



# "The Herald" Newsletter

## St. Peter's Evangelical Lutheran Church

Worship. Learn. Gather. Serve.

## November 2021



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



### ANNUAL MEETING

**Annual Congregational Meeting**  
**Sunday, November 14 at 10:30 a.m.**

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This year's Annual Meeting will be held on Sunday, November 14<sup>th</sup> at 10:30 a.m. in the Family Life Center. We will worship in a unified fashion at 9:00 a.m. in the sanctuary with both New Day and traditional congregations gathering together. Following worship, we will adjourn to the Family Life Center for the Annual Meeting. As of the Herald printing deadline, church leadership is exploring options to have sound available outside on the Delp Road side of the building, so that those unable to be present indoors, may still be able to listen to the proceedings of the meeting. A children and youth activity will be offered for all non-confirmed youth in the Youth Lounge during the meeting. Confirmed youth can vote in the proceeding, so we hope they will be with us in the meeting.

At this year's meeting we will conduct typical business such as approving the 2022 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 mission campaign and we will also have a first vote on the constitutional changes we have been working on for the past couple of years. A brief update on the call process will also be offered. You should be here for three reasons: (1) We need a quorum to conduct business; (2) You should know how your congregation is being managed by your 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 14<sup>th</sup>.

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# November Worship Schedule

## **Sunday, November 7: All Saints' Sunday**

8:00 AM – Service of Communion in the Sanctuary, Sister Dottie Preaches  
9:00 AM – Outdoor Service on Delp Road Lawn, Pastor Craig Preaches  
10:45 AM – Service of Communion in the Sanctuary, Sister Dottie Preaches  
10:45 AM – New Day Service of Communion in the FLC, Pastor Craig Preaches

## **Sunday, November 14: Pentecost 25 (Annual Meeting Sunday)**

9:00 AM – Combined Service of Communion in the Sanctuary, Pastor Craig Preaches

## **Sunday, November 21: Christ the King Sunday**

8:00 AM – Service of Communion in the Sanctuary, Sister Dottie Preaches  
9:15 AM – Portico Outdoor Service, Pastor Craig Preaches  
10:45 AM – Service of Communion in the Sanctuary, Sister Dottie Preaches  
10:45 AM – New Day Service of Communion in the FLC, Pastor Craig Preaches

## **Sunday, November 28: First Sunday of Advent**

8:00 AM – Service of Communion in the Sanctuary, Pastor Craig Preaches  
9:15 AM – Portico Outdoor Service, Sister Dottie Preaches  
10:45 AM – Service of Communion in the Sanctuary, Pastor Craig Preaches  
10:45 AM – New Day Service of Communion in the FLC, Sister Dottie Preaches



## **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/stpeterslutheranlancaster>

A link to the "Live" page is on our website under the stream that links to recent service videos on YouTube.

## **Thanksgiving Break**

The Church Office will be closed on Thursday & Friday, November 25<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup> in observance of the Thanksgiving holiday. The Office will reopen on Monday, November 29<sup>th</sup> at 8:30 a.m.



## Adult Christian Education

### *Weekdays*

#### **Wednesday Morning Bible Study** – 9:30 a.m. -11:00 a.m.

In November, we will continue our study of the First Book of Kings, as part of our overall study of 1 & 2 Kings. Forget your evening soap operas, folks, and just tune into the Bible on Wednesday mornings with us for intrigue, murder, and betrayal, as heroes and villains rise and fall in our biblical narrative.

We will continue to meet in hybrid fashion in November, with in person discussion along with Zoom access to our slides and live class discussion. Our schedule for this month is as follows:

Wednesday, November 3: 1 Kings Chapters 6 -7

Wednesday, November 10: 1 Kings Chapters 8-10

Wednesday, November 17: 1 Kings Chapters 11-12

Wednesday, November 24 : NO CLASS – THANKSGIVING OBSERVANCE



**November Pub Theology** – Wednesday, November 17<sup>th</sup>– 6:30 p.m. (Place to be announced.)  
RSVP to Sister Dottie if you can attend. ([dottie.almoney@stpeterslutheran.org](mailto:dottie.almoney@stpeterslutheran.org))

### All Saints' Sunday



Please join us for worship on Sunday, November 7<sup>th</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. Church members and loved ones in your families who died this past year will be remembered at worship during the prayers.

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.

### Fall Worship Schedule

Our Fall worship services continue with Traditional services in the sanctuary at 8:00 a.m. and 10:45 a.m. and a New Day Praise service at 10:45 a.m. in the Family Life Center.

Our outdoor services are as follows:

November 7<sup>th</sup> - 9:00 a.m. outside under tents

November 14<sup>th</sup> - No outdoor service

November 21<sup>st</sup> and beyond, 9:15 a.m. outside under the Portico



### Livestreaming Options

Livestreaming options will be available for the 8:00 a.m. Traditional and 10:45a.m. New Day Praise services. If you can't join us in person, join us online! <https://www.stpeterslutheran.org/live/>. Traditional service bulletins can be accessed at <https://www.stpeterslutheran.org/bulletins>.

## **Call Committee Update**

When a pastoral vacancy occurs in a congregation of the Evangelical Lutheran Church of America, two primary wheels start turning. One is a congregational wheel – which includes grief over the departure of our pastor, anxiety about how to cover leadership for ministries without that pastor, and some excitement centered on thinking of a new future God has in store for us that comes to fruition through the call process for a new pastor. The second wheel that begins to turn is the synodical wheel – which includes partnership with the congregation in navigating the period of vacancy, and a primary role in guiding the call process for a new pastor. I offer this one bit of advice as we look at the balance between these two entities and their roles: (1) There is one congregation we are focused on here at St. Peter's – that congregation whose physical footprint lies on the corner of Delp Road and Lititz Pike, and whose ministries actively touch the lives of about 1500 members; (2) There are 235 congregations in the Lower Susquehanna Synod – our synod – and there are roughly 98,000 persons touched by the ministries of those 235 congregations. You can do the math. St. Peter's will not be the only congregation for whom our synod is conducting call processes, nor the only congregation for which some of our synodical leaders have responsibility as our shepherds of the call process.

A congregation may not start a call process until the departing pastor has completed her or his call, so last week I put in my first call to our synod office asking for guidance in starting our call process. I did have an informal call with our bishop, early in my medical leave, to discuss a couple of specific items, but they were mostly about giving Bishop Dunlop a sense of what our landscape is as a congregation. He (of course) reminded me that we could not start any formal call process until Pastor Sarah completed her call with us.

