we fit into the story of Jesus' death and resurrection.

Throughout it all, we lift our voices and spirits in song. We tell the story, pray for help, proclaim God's goodness, and praise God for once again bursting forth from the tomb to show us that death does not have the final word.

Adam Lefever Hughes

Our Next Art Gallery Display

Alan and Beverly Swanson, along with their sons Geoffrey and Justin, lived in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia from 1996 - 1998. Alan was named Director of Operations at AMP Connectors Malaysia Sdn. Bhd. located in Kuala Lumpur which created the family relocation opportunity.

Malaysia is a tri-cultural country that consisted of 55% Muslim, 35% Chinese and 10% Indian when we lived there. The three cultures provided numerous opportunities for us to learn about and become immersed in customs from all three. Malaysia is also a former British colony, so along with the tri-cultural experience we were also exposed to many English customs like Afternoon Tea and driving on "the other side of the road" and the sports of rugby, "football/soccer" and The English Premier League and cricket.

Kuala Lumpur is the capital of Malaysia and is in a Federal District carved out of the State of Selangor, one of 13 Malaysian States. 11 of the States are located on the Southeast Asian peninsula between Thailand and Singapore and 2 States are on the northern shore of the island of Borneo.

Kuala Lumpur was the host city for the 1998 Commonwealth Games and there were Expats from all over the world working in the country helping build the infrastructure for both the Games and the Country. A new international airport, overhead light rail transport lines, major highways, high rise buildings and shopping complexes along with 13 new sports venues and an athlete village were all part of the huge development going on in and around KL. The world-famous KL Petronas twin towers featured in the movie *Entrapment* were part of that massive infrastructure build.

We will display numerous Malaysian items purchased while living there and photographs of some of the events we participated in and places we traveled to in the country.

Alan and Beverly are very active at St. Peter's. Alan is a past council member and council president. The collection will be on display in our art gallery by March 1st.

ST. PETER'S KIDS!



CANDY, CANDY, CANDY! The Children's Ministries' committee is asking for donations of candy and small prizes for our Easter Egg Hunt. The candy must be individually wrapped and be able to fit in a small plastic Easter egg. Small novelty toys are also welcome! Please place all donations in Samantha's office in room 127. PLEASE NOTE: In order to provide time to fill the eggs, please bring in items by **March 18th.**



Reminder: There will be **no Sunday School** on **March 25 or April 1.** We will resume our normal schedule on April 8.

This Easter fill your child's Easter basket with some Christ centered items. Instead of a chocolate bunny, choose a chocolate cross instead. A soft furry lamb can replace a stuffed bunny! Remember to discuss the significance of each item with your child. Check online for many wonderful ideas or stop in at your local Christian bookstore. It is one simple way to keep Easter centered on Jesus!



Sunday School Format Reminder:



Our Junior Explorer (preschool and kindergarten) **Sunday school classes** follow a traditional format. You may take your child to his/her classroom at 9:15 a.m., and then at 10:15 a.m., pick up your child in the same classroom.

Age 2/3 - Nursery

Age 4 & Kindergarten - Room #114 (Frog Room)

Bible Explorers (Rotation Sunday school) is for children in grades 1 through grade 4. All Bible Explorers meet in the Family Life Center (FLC) at 9:15a.m. every Sunday for an opening. From there, guides (adult volunteers) will lead them to their rotation activity. Because your child will be doing a different activity each week, their pick up room changes each Sunday. Check the Children's Ministries' bulletin board to see where you should pick up your child each week.

If you have any questions, contact Samantha Cuascut, Director of Children's Ministries at suascut@stpeterslutheran-lanc.org or 717-586-0330.



St. Peter's Preschool

Thanks to all our preschool and church families who supported our annual Scholastic Book Fair! Our sincere appreciation to the Book Fair team, Dawn Katch, Wendi Kerper and Tammy Smith who worked so many hours towards the success of our sale. Thanks also to the many volunteers who helped make this one of our best events.

