

"The Herald" Newsletter St. Peter's Evangelical Lutheran Church Worship. Learn. Gather. Serve.

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"Let the beauty of the Lord our God be upon us." Isalm 90:17

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8:00 & 9:45 a.m. Traditional Service (Sanctuary)

Livestream at 8:00 a.m. Traditional & 9:45 a.m. New Day

Outdoor Worship at 9:00 a.m.

9:45 a.m. - New Day Praise Service (Family Life Center)

Livestreaming Options

Livestreaming options will be available for the 8:00 a.m. Traditional and 9:45 a.m. New Day Praise services. If you can't join us in person, join us online! <u>https://www.stpeterslutheran.org/live/</u>. Traditional service bulletins can be accessed at <u>https://www.stpeterslutheran.org/bulletins</u>.

Previous Worship Services

Previous services can be accessed under the videos section of our Facebook page, or by visiting our YouTube channel at <u>https://www.youtube.com/c/stpeterslutheranlancaster</u>.

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

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June 5

June/July Worship Schedule

The Day of Pentecost

	 8:00 AM – Service of Holy Communion in the Sanctuary, Pastor Pretz preaches 9:00 AM – Outside Portico Service of Holy Communion, Pastor Ross preaches 9:45 AM – Service of Holy Communion in the Sanctuary, Pastor Pretz preaches 9:45 AM – New Day Service of Holy Communion, Pastor Ross preaches
June 12	 Holy Trinity 8:00 AM – Service of Holy Communion in the Sanctuary, Pastor Cliff Eshbach preaches 9:00 AM – Outside Portico Service of Holy Communion, Pastor Ross preaches 9:45 AM – Service of Holy Communion in the Sanctuary, Pastor Cliff Eshbach preaches 9:45 AM – New Day Service of Holy Communion, Pastor Ross preaches
June 19	The Second Sunday after Pentecost 8:00 AM – Service of Holy Communion in the Sanctuary, Pastor Ross preaches 9:00 AM – Outside Portico Service of Holy Communion, Sister Dottie preaches 9:45 AM – Service of the Word in the Sanctuary with Holy Baptism, Pastor Craig preaches 9:45 AM – New Day Service of Holy Communion, Sister Dottie preaches, Pastor Pretz presides
June 26	The Third Sunday after Pentecost 8:00 AM – Service of the Word in the Sanctuary, Pastor Ross preaches 9:00 AM – Outside Portico Service of Holy Communion, Sister Dottie preaches 9:45 AM – Service of Holy Communion in the Sanctuary, Pastor Ross preaches 9:45 AM – New Day Service of the Word, Sister Dottie preaches
July 3	The Fourth Sunday after Pentecost 8:00 AM – Service of Holy Communion in the Sanctuary, Pastor Ross preaches 9:00 AM – Outside Portico Service of Holy Communion, Sister Dottie preaches 9:45 AM – Service of the Word in the Sanctuary, Pastor Ross preaches 9:45 AM – New Day Service of Holy Communion, Sister Dottie preaches
July 10	The Fifth Sunday after Pentecost 8:00 AM – Service of the Word in the Sanctuary, Sister Dottie preaches 9:00 AM – Outside Portico Service of Holy Communion, Pastor Ross preaches 9:45 AM – Service of Holy Communion in the Sanctuary, Pastor Ross preaches 9:45 AM – New Day Service of the Word, Sister Dottie preaches
July 17	The Sixth Sunday after Pentecost 8:00 AM – Service of Holy Communion in the Sanctuary, Pastor Ross preaches 9:00 AM – Outside Portico Service of Holy Communion, Sister Dottie preaches 9:45 AM – Service of the Word in the Sanctuary, Pastor Ross preaches 9:45 AM – New Day Service of Holy Communion, Sister Dottie preaches
July 24	The Seventh Sunday after Pentecost 8:00 AM – Service of the Word in the Sanctuary, Sister Dottie preaches 9:00 AM – Outside Portico Service of Holy Communion, Pastor Ross preaches 9:45 AM – Service of Holy Communion in the Sanctuary, Sister Dottie preaches 9:45 AM – New Day Service of the Word, Pastor Ross preaches
July 31	The Eighth Sunday after Pentecost 8:00 AM – Service of Holy Communion in the Sanctuary, Pastor Ross preaches 9:00 AM – Outside Portico Service of Holy Communion, Sister Dottie preaches 9:45 AM – Service of Holy Communion in the Sanctuary, Pastor Ross preaches 9:45 AM – New Day Service of Holy Communion, Sister Dottie preaches

Sacrament of Holy Baptism

St. Peter's Family,

The Sacrament of Holy Baptism will be celebrated in our traditional worship service Saptism on Sunday, June 19th. Interested persons should speak with Pastor Ross no later than June 5th to be included.

Mission Campaign



We write with deep gratitude for your continued support of our *Faith in Our Future* campaign, which just surpassed its one year mark.

Our progress continues. As of May 2nd, 106 households have supported the Faith in Our Future campaign, pledging treasures totaling \$941,180! These treasures include \$479,526 in pledge payments and outright gifts. To date, Congregation Council has already put approximately \$380,000 to use, and by the time you read this, we will have asked them to direct an additional \$100,000 toward our indoor and outdoor projects.

Mark Aho, Property Committee Chair, and Paul Schultz, our parish administrator, continue to be invaluable teammates and devoted stewards of St. Peter's resources. A few highlights of progress include:

- The lighting at the exterior entrances, the parking lot, café, and youth lounge have been retrofitted to LED. The • retrofit of our parking lot lighting to LED is estimated to save St. Peter's at least \$30,000 over ten years. In addition, we will receive a \$600+ rebate from PP&L for converting to LED.
- The parking lot paving project will be completed June 13-24 (weather permitting).
- The narthex furniture is expected to be delivered in the coming weeks.
- The various security needs (remote door locks, cameras) should be completed in September. The property team is reviewing quotes now.
- The various audio/visual needs in the Family Life Center and Augsburg Alley are expected to be completed in early fall. The team is awaiting proposals from several vendors.

You can continue to monitor progress on our campaign website at https://www.stpeterslutheran.org/mission-campaign/. As a reminder, you also can print a campaign pledge/gift form from the website. No pledge or gift is too small (or too large)!

We remain grateful for your continued prayers, discernment, and commitment to the success of Faith in Our Future! Thank you!

With Faith in Our Future. Jen and Adrian Jennifer Schlener-Thomas (jmschlener@gmail.com or 717-228-8450) Adrian Young (adrianyoung@verizon.net or 717-314-8556)

Church Council Meeting Minutes Available

During the April council meeting, the March council minutes were approved. During the May council meeting the April 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.