So the assistant to the bishop will get us started shortly on the early stages of the call process. I have been part of seven call processes here at St. Peter's including my own and Sister Dottie's. And each one has reflected mostly subtle changes in the process. So I will not share any details of the process until I can speak with some authority using the resources the synod provides. What you can do at this stage of the process is pray for your leadership along with the leadership of our synod. You should also think about whether you or someone you know might be a candidate for a call committee or a congregational profile committee. Both of those items are central parts of the call process. I'll share a few more details about each in the next issue of the Herald after I see the latest documents from the synod.

--Peace, PR

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## **Pastoral Acts**

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

Funerals: Caryl Trachte (Graveside Service) on October 13 at Jerusalem  
Evangelical Lutheran Cemetery

Weddings: Lauren Hoffman & Todd McDonald, on October 8, 2021 at St. Peter's



## **Church Council Meeting Minutes Available**

During the October council meeting, the September council minutes were approved. The minutes can now be accessed at the following link to a page on the church website to make them more accessible to the congregation: <https://www.stpeterslutheran.org/congregational-documents/> If you are unable to access the link and would like a copy of the minutes, please contact the church office at 717-569-9211.



## **Mission Campaign**

St. Peter's Family,

Our Faith in Our Future campaign continues to make progress—thank you! As of mid-October, 105 households have pledged treasures totaling \$932,680. We have received \$349,283 in pledge payments and outright gifts, which allows Congregation Council to put those funds received to good use in addressing many of our church property and facilities needs.

You can visit our recently refreshed campaign website at <https://www.stpeterslutheran.org/mission-campaign/> to check in on our progress toward meeting our financial goal, as well as updates on projects in-progress and/or completed. If you have not yet returned your campaign pledge form, you can print one from the website.

In the coming days, you will be receiving the church's annual stewardship call, inviting you to prayerfully consider your ongoing financial support of St. Peter's regular operational and ministry needs. Our Mission Campaign provides the congregation with the opportunity to step up and stretch our giving to support God's work, and we remain grateful to those of you who are responding generously to that call. As a reminder, the Mission Campaign projects will only be supported through Mission Campaign contributions. Our weekly offerings support the church's annual budget, including administrative, operational, ministry, and benevolence.

With the end of the year approaching, time is running out to consider how we will dedicate our treasures to support philanthropic organizations doing important work throughout our own communities and across the globe. St. Peter's has the ability to touch so many more in need, and we ask you to keep St. Peter's in your heart, as you begin to make these 2021 year-end decisions.

We appreciate your continued prayers for the Campaign and the broader stewardship efforts of St. Peters, as well as your discernment surrounding a personal commitment to support St. Peter's growth and ministry enhancement, both near and far. As always, please continue to reach out to either of us, directly, with any questions or concerns. We look forward to hearing from you!

With Faith in Our Future,  
Jen and Adrian

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Adrian Young ([adrianyoung@verizon.net](mailto:adrianyoung@verizon.net) or 717-314-8556)

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## **Lancaster Advocacy Action Ministry**

Several members of St. Peters have joined with members of other churches in the Lancaster area to form a new organization, Lancaster Advocacy Action Ministry (LAAM). Our ministry is focused on working for justice in our local community. This is one way that we can live out our call to "learn to do good; seek justice, rescue the oppressed, defend the orphan, plead for the widow." Isaiah 1:17

The ELCA social statement "Our Calling in Education" states that, "Because all are created in God's image, all have equal worth and dignity and should be treated accordingly. ... All students are entitled to good schools, and when they receive a high-quality education, society benefits." As Lutheran Christians, we are called to reduce economic and racial disparities in quality of public education.

Pennsylvania schools are sorely underfunded. Did you know that Pennsylvania ranks 47<sup>th</sup> in the country for state contributions to public school funding? Without enough state support, we rely heavily on local property taxes to fund our schools, resulting in dramatic disparities in the quality of education our children receive. According to the Education Law Center - PA, poor districts receive \$4,800 less per student than rich districts, and even suburban districts like Manheim Township are shortchanged by over \$2,000 per student per year. We believe that every child deserves the chance to develop their God-given gifts through a quality education. LAAM has joined forces with other people of faith throughout the state to call for justice in education funding.

Learn more about educational equity and how you can lend your support at the Pod Class at 9:30 a.m. on October 31<sup>st</sup> following the 9:00 a.m. outdoor service.

Contact Jean Pretz ([jean.pretz@gmail.com](mailto:jean.pretz@gmail.com)) with any questions or to learn more about LAAM.



## Something New to Try

Did you ever wonder how the lights go on and off during the service ? Or how we hear the pastors and lectors? It's possible that you don't know we have an AV room in the back of the sanctuary where all the magic happens. Well, actually, it's not magic. It's just a few buttons and switches that need to be adjusted during the service. We are actively recruiting people to work in the AV room during the services. You will be trained by a seasoned volunteer until you feel comfortable doing it alone. There are also clear written instructions. If you can use the remote for your TV, you can easily handle this job! Please contact Bob Preston to hear more! [rpreston1609@comcast.net](mailto:rpreston1609@comcast.net)



## Livestream Help

### **Help needed – Church@Home for Traditional worship**

Do you know that over 100 viewers tune in to our Sunday service's "live stream" using YouTube? For many of our homebound parishioners, those traveling, or others who cannot return to indoor worship, Church@Home has become a vital connection to St. Peter's. Thanks to the creativity of Adam Lefever Hughes and Erik Teichmann, who script out each service, we strive to make the YouTube experience "the next best thing to being there." We need **one additional person** in the AV room each Sunday to do some very simple, non-technical tasks so that the hymn texts, prayers, and other information are streamed on cue throughout the service. It's simpler than your cable remote control -- ***NO COMPUTER KNOWLEDGE IS NEEDED!*** You just need to be present and alert at 8:00 a.m., because that's the service where we produce the video for our viewing community. Jordan Lambert is providing hands-on training to the growing team of streamers. **There is no age requirement to run the livestream!** Please contact Jordan at [jslamvt@gmail.com](mailto:jslamvt@gmail.com) or Betsy Linn at [Betsy.linn@stpeterslutheran.org](mailto:Betsy.linn@stpeterslutheran.org) if you are curious about this exciting new opportunity to help with our evangelism and presence in people's homes on Sunday morning.

