

St. Peter Lutheran Church

[Evangelical Lutheran Church in America]

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Country Time, Country Store & Raffle
September 15th

SEPTEMBER 2019

The Newsletter of

St. Peter Lutheran Church [ELCA], Greene, IA

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Mission Statement

St. Peter Lutheran Church

WELCOMES people into a relationship
with Jesus Christ and His Church,
EQUIPS people with a faith that works
in daily life, and
SERVES in the world to make a
difference in Jesus' Name.

St. Peter Lutheran Church - Greene, IA
Unofficial Council Minutes, August 7, 2019

Members Present: Delores Adelmund, Esther Backer, Clarene Backer, John Ebensberger, Kelly Hoodjer, Keith Hyman, Jan Osier, and June Vogelman **Members Absent:** David Crow, Erin Mulder, Chuck Thompson and Carrie Eiklenborg. **Also Present:** Christin Flucke, Robin Majewski, and Julie Brinkman. **Devotions:** Keith read from Bread for the Day.

Church Vision: Pastor Daniel asked all attending to think of what was going well in the church. May different things were shared. Focus on the positives, remember God is doing great things at St Peter!

Secretary's Minutes for the June meeting: *John made a motion to accept the secretary's minutes. Delores 2nd. M/C*

Additions to Agenda: Parental Leave Policy removed from the agenda. Cassmann memorial added to New Business.

Annual meeting date. First aid kits,

Committee Reports Building and Grounds: Met July 31st. **A.** A work day will be planned in the future for the committee. **B.** There is a tree at the parsonage that will need to come down, but can wait until late fall. **C.** The lawnmower for the parsonage is needing to be replaced. The repairs would cost more than the lawnmower is worth. Jan will check at Don's Repair in Charles City for pricing. *John made a motion not spend more than \$400.00 for a new mower. June 2nd M/C* **D.** The dehumidifier in the basement has been displaying an E code and is not working. It is older and needs to be replaced. *June made a motion to purchase a dehumidifier. John 2nd M/C* **E.** Keith, Rolland and Kelly did a parsonage inspections. There are a few items that need to be fixed or repaired, but nothing major at this time. **F.** June will check the 1st aid kits that are placed around the church. She will make sure that supplies are available for replenishing the kits. **Education and Youth:** Met August 4th. **A.** Reflections were made on the events of the summer: 90 children attended VBS with 60 adult volunteers. **B.** Christin started break-out sessions this summer and was happy with the attendance, anywhere from 3-15 children came. **C.** Sunday School will start August 25th, using the same curriculum as last year. **D.** Confirmation orientation for students and parents will be on August 28th. Regular classes will start September 4th. **E.** Jr High Sunday School will start September 8th. **F.** Luther League will have a kick-off bonfire at Hyman's, with regular meetings starting September 8th. **G.** Pastor Daniel is working on scheduling a Sunday morning adult education for the fall. **H.** The Sunday School resource room was cleaned and organized August 6th. **Stewardship and Finance:** Did not meet but are working on a date for a meeting in the near future. **Worship and Evangelism:** Met Monday August 4th **A.** Songs have been chosen through September. **B.** John suggested that a list be obtained from City Hall of new persons moving into Greene. It would be nice to be able to welcome them to the community with a visit, possibly working with the other churches in town to accomplish this. **C.** Mary Beth Oyebade will be at St Peter on Labor Day weekend to share about their work in Nigeria. Both Services will be in the fellowship hall as Mary Beth will be showing videos. WELCA will provide a meal after Saturday night service and again after the 8:30 Sunday morning service.

Personnel: Met on July 28th. **A.** Jeff drafted a Personnel Committee Charter who will work in an advisory capacity on issues related to personnel administration. *Kelly made a motion to accept the charter. Clarene 2nd. M/C* **B.** As of yet, there is no Parental Leave Policy recommendation, but this is getting worked on. This committee will meet again on August 25th. **Mutual Ministry:** Pastor Daniel is reading "*Pastor & People: Making Mutual Ministry Work*". Kelly & Keith will read it also, anyone else is welcome to read it too. *Motion made by Kelly to accept the committee reports. June 2nd. M/C.* **Youth & Children's Ministry:** **A.** Christin talked about the success of prayer partners for the Houston Mission Trip, and would like to incorporate this again. **B.** Break-out sessions were a success this summer.

Pastor's Report: **A.** The last 3 years our church website has been hosted by Creative Solutions Unlimited. We've been paying \$1200.00 annually under a 3-year contract which expired July 1st. Pastor Daniel has researched Weebly and the cost will be approximately \$200.00 per year. This change was presented to the council via email during the last part of June and was voted to make the change to Weebly. **B.** The electronic doors will be changed to open daily at 6:30am. *Motion by Kelly to accept*

**St. Peter Lutheran Church
Financial Report
August 20, 2019**

	Ending Balance
Current Fund Balance	\$2,964.35
Current Fund Amount in MMD	<u>\$0.00</u>
	\$2,964.35
 Other Fund Balances	
Elevator	-\$2,496.66
Benevolence and Mission	\$1,766.20
Building and Repair	\$237.31
Basement Windows	\$3,000.00
Fellowship	\$1,844.64
Thrivent Choice	\$5,728.00
Restoration	\$29,840.77
Missionary Support	\$1,390.00
Electronic Sign	\$0.00
AED	<u>\$450.00</u>
	\$41,760.26
 Bank Balance	
Checking	\$5,687.52
Money Market	<u>\$39,037.09</u>
Total	\$44,724.61
 Goyer Scholarship	\$864.72
McCosh - Gift of Love	\$1,063.47

On Stewardship

“I’ve learned that people will forget what you said, people will forget what you did, but people will never forget how you made them feel.”

