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September 2019

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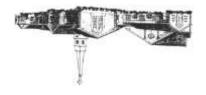
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"Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God." Hebrews 13:16

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## **Fall Worship Schedule**

Please note that we will return to our Fall Sunday schedule on September 8<sup>th</sup>. The Sunday morning schedule will be as follows:

Traditional Worship at 8:00 AM (Sanctuary)
Sunday School for all ages at 9:15 AM
New Day Worship at 10:45 AM (Family Life Center)
Traditional Worship at 10:45 AM (Sanctuary)

Please note the special Global Mission Emphasis Event for this year's first day of Sunday School. (See page 8)

# **Sunday School Kick Off**

# Sunday, September 8th at 9:15 a.m.

This year will kick off with our Global Missions Day for all ages. We will begin our normal Sunday School format on September 15th.



Please join us for our annual Church Picnic on Sunday, September 15<sup>th</sup> immediately following the 10:45 a.m. services. Hamburgers, hotdogs, corn and watermelon will be

served. Lawn games for all ages will be set up! Rain or shine.

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# September Worship Schedule

### Sunday, September 1: The Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

### LAST SUNDAY OF SUMMER WORSHIP SCHEDULE

New Day Service of Holy Communion at 9:45 a.m.

-- Pastor Sarah preaches

Traditional Service of Holy Communion at 8:00 a.m., Service of the Word at 9:45 a.m.

--Sister Dottie preaches

### Sunday, September 8: The Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

### FALL WORSHIP SCHEDULE BEGINS

#### GLOBAL MISSION SUNDAY

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.

--Pastor Craig preaches

### Sunday, September 15: The Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

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

-- Sister Dottie preaches

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

--Pastor Craig preaches

### Sunday, September 22: The Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

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

-- Pastor Craig peaches

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

-- Pastor Sarah preaches

### Sunday, September 29: St. Michael and all Angels

### STATION COMMUNION SUNDAY

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

-- Pastor Sarah peaches

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

-- Pastor Craig preaches



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### Safe Church Update



This summer we have been working on updating our church security. You may notice that our youth lounge entrance now can be accessed with a key fob. Two sets of our inner doors — the doors that separate the Christian ed wing from the Narthex (ramp and arts hallway) — also have locks. These doors will be locked during Preschool and Church Office hours.

If you need to enter the building during the week between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., please use the main entrance to be "buzzed" in. Come to the office and sign in – you will be required to wear

a visitor or volunteer badge if you will be working in the church or if you have a meeting in the building. The Wednesday Morning Bible Study will still be able to enter the building at the youth lounge entrance, but will be checked in at the door and will have a name tag to wear.

While this may seem like an inconvenience, it is necessary for the safety of our children. We appreciate your willingness to help keep our children and youth safe.

Any questions can be directed to Sister Dottie at dottie.almoney@stpeterslutheran.org.

## **Mission Appeal Update**

At the August meeting of Congregation Council, a presentation was made to the Council from Pastors Ross and Teichmann, to authorize a serious exploration of entering into a financial appeal of two-three years for the purpose of supporting the mission of St. Peter's congregation. Your Stewardship Committee has been prayerfully considering this topic over the past several months. The Council engaged in a significant discussion around this topic at their August meeting and unanimously approved the concept and authorized the pastors to move forward in crafting a process for the appeal. Typically called a capital appeal, this project will be more of a "mission appeal" in that it is not directed toward a major building project. We expect it to be a collection of smaller projects, some of which involve our building and equipment, but most of which extend, enhance or support our ministries inside and outside of our church walls. This appeal supports our mission "Building a community of faith by God's grace" as we work toward living out the Biblical values to "love for God, love for neighbors, and make disciples." At this point in the process we are gathering a capital appeal committee, and are looking for faithful participants grounded in the Biblical values of loving God, loving neighbor and making disciples. If you feel called to this good work, please feel free to reach out to one of the pastors.

A proposed timeline for exploring the viability of this mission appeal is as follows:

- August Approval from the Council of the steps to explore the viability of an appeal.
- September—Publicize the steps for exploration of an appeal to the congregation.
- September Identification of potential consulting partners to help evaluate the appeal.
- September identification of potential appeal committee members
- October present an update of progress in the exploration of an appeal at the Fall Town Hall Meeting
- November request formal approval at the congregational meeting for the mission appeal, with accompanying permission to contract with a fund-raising consultant.
- January 2020 begin the active work of the appeal, probably with a feasibility study.

# **Advocacy Ministry**

Interested in learning more about Advocacy Ministry? Do you want to make a difference at policy levels? As members of the ELCA, we believe that we are freed in Christ to serve and love our neighbor. God uses our hands, through our direct service work and our voices, through our advocacy efforts, to restore and reconcile our world. Through faithful advocacy, the ELCA lives out our Lutheran belief that governments can help advance the common good.

ELCA advocacy works for change in public policy based on the experience of Lutheran ministries, programs and projects around the world and in communities across the United States. We work through political channels on behalf of the following biblical values: peacemaking, hospitality to strangers, care for creation, and concern for people living in poverty and struggling with hunger and disease. (https://www.lutheranadvocacypa.org/about/)

We will have a meeting for all who are interested on Tuesday, September 24<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m. in the Conference Room-Contact Sister Dottie at dottie.almoney@stpeterslutheran.org for more information.

## **Adult Christian Education**

### **Fall Wednesday Morning Bible Study**

Mark your calendar now for Wednesday, September 11th for our first Wednesday Morning Bible Study class of the fall. This year we will again have a two-semester system in which we study two different topics.

We will start the year exploring the Book of Proverbs, examining this biblical book which is a prime example of the wisdom tradition found in the Old Testament. It presents to us sayings which prompt us to think about our values and our behavior, our morals and our conduct. In short, Proverbs invites us to consider what is the purpose of human life. We will spend 5-6 Wednesdays exploring this book of wisdom literature. We will then spend the rest of the year studying the genuine letters of St. Paul in the New Testament.

Why not consider joining this vibrant group of 40-50 fellow believers this fall as we study familiar material in ways that always open up faith discussion, historical reflection, and theological questions. We have a strong class that has the involvement of both church members and community members, which creates an atmosphere that is rife with conversation and insights offered from both leaders and participants. Pastor Ross facilitates the class which meets in the Café on Wednesdays from 9:30-11:00 a.m. Friends are welcome. Modest snacks and drinks are provided.

Our September schedule is as follows:

**September 11 – Introduction to Wisdom Literature & the Book of Proverbs** 

September 18 – The Parental Legacy, Wisdom's Worldview (Proverbs 1-9)

September 25 – The First Solomonic Collection (Proverbs 10-22), Part 1





September Pub Theology – Wednesday, September 18<sup>th</sup>– 6:30 p.m. – (Place to be announced). PUB THEOLOGY Our topic: Should Christians participate in civil disobedience? RSVP to Sister Dottie if you can attend. (dottie.almoney@stpeterslutheran.org)

# Sunday Morning Classes — 9:15-10:15 a.m.

St. Peter's offers three distinct classes for our adults during the Sunday School hour (9:15 - 10:15 a.m.)

