



# **“The Herald” Newsletter**

## **St. Peter’s Evangelical Lutheran Church**

Worship. Learn. Gather. Serve.

**November 2019**



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***“O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good, for his steadfast love endures forever.” Psalm 118:1***

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## **Annual Congregational Meeting — Sunday, November 10th**

This year’s Annual Meeting will be held on Sunday, November 10<sup>th</sup> at 10:30 a.m. in the church sanctuary. We will worship in a unified fashion at 9:00 a.m. in our traditional and New Day congregations, and then will gather in the sanctuary for the 10:30 a.m. meeting. A Sunday School experience will be offered for all non-confirmed children and youth. Confirmed youth can vote in the proceeding, so we hope they will be with us in the meeting. Following the 10:30 a.m. meeting we will have a modest coffee hour in the narthex for those wishing to stay and chat for a few minutes. It is a great way to get to talk with people you might not normally see, because you worship in different worship venues.

At this year’s meeting we will conduct typical business like approving the 2020 budget, electing congregational officers and council members, and receiving a few reports from some congregational committees and leaders. We will hear an update on the early stages of formation and strategy development for our proposed mission campaign. We will also have a second (ratifying) vote on the constitutional changes we have been working on for the past two years and which received a vote of approval at our June 2 meeting earlier this year. You should be here for three reasons: (1) We need a quorum to conduct business; and (2) You should know how your congregation is being managed by the staff and fellow members; and (3) It is your responsibility to take ownership for these items which are entrusted into the hands of the congregation gathered at this meeting. We hope to see you on the 10<sup>th</sup>.

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# November Worship Schedule

## **Sunday, November 3: *All Saints Sunday***

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

-- *Pastor Craig preaches*

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

--*Pastor Sarah preaches*



## **Sunday, November 10: *The Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost***

New Day Service with Station Communion at 9:00 a.m.

-- *Pastor Sarah preaches*

Unified Traditional Service with Station Communion at 9:00 a.m.

-- *Sister Dottie preaches*

## **Sunday, November 17: *The Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost***

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*

## **Sunday, November 24: *Christ the King Sunday***

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

-- *Sister Dottie preaches*

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

-- *Pastor Craig preaches*

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## **Thanksgiving Eve Service — November 27<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m.**



This year St. Peter's will be hosting the Manheim Township Ministerium Thanksgiving Eve service on Wednesday, November 27<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary. There is a rich history of having this service at St. Peter's and sharing leadership roles with pastors, priests, and deacons from other churches in the area. It is a time where our community can gather together in a new and different way. We will be collecting an offering during the service which will go to the Manheim Township Reduced and Free Lunch program. Come and worship, engage in contemplation and prayers of Thanksgiving to our God who provides all things, and give a gift that ensures a good meal goes to one of our neighborhood kids.

## **Thanksgiving Break**



The Church Office will be closed on Thursday & Friday, November 28<sup>th</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup> in observance of the Thanksgiving holiday. The Office will reopen on Monday, December 2<sup>nd</sup> at 8:30 a.m.

## All Saints' Sunday



Please join us for worship on Sunday, November 3<sup>rd</sup> as we observe All Saints Sunday. One of the centerpieces of the service is the litany of those saints who have died since the last All Saints Sunday during the prayers. Church members and loved ones in your families who died this past year will be remembered at worship.

At traditional worship, please sign the "Saints Register" in the narthex, if you would like your loved one remembered.

All Saints' at New Day will include a time for people to light a candle in memory of someone in their life whom they have lost and to remember the promises of new life through Jesus Christ.

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## Mission Campaign

Last Fall our congregation adopted the new mission statement "Building a community of faith by God's grace." This new mission statement is grounded in the Biblical values of loving God, loving our neighbor, and raising disciples in Jesus' name. The mission statement provides a lens through which our community is called into mission.

With this call to mission, the pastors and leaders of St. Peter's Lutheran Church feel called into a campaign to raise funds for missional needs including Christian educational resources, safe church initiatives, worship environment enhancements, church property renovations and improvements, and global mission initiatives that will lead this congregation to the future to which God is calling us.

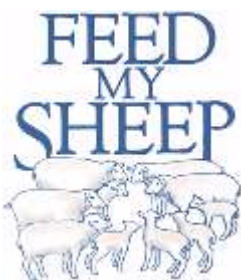
This summer the St. Peter's council blessed the creation of a campaign planning committee.

The committee is in its early stages of formation and strategy. At this time, it is the committee's hope to interview a number of consulting partners who may guide us through a feasibility study and a successful mission campaign.

We hope to give an update on the Mission Campaign later this Fall during the Annual Meeting. In the meantime, we ask that you keep the campaign planning committee in your prayers for discernment and a spirit of wisdom.

In Jesus' name may we continue the mission of building a community of faith by God's grace,

Pastor Craig and Pastor Sarah



### The Sheep are Hungry! Please Help Feed Them

Needed in November: *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 Food Hub.

*Thanks for your donations!*

## Adult Christian Education

### Wednesday Morning Bible Study

We finished our study of the Books of Proverbs and Ecclesiastes in October, examining two of the prime biblical examples of the wisdom tradition found in the Old Testament. Their presentation to us of sayings which prompt us to think about our values and our behavior, our morals and our conduct, led to much fruitful discussion in our class time. In November we will continue our study of our major emphasis for the year ... an examination of the traditional “seven authentic letters of St. Paul.” Why not consider joining this vibrant group of 40-50 fellow believers in the remaining months of the 2019 year, as we study familiar material in ways that always open up faith discussion, historical reflection, and theological questions. 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 November schedule is as follows:

**November 6** – 1 Thessalonians, Introduction & Chapters 1-2

**November 13** – 1 Thessalonians, Chapters 3-5

**November 20**– 1 Corinthians, Introduction & Chapters 1-3

**November 27**– NO CLASS – Thanksgiving Break



**November Pub Theology** – Wednesday, November 13<sup>th</sup> – 6:30 p.m. at Scooters. RSVP to Sister Dottie if you can attend. [dottie.almoney@stpeterslutheran.org](mailto:dottie.almoney@stpeterslutheran.org)

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

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

**Crosspoints (Conference Room)** - This class is a combination of Theology, Church history and the intersection of Faith and Life.

**November 3** – Means of Grace, pt 1 with Pastor Ross

**November 10** - Congregational Meeting -10:30am

**November 17** – Means of Grace, pt 2

**November 24** – The New Testament you Never Knew, pt 4

**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*.

**November 3** - Our problems with work

**November 10** - Annual Meeting - No Adult Sunday School

**November 17** - PAD service dogs presentation

**November 24** - The Gospel and Work



We meet in Room 100 at 9:15 am. All are welcome!



## **Our fall Stewardship Campaign for 2020 has begun!**

We're focused on increasing volunteering, re-gifting (what is that you say?) and Committing. Please look for our Stewardship Mailing to appear in your mailbox during the week of November 11<sup>th</sup>. In case you have missed them in the Sunday Bulletin, consider the following messages as you prayerfully consider your commitment for 2020.