—Maya Angelou, Poet and Author

“Cure the sick, raise the dead, cleanse the lepers, cast out demons. You received without payment; give without payment.”

—Jesus in Matthew 10:2-4

**MEMORIAL GIVEN TO THE
GLORY OF GOD and in memory of:**

Fred Hawker

\$10.00 to the Prayer Shawl Ministry by friends.

\$20.00 to the Memorial Fund by friends.



**CHURCH COUNCIL
MEETING:
Wednesday,
September 4th
at 7:30 pm -
Note time change!**

**HOSTING FELLOWSHIP
IN SEPTEMBER**

1st - WELCA

8th - Ebensberger’s

15th - No Fellowship - Country Time Dinner

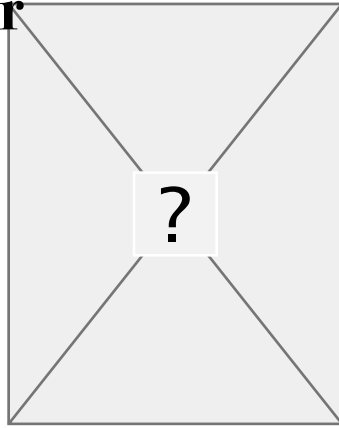
22nd - Jan Osier

29th - Delos & Delores Adelmund



Sunday, September 15th

**Valley View
Care Center
Devotions
at
2:00 pm**



ALTAR FLOWERS: September - Vision Circle

WELCA CALENDAR

Senior citizen meals coordinator - Marie Heeren
12th - 9:30 am - Circle meeting - Vision refreshments
15th - Country Time Dinner - 11:00 am - 1:00 pm
2nd - Valley View Devotions 2:00 pm All Circles
16th - Prayer Shawl Ministry - 3:00 pm

SEPTEMBER - Holy Communion

6:00 pm - Saturday, August 31st
& September 14th

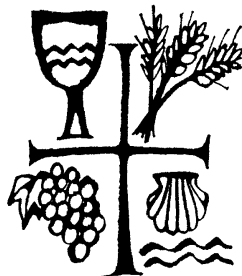
8:30 am - Sunday, September
1st & 15th

11:00 am - Sundays at Praise

Home Communion

Please call the church office and schedule a time for the Pastor to come to you with Communion.

- When individual glasses are offered at Holy Communion, the clear glasses have wine in them and the purple glasses have grape juice.



EPHESIANS 2:10

IT IS GOD HIMSELF
WHO MADE US
WHAT WE ARE
AND GIVEN US
NEW LIVES FROM
J-E-S-U-S (H-R-I-S-T)

**Communing With
All the Saints**

We have an extension of our Worship by offering the opportunity to receive Holy Communion on the day we celebrate it in worship. For those who are not able to attend worship, but would like to receive Communion, we will send the Sacrament to you right from the worship service. Lay ministers will bring Communion to those who wish it. If you are interested in receiving Holy Communion from the Sunday Service or if you have questions about this, please call the church office at 816-5531 to set up a time.



Family In Other Churches

In Hebrews 10:25, Christians are called to regularly meet together as part of a local congregation. One of the roles of the pastor, church council, and church office is maintaining accurate membership records to make sure no one in our congregation is neglected. To help keep our records up to date, we need your help.

If you or someone you are connected to has moved away and is participating in another congregation, please let the church office know by calling or emailing stpeter@myomnitel.com so we can properly transfer their membership. Of course everyone is always welcome at St. Peter, but it is important that our membership list accurately reflect those who are currently active in this congregation.

Funeral Planning Worksheet

Until Jesus returns, all of us will one day die. The most universal fact of human life is that it ends. Although it may be uncomfortable to think about, planning for the end of your life is an act of love and kindness for your family. Planning ahead for your funeral gives your family the gift of helping them through a difficult time by letting them know your wishes.

We encourage you to consider your funeral wishes and take the time to fill out a Planning Form available in the church office. Once completed, we will make a copy for you and keep a copy in the office. When your earthly life is complete, your family will have the gift of your plans to use as they prepare for your funeral. If you have any questions, please give the office a call.

LSI Article

Direct Support Professionals Week

Do you know someone who is a caregiver to a loved one? It is a role that is both demanding and meaningful. During September's National Direct Support Professionals Week, we celebrate all the ways in which professional caregivers help children and adults achieve their goals and build meaningful lives.