Crosspoints (Conference Room) - CrossPoints, one of our Adult Sunday School offerings, has prepared a schedule of informative and enriching presentations for this coming program year beginning on September 15<sup>th</sup> with the first session in an outstanding series entitled "The New Testament You Never Knew," featuring one of our most well received video visitors, N.T. Wright. Sr. Dottie will be leading this session and Pastor Ross will be leading the second session on September 22<sup>nd</sup>. We will be finishing the month of September attending an open presentation (with guest speaker) in the sanctuary, offered by our new Addiction Ministry team.

Throughout the year we will be offering a variety of presentations including a Lenten series on the Passion of Jesus, featuring informative 10-minute videos with Amy-Jill Levine; a look at spiritual practices; the world of church music; an in-depth two-part series on The Use of the Means of Grace with Pastor Ross; and even one or two lively intergenerational sessions, plus lots more. We look forward to all of our facilitators from last year returning, including Pastor Ross, Sister Dottie, Pastor Geib, Dr. Adam Lefever Hughes, Jen Sassaman, Brendan Armitage and Neil Snyder

Come early, barge in late, bring your coffee, speak your piece (or not), and listen to God speaking to us through the thoughts and wisdom of our video guests, the facilitators, but especially from one another.

September 8 - Global Missions Presentation (Room TBA) Storm Damage to Busoka Lutheran Church- Alan Swanson will present the current condition at Busoka since the storm. Our global mission emphasis for this fall will be raising funds to help repair the church.

September 15 - The New Testament You Never Knew (1 of 8), led by Sister Dottie Almoney

September 22 - The New Testament You Never Kew (2 of 8), led by Pastor Craig Ross

September 29 - Addiction Ministry Presentation (Sanctuary), led by Kathy Berkebile

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## **Adult Christian Education**

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**Faith and Values (Room 100)** - This fall the Faith & Values class explores different topics on vocation and good work done well. Our conversations will be guided by Pastor Timothy Keller's work, *Every Good Endeavor*.



September 8 - Global Missions Presentation (Room TBA)

September 15 - Topic: "Every Good Endeavor"

September 22 - Topic: "The Design of Work"

**September 29** - Addiction Ministry Presentation (Sanctuary)

Regular class sessions begin September 15 We meet in Room 100 at 9:15 am. All are welcome!

### **Sunday Morning Bible Study with Pastor Jeff Pretz (Room 118)**

Pastor Pretz's Sunday Morning Bible Study meets in Room 118. Each Sunday this class will explore in depth the Gospel reading for that day.

## **Pastoral Acts**

The following pastoral acts were offered since the printing deadline of our August issue of the Herald.

Weddings: Alison Moffett and David Salley - June 15, 2019 at St. Joan of Arc Catholic Church, Hershey, PA

Funerals: Joseph C. "Bud" Gochenauer on July 1

Mary Book (Sheaffer) Kammerer on July 27

Ruth Dorothy Cattell on July 31 Stanley E. Lefever on August 16

Baptisms: Lillian Rae Badorf on June 30

Evan Andrew Bergren on June 30 Trace Joseph Lynch on June 30 Keira Elizabeth Marshall on June 30

Lucas Yoon Hosey, August 4

# **Social Ministry**



**Walmart Gift Card Drive** – We will be collecting Walmart Gift cards for the purchase of school uniforms for the school district of Lancaster. Any amount will be appreciated. Many families have a hard time purchasing uniforms due to low incomes. Uniforms are mandated at SDOL. Look for collection boxes in the narthex, youth lounge and at New Day.

Lydia's Closet Clothing Bank at St. Peter's will be open on Saturday September 7<sup>th</sup> from 10:00 – 12:00 p.m. in the youth lounge. To volunteer, please contact Molly Olmsted at astaloo@me.com. The clothing bank is always in need of new underwear, especially for older teens (adult sizes).





**September Community Meal** will be Wednesday, September 4<sup>th</sup> at Grace Lutheran Church. For more information about volunteering, please contact Jan Gigl at <a href="mailto:ronjangigl@comcast.net">ronjangigl@comcast.net</a>.

## **Global Missions Ministry**



**Sunday, September 8<sup>th</sup>** is Global Mission Sunday! Our Global Mission Committee is partnering with the Tanzania Mission Committee to help raise funds for the rebuilding of Busoka Lutheran Church after their roof was damaged in a wind storm.

## **Tanzania Mission Committee**

**Busoka Church Rebuild Campaign Kickoff** 



church /CHərCH/ n. 1. a building for Christian worship

2. a body of religious believers.

Only one of these definitions (#2) currently describes Busoka Lutheran Church, our companion congregation in Tanzania, who continues to pray, worship and believe in spite of losing its building in a devastating windstorm in January.

On September 8<sup>th</sup>, Global Mission Sunday, the Tanzania Mission Committee and the Global Missions Committee will partner to kick off a campaign to raise \$5,000 of the \$50,000 needed to rebuild the church building in Busoka. A disaster relief box and special envelopes will be available in the narthex and in the Cafe from September 8<sup>th</sup> to 29<sup>th</sup> for your donations. Thank you in advance for your generous support.

Busoka: Separated by miles; connected by faith, hope and love.

# All-You-Can-Eat Breakfast Buffet SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2019 7:00-10:00 AM



Breakfast includes: eggs, home fries, creamed beef, baked french toast, bacon, scrapple, sausage, ham, coffee, tea, orange juice, tomato juice, various pastries and fruit.

### ADMISSION BY DONATION

DONATIONS FROM THE BREAKFAST WILL BE USED TO SUPPORT OUR SYNODICAL UPCOMING DISASTER RESPONSE TRIP TO PUERTO RICO

FAITH UNITED LUTHERAN CHURCH FELLOWSHIP HALL 357 WALNUT STREET, DENVER PHONE 717-336-2141; EMAIL FAITHUNITED@PTD.NET

## **Evangelism News**

## **Spring 2019 New Member and Sponsor Reunion**

To our New Members Spring 2019 class: You are invited to a New Member Reunion on **September 29<sup>th</sup>** during the Sunday School hour. We will meet at 9:15 a.m. in the Church Café for light refreshments, time to re-meet some of your classmates and sponsors, and good fellowship. See you there!

### **New Member Class: October 6 and October 13**

Are you interested in becoming a member of St. Peter's Lutheran Church? Wonderful! Now is the time to join our faith family. Our Fall 2019 class has two sessions to which you are invited. **The first session is October 6<sup>th</sup> at 9:15a.m. in room 102 and our second session is October13<sup>th</sup> at 9:15a.m. in the Youth Lounge.** We hope you can attend both sessions as they cover different aspects of membership and faith life at St. Peter's. *Want to know more?* Email Pastor Sarah Teichmann sarah.teichmann@stpeterslutheran.org or call the church office 717-569-9211.

