



# “The Herald” Newsletter

## St. Peter’s Evangelical Lutheran Church

Worship. Learn. Gather. Serve.

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*“He leads me beside still waters; He restores my soul.” Psalm 23:2-3*

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### Summer Worship Beginning June 6<sup>th</sup>

The church leadership is delighted to announce the following summer worship schedule. Beginning June 6<sup>th</sup> our worship schedule includes: 8:00 a.m. Indoor Traditional worship (30 minutes, communion every week, no congregational singing, masks required), 9:45 a.m. livestream from the sanctuary, 11:00 a.m. outdoor service featuring congregational singing and communion on the green near the sheds. Details about each service are located on the next page of the Herald.



### Check out the Church’s Website For...

Visit [www.stpeterslutheran.org](http://www.stpeterslutheran.org) for weekly updates, blog posts, announcements, and ways we can build a community of faith by God’s grace.

### Weekly Updates

Please watch the church website <https://www.stpeterslutheran.org> every Wednesday afternoon at approximately 4:00 p.m. for a short article updating news around the church for the week. It is our attempt to keep you connected to “all things St. Peter’s” and the continual unfolding of congregational life in a digital world. You’ll find updates on worship life, new Zoom groups that are beginning, news from the broader church and how it affects our lives together, and service opportunities that may present themselves within our church and out in our community.

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## **Indoor Worship at 8:00 a.m. Begins**

Our first public worship gathering in the sanctuary begins June 6<sup>th</sup>. At their May meeting, Congregation Council approved the recommendation that was proposed by the Worship Committee in consultation with Risk Management and Church Staff, to return to in-person worship at our 8:00 a.m. hour starting on June 6<sup>th</sup>. The service will still observe “safe practice” protocol by: requiring masks, asking families to social distance by households, and signing in for worship for contact tracing purposes. The service will run about thirty minutes, with liturgy, lessons, sermon, prayers, organ music and communion using our fellowship cups. At this time, singing inside the building is still considered a high-risk practice, so music will be offered through the organ and instrumental means. We are exploring options for some kind of brief singing that is safe. Please reserve a spot for worship by visiting [www.stpeterslutheran.org/worship/indoor-worship](http://www.stpeterslutheran.org/worship/indoor-worship) or call the church office between 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Monday through Friday.



## **Summer Livestreaming at 9:45 a.m.**



Join us for worship each Sunday at 9:45a.m. for Church @ Home. Worship features our Lutheran liturgy, prayers for the community, a sermon from one of the rostered leaders, and music. <https://www.stpeterslutheran.org/live/>

## **Outdoor Worship at 11:00 a.m. Begins**

In addition to approving an indoor worship service, the church council on the recommendation of the worship and risk management committees approved an 11:00 a.m. service with communion and singing to be held outside on the lawn. In light of the recent guidance from the CDC, we will continue to maintain social distance in family pods and masks will be recommended, but optional. The make-up of the service will rotate throughout the different weeks of the month:



- 1st Sunday - New Day Band with praise music
- 2nd Sunday - Traditional music sung a cappella
- 3rd Sunday - Traditional music sung a cappella
- 4th Sunday - Family-oriented service with music easily learned and sung that day

If the weather outdoors is poor, we will transition to a drive-in style service. Worshippers can park and tune their radios to 107.1 FM to pick up audio of the service. Worshippers will be asked to sign in as present for worship records and in the event any contact tracing would be required.

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## **Previous Worship Services**

Previous services can be accessed under the videos section of our Facebook page, or by visiting our YouTube channel at <https://www.youtube.com/c/tPetersLutheranLancaster>  
A link to the "Live" page is on our website under the stream that links to recent service videos on YouTube.

## **Giving Thanks for The Ways You Give**

Thank you for being faithful stewards of God’s good gifts. We give thanks for the many ways that you have enabled the continuation of St. Peter’s mission in the midst of very trying times. Thank you for mailing in or dropping off your contributions and for using Tithe.ly or Simply Giving for your contributions.

For more information about digital giving visit <https://www.stpeterslutheran.org/give/>



# June Worship Schedule



## **Sunday, June 6: The Second Sunday after Pentecost**

8:00 a.m. - In Person Worship in the Sanctuary, Pastor Craig Preaches  
9:45 a.m. (Live Stream) from the Sanctuary, Pastor Sarah Preaches  
11:00 a.m. – In Person Outside – New Day Worship, Pastor Sarah Preaches

## **Sunday, June 13: The Third Sunday after Pentecost**

8:00 a.m. - In Person Worship in the Sanctuary, Pastor Sarah Preaches  
9:45 a.m. (Live Stream) from the Sanctuary, Pastor Craig Preaches  
11:00 a.m. – In Person Outside – Traditional Worship, Pastor Craig Preaches

## **Sunday, June 20: The Fourth Sunday after Pentecost**

8:00 a.m. - In Person Worship in the Sanctuary, Pastor Craig Preaches  
9:45 a.m. (Live Stream) from the Sanctuary, Pastor Sarah Preaches  
11:00 a.m. – In Person Outside – Traditional Worship, Pastor Sarah Preaches

## **Sunday, June 27: The Fifth Sunday after Pentecost**

8:00 a.m. - In Person Worship in the Sanctuary, Pastor Sarah Preaches  
9:45 a.m. (Live Stream) from the Sanctuary, Sister Dottie Preaches  
11:00 a.m. – In Person Outside – Family Worship, Sister Dottie Preaches

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## **Summer Worship FAQs**

### ***1. How will communion be distributed?***

In both communion services, communion will be administered using the fellowship cups that have been in use at St. Peter's drive-in services this spring. At the 8:00 indoor services, materials for worship will be available for worshippers to pick up on their way into the building. At the 11:00 outdoor services, materials for worship will be available at a welcome table or from worship leaders.

### ***2. Are masks required? What about social distancing?***

At the 8:00 indoor service, masks are required of all in attendance. At the 11:00 service outdoors, masks are optional but recommended. Social distancing of family pods is required at both indoor and outdoor settings.

### ***3. Do I need to pre-register for worship?***

As we begin this schedule of services, we ask that you pre-register for the 8:00 service if you plan to attend. This will ensure we have enough space for everyone who wishes to come to worship.