One way LSI empowers Iowans is through our Services for People with Disabilities. From 24-hour support to occasional respite care, the LSI team lifts up Iowans with disabilities as they find the confidence and independence they need to thrive in their communities.

We thank you for your faithful support of LSI – you create so many new life-changing possibilities for children, adults, and families! If you would like to learn more about how you can support crucial programming like LSI's Services for People with Disabilities, please contact Deb Whitford, LSI director of philanthropy and church relations, at Deborah.Whitford@LSIowa.org or 563-676-2065. *Our Mission: Lutheran Services in Iowa responds to the love of Jesus Christ through compassionate service. LSI is an affiliated social ministry partner of the Iowa congregations of the ELCA (Evangelical Lutheran Church in America) and a member of LSA (Lutheran Services in America). We proudly serve people of all ages, abilities, religions, sexes, gender identities, national origins, ethnicities, races, and sexual orientations. Learn more at LSIowa.org and Facebook.com/LSI.Iowa.*

St. Peter Lutheran SEPTEMBER Birthdays

- 1 - Diane Buss,
Diane Osier
- 3 - Sawyer Hanson,
Julie Leavens,
Roger Van Etten
- 4 - Kedric Hyman,
Megan Schriver,
Susan Smelden
- 5 - Olivia Dralle
- 7 - Julie Brinkman,
Marjorie Butzlaff,
Ian Kleinschmidt,
Aubrey Schmidt,
Carly Schmidt
- 8 - Avery Bollman
- 9 - Jennifer Lane,
Maddex Pitzenberger
- 10 - Callen Johannsen
- 11 - Darrel Brinkman,
Jack Dwyer,
Chase Spratt,
Megan Yearous

- 12 - Cleo Johnson,
Maddie Ott
- 13 - Paige Marquard
- 14 - Casie Stroberg
- 16 - Judy Lau,
Larissa Osier,
Ryan Wedeking
- 17 - Heather Harms,
Doug Marsh,
Nicholas Noel,
Randy Riggins,
Les Schafer,
Sara Trepp
- 18 - Derek Brinkman,
Mary Ann Martzahn
- 19 - Jennifer Rottler
- 20 - Kellen Ebling,
Colton Hoodjer
- 21 - Dylan Schafer,
Charmayne Sneed,
Carrie Tobias

- 22 - Collin Freeseemann,
Aiden Platts,
Emilia Siemons,
Lydia Turner
- 23 - Marilyn Folkers
- 24 - Larry Noel,
Ramana Schmidt,
Lincoln Schroeder
Phil Wahlgren
- 25 - Emma Wedeking
- 26 - Jan Osier,
Trae Ulrich
- 27 - Roland Martzahn
- 28 - Melanie Clipperton
- 29 - Rashelle Lewis,
Autumn Wahlgren
- 30 - Marie Heeren,
Monty Heitland,
Deanne Martzahn

Greene Community Food Bank

September's food bank items of the month are **mac & cheese** and **cold cereal**.

All donations are appreciated, and we can use any food/paper items that are given to us. The "item of the month" is just a suggestion of what to give!



Don't Forget the Ministry of the Food Bank

Nonperishable food items or financial donations

"It is more blessed to give than to receive..."



Country Time Volunteers

Country Time is almost here again and it is time for us as a congregation to roll up our sleeves, join hands and work together to make this event a success. Money raised from Country Time goes back into the church for improvements, youth, supporting our missionary, and keeping the parsonage in tip-top shape, just to name a few!

No-cost baby-sitting will be provided at church during Country Time to allow parents to help.

All members of St. Peter (men and women) are encouraged to help with this fundraising event. If you are not able to work at the event itself, a cash donation would be welcome. Leave your cash donation with Robin at the church or send to Julie Brinkman, WELCA treasurer. Please make out checks to WELCA and designate for Country Time.

If you are homebound and would like Country Time dinner delivered, please call Jeff & Pam Dralle at 816-4722 by noon on Saturday, September 14th to schedule delivery.

Please watch for signs in the alley for carry-outs. Carry-outs will close at 12:15 pm.

A big THANK YOU to all who took on the responsibility of being a committee chair for Country Time this year. Your cooperation, generosity and hard work make Country Time a success each year and is very much appreciated!



When canning vegetables, fruits, pickles, relish, salsa, jams, jellies or freezing corn, please remember to do extra for the Country Store in connection with the Country Time Meal on Sunday, September 15th. Doing some sewing, embroidering, crocheting, knitting or other crafts? Consider donating some for the Country Store.



Pies, cookies, bars, snack mix bags, candy, breads, rolls, muffins, coffee cake, specialty cakes often sell especially well. Anything you think will sell is appreciated. Proceeds go towards our congregation's ministry. **You price it and if it doesn't sell you take it home.** If you have any questions about the Country Store, please call Jo Ann Peterson.



Bring store items to church on Saturday, September 14th, after 3:00 pm or on Sunday morning. If we have enough items donated, there will be two stores on Sunday -- one for carryouts and one in the fellowship hall.