# **Membership**

Have you looked at the photo directory lately? Is it time to update your picture? Have your kids grown multiple inches since you submitted it? Maybe you've added more children to your family? Or, perhaps you have never submitted a photo at all? This fall, I will send out an updated version, so now is the perfect time to submit pictures. Please send pictures to me at <a href="mailto:directory@stpeterslutheran.org">directory@stpeterslutheran.org</a>. Any questions, feel free to call me at 717-581-0932 or email at <a href="mailto:stephpalic@gmail.com">stephpalic@gmail.com</a>. Thanks so much for your help! Stephanie Palic, Membership



# **Prayer Chain Ministry**

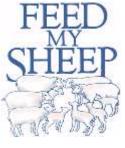
YOUR PRAYER CHAIN is looking for a few more members! As you get back into Fall schedule this is a great way to be involved in your church life, but in a timeframe that works for your schedule! This is a committee where you do the "work" on your schedule in your home in your



way!! We have one All Member Meeting each year and we do an optional Book Study together. You'll receive an email with any requests and you pray for them once a day for two weeks (or for a specific time period) and there is a list of ongoing requests that we also pray for. All members also have a list of church members that they are asked to pray for at least twice per year. All requests we receive are treated with respect and confidentiality. If you have ever submitted a request to the Chain, we hope it gave you some comfort knowing others were lifting your request up in prayer. Now, maybe, it's time for you to join in! Please direct any questions to Ginny Gerhart (717) 626-7406 or Angela Moshos (717) 392-6201. We know you pray anyway, so why not give us a try?

"Therefore confess your sins to one another, and pray for one another, so that you may be healed.

The prayer of the righteous is powerful and effective." James 5:16 (NRSV)



# The Sheep are Hungry! Please Help Feed Them

Needed in September: 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!

# **Health and Wellness Committee**

### NEWBORN SCREENING AWARENESS MONTH

We are hearing a lot about the return of Measles, a disease that is prevented by a vaccine. What better time to talk about newborn screenings, since September is Newborn Screening Awareness Month!

Every September, "Baby's First Test" shares newborn screening facts, videos and stories to help raise awareness of newborn screening among new and expecting parents, healthcare pro-

fessionals, and the public! If you want to learn more about newborn screenings, we hope this link to materials is useful to you. Never be afraid to ask your healthcare provider any questions you may have. Here's a link to provide some facts:

https://www.babysfirsttest.org/newborn-screening/resources/prenatal-and-newborn-screening-brochure

# <u>Finance Committee</u> July 2019 Financial Report

	Month	Year to Date	Year to Date
		Actual	Budget
General Fund Receipts	\$62,708	\$584,651	\$595,664
General Fund Expenses	\$95,235	\$622,304	\$661,053
Surplus (Deficit)	\$(35,527)	\$(37,653)	\$(65,389)
Debt Reduction Receipts	\$19,068	\$83,026	\$89,239
Debt Reduction Expenses	\$14,321	\$93,085	\$89,239
Surplus (Deficit)	\$4,747	\$(10,059)	
Total Surplus (Deficit)	\$(30,780)	\$(47,712)	

# **Addiction Ministry Update**

We would like to make you aware of some important dates coming up this month. September is National Recovery Month and we would like St Peter's to be involved!

Saturday, September 21, 2019. National Recovery Day of Celebration at Buchanan Park

There will be opportunities to volunteer, sponsor persons, and participate in a 1.5 mile walk. We will post additional information about this event in the upcoming weeks and how you might become involved!!

Sunday, September 29, 2019.

The Addiction Ministry will be hosting an Adult Forum during the Sunday School time in the Sanctuary with a guest speaker discussing the addiction epidemic and how it impacts all of us. We wish to thank all of the other Sunday school leaders who have given up their time that day to support this event! Watch for additional information!

The Prayer Ministry will continue to meet in the Cry Room from 10:30 until 10:45 a.m. on the first and third Sundays of the month. The prayer box is also available to submit prayer requests. This is located outside the Cry Room. We invite you to stop by and pray with us for someone that you know who is affected by the disease of addiction.

Finally, a big thank you to Betsy McConnell for the wonderful job that she did on the Addiction Ministry Bulletin Board! Please stop by and check it out!

## Worship and Music at St. Peter's

### **Choir and Ensemble Rehearsals Start Soon!**

Rehearsals for musical ensembles at St. Peter's begin soon. See the schedule below for details. Join a musical group and help to lead worship! Please contact Adam at <a href="mailto:adam.hughes@stpeterslutheran.org">adam.hughes@stpeterslutheran.org</a> for more information.

Jubilate Choir – September 5, 6:00-6:30 p.m.

Herald Choir – September 5, 7:30-8:30 p.m.

Canticle Choir – September 22, after 8 a.m. service

Youth Choir – September 9, 6:00-6:30 p.m.

Exsultate Ringers – September 9, 6:30-7:15p.m.

St. Peter's Ringers – September 9, 7:30-8:30 p.m.

### **Announcing Jubilate Choir Seasons**

This year Jubilate Choir will occur in seasons. Go to <a href="www.stpeterslutheran.org/jubilate-choir/">www.stpeterslutheran.org/jubilate-choir/</a> to learn more and to sign up your 1st- 5th grader for any or all of the seasons to participate in leading worship and learning more about the Christian faith through music. The seasons are completely compartmentalized; if you don't participate in season 1 but do participate in season 2, your child will not have to play catch up. Sign up today and together we'll sing a new song!

### Youth Choir Rehearsing on Mondays

Take note! The Youth Choir (grades 6 through 12) is rehearsing on Monday evenings from 6:00-6:30 p.m. to accommodate a majority of schedules. We'll focus on learning some music to help lead worship and to provide some special music throughout the year. Choir members also engage in lively discussions about worship and faith. Come for a chance to enrich your faith education!

### **Ringers Needed**

Are you into heavy metal? St. Peter's is in need of some ringers for the 2019-2020 program year. The two groups meet on Monday evenings. Exsultate Ringers is for younger ringers and their families on the go and meets from 6:30-7:15 p.m. St. Peter's Ringers is for more experienced ringers and meets from 7:30-8:30 p.m. Interested folks should contact Adam at <a href="mailto:adam.hughes@stpeterslutheran.org">adam.hughes@stpeterslutheran.org</a>.

### Musical Arts – Saturday, September 14, 7:00 p.m. – Jocelyn Crosby, flute; Doug Wimer, keyboard

The second concert of our 2019-2020 program year features area flutist and keyboardist Jocelyn Crosby and Doug Wimer. This intimate program will showcase both the flute and piano through a variety of repertoire. Come for a reflective evening in the midst of the start of the school year.

## **Camp Corner**

Camp numbers this summer: 14. 7. 6. 5.

