



Back to School Sunday at St. Peter's



NEW SUNDAY SCHEDULE: With the return of Sunday School, the late Traditional Worship service and our New Day Worship will be at 10:30 a.m. The early Traditional Worship remains at 8:30 a.m.

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL: The Pod Class returns at 9:15 a.m. in Room 100. The Pod Class is a community of adults of all ages. In class, we discuss the scripture readings from the lectionary for that Sunday, making connections to our daily experiences as people of faith, to current events, to Lutheran theology, and to our life in the community. Participation in the Pod Class requires no preparation, and we always have a lively discussion. Join us - all are welcome! Contact: Joel Janisewski j.janisewski@gmail.com or Jean Pretz jean.pretz@gmail.com

Sister Dottie will lead an Adult Education Class on the Church and the Holocaust at 9:15 am in the Conference Room. A more in-depth study on what we discussed in the Spring. This is a great way to prepare for our trip to the Holocaust Museum on September 30.

YOUTH FAMILIES: Join us at 9:15 a.m. for a youth and parent meeting for all youth in grades 5-12 in the sanctuary. We will be going over the Christian ed year, youth group offerings and other events.

CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL: Children in grades 1 to 4 - Join us for our opening "Sunday School kickoff, THE BIG DROP! Drop everything and follow Jesus!" We will meet in the Family Life Center for our opening songs at 9:15! PreK/K children will meet in the Frog Room at 9:15 for their kickoff - "CREATION! God made it all!"

Alyssa Kerper, our Nursery Coordinator will be leading a Sunday school lesson for our 2/3-year old's in the nursery at 9:15 am. There will be a story, easy craft and a snack. If you can help, please reach out to her!

CHURCH PICNIC: Join us after the 10:30 a.m. service on the Delp Road side for our church picnic. Food will be provided. Come for a time of fellowship, games and conversation. This will be a great way to get back in gear for fall! The picnic will be held indoors in the event of inclement weather.

A BLESSING OF OUR MUSICIANS: At all our worship services this coming Sunday (Sept. 10) we will offer a blessing on all those who lead us in song, music and praise (our Director of Music, Organist, Contemporary Music Director, Sunday School Music Leader, Choirs and Musicians) along with everyone who worships in any of our worship services as they are "praise partners" with our leaders. The blessing will be offered at the conclusion of the announcements.

Committee budget requests are due September 11

All Committee and ministry budget requests for 2024 are due by September 11 to the Parish Administrator as the Finance Committee needs to begin the long task of crafting the church budget for 2024. We understand that it is quite early in the fall but the finance committee must have it completed by the October Council Meeting, ready to present at the Church Town Hall in October, and finalized for church vote at the St. Peter's Annual Meeting in November. Thank you for your cooperation. You can hand in your budget request at the church office or email it to churchadmin@stpeterslutheran.org If you have misplaced your budget request email, call Paul Schultz, Parish Administrator, at the church office 717-569-9211.

— Your Finance Committee

Worship for Sept. 10

Time after Pentecost

Traditional Worship
8:00 a.m.

Preaching: Pastor Ross

**Traditional Worship &
Communion**
10:30 a.m.

Preaching: Pastor Ross

New Day Worship
10:30 a.m.

Preaching: Sister Dottie



EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Upcoming Worship Schedule

September 10

8:00 a.m. — **Lector:** Jennifer Schlener-Thomas; **Greeter:** Betsy Kemper; **Ushers:** Mark & Angela Moshos; **Welcome Center:** Susie Roderick; **A/V:** Bill Schlener.

10:30 a.m. — **Lector:** Judy Logan; **Greeters:** Dan & Karen Beck; **Ushers:** Scott Glassford & Cheryl Oeschger; **Welcome Center:** Jean Pretz; **A/V:** Dave Tilley; **Communion Assistants:** Gary & Dawn Troxell; **Altar Guild Coordinator:** Debbie Shue; **Altar Guild:** Pam Preston.

Coffee Bar: Shirley Dombach & Phyllis Hollinger.

Flowers Deliverers: Lois Benton & Kathy Burke.

September 17

8:00 a.m. — **Lector:** Ginny Stickler; **Greeters:** Lloyd & Marty Bull; **Ushers:** Ben DeLeonardis & Liz O'Brien; **Welcome Center:** Ron & Joan Beck; **A/V:** Tom Chever; **Communion Assistants:** Randy & Debbie Shue; **Altar Guild Coordinator:** Debbie Shue; **Altar Guild:** Nancy LeFevre.

10:30 a.m. — **Lector:** Becky Lutz; **Greeters:** Scott & Sharon Breeden; **Ushers:** Cortes family; **Welcome Center:** Sherry Weller; **A/V:** Bill Schlener. **Acolytes:** Cortes family;

New Day — **Communion Assistant:** Jenny Sassaman.

Quick Notes

LIVING IN COMMUNITY NEW DAY SERMON SERIES — September 10: Matthew 18:15-20. Jesus offers practical advice to his disciples on how individuals—and the church as a whole—should go about restoring relationships when one member has sinned against another.

WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY RETURNS NEXT WEEK — Pastor Ross' Wednesday Bible Study will begin on September 13. We will be studying the Gospel of Mark, which is the Gospel we will be reading in our worship services starting in December. The class meets from 9:30-11:00 a.m. in the Café. Please bring a Bible translation of your choice to class, as we sometimes wander from the appointed texts from Mark. Mark's Gospel is the oldest of our four Gospels, and is the closest gospel we have to a true "narrative" Gospel. During the month of January, we will spend 2-3 weeks watching Jesus Christ Superstar, and evaluating the theology of this classic rock opera which debuted in the '70's on Broadway.

CONGREGATIONAL WASHINGTON DC/ HOLOCAUST MUSEUM TRIP — Saturday September 30th - Cost \$50. We will leave St. Peter's at 7 a.m. and have some free time in the morning to visit the Capitol Mall. Our reservations for the Holocaust Museum are at 1:00 p.m. - (You can choose to stay on your own and not visit the museum) - we should return by 8:30 pm to the church. Fill out a form on the narthex table or sign up on the fellowship bulletin board. Questions can be directed to Sister Dottie at dottie.almoney@stpeterslutheran.org.

HELP OUR CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES — Children's Ministries invites you to join our team as we prepare for activities this coming year. Opportunities include, but are not limited to, serving as Sunday School leaders and assistants (no preparation required), and helping to plan and deliver events such as the Gingerbread Bash in December, the Easter Egg Hunt in coordination with the Palm Sunday Breakfast, and Vacation Bible School. Any amount of dedicated time is greatly appreciated. We look forward to an exciting year! Email Cindy Geesey at cindy.geesey@stpeterslutheran.org.

HANDEL'S MESSIAH — On Sunday, December 17, we will present Handel's Messiah at St. Peter's. We will use professional soloists, a full professional orchestra, and a large community chorus. Please consider joining the chorus! 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. Email me at tom.berdos@gmail.com for more information or to sign up. This is a fun concert to sing, hope to see you there!

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