## Change of Mailing Address for St. Peter's Lutheran Church

We want to inform you that we will be closing our post office mailbox - PO Box 5160 -that we used during the COVID-19 pandemic. Now that the church is re-opened, we are using the church's street address once again. We will close the PO Box on 10/31/21. We ask that you contact your bank and any wealth advisers you are using of this mailing address change. The complete mailing address with our zip plus four number for faster delivery is shown below.

**St. Peter's Evangelical Lutheran Church**  
**10 Delp Rd**  
**Lancaster, PA 17601-3904**



## Social Ministry

### Community Meal Day

**November Community Meal** will be Wednesday, November 3<sup>rd</sup> at Grace Lutheran Church. For more information about volunteering, please contact Kathy Berkebile at [kberkebile@comcast.net](mailto:kberkebile@comcast.net).



### Lydia's Closet Clothing Bank at St. Peter's

**Lydia's Closet Clothing Bank** will be open on Saturday, November 6<sup>th</sup> from 10:00 – 12:00 p.m. in the Family Life Center. 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).



**Christmas Giving Trees** will be set up in the narthex and youth lounge. Donations will go to families in Manheim Township, the School District of Lancaster and Vantage House. Take a tag and return the tag on the wrapped gift by Sunday, December 12<sup>th</sup>. Please contact Sister Dottie with questions at [dottie.almoney@stpeterslutheranorg](mailto:dottie.almoney@stpeterslutheranorg)

### College Students Care Packages

A big thank you for all the donated items for our care packages. 20 boxes were sent to our students as a gift from St. Peter's. All the leftover items were donated to Vantage House. We'll be doing it again in the spring!

## Local Social Ministry Updates

### Lydia's Closet

Do you know of somewhere you could post a flyer advertising Lydia's closet? Contact Molly Olmsted and she'll get you one to hang up! ([astaloo@me.com](mailto:astaloo@me.com) or 717-490-3908)

### Quilters

Our Quilters are back at work! This month they have donated 29 quilts to the Transitional Living Center on King Street.

### Community Meals

We have continued to serve 60 meals to the Lancaster community this month. Next month we will be serving two meals - on November 3<sup>rd</sup> and November 10<sup>th</sup>. We are considering the possibility of continuing with two meals per month for the 2022 calendar. Please contact Kathy Berkebile at [kberkebile@comcast.net](mailto:kberkebile@comcast.net) or 717-725-0162.

### Recovery Ministry

September was Recovery Month and in recognition of their accomplishments at Vantage House, St. Peter's donated approximately 30 personal care packs, baby wash, socks and underwear as well as \$100.00 in gift cards! Thanks to all who helped and contributed during Gods Work Our Hands! They were so very appreciative of the generosity!! Stay tuned for additional opportunities to help this ministry over the holidays! If you are able to help please contact Kathy Berkebile at 717-725-0162 or [kberkebile@comcast.net](mailto:kberkebile@comcast.net).



## Prayer Chain Ministry

July, August and September were busy months for your prayer chain. We received over 76 regular requests (submissions through the office or Pastors and 38 on-line requests). We continue to be humbled by your trust in us. We do treat each request received with respect and privacy. Beginning October 1<sup>st</sup>, we now have a more manageable sized On Going List which we pray for daily as well. If you are looking to be part of a small group, please consider the Prayer Chain. Questions may be directed to Angela Moshos (717) 392-6201 or Ginny Gerhart (717) 626-7406



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



## Health & Wellness

### **November is COPD awareness month**



**Chronic obstructive pulmonary disease, commonly referred to as COPD, is a group of progressive lung diseases. The most common of these are emphysema and chronic bronchitis.**

*Emphysema* slowly destroys air sacs in your lungs, which interferes with outward air flow.

*Chronic Bronchitis* causes inflammation and narrowing of the bronchial tubes, which allows mucus to build up.

**Symptoms:** Initially, they can be mild; you might even mistake them for a cold. As the disease progresses, you may develop occasional shortness of breath, especially after exercise. You may have a mild but recurrent cough, needing you to clear your throat often (especially first thing in the morning). These symptoms then become more constant, causing you to have difficulty breathing, even just walking up stairs with wheezing and tightness in the chest. In later stages, you may experience fatigue, swelling of the feet/ankles/legs and weight loss. Clearly, if you smoke or are regularly exposed to secondhand smoke or chemicals, things can be much worse.

**Tests:** To evaluate your lung problem your Dr. may order: *Spirometry* (deep breathing into a tube– evaluates your lungs abilities). *Chest x-ray* (images of your lungs, blood vessels and your heart – evaluates the structures of each). *Arterial blood gas* (a lab test using blood from your artery - evaluates the oxygen, carbon dioxide and other levels). These tests help determine if you have COPD, asthma, or maybe heart failure.

**Treatment:** Treatment will help ease symptoms, prevent complications and generally slow disease progression. You may be referred to a lung specialist or a respiratory therapist. You may require oxygen, (sporadic or continuous), if your blood oxygen level is too low.

**Other facts:** It's estimated about 30 million people in the U.S. have COPD. As many as half are unaware that they have it. Untreated, COPD can lead to a faster progression of disease, heart problems, and worsening respiratory infections. The average age of someone with COPD is 40, with some history of smoking. The risk is greater if you have asthma and you smoke or if you're exposed to chemicals/fumes in your workplace, or long term exposure to air pollution.

**Lifestyle changes:** Lifestyle changes may help alleviate your symptoms and/or provide relief: If you smoke: quit. Avoid secondhand smoke/chemicals/poor air quality. Good nutrition will help your lungs/body better manage. Check with your doctor about safe exercises you can do.

NOVEMBER is also Lung Cancer Awareness Month; one of the leading causes of death in the US.

Let's focus on every breath we take, and keeping our lungs healthy.



## **Music News**

### **Worship Leadership Schedule**

Sunday	8:00 a.m.	10:45 a.m.
November 7	St. Peter's Ringers	Herald Choir
November 14	(9:00 a.m.) Herald Choir	(9:00 a.m.) Herald Choir
November 21	Exsultate Ringers	St. Peter's Ringers, Herald Choir
November 28	No Choirs	No Choirs

### **Herald Choir in Session**

Herald Choir began last month with our first rehearsal Thursday, October 14<sup>th</sup>. As we begin re-gathering in this way, the choir will practice while wearing masks and will not sit together during services. COVID-19 vaccinations are HIGHLY recommended to participants in the choir due to their proximity to one another while singing. If these mitigation techniques make singing in the choir impossible for you at this time or if you are simply not comfortable coming together yet, please know that your chair and folder will remain ready for you when it is the right time for you to return.