New Members

We give thanks for the new members who have joined the St. Peter's family this spring. They were formally received in worship in April. Below are more bios of some of our new members. Please welcome them warmly.



Dick Brown, 2207 Dixie Dr., York, PA 17402; Phone: 717-880-8896; Email: zebra1944@gmail.com

Dick is transferring from Zion United Church of Christ, York, PA. He was attracted to St. Peter's vibrant, open and affirming congregation. Dick is employed in Development for the York Symphony Orchestra.

Lester & Crystal Heiser (Scarlet, Trey), 461 Hawthorne Dr., Lancaster PA 17603; Phone: 717-598-6324; Email: lcheiser33@gmail.com

Lester & Crystal are transferring their membership from Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, Lebanon, PA. They have two children, Scarlet (4th grade) and Trey (Kindergarten). They were attracted to the Youth program at St. Peter's and enjoy the Christian setting for their family and good community for their children. Lester is self-employed in construction and Crystal is an x-ray tech for Penn Medicine/LGH.



From the Archives

Lancaster New Era – June 29, 1940 – St. Peter's Lutheran Church with the Rev. Clay E. Rice, pastor, will observe the 60th anniversary of the organization of the congregation at 10:15 AM tomorrow. The Senior Choir and the Young People's Choir will sing. The anniversary sermon, "The Church's Foundation" will be delivered by the Rev. George A. Greiss, D.D., pastor of St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Allentown, and president of the Foreign Mission Board of the United Lutheran Church in America. A miniature model of the first church will be on display. The present church building was erected and dedicated on July 15, 1906. The present membership is 329 and the present pastor has been serving since February 1, 1919.

Lancaster Examiner – July 4, 1906 - On Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock the Neffsville Lutheran Sunday School celebrated its 25th anniversary by rendering an appropriate programme of exercises before a large attendance of members and friends of the school. The Rev. J. E. Maurer, the pastor, had charge of exercises, and made an address. In two weeks the new edifice will be dedicated, and Sunday's services were the last held in the present church building. Dr. E. H. Witmer has been superintendent of the school since it was organized, and in that time has attended every session of the school. The average attendance for every Sunday in those twenty-five years has been 137, and the total attendance during the period, 195,676.



Prayer Chain Ministry

For the first time in 2+ years, your Prayer Chain will hold an All Member Meeting on Monday, June 6th at 6:00 p.m. under the portico! While we have continued to be very active during the pandemic, this will be our first "in person" gathering. We plan to have a meet and chat (we have new members!) and a short business meeting to discuss any concerns members might have. We will also discuss the book "Keys to Powerful Prayer" by Stormie Omartain.



We will finish no later than 7:15 p.m., so we will be able to drive home before dark! If you've been considering joining the Prayer Chain, please feel free to join us and see what we are all about. Bring a lawn chair and come and learn about the chain. A limited supply of the books is available in the church office; please feel free to take one. As always, any questions are welcomed by co-chairs Angela Moshos (717) 392-6201 or Ginny Gerhart (717) 626-7406.

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

Adult Christian Education

Wednesday Morning Bible Study

Meeting through the end of May, Pastor Ross's Wednesday Morning Bible Study concluded its study of *1&2 Kings* and *Women of the Bible*. It was an aggressive undertaking in that we touched down in 3-4 chapters in the Bible virtually every single week.

The class takes off the months of July and August, and will return to in-person class on Wednesday, September 14th. Topics that are under consideration for the majority of next year's class sessions are: Gospel of Matthew, Hebrews, "Loaded" Biblical Words, Miracles of Jesus, Sunday Pericope Study. Topics under consideration for the Winter Mini-Series of Study are: Angelic Beings in the Bible, Non-Canonical Gospels, Pastoral Epistles, Theology in the Movies.

Class members are reminded that if you have yet to vote, please submit your choices by June 15th. New members are always welcome, whether you come weekly or occasionally.



Pub Theology – We will not meet in June. Watch for more details for a summer event! If you have any questions, please contact Sister Dottie at <u>dottie.almoney@stpeterslutheran.org</u>.

<u>Thank You</u>

From Word of Life Deaf Lutheran Church



WOLD wishes to express our sincere gratitude to St. Peter's for supporting our sub sale fundraiser in April. We sold all our sub coupons! Thanks to the wonderful staff who coordinated with the advertising, announcements, making posters, and setting up tables and chairs for us. We were surprised by donations from people who didn't even want any sub coupons! We all appreciate your huge support! It will help tremendously in covering some of our expenses for the conference. Much love to all. Thanks a million! ~ Luanne Bartens, WOLD Secretary.

Offering Envelopes Need a Home!

There are still 2022 offering envelopes that 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. You are able to pick up your envelopes Monday – Friday from 8:30-4:00 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 St. Peter's!



Church Office Closed

The Church Office will be closed on Monday, July 4th in observance of Independence Day. It will re-open on Tuesday, July 5th at 8:30 a.m.

Social Ministry

Community Meal Day

Meal prep helpers and food distribution help is needed for the following days:

June 1st and 8th July 6th and 13th



We serve at Grace Lutheran Church in town. Those interested in helping should contact Kathy Berkebile at <u>kberkebile@comcast.net</u>.



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

Lydia's Closet Clothing Bank will be open on **Saturday**, **June** 4th and **Saturday**, **July** 2nd from 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. in the Family Life Center. To volunteer, please contact Molly Olmsted at <u>astaloo@me.com</u>.





Mark your calendars! July 2022 is Compassion Month for Love INC of Lancaster County. Volunteers from churches all over the county work together to serve neighbors in need, through small home repairs, yard work and various other projects, right here in Lancaster. Whether individuals have a knack for being handy or just a heart to serve, your church family can make a kingdom impact with the gifts God has given you! Will you join us?

Please contact Betsy Linn, <u>betsy.linn@stpeterslutheran.org</u>, by June 15, if you are interested in participating. We will register as a group.

How does Compassion month work?

It all begins when churches want to do a "missions trip" in their own home town. Talented and handy people are willing to serve neighbors – typically elders who cannot afford repairs and are experiencing financial hardships due to fixed income constraints. A church gathers folks who are good with simple carpentry, electric, plumbing, painting, outdoor yard work, or cleaning "*high spots I can't reach*". In July, as suits your church team's schedule, Christfollowers will go build some relationships and help their neighbors.

How many people does a church need to have ready to participate?