### ***4. Will we have enough space indoors for people to come to worship?***

We believe that we can accommodate upwards of 130 people indoors in the sanctuary depending on the size of family groups. Our plan is to reserve some spaces inside for people who may come without pre-registering.

### ***5. After the indoor service is over, will there be coffee bar and snacks? Can we chat with fellow worshippers in the narthex?***

As we begin this schedule of services, there will be no coffee bar. At this time, we are asking worshippers to take their post-service fellowship time outside. By reducing the amount of time we are with one another, we reduce the risks associated with gathering in large groups.

### ***6. What happens to the outdoor service if the weather is poor?***

In the event of inclement weather, we will transition to a drive-in style service. Worshippers can park and tune to 107.1 FM to pick up audio of the service.

## Mission Campaign

Dear Friends and Fellow Servants:

Thank you! Thank you to each and every one of our members, ministry leaders, staff, and community friends who have been on this Mission Campaign journey with us for so long. So much has happened in the past two years since St. Peter's began analyzing the needs of our congregation and surrounding community. Through this time we have engaged in a Feasibility Study, reviewed our current ministries, and engaged in strategic planning to outline a vision for ongoing stewardship of the gifts entrusted to us. And you, our faithful members, have been there every step of the way. So many have participated in our Feasibility Study and Mission Campaign, completing surveys, signing up for interviews, attending Town Hall and Annual Meetings, and donating your time, talent, and treasure to this campaign.

So far, we have had a wonderful initial response to our *Faith in Our Future* Capital Campaign! We encourage you to continue to check out our eblasts, bulletins, Facebook, and Mission Campaign website for updates on our campaign, including goal progress. While we celebrate and give thanks to God for the success thus far, we know this is just the start of a three-year journey that we hope all of our members participate in. If you haven't yet had the chance to submit your pledge, they are still being gratefully accepted and will be throughout the entire campaign. Thank you for helping St. Peter's remain a vibrant church, supporting our members, our neighbors, and our community well into the future!

Yours in Christ,  
Pastor Craig, Pastor Sarah, Sister Dottie



St. Peter's family,

As your campaign co-chairs, we look forward to engaging with you throughout the duration of our three-year *Faith in Our Future* campaign. We are committed to using St. Peter's various communication vehicles to keep you informed of our progress, and, equally important, we need to hear your feedback and questions, especially during this kick-off phase of the campaign.

In this first note, we want to first say THANK YOU to everyone who has kept this campaign in your prayers, discerned how you might share your treasure, or already made a pledge to the campaign. As we submitted this note for Herald publication, Commitment Sunday has just occurred, and we look forward to sharing a progress update next month.

Close to 70 church members joined in the virtual Town Hall on May 2, where we provided a brief update on the campaign process and spent most of the hour answering your questions. Thank you for taking the time to join us and bring voice to your questions and concerns. We encourage you to visit [www.stpeterslutheran.org/mission-campaign](http://www.stpeterslutheran.org/mission-campaign), where we will continue to update resources and frequently asked questions. Since the town hall, a few great questions have been posed, including:

### **What portion of the campaign funds will support mission and ministry work?**

Of the \$1,250,000 campaign goal, close to \$600,000 is designated for church property needs, including exterior and interior building maintenance, security and lighting, and technology. The congregation seeks to grow and enhance our mission in the coming years to offer greater ministry and service locally, nationally, and globally. Expanding our reach as good Samaritans has been a desire of many in our congregation for several years. St. Peter's vision is to create a Mission Fund that will allow members of the congregation to both react quickly, as service and ministry needs arise in the community, AND to build new ministries and partnerships to serve the needs beyond our walls. Within the base campaign goal, only about \$350,000 is earmarked for such outreach. The remainder is earmarked for debt reduction, in the hope that reducing mortgage payments will provide the congregation with the ability to redirect those funds to immediate outreach needs. This is why the stretch goal of \$2 million has been made known. The stretch amount will all be designated for the mission fund and will provide the church with the ability to spin off income to increase mission work near and far. In a time of continuing decline in nation-wide church membership, a thriving congregation like St. Peter's can set an example of how to grow into the future.

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## **Mission Campaign** (continued)

### **Who will decide how the mission and ministry funds are used?**

This question is a current priority for our Congregation Council, and the two of us appreciate being included in that conversation. Our recommendation, based on leading practices in other churches and non-profits, is that St. Peter's bring together our existing outreach committees for greater efficiency and coordination. Council is considering the creation of an oversight group (with rotating membership) that will be responsible for the fund and the annual income that flows out for mission work. The committee will facilitate the application process, decision-making, and stewardship of the funds, including providing regular updates to the congregation to ensure transparency into the use of these precious resources. Such an oversight group will report directly to Congregation Council.

### **How is Kirby-Smith being compensated for their work?**

We have learned of a myth circulating—that Kirby-Smith is being paid a percentage of what we raise. THIS IS ABSOLUTELY NOT TRUE! The philanthropic sector has a strong set of guiding ethics for fundraising professionals, which absolutely prohibits accepting compensation that is based on a percentage of contributions. St. Peter's engaged in two contracts with Kirby-Smith: strategic planning (\$11,500) and the campaign (\$52,400). This campaign fee includes, the feasibility study, ongoing relationship building with members of the congregation, all collateral materials, preparation of mailings, postage for mailings, and engagement and expert consultation for all three years of the campaign. Kirby-Smith, in our estimation, has already outperformed their costs, and we have only begun the process. They are a great partner and have a sincere interest in seeing St. Peter's succeed.

Please do not hesitate to reach out to either of us, directly, with your questions and/or concerns. We are committed to transparency and honoring the strategic vision this congregation advanced in approving this campaign. We have included our contact information below.

Thank you for your continued prayers and your discernment of the treasures God calls you to provide to help St. Peter's grow into the future.