We are enrolling now for the 2018/19 school year and many classes are already completely filled. We have about 100 children registered already so our upcoming year is looking good! Don't miss out on a great opportunity. Call the church office and schedule a tour during school hours for your family. You will gain such valuable understanding of the value of quality preschool education in a Christian setting. Our students and staff enjoy welcoming visitors.

Lorraine DiBernardo,
Preschool Director

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Youth & Family Ministry News...

Calendar



March 4: Family Game Night! Parents are invited to come and compete against their youth in games such as reverse charades, electric fence and more! Visit <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0d44a5af2ea5fe3-march3> to bring a covered dish. Time is 6:00 – 8:00 pm in the FLC.- For youth and parents in grades 5-12)



March 24th: Easter Egg Hunt youth helpers needed! Sign up on the Sign up genius if you can help hide eggs, lead the hunt or lead a craft! Visit <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0d44a5af2ea5fe3-easter> to sign up.



*Sister Dottie Almoney
Parish Deaconess*

Summer Camping Corner



Is your child or youth interested in attending church camp this summer? St. Peter's offers a \$75 scholarship per child to Nawakwa or Kirchenwald to help offset the cost.

Sister Dottie will be the chaplain in residence the week of July 8 thru 14th at Camp Kirchenwald. There are a variety of camp options that week – Day camp for grades 1-2, Guppies Water Week for grades 3-6, an Arts & Crafts camp, outdoor survival and a 10 day camp for grades 6-9, Super Adventure and Adirondacks camp for high school youth.

Our *Lancaster Conference Confirmation Camp* will take place the week of June 24th thru June 30th at Camp Kirchenwald for those entering grades 6-9.

Visit the camp bulletin board for more information



Summer camp booklets are out and registration has begun! All ages are eligible for summer camp at Kirchenwald and Nawakwa with numerous programs for grades K-12. From swimming to crafting to ziplining to singing, camp has tons of fun activities. Both camps are open March 18 and April 8 to see the facilities, learn about camp activities, and meet the staff members. An early registration discount applies if campers sign up and pay before April 7th. Pick up your camp booklet at the camp bulletin board outside the

Nursery. Ask Joy and Lyle Hosler any questions you have about camp or just let them know if you're signing up. (joy@hoslerfamily.net; 717-560-4753) Make camp part of your summer plans!

Upcoming Events

March 3 Lenten Day Apart (Wittel Farm)

March 16-18 Women's Quilting Weekend (Kirchenwald)

March 18 Summer Camp Open House (Kirchenwald & Nawakwa)

RIGHT OF REFUSAL WAIVER FOR PHOTOS — To insure the safety of our parishioners, St. Peter's has adopted a policy for the use of photos from various services, events and educational programs here at church. If you wish that your image or the image of your child(ren) NOT BE USED in any media that St. Peter's publishes, please pick up a "Right of Refusal Waiver" (a bright green form) from the literature racks in the narthex or at the Welcome Desk. For the form to be valid, a photo must be included with the form. Forms will be valid for the calendar year (until December 31). Each year a new form and updated photo will need to be filled. Please hand in the completed form with picture to the church office. Please contact Samantha Cuascut, Director of Children's Ministries if you have any questions.