### **Children's and Youth Choirs**

In consultation with worship committee, safe church committee, and other ministry areas at St. Peter's, we have decided to delay Children's and Youth Choirs until January at the earliest. With case numbers being where they are, we are working on the side of caution for now. As vaccines become available, we will be able to continue to restart vocal music ministries. For now, keep those vocal cords limber in the shower or outside and do your best to make it through a busy fall season!

### **Art for Christmas Devotional**

Artists are encouraged to submit drawings, prints, or other scannable art with Christmas themes to be included in the 2021 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).

### **No Rehearsals Thursday, November 25**

There are NO rehearsals on Thursday, November 25<sup>th</sup>. Best wishes for a great Thanksgiving holiday!

### **Mennonite Children's Chorus of Lancaster – Saturday, December 4, 2021 4:00 p.m.**

A special program of the Mennonite Children's Chorus of Lancaster will be held in the sanctuary here at St. Peter's on Saturday, December 4<sup>th</sup>. While not an official program of the 2021-2022 Musical Arts Series, this program promises to be one full of excellent singing by the young people from the Lancaster area. Come to support the future of music-making and engagement in the arts.

### **Musical Arts – Sunday, December 5, 4:00 p.m. – Hershey Handbell Ensemble**

This holiday concert is not to be missed. The Hershey Handbell Ensemble presents an evening of beautiful music in our beautiful Sanctuary to put you in the Christmas spirit. Concert is Sunday, December 5<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 p.m. At time of printing, masks are required.

## **Administratively Speaking ...**

It has been a very busy September and October. The Property Committee inspected the Vicarage house and found areas that needed repair. The shingled roof was old and was curling up – not a good sign. Thankfully there have been no reports of roof leaks. A new roof was installed on the house and garage. We discovered the radon fan was not operating. When the switch was turned on, you could hear something inside. Property Chair, Bud Benton, took it apart and found a dead bird that found the wrong place to make a nest. The radon fan was replaced and is back in operation.

We discovered water stained ceiling tiles from the narthex down the entire length of the music hallway. Going onto the flat roof, the Property chair discovered worn and missing caulking where the flat roof joins the sanctuary structure. This was repaired and stained ceiling tiles were replaced.

During the first week of Daytime Preschool, in just 5 days four in-wall air conditioning units leaked on preschool floors. Sextons Tom and then Chuck and I tore them apart one-by-one and found the condensation drains were clogged solid. We cleaned the drains and put them back in action. Bud Benton and George Groff went room to room with an air compressor and shop vac to clean all the units. Needless to say, this is now on my seasonal Property to-do list.

Meanwhile, Rich Larrick and Mark Aho were busy putting together shelving and a new banquet table cart and repairing broken equipment. Rich fixed the church sign electrical problem. Bud and Mark trimmed the hedges and removed Kudzu plants along the Lititz Pike frontage. Next, Rich and Mark will tackle the job of mounting a donated large screen monitor in Augsburg Alley for Sunday School use.

Property has sent out RFPs (request for proposals) to several large paving companies for the LONG overdue repaving of the church parking lot. You will need to keep dodging potholes until work is done next spring. Your gifts to the Mission Campaign appeal have made this much needed repaving possible.



Saturday, October 16, the United Lutheran Seminary staff, professors, Board members, and alumni from all over PA and beyond descended upon St. Peter's for its installation service for its new President, Dr. Guy Erwin. (Fun fact that I read in the program. Dr. Erwin is a member of the Osage native American tribe and was, in fact, born on a reservation in OK. He is the first native American to hold the presidency of ULS.) Special thanks to sextons Joey and Davey Striggle, Nelson Gehman, Jonathan Bowman, Chuck Fisher; and volunteers Bud Benton and Rich Larrick for working on the setup and teardown for this seminary event. The seminary called us to express its thanks for everything.



We can always use more volunteer men - and women (none yet)- on the Property handyman team I have nicknamed, The Master's Men. Be sure to thank them for their HARD and dedicated work taking care of your church. We can use extra help November 26<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup> to prepare and teardown for the church's big annual event – the Thanksgiving Weekend Craft Fair

led by Movita Groff and her team – 51 exhibitors are expected this year after missing last year due to the pandemic. Contact me if you are interested in helping or joining The Master's Men team.

Paul Schultz, Parish Administrator

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## **Podcast About Martin Luther Now Available**

How much do you know about Martin Luther? Well, Ligonier Ministries produced an EXCELLENT and professional audio drama called Luther: In Real Time. It is available free on your favorite podcast app or directly from their website. It chronicles key points in Luther's life in short, less than 10-minute episodes that you can stream whenever you want. I just finished it and wish they would produce more. We studied Luther in seminary but I learned so much more through these dramatic episodes – like old fashioned radio dramas of the 1930's and 1940's.

Search your podcast app for **Luther: In Real Time** or find it here à <https://www.ligonier.org/luther-in-real-time/>

Paul Schultz, Parish Administrator

## WELCOME OUR NEW SEXTON

### Charles “Chuck” Fisher

Chuck has been a member of St. Peter’s for over 20 years. He is a native of Lancaster. His parents moved out of the city to a small farm between Strasburg and Lampeter when he was young. He graduated from Lampeter Strasburg HS and was enrolled at Elizabethtown College briefly before joining the army during the Vietnam War. He was trained as an electronic technician in the Army Security Agency (ASA) and he spent 19 months in training at Fort Devens in Massachusetts before being transferred overseas. He was stationed in northern Thailand near the town of Udon at an ASA post. While stationed in Thailand, he played soccer for a small Thai village for about 10 months (long story how that happened- ask him some time). After the war, he took a job as a service technician for 3M/Imation/DecisionOne. He remained with the company until his retirement in November 2017.



Besides working as one of your sextons 20 hours a week, he and his wife, Donna, watch their 5 grandchildren (ranging in age from 2 to 11) during the week. Chuck enjoys photography, creative printing, and “do it yourself (DIY)” projects around the home.



