# The weekly Herald



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#### **Celebrating Pastor Ross**

This Sunday, we celebrate the 40th ordination of Pastor Ross. There will be a cake reception in the narthex in between worship services. There will be no New Day this Sunday. We ask our New Day worshipers to join us in the Traditional Service at 9:30 a.m.

#### Congregational Hymn Sing

This Sunday, Tom and Deborah will lead the congregation in a hymn sing. These hymn sings will occur the first Sunday of every month, before traditional service. Please come ten minutes before the service starts, ready to request a favorite hymn from the hymnal.

### Congratulations to two of our sextons!



## Giving Your Talents: Children's Ministry

For the next several weeks, the Stewardship committee is highlighting many of the talents seen and needed at St. Peter's. As you have heard for years, your church cannot function without the many volunteers required on an ongoing basis. As you read about the needs, please consider trying one of these opportunities to serve St. Peter's.

Volunteering in our children's ministry is a simple way to play a small, but important, role in our youngest members' faith journeys. Time and talent is provided at one's own discretion and there is no pressure to "be" anything one is not. Opportunities for involvement are varied; from behind the scenes planning and preparing, to out front leading lessons or activities. No matter the level of engagement, being a part of this ministry is fun, fulfilling, and significant as we encourage our little ones to grow in God's love. — Christine Hofmann

The Children's Ministry committee meets as needed. They help to plan and implement main activities such as Christmas events, Easter Egg Hunt and Vacation Bible School. Additionally, Children's Ministry advises Sunday School Curriculum. Please contact Cindy Geesey, Director of Children's Ministry, if you are interested in volunteering.

David "Davey" and Joseph "Joey" Striggle – off to college! We say farewell and Godspeed to two members of our sexton team after two years of service at St. Peter's.

Joseph "Joey" and David "Davey" Striggle are the twin sons of our day-school preschool teacher, Shannon Striggle. These young men are not even members of the church but are always here doing their work long after we are gone, sometimes into the night. Those involved in our Lydia's Closet ministry know them well. They are the ones who, along with younger brother, Ben, move clothes from the back-sanctuary storage all the way down to the FLC, then back again when it ends. On Sunday afternoons, the Striggle boys clean the Sunday School preschool restrooms and classrooms so they are ready for use by the preschoolers on Monday mornings. They also are on the event setup crew, setting up tables and chairs for large events in the FLC. They work alongside our regular daytime sextons (Laura, Chuck, and Dan) to keep the church cleaned and ready for your meetings and events.

*Fun fact:* They are 2023 Brain Busters WGAL television show champions! This is the televised contest between Central PA high schools on topics such as history, science, geography, literature, and art. Their Hempfield team beat out three other high schools and are now in the playoff round. If they win, they will get scholarship money for college.

So, when you see them in the church, stop and thank them for their service to St. Peter's and our Lord these past two years.

Joseph will be studying education at Shippensburg University. David may be the next famous movie director as he plans to study film and media arts at Temple University.

With their departure in the Fall, St. Peter's is down two sextons. If you have a son or daughter 16 years or older who would like a paying job as an on-call sexton, please contact me.

— Paul Schultz, Parish Administrator; 717-569-9211 x225

### Worship for June 4

First Sunday after Pentecost

Traditional Worship & Communion 8:00 a.m. & 9:30 a.m.

Preaching: Pastor Ross

## Upcoming Worship Assistant and Volunteer Schedule

#### June 4

8:00 a.m. — Lector: Jennifer Schlener-Thomas; Greeter: Benjamin
DeLeonardis; Ushers: Mark &
Angela Moshos; Welcome Center:
Edee Bedford; A/V: Tom Badorf;
Communion Assistants: Randy
& Debbie Shue; Altar Guild
Coordinator: Debbie Shue.

9:30 a.m. — Lector: Janet Roberts; Greeter: Mark Burkholder; Ushers: Scott & Sharon Breeden; Welcome Center: Sara Berlucchi; A/V: Dave Tilley; Communion Assistants: Sr. Dottie Almoney & Janet Roberts; Altar Guild Coordinator: Debbie Shue; Altar Guild: Sharon Breeden.

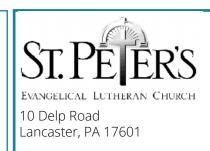
**Flowers Deliverers:** Cathy Graver & Becky Lutz.

#### June 11

8:00 a.m. — Lector: Eric May; Greeter: Betsy Kemper; Ushers: Thompson & Betsy McConnell; Welcome Center: Benjamin De Leonardis; A/V: Tom Chever.

9:30 a.m. — Lector: Judith Logan; Greeters: Dan & Karen Beck; Ushers: Alan & Beverly Swanson; Welcome Center: Mark & Darla Cardin; A/V: Bill Schlener; Communion Assistants: Paul Berkebile & Jeffrey Pretz; Altar Guild Coordinator: Debbie Shue; Altar Guild: Dawn Troxell.

**Flowers Deliverers:** Tim & Sharon Fickes.



#### **Quick Notes**

**COMMUNION ASSISTANTS NEEDED** — We could use more communion assistants. A few minutes of training is all it takes! Email Pastor Ross if you have interest. Thank you!

**SAVE THE DATE** — Vacation Bible School will be held July 16 to July 20 at 6:00 - 7:30 p.m.! We are excited to announce the theme this year: Hero Hotline. Our heroes, our children, will have fun and discover how heroes can work together to bring peace. You don't want to miss it!! More information to follow.

**SUNDAY NURSERY ASSISTANTS NEEDED** — Our Church Nursery Coordinator, Alyssa Kerper, staffs the nursery during the 9:30 a.m. service, but she needs your help! Safe Church practices require us to have two adults or teens in the nursery when small children are present. If you use the nursery when you worship, or are simply willing to help out, please call the Church Office and let us know what means of contact Alyssa can use to connect with you.

**GROCERY CARDS FOR SALE** — On the first and third Sunday of each month, you can purchase grocery cards and contribute to the church debt reduction. We have cards in increments of \$25, \$50 and \$100 for Stauffers of Kissel Hill, Giant, Weis and Oregon Dairy. Simply purchase the cards at face value, spend as you wish, and 5% of each sale stays here at church. Cards are also available to purchase during the week in the church office.

**SUMMER CHURCH CAMP** — Register now for summer camp at *LutheranCamping.org* (The Lutheran Camping Corporation of Central Pennsylvania Kirchenwald, Nawakwa, & The Wittel Farm). Summer camps run June 18 — August 12 with many options from a classic week of camp to high adventures! Take advantage of the "camp person" discount, as well as \$75 discount for church members. Any questions, please contact Ashley Miller 717-329-2397 or *ashley@andymiller.net*.

A PLEA FROM LYDIA'S CLOSET — Our racks are bare! We are in need of clothing sizes 5 to Adult. As you are spring cleaning your closets, see what you're not wearing, and drop them off in our bin. Particularly spring and summer clothing are needed. Socks and underwear must be newly purchased. Thank you for helping make this ministry a success. If you have any questions email astaloo@me.com.