It doesn't matter. During the spring, churches need to muster as many people as are willing to serve. If outreach is in your tribe's DNA, we can figure out how to scale our approach. For example, if one church in a community wants to serve, we can tailor our approach on a smaller scale and offer help to a particular street or neighborhood. If several churches in a school district or town are ready to serve together, we can use a local newspaper and invite a whole school district area to call with their needs for help. We will work with your specific church's parameters and help you frame your approach – no matter how new your tribe is to the process.

We need volunteers who are not handy and can even serve administratively.

We need folks who are willing to come alongside our phone system to collect calls, make confirmation calls, and establish the project lists. Together with the Love INC staff, a solid team of folks coordinating all projects is a must. So, even if you're not "handy" you can serve your neighbor during Compassion month by helping organize it ahead of time!

Health & Wellness



June: Alzheimer's & Brain Awareness Month July: UV Safety Awareness Month



It's hard to believe that approximately 6 million people in the U.S. have Alzheimer's disease. But it is the most common cause of dementia, and accounts for 60 to 80% of all dementia cases. Alzheimer's disease is an irreversible brain disease that affects memory, thinking, and the ability to complete daily tasks. Age is the top risk factor, and the risk of developing Alzheimer's doubles every five years after age 65. However, about 200,000 people under age 65 have early-onset Alzheimer's. The most significant factor in early-onset dementia is genetics. If a person has a parent or sibling with Alzheimer's, that person has double the likelihood of developing it. Cardiovascular conditions, like high blood pressure, diabetes and high cholesterol may also be contributing factors. Some secondary conditions, such as a stroke, can be a factor too.

Symptoms of Alzheimer's include: memory loss *beyond what is normal with aging*, especially difficulty remembering recent events, problems with completing everyday tasks, and trouble concentrating, problem-solving, or making decisions. As the condition progresses, people can become very confused, irritable, and suspicious. Ultimately, they become fully dependent on others.

There are drugs used to slow the progression of Alzheimer's. These drugs work by impacting the chemical messengers involved in memory and learning. Other medications can be used to treat symptoms, such as for depression and anxiety, to improve quality of life. Maintaining a healthy lifestyle, including good nutrition, exercise, sleep and socialization, can help manage Alzheimer's disease

On June 21, 2022, people across the world will fight for a cure. <u>LET'S WEAR PURPLE for ALZHEIMER'S</u>

UV Light Safety: Care for your skin & eyes

While the sun is shining bright, it's a golden time to highlight July as UV Safety Awareness Month.

We all love warm sunny days, but remember to protect your skin & eyes from the damaging effects of the sun. The sun emits UV-A and UV-B rays: UV-B rays have short wavelengths that reach the outer layer of your skin; UV-A rays have longer wavelengths that can penetrate the middle layer of your skin. Unprotected sun exposure can: cause vision problems/damage your eyes; suppress the immune system; premature aging the skin; skin cancer.

Fortunately, there are things you can do to minimize the risk of sun exposure:

<u>Cover Up</u>: Wear a hat (preferably wide brimmed) or other shade-protective clothing. Wear Sunglasses for eye protection. <u>Stay in the Shade</u>: The sun's glare is most intense midday. Staying in the shade between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m., will further protect your skin. The sun can still damage your skin on cloudy days or in winter. Stay protected all year. <u>Choose the Right Sunscreen</u>: Your sunscreen should have a sun protection factor (SPF) of at least 15, and should protect against both Ultraviolet A (UV-A) *and* Ultraviolet B (UV-B) rays. <u>Use the Right Amount of sunscreen</u>: According to the National Council on Skin Cancer Prevention, most people apply only 25-50% of the recommended amount. Apply at least one ounce (palmful) every 2 hours. Apply it more often if you are sweating or swimming, even if the sunscreen is waterproof.

By taking the proper precautions, you and your loved ones can enjoy the outdoors this summer. Remember: protect your eyes and the skin you're in.

Administratively Speaking ...

Wow! It's been a busy spring already around the church. First, thank you to all who donated for Property Committee's replanting project. We raised \$4,000 and over 50% of the plants were chosen to remember a loved one. (See listing of donors on next page.)



By now you have noticed that plants are in and mulched and flowers are in bloom around the lighted church sign. Here is a photo of some workers who conducted this landscape work.

It is MUCH brighter in the parking lot now that we have replaced the older lighting with LED fixtures. A special thanks to our own Bob Preston for his expertise in mapping out the lighting plan.



This photo shows the electrical contractor's high-lift basket preparing to remove the older fixture.



What's being built in the green acres, Paul? That is the location of the new dumpster pad. Quite a process to watch. Manheim Township has informed us it must be moved to the rear of our property so it cannot be seen from the road.

What else is going on? Lots! Now that it is close to summer, this photo shows George Groff and Mark Aho (and Rich Larrick- not shown) cleaning and preparing the Cooling tower for summer.

A special thanks to our teenage sextons (our own Joel and Paige Olmsted and our preschool teacher, Shannon Striggle's sons, Davey, Joey, and Ben, for filling in with custodial set-ups and cleaning while one of our regular sextons was out due to an injury. MUCH appreciated!

By the time you read this, we may be in the process of replacing the asphalt on the church parking lot. LONG overdue. Plus, the Bear Room will be getting new tile- again...long overdue. There is much more I could report but it could take many pages.

Needless to say, your Property Committee is very active in 2022. Be sure to thank them for their service when you see them at church.

Paul Schultz Parish Administrator



Communication: The Website Is Your Friend!



Please go to our website <u>www.stpeterslutheran.org</u> 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 (<u>https://www.facebook.com/stpeterslancaster</u>) 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.

Landscape Replanting Project

Memorial Gifts in Memory of:

