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World Communion Sunday



St. Peter's will be observing World Communion Sunday at all services on October 1. The day offers congregations a distinctive opportunity to experience Holy Communion in the context of the global community of faith. The first Sunday of October is when Christians in every culture break bread and pour the cup to remember and affirm Christ as the Head of the Church. On that day, we recognize that we are part of the whole body of believers. Whether shared in a grand cathedral, a mud hut, outside on a hilltop, in a meetinghouse, or a storefront, Christians celebrate the communion liturgy in as many ways as there are congregations. World Communion Sunday can be both a profound worship experience and a time for learning more about our wider community of faith.

Blessing of the Pets

Please join us this afternoon at 2:00 p.m. on our "Green Acres" at the SW corner of our property. We will have a very brief liturgy, sing a hymn, and celebrate the blessings our pets bring to our lives. Please make sure you have proper restraints or carry cases for your pet.

Youth Group Outing

Sunday, October 15, 4-6 p.m., Oregon Dairy Corn Maze. Team 5th/6th (with adult guide) and Team 7th-12th will attempt Oregon Dairy's famous 12 acre corn maze. Cost is \$10 per person. Please bring a water bottle. Dinner will be provided at the Oregon Dairy food truck after the maze. RSVP to Sister Dottie or *lesliericemccarthy@gmail.com*.

Quick Notes

HANDEL'S MESSIAH REHEARSALS BEGIN THURSDAY — On Sunday, December 17, we will present Handel's Messiah at St. Peter's. Rehearsals will be on Thursday evenings, 7:30-8:30 p.m., beginning October 5. Singers will need to purchase music (\$10.00), which will be available at rehearsals. Contact Tom Berdos at *tom.berdos@stpeterslutheran.org* with questions or to let him know of your interest in participating.

CHIPOTLE FUNDRAISER — St. Peter's Preschool would like to invite you to join us at Chipotle on Fruitville Pike for dinner! Please come out from 4:00pm - 8:00pm on Tuesday, October 3rd and have a yummy dinner. A percentage of your bill will be donated to our preschool program. Keep an eye out for additional fellowship opportunities!

50+ GROUP — Please join us on Thursday, October 5, at noon in the café, for lunch, fellowship, entertainment, and education. Our guest speaker will be Dr. Bob Frick. This month's lecture topic is Charles Giteau, assassin of President McKinley. If you are like me, you probably have never heard of him.In August, we learned from Dr. Frick that psychologists and others have generally concluded that there is an "assassin profile." Part of this profile shows the person: 1. Is usually a white male in his twenties; 2. Has deep-seated feelings of inadequacy; 3. Views himself as a failure in life; and 4. Sees himself as being a "nobody". We also learned that the Lincoln assassination was a plot; whereas the other assassinations we will hear about were solo acts. Booth died from wounds he suffered from while evading capture. His 8 accomplices were tried by a military tribunal. All 8 were found guilty. Four were hanged; 3 were pardoned by President Johnson and 1 died of yellow fever in prison. Mary Surrat was one of the conspirators hanged and became the first woman executed by the U.S. Federal government. We look forward to more interesting facts like this throughout Dr. Frick's series! Please bring your own sandwich, place setting, a beverage, and a snack to share. You are welcome to come at 12:30 p.m. for the lecture only. If you have any questions, please contact Debra Shue at 717-318-8848 or email djshue52@comcast.net.

POWER PACKS PROJECT NEEDS YOUR HELP — St. Peter's supports Power Packs Project at two locations - Brecht Elementary and right here at our church. For information on how you can help on Wednesday afternoons (after school hours are available!) please contact Lynn Fyfe at 717-951-3932 or at *lynnfyfe@comcast.net*. To sign up, go to *https://bit.ly/splpower*.