With faith in our future,  
Adrian and Jen

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## **Thank You For Your Financial Support**

A heartfelt thanks goes out to all of you, from your Congregation Council, Stewardship Committee, Finance Committee and Church Staff for your faithful and consistent financial stewardship through the Spring of 2021. Your willingness to consistently mail in offerings, use our online giving platforms of Tithe.ly or Simply Giving, or donate automatically through your financial institution, have enabled us to meet the obligations of our congregational budget, meet all of our benevolent commitments to local, national and global ministry partners, and make significant additional gifts to a variety of local ministries that have been especially challenged by the pandemic. Thank you for being the "cheerful givers" that St. Paul identifies in his second letter to the Corinthian church (2 Cor. 9:7). Please do not forget about us over the summer while you are swimming at the shore or hiking in the mountains.

## **Offering Envelopes Need a Home!**

You may have received an email because your 2021 offering envelopes have not been picked up. We understand there are many reasons for this - you haven't been able to get into the church, you have switched to electronic giving, or you didn't know they were there. We are providing the opportunity to pick up offering envelopes Monday – Friday from 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. when the church office is open. Ring the doorbell when you arrive, and you can pick up your envelopes in the narthex.

If you will no longer be needing your envelopes because of electronic giving or no longer associated with St. Peter's, please let us know that as well. Thanks for your faithful support of the ministry of St. Peter's.

## **Are You Interested in Sponsoring Altar Flowers, Communion Wine or Bulletins?**

Now that we can return for Indoor Traditional Worship services in the Sanctuary beginning on June 6<sup>th</sup>, you can now sponsor altar flowers (\$35), communion wine (\$15) and bulletins (\$15). If there is a special date you would like to commemorate, please sign up now. The sheets are posted on the bulletin board, just outside of the church office or you may call the office at 717-569-9211 to sign up.

### **Seeking Altar Flower Deliverers**



Have you ever wondered what happens to the altar flowers after Sunday services are over? They are delivered to some of our homebound members. Looking for some members to join the altar flower delivery team once indoor worship services are resumed. Commitment is only once every 6-8 weeks. Pick up the altar flowers, deliver and pass on a smile to an aging member of St. Peter's. If you are interested or would like more information, please email Christine Smith at [cjsmith1984@gmail.com](mailto:cjsmith1984@gmail.com) or phone at 717-299-0949. A great family activity opportunity.

### **Gardener Needed**

Don and Thelma Aurand have been planting flowers around the sign at the cemetery for the past 20 or so years. They have decided to retire. Someone is needed to plant 16 pink geraniums and water as needed. We have many members that visit. PLEASE consider helping to beautify the cemetery! Contact Betsy Linn at [Betsy.linn@stpeterslutheran.org](mailto:Betsy.linn@stpeterslutheran.org)



### **Mailing Address Update**

Please be aware that we are in the process of restarting mail delivery directly to the church building. We have staff coverage of the office through the mid-late afternoon, and our postal carrier is returning to a mid-afternoon delivery schedule which allows us to get the mail immediately upon delivery.

We thank those of you who helped us in our use of the P.O Box at our local post office, by changing our address to a P.O. box number. You may now return to our preferred use of address, which is:

St. Peter's Evangelical Lutheran Church  
10 Delp Road  
Lancaster, PA 17601

Thank you for your assistance in helping us keep our mail delivery safe and secure in recent months ... we are grateful to you, and grateful to be returning to our normal mail protocol.

### **Lower Susquehanna Synod Assembly**

Gathering under the theme, "Encountering Jesus," the 34<sup>th</sup> annual Lower Susquehanna Synod Assembly will celebrate the presence of God in and through our congregations, our conferences, and our synod, on June 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup>. Due to the pandemic's continued uncertainty and for the safety of all, our 2021 Synod Assembly will be held totally online. In addition to our three St. Peter's rostered leaders in attendance (Pastors Craig & Sarah and Sister Dottie), St. Peter's will also have Greg Hand and Adam Gegg in attendance as our congregational voting members.

## Adult Christian Education

### Wednesday Morning Bible Study

In May, we concluded our study of the Book of Exodus, standing with Moses at the threshold of the tabernacle, as the Israelites prepared for the remaining 39 years of wilderness wandering in their quest for the Promised Land.

Class members are currently voting on a long and short study topic for the Fall 2021—Spring 2022 year. If you are considering joining our Wednesday Class next fall (which quite possibly will include a combination of in-person and Zoom participants) and would like to weigh in on topics that might be of interest to you, they are listed below. You are welcome to vote for one “short (6 weeks)” and one “long (25 weeks)” topic. The options, suggested by the class are:

**Short Topics (5-6 weeks): Churchy Words ... Small Catechism ... Women of the Bible**

**Long Topics (24-25 weeks): Ezekiel ... Hebrews ... Life of St. Paul ... Pastoral Epistles ... 1&2 Kings**

Please email your first and second choices for both a long and short topic to Pastor Craig at [craig.ross@stpeterslutheran.org](mailto:craig.ross@stpeterslutheran.org).

The class meets on Wednesdays from 9:30-11:00 a.m. It is never too late to join in the fun. Join us to brush up on your Bible, and enjoy some faith conversation about God, scripture and the world in which we live.



### June Pub Theology



We will meet on the patio at Uncommon Pizza in Lititz on Wednesday, June 16<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m. Please RSVP to Sister Dottie if you can attend – [dottie.almoney@stpeterslutheran.org](mailto:dottie.almoney@stpeterslutheran.org). Our Topic is to be determined. All are welcome for a great night of food, fellowship and conversation!

## Worship and Music at St. Peter's

### **Summer Outdoor Choir Season – All Are Welcome!**

Folks 9<sup>th</sup> grade and up can join with other singers at 7:00 p.m. on Thursdays under the portico at St. Peter's for some outdoor singing. Masks are recommended, but optional (especially for vaccinated folks) and we will maintain social distance. Bring a chair and your singing voice. It's a joy to get together and sing in God's acoustic!

### **Summer Hymn Sing Sundays**

We will continue our tradition of hymn-sing preludes on the last Sundays of the month from May through August. Our next hymn-sing prelude is June 27<sup>th</sup>. We'll spend the first few minutes of our livestreamed worship service singing a verse or two of the songs you submit. To submit your requests, please send an email to Adam Lefever Hughes at [adam.hughes@stpeterslutheran.org](mailto:adam.hughes@stpeterslutheran.org).