Traditional Worship Assistant Schedule for March

	ACOLYTE/ CROSSBEARER *both Acolyte & Crossbearer	LECTORS	COMMUNION ASSISTANT	USHERS	BREAD & WINE PRESENTERS
March 4 8:00 am	Ling Ling Courtois*	Anna Mae Kenyon	Diane Gegg Nancy Pokopec	Joe & Cindy Geesey, Tom Chever, Dennis Maurer, Reed & Gloria Rodman	Mike & Carla Winters
10:45 am	Rory McConnell*	Chris Bush		Thompson, Betsy, Rory & Niamh McConnell Alan & Beverly Swanson	
March 11 8:00 am	Blake Hoffmaster	Susan Ketchum		Eric May, John Kerchner, Bret & Pam Hoffmaster, Bob & Phyllis Hollinger	
10:45 am	Nico Billoni*	Greg Strausser	Carol Esbenshade Jeffrey Pretz	Ivan & Helen Gerhart, Jocelyn Kline, Scott Glassford, Greg & Sylvia Lashley	John & Laurel Salzman
March 18 8:00 am	Connor Lehman	Bill Kopetz	Bret Hoffmaster James Lehman	Tom Kenyon, Harry & Nancy Ward, Mark, Melanie & Mitchell Burkholder	Patti & Maurielle Courtois
10:45 am	Emily Beauregard*	Jim Gotwald		Don & Kyle Templeton, Glen Hauck, Julie Tritch, Bud Benton, Stephanie Palic	
March 25 Palm Sunday 8:00 a.m.	Cole Troop*	Reed Rodman	Randy & Debbie Shue	Cindy Miley, Don Wenrich, Mark & Angela Moshos, Randy & Debbie Shue	Jennifer & Sara Lehman
10:45 a.m.	Ethan Groff*	Kathy Groff	Mary Ann Frontz Rick Groff	Richard & Anne Wolf, Dave, Lis, David & Jessica Wolf	Geoff & Kathy Groff
March 29 Maundy Thursday 7:00 pm	TBA	David Emmert	Paul Berkebile Margaret Strausser	TBA	TBA
March 30 Good Friday 7:00 pm	Crossbearer - Stephen Strausser	Carol Esbenshade		TBA	
March 31 Easter Vigil 6:00 pm	TBA	Karen Feldt	Nancy Pokopec Jeffrey Pretz	TBA	TBA

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Traditional Worship Assistant Schedule for March (continued)

	GREETERS	WELCOME CENTER	AV/LIGHTING	NURSERY	ALTAR GUILD COORD.	ALTAR GUILD
March 4 8:00 am	Michael & Carla Winters	Bob & Edee Bedford	Tom Chever	Carolyn Ruch Alyssa Kerper	Lori Weaver	Christine Ponti Jill Kerchner
10:45 am	Dave & Lis Wolf	Nancy Shimer Clarence Simon	Rick Groff	Deb Leed Alyssa Kerper		
March 11 8:00 am	George & Susan Swan	Pam Hoffmaster Dee Vulgaris	Angela Moshos	Julie Young Alyssa Kerper		
10:45 am	Scott & Sharon Breeden	Art & Libby Stoner	Bill Schlener	Karen Beck Alyssa Kerper	Lori Weaver	June Hemsteger Laurie Salzmann
March 18 8:00 am	Evelyn Mellinger Susie Roderick	Ron & Joan Beck	Paul Berkebile	Mary Ann Oberholtzer, Kyra Rishell, Alyssa Kerper	Lori Weaver	Margy Stigelman Cindy Blaney
10:45 am	Jim & Julie Gotwald	Brian & Barbara Tolbert	Randy Ketchum	Edwin & Tricia Cortes, Alyssa Kerper		
March 25 8:00 a.m.	Tom & Pat Badorf	Larry & Sylvia Miller	Mark Burkholder	Bob & Phyllis Hollinger, Alyssa Kerper	Lori Weaver	Nancy Miller Shirley Dombach
10:45 a.m.	Russell & Lois Vollmer	Charles & Sylvia Traeger	Joe Almoney	Jen Podgurski Alyssa Kerper	Lori Weaver	Lis Wolf Anne Wolf
March 29 Maundy Thursday 11:00 am					TBA	Jocelyn Kline Nancy Shimer
7:00 pm	Gerald & Bonnie Detz	TBA	TBA	TBA	TBA	Deb Shue Lori Weaver
March 30 Good Friday 7:00 pm	Leigh Trayer	TBA	TBA	TBA		
March 31 Easter Vigil 6:00 pm	Nancy Shimer Julie Tritch	TBA	TBA	TBA	TBA	Lori Weaver Cindy Gillespie

NURSERY 9:15 A.M.: March 4: Bob & Patti Courtois, Alyssa Kerper; March 11: Bob & Patti Courtois, Alyssa Kerper; March 18: Bob & Patti Courtois, Alyssa Kerper; March 25: Bob & Patti Courtois, Alyssa Kerper

