

St. Peter's Evangelical Lutheran Congregation

Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod

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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 As Jesus' sheep, may the Holy Spirit strengthen us as we graze in the green pastures of God's Holy Word.

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 Sanctify your new creation; pure and spotless let us be. Let us trust your great salvation, won for us on Calvary, till we lay our crowns before you, till in heaven we take our place, till in glory we adore you, lost in wonder, love and praise. Amen. (See also the prayers on pages 10-11 of *Christian Worship*.)

BELL PEAL

ADULT BELLS IN 7:45 SERVICE

“I Am Jesus Little Lamb”

Accompanied by Isabelle Will, Taylor LaRonge, and Lynlee Jerabek

I am Jesus' little lamb, Ever glad at heart I am;
For my Shepherd gently guides me, Knows my need, and well provides me,
Loves me every day the same, Even calls me by my name.

Day by day, at home, away, Jesus is my Staff and Stay.
When I hunger, Jesus feeds me, Into pleasant pastures leads me;
When I thirst, He bids me go Where the quiet waters flow.

Who so happy as I am, Even now the Shepherd's lamb?
And when my short life is ended, By His angel host attended,
He shall fold me to His breast, There within His arms to rest.

SERVICE THEME Jesus is our Good Shepherd who laid down his life on the cross to rescue his lost and wandering sheep.

ORDER OF WORSHIP *The Common Service* on page 15 in the front of the hymnal

HYMNS OF THE DAY

599; 162 (Song of Praise); 360; 165; 310; 597

PRAYER OF THE DAY O Lord Jesus Christ, you are the Good Shepherd who laid down your life for the sheep. Lead us now to the still waters of your life-giving Word that we may abide in your Father's house forevermore; for you live and reign with him and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

LESSON

Hebrews 13:20-21

Our Good Shepherd shed his blood to purchase forgiveness and life for his flock.

May the God of peace, who through the blood of the eternal covenant brought back from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great Shepherd of the sheep, equip you with everything good for doing his will, and may he work in us what is pleasing to him, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory for ever and ever. Amen.

VOICES OF FAITH IN THURSDAY SERVICE

"God is My Shepherd"

God is my shepherd. I am His lamb. God is my keeper. I'm in His hand.
My ev'ry tear He understands. God is my shepherd. I am His lamb.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. God is my shepherd. I am His lamb.

All we like sheep have gone astray. Each of us turns to our own way. God is a shepherd who guards His own, giving His life to bring us home, giving His life to bring us home.

God is my shepherd. I am His lamb. God is my keeper. I'm in His hand.
My ev'ry tear He understands. God is my shepherd. I am His lamb, I am his lamb.

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ADULT CHOIR IN 7:45 SERVICE

"The King of Love My Shepherd Is"
by John Leavitt

The King of love my Shepherd is, whose goodness faileth never; I nothing lack if I am
His and He is mine forever.

Where streams of living waters flow my ransomed soul He leadeth, and where the
verdant pastures grow, with food celestial feedeth.

And so through all the length of days Thy goodness faileth never; good Shepherd may I
sing Thy praise within Thy house forever. Amen.

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GOSPEL

John 10:1-10

Jesus, our Good Shepherd, is the only way into the sheep pen of heaven.

"I tell you the truth, the man who does not enter the sheep pen by the gate, but climbs in by some other way, is a thief and a robber. The man who enters by the gate is the shepherd of his sheep. The watchman opens the gate for him, and the sheep listen to his voice. He calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. When he has brought out all his own, he goes on ahead of them, and his sheep follow him because they know his voice. But they will never follow a stranger; in fact, they will run away from him because they do not recognize a stranger's voice." Jesus used this figure of speech, but they did not understand what he was telling them. Therefore Jesus said again, "I tell you the truth, I am the gate for the sheep. All who ever came before me were thieves and robbers, but the sheep did not listen to them. I am the gate; whoever enters through me will be saved. He will come in and go out, and find pasture. The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full."

SERMON TEXT

1 Samuel 17:34-37

Just as David protected God's Old Testament flock from her enemies, so also Jesus, our Good Shepherd, has rescued us from the power of the evil wolf, Satan.

But David said to Saul, "Your servant has been keeping his father's sheep. When a lion or a bear came and carried off a sheep from the flock, I went after it, struck it and rescued the sheep from its mouth. When it turned on me, I seized it by its hair, struck it and killed it. Your servant has killed both the lion and the bear; this uncircumcised Philistine will be like one of them, because he has defied the armies of the living God. The LORD who delivered me from the paw of the lion and the paw of the bear will deliver me from the hand of this Philistine." Saul said to David, "Go, and the LORD be with you."

Advance in the Name of the LORD!