### *FROM THE ARCHIVES*

#### **The Lancaster Intelligencer Journal – November 10, 1954**

#### **Rev. Clay Rice dies at 67; Was Minister 40 Years**

The Rev. Clay E. Rice, 2442 Lititz Pike, Neffsville, pastor of the Neffsville-East Petersburg Lutheran parish for more than 35 years, died yesterday at 8:30 am at St. Joseph’s Hospital after an illness of six months. He was 67 years old. His body will lie in state at St. Peter’s Lutheran Church, Neffsville, tomorrow evening from 6:30 until 9 and Friday morning from 8:30 until 9:30 when services will be held. Officiating at the funeral service will be Dr. Dwight F. Putnam, Lutheran Synod president, the Rev. Warren C. Heinly, president of the Lancaster Conference, and Dr. Carl Rasmussen, president of Gettysburg Seminary. Brief services and burial will be held in Middletown, Md. Prior to his fatal illness the Rev. Mr. Rice had never missed a service or speaking engagement due to ill health during the entire 40 years of his ministry. A graduate of Myersville Md. High School in 1907, he received his AB degree from Gettysburg College in 1911 and was ordained by the former East Pennsylvania Synod in Zion Lutheran Church, Harrisburg in May 1914.

### **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.

### **Grocery Cards**



Please be aware that grocery cards are available to purchase from the church office Monday through Friday between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 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, proceed to the window of the office and someone will be able to help you from the window. Thank you.

## Groups and Events



### St. Peter's 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Craft Show

Please join us for our third Craft Fair on Saturday, November 27<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.



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### 50 + GROUP

50+ will meet in the chapel on Thursday, November 4 at 1 PM. Bob Frick will present his next installment of the modern presidents, focusing on Kennedy and Johnson. All are welcome. Masks are optional if you are vaccinated. Please contact Debbie Shue at [djshue52@comcast.net](mailto:djshue52@comcast.net) or 717-318-8848 with any questions.

### WELCA

WELCA will meet on Thursday, November 11<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m. in the Chapel. After a light breakfast, Molly Olmsted will discuss the Community Service opportunities provided by the St. Peter's membership. We will discuss how these opportunities can be promoted in the church as well as in the community. Suggestions will be given regarding places of need in our township and how we may be of assistance. Looking forward to seeing you on the 11<sup>th</sup>! Contact Kathy Caldwell at 717-371-7296 or Sally Rager at 717-569-6119, if you have any questions.

### Widows Group

The Widows Group meetings are continuing at St. Peter's outside (or in the Café during bad weather) and are held on the 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of the month at 10:30 a.m. and usually last about one hour. Our next meeting will be on November 23<sup>rd</sup>. 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)

### Camp Corner

The Lutheran Camps are still busy this fall with activities. Check in with Joy and Lyle Hosler if you have any questions about camp. ([joy@hoslerfamily.net](mailto:joy@hoslerfamily.net))

November 7: Quilt Auction (Nawakwa)

November 12-14: Women's Craft Retreat (Nawakwa)

December 4: Advent Retreat (Wittel Farm)

January 7-9: Youth Winter Retreat (Kirchenwald)







## **Pastor's Letter**

Hi Folks:

As I write, I'm about two weeks into my return from medical leave. I would be remiss if I did not offer my thanks to our church leadership for approving my six and a half weeks of medical leave. It allowed me to give my complete focus to my four hour a day therapy regime. When I saw my surgeon on September 24, he cleared me to drive and to return to work on Monday the 27<sup>th</sup> for half days with full time work on October 3<sup>rd</sup>. I am thankful for your thoughts, prayers, cards and snacks that you sent during my recovery. It was encouraging to have your support, and reminded me of the community of faith from which I was absent.

I must also offer my deep and abiding thanks to my family for helping me navigate that same period of time, two weeks of which required me to be on a walker and another two which required me to walk with a cane. Nancy's steady presence in our home organizing daily meals, events and commitments while also shouldering the burden of managing all our household duties until I was mobile, gave me the greatest gift of all -- the chance to focus completely on my PT and healing. Jess, Matt & Sam ... Justin & Meg ...and Lori and Tom, were also a tremendous help in breaking up the monotony of my days with visits and companionship, coaching me in my early days of PT to give Nan occasional breaks, along with running errands for us and getting me to off-site physical therapy sessions. I know I am blessed by my family, but sometimes it reveals itself in a more pronounced way like these past weeks have done for me.

I am pain free in my knees ... I continue to put 10K steps on my Fitbit each day as I work to re-train my leg and foot muscles to turn my feet "out" instead of "in" (though I will admit to having a bit of grief in losing my lifelong identity of being pigeon toed). My endurance continues to improve and I am working hard to get my head "back in the game" so to speak, as St. Peter's world is quite different today, then it was when I locked my office door on August 11<sup>th</sup> for six weeks. I have been blessed in many ways by what I am calling this "miracle" in my life.

We stand on the threshold of continuing change in our community. The most obvious example of that is the ongoing navigation of safe protocol and practices while we still have young persons who are as yet, unable to receive a COVID vaccine. Our landscape seems to change weekly depending on new case numbers, along with the outbreaks in sub-segments of our community. As a staff we remain grateful for your patience as we strive to be good stewards of the guidance and expertise that we receive from our health professionals on the front lines of the pandemic ... and as we work to safely adapt and implement our ministries in light of the current status of the virus and our available safeguards against it.

We also stand on the threshold of a major staff transition with the resignation of Pastor Sarah. Please know that your staff has already begun the examination of gaps we need to fill in various ministries, and we have begun to put plans in place to keep our ministries active in ways that are viable in our current health environment. Times of pastoral vacancy while a challenge in some ways, are also a great opportunity to look at our ministries through new sets of eyes, and seek out new gifts and talents from church members who may have yet to find their niche of sharing their time and talents. Part of this transition period will center on a call process for a new pastor. You will see the first of what will be monthly updates on our call process elsewhere in this issue of the Herald. I will offer an update each month, even if that update does not have lots of earthshattering news ... please be aware that call processes in the Lutheran Church proceed with a speed that lies somewhere between molasses and a sprinting turtle. I thank you ahead of time for your partnership in prayer for our ministries and our call process ... for your commitment to consider where there may be a service role you can fill ... for your support of your leaders and fellow parishioners who will step up to serve ... and for your patience when some ministries move a little slower than you prefer.

See you in church (however that looks at this moment of time) ...

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## **From the Director of Music**

### **All Creation Sings**

If you were at traditional worship services about a month ago, or if you tuned into our livestream, you may have heard Pastor Martin Zimmann reference a number of hymnals during his sermon. Of course he mentioned the “green one” (Lutheran Book of Worship), the “blue one”, (With One Voice), the “cranberry one” (Evangelical Lutheran Worship), and the “purple one.” I saw more than a few quizzical looks and thought it was time for an introduction to our latest worship resource from the ELCA and Augsburg Fortress: All Creation Sings.