Worship Leader Coordinators

Acolyte, Crucifer, & Torch Bearer: Sylvia Lashley 872-4309
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AV Room: Paul Berkebile 569-7209
Bread & Wine Presenter: Jennifer Lehman 519-8851
CD & Flower Delivery: Christine Smith 299-0949
Communion Assistants: Karen Peiffer 569-3643

Greeters: Leigh Trayer 271-9268
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Ushers: Nancy Beauregard 295-9814
 & Beth Bigler 569-7843
Welcome Center: Mary Ann Oberholtzer 898-7823

March Flower Delivery Schedule

NO FLOWERS DURING LENT



NARTHEX COFFEE BAR



March 4 - Helpers & Bakers - TBD

March 11 - Helpers, Nancy Pokopec & Barb Beyer - Baker, Nancy Pokopec

March 18 - Helpers, Lis & Anne Wolf - Baker, Anne Wolf

March 25 - NO COFFEE BAR—PALM SUNDAY (Enjoy breakfast in the Family Life Center)

Thanks to all our faithful members who provide baked goods and serve coffee. **We are always looking for helpers and bakers!!** If you love to bake, we need you. As always, we thank Laretta Stutzman, Ann & Rich Larrick and Tim Fickes for picking up the donated baked goods from Giant. Have questions? Please feel free to send Lis Wolf an email at lcwolf01@hotmail.com

NEW DAY WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS — MARCH 2018				
	March 4	March 11	March 18	March 25
Lector	Sharon Schaefer	Will Stover	Megan Thompson	Peter Murdock
Communion Assistant	Jennifer Sassaman	N/A	Sharon Schaefer	Mindy Rottmund
Ushers	Tim & Sharon Fickes	Brian & Brittney Booher	Scott & Amanda Sprague	Bill & Drew Sassaman
Altar Guild	Sharon Schaefer	Morgan Stuhltrager	Robin Schmincke	Ann Fink
A/V Sound	Bob Preston	Dave Tilley	Scott Fyfe	Scott Fyfe
Coffee Bar	Catherine Stover	Beth Soslow	Amanda Sprague	Beth Soslow

EASTER FLOWERS & MEMORIAL GIFTS

Easter Flowers or a Memorial Gift may be given in honor or in memory of a loved one. Please fill out the form below and **return it to the church office by Friday, March 16.** A listing for Flowers and Benevolence Gifts will appear in the Easter Sunday bulletin.

MEMORIAL GIFT TO ST. PETER'S BENEVOLENCE FUND



\$ _____ Gift Envelope # _____

Please check _____ in memory or _____ in honor

(Print name(s) of those to be honored or in memory of as you desire printed in the bulletin)

Given by

EASTER FLOWERS (assortment) all \$7.00 each



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Please check: _____ I will leave my plant to be delivered to a homebound member.
 _____ I will pick up my plant.

(Flowers may be picked up after the last service on Easter)

**Please return this form and check payable
to "St. Peter's Lutheran Church" no later than March 16.**



LOOKING AHEAD

MARCH CALENDAR

Thursday, March 1

11:45 a.m. - 50+ Fellowship (Café)
6:00 p.m. - Girl Scouts (Augsburg Alley)
6:00 p.m. - Jubilate Choir (Music Room)
6:35 p.m. - Youth Choir (Music Room)
7:00 p.m. - Elevate Bible Study (Youth Lounge)
7:30 p.m. - Herald Choir (Music Room)

Saturday, March 3

10:00 a.m. - Clothing Bank (Youth Lounge)
7:00 p.m. - Musical Arts Concert (Sanctuary)

Sunday, March 4

Name Tag Sunday
8:00 a.m. - Traditional Worship & 1st Communion Recognition (Sanctuary)
9:15 a.m. - New Member Class (Room 102)
9:15 a.m. - Sunday School
10:30 a.m. - Word of Life Deaf Church (Chapel)
10:45 a.m. - Traditional Worship (Sanctuary)
10:45 a.m. - New Day Worship & Communion (FLC)
6:00 p.m. - Youth Group