**Stewardship means "Volunteering".** Our Volunteer Steward, Betsy Linn, recently completed a survey and found that nearly 600 people in our congregation give of their time and talent to St. Peters. That is an incredible number! And many of you also volunteer in other organizations outside of our church. Thanks to each of you for all you do for our church, our community and our world. And for those of you who still have more time, we're never too old or too young to share our time and talent. Thanks for giving from the Stewardship Committee.



**Stewardship means "Gratitude & Preservation"**- Many times, when we think of financial stewardship, we focus on "giving a portion of what we have received". This is an expression of gratitude and should always be the first reason we share our "first fruits" (Prov. 3-9- Honor the Lord with your wealth and with the first fruits of all you produce). However, "preservation" might be an equally significant reason for giving. Yes, our rostered staff, our congregation and our building need and require your gifts for preservation of "the Word" in our lives and the future. So, when you are considering your financial stewardship commitment for 2020, remember the words "gratitude and preservation". Thanks for giving from the Stewardship Committee.



**Stewardship means "Re-gifting".** Many of you have been the receiver of a "re-gift". And some of you have probably "re-gifted" something that was given to you. In most cases, these gifts are humorous items that no one else wanted. We, the stewardship committee, want you to "re-gift" for 2020. If you recognize that all you have- your time and your wealth - is a gift from God. Please consider what portion of God's gift to you, you want to give back to St. Peters and to the congregation for 2020. Thanks for giving from the Stewardship Committee.



**Stewardship means "Commitment".** Soon you will receive a letter from Pastor Ross and a return card for your financial, time and talent commitment for 2020. Please prayerfully consider how you will "re-gift" your time and treasure by giving and volunteering to St. Peters in 2020. The Stewardship Committee thanks you for your generosity to our church

Sunday, November 24<sup>th</sup> kicks off Stewardship Commitment Week. We thank you in anticipation of your continuing support for St. Peter's and the ministries of our congregation through the fullness and diversity of your gifts of time, talent and treasure.

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### **Finance Committee**

#### **September 2019 Financial Report**

	Month	Year to Date	Year to Date
		Actual	Budget
General Fund Receipts	\$100,252	\$752,400	\$751,311
General Fund Expenses	\$78,810	\$781,837	\$842,185
Surplus (Deficit)	\$21,443	\$(29,437)	\$(90,874)
Debt Reduction Receipts	\$14,182	\$107,868	\$116,138
Debt Reduction Expenses	\$14,229	\$121,588	\$116,138
Surplus (Deficit)	\$(47)	\$(13,720)	
Total Surplus (Deficit)	\$21,396	\$(43,157)	

## Social Ministry



**Lydia's Closet Clothing Bank** will be open on Saturday, November 2<sup>nd</sup> from 10:00 – 12:00 p.m. in the Youth Lounge. To volunteer, please contact Molly Olmsted at [astaloo@me.com](mailto:astaloo@me.com). The clothing bank is always in need of new underwear, especially for older teens (adult sizes).

**November Community Meal** will be Wednesday, November 6<sup>th</sup> at Grace Lutheran Church. For more information about volunteering, contact Jan Gigl at [ronjangigl@comcast.net](mailto:ronjangigl@comcast.net)



Community Meal



**Christmas Giving Trees** will be set up in the Narthex and Youth Lounge. Donations will go to families in Manheim Township, as well as the School District of Lancaster. Please take a tag and return by December 8<sup>th</sup>. Contact Sister Dottie with questions at [dottie.almoney@stpeterslutheran.org](mailto:dottie.almoney@stpeterslutheran.org).

## Addiction Ministries



Our committee will be collecting personal care items (tooth paste, tooth brushes, soap, shampoo/conditioner and deodorant and hand towels) to pack for local addiction and rehab centers. We will have a packing party on Sunday December 8<sup>th</sup> with a light lunch after the 10:45 service in the Café. Look for the donation boxes in the narthex and youth lounge. Questions? Contact Kathy Berkebile at [kberkebile@comcast.net](mailto:kberkebile@comcast.net).

## Prayer Chain Ministry



YOU'VE READ THE ANNOUNCEMENTS in the bulletins and the HERALD. You've thought about it and (hopefully) even prayed about it....so why haven't you joined the Prayer Chain yet? Afraid you don't know "the right way to pray?" or "how to pray"? There is no right or wrong way to pray. You can pray anytime and at any place. You are just talking to God. As a member of the Prayer Chain, you are bringing another person's name before God and stating their needs. We give you the name and the concern/issue they are dealing with. You bring the name before God. You do this when it suits you best....your time, your schedule. Please contact Angela Moshos (717) 392-6201 or Ginny Gerhart (717) 626-7406 for more information.



*"I urge that supplications, prayers, intercession and thanksgivings be made for everyone" 1 Timothy 2:1*

**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.

## Health and Wellness Committee

### Alzheimer's Awareness Month

The month of November is known as Alzheimer's Awareness Month. President Ronald Reagan made that designation in 1983 and it is something that is still recognized today. According to the Alzheimer's Association, at that time there were less than two million people with the disease. Through the years that number has grown to more than five million.

### What is Alzheimer's Disease?

Alzheimer's disease is a type of dementia that leads to memory, thinking, and behavior problems. It is the most common form of dementia, accounting for 60 to 80 percent of all cases. It is also the sixth leading cause of death in the United States. Although those ages 65 and older are more likely to develop Alzheimer's disease, there are thousands of others under the age of 65 who have early-onset Alzheimer's. There are no drugs or treatments to cure Alzheimer's disease, but there are treatments that can slow down its progression. Researchers are constantly looking for new treatments as they search for a cure for this mind-robbing disease.

### Alzheimer's Disease Symptoms

Part of Alzheimer's disease awareness is knowing the symptoms so you can know whether a loved one may be developing it. The symptoms include:

**Memory Loss** – People may forget things they've learned as well as dates and events. They may also ask for the same information over and over again.

**Trouble Planning or Solving Problems** – You may notice a loved one taking longer to complete tasks they used to be able to do much quicker or they have trouble following directions, even a simple recipe becomes complex.

**Confusion with Time or Place** – People with Alzheimer's often lose track of time. They also forget where they are and even how they got there.

**Misplacing Things & Unable to Retrace Steps** – As people forget dates and events they may also start to misplace objects. Although they would be able to retrace their steps in the past and find what they were looking for, that is no longer the case. This may lead them to accuse others of stealing because they can no longer find what's theirs.

**Mood & Personality Changes** – Because of the changes that are going on in their mind, you may notice major shifts in mood and personality. They may become confused, suspicious and even depressed.

### Helping People with Alzheimer's Disease

Although there is no cure for Alzheimer's disease, you can help a loved one, especially if the disease is still in its early stages. **Keep a Daily Routine - Don't Overstimulate – Be Reassuring** – “You are safe with me” is enough to make that person feel at ease. **Don't Yell or Argue** – Be the calming voice they need.

While you may be able to care for an Alzheimer's patient in the early stages of the disease, doing so as it progresses can become more challenging. Many times the patient can present a danger to himself by wandering off or forgetting to turn off the stove. If this is the case, it may be time to consider a memory care facility that can monitor and manage the patient.