As we have progressed through the cycles of hymnal creation, you may have noticed a pattern. About 15 years into the life of a primary resource we get a hymnal supplement. After LBW’s release in 1978, we found ourselves in need of more worship resources that reflected the church’s needs and the times. Enter, With One Voice in 1995. We now find ourselves 15 years after ELW’s release. Can you believe we’ve had that hymnal for 15 years?! Following the pattern, Augsburg Fortress and the ELCA worked to create and release All Creation Sings a new hymnal supplement, in 2020.

“Don’t we have plenty of songs to sing?” “What’s wrong with the old songs?” “Why do we need this?” I can hear these thoughts from here and they are important questions to ask. Hymnal supplements such as this are not meant to be a replacement resource. Instead supplements are a way for worshiping communities to encounter the word of God in new ways and retaining access to those songs which form the core of our expression of faith.

I’m hoping to spend the next couple of months helping us to explore this resource and what it may have to offer. Here are a couple of little statistics for now. The new supplement includes 200 songs to sing, new settings of the liturgy, and a host of newly written prayers that will serve as a resource for all worshipers and worship planners. The songs included in this resource are not all new. Some songs are familiar words set to a new tune. Some songs are familiar tunes with new words. Some songs are familiar words to familiar tunes. We actually now have “Deep River” and “When the Saints Go Marching In” in a worship resource!

As part of our already purchased access to worship planning resources, we are able to make use of much of this resource by reproducing songs where we so desire. The church has also acquired enough hymnals for the choirs to begin becoming familiar with the contents of the supplement. It’s my hope that this new resource will serve to enliven our faith, remind us of God’s ever-present spirit, and give us new songs to sing in a world that needs our light and life.

## **Youth & Family Ministry News...**

### **November 14 – Youth Escape Room – 5:00 – 7:00 p.m. for Grades 5-12**



Join Zach Weiss as he leads us through an escape room experience in our old library! Figure out riddles and participate in a church scavenger hunt too! We will have a “make your own sub” dinner – visit the site to sign up to donate items:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050D4AAEA723A4F94-november>

Indoor mask rules will still be in effect. We will socially distant when we have dinner!

**Senior High Get Together** — Our Senior High Get Together for grades 9-12 will be on Sunday, November 21<sup>st</sup> from 5-7 here at the church - we will have pizza for dinner (bring a side/snack or dessert to share) and then have some conversation and then games if we have time! Bring your calendar, too, as we will plan another get together..



**December Youth Event- Sunday December 5<sup>th</sup>-  
Neighborhood Christmas Caroling!  
5:00 –7:00 p.m. , For grades 5-12**



If you have any questions, please contact Sister Dottie Almoney at [dottie.almoney@stpeterslutheran.org](mailto:dottie.almoney@stpeterslutheran.org)

# ST. PETER'S KIDS

Dear Families,

October has been a busy month and lots of learning has taken place in Sunday School! We had lessons on creation and Adam and Eve, the rich man's question on how to get into heaven (the eye of the needle and the camel), James and John asking if they could sit on either side of Jesus in heaven, restoring the sight of the blind man, Bartimaeus, and our Reformation Sunday celebration on October 31<sup>st</sup>. In addition to our family Trunk or Treat event!



This year we are following a lectionary- based curriculum for pre- K through grade 6. This means that what our children learn in Sunday School will be reinforced during our worship services. We are incorporating music with our stories as well activities, games and crafts! We are providing a solid Christian education program in a fun-filled environment! It is not too late to register for Sunday school. You can register by visiting <https://www.stpeterslutheran.org/learn/>



While our outdoor Sunday School program has been very successful, we will return indoors on Sunday, November 21<sup>st</sup> and will begin at 9:45 a.m. and end at 10:30 a.m. We will continue to ensure safety following the CDC guidelines. All children and adults are required to wear masks indoors and stay socially distanced. Thank you, in advance, for your understanding and cooperation as we transition inside due to the advent of colder, winter weather.



We are also in need of many volunteers to help with Sunday School. The curriculum is scripted and all materials and resources are provided. Please respond to Cindy Geesey, Director of Children's Ministries at [cindy.geesey@stpeterslutheran.org](mailto:cindy.geesey@stpeterslutheran.org) with any amount of available time that you may have on Sunday mornings. Thank you, in advance, for considering serving our youngest children.

As our Children's Ministries Committee continues to grow, please consider joining us. Many volunteers are needed to help plan and deliver Christian education and events to our children in meaningful and fun ways.

Stay healthy and safe!

Blessings,

Cindy Geesey

[cindy.geesey@stpeterslutheran.org](mailto:cindy.geesey@stpeterslutheran.org).



**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.



## St. Peter's Preschool



## Prayground

Prayground is the new lunch program that we offer on Monday, Wednesday and Friday at St. Peter's preschool. This program runs from noon until 1:30 and it is only open to 12 children per day. Prayground is a short extension of our preschool day. It consists of a weekly Bible story, crafts, gym or playground time, free play, lunch and other special activities. This is a great opportunity for our preschool program to work with our Christian Education de-

partment, to incorporate the biblical story and Christian values to our preschool children. What started out as an opportunity for us to minister to 12 children, Prayground has already increased to 18 children. We currently have Sister Dottie, Heather Cramer and Boni Sauder as our “Prayground staff”. We have been learning about Creation, Noah’s Ark and all of the amazing things our God has created.



## POP TABS

## The sweetest way to support the Ronald McDonald House Charities

Helping families physically, economically, and emotionally during their health care journey is one of the main purposes of The **Ronald McDonald House Charity Program**. This charity helps reduce stress and financial burden for families when they must travel far from home to access medical care for their child. This school year, St. Peter's Preschool will be supporting this charity by simply collecting "pop tabs". The Pop Tab program is important because it provides extra revenue that can help make up for the donations that families cannot make. The tabs can come from energy drinks, soup cans, or anything with a metallic tab. We hope you will join us in supporting this great organization, by dropping off your tabs at any of the marked containers throughout the church.



As we prepare for Thanksgiving, our Preschool will also be collecting items from the Wish List at Hershey's Ronald McDonald House. It's never too soon to teach our young ones to help one another. Please consider sending in an item or two, to help keep the families utilizing the Ronald McDonald House just a little more comfortable during their stay. Please find a list of their needs and leave your donations in any of the marked boxes throughout the church. We will get them delivered to Hershey by the end of November.