- ◊ Glen & Betty Smith, given by Cynthia Ayars (Weigela Wine & Roses)
- Our mother, Arlene Templeton, given by Pat Badorf & Cindy Miley (Variegated Liriope)
- ◊ J. Andrew Beck, given by Ron & Joan Beck (Weigela Wine & Roses)
- ◊ Richard Geib, given by Ron & Joan Beck (Steeds Japanese Holly)
- Pastor Richard Geib, given by Carol Bedford (Purple Palace Coral Bells)
- ♦ Bud Benton, given by Lois Benton (Knock Out® Rose)
- ♦ Kevin Parise, given by Lois Benton (Knock Out® Rose)
- Our parents, Rev. Harry & Janet Berkebile and James & Clara Braucher, given by Paul & Kathy Berkebile
 (2 Green Velvet Boxwood) (3 Knock Out® Roses)
- ◊ Jerry Beyer, Sr., given by Barbara Beyer & family (Spirea Lemon Princess)
- ♦ Barry Caldwell, given by Kathy Caldwell (Soft Touch Holly)
- ◊ My husband John A. Cooper, Jr., given by Barbara Cooper (Weigela Wine & Roses)
- ♦ To the glory of God, given by Don Deibler (Weigela Wine & Roses)
- ♦ Rev. Richard E. Geib, given by Carol Esbenshade (Weigela Wine & Roses)
- ◊ Isaac & Esther Weidman, given by Rhoda Goss (English Yew)
- Our parents, given by George & Movita Groff (2 Purple Palace Coral Bells)
- ◊ Jack W. Kline & Dennis W. Kline, given by Jocelyn Kline (Steeds Japanese Holly)
- ♦ Mary Lou Kopetz, given by Bill & Mary Ellen Kopetz (Green Velvet Boxwood)
- ♦ Hans & Jesse, given by Anne Marks (Weigela Wine & Roses)
- ◊ Art & Win May, given by the May boys Gary, Jeff, Doug & Eric May and Curt & John Palczuk
- David McNaughton, Sr., given by Carolyn McNaughton (Viburnum Winterthurs)
- Aunt Jane Walker, lover of purple, given by Jenny Sassaman (Purple Palace Coral Bells)
- Bud Benton, given by St. Peter's Preschool Staff (Steeds Japanese Holly & Weigela Wine & Roses)
- Henry & Fern Strausser, given by Greg & Margaret Strausser (Weigela Wine & Roses)
- Richard Pontz, my father, given by Barbara Tolbert (Variegated Liriope)
- O Pets Chloe & Dillon, given by Russ & Lois Vollmer (Steeds Japanese Holly)
- Our parents, given by Mike Wildasin (Variegated Liriope)
- Nancy Yunginger, given by Norm Yunginger (Soft Touch Holly)

Gifts in Honor of:

- Our children & grandchildren, given by Gilbert & Kathleen Bailey (Weigela Wine & Roses)
- ◊ Joann & Jillian Gorner, given by Bob & Shirley Gorner (Purple Palace Coral Bells)
- ◊ Grandkids, given by Rick & Trudy Groff (Dragon Lady Holly)
- ◊ Rick & Trudy Groff, given by Kevin & Amy Groff (Green Velvet Boxwood)
- ♦ Ken & Joanne Good, given by Kevin & Amy Groff (Weigela Wine & Roses)
- ♦ To the glory of God, given by Kevin & Amy Groff (Spirea Lemon Princess & English Yew)
- ◊ Kaylin Miley Weaver, given by Cynthia Miley (Spirea Lemon Princess)
- ♦ To the glory of God, the Olmsted family (2 Purple Palace Coral Bells)
- ♦ Pastor Ross, given by Steve & Janet Roberts (Steeds Japanese Holly)
- ♦ Emma & Bennett Sasso, given by the Sasso family (Weigela Wine & Roses)
- ♦ The youth of St. Peter's, given by Jeff & Christine Smith (Spirea Lemon Princess)
- ♦ Stephen Bryce Strausser, given by Greg & Margaret Strausser (Soft Touch Holly)
- ◊ Pastor Craig Ross & family, given by Tom & Lori Weaver (2- Dragon Lady Holly)
- ♦ Richard & Anne Wolf, given by David Wolf (Variegated Liriope)







Summer Music

Are you interested in providing some special music over the summer? Take a look at the summer music sign-up sheet located on the bulletin board by the music room and sign up for your favorite day. Do you need an accompanist? Please contact Adam at <u>adam.hughes@stpeterslutheran.org</u>.





Hymn-sing Preludes –June 26, July 31, and August 28

Hymn-sing preludes will occur on the last Sunday of each of the summer months. Come prepared to shout out your favorite hymns or we can sing a verse or two of several hymns as our prelude for these days. August 28th will be our special Sages Edition of our hymn-sing prelude with suggestions coming mostly from our Sages.

Groups and Events

<u>Widows Group</u> — Our meetings are continuing monthly, and our next meetings will be held on June 28^{th} and July 26^{th} at 10:30 a.m. in Room 100, which is in the north side of the building. The door under the small overhang will be open. We would love to have you join us. Feel free to contact Betsy Linn with any questions.



<u>WELCA</u> — The WELCA end of year Spring Luncheon was held on Thursday, May 12^{th} with a pot luck lunch. WELCA will return in September. All women are welcome to join us. If interested, contact Sally Rager at 717-569-6119 or Kathy Caldwell at 717-627-7434.



50 + Group — We will meet on Thursday, August 4th at 12:00 noon for a picnic. There will be a sign up sheet on the bulletin board to select either a hamburger or hot dog. Please let everyone know what you are bringing. Reminders will appear in the July bulletins.



Strawberry Festival

Saturday, June 4, 2022 11 AM – 1 PM • Rain or Shine!



Luther Acres campus, 600 E. Main St., Lititz, PA \$6.00 — Strawberries, Shortcake, Ice Cream, Whipped Cream \$4.00 — Hot Dog, Chips, Drink

And new this year, a raffle for a Queen Size Strawberry-themed Quilt! Tickets are 2/\$5.00.

Proceeds benefit the charitable activities of the Luther Acres Residents' Council.



Pastor's Letter

"To study the abnormal is the best way of understanding the normal." -- William James

Dear Friends:

Yes, another quote about "normalcy" to frame my letter to you in this month's Herald. The only thing I would add to Mr. James' quote is that the longer we study (or encounter) the abnormal, the more normal it seems. Masks are one example of the abnormal becoming normal in my life. I have never enjoyed much of anything on my face. So, even when I grow a winter beard, I count

the days till I can ditch it. Now, of course, I'm around a fair number of people each week, either in meetings, or at the hospital, or in nursing/rehab facilities ... and many of those that I see are at higher than normal risk of catching COVID and would experience health complications from it. So I wear masks ... a lot. And at times I find myself walking around with my mask on, even though I am alone ... in my car or office ... or home (like right now as I type at home and still have my mask tucked around my chin in spite of being completely alone).

I also find myself getting comfortable with using hand sanitizer ... a lot. Pre-pandemic, I was a disciple of the public square docs like Dr. Mehmet Oz (before he left the admirable practice of medicine to enter the bizarre world of politics), who reminded us that over time there is a natural immunity that develops in our bodies, and especially our hands, which is the result of coming in contact with all kinds of germs in our world, both air-borne and tactile. We encounter tiny bits of germs all the time, which our bodies learn to first neutralize, and then adapt into mini-immunities. Thus bathing in hand-sanitizer can negate your own natural immune system and make you more susceptible to germs in the long run. However ... even though I am a believer in this "normal" immune system our bodies develop for us, I have joined the hoard of sanitizer-bathers, and use much more of it that I ever thought would be possible for me.