NOTICE OF VOTE — Notice of Vote on Constitutional Changes the ELCA adopted a number of required constitutional changes at the end of last year that St. Peter's will review and vote on at our annual meeting this November. The Council reviewed these changes at their August meeting and recommended the congregation likewise approve them. A document outlining the proposed changes is available in the church office for your review, as well as a copy of the current constitution for your reference. If you would like an electronic copy of these documents sent to you, or if you have any questions about the proposed changes or procedure for approving constitutional amendments, please contact Leslie McCarthy at *lesliericemccarthy@gmail.com.*

Worship for Oct. 1

Time after Pentecost

Traditional Worship & Communion 8:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m. Preaching: Pastor Ross

New Day Worship & Communion 10:30 a.m. Preaching: Sister Dottie



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Upcoming Worship Assistant and Volunteer Schedule

October 1

8:00 a.m. — Lector: Larry Wilcox; Greeters: TBD; Usher: Ben DeLeonaridis; Welcome Center: Ken Shirk; A/V: Tom Badorf; Communion Assistants: Nancy LeFevre & Eric May; Altar Guild Coordinator: Debbie Shue.

10:30 a.m. — Lector: Anneliese Owen;
Greeter: Vicki Legath; Ushers: Dan & Karen Beck; Welcome Center: Mark
& Darla Cardin; A/V: Bill Schlener.
Communion Assistants: Ginny Strickler;
Altar Guild Coordinator: Debbie Shue;
Altar Guild: Barb Beyers.

Flowers Deliverers: Kathy Burke & Cheryl Oeschger.

October 8

8:00 a.m. — Lector: Ena Marie Banks; Greeters: John & Jill Kerchner; Ushers: Bob Courtois & Don Wenrich; Welcome Center: Kathy Burke; A/V: Tom Chever.

10:30 a.m. — Lector: Janet Roberts; Greeter: Sara Gable; Ushers: Kathleen Bailey & Cheryl Oeschger; Welcome Center: Dave & Lis Wolf; A/V: Dave Tilley; Communion Assistants: Paul Berkebile & Thompson McConnell; Altar Guild Coordinator: Debbie Shue; Altar Guild: Sharon Breeden.

Flowers Deliverers: Cathy Graver & Becky Lutz.

October 15

8:00 a.m. — Lector: Mark Burkholder; Greeters: Randy & Susan Ketchum; Ushers: Cindy Miley & Tom Rothfus; Welcome Center: Shirley Dombach; A/V: Benjamin DeLeonardis; Communion Assistants: Kevin & Weston Groff; Altar Guild Coordinator: Debbie Shue; Altar Guild: Jill Kerchner.

10:30 a.m. — Lector: Ashley Miller;
Greeter: Scott Glassford; Ushers: Scott & Sharon Breeden; Welcome Center:
Clarence Simon; A/V: Dave Tilley.

New Day — Communion Assistant: Bill Sassaman.

Flowers Deliverers: Christine Smith, Tim

& Sharon Fickes.

October 22

8:00 a.m. — Lector: Jo Boltz; Greeters: Luther & Catherine Kimmich; Ushers: The Rotz family; Welcome Center: Phyllis Hollinger; Acolytes: Rotz family; A/V: Tom Chever.

10:30 a.m. — Lector: Nicolette Simon;
Greeters: Jillian & Joann Gorner;
Ushers: Jim & Jane Savidge; Welcome
Center: Libby Stoner; A/V: Bill Schlener;
Communion Assistants: Gregory Hand &
Judy Logan; Altar Guild Coordinator:
Debbie Shue; Altar Guild: Trisha Hough.

Flowers Deliverers: Lois Benton & Jo Boltz.

October 29

8:00 a.m. — Lector: Patti Courtois; Greeter: Mary Ellen Kopetz; Ushers: Eric May, Thomson & Betsy McConnell; Welcome Center: Tom Rothfus; A/V: Jordan Lambert. Communion Assistant: Jo Boltz; Altar Guild Coordinator: Debbie Shue.

10:30 a.m. — Lector: Gary Troxell;
Greeters: Paul & Tricia Hough; Ushers:
Brian & Christine Hoffman family;
Welcome Center: Rich & Ann Larrick;
A/V: Bob Preston; Communion
Assistants: Kathy Bailey & Janet Roberts;
Altar Guild Coordinator: Debbie Shue;
Altar Guild: Cheryl Oeschger.

Flowers Deliverers: Christine Smith & Ken Shirk.

Worship Participant Schedulers

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