Please contact our director, Heather Cramer  
at [heather.cramer@stpeterslutheran.org](mailto:heather.cramer@stpeterslutheran.org) if you have any questions.





## Volunteer Steward Message

Here is a list of volunteer opportunities, with a brief description, so you can see what is needed.

**Communications committee** – meets monthly through Zoom. Determines what information to share with the congregation and which platforms to use. Proofreads the Bulletin and the Herald.

**Evangelism committee**—meets monthly/bimonthly in person or through Zoom. Provides information to visitors, monitor their visits, and sends welcoming notes.

**Membership committee**-- meets monthly/bimonthly in person or through Zoom. Helps with visitors who join, participate in new member classes twice a year, helps with photo directory.

**Property**—meets monthly or as needed to discuss issues on our property. Seeking younger members to help with maintenance items around the building.

In addition, there is a great need of Sunday morning volunteers at both 8 and 10:45:

Ushers	Once every 2 months- direct people to seats and communion
Communion Assistants	Once every 2 months- Help Pastor distribute wine to parishioners
Greeters	Once every 2 months- Stand at door to welcome people to church
Welcome Center	Once every 2 months-Look for visitors, provide info on St. Peter's gather info
Lectors (also New Day)	Once every 2 months-Receive lesson the week before, read the lesson
Acolytes	Once every 2 months-Light and extinguish candles

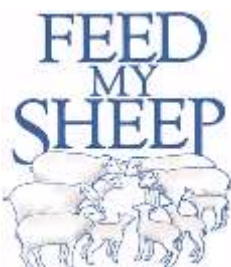
The more volunteers, the less times per year. There are many other volunteer opportunities to explore. Please contact Betsy Linn, Volunteer Steward, for more information. [Betsy.linn@stpeterslutheran.org](mailto:Betsy.linn@stpeterslutheran.org)

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### Altar Guild Needs Help

The Altar Guild is in **great** need of volunteers to help clean-up after communion at the 10:45 service. If you attend the traditional 10:45 service, please consider volunteering. You only need to wash the pewter. We are in need of someone for November 7, 21, 28 and December 12. Thanks for considering this request. You can fill in your name on the schedule in the sacristy or contact Debbie Shue at [djshue52@comcast.net](mailto:djshue52@comcast.net) or 717-318-8848.



### 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.* Non-perishable food may be dropped off in the carts in the Narthex and at New Day. Items go to the Lancaster County Food Hub. ***Thanks for your donations!***

### **Worship Assistant Schedule for November**

	<b>LECTORS</b>	<b>GREETERS</b>	<b>USHERS</b>	<b>WELCOME CENTER</b>
<b>November 7</b> <b>8:00 a.m.</b>	Mark Burkholder	Betsy Kemper	Steve & Diane Gegg	Pamela Hoffmaster
<b>10:45 a.m.</b>	Greg Hand	Alan & Beverly Swanson	Robert & Shirley Gorner	Art & Libby Stoner
<b>November 14</b> <b>9:00 a.m.</b> <b>Combined Worship</b>	Pamela Hoffmaster	Mark & Darla Cardin	Bob & Abby Brestensky	Susie Roderick
<b>November 21</b> <b>8:00 a.m.</b>	Jennifer Schlener-Thomas	Tom & Pat Badorf	Bob Courtois, Cindy Miley	Bob & Edee Bedford
<b>10:45 a.m.</b>	Jordan Lambert	Richard & Ann Wolf	Alan & Beverly Swanson	Rich & Ann Larrick
<b>November 28</b> <b>8:00 a.m.</b>	Susan Ketchum	Mark Burkholder	Thompson & Betsy McConnell	Mary Ann Oberholtzer
<b>10:45 a.m.</b>	Judy Logan	Tom & Debbie Stover	Nancy & Emily Beauregard	James & Martha Fulmer

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### **November Flower Delivery Schedule**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Deliverer</b>	<b>Recipient</b>
<b>11/07</b>	John & Kathy Burke	Sally Price
	Cathy Graver	Anna Wertz
<b>11/14</b>	Lauren Bergren	Peggy Popp
	Becky Lutz	Isabel Alleman
<b>11/21</b>	Liz O'Brien	Phyllis Seitz
	JoAnn Boltz	Bertie Miller
<b>11/28</b>	Lois Benton	June Hemsteger
	Nancy Pokopec	Anna Dowie

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

	<b>A/V</b>	<b>COMMUNION ASSISTANTS</b>	<b>ALTAR GUILD COORDINATORS</b>	<b>ALTAR GUILD</b>
<b>November 7 8:00 a.m.</b>	Jordan Lambert	Randy & Debbie Shue	Debbie Shue	TBA
<b>10:45 a.m.</b>	Dave Tilley	Thompson McConnell	Debbie Shue	TBA
<b>November 14 9:00 a.m. Combined Worship</b>	Bob Preston	Ginny Stickler Kathy Groff	Debbie Shue	Phyllis Hollinger
<b>November 21 8:00 a.m.</b>	Angela Moshos	Karen Peiffer Jennifer Schlener-Thomas	Debbie Shue	TBA
<b>10:45 a.m.</b>	Bill Schlener	Carol Esbenshade Jeffrey Pretz	Debbie Shue	TBA
<b>November 28 8:00 a.m.</b>	Lloyd Bull	No communion	No communion	No communion
<b>10:45 a.m.</b>	Bill Schlener	Thompson McConnell Janet Roberts	Debbie Shue	TBA



**NEW DAY WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS — NOVEMBER 2021**

	<b>November 7</b>	<b>November 14 Annual Meeting No New Day Service</b>	<b>November 21</b>	<b>November 28</b>
<b>Lector</b>	Henry Stover	No New Day Service	Jenny Sassaman	James Moshos
<b>Communion Assistant</b>	Molly Olmsted	No New Day Service	Bill Sassaman	No communion
<b>Ushers</b>	Cheryl Laub & Max	No New Day Service	Scott Fyfe, Bill Sassaman	John & Jan Hess

## **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.





## LOOKING AHEAD

# NOVEMBER CALENDAR

### **Monday, November 1**

9:00 a.m. - Worship Leaders (Pastor's Office)  
 10:00 a.m. - Quilters (Augsburg Alley)  
 6:00 p.m. - Exsultate Ringers (Music Room)  
 7:00 p.m. - St. Peter's Ringers (Music Room)  
 8:00 p.m. - AA (Room 100) Al Anon (Cry Room)