Pastor Zuberbier

1. Meeting the enemy armed with the LORD's power.
2. Winning the battles through the LORD's power.

ORGANIST Ruth Koepsell

GREETERS

7:45 ~ Loren & Joan Voss

10:30 ~ Lorin & Rose Orvis

Last Week's Stewardship

Worship: 118 + 205 + 270 = 593
 Sunday Bible Class: 75

Midweek Bible Class: 14 + 9 = 23
 Sunday School: 11

	<u>Last Week</u>	<u>Year-to-Date</u>
First Fruits to the Lord:		
Thank offerings in support of the unified budget	\$22,486.28	
Other receipts in support of the unified budget	2,185.00	
Total receipts in support of the unified budget	24,671.28	\$478,704.68
Requirement to support the unified budget	29,278.07	527,005.26
Overage (Shortfall)	(4,606.79)	(48,300.58)
Improvement Fund	25.00	
WLA Forward in Trust	25.00	
Honoring the LORD!	265.00	
Parking Lot/Athletic Fields	30.00	
Radio Ministry	20.00	
Piano Fund	95.00	

Daily Bible Readings

05/07 Deuteronomy 26	05/11 Deuteronomy 31
05/08 Deuteronomy 27:1-28:14	05/12 Deuteronomy 32:1-47
05/09 Deuteronomy 28:15-68	05/13 Deuteronomy 32:48-34:12
05/10 Deuteronomy 29, 30	

This Week at St. Peter's

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SUNDAY	9:00am	Adult Bible Class/Sunday School/DoC
MONDAY	10:00am	Visitation Team Meeting
TUESDAY	1:00pm	OWLS Meeting
	6:30pm	Coordinating Council
	7:30pm	Board of Church Properties
WEDNESDAY	10:00am	Adult Bible Class
	12:00pm	WLA Grade School Track Meet
	7:00pm	Adult Bible Class
THURSDAY	8:00am	7-8 Grade Field Trip
	6:30pm	Worship
	7:00pm	Board of Adult Discipleship

FRIDAY	8:00am	5 th -6 th Grade Field Trip
SATURDAY	8:00am	WALL Softball Tournament (Eden)
	2:30pm	Call Day Service @ MLC
	8:00pm	Alcoholism Awareness

THE TENTH COMMANDMENT: You shall not covet your neighbor's wife, workers, animals, or anything that belongs to your neighbor. *What does this mean?* We should fear and love God that we do not force or entice away our neighbor's spouse, workers, or animals, but urge them to stay and do their duty.

CONFIRMATION DAY In a 10:30 service today, either here or at Good Shepherd, the following eleven young people will make their confirmation vows and be received as communicant members of St. Peter's Evangelical Lutheran Church:

Katherine Kristine Davies, Reiley Elizabeth Lange, Nicole Christine Meyer, Andrea Jean Kahlow, Ashlee Jo Kent, Marjorie May Anheuser, Wyatt Aiden Clary, Matthew Anthony Riederer, Kylie Lynn Baxter, Connor Thomas Lueck, and Karter Stephen Karpathian.

We pray that our confirmands remain true to the Triune God in faith, word and deed throughout their lives.

A FRESH DISPLAY BEHIND THE GLASS! Check out the historic confirmation class pictures on display of classes that are marking 1st, 5th, 10th, 15th, 20th, 25th, 30th, 40th, 50th, 60th, 70th and 75th anniversary years.

AT HOME WITH THE LORD Our faithful God and Father called home to himself the soul of our sister in faith, Helen Seibel, who departed from this life to life eternal on Sunday, April 30, 2017 at the age of 92 years, 8 months and 12 days. The Funeral service was held here Friday morning, May 5, and her mortal remains were laid to rest at Forest Cemetery to await the glorious resurrection. May her family and friends find comfort in the truth and promises of God's Word

SPECIAL GIFT Robert and Yvonne Fink have given a special gift to the Piano Fund in celebration of 58 years of marriage (May 2).

FORWARD IN CHRIST The May issue of *Forward in Christ* is available in the narthex.

A MOTHER'S DAY GIFT THAT KEEPS ON GIVING! A special envelope and article will be included in next week's (May 14) bulletin. Our Evening Circle has coordinated a special offering on behalf of the Central Africa Medical Mission and in honor of Mother's Day. Please take this opportunity to make a difference in the lives of children and their mothers half a world away. Place the offering envelope in the plate next weekend for Mother's Day or any weekend in the month of May.

MAILBOX MINISTERS please plan on attending a meeting after the church services on either Thursday, May 18th or after each service on Sunday, May 21st. Please make this meeting a priority as new assignments will be given and there are a few procedural changes to talk about.

SPRING CONCERT AND BAKE SALE Our Inspiration and Bell choirs will be presenting a concert in our gym on Tuesday, May 16 at 6:30pm. Prior to the concert our 6 – 8th grade students will have their science fair projects on display in the commons for an open house from 5:00 - 6:30pm.

During this time, our PTO will be having a bake sale on the stage. We are looking for donations of baked goods for the sale. They do not need to be packaged or priced – we will take care of that. For further information, please contact Laura Fuhrmann at LFEvery1@gmail.com. This year's fundraiser will support replacement of athletic uniforms. If you are willing to donate baked goods, please turn them in at the kitchenette by Monday, May 15 at 4:00pm.

GLEANERS The Gleaners will hold their monthly meeting Thursday, May 11 in the multi-purpose room at 1:30pm. Several students from our grade school will be giving forensic presentations for the entertainment. Hostesses will be Pam Zuberbier and Ann Averbeck. Hope you can attend!

HUNTER SAFETY Our Hunter Education Staff would like to thank St Peter's Church Family for allowing us to use the facility to educate future hunters from our community. Our class was evaluated by the Department of Natural Resources this year and they were impressed with our campus and how it is conducive for teaching this type of class. We were blessed with nine instructors who are members of our congregation, one from our sister congregation and one from the Fond du Lac community. Again, a special thank you from: Bob Buchholz, Ron Horn, Steve Horn, Courtney Meyer, Cassandra Meyer, Emma Meyer, Lydia Meyer, