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St. Peter's Evangelical Lutheran Congregation

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Worship: Thursday, 6:30 p.m. ~ Sunday, 7:45 & 10:30 a.m.

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WELCOME TO GOD'S HOUSE May the LORD bless each generation with his Gospel Truth.

VISITORS We are pleased that you have joined us this morning to lift your voice with ours in praising the only true God – Father, Son and Holy Spirit. If you are from this area and are looking for a church home, please feel free to inquire about our congregation through the pastors, one of the ushers, or one of the members. If you are a visitor from out of town, please be sure to introduce yourself to one of the pastors after the service. We welcome all of you to come and worship with us again.

RADIO MINISTRY Our congregation has a radio ministry to serve our sick and homebound and to reach the souls of our community. Tune into KFIZ AM 1450 each Sunday morning at 8:00 to hear the current weekend's sermon.

PLEASE SILENCE YOUR CELL PHONE and all other electrical devices to help minimize distractions during Divine Worship. Thank you.

TO ASSIST YOU Just ask an usher! We have six **large print hymnals** available. **Personal public address systems** are available for the hearing impaired. **Children's bulletins** suitable for preschool-age through grade 4 are available. A **cry room with audio feed** and a **window into the sanctuary** is available for parents who find it necessary to carry their children out of the sanctuary during the service. It is located to the left as you enter the narthex. **Family restrooms** are available in the multi-purpose room off the narthex or on the right side of the large hallway leading to the school wing.

HOLY COMMUNION Today we have the privilege of receiving Christ's true body and blood in, with and under the bread and wine of Holy Communion. Through this sacrament the Holy Spirit seals to us the forgiveness of sins, life and salvation for the strengthening of our faith. Scriptures also teach that as we commune together, we are publicly testifying to a complete unity of faith based on a confession of all of God's Word. For this reason we respectfully request that all of those who are not members of the WELS or our sister ELS please speak with one of the pastors before communing with us. We remind you to be sure to fill out a communion registration card and place it in the offering plate. For your personal preparation before communing, turn to pages 156 and 11 in the front of the hymnal. Thank you.

A PRAYER BEFORE WORSHIP I pray you, dear Lord Jesus, my heart to keep and train, that I your holy temple from youth to age remain. Oh, turn my thoughts forever from worldly wisdom's lore; if I but learn to know you, I shall not want for more. Amen. (See also the prayers on pages 10-11 of *Christian Worship*.)

SERVICE THEME We will tell the next generation the praiseworthy deeds of the LORD.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Service of Word & Sacrament on page 26 in the front of the hymnal

HYMNS OF THE DAY 516; 510 (Song of Praise); 382; 511; 508; 504

JESUS' LITTLE LAMBS PRESCHOOL IN 10:30 SERVICE

"Jesus Loves Me, Jesus Loves Me"

Jesus loves me, Jesus loves me! He is always, always near; as I live to love and please Him, there is nothing I can fear. Jesus loves me, Jesus loves me! He is always, always near.

Jesus loves me; night and morning Jesus hears the prayers I pray; and He never, never leaves me, when I work or when I play. Jesus loves me; night and morning Jesus hears the prayers I pray.

PRAYER OF THE DAY Almighty God, you have committed to your Church the task of making disciples of all nations. Enlighten with your wisdom those who teach and those who learn, that, rejoicing in the knowledge of your truth, they may worship and serve you from generation to generation; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

LESSON

2 Timothy 3:14-17

From infancy Timothy was in the faith, which first lived in his grandmother Lois, who shared it with his mother Eunice, who, in turn, shared it with him.

But as for you, continue in what you have learned and have become convinced of, because you know those from whom you learned it, and how from infancy you have known the holy Scriptures, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, so that the man of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work.

VERSE OF THE DAY

page 30 in the front of the hymnal

KINDERGARTEN IN 10:30 SERVICE

"Let Us Sing for Joy"

Did you hear the news? Jesus loves you so, Jesus loves you so, Jesus loves you so!

Did you hear the news? Jesus loves you so! Let us sing for joy!

Jesus died for you to take your sins away, To take your sins away,

To take your sins away!

Jesus died for you to take your sins away! Let us sing for joy!

Jesus came alive just like he said he would, Just like he said he would,

Just like he said he would!