### **Tuesday, November 2**

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

### **Wednesday, November 3**

9:30 a.m. - Bible Study (Café/Zoom)  
 1:00 p.m. - Community Meal Preparation (Kitchen)  
 2:00 p.m. - Evangelism Committee (Conference Room)  
 4:30 p.m. - Community Meal (Grace Lutheran)  
 7:00 p.m. - Worship Committee (Conference Room)  
 7:00 p.m. - Praise Band Rehearsal (FLC)

### **Thursday, November 4**

1:00 p.m. - 50+ Fellowship (Chapel)  
 7:00 p.m. - Endowment Committee (Conference Room)  
 7:00 p.m. - Herald Choir (Music Room)

### **Friday, November 5**

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

### **Saturday, November 6**

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

### **Sunday, November 7**

8:00 a.m. - Traditional Worship (Sanctuary and Livestream)  
 9:00 a.m. - Family Outdoor Worship (Tent)  
 9:30 a.m. - Sunday School  
 10:00 a.m. - Word of Life Deaf Church (Chapel)  
 10:45 a.m. - Traditional Worship (Sanctuary)  
 10:45 a.m. - New Day Worship (Family Life Center & Livestream)

### **Monday, November 8**

9:00 a.m. - Worship Leaders (Pastor's Office)  
 10:00 a.m. - Quilters (Augsburg Alley)  
 6:00 p.m. - Exsultate Ringers (Music Room)  
 7:00 p.m. - St. Peter's Ringers (Music Room)  
 7:00 p.m. - Council Meeting (Café)  
 8:00 p.m. - AA (Room 100) Al Anon (Cry Room)

### **Tuesday, November 9**

1:00 p.m. - Communications Committee (Conference Room)  
 7:00 p.m. - Property Committee (Conference Room)

### **Wednesday, November 10**

Herald Deadline  
 9:30 a.m. - Bible Study (Zoom)  
 1:00 p.m. - Community Meal Preparation (Kitchen)  
 4:30 p.m. - Community Meal (Grace Lutheran)  
 7:00 p.m. - Praise Band Rehearsal (FLC)

### **Thursday, November 11**

9:00 a.m. - WELCA (Augsburg Alley)  
 7:00 p.m. - Herald Choir (Music Room)

### **Friday, November 12**

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

### **Sunday, November 14**

9:00 a.m. - Combined Worship (Sanctuary & Livestream)  
 9:30 a.m. - Sunday School  
 10:00 a.m. - Word of Life Deaf Church (Chapel)  
 10:30 a.m. - Congregational Meeting (Family Life Center)  
 5:00 p.m. - Youth Group (FLC)

### **Monday, November 15**

9:00 a.m. - Worship Leaders (Pastor's Office)  
 10:00 a.m. - Quilters (Augsburg Alley)  
 6:00 p.m. - Exsultate Ringers (Music Room)  
 7:00 p.m. - St. Peter's Ringers (Music Room)  
 7:00 p.m. - Moral Mondays Book Club (Zoom)  
 8:00 p.m. - AA (Room 100) Al Anon (Cry Room)

### **Tuesday, November 16**

9:00 a.m. - Staff Meeting (Conference Room)  
 1:30 p.m. - Book Club (Cry Room)  
 7:00 p.m. - Stewardship Committee (Conference Room)

### **Wednesday, November 17**

9:30 a.m. - Bible Study (Zoom)  
 6:30 p.m. - Pub Theology (TBD)  
 7:00 p.m. - Praise Band Rehearsal (FLC)

### **Thursday, November 18**

7:00 p.m. - Herald Choir (Music Room)

### **Friday, November 19**

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

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# NOVEMBER CALENDAR

### Sunday, November 21

8:00 a.m. - Traditional Worship (Sanctuary and Livestream)  
9:15 a.m. - Family Outdoor Worship  
9:45 a.m. - Sunday School  
10:00 a.m. - Word of Life Deaf Church (Chapel)  
10:45 a.m. - Traditional Worship & Communion (Sanctuary)  
10:45 a.m. - New Day Worship (Family Life Center and Livestream)  
5:00 p.m. - Senior High Get Together (FLC)

### Monday, November 22

9:00 a.m. - Worship Leaders (Pastor's Office)  
10:00 a.m. - Quilters (Augsburg Alley)  
6:00 p.m. - Exsultate Ringers (Music Room)  
6:30 p.m. - Human Resources Committee (Zoom)  
6:45 p.m. - Tanzania Missions Committee (Conference Rm)  
7:00 p.m. - St. Peter's Ringers (Music Room)  
8:00 p.m. - AA (Room 100) Al Anon (Cry Room)

### Tuesday, November 23

10:30 a.m. - Widows Group (Café)

### Wednesday, November 24

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

### Thursday, November 25

Thanksgiving - Church Office Closed

### Friday, November 26

Church Office closed  
7:00 p.m. - Craft Fair Setup

### Saturday, November 27

9:00 a.m. - Craft Fair (Family Life Center)

### Sunday, November 28

8:00 a.m. - Traditional Worship (Sanctuary and Livestream)  
9:15 a.m. - Family Outdoor Worship  
9:45 a.m. - Sunday School  
10:00 a.m. - Word of Life Deaf Church (Chapel)  
10:45 a.m. - Traditional Worship (Sanctuary)  
10:45 a.m. - New Day Worship (Family Life Center and Livestream)

### Monday, November 29

9:00 a.m. - Worship Leaders (Pastor's Office)  
10:00 a.m. - Quilters (Augsburg Alley)  
6:00 p.m. - Exsultate Ringers (Music Room)  
7:00 p.m. - St. Peter's Ringers (Music Room)  
8:00 p.m. - AA (Room 100) Al Anon (Cry Room)

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### DECEMBER 2021 NEWSLETTER ARTICLES DUE NOVEMBER 10TH

Articles for the December 2021 "Herald" are due in the church office no later than **November 10th**. 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.



Let Our Lives Be Full of Both Thanks & Giving.

## 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 Monday, 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)

\_\_\_\_\_

(Print name(s) as you desire them to be printed in the bulletin)

Given by: \_\_\_\_\_

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### **CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS**



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



\$\_\_\_\_\_ Total - Envelope # \_\_\_\_\_

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

\_\_\_\_\_

(Print name(s) as you desire them to be printed in the bulletin)

Given by: \_\_\_\_\_

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

\_\_\_\_\_ I will pick up my plant.

(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 Monday, December 6



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May this Thanksgiving  
be full of joy and peace  
for you and all those you love.

If you have any questions, please contact me at  
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