



October Is National Sudden Cardiac Arrest Awareness Month

Sudden Cardiac Arrest is a leading cause of death in the United States, taking the lives of more than 356,000 people each year, including more than 23,000 youth (under age 18). In 2008, Congress declared October to be National Sudden Cardiac Arrest Awareness Month, in an effort to educate the public about warning signs, risk factors, and what to do in a cardiac emergency.

What is Sudden Cardiac Arrest (SCA)? It's a life-threatening emergency that occurs when the heart suddenly stops beating. It strikes people of all ages who may seem to be healthy, even children and teens. When it happens, the person collapses & doesn't respond or breathe normally. They may gasp or shake (like having a seizure). SCA leads to death in minutes if the person doesn't get help right away. Survival depends on Calling 911, starting CPR, and using an AED if available – all as soon as possible!

Sudden Cardiac Arrest is not a heart attack. It is caused by a structural or electrical problem in the heart, often from an undetected heart condition, and in other instances, from an infection or a severe blow to the chest.

Sudden Cardiac Arrest has a survival rate of less than 10% (as noted by the National Academy of Medicine's Strategies to Improve Cardiac Arrest Survival). This rate has remained the same for a long time, because most of the public is not prepared to save a life.

Here are more facts:

A bystander administering hands-only CPR can triple a person's chance of survival AND when using an AED in the first minute of collapse can increase survival to 90%!

CALL – PUSH – SHOCK has been recognized by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention as a resource to educate the public about sudden cardiac arrest and how to respond. Let's all sign up for CPR courses, and be aware of where the St. Peter's AED is located (in the coatroom to the left of sanctuary). We can't forget that October is also Breast Cancer Awareness Month. Women & Men: perform those monthly self-breast exams and schedule those mammograms.

OUR NEW DAY SERVICE IS CANCELLED FOR THIS SUNDAY, OCTOBER 22, DUE TO A MASSIVE LEAK OF COOLANT IN THE CAFÉ AND PART OF THE FAMILY LIFE CENTER. THIS WILL GIVE OUR PROPERTY COMMITTEE AND VENDORS A CHANCE TO CLEAN IT UP AND TO RESTORE HEALTHY AIR QUALITY. PLEASE JOIN US IN OUR TRADITIONAL SERVICE AT 10:30 A.M.

Quick Notes

TOWN HALL MEETING — Join us this Sunday, October 22, for a Town Hall Meeting at 9:15 a.m. in the sanctuary. We will discuss the latest on what's happening at St. Peter's, including the proposed 2024 budget and the constitutional amendments that we will be voting on at our Annual Meeting in November. See you there!

MUSICAL ARTS CONCERT SERIES — Join us at St. Peter's on Sunday, October 22 at 4:00 p.m. as vocal duo, Amy Yovanovich and Christyan Seay perform classical, sacred, spiritual and Broadway favorites in concert. A freewill offering will be received. For more information, call 717-569-9211.

CRAFT SHOW HELP — We are in need of several people to help with the craft show. Help is needed for set up on Friday, November 24 from 9:00-11:00 a.m. for marking vendor spaces on the floor; Saturday, November 25 from 7:00-9:30 a.m. for vendor placement and holding customers from entering the craft show until 9:00 a.m. and also from 9:00-11:00 a.m. to hand out brochures. Please contact Movita Groff at 717-569-0101 or Kim Sterner at 717-397-7739.

WIDOWS GROUP — St. Peter's has an active group for widows that meets monthly on the fourth Tuesday at 10:30 a.m. We normally meet in the cry room for about an hour. This month, the group will be meeting for lunch at Fiorentino's, at the airport, on October 24 at 11:30 a.m. Feel free to contact Betsy Linn with any questions and to RSVP at 717-618-9615.

WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY — This Wednesday, October 25, we will not meet for Bible Study. The following week, everyone is welcome to join us in the Café as Pastor Ross continues to lead us through the Gospel of Mark.

TRUNK OR TREAT — Sunday, October 29 at 4:00 p.m. in St. Peter's parking lot. Food, games and of course trunk or treating in the parking lot for children and youth. Optional car decorating with prizes! Bring 75 goodies to give out for trunk or treaters! The event will be held in the family life center in the event of rain. All are welcome! RSVP to Sister Dottie at dottie.almoney@stpeterslutheran.org to ensure we have enough games, prizes and food for everyone!

Upcoming Worship Assistant & Volunteer Schedule

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.

Coffee Bar — Tom & Pat Badorf.

Flowers Deliverers — Lois Benton & Jo Boltz.

Worship for Oct. 22

Time After Pentecost

Traditional Worship
8 a.m.

Preaching: Pastor Ross

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

Preaching: Pastor Ross



EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Financial Summary

Financial Summary Jan-Sept 2023

***Excludes: Cub/Boy Scouts, Mission Campaign, and Endowment investment activity*

General Fund Only:	2023 Sept		2023 Sept YTD		Sept YTD Act23-Bud23
	Budget	Actual	Budget	Actual	
Weekly Offering Income	59,607	47,896	683,408	555,850	(127,558)
Special Offering Income	287	931	9,262	21,892	12,630
Offering Income Totals	\$59,894	\$48,826	\$692,670	\$577,742	(\$114,928)
Debt Reduction Income	11,206	3,295	100,050	175,373	75,323
All Other Income	4,147	1,588	74,098	232,714	158,615
Total Income	\$75,247	\$53,710	\$866,819	\$985,829	\$119,011
Total Expense	(\$94,956)	(\$99,303)	(\$908,859)	(861,773)	
<i>Less Gain on Sale - Vicarage*</i>				<i>(167,385)</i>	
Operating Net Income/(Loss)	(\$19,709)	(\$45,593)	(\$42,041)	(\$43,328)	

*Note: Vicarage sold for \$325,000. Realized Gain on Sale of Home is \$167,385.

Variable Rate Principal Payments:

2/15/2023: \$25,000 Mission Campaign
3/10/2023: \$18,935 Alleman Estate Gift
3/31/2023: \$62,500 Mission Campaign
4/4/2023: \$250 Boy Scout Gift
5/8/2023: \$306,132 Net proceeds - Vicarage Sale
5/24/2023: \$20,790 Special Donation
8/5/2023: \$15,000 Special Donation
Total: \$448,607

Fulton Bank Commercial Mortgage Balances as of 9/18/23: \$939,038

Fixed Rate Balance \$844,911 (3.85% interest rate)
Variable Rate Balance: \$94,127 (8.00% interest rate)

Thank you to each and every one of you for your prayerful consideration of how you will support the ministry of St. Peter's through your own time, talent, and financial treasures. We appreciate your attendance at church and Sunday School, your engagement in our ministries inside and outside of our church walls, and your offerings of financial treasures that support our Budget for 2023.

Should you have any questions about the monthly financial report, feel free to contact the Church Treasurer, Sherry Moul, or the Parish Administrator, Paul Schultz, at churchadmin@stpeterslutheran.org or by calling or visiting the church office. We thank you for your generous donations to support the ministry of St. Peter's!

— Your Finance and Stewardship Committee Members

KEY NOTES TO THIS FINANCIAL REPORT

- Weekly Offerings through September are \$127,558 under budget.
- Due to cash flow concerns we are only submitting a portion of our local benevolence commitment on a month-to-month basis.
- On a positive note: as a result of the sale of the vicarage, mission campaign distributions, and several special donations, we have paid an additional \$448,607 towards the Variable Rate Mortgage this year.