Jesus came alive just like he said he would! Let us sing for joy!

Someday we will live in heaven with our friend, In heaven with our friend,

In heaven with our friend!

Someday we will live in heaven with our friend! Let us sing for joy!

GOSPEL

Matthew 7:24-27

Through Christian education the church assists parents in building their children's lives on the rock solid foundation of Jesus and his Word.

"Therefore everyone who hears these words of mine and puts them into practice is like a wise man who built his house on the rock. The rain came down, the streams rose, and the winds blew and beat against that house; yet it did not fall, because it had its foundation on the rock. But everyone who hears these words of mine and does not put them into practice is like a foolish man who built his house on sand. The rain came down, the streams rose, and the winds blew and beat against that house, and it fell with a great crash."

SERMON TEXT

Deuteronomy 11:1-7, 16-21

The Lord gives Christian parents the great responsibility of teaching their children the wonderful deeds, promises, and commandments of God.

Love the LORD your God and keep his requirements, his decrees, his laws and his commands always. Remember today that your children were not the ones who saw and experienced the discipline of the LORD your God: his majesty, his mighty hand, his outstretched arm; the signs he performed and the things he did in the heart of Egypt, both to Pharaoh king of Egypt and to his whole country; what he did to the Egyptian army, to its horses and chariots, how he overwhelmed them with the waters of the Red Sea as they were pursuing you, and how the LORD brought lasting ruin on them. It was not your children who saw what he did for you in the desert until you arrived at this place, and what he did to Dathan and Abiram, sons of Eliab the Reubenite, when the earth opened its mouth right in the middle of all Israel and swallowed them up with their households, their tents and every living thing that belonged to them. But it was your own eyes that saw all these great things the LORD has done. Be careful, or you will be enticed to turn away and worship other gods and bow down to them. Then the LORD's anger will burn against you, and he will shut the heavens so that it will not rain and the ground will yield no produce, and you will soon perish from the good land the LORD is giving you. Fix these words of mine in your hearts and minds; tie them as symbols on your hands and bind them on your foreheads. Teach them to your children, talking about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up. Write them on the doorframes of your houses and on your gates, so that your days and the days of your children may be many in the land that the LORD swore to give your forefathers, as many as the days that the heavens are above the earth.

Put God's Proclamation in its Proper Place

Pastor Zimpelmann

1. In your hearts
2. In your minds

ADULT BELLS IN 7:45 SERVICE DURING OFFERING

“Shine, Jesus, Shine”

WHITE BELLS IN 10:30 SERVICE DURING OFFERING

“I Am Trusting Thee, Lord Jesus”

ORGANIST Phil Otto

GREETERS

7:45 ~ Ken and Jo Wendorff

10:30 ~ Ralph and Cheryl Retzlaff

This Week at St. Peter's
www.stpetersfdl.net/calendar

TODAY	9:00am	Adult Bible Class/Sunday School/DoC
	2:00pm	Bowling at Parkway Lanes
	5:00pm	United Volleyball
	7:00pm	Financial Peace
MONDAY	3:15pm	Faculty Meeting
	5:00pm	Board of Outreach
	6:00pm	School Board
TUESDAY	6:30pm	Board of Elders
	7:00pm	Communicating Christ
WEDNESDAY	10:00am	Midweek Bible Class
	6:00pm	Adult Choir
	7:00pm	Midweek Bible Class
	7:10pm	Voices of Faith
THURSDAY	6:30pm	Worship
	7:30pm	Board of Adult Discipleship
FRIDAY	9:00am	Kindergarten Round up
	9:00am	Preschool Open House
SATURDAY	8:00pm	Alcoholism Awareness Support Group

Last Week's Stewardship

Worship: 109 + 116 + 220 = 445

Bible Class: 68

Midweek Bible Class: 11 + 10 = 21

Sunday School: 13

First Fruits to the Lord:	<u>Last Week</u>	<u>Year-to-Date</u>
Thank offerings in support of the unified budget	\$18,745.32	
Other receipts in support of the unified budget	2,214.96	
Total receipts in support of the unified budget	20,960.28	\$160,463.83
Requirement to support the unified budget	29,278.07	204,946.49
Overage (Shortfall)	(8,317.79)	(44,482.66)
Improvement Fund	145.00	
WLA Forward in Trust	614.00	
Honoring the LORD!	435.00	
Parking Lot/Athletic Fields	0.00	

Our Parking Lot/Athletic Fields (soccer and softball) project cost is \$153,565.77. To date, \$149,396.62 has been received, leaving \$4,169.15 to be gathered.