### **Summer Worship Schedule**

The summer worship schedule begins June 6<sup>th</sup> with the following services:

8:00 a.m. – Spoken indoor service of communion

9:45 a.m. – Live-streamed service of the word

11:00 a.m. – Outdoor service of communion with sung music

For more detailed descriptions of these services, look at the longer listings elsewhere in this edition of the Herald.

### **2021-2022 Musical Arts Concert Series**

The Musical Arts committee and Adam have been hard at work putting together a Musical Arts concert series for the 2021-2022 year. We're not quite ready to announce but look for more details in the July newsletter. In the meantime, THANK YOU to all who supported the 2020-2021 series. It was a year like no other with online concerts and an online church musical. Thanks to your support, we were able to raise over \$1000 for the Lancaster County Food Hub which provides meals, shelter, and clothing for our community members in need!

## Social Ministry

### Thrivent Live Generously Program

Many of us have Thrivent and don't know about their "Live Generously" program. Twice a year people who have Thrivent are able to request gift cards to help with various charities.

If you have a Thrivent account, please contact either your representative or Betsy Linn to see how you can help! Thank you.

### Local Social Ministry Corner

Over the next few months, LSM would like to tell everyone about our varied Ministries. We will highlight our goals for our congregation and those organizations we support. Of course, we will also let you know how you can help!

We will start with Lydia's Closet. Ministry is also supported by other churches in Manheim Township. Our volunteers come from Neffsville Mennonite Church and St. Matthew's Lutheran Church.

Lydia's Closet provides clothing, shoes, and hygiene items to families in need in Manheim Township. We currently have a link on our website where families can request clothing and where the school social workers can access our services. In addition, we have partnered with Community Aid. We take over the donations we can't use and they give us 6 cents for every pound. This adds up quickly and we are able to use those funds to purchase items that have to be new.

I think everyone knows that we always need socks and underwear, but we also use hotel soaps and lotions! We pass along laundry detergent, soaps, and many other household items to our families.

Finally THANK YOU to the congregation for being so supportive of this ministry. If you have any questions please contact Molly Olmsted [astaloo@me.com](mailto:astaloo@me.com) or 717-490-3908



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

Our June Distribution Day is Saturday, June 5<sup>th</sup> and our July distribution day is Saturday, July 3<sup>rd</sup> from 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Please contact Molly Olmsted if you can help out. ([astaloo@me.com](mailto:astaloo@me.com))

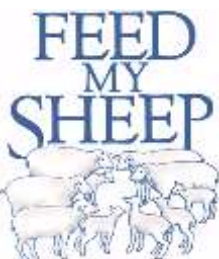
Help! As you switch your clothes to summer please consider donating Children's clothes for ages 5-18 to Lydia's closet. They are in desperate need of summer clothes. If the church is open, they can be placed on the cart inside the front door. Otherwise, they can be placed in the blue box in the front of the church. PLEASE help support this necessary ministry!

### Community Meal Day

We serve a community meal the first Wednesday of every month at Grace Lutheran Church on North Queen Street! Our June meal will take place Wednesday, June 2<sup>nd</sup> and our July meals will take place on Wednesday, July 7<sup>th</sup> and July 14<sup>th</sup>. Those interested in helping should contact Kathy Berkebile at [kberkebile@comcast.net](mailto:kberkebile@comcast.net)



Community Meal



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

Needed in June: *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.* Non-perishable food may be dropped off in the boxes under the carport. Items go to the Lancaster County Food Hub. *Thanks for your donations!*



## Property

### Spring Cleanup 2021- Big thank you



On Saturday, May 15, 16 people from teens to senior citizens came out to help spread mulch to beautify the church and give the trees and plants much need nourishment. It was an absolutely gorgeous day with lots of sun and temperatures in the 70's. Two teams shared the load to spread 43 tractor scoops of mulch. One scoop is equivalent to 2/3 of a cubic yard and weighs approximately 700 pounds. That's a lot of mulch!

Four scouts and four scout leaders came out as well. One scout family is Hindu but they came out to give back to the church. They stayed the full four hours.

Special thanks to the Chair of Property and Grounds Committee, Bud Benton, for buying donuts and water and coming in early to make the coffee.

Thank you to all the members of the Property and Grounds Committee that made the plans and spent half their Saturday beautifying the church grounds.

*Paul Schultz, your new Parish Administrator*



### Sanctuary lighting change-out

In preparation for our return to in-person services, we needed to replace a lot of burned out light bulbs. Once again, your Property Committee made this happen. Every five years the spotlight lamps and the lamps above the altar rail are replaced. To do this we need to bring in an electrical contractor with a machine that has an extended lift basket (see photos). However, before that could be done, the first two rows of pews had to be removed across the entire front of the sanctuary so the equipment could drive along the altar rail of the sanctuary. Special thanks to these Property Committee members: Bud Benton (chair), Bob Preston, Rich Larrick, and George Groff; for removing the pews in preparation for this much needed work.

*Paul Schultz, your new Parish Administrator*



## Prayer Chain Ministry

MEMBER FEATURE: This month we are featuring Carolyn (Carney) Galebach. Carolyn tells us she has been “blessed to pray for those in need.” Pastor Geib was her “scariest prayer moment” when she visited him in the ICU. He was very gracious to invite her in and the Lord did the rest. That is how she learned to know Pastor Geib and she would have felt the same with Pastor Ross, both accomplished and high on the totem pole. Carolyn has been a long time member of the chain, however with adding more responsibility for taking care of her hubby, has given up some of her duties. She is still a valued member of the chain, with whatever time she can give.



“Be still and know that I am God” Psalm 46:10

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## Health & Wellness

### **June: National Migraine & Headache Awareness Month \*MHAM)**



A migraine is a strong headache that often comes with nausea, vomiting, and sensitivity to light. You may also be pale and feel clammy or faint, have dizziness, lightheadedness, or malaise, as well as irritability, nasal congestion, or scalp tenderness. It often begins as a dull ache and grows into throbbing pain and usually gets worse during physical activity. The pain can move from one side of your head to the other. Most migraines last ~4 hours, but severe ones can last for more than



3 days. Some people get migraines a few times a month, while others, just once or twice a year. Doctors don't know the exact cause of migraine headaches.