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## Camp Corner

November is a beautiful time of year. Consider enjoying a day at camp during one of these events. Summer camp brochures are also coming soon! Contact Joy and Lyle Hosler with any questions about camp. ([joy@hoslerfamily.net](mailto:joy@hoslerfamily.net); 717-560-4753)



November 3: Quilt Auction (Nawakwa)

November 8-10: Women's Craft Retreat (Nawakwa)

November 24: Thanksgiving Dinner Church (Wittel Farm)

December 7: Advent Day Apart (Wittel Farm)

## New Members

We give thanks for the new members who have joined the St. Peter's family this fall. We have received several infants and children as members through baptism—and give thanks as their parents raise them to know the love of Christ. We have welcomed 10 households in our 2019 Fall New Member class. They were formally received in worship in October. Please take a look at their pictures on the kiosk in the narthex and Family Life Center and be sure to say hello. In fact, invite them to something—Sunday School, a musical arts concert, or an upcoming youth event. Everyone was new at one time, and needs a friendly “hello!”

**Lloyd & Marty Bull**, 2026 Kestrel Court, Lancaster, PA 17603; Phone - 717-569-5506; Email - bull552@msn.com

Lloyd and Marty are transferring their membership from Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, Lancaster. As lifelong residents of Lancaster, and lifelong Lutherans, they have been aware of most Lutheran churches in the area. They were attracted to St. Peter's by the attitude of staff (especially Pastor Ross) and the friendliness of members. They both are retired.

**Pam Hagen**, 600 W. 6<sup>th</sup> St., Apt. 2001, Lititz, PA 17543; Email - hagen2460@gmail.com

Pam is transferring her membership from Seneca Presbyterian Church, Seneca, SC. She is a retired teacher and heard about St. Peter's from friends and St. Peter's members Mary Ann Frontz and Bob Bowman. She enjoys the relevant and meaningful sermons, good music, strong and supportive community and a completely welcoming community. This process - moving and all involved, church “shopping” and choosing a new life has been God-driven.

**Kyle & Tracey Himmelreich (Emily, Aaron)**, 324 Bloomfield Drive, Lititz, PA 17543

The Himmelreich family is transferring from Muddy Creek Lutheran Church, Denver, PA. Kyle is a Physical Therapist at LGH Penn Medicine Home Health and Tracey is a Scientist at Eurofins Lancaster Labs. They have two children, Emily and Aaron. They enjoy the non-judgmental fellowship and the children's programs.

**Gail Hipple**, 1216 Brighton Ave., Lititz, PA 17543

Gail is transferring her membership from St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church, Anderson, IA. She enjoys the large congregation and lively interaction. Gail is married to Jeffrey Hipple and is retired.

**John & Erica Kearon (Rylie, Hannah)**, Email - erica.haun@gmail.com

John & Erica are transferring their membership from Zion Lutheran, Landisville. John is an advertising sales executive with Pandora Media and Erica is an engineer at Ernst & Young. They have two children, Rylie and Hannah. They were attracted to St. Peter's because of the young families. Erica actually went to Preschool here at St. Peter's! It is important to them to have youth oriented programs (with kids to fill it!).

**Joi Monacci**, 2520 Mondamin Farm Road, Lancaster, PA 17601; Email - joimonacci@gmail.com

Joi is employed at BB&T as a Bank Teller. She was attracted to St. Peter's by the friendly pastors, music and great messages. She enjoys feeling part of the group here and the welcoming staff. Joi is a former member of St. John Neumann Catholic Church.

**Robin Nickels**, 66 Farmview Lane, Lititz, PA 17543; Phone - 717-587-4864; Email - robinnickels2@gmail.com

Robin is a retired clerical worker.

**Steve “Tex” Reynolds**, 1064 Constitution Drive, Lititz, PA 17543

Steve heard about St. Peter's when he moved into the area. He was stopping off at different churches and Vicar Nancy was able to give him a tour. He spoke about how welcoming and open his experience was and it made him want to come on a Sunday morning. Steve is transferring from Parkland Community Church, Langhorne, PA

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## **New Members**

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**Jay & Katie Schlegelmilch (Luke, Amber)**, 517 Hummingbird Drive, Lititz, PA 17543; Phone - 717-626-4854; Email - jayslegg@dejazzd.com

Jay and Katie have two children, Luke and Amber. Jay and Katie both went to St. Peter's as they were growing up. He is the Lead Custodian at Manheim Township School District and Katie is a Learning Support Teacher at Cocalico School District. They were attracted to St. Peter's by the Sunday School program and other family activities.

**Jeff & Sara Usner**, 947 Brunnerville Road, Lititz, PA 17543; Phone - 717-669-1898; Email - smusner@yahoo.com

Jeff and Sara are transferring their membership from Zion Lutheran Church, Leola, PA. They enjoy the New Day Praise Service. Sara is the Director of Patient Access at Wellspan Health.

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## **Worship and Music at St. Peter's**

### **Worship Leadership**

<b>Date</b>	<b>8:00 Traditional</b>	<b>10:45 Traditional</b>
November 3	Canticle Choir	Herald Choir, Exsultate Ringers
November 10	(9:00) Herald Choir	N/A
November 17	No Choirs	Youth Choir
November 24	St. Peter's Ringers	Exsultate Ringers, Herald Choir

### **Jubilate Choir Christmas Season**

The next Jubilate Choir season begins this month with rehearsals on Thursdays from 6:00-6:30. If you haven't already, go to [www.stpeterslutheran.org/jubilate-choir/](http://www.stpeterslutheran.org/jubilate-choir/) to learn more and to sign up your 1st- 5th grader to participate in leading worship and learning more about the Christian faith through music. We'll be working on music to sing at the 5:00 p.m. Christmas Eve service as well as singing some favorite Christmas songs.

### **Art for Christmas Devotional**

Artists are encouraged to submit drawings, prints, or other scannable art with Christmas themes to be included in a Christmas Devotional Booklet. Some possible images include stars, a manger, Mary, Joseph, wise men, Christmas trees, candles, or even a camel! Put your ideas in image form and help decorate an at-home devotional booklet for the Christmas season. Illustrations of all shapes and sizes are usable. Please submit art to Adam in person or digitally at [adam.hughes@stpeterslutheran.org](mailto:adam.hughes@stpeterslutheran.org).

### **Sunday School Music**

This year at the kickoff for rotation Sunday School, we've been singing together. It's been a lot of fun getting to make some music with the kids, and to explore our faith through song. Ask your kiddos if they've learned any new songs during Sunday School and you might be surprised!

### **Musical Arts – Sunday, December 1, 4pm – Voices of the Valley**

This holiday concert is not to be missed. Voices of the Valley presents an evening of beautiful music in our beautiful Sanctuary to put you in the Christmas spirit. Concert is Sunday, December 1<sup>st</sup> at 4:00pm.

### **No Rehearsals Thursday, November 28**

There are NO rehearsals on Thursday, November 28<sup>th</sup>. Hope everyone has a great Thanksgiving holiday!