Monday, March 5

9:30 a.m. - Worship Leaders (Pastor's Office)
1:00 p.m. - Quilters (Augsburg Alley, Room 123)
6:30 P.M. - Exsultate Ringers (Music Room)
6:30 p.m. - Girl Scouts (Club 56)
7:30 p.m. - St. Peter's Ringers (Music Room)
8:00 p.m. - AA (Cry Room)

Tuesday, March 6

9:30 a.m. - Staff Meeting (Conference Room)
1:30 p.m. - Rostered Text Study (Conference Room)
5:30 p.m. - African Drumming Instruction (Music Room)
6:30 p.m. - Mutual Ministry (Conference Room)

Wednesday, March 7

7:00 a.m. - Lenten Service (Chapel)
9:30 a.m. - Bible Study (Cafe)
11:30 a.m. - Just for Fun (Eden Resort)
1:00 p.m. - Community Meal Preparation (Kitchen)
2:00 p.m. - Evangelism Committee (Conference Room)
4:30 p.m. - Community Meal (Grace Lutheran Church)
6:15 p.m. - Lenten Meal (Café)
7:00 p.m. - Lenten Service (Chapel)
7:00 p.m. - Praise Band Rehearsal (Family Life Center)
7:30 p.m. - Word of Life Bible Study (Room 100)

Thursday, March 8

9:00 a.m. - WELCA (Augsburg Alley/Room 123)
6:00 p.m. - Jubilate Choir (Music Room)
7:30 p.m. - Herald Choir (Music Room)

Friday, March 9

HERALD ARTICLES DUE

Saturday, March 10

Change clocks for Daylight Savings Time

Sunday, March 11

8:00 a.m. - Traditional Worship (Sanctuary)
9:15 a.m. - New Member Class (Youth Lounge)
9:15 a.m. - Sunday School
10:30 a.m. - Word of Life Deaf Church (Chapel)
10:45 a.m. - New Day Worship (FLC)
10:45 a.m. - Traditional Worship & Communion (Sanctuary)
11:45 a.m. - Elevate Luncheon & Bible Study
12:00 p.m. - New Day Music Planning (Conference Room)

Monday, March 12

9:30 a.m. - Worship Leaders (Pastor's Office)
1:00 p.m. - Quilters (Augsburg Alley Room 123)
5:30 P.M. - Global Missions Committee (Conference Room)
6:30 p.m. - Exsultate Ringers (Music Room)
7:00 p.m. - Church Council (Conference Room)
7:30 p.m. - St. Peter's Ringers (Music Room)
8:00 p.m. - AA (Cry Room)

Tuesday, March 13

1:00 p.m. - Communications Committee (Conference Room)
5:00 p.m. - African Drumming Instruction (Music Room)

Wednesday, March 14

7:00 a.m. - Lenten Service (Chapel)
9:30 p.m. - Bible Study (Café)
6:15 p.m. - Lenten Meal (Café)
7:00 p.m. - Lenten Service (Chapel)
7:00 p.m. - Praise Band Rehearsal (Family Life Center)
7:30 p.m. - WOLD Bible Study (Room 100)

Thursday, March 15

6:00 p.m. - Girl Scouts (Augsburg Alley)
6:00 p.m. - Jubilate Choir (Music Room)
6:35 p.m. - Youth Choir (Music Room)
7:30 p.m. - Herald Choir (Music Room)

Sunday, March 18

8:00 a.m. - Traditional Worship & Communion/New Member Recognition (Sanctuary)
9:15 a.m. - Canticle Choir Rehearsal (Music Room)
9:15 a.m. - Easter Egg Preparation (Sunday School Rooms)
9:15 a.m. - Sunday School
10:30 a.m. - Word of Life Deaf Church (Chapel)
10:45 a.m. - New Day Worship & Communion (FLC)
10:45 a.m. - Traditional Worship (Sanctuary)