COUNTRY TIME

COUNTRY TIME

Co-Chairs
Tanya Yerkes
Betty Heitland

ADVERTISING

Sarah Hawker
Sylvia Hawker

CHURCH ADVERTISING

Robin Majewski

DECORATING OUTSIDE

Cindy Johnson

HOST & HOSTESS

Chair - Traci Bartels

11:00 - 12:00
Jeff & Susan Stirling
12:00 - 1:00
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CASHIERS

Chair - Betty Heitland

Dine In
10:30 - 11:45
Bill & Bev Christensen
11:45 - 1:00
Mark & Terri O'Brien
Carry Outs -
10:30 - 12:15
Phil & Marilyn Wahlgren

SHUT-INS CALLS

Jeff & Pam Dralle

DELIVERY TO SHUT-INS

Co-Chairs
Jeff & Pam Dralle

Roger & Mary Ann
Martzahn
Gene & Sandra Ross

COUNTRY STORE

Chair - Jo Ann Peterson

YOUTH HELPERS

Christin Flucke

BABY-SITTING

Co-Chairs
Maria Mathers
Sarah Hawker

SETUP

Co-Chairs
Betty Heitland
Tanya Yerkes

Roland & Deanne Martzahn

CLEANUP

Chair - Erin Dralle

Kris Dralle
Isaac Dralle

DINING ROOM

Co-Chairs
Lisa Landers
Judy Otto

10:45-12:00
Teresa Feldman
Jan Osier
Sara Trepp
Kirsten Zimmerman
12:00 - 1:30
Toya Knapp
Brooke Landers
Lindsay Landers
Bridget Shultz

ROLLS (6 dozen)

Chair - Betty Heitland

Elna Clikeman
Lois Eliassen
Sylvia Hawker
Marjorie O'Brien
Jo Ann Peterson
Nancy Reser
Christine Shultz
Cindy Steere
Marilyn Steere
Donna Wunsch

Roll Workers -
Marie Heeren
Marlene Rogers
Marilyn Steere

CARRY-OUTS

Chair - Jean Ann Wedeking

Matt Brinkman
Mary Brinkman
Russ, Robin & Rainy Kock
Jeff & Rachelle Lewis
Jordan & Katie Lewis
Steve & Erin Mulder
Randy & Allyson Sage
Jason & Lisa Steere
Dennis & Jean Ann Wedeking
Ryan, Holly & Emma
Wedeking

RAFFLE

Chair - Julie Brinkman

Mike Brinkman
Linn Gabe
Kayla Heitland
Robin Majewski
Jane Martzahn
Dienna Schafer

DRESSING

Co-Chairs
Delores Adelmund
Jeanie Krull

Delores Adelmund
Traci Bartels
Carol Barth
Joanie Behnke
Mary Brinkman
Deb Kock
Jeanie Krull
Mary Ann Martzahn
Linda Schafer
Judy (Calvin) Steere
Susan Stirling
Shannon Trees

GRAVY

Chair - Sue Brinkman

Joe & Sue Brinkman
Gary Schmidt
Sue Schroeder
Laurie Shultz
Connie Yerkes

COUNTRY TIME

PIES (2) / BARS (2)

Co-Chairs
 Betty Heitland
 Tina Freeseemann
 Leah Reser

Rose Adelmund - 2 pies
 Karen Almelien - 2 pies
 Carol Arjes - 2 pies
 Cheryle Arjes - 2 pies
 Gail Arjes - 2 pies
 Jan Austin - 2 pies
 Clarene Backer - 2 pies
 Esther Backer - 2 pies
 Jenny Backer - 2 desserts
 Mary Brinkman - 2 pies
 Sue Brinkman - 2 pies
 Ardith Buss - 1 pie, 1 pan bars
 Bev Christensen - 2 pies
 Ashley Coake - 2 pies
 Pam Dralle - 2 pies
 Nancy Ebling - 2 pies
 Teresa Feldman - 2 pies
 Virginia Feldman - 2 pies
 Shirley Fesenmeyer - 2 pies
 Marilyn Folkers - 2 pies
 Tina Freeseemann - 2 pies
 Dana Frerichs - 2 pies
 Peggy Griffin - 2 pies
 Marie Heeren - 2 pies
 Betty Heitland - 2 pies
 Kayla Heitland - 2 angel food
 Michelle Jensen - 2 pies
 Margaret Johnson - 2 pies
 Robin Kock 2 pan bars
 Ethel Krueger - 2 pies
 Brooke Landers - 2 pumpkin bars
 Kayleen Landers - 2 pies
 Lindsay Landers - 2 pies
 Lisa Landers - 2 pies
 Marlene Landers - 2 pies
 Rashelle Lewis - 2 pies
 Robin Majewski - 2 pies
 Jane Martzahn - 2 pies
 Maria Mathers - 2 pies
 Lyndsie Pitzenberger - 2 pies
 Leah Reser - 2 pies
 Rhonda Rottler - 2 pan bars
 Carolyn Rover - 2 pies
 Kelsie Ruby - 2 pies