14 family members from St. Peter's attended Family Camp. 7 kids attended 6 youth summer camp programs. 5 St. Peter's members served on staff or volunteered at camp this summer. Thank you for all the prayers and support our congregation has shown for camp this summer.

Although the summer camping season has ended, there are many camp activities going on during the fall. Please ask Joy and Lyle Hosler any questions you have about summer camp or any upcoming camp activities (717-560-4753; joy@hoslerfamily.net).

September 8: Dinner Church at Wittel Farm September 22: Dinner Church at Wittel Farm

September 28: Facility Fundraiser (Kirchenwald)

October 1-3: Mid-week Bible Study Retreat (Nawakwa)

October 6: Capture the Flag Spectacular (Kirchenwald)

## **Groups and Events**

50 PLUS — Please join us on Thursday, September 5<sup>th</sup> at 11:45 a.m. in the Café for lunch, fellowship, entertainment and education. Our guest speaker will be Peter Murdock and he will share his experiences from his recent trip to Busoka. Please bring your own sandwich, place setting, a beverage and a snack to share. Dr. Frick's series will continue, October 3<sup>rd</sup>, and November 7<sup>th</sup>. Our annual Christmas luncheon will be on December 5<sup>th</sup> at the Eden Resort. Dr. Frick will continue his series on January 2<sup>nd</sup>, February 6<sup>th</sup> and March 6<sup>th</sup>, 2020. This schedule is posted on the Activities Bulletin Board. If you have any questions, please contact Debra Shue at 717-318-8848 or djshue52@comcast.net.

WELCA — Come join us! WELCA will meet on Thursday, September 12<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m. in Room 124. After a light breakfast we will be assembling our Personal Care Kits for Lutheran World Relief. The Personal Care Kit item for this meeting is light-weight bath-size

towels size 52" X 27", dark color recommended. Our signup sheet will be available so think about ideas for programs. Also, there are still spaces to sign up for refreshments. All women are welcome! Any questions, please contact Sally Rager, 717-569-6119 or Kathy Caldwell, 717-627-7434.

BOOK CLUB — The St. Peter's Book Club will meet on Tuesday, September 17<sup>th</sup> at 1:30 p.m. in the CLUB Cry Room to discuss Where the Crawdads Sing by Delia Owens. This book is a current best seller.

All are welcome to attend the Book Club meeting. We have a wonderful group! Each person is responsible for purchasing/borrowing the book. A discount is available at Aaron's in Lititz--just tell

them you are from the St. Peter's Book Club. Sorry, this book is not yet available in paperback, but ebooks should be available from Nook or Kindle. Please contact Mary Ann Frontz if you have any questions.

JUST FOR FUN GROUP — Please join us to play a game or two of Bocce on Saturday, September 21st at 4:30 p.m. If you have never played before, we will teach you. Afterward, we will eniov pizza, ice cream and drinks. Meet at the courts behind Traditions of America - Lititz Club House off of West Millport Road. Please RSVP Libby and Art Stoner at 717-606-3200.



# St. Peter's 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Craft Show

St. Peter's 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Craft Show will be held on Saturday, November 30<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. in the Family Life Center. Vendor spots may possibly be available and will be added to the waiting list. If you would like to be on the waiting list, please contact Movita Groff at 717-569-0101. If you have any questions, please contact Movita Groff (717-569-0101) or Kim Sterner (717-396-7739).









# Pastor's Letter

"For those who were unable to be in their churches for whatever reason, including military service, radio could fill the spiritual vacuum. Via the medium of radio, people could join in worship both on Sundays and during the week. (James) Welch hoped that these programmes (sic) would be attractive to those – to use his characteristically tactful phrase – 'on whom church membership sits lightly'."

Justin Phillips, C.S. Lewis in a Time of War

Dear Friends:

The above quote is from one of the books on my summer reading list ... the story of how C.S. Lewis was recruited by the British Broadcasting Corporation (BBC) for the purpose of offering faith-based radio presentations for British citizens during WWII. These talks ended up being compiled into a book that we know of as Mere Christianity. Lewis, one of the modern era's foremost apologists, always found a way to make Christian teachings accessible to both church folks and those who had a more secular orientation. Truth be told, I offer the above quote for only one reason ... I absolutely love the citing of James Welch's term for the occasional Christian ... those "on whom church membership sits lightly." What a brilliantly clever and tender way to remind people of their absence from the weekly gatherings of the body of Christ in churches across the land, offered by the Director of Christian Broadcasting of the BBC during the second world war.

So ... are you a person on whom church membership "sat lightly" this summer? Our weekly attendance numbers suggest that at least some of you were "sitting lightly" in your homes or vacation spots ... or at the pool, or your airplane flights to destinations far and near. So ... it is time now to sit a bit more "heavily" in the pews of your church. We have missed you. We have missed your singing. We have missed your praying at our side in the pew. We have missed kneeling next to you at the communion rail. Yes, you have been missed. So as September rolls around, we expect to have you back.

The nature of the church is one that is wrapped up in community. We are the "body of Christ." We build our temples and we decorate them with beautiful symbols and reminders of the presence of God in our midst. But the building is not the "church." You and I are the church ... along with the person sitting in the pew next to you ... and that guy who makes you crazy with his political passions a few seats away from you ... and the kiddo who cries in the pew in front of you ... and that young woman who sings so beautifully two pews behind you ... and the young adult nearby who is on his phone throughout the sermon. The body of Christ is all of us in our glory ... and our brokenness ... in our faithfulness ... and in our sin. Whether your church membership has historically "sat lightly" upon you or not, we want you here and we need you here. So .... I'll ...

See you in Church ...

Pastor Craig

craig.ross@stpeterslutheran.org

# **The Website Is Your Friend!**

At St. Peter's Lutheran Church, 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 <a href="www.stpeterslutheran.org">www.stpeterslutheran.org</a> 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 (<a href="https://www.facebook.com/stpeterslancaster">https://www.facebook.com/stpeterslancaster</a>) 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.



# Pastor Sarah's Message

Dear friends in Christ.

I hope that your summer was filled with meaningful memories and holy moments.

As you may know, it is in the summertime that my husband and I film our Pocket Church series. Last summer the theme was "Road Trip" and we did a variety of little videos while traveling from Lancaster to North Dakota and back. These recent summer weeks, our Pocket Church theme was "Home Edition." The theme worked for our schedule, as much of the summer we stayed close to home. We also chose this theme for another reason. We wanted to highlight how God is in the midst of the very ordinary, everyday moments.

Sure, it's easy to see God's majesty in a sunset, the tide coming in on the beach, or the view from a mountaintop, but how can God's presence be felt when you use your salt shaker or do a load of laundry? Yep...we covered some of those topics. If you missed any of the videos, you can always visit them on our church website <a href="https://www.stpeterslutheran.org/pocket-church/">https://www.stpeterslutheran.org/pocket-church/</a>

As Christians, we believe in an incarnational God who dwells with us. Remember *Emmanuel* does mean "God with us." Just as Lutherans believe that Christ's real presence is "in, with, and under" the bread and wine of communion, God's spirit is in, with, under and surrounding us at all times. Church is not the only place to encounter God's goodness and guidance.