So yes ... I find myself continuing to play around with this word "normalcy" in our Herald conversation again this month. Because there are many places in our congregational life where what we do can be seen as anything but normal. And yet, the longer these changes continue, the more "normal" they appear to be. Repetition and rehearsal of any behavior, if done for a long enough period of time, readjusts our perception of "normal." So, forgive me when I echo what you and others say when we are involved in activities that feel very close to something we were doing prior to late-March of 2020 ... and say out loud or inside our heads ... "this is one step closer to normal." "Normal" will continue to look different going forward in our lives. And while that change brings grief around the loss of familiar practices and habits ... it also allows us to embrace experiences and form habits that while new for the moment, can be cultivated into blessings in our life as well.

I keep you in my thoughts and prayers ... often in your individual lives as you face any number of challenges to health and family and life. In some cases I pray for you as groups of people that have come together to serve God within or outside the walls of St. Peter's, and find the foundations for that service a little shaky these days. And I pray for us as a congregation, as the landscape in which most institutions pursue their mission and calling is changing ... sometimes rapidly. I ask you to pray for our members, our leaders and our staff, as together we strive to re-establish some old "normal", even while we embrace the call to new horizons and new normal.

See you in church, in live and digital fashion,

Pastor Ross



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From the Director of Music

Kyries and Glorias

In April, I had the opportunity to attend the Institute for Liturgical Studies where the theme was Kyrie and Gloria in Liturgy and Life. During the conference, I attended workshops, worship services, and lectures all focused on the idea that our worship and lives encapsulate both good times and bad. This theme was well-suited to our current time and offered many opportunities for attendees to consider how worship may apple to both of these parts of our avitance and relation



for attendees to consider how worship may explore both of these parts of our existence and relationship with God.

The Gloria part is often quite easy for us. We come to church and want to lift our praises to a God who has clearly done amazing things. Our Sunday morning services are almost built to ensure that we lift our praises to God. Truly, I've heard many folks speak of Sunday morning as a chance to "recharge" or "reset" for the week. And yet, if we focus only on this part of our relationship with God, we run the risk of sweeping the bad things under the rug hoping, at best, to either deal with them another day, or at worst, that they will simply solve themselves on their own.

This other aspect of our communal relationship with God, the part of the relationship where we feel things to be broken, is complex. Speaking personally, the last 2.5 years have certainly been some of the most difficult in my life and there are times I've cried out to God in pain, disappointment and suffering. I imagine I'm not alone. I'd be lying if I said I didn't often ask the question, "Why now? Why is this happening? When will it end?" Contrary to the good times, these times when the relationship feels strained are much harder to put into a worship service. We may sing "Lord, have mercy" or hear a tough reading on a given Sunday, but remaining in these laments and calls to God for help is not something we do well.

Interestingly, the Psalms offer a view into the relationship between the good times and the bad. The Psalms are often said to be the womb of the church's song. At the very least they offer a very personal view of the psalmists' relationship with God. Among the many Psalms of praise, we also have Psalms of lament, such as Psalms 88, 22, and 130. In fact, a full 40% of the 150 Psalms (that's 60 of them!) are psalms of lament. In these psalms, the psalmist asks difficult questions such as: "Why have you forsaken me?" "Why are you so far from us?" "Why do you cast us out?" Knowing that we are not the first to ask these questions and having the resource of these psalms to speak to our feelings is a gift from God.

So, why the focus on the bad when what we want to feel is good? These days we have the ability to curate online and real-life facades that give the impression of a perfect life when not all is truly well. Although this isn't new, the advent of social media has ratcheted this up to a new level. In the same way, when we allow only the Glorias of our lives to be present in worship, we run the risk of implying that God is there in the good times and absent in the bad. Such a view of God is a detriment to those who are struggling, those who are the least among us. Rather, shining a light on those places where life, society, and we fall short shows our community that despite it all, God is with us. Living into our laments makes space for God to begin working in us.

At the conference, one of the preachers made the point that the people of God have always had it rough. The Babylonian exile, slavery in Egypt, persecution by Rome, political and theological schisms, corporate systems of greed and sin have all played a role in feeding our laments about this life. God has brought God's people through these and more. We feel our situation differently because it is our situation and we don't know the end of the story yet. Until that time comes, we pray to God for mercy in our *kyries*, we share our praise in our *glorias*, and we continue to become a community of love based on the teachings of Jesus. With a little help and encouragement from the psalms, we can cast our doubts, fears, and misgivings on God and God will bear these and more to the cross. As Julian of Norwich, mystic from the 14th century, wrote:

"All shall be well, and all shall be well and all manner of thing shall be well."

Adam Lefever Hughes

From Sister Dottie



Sister Dottie will be in Norway!

I have the privilege of representing the ELCA Deaconess Community at the Kaisersworth General Conference in Bergen, Norway June 5th through 11th. This conference is made up of all diaconal groups that originated from the original Motherhouse in Kaisersworth Germany,



including the Deaconess community. This is an ecumenical conference with international attendees and speakers.

The theme for this conference is *"Sustainability-locally rooted and globally connected in Diakonia"*. Watch for updates during and from my trip on social media as I hope to stay connected as to what is happening with our global neighbors in Christ!



Volunteer Steward Message

We finally are enjoying nice weather, getting outside and enjoying all the flowers blooming. And it's definitely grilling season! You can certainly tell when all the neighbors are making dinner.

It's hard for me to believe that three years have passed since I started in this position. It seems as though we have barely scratched the service of all we can do when we have the support of our members. The property committee is making great strides in updating areas that needed repair. Our landscaping looks amazing, the narthex is getting a make over and we had a SPRING FLING to bring our members together.

Many of these things happen because of the members who give their time and talents to St. Peter's. A big thank you to all of you that serve.

Yet, it seems like I never stop talking about all the opportunities to help. Well, there are still many places where your support is needed. Please consider giving 15 minutes, 1 hour or more to your church. Most opportunities need no training. Please feel free to contact me for more information.

Betsy Linn, Volunteer Steward Betsy.linn@stpeterslutheran.org

Paid Communication Coordinator Position Available

We are seeking a part-time communication coordinator for St. Peter's.

Primary function is to work with staff and volunteers to implement and coordinate best practices in digital and print communication in order to raise awareness of St. Peter's ministries.

The job will be 10-12 hours per week (remote and on site). This is a paid position.