PIES/BARS Continued

Dienna Schafer - 2 pies
 Marilyn Schroeder - 2 pies
 Olene Schroeder - 2 pies
 Sandra Schuknecht - 2 gluten free pies
 Laurie Shultz - 2 pies
 Darla Spratt - 2 pies
 Nanette Spratt - 2 pies
 Jolene Steere - 2 pies
 Judy Steere - 2 pies
 Susan Stirling - 2 pans bars
 Diane Storey - 2 pies
 Monika Teeple - 2 pies
 Amy Testroet - 2 pies
 Carrie Tidemanson - 2 pies
 Jean Towsley - 2 cherry cheesecakes
 Dawn Van Etten - 2 desserts
 Karen Worley - 2 pans bars
 Robyn Wunsch - 2 pies
 Connie Yerkes - 2 pies
 Melodie Yerkes - 2 pies
 Tanya Yerkes - 2 pies
 Kirsten Zimmerman - 2 pies

- Cutting Pies Sat. night
 Rose Adelmund
 Karen Almelien
 Shirley Fesenmeyer
 Tina Freeseemann
 Kayla Heitland
 Robin Majewski
 Leah Reser
 Judy Steere
 Shannon Trees
- Cutting/Serving Pies Sun.
 Virginia Feldman
 Haley Freeseemann
 Tina Freeseemann
 Dana Frerichs
 Aaron Hanson
 Jolene Steere
 Monica Teeple

SALADS

Chair - Nanette Spratt

Fruit

Jami Backer
 Juliene Bramer
 Angie Christensen
 Jodee Cooper
 Erin Dralle
 Christin Flucke
 April Hanson
 Sarah Hawker
 Ethel Krueger
 Lisa Landers
 Lois Meyne
 Kay Muhlenbruck
 Terri O'Brien
 Judy Otto
 Donna Ponto
 Gail Schafer
 Bridget Shultz
 Bonnie Sneed
 Louise Squires
 Deb Steere
 Sarah Towsley
 Jennifer Wordes

Salad

Melanie Clipperton
 Sue Ebensberger
 Linn Gabe
 Andrea Gotto
 Kay Joebgen
 April Kleinschmidt
 LeAnn McRoberts
 Erin Mulder
 Robin Ralls
 Cheryl Rogers
 Marlene Rogers
 Liz Schroeder
 Cassy Spratt
 Donna Spratt
 Lisa Steere
 Casie Stroberg
 Cheryl Warner
 Holly Wedeking
 Kelly Zurcher

Salad Workers -
 Tom & Nanette Spratt

COUNTRY TIME

POTATOES (20 lbs.)

Chair - Sandra Schuknecht

Julie Brinkman
Carrie Eiklenborg
Shelby Gallagher
Betty Heitland
Cindy Johnson
Deanne Martzahn
Mary Ann Martzahn
LeAnn McRoberts
Jeanette Miller
Jan Osier
Brenda Rickart
Dienna Schafer
Sue Schroeder
Sandra Schuknecht
Carol Stotler
Sara Trepp
Jean Ann Wedeking
Joyce Wiele
Donna Wunsch

VALLEY VIEW DINNERS

Chair - Cheryl Warner

DISH WASHING

Chair - Carol Barth

John & Carol Barth
Ryan & Joanie Behnke
Juliene Bramer
Gale Brinkman
Kevin & Melanie Clipperton
John & Sue Ebensberger
Nancy Ebling
John & LeAnn McRoberts
Amanda Menken
Steve Mulder
Merlin Schuknecht
Louise Squires
Deb Steere
Donna Wunsch
Mark & Melodie Yerkes

KITCHEN

Co-Chairs
Laurie Shultz
Connie Yerkes

KITCHEN SERVERS

10:15 - 11:30

Dennis & Peggy Griffin
Bob & Marilyn Schroeder
Cheryl Warner

11:30 - 1:00

Diane Storey
Mark & Donna Ponto
Gail Schafer
Paul Yerkes

TURKEYS

Chair - Lyndsie Pitzenberger

TURKEY Carvers

Gale Brinkman
Jeff Dralle
Dylan Frerichs
John Shultz
Phil Pitzenberger
Todd Schroeder
Pat Zimmerman

TURKEY Kitchen

Cheryle Arjes
Jami Backer
Lyndsie Pitzenberger

TURKEY Handlers

Ben Backer
Tim Brunner
Luther League

TURKEY Roasters

Cheryle Arjes - 2
Ben Backer - 2
Clarene Backer - 2
Esther Backer
Jami Backer - 2
Traci Bartels - 2
Carol Barth - 2
Julie Brinkman
Bev Christensen
Betty Heitland
Jennifer Hoodjer
Toya Knapp
Lindsay Landers
LeAnn McRoberts - 2
Erin Mulder - 2
Lyndsie Pitzenberger - 2
Robin Ralls
Sandra Ross

TURKEYS Roasters Continued

Carolyn Rover - 2
Marilyn Schroeder
Sue Schroeder
Sandra Schuknecht - 2
Christine Shultz
Tanya Yerkes
Kelly Zurcher

GROCERY DONATIONS

Lindsay Brinkman
2 boxes of gallon Ziploc bags
2 boxes of quart Ziploc bags
Jennifer Hoodjer
7 boxes turkey roasting bags
1 box SOS pads
2 rolls of paper towels
Julie Leavens
5 boxes turkey roasting bags
Holly McBurney
2 large decaf coffee
Jacque Nordmeyer
10 boxes turkey roasting bags
Stacie Osier
4 gal. skim milk
Dish soap
wide tin foil
Darla Steere
Darlyce Steere
Karla Steere
Wendy Steere
12# of Argo cornstarch
1 container of salt
Marilyn Wahlgren
4 cans of Pam
3 cool whip
500 baggies for rolls

2019 Country Time Raffle

A big THANK YOU to all the individuals and local business who have donated to the Country Time Raffle!