Daily Bible Readings

02/19 Heb. 3:1-6 02/23 Heb. 6:9-20
02/20 Heb. 3:7-4:13 02/24 Heb. 7:1-14
02/21 Heb.4:14-5:10 02/25 Heb. 7:15-28
02/22 Heb. 5:11-6:8

MEDITATIONS The new issue of *Meditations* (February 26) is available in the narthex.

BAPTISM Olivea Grayce Immel, infant daughter of Seth and Toriann Immel, will be received into the Kingdom of Grace through the Sacrament of Holy Baptism in the 10:30 service this morning. May Olivea always remain faithful to her baptismal covenant.

A CHRISTIAN FUNERAL SERVICE for the family of Curtis Giese will be held here on Saturday morning, February 25 at 11:00. Visitation will be two hours before the service and also on Friday evening, February 24 from 4:00-7:00. Please keep Curtis' family and friends in your prayers and may they find comfort in the truth and promises of God's Word.

SPECIAL GIFTS AND MEMORIALS

- † Marcella Meyer has given a special gift to the General Fund in celebration of her 75th birthday (February 13).
- † Tom and Linda Gribben have given a gift to the General Fund in memory of David Hoops.
- † Thrivent Financial has given a grant in memory of Emery Luger as requested by his family.
- † Beverly Feucht has given a gift to the General Fund in memory of Gary Dilts.

KINDERGARTEN ROUND-UP Our Kindergarteners for next school year are invited to join us this Friday, February 24 from 9:00 to 11:00am. If you know anyone who is looking for a school for next year, please invite them. Mr. Mildebrandt has flyers available with more information.

JLL PRESCHOOL OPEN HOUSE AT ST. PETER'S Jesus' Little Lambs would like to invite you to our 3K and 4K Open House this Friday, February 24 any time between 9:00 and 11:00 at St. Peter's Lutheran School. You will have the chance to meet our teachers, see the classroom, and become acquainted with our programs. Registration information will be available that day. If you are not able to make it to the open house but would like a tour, please call 921-8500 to set up a time. Feel free to call with any other questions or visit us on our website at www.gshep.net.

SPECIAL BULLETINS If you would like to give a special bulletin cover for a Holy Week or Easter Season service, please contact Courtney Turdo at courtneyturdo@stpetersfdl.net or 922-1160 extension 303. Prices depend on the count needed for the service and range from \$25 to \$70.

ROLLER SKATING PARTY Our youth group is hosting a skating party next Sunday, February 26 from 4:00-6:00pm at the Spectrum. All school and church families are welcome to attend. Only those skating will have to pay the skate rental fee which is \$4.00.

PINEWOOD DERBY 2017 Let's turn those chunks of wood into racing machines! We will have our annual St. Peter's Congregation Derby Races on Sunday, March 26 at 12:00. You can pick up your car kits from the narthex for \$5 per kit. There will be trophies and medals given out for the categories of *Speed* and *Craft*. See the display for more information.



HELP FOR THE HOMELESS We will be collecting NEW hygiene and cleaning items for local crisis agencies, through The Family radio station's annual "Help for the Homeless" hygiene drive which is February 19 to March 12. Please place your donations in the collection box located in the school office by March 12. Most urgently needed items are cleaning supplies, laundry soap, garbage bags, dental and hair care, baby diapers, paper products, and feminine care. A full list of items needed is in the school office. Your donations will remain in this community.

IT'S NOT TOO LATE TO GO BOWLING Please join fellow members of the congregation this afternoon at 2:00 for bowling at Parkway Lanes in Fond du Lac. For \$5 you can bowl for two hours. Bowlers of all skill levels are encouraged to participate. Please sign yourself or your group up in the narthex so we can reserve the appropriate number of lanes.



OPEN FORUM AT WLA This Wednesday, February 22, WLA will host an open forum to present a summary of the discussions and findings from forums held throughout the Association over the past six weeks. The meeting will be held in the auditorium at 6:00 for you to hear about WLA's bright future.