**Here are some facts:** \*Women have migraines 3 times more often than men. \*Most people start having migraine headaches between ages 10 & 40. But many women find that their migraines get better or go away after age 50. \*4 out of 5 people with migraines have other family members who get them. If both parents have them, the risk jumps to 75%. \*Depression/anxiety, & sleep disorders can raise your odds.

**Some common migraine triggers include:** **Hormone changes.** **Stress.** **Foods:** aged cheese, chocolate, alcohol, and food additives like nitrates (in hot dogs, and lunchmeats) and monosodium glutamate (MSG), may be responsible. **Skipping meals.** **Caffeine:** Getting too much or not getting as much as you're used to. Caffeine can actually be a treatment for acute migraine attacks. **Changes in weather.** **Senses:** Loud noises, bright lights, and strong smells. **Medications:** Vasodilators, which widen your blood vessels, can trigger them. **Physical activity:** exercise and yes, sex. **Tobacco.** **Changes to your sleep:** too much/not enough.

Migraines can affect your daily life, and it's critical that you have a support system that understands and can help. There are many treatments for migraines that have been found to work for most: medications, massage, acupuncture, and any type of meditation/relaxation techniques, to name just a few.

We can all help the public gain awareness and recognize headache disorders, by talking about it and supporting others who suffer from them. We should encourage those with headaches or migraines to see a healthcare provider for proper diagnosis and treatment. Let them know that they are not alone, and there are treatments available. Help increase Migraines & Headaches awareness, by changing your porch light to a purple bulb during June to “Shine-A-Light for MHAM”.

## Grocery Cards

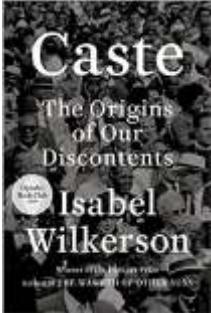


Please be aware that grocery cards are available to purchase from the church office Monday through Friday between 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. Please call the office with the amount and the store that you are requesting. The staff will get them ready for you. When arriving please ring the doorbell and enter the narthex and proceed to the window of the office. You must wear a mask and someone will be able to help you from the window. Thank you.

## St. Peter's Advocacy Group

We have a name! Our original name was The Moral Monday group, which came from the movement of Moral Mondays created by Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr which advocated for peace, and justice for all of God's children.

Our new name is now, **Lancaster Advocacy Action Ministry** and includes persons from other denominations. This ecumenical group meets the first Monday of the month for discussion and usually the third Tuesday for action planning. Keep updated with our posts on our St. Peter's website!



We are planning a book study on *Caste, The Origins of Our Discontents* by Isabel Wilkerson. This book examines the unspoken caste system that has shaped America and shows how our lives today are still defined by a hierarchy of human divisions.

**We will meet Wednesday June 9<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm at St. Peter's** -hopefully outdoors if weather permits – Bring a lawn chair and a beverage and come for some conversation and learning. (We will meet socially distanced indoors in the event of rain) More details or questions can be directed to Sr. Dottie Almoney. We hope you join us!

### Did you know?

- ◇ 38% of people in Pennsylvania are poor or low-income—a total of 4.7 million residents. This includes 49% of children (1.3 million), 41% of women (2.6 million), 63% of Black people (842 thousand), 73% of Latinx people (707 thousand), and 32% of White people (3 million).
- ◇ In PA, from 1979 to 2012, income for the top 1% grew by 168%, while income for the bottom 99% only grew 11%.
- ◇ Over 13 thousand people in Pennsylvania are homeless as of 2018.
- ◇ Working at the 2018 state minimum wage, it takes 107 hours of work per week to afford a 2-bedroom apartment.
- ◇ 2.3 million people make under \$15 an hour—42% of PA's workforce as of 2018, the 34th highest of all states.
- ◇ PA ranks 47<sup>th</sup> in the nation in equitable funding for public schools. Because of our state's heavy reliance on property taxes to fund education, schools that educate the poorest students—many of whom are students of color—have one-third fewer dollars than the most affluent districts when state and local tax dollars are combined.

Want to join our advocacy efforts? Reach out to:

Sister Dottie at [dottie.almoney@stpeterslutheran.org](mailto:dottie.almoney@stpeterslutheran.org)

Jean Pretz at [jean.pretz@gmail.com](mailto:jean.pretz@gmail.com)

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## St. Peter's Archives

### **Intelligencer Journal - June 4, 1931**

#### **Manheim Twp. to graduate 32 in first Commencement Event**

Thirty-two students, comprising the first class to be graduated since Manheim Township established a four year high school, will receive diplomas at the commencement exercises to be held on Friday evening in the auditorium of the school at Neffsville. Class day exercises will be held this Thursday evening. The baccalaureate service was held on Sunday evening at the school when Rev. C. E. Rice, pastor of the Neffsville Lutheran church, preached to the graduates. The class day program will be given in the form of a gypsy carnival, with members of the class appearing in brilliant costumes. The prologue will be given by Milton Weidel, class president (member of St. Peter's). The diplomas will be presented by Dr. C. Howard Witmer, president of the school board (also a member of St. Peter's).



### **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.

## Groups and Events

### Widows Group

Our meetings are continuing at St. Peter's and are normally held on the 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of the month at 10:30 a.m. Our next meeting will be on **Tuesday, June 22<sup>nd</sup>** and will be held in person at St. Peter's. Meetings last about 1 hour. If you would be interested in joining, please call or email me for the details. We discuss what is going on in our lives and some fun things as well. I look forward to hearing from you!

Betsy Linn

[betsy.linn@stpeterslutheran.org](mailto:betsy.linn@stpeterslutheran.org)

### WELCA

WELCA members will be meeting on Thursday, June 10<sup>th</sup> from 10:30 - 11:30 a.m. outdoors at St. Peter's. Bring your chair and your water bottle and we will again enjoy seeing each other. If you have any questions or need a ride call Sally Rager at 717-569-6119 or Kathy Caldwell at 717-371-7296.

### St. Peter's Softball Team

Are you interested in playing on St. Peter's softball team this year? The league is currently finalizing details and more will be shared closer to the time.