### So why go to church? Great question!

Yes, at home I may be reminded of God's spiritual fruit every time I pass by my fruit bowl, or out in the wilderness of nature, I may feel God's awesome work in action. However, I'm missing out on something. I'm missing out on community.

God loves to work within a group of people. God loves it when we can be community together—worshiping together, learning together, gathering and fellowshipping together, serving together in Jesus' name. Remember that handy teaching Jesus gave us, "For where two or three gather in my name, there am I with them." (Matthew 18:20) It's a good message to hold onto!

Somehow being in community together helps us see and experience Jesus better, too! And it speaks to our mission. "Building a community of faith by God's grace."

I loved doing Pocket Church this summer, and I loved the day trips and summer schedule I could enjoy, and I hope you were able to find holy rest and play, as well. But I can't wait to be community with you. I can't wait to gather with you this Fall, and see what God has in store for this community. You. Me. Jesus.

See you in church!

In Christ,

Pastor Sarah

sarah.teichmann@stpeterslutheran.org

# **New Day Streaming News**

Do you know that you can watch the New Day service online? If you haven't had the chance and find yourself not able to attend, join us for worship online at stpeterslutheran.org/live.

The New Day Praise service is live-streamed every week. A new feature in this live streaming is a video feed focused on the band playing and the preacher. The camera is positioned at the back

of the Family Life Center high above the congregation. Be sure to check it out, or if you want to share with a friend, simply share with them the link stpeterslutheran.org/live and give them a taste of worship!

# **From the Director of Music**

### Why do we do what we do?

This year, I want to focus on some of the "whys" and "hows" of worship. As a church situated within the context of western Lutheranism, we are heirs of a rich tradition whose language and customs might seem far removed from who we are now. As one of the main worship leaders at St. Peter's, I'm tasked with working to keep worship relevant, accessible, and challenging all at once. It's always my hope that worship drives us to God's mission in the church. What are some of the questions we seek to answer in worship?



Who are we as a people of God?

Worship helps to form us as God's children. The shared experiences of singing together, reading together, eating together, and blessing God and one another are part of our DNA. These things we do aren't meant to be something that stays within the walls of St. Peter's. These experiences should be life-altering and incite us to act as bringers of God's love and peace to this weary world. Worship helps to answer the question of who we are and what we're doing on Earth.

Who is our neighbor?

As I said in the opening paragraph, worship is about more than confirming who we are; we should also be making ourselves aware of who our neighbors are. Neighbors are across the street, of course, but it's getting easier and easier to see how in a global society our neighbors can be across the world. Worship opens our minds and hearts to the thoughts, values, and messages from cultures across time and space with the aim of showing us that God's love and grace can be expansive enough for all.

What is the relationship between God and God's people?

This question is a biggie. We've probably been trying to sort out the answer to how God relates to us and how we relate to God for all of human existence. I'm not going to pretend to have this one all figured out, but I'm fairly certain that the most helpful way to think about this one is that God always comes to us first. God comes to us in Baptism, in Communion, in the word, in our gathering, in silence, in music. We might respond to God, but God is the author of it all.

So how can what we do during worship answer these questions?

I'm going to pull a fast one here and suggest that perhaps, the real goal is not to come up with simple answers to some of these questions. Rather, the goal is to spur us on to ask better and better questions about the world in which we live and God's plan for us. I hope you'll follow along on the church's Facebook Page as we think about what it is that we do in worship and why/how it might encourage us to loving action.

Adam



Dear Members and Staff of St. Peter's Lutheran Church in Lancaster PA:

Grace, Peace and Joy to you from our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

Belatedly, I would like to thank you all for the acknowledgment and celebration of my 45<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of my Ordination into the Ministry of Word and Sacrament in the Lutheran Church.

The cakes and announcements and the duet by my daughters were very much appreciated.

Thank you very much for the celebration.

In Christ's love, Pastor Jeffrey H. Pretz

# Youth & Family Ministry News...

**September 8th** 9:15-10:15 a.m. — Global Mission Sunday — our back to Sunday School event, which our children and Youth will engage in activities from different countries. There will also be a "God's Work our Hands" Station to make craft kits for a program known as "Caitlin Smiles" — visit <a href="https://www.caitlins-smiles.org/">https://www.caitlins-smiles.org/</a> for more information

Youth and Family Back to School Picnic — September 8<sup>th</sup>, 6:00 p.m., Café/FLC Bring a side dish to share. Beef BBQ, hot dogs and drinks will be provided. We will be reviewing the upcoming youth ministry year as it pertains to Sunday School, Confirmation, Youth trips, retreats and other events.

**Have you received or updated your clearances?** If you work with our children or youth, you will need to provide child abuse and criminal background check clearances. These are free for volunteers. Clearances need to be less than 5 years – and need to be on file at church.

You can complete these online:

Child abuse Clearances - https://www.compass.state.pa.us/cwis/public/home Criminal Background: https://epatch.state.pa.us/Home.jsp

Feel free to contact Sister Dottie for help in obtaining these items.

Contact Sister Dottie at <u>dottie.almoney@stpeterslutheran.org</u> for more information about these events!

# Fall 9th Grade Confirmation Ministry

Parents of 9<sup>th</sup> graders are reminded to review their August letter with the details of this year's ninth grade class, taught by Pastor Ross & Joe Geesey. The first day of class will be Sunday, September 15<sup>th</sup>. Make sure to join us also on September 8<sup>th</sup> for Global Mission Sunday along with other Jr. & Sr. High Youth. Meet in the Youth Lounge. Parents, **please mark your calendars now** for the Rite of Confirmation, which will be celebrated on Sunday, May 17<sup>th</sup>. Please mark your calendars with theses dates.

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 Sister Dottie Almoney or Cindy Geesey if you have any questions.





### OCTOBER 2019 NEWSLETTER ARTICLES DUE SEPTEMBER 10TH

Articles for the October 2019 "Herald" are due in the church office no later than <u>September 10th</u>. Please submit articles to Sandy Shattuck in the church office or email <u>sandy.shattuck@stpeterslutheran.org</u>. Thank you for your cooperation.

# ST. PETER'S KIDS



Greetings and blessings from Children's Ministries! I am so excited to begin my new role as your director! And, the Children's Ministries Committee is in need of new members! This is a great way to get involved without a large time commitment. Our first meeting will take place on Tuesday, September 17<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m. in the church conference room. Anyone interested in helping to plan Children's Ministries events (Santa Breakfast, Santa Workshop, Easter Egg

Hunt, Vacation Bible School) is encouraged to attend! Please contact Cindy Geesey with any questions.