WELCA Quilters: 7 quilts

WELCA: 2 - \$50 Greene Bucks, 4 - \$25 Greene Bucks

Rose Adelmund & Marilyn Schroeder: 7 embroidered dish towels

Lisa Landers: Stoneware plate

Mark O'Brien Service Station : Gift certificate

Sue Brinkman: Black quilt with pinwheels

Evelyn Van Raden: Tan doily

Sandra Schuknecht: Snowman "Let it snow", three framed snowmen, WELCOME pumpkins, WELCOME scarecrow, red bottle candle, framed "Home Sweet Home", Halloween lighted glass block, Merry Christmas sign, blue snack tray, hanging wood snowman, 2 cross stitched tea towels

Additional raffle items are needed. If you would like to donate to the Country Time Raffle, please call Julie Brinkman 816-4335 or Robin at the church office 816-5531. Please have your item to church by September 15th.

Pastor Impersonation Scam

A number of church communities in our Northeastern Iowa Synod have recently been targeted by a scam where someone texts or emails members of a congregation falsely claiming to be the pastor. Often, the scammer will claim to be visiting someone in the hospital and request that you purchase a gift card for them and respond with the number. Pastor Daniel will never make such a request of members. If you receive such a request, please call Pastor Daniel at 641-257-9794 to report it.

Photo Release



From time to time our members may have their pictures taken or be videotaped during major events. If you do not want your picture shared on Facebook or on our Website, please contact the church office so we can be sure to honor your wishes. Thank you!

Selling Raffle Tickets

WELCA will again be selling raffle tickets for their annual



Country Time Raffle on Sunday, September 15th. We need members of the congregation to help us sell tickets. You do not have to pay for the tickets right away, you can take them home to sell them or purchase them yourself. Please return your tickets AND money to the church office before Country Time on Sunday, September 15th. Tickets will be available at worship the weekends prior to Country Time and they also will be available from Robin in the office. Items donated will be on display in the fellowship hall and listed in the church newsletter. We appreciate everyone who helps out by selling some tickets.



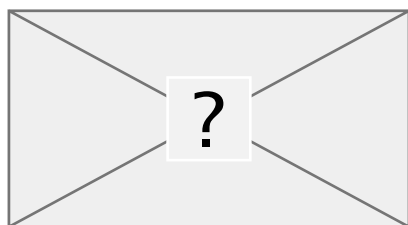
Country Time Sunday!

For the sake of the Country Time crew, we will have one worship service in the sanctuary at **8:30 am on September 15.**

Saturday worship remains at 6:00 pm.

We look forward to seeing you in worship either Saturday night or early Sunday morning!

Restoration Fund St. Peter Lutheran Church



Country Time 2019

Please bring a canned good item to help support the Greene Food Bank when you come on

Sunday, September 15

11:00 am - 1:00 pm

Carry outs ending at 12:15 pm

MENU:

Turkey and Dressing, Mashed Potatoes and Gravy, Green Beans, Salads, Rolls, Pie, Bars, Coffee, Milk

Adults - \$7.50

Children (3 years - 10 years) - \$3.50

Children (under 3 years) - Free

All Carry-out meals - \$7.50



Our New YAGM

With 50% of our missionary support, we will be supporting Zach Croonquist through ELCA's Young Adults in Global Mission (YAGM) program. The ELCA's YAGM program invites ELCA young adults ages 21-29 into a transformative, year-long journey in international service. YAGM's provide \$5,000 of their own funding, with the rest of their costs covered by congregational support. They do receive a salary.

Zach Croonquist calls Minnesota home, and he will be serving in Belgrade, Serbia. Zach will serve with Center for Youth Integration (CYI) a non-profit that seeks to empower families from disadvantaged backgrounds, especially Roma young people. Zach will serve in the Belgrade drop-in center in the Zvezdara neighborhood that offers school aged children a safe place to complete their homework, participate in activities and games, and eat healthy meals. In addition, he will help with the administrative work of the CYI. Zach will be welcomed into the Slovak Lutheran congregation in Belgrade.