Job responsibilities include:

- Manage and maintain church website and social media platforms
- Design and create ads
- Update church digital sign
- Edit weekly E-news
- Coordinate and troubleshoot Sunday morning livestream services

If you are interested in the job and would like more information, please contact Betsy Linn, Volunteer Steward, betsy.linn@stpeterslutheran.org.

ST. PETER'S KIDS

Dear Families,

As May has concluded our Sunday School program for this year, we are now looking forward to Vacation Bible School! SAVE THE DATE: July 17th to July 21st, 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. In order to do our best, we need lots of volunteers! Our initial focus group meeting will be held on Wednesday, June 1st, at 6:30 p.m. in the church conference room. We need to select a theme and age appropriate activities as well as to determine the number of volunteers necessary throughout VBS week. Please consider joining us for this very important and productive meeting. If you are able to attend, please respond to Cindy Geesey at <u>cindy.geesey@stpeterslutheran.org</u>. Thank you, in advance, for considering serving our youngest children.





I want to extend a huge thank you to Julia Kroesen for leading the PreK/K Sunday School class, Kristen Dubesky for substituting when needed, and Jill Pretz for teaching new songs to the children each week. Another huge thank you to Megan Thompson for leading the 1st to 4th grade Sunday School class, Adam LeFever Hughes for leading the opening songs, Brett Miller and daughters for leading the games each week, Leslie McCarty for volunteering to assist monthly, and Christine Hofmann, our Children's Ministries Chair.

As always, we welcome additional volunteers to serve on our Children's Ministries Committee. Please respond to Cindy Geesey, Director of Children's Ministries at <u>cindy.geesey@stpeterslutheran.org</u> with any amount of interest you may have. Thank you!





Blessings,

Cindy Geesey Director of Children's Ministries <u>cindy.geesey@stpeterslutheran.org</u>.



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 Confirmation Camp

The following youth will be attending our annual Lancaster Confirmation Camp, along with Sister Dottie at Camp Kirchenwald the week of June 19th-25th:



- Caitlin Berger
- Cecelia Cortez
- Weston Groff
- Miriam Janisewski
- Helen Olmsted
- Lydia Podgurski

If you have youth who want to attend, please reach out asap to Sister Dottie to see if there is room at the camp. Please pray for these youth to have a good week learning and being in fellowship with each other!

July Youth and Family Beach Trip

Thursday, July 7th through Sunday, July 10th – St. Peter's Lutheran Church Son and Sand Retreat Center in Ocean City, MD. We have a few openings for more families to attend with children in older elementary through high school . Cost is \$100 per family. There will be a sign-up genius to bring food for meals as well. Contact Sister Dottie if interested. We will have family activities, games, free time and worship! Join us for one day or the whole event! (One Day is \$25).



Youth Vacation Bible School helpers needed!

July 17th-21st – 6:00 – 8:00 p.m. Contact Sister Dottie if you can help out!

Please contact Sister Dottie if you have any questions at <u>dottie.almoney@stpeterslutheran.org</u>.





St. Peter's Preschool

Wednesday, May 18th & Thursday, May 19th we celebrated our first Spring Fling & Graduation since our COVID closure. What a great year we had together!

Everything from our amazingly gifted staff, to our extremely generous families, has made this a wonderful first year as Preschool Director for me. I think I speak for our whole Preschool staff when we thank everyone for their patience and understanding as we navigated our reopening. It was an honor to watch these children grow, learn and make

new friendships this past year. We are extremely grateful for Sister Dottie's help and support, as well as the help and the support of the church office staff and sextons.

Thank you to everyone that made this past year run so smoothly! Have a safe and healthy summer!





Heather Cramer St. Peter's Preschool Director heather.cramer@stpeterslutheran.org





Worship Assistant Schedule for June

	LECTORS	GREETERS	USHERS	WELCOME CENTER
June 5 8:00 a.m.	Anne Marie Strubel	Betsy Kemper	Steve & Diane Gegg	Susie Roderick
9:45 a.m.	Greg Strausser	Jim & Julie Gotwald	Dan & Karen Beck	Clarence Simon
June 12 8:00 a.m.	Larry Wilcox	Susan Chever Travis Chaby	Thompson & Betsy McConnell	Christine Ponti
9:45 a.m.	Becky Lutz	Kerry & Chris Hess	Jim & Jane Savidge	James & Martha Fuilmer
June 19 8:00 a.m.	Mark Burkholder	Steve & Diane Gegg	Eric May Cindy Miley	Ron & Joan Beck
9:45 a.m.	Nancy Beauregard	Paul & Tricia Hough	Anne Larrick	Mark & Darla Cardin
June 26 8:00 a.m.	Mark Burkholder	Mark Burkholder	Don Wenrich	Shirley Dombach
9:45 a.m.	Jim Gotwald	Alan & Beverly Swanson	Dave & Lis Wolf	Art & Libby Stoner

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Worship Participant Schedulers				
Altar Guild	Debbie Shue	djshue52@comcast.net		
A/V	Bill Schlener	billschlener@comcast.net		
Communion Assistants	Karen Peiffer	kpeiffer13@comcast.net		
Flower Delivery	Christine Smith	cjsmith1984@gmail.com		
Greeters	Vicki Legath	Vicki.legath@gmail.com		
Lectors	Thompson McConnell	thompsonmcconnell42@gmail.com		
Ushers	Nancy Beauregard	rigger1564@comcast.net		
Welcome Center	Jamie Rottmund	jrottmund@gmail.com		

Worship Assistant Schedule for June (continued)

	A/V	COMMUNION ASSISTANTS	ALTAR GUILD COORDINATORS	ALTAR GUILD
June 5 8:00 a.m.	Mark Burkholder	Karen Peiffer, Jennifer Schlener-Thomas	Lori Weaver	-
9:45 a.m.	Dave Tilley	Clint Frontz, Judy Logan	Lori Weaver	Pam Preston Dawn Troxell
June 12 8:00 a.m.	Tom Chever	Bret Hoffmaster, Susan Ketchum	Lori Weaver	-
9:45 a.m.	Bill Schlener	Todd Benner, Jeff Pretz	Lori Weaver	Jeff & Anneliese Owen
June 19 8:00 a.m.	Angela Moshos	Eric May, Mary Jane Wilcox	Lori Weaver	Shirley Dombach
9:45 a.m.	Bob Preston	No Communion	No Communion	No Communion
June 26 8:00 a.m.	Mark Burkholder	No Communion	No Communion	No Communion
9:45 a.m.	Dave Tilley	Paul Berkebile, Thompson McConnell	Lori Weaver	Beverly Swanson