A HUGE thank you goes out to all the volunteers who made this year's "To Mars and Beyond" VBS a success. From the station leaders, to the helpers, guides and youth, as well as our music crew commanders and our puppeteer, it takes many people to support our summer Vacation Bible School program which this year served over 80 children! THANK YOU....we couldn't have done it without you!



Fundraising success! We collected different coins each night of VBS which were distributed to our Lutheran World Relief and local schools. Our total collected was \$376.66!! Thank you so much to everyone who donated! We celebrated with "make your own sundaes" on Thursday evening.



Sunday School will kick off on Sunday, September 8<sup>th</sup> at 9:15 a.m.! We are looking forward to another exciting year! This year will kick off with our Global Missions Day for all ages. Please plan to attend with your child on this Sunday. More details to come on the events of that day. We will begin our normal Sunday School format on September 15<sup>th</sup>.

Volunteers needed! Sunday School will kick off on September 15<sup>th</sup>, and we are in need of volunteers to help as teachers and guides to serve for 3-5 week sessions. All materials and lesson plans are prepared for you and no experience is necessary. Please contact Cindy Geesey at cindy.geesey@stpeterslutheran.org to get started!

### Sunday School Format Reminder:

Our 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 – Puppy Room (drop off and pick up in nursery)

Age 4 – Bunny Room

Kindergarten - Frog Room

Rotation Sunday school is for children in grades 1 through grade 4. We meet in the Family Life Center (FLC) at 9:15 a.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.

Please complete a new registration form each year for your children, ages 2 to 4th grade, for Sunday School. In order to have contact information in case of an emergency, and more importantly, to inform teachers of any special needs your child may have, we ask families to fill out one form per family (not per child). Forms are available on the Children's Ministries bulletin boards outside of the office and in the Rotation Sunday School wing and will also be sent in the mail.

If you have any questions, contact Cindy Geesey, Director of Children's Ministries at cindy.geesey@stpeterslutheran.org.

### From the Volunteer Steward

A new start! That's how it feels in September. Especially if you have school age children or teach. Isn't there a commercial about it being the most wonderful time of the year? With that image, St. Peter's is looking for a few, well actually many, volunteers. For the last few months, I've been reviewing all the committees/groups we have at St. Peter's. (A big thank you to all the committee chairs that provided me with their committee names!) There are over 100! Just on Sunday mornings, there are 25 opportunities to participate. We have social groups, educational offerings, standing committees that help guide the church, outreach ministries and many other options. Some meet a few times a year, others meet once a month and many are for 15 minutes on a Sunday morning. So, what's the point of this message? It's a great time to get involved and try something new!

Our website has loads of information about the volunteer options through numerous ministries.

- ♦ Go to the website: stpeterslutheran.org and click the **Serve** button at the top right to see descriptions of some of the committees.
- ♦ A more detailed description of all the committees is listed on the website. It is at the bottom of the Membership page under the Time and Talent section. Follow these instructions when you go to the website: Stpeterslutheran.org-About-Membership-Time and Talent-Learn
- ♦ Or, you can use this link. https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1fVeQyvmq4O5N6mKFsnNacgEPTbGUIyu\_ai7E90mCWzA/edit#gid=1
- Final option, contact me and I can point you in the right direction. We have time and talent forms you can complete which will help you choose what you might enjoy. We will also be having a "volunteer fair" on October 27<sup>th</sup> at 9:15 a.m. when you can speak with members of various committees. Now is a great time to see how you can become more involved and support your church!

See you in church! (volunteering, hopefully)

Betsy Linn
Volunteer Steward
Betsy.linn@stpeterslutheran.org

# St. Peter's Preschool

The Preschool hallways are already buzzing as we all prepare for the start of our new school year which starts the week of September 9<sup>th</sup> for our 3, 4 and 5 year olds. Our Tendercare 2 year olds will join us a week later starting September 16<sup>th</sup>. It is so energizing to welcome new little faces who come to us with such excitement and joy and sometimes a few tears. The preschool years are a time when children can't wait to greet their teachers and friends and are filled with much anticipation about all the things that school will offer. Our goal is to encourage them to be good people and lifelong learners. We absolutely love meeting new families and children and are proud to be able to open our classrooms to little ones with different capacities and strengths. These little first time students bring so much to our preschool classrooms. Our children learn how to embrace and appreciate differences and diversity. They are open hearted and accepting. It's a joy to be a part of something so wonderful and pure!

Our teaching staff is outstanding and we are so proud of the connection we have in our commitment to providing an excellent educational experience for our families and children.

We have a few openings still available, mostly in our afternoon classes. Please contact Lorraine through the church office or at <a href="mailto:lorraine.dibernardo@stpeterslutheran.org">lorraine.dibernardo@stpeterslutheran.org</a>.

Lorraine DiBernardo, Preschool Director lorraine.dibernardo@stpeterslutheran.org



# **Traditional Worship Assistant Schedule for September**

	ACOLYTE/ CROSSBEARER	LECTORS	COMMUNION ASSISTANT	USHERS	BREAD & WINE PRESENTERS
September 1 8:00 a.m.	Maurielle Courtois	Patti Courtois	Joe Weaver, Ginny Stickler	Bob Courtois, John Kerchner, Mark & Angela Moshos, Randy & Deb Shue	Bill & Mary Ellen Kopetz
9:45 a.m.		Janet Roberts	No Communion	John & June Crisp, Scott & Kyle Trayer, Brian Tolbert	No Communion
September 8 8:00 a.m.	Lauren Troop	Don Deibler	No Communion	Steve & Diane Gegg, Adam Gegg, Cindy Miley, Bob & Phyllis Hollinger	No Communion
10:45 a.m.		Craig Rodenberger	Judy Logan, Janet Roberts	Dan Beck, Bud Benton, Scott Glassford, Donald & Kyle Templeton, Russ Vollmer	Chris & Kerry Hess
September 15 8:00 a.m.	Sean O'Brien	Ena Marie Banks	James Lehman, John Burke	Tom & Jean Haus, Eric May, Larry Wilcox, Bill & Linda Montgomery	Mark & Melanie Burkholder
10:45 a.m.		Adam Shaffer	No Communion	Greg & Sylvia Lashley, Bob & Shirley Gorner, Joann & Jillian Gorner	No Communion
September 22 8:00 a.m.		Diane Gegg	No Communion	Liz, Sean & Iain O'Brien, Terry & Marianne Beasley, George Swan	No Communion
10:45 a.m.		Greg Strausser	Mindy Rottmund, Thompson McConnell	Richard & Anne Wolf, Dave, Lis, David & Jessica Wolf	Dave & Lis Wolf
September 29 8:00 a.m.		Marianne Beasley	Randy & Debbie Shue	Mark & Melanie Burkholder, Gene Olson, Reed & Gloria Rodman, Ted Andrews	Linda Siems Christine Ponti
10:45 a.m.		Geoffrey Groff	Shirley Gorner, Margaret Strausser	Jim & Jane Savidge, Brad & Karen Ayars, John & Kathy Burke	Station Communion