- League is co-ed! This league is about having fun, all experience levels over the age of 16 are welcome!
- Games are Tuesdays and Thursdays at 6:00 or 7:00 p.m. at churches in the Lancaster area.
- League will start middle to end of May, typically runs into early July.
- COVID protocols still being finalized, but we do anticipate masks to be required

If you are interested or have any questions please don't hesitate to reach out to Jamie Rottmund. [jrottmund@gmail.com](mailto:jrottmund@gmail.com) or 717-286-3688.

### St. Peter's Garden Tours

The Garden Tours are back! Each Monday evening from 6:00-8:30 p.m. this summer (June 7 - August 2) a St. Peter's member is opening their garden to our community. The Garden Tours are a great way to have fellowship, learn about plants and gardening, and admire God's nature and beauty.



Sign up here to **attend**: <https://www.signupgenius.com/index.cfm?go=w.manageSignUp#/30121170/share/>

Sign up here to **host**: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e094ea8ad23a13-garden5>

### Camp Corner



Summer camp is starting in just a few weeks! Sign up to attend summer camp at one of our local Lutheran camps—Nawakwa is near Gettysburg and Kirchenwald is near Mt. Gretna. There are opportunities for all ages at Family Camp; early elementary age kids can attend day camp or half a week of sleep away camp; and older elementary through high school kids can experience a whole week of outdoor fun! Check out their website for more information. <https://www.lutherancamping.org/> Call/text Joy and Lyle Hosler with any questions. 717-371-7583



## Pastor's Letter

Hi Folks:

It was roughly six months ago, when we believed we were standing at the threshold of returning to in-person worship in our sanctuary. Plans to have modest sixty-person gatherings on Sundays at 8AM for the month of December were in place, and we were excited to start the gradual climb back into public worship. And then new cases of Covid started to rise like a helium balloon on a warm summer's day, and our plans were foiled.

We stand at that threshold again, this time with a greater sense of confidence, primarily due to the ever-increasing number of community members who are receiving their vaccinations. But also due to a greater body of knowledge regarding how the virus is spread. Globally, we still watch the metrics, and we still listen to the CDC, and our bishop, and to a number of medical sources that advise good practice in the face of the Covid pandemic. Locally, the same committees that regularly meet to wrestle with these decisions (Risk Management, Worship Committee, Congregation Council and Worship Staff) are still in regular contact and conversation. We remain committed to finding the right balance between the risk and reward of being together for in-person gatherings.

Having said that, we are far more optimistic that this time around we will be able to pull this off an in-person worship service at 8:00 a.m. on Sunday mornings in the sanctuary, beginning on June 6<sup>th</sup>. New metrics suggest that given the configuration of our worship space with an excellent air exchange system and high ceilings, we can safely gather up to 130 people for a brief worship service of about a thirty-minute block of time. But we are still not going to be back to normal quite yet. We will not have any congregational singing to start. Science suggests it simply is not safe in the ways we normally sing hymns. We will also not come to the altar rail for communion in our normal fashion, but for the time being, will continue to use the "fellowship cups" we have been using for drive-in worship. But you will hear the Word of God spoken from the Bible by lectors, and from the lips of your rostered leaders in sermons. We will have a limited number of worship volunteers – probably a lector, an usher or two, and maybe an AV helper. We will have organ music, some liturgy to speak and prayers to meditate upon. Oh ... and we'll collect an offering, of course ... though not in our normal "passing the plates" fashion. It is a start.

We will continue our live-stream service ... it will simply move a bit earlier to the 9:45 a.m. time slot. That will look much like it has in recent months, with rotating leadership among our worship team and church members serving as lectors and children's sermon leaders. And we are excited about our plans to also host an 11:00 a.m. service out in our "Green Acres" (the southwest grassed corner of our property) which will rotate between New Day contemporary, traditional, and family themed outdoor worship services. The big draw for these services is the ability to sing together (with face masks recommended), since we will be outside in the fresh air. Our hope is that you will try something different this summer in terms of worship, and stop in at all of these worship offerings at least once or twice.

Yes, yes, I know some of you are disappointed that this is what we believe we can safely offer in the realm of public worship. I recognize that some of you are quite anxious to be more adventurous in your worship life. And yes, I know that some of you are worshipping elsewhere in our community, in churches that don't require mask usage and who sing to their hearts content. I hear from the pastors of the churches you visit, and from your neighbors who regularly let us know the fields our sheep are visiting. I understand your impatience, and what may be frustration with your congregational leadership. But I will never endorse communal behavior that we believe puts at significant risk, the church members who are present for our gatherings. Each of you clearly have the choice to take personal risks for yourself. We live in a free country. But those of us to whom you have entrusted the oversight of the entire congregation's spiritual and human wellness, choose to act on behalf of what we see as the entirety of the congregation. As I respect your choice to act in ways that serve your personal purposes and priorities, I would ask you to honor the choices of your leadership teams to do the same. None of us have ever negotiated a landscape quite like the one in which we currently find ourselves. We are doing the very best that we can, and investing significant amounts of time in research and deliberation, both individually and communally. I, like you, am anxious to be together for worship in a more normal fashion. We are simply not quite there, yet. I ask your patience and understanding. So, with all of this out on the table ... I still close by saying

I'll see you in church ... virtual, and in-person,

*Pastor Craig*

[craig.ross@stpeterslutheran.org](mailto:craig.ross@stpeterslutheran.org)



## **Pastor Sarah's Message**

Dear friends in Christ,

The last couple of days I've had a word popping in and out of my mind. Does that ever happen to you? Do you ever get a word or phrase that pops in to say hello? It's sort of like how we get song lyrics stuck in our heads or other ear worms. Don't play any Billy Joel songs near me... those lyrics get stuck in my mind for days! "*Oh, oh, oh for the longest time!*"

I like to think that when a word visits and settles down in my mind, that it's for a reason. Perhaps the Holy Spirit nudging in a way.

The word that has taken up residence these past few days is a Greek word, specifically a Biblical Greek word, and that word is *koinonia*.

Perhaps you have heard of this word? *Koinonia* means to share, and from its various forms, *koinonia* in our scripture speaks to community, companionship, participation, and even speaks to the generous nature that occurs in community.