## Groups and Events

**50 PLUS** — Please join us on Thursday, November 7<sup>th</sup> at 11:45 a.m. in the Café for lunch, fellowship, entertainment and education. Our guest speaker will be Dr. Bob Frick continuing his series, “Together, They Made Lancaster Great”. His November presentation will focus on C. Emlen Urban, Peter Watt and James Shand. Please bring your own sandwich, place setting, a beverage and a snack to share. Our annual Christmas luncheon will be on December 5<sup>th</sup> at the Eden Resort. Sign-up sheet is on the Bulletin Board and will be available at the meeting. Cost is \$16 per person. Dr. Frick will continue his series on January 2<sup>nd</sup>, February 6<sup>th</sup> and March 6, 2020. This schedule is posted on the Activities Bulletin Board. New building security practices will be in place. We will have a sign-in sheet outside the kitchen area and 50+ tags to wear. If you have any questions, please contact Debra Shue at 717-318-8848 or [djshue52@comcast.net](mailto:djshue52@comcast.net).

**WELCA** — **Too Much Stuff? Time to downsize? Come to WELCA on Thursday, November 14<sup>th</sup>** at 9:00 a.m. in Room 124. A light breakfast will be served. Elizabeth “Liz” Fry, Senior Move Manager from “Beyond the Fork in the Road” will speak to us regarding the dilemma of downsizing! All women are welcome. The November Personal Care Kit item is sturdy combs. Any questions, contact Sally Rager, 717-569-6119 or Kathy Caldwell, 717-627-7434.

**JUST FOR FUN GROUP** — We will meet on Saturday, November 16<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. for conversation, appetizers, desserts and planning our 2020 calendar of events at the home of Dennis and Louise Sitler, 112 Red Fox Lane, Lititz, PA. A sign-up sheet and directions will be posted on the bulletin board next to the Nursery room. Please call 717-568-2848 if you have questions.



**ST. PETER’S BOOK CLUB** will meet on Tuesday, November 19, 2019, at 1:30 p.m. in the Cry Room. The book to be discussed is the mystery/thriller A Woman in the Window by A. J. Finn. Aaron’s Book Store in Lititz will give a discount to St. Peter’s Book Club if you purchase your book there. Everyone is welcome to attend! Please contact Mary Ann Frontz at [mafrontz45@gmail.com](mailto:mafrontz45@gmail.com) if you have any questions.

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



Please join us for our second Craft Fair on Saturday, November 30<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. in the Family Life Center. This event will consist of Crafters and Vendors and their unique creations made lovingly by hand. Bring your friends and family and shop in a relaxed and festive atmosphere! You’ll find something for you and everyone else on your Christmas list! Food will also be available for purchase.



### Luther Acres

### Annual Holiday Bazaar



Friday, November 22<sup>nd</sup>, from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. and Saturday, November 23<sup>rd</sup>, from 8:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. It will be held at the Towne Center Community Room on the campus of Luther Acres, 600 E. Main St., Lititz. Get a head start on your holiday shopping! They will have a silent auction, baked goods, jewelry, crafts and artwork by local artist/artisans. For more information, call 717-626-1171 or [www.luthercare.org](http://www.luthercare.org).

### Friends of Luther Acres Pancake Breakfast



Saturday, November 23<sup>rd</sup> from 7:30 - 10:00 a.m. at Katy’s Grill in Luther Acres’ Towne Center. \$5.00 for pancakes, sausage and juice.



## Pastor's Letter

*For I received from the Lord what I also handed on to you, that the Lord Jesus on the night when he was betrayed took a loaf of bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, 'This is my body that is for\* you. Do this in remembrance of me.' (1 Corinthians 11:23-24, NRSV)*

Dear Friends:

Allow me to express my gratefulness to you for your partnership (and patience) in allowing our discussion around the celebration of communion to unfold in our community of faith this past year. I recognize that some of you felt the period of discernment dragged on a bit too long. But the healthy conversation we have had this year around the topic of weekly communion has been an essential part of the deliberation that your pastors and Worship Committee have engaged in around this topic. I am obviously aware that the hope of our Evangelical Lutheran Church in America leadership is that congregations will embrace the celebration of the Lord's Supper at all Sunday worship services. But I am also aware of a somewhat diverse piety that characterizes our congregation around our celebration of the Sacrament of the Altar. It is a result of the great variety of denominational backgrounds which our members bring to their faith lives from membership in their former congregations. My belief is that this diversity of piety is good for us, and helps us maintain a healthy balance between the emphases of both Word and Sacrament in our worship ministry. The Worship Committee was wise in recommending that we basically keep our current communion practice, adding just a couple of additional communion celebrations during the Easter season. It is the right decision at this point in time. This conversation we were having was at risk of changing from a period of discernment to a time of protracted argument around our preferences for how we receive the Lord's Body and Blood into our lives. It would be tragic, if this meal that is intended to unite us became a source of division among us. So, it is time to "put the issue to rest" for the moment, and simply live together as the people of God in this place and at this time. Please be aware ... if you still have some concerns about us not committing to a celebration of communion at every Sunday service ... that we are in full agreement with our ELCA sacramental policy, The Means of Grace, which advises in Application 35B ... "*All of our congregations are encouraged to celebrate the Lord's Supper weekly, but not every service need be a Eucharist.*" That is exactly the place where our practice lands. So, we are in full agreement with our sacramental policy document.

Please feel free to continue to share with your pastors your passions around the sacrament of the Altar. We are always glad to engage in conversation around one of our two primary sacraments in the Church. While the Worship Committee, of which your pastors are active participants, have made a decision at this moment in time, to continue the alternative schedule which we have observed for the past couple of years ... we are always interested in your perspectives and passions around our worship life and our sacramental practice. Knowing that you will continue to yearn for the Sacrament of the Altar, we know that we will ...

See you in Church ...

Pastor Craig

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## PASTORAL ACTS

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

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| Funerals: | Brett T. Brown on October 10, 2019 at St. Peter's<br>Harriet Ranck on October 22, 2019 at St. Peter's<br>Vada Sheetz on October 24, 2019 at St. Peter's |
| Weddings: | Ellen May & Cory Newberry on September 23, 2019<br>at The Water Works, Lancaster, PA  |





## **Pastor Sarah's Message**

Dear friends in Christ,

"I thank my God every time I remember you, constantly praying with joy in every one of my prayers for all of you, because of your sharing in the gospel from the first day until now."

-The apostle Paul, Philippians 1:3

Whenever writing to fellow believers, the apostle Paul would begin by giving thanks. He usually would write about his thankfulness to God in the ways he was connected to fellow brothers and sisters in Christ. He wanted to make sure that his joy, thanksgiving, and gratitude were the first things out of his lips and poured into the written word.

The month of November is often a time that we Americans sit back and find words of thanksgiving. It stems back into the early pages of our national history. Every November the St. Peter's preschool remembers that first Thanksgiving with food and decorations and learning about the Pilgrims and the Native Americans who offered kindness to them.