September Worship Servants

*So then, whenever we have an opportunity, let us work for the good of all,
and especially for those of the family of faith. - Galatians 6:10*

If you cannot serve when assigned, **please** trade places with someone else, then notify the Church Office. **Your help and partnership here really makes a difference!**

August 31 / September 1

Altar Guild: Delores Adelmund, Jeanie Krull

Communion Bread: Lindsay Landers

6:00 Saturday, August 31

Ushers: Gene & Sandra Ross

Lector: Sandra Ross

Communion: Sandra Ross

8:30 Sunday, September 1

Ushers: Emma Wedeking

Mary Brinkman

Dylan Clipperton

Lector: Marilyn Wahlgren

Communion: Monika Teeple

11:00 Sunday, September 1

Ushers: Dawson Testroet

June Vogelmann

Lector: David Crow

Communion: Roland Martzahn

Media: Jack Hanson

September 7/8

6:00 Saturday, September 7

Ushers: Judy Steere

Jim & Shirley Fesenmeyer

Lector: Les Johnson

8:30 Sunday, September 8

Ushers: Merlin Schucknecht

Laurie Shultz, Tanner Arjes

Lector: Laurie Shultz

11:00 Sunday, September 8

Ushers: Ross & Kirsten Hawker

Lector: Sarah Hawker

Communion: Nathan Hawker

Media: Haley Freesemann

September 14/15

Altar Guild: Delores Adelmund, Jeanie Krull

Communion Bread: Rose Adelmund

6:00 Saturday, September 14

Ushers: Jeff & Pam Dralle

Lector & Communion: Jeff Dralle

Sunday, September 15 - Joint 8:30 Service

Volunteers Needed

September 21/22

6:00 Saturday, September 21

Ushers: Tim Brunner, Gail Schafer

Lector: Robin Ralls

8:30 Sunday, September 22

Ushers: John & Esther Backer

Brooke Trees

Lector: Liz Schroeder

11:00 Sunday, September 22

Ushers: Traci Bartels

Karen Almelien

Lector: John Shultz

Communion: Owen Almelien

Media: Alex Almelien

September 28/29

6:00 Saturday, September 28

Ushers: Gary Schmidt, Dawn Van Etten

Lector: Gary Schmidt

8:30 Sunday, September 29

Ushers: Steve, Erin, Reagan Mulder

Lector: Reagan Mulder

11:00 Sunday, September 29

Ushers: Clayton Towsley

Lindsay Landers

Lector: Lindsay Landers

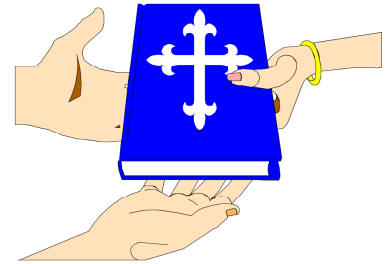
Communion: David Crow

Media: Madie Clipperton

Want to get involved? Fill out a form at church and we'll add you to the rotation!

Bible Presentation to 3rd Graders on September 8th

The primary way we learn about God is by reading God's word, the Bible. When children are baptized, one of the things their parents and sponsors promise is to "place in their hands the Holy Scriptures." As a congregation, we promise to support families in the Christian education of their children.



One of the ways we do that is to present our third grade students with their very own Bibles! We'll be celebrating this important faith milestone in worship on **Sunday, September 8th**.

We're presenting a special "Deep Blue Kid's Bible" with age-appropriate notes and pictures to help make God's word more accessible for children. Those receiving Bibles are:

***Cooper Backer
Camryn Bartels
Cooper Bartels
Kylie Dwyer
Colton Klink
Hayden Sage
Adri Sheppard
Ainsley Spain
Isabella Stroberg
Mason Wordes***

***"The Bible is
the cradle
wherein Christ
is laid."
-Martin Luther***

That afternoon, third grade youth and their parents will have a special meeting at 4:00 pm with Pastor Daniel to learn more about how to use their new Bibles and see how God speaks to us through this holy book.



**Nursery - 6th grade
Sunday School classes
begin August 25th at
9:45 - 10:45 am**

**Luther League & Jr. High
Sunday School start on
September 8th at 9:45 am**

Let's Be the Church



*Thus says the Lord God to these bones:
'I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live.'
– Ezekiel 7:5*

Dear Church, imagine with me for a moment. Imagine a group of people who make a commitment to form a community to share life together. A community where everyone is welcome, no matter what they've gone through, no matter what baggage they're carrying. A community that gathers each week to sing and pray together, to together learn and study the meaning and purpose of life, to gather together around a table and share a sacred meal together.

In this community, people freely share their time and resources to help those in need, both their next-door neighbors and people around the world they've never met. Imagine a community of people who gather to celebrate in the best times of life, and to grieve in the worst moments. A community where everyone's gifts and abilities are affirmed. A community that includes and values people of all ages, from newborn infants to centenarians.

This is the community we are seeking at St. Peter Lutheran Church. This is the community that you as members of this church have publicly committed to be part of. As the Church, as the Body of Christ, we have good news the world is starving to hear. We know of God's love revealed in Jesus' death on the cross for our sake. We know Jesus is alive, that sin and death have been defeated. We know of a new way to live, a way of love, grace, and forgiveness in Jesus' name. We know the mission to which God calls us, seeking justice and peace in the world.