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MARCH CALENDAR

Monday, March 19

9:30 a.m. - Worship Leaders (Pastor's Office)
1:00 p.m. - Quilters (Augsburg Alley Room123)
6:30 p.m. - Exsultate Ringers (Music Room)
6:30 p.m. - Girl Scouts (Club 56)
6:30 p.m. - Human Resources (Conference Room)
6:30 p.m. - Strawberry Festival Committee (Location TBD)
7:30 p.m. - St. Peter's Ringers (Music Room)
8:00 p.m. - AA (Cry Room)

Tuesday, March 20

9:30 a.m. - Program Staff Meeting (Conference Room)
1:30 p.m. - Book Club (Cry Room)
5:30 p.m. - African Drumming Instruction (Music Room)
6:30 p.m. - Intern Committee (Cry Room)
7:30 p.m. - Long Range Planning (Cry Room)

Wednesday, March 21

7:00 a.m. - Lenten Service (Chapel)
9:30 p.m. - Bible Study (Café)
6:15 p.m. - Lenten Meal (Café)
7:00 p.m. - Lenten Service (Chapel)
7:00 p.m. - Praise Bank Rehearsal (Family Life Center)
7:00 p.m. - WOLD Bible Study (Room 100)

Thursday, March 22

11:00 a.m. - Sages Choir Rehearsal (Music Room)
6:00 p.m. - Jubilate Choir (Music Room)
6:35 p.m. - Youth Choir (Music Room)
7:30 p.m. - Herald Choir (Music Room)

Friday, March 23

9:30 a.m. - East Egg Hunt Preparation (FLC/Café)

Saturday, March 24

10:00 a.m. - Easter Egg Hunt (Family Life Center/Café)

Sunday, March 25

8:00 a.m. - Traditional Worship (Sanctuary)
9:15 a.m. - Canticle Choir Rehearsal (Music Room)
9:15 a.m. - Palm Sunday Breakfast (Café)
10:30 a.m. - Word of Life Deaf Church (Chapel)
10:45 a.m. - Traditional Worship & Communion (Sanctuary)
10:45 a.m. - New Day Worship (Family Life Center)

Monday, March 26

9:30 a.m. - Worship Leaders (Pastor's Office)
1:00 p.m. - Quilters (Augsburg Alley Room123)
6:30 p.m. - Exsultate Ringers (Music Room)
6:45 p.m. - Tanzania Missions Committee (Conference Room)
7:00 p.m. - New Day Committee (Room 100)
7:30 p.m. - St. Peter's Ringers (Music Room)
8:00 p.m. - AA (Cry Room)

Tuesday, March 27

11:00 a.m. - Sages Choir Rehearsal (Music Room)
5:30 p.m. - African Drumming Instruction (Music Room)
6:15 p.m. - Preschool Board (Cry Room)

Wednesday, March 28

6:30 p.m. - Pub Theology
7:00 p.m. - Praise Band Rehearsal (FLC)

Thursday, March 29

11:00 a.m. - Sages Maundy Thursday Service (Sanctuary)
12:00 p.m. - Sages Luncheon (Café)
6:00 p.m. - Girl Scouts (Augsburg Alley)
6:00 p.m. - Holy Take-Out Thursday (Family Life Center)
7:00 p.m. - Maundy Thursday Service (Sanctuary)

Friday, March 30

9:00 a.m. - Good Friday Waffles & Worship (FLC/Café)
12:00 p.m. - Children's Stations of the Cross (Sanctuary)
7:00 p.m. - Good Friday Worship (Sanctuary)
7:00 p.m. - WOLD Good Friday Service (Chapel)

Saturday, March 31

6:00 p.m. - Easter Vigil (Sanctuary)



If you have any questions, please contact me at sshattuck@stpeterslutheran-lanc.org Thank you!

Sandy Shattuck
Editor & Parish Secretary

NewsLetter
DEADLINE

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NEWSLETTER
ARTICLES
DUE MARCH 10TH

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