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# **Worship Leader Coordinators**

Acolyte, Crucifer, & Torch Bearer: Sister Dottie Almoney Greeters: Leigh Trayer 271-9268

Altar Guild: Debbie Shue 318-8848

Lectors: Thom McConnell 581-0068

AV Room: Bill Schlener 725-2700 & Bob Preston

Nursery: Patti Courtois 898-1898

Bread & Wine Presenter: Jennifer Lehman 519-8851

Ushers: Nancy Beauregard 295-9814

**CD & Flower Delivery:** Christine Smith 299-0949 & Beth Bigler 569-7843

Communion Assistants: Karen Peiffer 569-3643 Welcome Center: Mary Ann Oberholtzer 898-7823

# **Traditional Worship Assistant Schedule for September (continued)**

	GREETERS	WELCOME CENTER	AV/LIGHTING	NURSERY	ALTAR GUILD COORD.	ALTAR GUILD
September 1 8:00 a.m.	Mark & Jan Gilliford	Shirley Dombach, Susie Roderick	Tom Chever	Mary Ann Oberholtzer, Alyssa Kerper	Lori Weaver	Cindy Blaney, Margy Stigelman
9:45 a.m.	James & Martha Fulmer	Herb & Carolyn Galebach	Dave Tilley	Andrea Bear, Alyssa Kerper	No Communion	No Communion
September 8 8:00 a.m.	John & Jill Kerchner	Pam Hoffmaster, Christine Ponti	Tom Badorf	Bob & Phyllis Hollinger, Alyssa Kerper	No Communion	No Communion
10:45 a.m.	Chris & Kerry Hess	Andy & Sandi Hirko	David Wolf	Amy Smith, Alyssa Kerper	Lori Weaver	Jill Mowery, Pam Preston
September 15 8:00 a.m.	Randy & Susan Ketchum	Bob & Edee Bedford	John Ward	Julie Young, Alyssa Kerper	Lori Weaver	Melanie Burkholder Family
10:45 a.m.	Sara Gable, Jocelyn Kline	Rich & Ann Larrick	Bob Preston	Karen Shreiner, Alyssa Kerper	No Communion	No Communion
September 22 8:00 a.m.	Beryl Swisher, Michelle Wertz	Larry & Sylvia Miller	Jordan Lambert	Erich & Alison Deutsch, Alyssa Kerper	No Communion	No Communion
10:45 a.m.	John & June Crisp	Ron & Treva Shaffer	Bill Schlener	Lauren Jones, Alyssa Kerper	Lori Weaver	Peggy Popp, Lois Vollmer
September 29 8:00 a.m.	Bill & Linda Montgomery	Ron & Joan Beck	Angela Moshos	Mary Ann Oberholtzer, Alyssa Kerper	Lori Weaver	Station Communion
10:45 a.m.	Tom & Deborah Stover	Brian & Barbara Tolbert	Rick Groff	Sara Deno, Alyssa Kerper	Lori Weaver	Barb Beyer, Tricia Hough



# Nursery at 9:15 a.m.

September 8 - Rachel Shaffer, Alyssa Kerper

September 15 - Bob & Patti Courtois, Alyssa Kerper

September 22 - Bob & Patti Courtois, Alyssa Kerper

September 29 - Rachel Shaffer, Alyssa Kerper

NEW DAY WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS — SEPTEMBER 2019					
	September 1	September 8	September 15	September 22	September 29
Lector	Peter Murdock	Bob Preston	Joel Olmsted	Jenifer Sassaman	Megan Thompson
Communion Assistant	Jennifer Sassaman	No Communion	Bill Sassaman	No Communion	Brendan Armitage
Ushers	John & Janet Hess	Mark & Sharon Schaefer	Scott & Amanda Sprague	Scott & Brenna Fyfe	Bill & Anna Sassaman
Altar Guild	Robin Schmincke	Ann Fink	Sarah & Emily Bromirski	Sharon Schaefer	Morgan Stuhltrager
A/V Sound	Scott Fyfe	Scott Fyfe	Scott Fyfe	Scott Fyfe	Scott Fyfe

# **September Flower Delivery Schedule**

Date	Deliverer	Recipient	
Sept. 1	Christine Smith	Open recipient	
	John & Kathy Burke	Bob & Janet Kemp	
Sept. 8	Christine Smith	Anna Dowie	
	Tim & Sharon Fickes	Velma Newcomer	
Sept. 15	Lois Benton	Millie Uhler	
	Nancy LeFevre	Open recipient	

Date	Deliverer	Recipient	
Sept. 22	Libby Stoner	Sue Mellinger	
	Christine Smith	Open recipient	
Sept. 29 John & Kathy Burke		Bob & Janet Kemp	
	Nancy LeFevre	Open recipient	





# **NARTHEX COFFEE BAR**



Just wanted to announce that Nancy Pokopec and Donna Aho are the new coordinators for the Coffee Bar.

- \* September 1 Labor Day Holiday
- \* September 8 Barb Beyer and Nancy Pokopec
- \* September 15 Anne Wolf
- September 22 Sylvia and Larry Miller
- \* September 29 Pam and Bret Hoffmaster

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 Loretta Stutzman and others for picking up the donated baked goods from Giant.

### **OUR MISSION**

Building a community of faith by God's grace.

"This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you."

John 15:12

### **OUR VISION**

St. Peter's Evangelical Lutheran Church will show our love for God, our love for neighbors, and our desire to make disciples.

### Because we love God, we will:

- Worship and pray together.
- Help each other develop a meaningful relationship with God.
- Model our faith to children, youth, and others.

### Because we love our neighbor, we will:

- Serve one another, especially the unseen and underserved within our congregation.
- Support those in need in our Lancaster community and in the world through our ties with the Lower Susquehanna Synod and the Evangelical Lutheran Church of America.
- Love others boldly in a diverse and changing world, deepening relationships with our neighbors.

### Because we desire to make disciples, we will:

- Seek to teach God's love through adult education, our programs for children and youth, and our preschool.
- Offer small groups that connect God's Word to our everyday lives and create communities of faith.
- Share the good news in creative and authentic ways with the St. Peter's family and with neighbors in our community.