Something our preschoolers may *not know* (and admittedly I didn't know either) is that the first pilgrims lost half of their original settlers in sickness and hardship. Some wondered if they should just give up and head back to the "old world." When the first anniversary of their landing rolled around, the pilgrims discussed how it should be observed. Would it be a day of lament and mourning for so much loss? Would it be a day of resentment and longing for what was? Instead, the anniversary was observed with praise and thanksgiving for what God had provided. The Pilgrims chose gratitude, and carved a tradition we follow to this day.

### **How do you carve a space for gratitude?**

Maybe it's by literally carving a turkey and inviting friends and family to give thanks.

Maybe you carve a space in your day and thank God for the peace you have.

Perhaps you carve a space for gratitude like Paul did, and send words of thanks to the people in your life.

I think sometimes we fear speaking out about our thanks and praise. If we do, then maybe "we'll jinx ourselves." Friends...the truth is this...we don't curse ourselves for giving thanks and giving praise to God and the people God provides in our lives.

In fact, speaking up and speaking out with thanksgiving enriches our moments (and blesses others!) Giving thanks is the gravy that makes this feast called life extra special and wonderfully good.

"...that my glory may sing your praise and not be silent. O LORD my God,  
I will give thanks to you forever!" -Psalm 30:12

Peace,

**Pastor Sarah**

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## **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 [www.stpeterslutheran.org](http://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.

# From the Director of Music

## **Psalm and the Winds of Change**

You can feel the winds of change in the air. The physical winds bringing colder air from the arctic north that freezes out the plants, birds, and bugs. Other winds of change blow through our community with decisions made at congregational meeting, the turn toward the new church and calendar years, and an increase in the pace of life as we approach a busy season.

In times like these, we may search for comfort and you would be hard pressed to find a better teacher than the appointed psalms for the month.



At our All Saints' celebration on November 3<sup>rd</sup>, we'll share our praise with the words of [Psalm 149](#): "Sing to the Lord a new song, his praise in the assembly of the faithful." And again, "For the Lord takes pleasure in his people; he adorns the humble with victory." The psalmist reminds us that though dramatic changes may occur in our lives, particularly with the loss of loved ones, there is one thing who is constant in our life and worthy of praise at all times: God.

On November 10<sup>th</sup>, before our congregational meeting, we'll share these words from [Psalm 17:1-9](#): "Guard me as the apple of the eye; hide me in the shadow of your wings, from the wicked who despoil me, my deadly enemies who surround me." We are reminded in worship that in times of change, we may call upon the Lord to watch over us. We certainly aren't the only ones who have ever experienced change in our culture or in our private lives. This psalm connects us to a people not all that different from us and we join with their pleas to God to "Wondrously show [God's] steadfast love."

The following week, God is extolled as a paragon of "steadfast love and faithfulness" in [Psalm 98](#). This psalm begins with a brief recounting of God's work in the world and what follows is an amazing description of how all of creation praises God. Despite the ongoing changes to our world, all the earth breaks forth in joyous song with lyre, melodies, trumpets, and horns. It isn't only the animals who rejoice; the sea roars, the floods clap their hands, and the hills sing at the presence of the Lord. Change may surround us, but God is in the midst of it.

Finally, on November 24<sup>th</sup> (Christ the King), we proclaim God is our refuge our strength using [Psalm 46](#). And though the mountains may crumble or the waters rage and foam, we will not fear. We know not to fear because there is a city of God which shall never be moved and we know from our All Saints' celebrations at the beginning of the month. Nothing separates us from God's love, and we know that at the end of all things, at the final change in our lives, we will be united with the God of steadfast love and faithfulness.

The Psalms are a rich resource of imagery and many of them are written from a truly personal perspective. It's easy to see how these writings have become a beloved resource for hymnwriters, preachers, and Christians across the whole globe. For another look at how we incorporate the psalms in worship, come to Crosspoints on December 1<sup>st</sup> for an exploration of the Psalms in Christian Worship.

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### **PLEASE HELP SAVE MAILING COSTS!!!!**

**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 at 717-569-9211 or [sandy.shattuck@stpeterslutheran.org](mailto:sandy.shattuck@stpeterslutheran.org) 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.



## Youth & Family Ministry News...

**November 3:**

No meeting due to the November 2<sup>nd</sup> trip to Philadelphia.

**November 30:**

St. Peter's Craft Show Food Stand – We will be “manning” the kitchen and selling food – all profits go towards our youth program. We need donations of baked goods – individually wrapped for sale. Look for the sign up genius with more information.

**December 1:**

First Dinner Theater Practice – 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. for all actors (dinner and practice).

Youth Group Service Project and Dinner – 6:00 – 8:00 p.m. for all who will not be part of the dinner theater practice. Watch for the sign up genius to donate food.



**Youth Actors wanted for our annual Christmas Dinner Theater** – which will be held on Sunday, December 15<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 p.m. Youth can have both speaking and non-speaking parts. Practices will be Sunday evenings, December 1<sup>st</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. Fill out a participation form (on the youth board or Sunday School rooms) and return it to Sister Dottie.

Contact Sister Dottie at [dottie.almoney@stpeterslutheran.org](mailto:dottie.almoney@stpeterslutheran.org) for more information about these events!



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## St. Peter's Preschool

Our preschool is humming along with full classrooms and busy staff and students. We still have a few openings in our pre-k afternoon class for 4/5 year olds. Contact us if you are interested in a tour!

We have had several successful fire drills already this year and will be practicing our *Safety (Intruder) Drills* in the next few weeks. A priority for our church and preschool is to keeping everyone safe and secure while enjoying this beautiful building. Thanks to all who assist us with that focus. You can help us with our commitment to security by being a vigilant observer while in our building or parking lot. Please report anything unusual to the office. Also be sure to pull locked doors behind you when leaving the building and do not open any locked doors to allow people to enter. Thanks again to our volunteers and parishioners who are taking time to check in at the office and get their name tags. It's working well and we appreciate your support and understanding. A special note of appreciation goes to our teaching staff, who consistently provide the best possible preschool experience for all of our students and families in a safe and loving environment. Our teachers attended an in-service day ALICE training ( *Alert, Lockdown, Inform, Counter, Evacuate* ) led by Sister Dottie and me. This is a protocol used in surrounding school districts which empowers schools and churches with distinct and practical ways to prepare, take action and protect children and staff during an active intruder emergency. Knowledge and preparation is truly powerful!

We are entering into our busy holiday season! We are so blessed to share this special time of year with our students. It adds so much to the joy of the season when you can see the happiness and excitement on so many little faces, and we at St. Peter's Preschool wish you a very blessed holiday season as well! You may see a Thanksgiving turkey roaming the halls in November and certainly keep an eye out for Santa at Christmas time. He loves to visit our students!

**Lorraine DiBernardo, Preschool Director**

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**CHECK OUT ST. PETER'S  
FACEBOOK PAGE!  
LIKE US ON FACEBOOK!**

# ST. PETER'S KIDS

On Sunday, October 27<sup>th</sup>, **Bibles were distributed** to children age 3, grade 2 and grade 5. If your child was not present to receive their Bible, please contact Cindy to set up a time to get his/hers.

Sunday, November 10<sup>th</sup> – The annual **Congregational Meeting** will take place on **November 10<sup>th</sup> from 10:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m.** Sunday School will take place simultaneously. The Age 2/3, Age 4, and Kindergarten classes will meet in their usual rooms. The Rotation Sunday School group will meet in the Family Life Center and will watch a movie and do a craft.