	NEW DAY WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS — JUNE 2022				
	June 5 June 12 June 19 June 26				
Lector	Cheryl Laub	ТВА	Jenny Sassaman	Lisa Teichmann	
Communion Assistant	Bill Sassaman	No Communion	Jenny Sassaman	No Communion	
Ushers	John & Janet Hess	Brian & Brittany Booher	Bill Sassaman	Heath & Anna Edelman	

Worship Assistant Schedule for July

	LECTORS	GREETERS	USHERS	WELCOME CENTER
July 3 8:00 a.m.	Don Deibler	Cheryl Laub	Bob Courtois John Kerchner	Bob & Edee Bedford
9:45 a.m.	Gary Troxell	John & Jill Kerchner	Geoff & Anneliese Owen	Dave & Lis Wolf
July 10 8:00 a.m.	Diane Gegg	Tom & Pat Badorf	Tom Rothfus	Mary Ann Oberholtzer
9:45 a.m.	Karen Feldt	Gary & Dawn Troxell	Alan & Beverly Swanson	Lester & Crystal Heiser
July 17 8:00 a.m.	Stephanie Gerber	Bill & Mary Ellen Kopetz	Cindy Miley Liz O'Brien	Christine Ponti
9:45 a.m.	Greg Hand	Rich & Ann Larrick	Scott Glassford	Rich & Ann Larrick
July 24 8:00 a.m.	Susan Ketchum	Christine Ponti	Eric May	Susie Roderick
9:45 a.m.	Judy Logan	Dan & Karen Beck	Bob & Abby Brestensky	Sherry Weller
July 31 8:00 a.m.	Eric May	Randy & Susan Ketchum	Bob & Phyllis Hollinger	Ron & Joan Beck
9:45 a.m.	Margaret Strausser	Thompson McConnell	Nancy Beauregard Shirley Gorner	Art & Libby Stoner



	NEW DAY WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS — JULY 2022					
	July 3	July 10	July 17	July 24	July 31	
Lector	Megan Thompson	Bob Preston	Cheryl Laub	James Moshos	ТВА	
Communion Assistant	Sharon Schaefer	No Communion	Molly Rottmund	No Communion	Bill Sassaman	
Ushers	John & Janet Hess	Brian & Brittany Booher	Bill Sassaman	Heath & Anna Edelman	John & Janet Hess	

Worship Assistant Schedule for July (continued)

	A/V	COMMUNION ASSISTANTS	ALTAR GUILD COORDINATORS	ALTAR GUILD
July 3 8:00 a.m.	Tom Badorf	Diane Gegg, Nancy Pokopec	Debbie Shue	-
9:45 a.m.	Bill Schlener	Jeff Pretz, Janet Roberts	Debbie Shue	Tricia Hough
July 10 8:00 a.m.	Jordan Lambert	No Communion	No Communion	No Communion
9:45 a.m.	Dave Tilley	Shirley Gorner, Thompson McConnell	Debbie Shue	Cheryl Oeschger
July 17 8:00 a.m.	Tom Chever	Bob Courtois, Ginny Stickler	Debbie Shue	Phyllis Hollinger
9:45 a.m.	Bob Preston	No Communion	No Communion	No Communion
July 24 8:00 a.m.	Angela Moshos	No Communion	No Communion	No Communion
9:45 a.m.	Bill Schlener	Clint Frontz, Margaret Strausser	Debbie Shue	Barbara Cooper
July 31 8:00 a.m.	Jordan Lambert	Randy & Debbie Shue	Debbie Shue	-
9:45 a.m.	Bob Preston	Paul Berkebile, Todd Benner	Debbie Shue	Barbara Beyer



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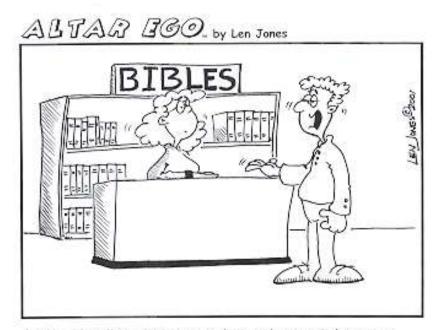
June/July Flower Delivery Schedule



Date	<u>Deliverer</u>	<u>Recipient</u>
6/05/22	Cathy Graver	Anna Wertz
6/05/22	Lauren Bergren	Peggy Popp
6/12/22	Becky Lutz	The Aurands
6/12/22	Liz O'Brien	Phyllis Seitz
6/19/22	JoAnn Boltz	Nancy Shimer
6/19/22	Lois Benton	June Hemsteger
6/26/22	Nancy Pokopec	Anna Dowie
6/26/22	Tim & Sharon Fickes	The Eberlys

Date	<u>Deliverer</u>	<u>Recipient</u>
7/03/22	Debbie Shue	Lura Zeswitz
7/03/22	Christine Smith	Joan Groff
7/10/22	Cheryl Oeschger	Arlene Dodd
7/10/22	John & Kathy Burke	Sally Price
7/17/22	Cathy Graver	Anna Wertz
7/17/22	Lauren Bergren	Peggy Popp
7/24/22	Becky Lutz	The Aurands
7/24/22	Liz O'Brien	Phyllis Seitz
7/31/22	JoAnn Boltz	Nancy Shimer
7/31/22	Lois Benton	June Hemsteger





"What I really need is a translation that won't leave me feeling guilty, convicted, or in need of making some kind of decision."



Wednesday, June 1

- 1:00 p.m. Community Meal Preparation (Kitchen)2:00 p.m. Evangelism Committee (Conference Room)4:30 p.m. Community Meal (Grace Lutheran)
- 6:30 p.m. VBS Focus Group (Conference Room)
- 7:00 p.m. Praise Band Rehearsal (FLC)

Thursday, June 2

1:00 p.m. - 50+ Fellowship (Chapel)

Saturday, June 4

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

Sunday, June 5

8:00 a.m. - Traditional Worship & Communion (Sanctuary and Livestream)
9:00 a.m. - Outdoor Worship Service (Parking Lot)
9:45 a.m. - Traditional Worship (Sanctuary)
9:45 a.m. - New Day Worship & Communion (Family Life Center and Livestream)
10:00 a.m. - Word of Life Deaf Church (Chapel)
4:00 p.m. - Musical Arts Concert (Sanctuary)

Monday, June 6

9:00 a.m. - Worship Leaders (Pastor's Office)6:00 p.m. - Call Committee (Cry Room)6:00 p.m. - Prayer Chain All Members (Portico)