Last month, I titled my column "When Your Church Lets You Down." This community (*just like any community involving sinful humans!*) is not perfect. We are the body of Christ, but we often fall short of God's calling. **But God doesn't give up on us.**

Living into our calling to be this sort of community requires the Holy Spirit. We need God's help to live as God's people. **And God is at work.** The Holy Spirit is working among us. The Holy Spirit is calling you.

Summer is always a challenging time for our congregation. We have wonderful, inspiring events like Vacation Bible School and the mission trip, but with traveling and general summer busy-ness, it's difficult for many to come participate regularly in worship.

As we enter the new routines of fall, I ask you: **Will you answer God's call?** Will you do your part to make St. Peter Lutheran Church into the beloved community of faith God is calling us to be? **Will you be part of this community?**

Will you commit to coming on Sunday mornings or Saturday nights to worship God, to be fed at the Lord's table, to be challenged and sent out to serve? Will you use your time, your talents, your treasures, and your very life to reach others with the good news of God's grace? **Let's be the Church, together.**

Your servant in Christ,
Pastor Daniel Flucke

Thank You

A big thank you to everyone who supported our Luther League mission trip to Houston this summer! Our group of 22 youth and adults had a great week serving others and experiencing new things at the end of July. We had the chance to serve at an adult recreation facility and a homeless day center, as well as sort donations at a food bank and medical distribution project. The trip also included opportunities to worship at the Lakewood Church (the largest church in the country), visit a Holocaust Museum and the Houston Space Center, and go swimming in the Gulf of Mexico. We know none of this would have been possible without the prayers and financial support of this amazing congregation and community over the past year. Thank you for your investment in our youth!



SEPTEMBER 2019 - St. Peter Lutheran Church

Joyfully 'Laboring' on in the Grace and Power of Jesus Christ

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 8:30 am Worship with Communion Missionary Mary Beth Oyebade 9:45 am Fellowship, Sunday School 11:00 am Praise Worship with Communion	2 <div style="border: 1px dashed black; padding: 2px; display: inline-block;">Office Closed</div>	3	4 7:00 am Men's Bible Study 6:15 pm - 7th & 8th Confirmation 7:30 pm Church Council	5	6	7 6:00 pm Worship
8 8:30 am Worship <i>Bible Presentation to 3rd Grade Youth</i> 9:45 am Fellowship, Sunday School, Luther League 11:00 am Praise Worship with Communion 11:45 am Christian Ed Meeting 4:00 pm 3rd Grade Youth & Parent meet 6:00 pm 9th grade confirmation meeting	9 7:00 pm Worship Committee meeting	10	11 7:00 am Men's Bible Study 6:15 pm - 7th & 8th Confirmation	12 9:30 am Faith, Vision & Glory Circle meeting	13	14 6:00 pm Worship with Communion
15 8:30 am Worship with Communion NO Sunday School, Luther League & Praise Worship <div style="background-color: #e0e0e0; padding: 2px;">Country Time 11:00 am - 1:00 pm</div> 2:00 pm Valley View Devotions Newsletter Items Due	16 3:00 pm Prayer Shawl Ministry	17 Senior Health Clinic	18 7:00 am Men's Bible Study 6:15 pm - 7th & 8th Confirmation	19	20	21 6:00 pm Worship
22 8:30 am Worship 9:45 am Fellowship, Sunday School, Luther League 11:00 am Praise Worship with Communion	23	24	25 7:00 am Men's Bible Study 6:15 pm - 7th & 8th Confirmation	26	27	28 6:00 pm Worship
29 8:30 am Worship 9:45 am Fellowship, Sunday School, Luther League 11:00 am Praise Worship with Communion	30		Ushers and Lectors - See "Worship Servants" page for schedule.	Altar Guild: Delores Adelmund, Jeanie Krull		



Sounds Like Love November 8-10, 2019

Sounds Like Love continues this year at an exciting new location. This awesome weekend of singing, dancing, worship, fun, and making new friends is one you're not going to want to miss! Sounds Like Love is open to all youth in grades 9-12.

Talk to Sydney Eiklenborg for more info and to get registered for this great event!

Confirmation News

7th & 8th grade confirmation parent meeting on Aug. 28th at 7:00 pm

7th & 8th grade weekly confirmation classes begin Sept. 4th at 6:15 pm

9th grade confirmation meeting on Sept. 8th at 6:00 pm (with pizza!)



9/4 - Kedric Hyman

9/5 - Olivia Dralle

9/18 - Derek Brinkman

9/25 - Emma Wedeking



Can Sorting Schedule



Details and a schedule for the year will be discussed at the first Luther League meeting on Sunday, September 8th.

All Jr. and Sr. High youth are asked to help with Country Time either Saturday, September 14th or Sunday, September 15th.

Sign ups for volunteer shifts will be available on our first day of meetings on September 8th, or talk to Christin!

Luther League meets every Sunday from 9:45-10:45 am in the Luther League Room.

Jr. High meets every Sunday from 9:45-10:45 am in the Jr. High Room (old basement).

We hope you can join us for this weekly time of fellowship and growing in faith together!