Friday, December 6<sup>th</sup> – **St. Nicholas Workshop.** Need a night out without the kids? Then bring your children ages 4 (by November 30) through 6<sup>th</sup> grade to our St. Nicholas Workshop. Sign up online at <https://www.stpeterslutheran.org/st-nicholas-workshop>. The evening will run from 5:30 p.m.-8:00 p.m. Dinner will be served in the Café followed by many fun activities, including the children making gifts for their family (ages 4 through 4<sup>th</sup> grade). The 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> graders will have their own seasonal activities. The suggested donation for this fun event is \$5 per child or \$10 per family (whichever fits your budget!) Please note: This event is open to church members and prospective church members only. See Miss Cindy with any questions.

Saturday, December 14<sup>th</sup> – **Breakfast with Santa** - Mark your calendars for this fun community event which will be held from 9:00 to 11:00 a.m. We will have a full breakfast available (pancakes, sausage, etc.) in the Family Life Center. Online registration through the church's website at <https://www.stpeterslutheran.org/santa-breakfast> is required to reserve your time to visit with Santa. You don't want to miss out on the caroling, crafts, and free professional photos with Santa!



**Volunteers needed for upcoming events!** We are in need of youth and adult volunteers to help with the St. Nicholas Workshop on December 6<sup>th</sup> and Santa Breakfast with Santa on December 14<sup>th</sup>. Please contact Cindy Geesey at [cindy.geesey@stpeterslutheran.org](mailto:cindy.geesey@stpeterslutheran.org) to get started!

**Sunday School teachers and guides are still needed for all our classes! Please consider volunteering your time and talent to serving our youngest followers!**

## 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 – Frog Room**

**Kindergarten – Frog Room**

**Rotation Sunday School** is for children grade 1 through grade 4. We 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.

**Reminder:** If you haven't already done so, please complete a registration form for your children, ages 2 to 4<sup>th</sup> grade, for Sunday School. We need these in order to have contact information in case of an emergency, and more importantly, to inform teachers of any special needs.

If you have any questions, contact Cindy Geesey, Director of Children's Ministries at [cindy.geesey@stpeterslutheran.org](mailto:cindy.geesey@stpeterslutheran.org).



## **From the Volunteer Steward**

A big thank you to all of you that helped make our Volunteer Fair a success! We appreciate you taking the time to serve and visit to find out all the wonderful opportunities that St. Peter's provides!

With another Thanksgiving just weeks away, have you thought about what you have to be thankful for? A roof over your head, food to eat, clothes to wear? We are all blessed in many ways. I'm sure you have seen all the new information about opportunities to volunteer at St. Peter's. This month we are highlighting several committees that need help.

Long Range Planning is looking for a couple of new members to help guide the future of our church. Committee meets one evening per month. Develop and maintain a strategic plan for the congregation. After approval by church leadership, evaluate and report on plan outcomes.

Parish Life Committee is looking for people to provide help a few times a year.

Meets quarterly. Members help coordinate various ministry groups within the church focused on the needs and well-being of members of the congregation. This is an organizational committee that promotes communication between the many and varied committees that help us to serve and support our church family.

Some of the activities performed are: transportation and meals to members in need, funeral meals are provided after services, organize and prepare the Sages Special Services 3 times a year.

As we look at how lucky we are, please consider giving some time to these special ministries!

"Therefore, my dear brothers and sisters, stand firm. Let nothing move you. Always give yourselves fully to the work of the Lord, because you know that your labor in the Lord is not in vain." 1 Corinthians 15:58

Please contact me with any questions!

**Betsy Linn, Volunteer Steward**

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## **Archives Committee**

**Lancaster New Era Archives - October 25, 1905**

***Handsome New Edifice Being Erected by the Lutheran Congregation***

More than a year ago it was decided without a dissenting vote that the old frame Lutheran church on the hill must give way to a new sanctuary and also on a newly purchased lot. The Church Council, acting as a committee on the selection of a new site, soon agreed to purchase the best and most available lot in the town (Neffsville) from Mr. Jacob Dornbaugh.

Early in the year plans were submitted by an architect, which were accepted by the council. The Building Committee composed of Messrs. Abram B. Haverstick, Isaac G. Weaver, and Jacob G. Herr, soon arranged for the staking off of the ground, excavating, and the building of the wall. All this work was well and promptly done, and considerably before the arrival of the great American Fourth of July everything was in readiness for the carpenters and bricklayers. By the 20<sup>th</sup> of July the lumber was promised and expected on the ground no later than August 1<sup>st</sup> but it did not arrive until September 21<sup>st</sup>. Hence, owing to pressure of work upon framers and mechanics, the first public and important event did not take place until October 15, 1905, at 2:00 o'clock when the beautiful new white marble cornerstone was laid with appropriate and solemn ceremony by the pastor, The Rev. J.E. Maurer, assisted by Rev. B.F. Alleman, DD, of Lancaster, Rev. O.O. Leidich of Manheim, and Rev. M. Grossman of Addison, PA. The cornerstone of the old church was also laid in the foundation of the Sunday School room.

The church, when completed, will be a good, substantial building, with a seating capacity of five hundred, including all departments. The pastor and the members of St. Peter's Lutheran Church, together with their friends, are heartily and unitedly working to make this sanctuary worthy of the town and the beautiful country in which it is located, a credit to human skill and labor, and above all to the glory of God and the salvation of souls. The builder, Mr. Jacob G. Herr, will push the work to completion as rapidly as possible. The old frame church was built in 1880, when the Rev. J. Peter was pastor. This will, in due time, be taken down and its lot become part of the church cemetery. The present church council is composed of Messrs. Abram B. Haverstick, Jacob Dornbaugh, Isaac G. Weaver, Jacob M. Amer, Daniel Buch, Christ. J. Klaus, Adam B. Vogel, and M.P. Haverstick, the Sunday School, the Aid Society, and fourteen lady solicitors of the congregation are rendering special aid in securing funds to complete the church and dedicate it free from debt.