<u>Tuesday, June 7</u>

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

Wednesday, June 8

1:00 p.m. - Community Meal Preparation (Kitchen)4:30 p.m. - Community Meal (Grace Lutheran)7:00 p.m. - Praise Band Rehearsal (FLC)

Sunday, June 12

8:00 a.m. - Traditional Worship (Sanctuary & Livestream)
9:00 a.m. - Outdoor Worship Service (Parking Lot)
9:45 a.m. - Traditional Worship & Communion (Sanctuary)
9:45 a.m. - New Day Worship (Family Life Center and Livestream)
10:00 a.m. - Word of Life Deaf Church (Chapel)

Monday, June 13

9:00 a.m. - Worship Leaders (Pastor's Office) 7:00 p.m. - Finance Committee (Conference Room)

Tuesday, June 14

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

LOOKING AHEAD

JUNE CALENDAR

Wednesday, June 15

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

Sunday, June 19

Confirmation Camp begins 8:00 a.m. - Traditional Worship & Communion (Sanctuary and Livestream) 9:00 a.m. - Outdoor Worship (Parking Lot) 9:45 a.m. - Traditional Worship (Sanctuary) 9:45 a.m. - New Day Worship & Communion (Family Life Center and Livestream) 10:00 a.m. - Word of Life Deaf Church (Chapel)

Monday, June 20

9:00 a.m. - Worship Leaders (Pastor's Office)6:00 p.m. - Call Committee (Cry Room)6:30 p.m. - Council Meeting (Conference Room)

Tuesday, June 21

9:00 a.m. - Staff Meeting (Conference Room)1:00 p.m. - Communications Committee (Zoom)7:00 p.m. - Stewardship Committee (Conference Room)

Wednesday, June 22

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

<u>Friday, June 24</u>

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

Sunday, June 26

8:00 a.m. - Traditional Worship (Sanctuary and Livestream)
9:00 a.m. - Outdoor Worship (Parking Lot)
9:45 a.m. - New Day Worship (Family Life Center and Livestream)
9:45 a.m. - Traditional Worship & Communion (Sanctuary)
10:00 a.m. - WOLD (Chapel)

Monday, June 27

9:00 a.m. - Worship Leaders (Pastor's Office)6:30 p.m. - HR Committee (Zoom)6:45 p.m. - Tanzania Missions Committee (Conference Room)

Tuesday, June 28

10:30 a.m. - Widows Group (Café)

Wednesday, June 29

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



Saturday, July 2

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

Sunday, July 3

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

9:00 a.m. - Outdoor Worship Service (Parking Lot) 9:45 a.m. - Traditional Worship (Sanctuary)

9:45 a.m. - New Day Worship (Family Life Center and Livestream)

10:00 a.m. - Word of Life Deaf Church (Chapel) 4:00 p.m. - Musical Arts Concert (Sanctuary)

Monday, July 4

Church Office Closed 6:00 p.m. - Call Committee (Cry Room)

Tuesday, July 5

9:00 a.m. - Staff Meeting (Conference Room) 6:30 p.m. - Mutual Ministry (Conference Room)

Wednesday, July 6

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. - Praise Band Rehearsal (FLC)

Sunday, July 10

8:00 a.m. - Traditional Worship (Sanctuary & Livestream) 9:00 a.m. - Outdoor Worship Service (Parking Lot) 9:45 a.m. - Traditional Worship & Communion (Sanctuary) 9:45 a.m. - New Day Worship (Family Life Center and Livestream)

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

Monday, July 11

9:00 a.m. - Worship Leaders (Pastor's Office) 7:00 p.m. - Finance Committee (Conference Room)

Tuesday, July 12

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

Wednesday, July 13

1:00 p.m. - Community Meal Preparation (Kitchen)4:30 p.m. - Community Meal (Grace Lutheran)7:00 p.m. - Praise Band Rehearsal (FLC)

Sunday, July 17

8:00 a.m. - Traditional Worship & Communion (Sanctuary and Livestream)
9:00 a.m. - Outdoor Worship (Parking Lot)
9:45 a.m. - Traditional Worship (Sanctuary)

LOOKING AHEAD

JULY CALENDAR

9:45 a.m. - New Day Worship & Communion (Family Life Center and Livestream) 10:00 a.m. - Word of Life Deaf Church (Chapel) 6:00 p.m. - Vacation Bible School

Monday, July 18

9:00 a.m. - Worship Leaders (Pastor's Office)
6:00 p.m. - Call Committee (Cry Room)
6:00 p.m. - Vacation Bible School
6:30 p.m. - Council Meeting (Conference Room)

Tuesday, July 19

9:00 a.m. - Staff Meeting (Conference Room)
1:00 p.m. - Communications Committee (Zoom)
1:30 p.m. - Book Club (Cry Room)
6:00 p.m. - Vacation Bible School
7:00 p.m. - Stewardship Committee (Conference Room)

Wednesday, July 20

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

<u>Thursday, July 21</u>

6:00 p.m. - Vacation Bible School

Sunday, July 24

8:00 a.m. - Traditional Worship (Sanctuary and Livestream)
9:00 a.m. - Outdoor Worship (Parking Lot)
9:45 a.m. - New Day Worship (Family Life Center and Livestream)
9:45 a.m. - Traditional Worship & Communion (Sanctuary)
10:00 a.m. - WOLD (Chapel)

Monday, July 25

9:00 a.m. - Worship Leaders (Pastor's Office) 6:30 p.m. - HR Committee (Zoom) 6:45 p.m. - Tanzania Missions Committee (Conference Room)

Tuesday, July 26

10:30 a.m. - Widows Group (Café)

Wednesday, July 27

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

Sunday, July 31

8:00 a.m. - Traditional Worship & Communion (Sanctuary & Livestream)
9:00 a.m. - Outdoor Worship Service (Parking Lot)
9:45 a.m. - Traditional Worship & Communion (Sanctuary)
9:45 a.m. - New Day Worship & Communion (Family Life Center and Livestream)
10:00 a.m. - WOLD (Chapel)

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.

THE NEXT ISSUE FOR AUGUST 2022 NEWSLETTER — ARTICLES DUE JULY 10TH



Articles for the August 2022 "Herald" are due in the church office no later than <u>July</u> <u>10th</u>. Please submit articles to Sandy Shattuck in the church office or email <u>sandy.shattuck@stpeterslutheran.org</u>. Thank you for your cooperation.

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.



The Sheep are Hungry! Please Help Feed Them

Needed in June and July: *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!*



If you have any questions, please contact me at <u>sandy.shattuck@stpeterslutheran.org</u>. *Sandy Shattuck Editor & Parish Secretary*