### Sunday, September 1

Name Tag Sunday

8:00 a.m. - Traditional Worship & Communion (Sanctuary)

9:30 a.m. - Addiction Ministry Prayer Group (Cry Room)

9:45 a.m. - New Day Worship & Communion (FLC)

9:45 a.m. - Traditional Worship (Sanctuary)

10:00 a.m. - Word of Life Deaf Church (Chapel)

6:00 p.m. - Youth Group

### Monday, September 2

**Church Office Closed** 

8:00 p.m. - AA (Room 100) Al Alon (Room 102)

### **Tuesday, September 3**

10:00 a.m. - Staff Meeting (Conference Room)

6:30 p.m. - Mutual Ministry (Conference Room)

#### Wednesday, September 4

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)

6:00 p.m. - WOLD Bible Study (Room 100)

7:00 p.m. - Praise Band Rehearsal (Family Life Center)

#### Thursday, September 5

11:45 a.m. - 50+ Fellowship (Café)

1:30 p.m. - Finance Leaders (Pastor's Office)

1:30 p.m. - Power Packs (FLC/Youth Lounge)

6:00 p.m. - Jubilate Choir (Music Room)

7:30 p.m. - Herald Choir (Music Room)

#### Friday, September 6

1:00 p.m. - Al Anon (Cry Room)

### Saturday, September 7

10:00 a.m. - Lydia's Closet Clothing Bank (Youth Lounge)

### Sunday, September 8

8:00 a.m. - Traditional Worship (Sanctuary)

9:15 a.m. - Combined Adult Sunday School

10:00 a.m. - Word of Life Deaf Church (Chapel)

10:45 a.m. - New Day Worship (Family Life Center)

10:45 a.m. - Traditional Worship & Communion (Sanctuary)

11:00 a.m. - WOLD Sunday School (Room 100)

6:00 p.m. - Youth & Family Dinner (Café/FLC)

#### Monday, September 9

9:30 a.m. - Worship Leaders (Pastor's Office)

6:00 p.m. - Youth Choir (Music Room)

6:30 p.m. - Exsultate Ringers (Music Room)

7:00 p.m. - Council Meeting (Conference Room)

7:30 p.m. - St. Peter's Ringers (Music Room)

8:00 p.m. - AA (Room 100), Al Anon (Room 102)

# **LOOKING AHEAD**

# SEPTEMBER CALENDAR

### Tuesday, September 10

1:00 p.m. - Communication Committee (Conference Room)

7:00 p.m. - Worship Committee (Conference Room)

7:30 p.m. - Long Range Planning (Cry Room)

### Wednesday, September 11

9:30 a.m. - Bible Study (Café)

6:30 p.m. - WOLD Bible Study (Room 100)

7:00 p.m. - Property Committee (Conference Room)

7:00 p.m. - Praise Band Rehearsal (Family Life Center)

### Thursday, September 12

9:00 a.m. - WELCA (Augsburg Alley)

1:30 p.m. - Power Packs (Youth Lounge/FLC)

6:00 p.m. - Girl Scouts (Augsburg Alley)

6:00 p.m. - Jubilate Choir (Music Room)

7:30 p.m. - Herald Choir (Music Room)

#### Friday, September 13

1:00 p.m. - Al Anon (Cry Room)

#### Saturday, September 14

7:00 p.m. - Musical Arts (Sanctuary)

#### **Sunday, September 15**

8:00 a.m. - Traditional Worship & Communion (Sanctuary)

9:15 a.m. - Sunday School

10:00 a.m. - Word of Life Deaf Church (Chapel)

10:30 a.m. - Addiction Ministry Prayer Group (Cry Room)

10:45 a.m. - New Day Worship & Communion (FLC)

10:45 a.m. - Traditional Worship (Sanctuary)

11:00 a.m. - WOLD Sunday School (Room 100)

11:45 a.m. - Church Picnic (Café/FLC)

### Monday, September 16

9:30 a.m. - Worship Leaders (Pastor's Office)

6:00 p.m. - Youth Choir (Music Room)

6:30 p.m. - Exsultate Ringers (Music Room)

7:30 p.m. - St. Peter's Ringers (Music Room)

8:00 p.m. - AA (Room 100), Al Anon (Room 102)

#### **Tuesday, September 17**

10:00 a.m. - Staff Meeting (Conference Room)

1:30 p.m. - Book Club (Cry Room)

7:00 p.m. - Stewardship Committee (Conference Room)

### Wednesday, September 18

9:30 a.m. - Bible Study (Café)

6:30 p.m. - WOLD Bible Study (Room 100)

7:00 p.m. - Praise Band Rehearsal (FLC)

### **Thursday, September 19**

1:30 p.m. - Power Packs (FLC/Youth Lounge)

6:00 p.m. - Jubilate Choir (Music Room)

7:30 p.m. - Herald Choir (Music Room)



# **LOOKING AHEAD (continued)**

# SEPTEMBER CALENDAR

### Friday, September 20

1:00 p.m. - Al Anon (Cry Room)

### Saturday, September 21

4:30 p.m. - Just For Fun (Traditions of America - Lititz Club House)

### Sunday, September 22

8:00 a.m. - Traditional Worship (Sanctuary)

9:00 a.m. - Canticle Choir (Music Room)

9:15 a.m. - Sunday School

10:00 a.m. - Word of Life Deaf Church (Chapel)

10:45 a.m. - New Day Worship (FLC)

10:45 a.m. - Traditional Worship & Communion (Sanctuary)

11:00 a.m. - WOLD Sunday School (Room 100)

#### Monday, September 23

9:30 a.m. - Worship Leaders (Pastor's Office)

6:00 p.m. - Youth Choir (Music Room)

6:30 p.m. - Exsultate Ringers (Music Room)

6:45 p.m. - Tanzania Missions Committee (Conference Room)

7:00 p.m. - New Day Committee (Cry Room) 7:30 p.m. - St Peter's Ringers (Music Room) 8:00 p.m. - AA (Room 100) Al Alon (Room 102)

Tuesday, September 24

5:15 p.m. - African Drumming Instruction (Music Room)

6:30 p.m. - Advocacy Meeting (Conference Room)

#### Wednesday, September 25

9:30 a.m. - Bible Study (Café)

6:30 p.m. - WOLD Bible Study (Room 100)

7:00 p.m. - Praise Bank Rehearsal (FLC)

#### **Thursday, September 26**

1:30 p.m. - Power Packs (Youth Lounge/FLC)

6:00 p.m. - Girl Scouts (Augsburg Alley)

6:00 p.m. - Jubilate Choir (Music Room)

7:30 p.m. - Herald Choir (Music Room)

#### Friday, September 27

1:00 p.m. - Al Anon (Cry Room)

#### Sunday, September 29

8:00 a.m. - Traditional Worship & Communion (Sanctuary)

9:00 a.m. - Canticle Choir (Music Room)

9:15 a.m. - New Member Reunion - Spring Group (Café)

9:15 a.m. - Sunday School

10:45 a.m. - New Day Worship & Communion (FLC)

10:45 a.m. - Traditional Worship & Communion (Sanctuary)

### Monday, September 30

9:30 a.m. - Worship Leaders (Pastor's Office)

6:00 p.m. - Youth Choir (Music Room)

6:30 p.m. - Exsultate Ringers (Music Room)

7:30 p.m. - St. Peter's Ringers (Music Room)

8:00 p.m. - AA (Room 100) Al Alon (Room 102)



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