## Traditional Worship Assistant Schedule for November

	ACOLYTE/ CROSSBEARER	LECTORS	COMMUNION ASSISTANT	USHERS	BREAD & WINE PRESENTERS
<b>November 3</b> 8:00 a.m.	Sean O'Brien	Eric May	Clint Frontz Susan Ketchum	Eric May, Larry Wilcox, Bill & Linda Montgomery, Mark & Melanie Burkholder	Patti & Maurielle Courtois
<b>10:45 a.m.</b>	Ethan Groff	Nancy Beauregard	Kenneth Benner Shirley Gorner	Greg & Sylvia Lashley, Robert & Shirley Gorner, Joann & Jillian Gorner	Geoff & Kathy Groff
<b>November 10</b> 9:00 a.m. Combined		Iain O'Brien	Randy & Debbie Shue	Liz, Sean and Iain O'Brien, Gene Olson, Reed & Gloria Rodman	Tom & Anna Mae Kenyon
<b>November 17</b> 8:00 a.m.	Sean O'Brien	Reed Rodman	Ginny Stickler, Mary Jane Wilcox	Terry & Marianne Beasley, George Swan, Bret & Pam Hoffmaster, Tom Rothfus	Christine Ponti Linda Siems
<b>10:45 a.m.</b>		Jeffrey Pretz	No Communion	Richard & Anne Wolf, Dave, Lis, David & Jessica Wolf	No Communion
<b>November 24</b> 8:00 a.m.		Jennifer Schlener-Thomas	James Lehman John Burke	Ted Andrews, Brent Bearinger, Don Wenrich, Greg & Sherry Moul, Ena Marie Banks	Bob & Phyllis Hollinger
<b>10:45 a.m.</b>		Steve Roberts	Janet Roberts Margaret Strausser	Rich & Ann Larrick, Thompson, Betsy & Niamh McConnell, Russ Vollmer	Dave & Lis Wolf
<b>November 27</b> 7:00 p.m. Thanksgiving Eve				TBD	

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## Worship Leader Coordinators

**Acolyte, Crucifer, & Torch Bearer:** Sister Dottie Almoney

**Altar Guild:** Debbie Shue 318-8848

**AV Room:** Bill Schlener 725-2700 & Bob Preston

**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

**Lectors:** Thom McConnell 581-0068

**Nursery:** Patti Courtois 898-1898

**Ushers:** Nancy Beauregard 295-9814

& Beth Bigler 569-7843

**Welcome Center:** Mary Ann Oberholtzer 898-7823

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

	<b>GREETERS</b>	<b>WELCOME CENTER</b>	<b>AV/LIGHTING</b>	<b>NURSERY</b>	<b>ALTAR GUILD COORD.</b>	<b>ALTAR GUILD</b>
<b>November 3</b> 8:00 a.m.	Bill & Mary Ellen Kopetz	Mary Ann Oberholtzer, Dee Vulgaris	Mark Burkholder	Alyssa Kerper	June Crisp, Nancy LeFevre	Cindy Blaney
10:45 a.m.	Dave & Lis Wolf	Art & Libby Stoner	Randy Ketchum	Ed & Christina Borkenhagen, Alyssa Kerper	June Crisp, Nancy LeFevre	Carol Esbenshade, Mary Ann Frontz
<b>November 10</b> 9:00 a.m. Combined	Margaret Stauffer, Mark Burkholder	Ron & Joan Beck	Tom Badorf	Andrea Bear, Alyssa Kerper	June Crisp, Nancy LeFevre	Sharon Breeden Nancy Shimer
<b>November 17</b> 8:00 a.m.	Betsy Kemper, Elaine Lefever	Larry & Sylvia Miller	Angela Moshos	Bob & Phyllis Hollinger, Alyssa Kerper	June Crisp, Nancy LeFevre	Steve & Diane Gegg
10:45 a.m.	Beverly Baker, Bud Benton	Charles & Sylvia Traeger	Bob Preston	Amy Smith Alyssa Kerper	No Communion	No Communion
<b>November 24</b> 8:00 a.m.	Ed LeFevre, Cindy Miley	John & Kathy Burke	Jordan Lambert	Alyssa Kerper	June Crisp, Nancy LeFevre	Shirley Dombach
10:45 a.m.	Jocelyn Kline, Suk Shuglie	Leigh Trayer Sherry Weller	Rick Groff	Lauren Jones Alyssa Kerper	June Crisp, Nancy LeFevre	Peggy Stauffer Beverly Swanson
<b>November 27</b> 7:00 p.m. Thanksgiving Eve			Bill Schlener	Alyssa Kerper		

### **Nursery at 9:15 a.m.**

November 3 - Bob & Patti Courtois, Alyssa Kerper

November 10 (10:15 a.m.) - TBD, Alyssa Kerper

November 17 - Sara Deno, Alyssa Kerper

November 24 - Bob & Patti Courtois, Alyssa Kerper

### **November Flower Delivery Schedule**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Deliverer</b>	<b>Recipient</b>
<b>Nov. 3</b>	Nancy LeFevre	Open Recipient
	John & Kathy Burke	Bob & Janet Kemp
<b>Nov. 10</b>	Betz Lind	Anna Dowie
	Tim & Sharon Fickes	Velma Newcomer

<b>Date</b>	<b>Deliverer</b>	<b>Recipient</b>
<b>Nov. 17</b>	Lois Benton	Jack & June Hemsteger
	Christine Smith	Joan Groff
<b>Nov. 24</b>	Becky Lutz	Isabel Alleman
	Liz O'Brien	Phyllis Seitz



NEW DAY WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS — NOVEMBER 2019				
	November 3	November 10 9:00 a.m.	November 17	November 24
Lector	Ben Armitage	Will Stover	Sophia Romano	Peter Murdock
Communion Assistant	William Sassaman	No Communion	Peter Murdock	Mindy Rottmund
Ushers	Dave Tilley Peter Murdock	Mark & Sharon Schaefer	Scott & Amanda Sprague	Scott & Brenna Fyfe
Altar Guild	Robin Schmincke	Ann Fink	Morgan Stuhltrager	Allison & Sarah Bromirski
A/V Sound	Scott Fyfe	Bob Preston	Dave Tilley	Scott Fyfe



## NARTHEX COFFEE BAR



Just wanted to express my appreciation to the volunteers who are again serving at the Coffee Bar — your faithfulness and dedication to St. Peter's is so wonderful and exceptional!

- \* **November 3**      **Angela and Mark Moshos**
- \* **November 10**    **Annual Congregational Meeting**
- \* **November 17**    **Anne Wolf**
- \* **November 24**    **Sharon Breeden**

And thank you to all our faithful members who provide baked goods and serve coffee. We are always looking for helpers and bakers! As always, we thank Laretta Stutzman, Tim Fickes, John Hess and Ann & Rich Larrick for picking up the donated baked goods from Giant. Enjoy and God Bless.

**NewsLetter**  
**DEADLine**

### DECEMBER 2019 NEWSLETTER ARTICLES DUE NOVEMBER 8TH

Articles for the December 2019 "Herald" are due in the church office no later than **November 8th**. Please submit articles to Sandy Shattuck in the church office or email [sandy.shattuck@stpeterslutheran.org](mailto:sandy.shattuck@stpeterslutheran.org). Thank you for your cooperation.

## 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.

## POINSETTIA & MEMORIAL GIFT

Poinsettias 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, December 6. A listing for Poinsettias and Benevolence Gifts will appear in the December 24 bulletins.

### **MEMORIAL GIFT TO ST. PETER'S BENEVOLENCE FUND**

\$\_\_\_\_\_ Gift - Envelope #\_\_\_\_\_

Given in memory or in honor of: (CIRCLE ONE)

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### **CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS**



\_\_\_\_\_ 6½" pot with 3-4 blooms - \$7.50 each



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Please check: \_\_\_\_\_ I will leave my plant to be delivered to a homebound member.