In the Bible, it's a big word. It carries a lot of weight. The apostle Paul would use it a lot when he wrote to the various churches in Corinth, Galatia, Philippi, and Rome. Paul spoke about the Godly nature of *koinonia* and in this shared participation we engage with each other in community.

This past year, the pandemic has put *koinonia* to the test. What does community look like when we are separated into pods, how do we participate in a shared experience when gathering has been a challenge? How do we make space for each other—like a family trying to make space for one another in a house?

And yet, our scripture reminds us that it is God's Holy Spirit that makes *koinonia* possible. God's spirit opens our hearts to live in harmony with each other (Romans 12:16), to accept one another (Romans 15:7)—even when we may differ with each other. This *koinonia* spirit calls us to serve and encourage one another (Galatians 5:13, 1 Thessalonians 5:11) as a community gathered together by God's grace.

Beginning this month, we are going to be relearning to gather in community. We are going to be relearning each other's names. We are going to be relearning how to be present to each other and for each other. And some of us will be doing this vaccinated, and some of us won't be vaccinated. We'll be relearning how to navigate as a community with these differences, and how we can help make vaccinated and non-vaccinated children of God be part of *koinonia* and part of our community. In some ways, Paul's letter to the Corinthians or the Romans could have been written for this very year!

I pray that we may continue to be church together and to gather in Jesus' name. There are going to be several ways that we can gather for worship this summer. Pastor Craig makes some mention of those worship opportunities in his pastor's letter. This newsletter will also include some information regarding how to sign up for the 8am indoor worship and some information about our outdoor 11 am worship.

To borrow a phrase from my dear colleague, see you in church!

Peace,

**Pastor Sarah**

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## **Communication: The Website Is Your Friend!**

Please 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 contact a staff member. We would love to hear from you.



## From the Director of Music

### **Lutheran Worship at its Core**

I've been thinking a lot about worship and what makes it "Lutheran" these last days, weeks, months. I have heard from many of you about your thoughts regarding worship, particularly related to music and singing. Sometimes these thoughts have been centered around appreciation for what has continued. Sometimes these thoughts have been centered around the sense of loss for what has yet to come back.

Let me affirm that I am in complete agreement that not singing together has been a source of great personal sadness for me over the last several months. Few things bring me joy in quite the same way as leading a group in song and being separated from that since March 2020 has been a true hardship. Despite this sadness and despite it being necessary to endure it at this point in time in service to our neighbor, our worship remains vital and "Lutheran."

Lutheran worship is, at its core, about gathering the whole people of God to proclaim the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus through celebrations of Word and Sacrament. Lutherans have typically shared the Word in a variety of ways: readings from the Bible, prayers, sermons, music, and more. Although Lutheran worship has a tradition of incorporating sung music from the gathered people, singing is neither solely a Lutheran activity, nor is it the only thing that makes a worship service "Lutheran."

Of course, that said, I know we want to get back to singing together. I do too! I am personally keeping an eye on research, recommendations, and guidelines for worshipping together as a community. There are interesting publications coming from the ELCA churchwide office, continued guidance from national music organizations, and best practices being shared. For now, as I am reading the information, the best thing we can do to accelerate a return to a worship service that includes music sung by a group, is to get vaccinated or encourage our loved ones to do so.

So, worship at St. Peter's will continue to be Lutheran in that we will, as much as we are able, include the entire assembled congregation in the actions of worship. We will continue to share the story of Jesus, the love of God, and the driving force of the Spirit in our world through Word and Sacrament. We will continue to gather for worship that seeks to show forth Christ and demonstrate to our community that no matter what the circumstance, whether it be one of praise or lament, God is with us, has always been with us, and will never let us go.



## Preschool Openings for Fall

We still have a few openings for the fall - our roster is filling up fast - please reach out to Heather Cramer at [heather.cramer@stpeterslutheran.org](mailto:heather.cramer@stpeterslutheran.org) for more registration information. We are also offering an after preschool learning experience called "Prayground". Children will learn basic bible stories, participate in games and service projects.

We are excited to kick off this program!



**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.

# Youth & Family Ministry News...

## Youth and Family Fall Organizational Meeting – Tuesday June 8<sup>th</sup> – St. Peter’s

This meeting is for both youth and their parents to help set the direction for our 2021/2022 youth ministry programs:

Youth going into grades 5-8 in the fall will meet 6:00- 7:00 p.m.

Youth going into grades 9-12 in the fall will meet from 7:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Pizza, chips and drinks will be provided. We will meet outside if the weather is nice, otherwise we will meet socially distanced in the Family Life Center. Please RSVP to Betsy Linn at [betsy.linn@stpeterslutheran.org](mailto:betsy.linn@stpeterslutheran.org) with the number attending.



## Lancaster Confirmation Camp –

June 20<sup>th</sup> - June 26<sup>th</sup> at Camp Kirchenwald for youth who will be going into grades 6-9.

Contact Sister Dottie for more details at [dottie.almoney@stpeterslutheran.org](mailto:dottie.almoney@stpeterslutheran.org).

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## ST. PETER’S KIDS

Dear Families,

It’s hard to believe that June has arrived with a promising future of returning to normal! Children’s Ministries is busy preparing for Vacation Bible School this summer – outdoors! It will be from July 18<sup>th</sup> to July 22<sup>nd</sup>, 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. Mark your calendars and save the date! Our curriculum will focus on “The World Jesus Knew” written by Sister Dottie! We will study the families of Peter, David, Joseph, Amos, Levi, and Abraham. Children will circulate stations participating in music, cooking, carpentry and weaving - to name a few. It promises to be a fun, learning experience! We will need many volunteers to help coordinate the activities. Please contact me to volunteer.



A huge thank you to all volunteers who assisted with children’s sermons and Sunday School lessons presented this past year on our You Tube channel. These provided an excellent way to keeping our kids connected during the pandemic.



As our Children’s Ministries Committee continues to grow, please consider joining us. Many volunteers are needed to help plan and deliver Christian education to our children in meaningful and fun ways. We will soon begin preparation for our fall Sunday School. Thank you, in advance, for considering! I look forward to an amazing year ahead!

Stay healthy and safe!

Blessings,

Cindy Geesey

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## From the Volunteer Steward

YEAH! How does the song go? I'm so excited, and I just can't hide it!