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(Poinsettias may be picked up after the last service on Christmas Eve)

Please return this form and check payable

**To "St. Peter's Lutheran Church"**

By Friday, December 6



## LOOKING AHEAD

# NOVEMBER CALENDAR

### Friday, November 1

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

### Saturday, November 2

7:30 a.m. - Youth Trip to Philadelphia  
9:30 a.m. - Funeral Visitation for Mildred Uhler (Chapel)  
10:00 a.m. - Lydia's Closet Clothing Bank (Youth Lounge)  
10:30 a.m. - Mildred Uhler Funeral (Sanctuary)

### Sunday, November 3

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 (Family Life Ctr.)  
10:45 a.m. - Traditional Worship (Sanctuary)  
11:00 a.m. - WOLD Sunday School (Room 100)

### Monday, November 4

9:30 a.m. - Worship Leaders (Pastor's Office)  
1:00 p.m. - Quilters (Augsburg Alley)  
4:00 p.m. - Mission Campaign Planning (Conference Room)  
6:00 p.m. - Youth Choir (Music Room)  
6:30 p.m. - Children's Ministry Committee (Conference Room)  
6:30 p.m. - Exsultate Ringers (Music Room)  
7:00 p.m. - Boy Scouts (Youth Lounge/Café)  
7:00 p.m. - New Day Committee (Cry Room)  
7:30 p.m. - St. Peter's Ringers (Music Room)  
8:00 p.m. - AA (Augsburg Alley), Al Anon (Room 102)

### Tuesday, November 5

10:00 a.m. - Staff Meeting (Conference Room)  
5:30 p.m. - African Drumming Instruction (Music Room)  
6:30 p.m. - Mutual Ministry (Conference Room)

### Wednesday, November 6

9:30 a.m. - Bible Study (Café)  
1:00 p.m. - Community Meal Preparation (Kitchen)  
2:00 p.m. - Evangelism Committee (Conference Room)  
4:30 p.m. - Community Meal (Grace Lutheran)  
6:30 p.m. - WOLD Bible Study (Room 100)  
7:00 p.m. - Praise Band Rehearsal (Family Life Center)

### Thursday, November 7

11:45 a.m. - 50+ Fellowship (Café)  
1:15 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, November 8

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

### Sunday, November 10

9:00 a.m. - Traditional Worship & Communion (Sanctuary)  
9:00 a.m. - New Day Worship & Communion (Family Life Ctr.)  
10:00 a.m. - Word of Life Deaf Church (Chapel)  
10:30 a.m. - Congregational Meeting (Sanctuary)  
10:30 a.m. - Children's Sunday School  
11:00 a.m. - WOLD Sunday School (Room 100)

### Monday, November 11

9:30 a.m. - Worship Leaders (Pastor's Office)  
1:00 p.m. - Quilters (Augsburg Alley)  
6:00 p.m. - Youth Choir (Music Room)  
6:30 p.m. - Exsultate Ringers (Music Room)  
7:00 p.m. - Boy Scouts (Youth Lounge/Café)  
7:00 p.m. - Council Meeting (Conference Room)  
7:30 p.m. - St. Peter's Ringers (Music Room)  
8:00 p.m. - AA (Augsburg Alley), Al Anon (Room 102)

### Tuesday, November 12

1:00 p.m. - Communications Committee (Conference Room)  
3:30 p.m. - Cemetery Committee (Conference Room)  
5:30 p.m. - African Drumming (Music Room)  
7:00 p.m. - Worship Committee (Conference Room)  
7:00 p.m. - Long Range Planning (Cry Room)

### Wednesday, November 13

9:30 a.m. - Bible Study (Café)  
6:30 p.m. - Pub Theology (Scooters)  
6:30 p.m. - WOLD Bible Study (Room 100)  
7:00 p.m. - Property Committee (Conference Room)  
7:00 p.m. - Praise Band Rehearsal (FLC)

### Thursday, November 14

9:00 a.m. - WELCA (Augsburg Alley)  
1:15 p.m. - Power Packs (FLC/Youth Lounge)  
6:00 p.m. - Jubilate Choir (Music Room)  
7:30 p.m. - Herald Choir (Music Room)

### Friday, November 15

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

### Saturday, November 16

6:00 p.m. - Just for Fun (Sitlers')

### Sunday, November 17

8:00 a.m. - Traditional Worship & Communion (Sanctuary)  
9:00 a.m. - Canticle Choir (Music Room)  
9:15 a.m. - Sunday School  
10:30 a.m. - Word of Life Deaf Church Annual Meeting (Chapel)  
10:30 a.m. - Addiction Ministry Prayer Group (Cry Room)  
10:45 a.m. - New Day Worship (FLC)  
10:45 a.m. - Traditional Worship (Sanctuary)  
11:00 a.m. - WOLD Sunday School (Room 100)



## LOOKING AHEAD (continued)

# NOVEMBER CALENDAR

### **Monday, November 18**

9:30 a.m. - Worship Leaders (Pastor's Office)  
 1:00 p.m. - Quilters (Augsburg Alley)  
 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 (Augsburg Alley) Al Anon (Room 102)

### **Tuesday, November 19**

10:00 a.m. - Staff Meeting (Conference Room)  
 1:30 p.m. - Book Club (Cry Room)  
 5:30 p.m. - African Drumming Instruction (Music Room)  
 7:00 p.m. - Stewardship Committee (Conference Room)

### **Wednesday, November 20**

9:30 a.m. - Bible Study (Chapel)  
 6:30 p.m. - WOLD Bible Study (Room 100)  
 7:00 p.m. - Praise Band Rehearsal (FLC)

### **Thursday, November 21**

1:30 p.m. - Power Packs (Youth Lounge/FLC)  
 6:30 p.m. - Girl Scouts (Augsburg Alley)  
 6:00 p.m. - Jubilate Choir (Music Room)  
 7:30 p.m. - Herald Choir (Music Room)

### **Friday, November 22**

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

### **Sunday, November 24**

8:00 a.m. - Traditional Worship & Communion (Sanctuary)  
 9:00 a.m. - Canticale Choir (Music Room)  
 9:15 a.m. - Sunday School

### **Sunday, November 24 (continued)**

10:00 a.m. - Word of Life Deaf Church (Chapel)  
 10:45 a.m. - New Day Worship & Communion (FLC)  
 10:45 a.m. - Traditional Worship & Communion (Sanctuary)  
 11:00 a.m. - WOLD Sunday School (Room 100)

### **Monday, November 25**

9:30 a.m. - Worship Leaders (Pastor's Office)  
 1:00 p.m. - Quilters (Augsburg Alley)  
 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)  
 7:30 p.m. - St. Peter's Ringers (Music Room)  
 8:00 p.m. - AA (Room 100) Al Anon (Room 102)

### **Tuesday, November 26**

5:30 p.m. - African Drumming Instruction (Music Room)

### **Wednesday, November 27**

7:00 p.m. - Thanksgiving Eve Service (Sanctuary)

### **Thursday, November 28**

Church Office Closed

### **Friday, November 29**

Church Office Closed  
 1:00 p.m. - Al Anon (Cry Room)  
 3:00 p.m. - Set up for Craft Fair

### **Saturday, November 30**

7:00 a.m. - Set up for Craft Fair  
 9:00 a.m. - Craft Fair

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