Indoor worship is returning to St. Peter's. We are looking forward to being together as a community, which we have all missed. With our return, we will once again be using volunteers for greeting, welcome center, ushers, etc. You will be contacted with your scheduled time as needed. How nice it will be to be greeted and welcomed back into the sanctuary!

All of our Local Social Ministries are still going strong: Lydia's Closet, Community Meals, the Quilters, Love Inc, Power Packs, and Recovery Ministry. As well as our Children's Ministries, Property committee, I could go on and on. In your Herald, you will see the ministries highlighted each month. Please take a look and see if they look like a good fit for you.

Thanks for your faithful support of St. Peter's by giving of your Time and Talents. The church could not operate without you!

Betsy Linn, Volunteer Steward  
[Betsy.linn@stpeterslutheran.org](mailto:Betsy.linn@stpeterslutheran.org)



## Volunteers are Needed

Hello! Your help is needed! Please think about joining one of our committees that are meeting through Zoom. Consider using some of your time to help with committees that need people & voices. It would be a minimal time commitment.



**VOLUNTEERS  
NEEDED**

Right now, our **Stewardship Committee** needs a chairperson. PLEASE consider leading this necessary ministry for St. Peter's. Here are other vacancies for which there is an immediate and crucial need:

**Global Social Ministry Committee - Chair**  
**Membership - Chair**  
**Youth and Family - Chair**

You can find descriptions for each of the groups on St. Peter's website. Consider taking some time to see if any of these are a fit for you. Here is the link.

[https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1fVeQyvmq4O5N6mKFsnNacgEPTbGUIyu\\_ai7E90mCWzA/edit#gid=1](https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1fVeQyvmq4O5N6mKFsnNacgEPTbGUIyu_ai7E90mCWzA/edit#gid=1)

If you would like the descriptions sent to you, give me a call and I'll be happy to explain what is expected.

**Betsy Linn**  
**Volunteer Steward**  
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## PLEASE UPDATE YOUR EMAIL ADDRESS

We are striving to reach out to as many people as possible to communicate the various online resources that we are making available to you during this time. Some of you receive the "Herald" by mail, but during this time we are only able to send it digitally or only to a limited number of people by mail. Please note that we will have some copies of the Herald on the table in the Narthex that may be picked up between 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. Monday - Friday. Please contact Sandy in the church office if your email address has changed or if you are not currently receiving the newsletter digitally so we can add you to the list.



## LOOKING AHEAD

# JUNE CALENDAR

### Tuesday, June 1

9:00 a.m. - Staff Meeting (Conference Room)  
9:00 a.m. - Worship Leaders (Music Room)

### Wednesday, June 2

1:00 p.m. - Community Meal Preparation (Kitchen)  
2:00 p.m. - Evangelism Committee (Zoom)  
4:30 p.m. - Community Meal (Grace Lutheran)  
7:00 p.m. - Worship Committee (Zoom)

### Thursday, June 3

7:00 p.m. - Outdoor Singing

### Friday, June 4

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

### Saturday, June 5

10:00 a.m. - Clothing Bank/Lydia's Closet

### Sunday, June 6

8:00 a.m. - In Person Worship (Sanctuary)  
9:45 a.m. - Online Worship St Peter's website/YouTube  
11:00 a.m. - Outdoor Worship (Church green space)

### Monday, June 7

9:00 a.m. - Worship Leaders (Pastor's Office)  
6:00 p.m. - Garden Tour  
8:00 p.m. - AA (Room 100) Al Anon (Cry Room)

### Tuesday, June 8

1:00 p.m. - Communication Committee (Zoom)  
6:00 p.m. - Youth Parent Meeting (Outside)

### Wednesday, June 9

7:00 p.m. - Moral Monday Book Discussion (Outside)  
7:00 p.m. - Property Committee (Zoom)

### Thursday, June 10

Herald Deadline  
10:30 a.m. - WELCA (Portico)  
7:00 p.m. - Outdoor Singing

### Friday, June 11

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

### Sunday, June 13

8:00 a.m. - In Person Worship (Sanctuary)  
9:45 a.m. - Online Worship St. Peter's website/YouTube  
11:00 a.m. - Outdoor Worship (Church green space)

### Monday, June 14

9:00 a.m. - Worship Leaders (Pastor's Office)  
6:00 p.m. - Garden Tour  
7:00 p.m. - Council Meeting (FLC)  
8:00 p.m. - AA (Room 100) Al Anon (Cry Room)

### Tuesday, June 15

9:00 a.m. - Staff Meeting (Music Room)  
7:00 p.m. - Stewardship Committee (Zoom)

### Wednesday, June 16

6:30 p.m. - Pub Theology (Uncommon Pizza)

### Thursday, June 17

7:00 p.m. - Outdoor Singing

### Friday, June 18

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

### Sunday, June 20

Confirmation Camp Grades 6-9 (Kirchenwald)  
8:00 a.m. - In Person Worship (Sanctuary)  
9:45 a.m. - Online Worship St. Peter's website/YouTube  
11:00 a.m. - Outdoor Worship (Church green space)

### Monday, June 21

9:00 a.m. - Worship Leaders (Conference Room)  
6:00 p.m. - Garden Tour  
7:00 p.m. - Finance Committee (Zoom)  
8:00 p.m. - AA (Room 100) Al Anon (Cry Room)

### Tuesday, June 22

10:30 a.m. - Widows Group (Narthex & Zoom)

### Thursday, June 24

7:00 p.m. - Outdoor Singing

### Friday, June 25

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

### Sunday, June 27

8:00 a.m. - In Person Worship (Sanctuary)  
9:45 a.m. - Online Worship St. Peter's website/YouTube  
11:00 a.m. - Outdoor Worship (Church green space)

### Monday, June 28

9:00 a.m. - Worship Leaders (Pastor's Office)  
6:00 p.m. - Garden Tour  
6:45 a.m. - Tanzania Missions Committee (Zoom)  
7:00 p.m. - Human Resources Committee (Zoom)  
8:00 p.m. - AA (Room 100) Al Anon (Cry Room)



## 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.

NewsLetter  
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**JULY 2021 NEWSLETTER ARTICLES DUE JUNE 10TH**

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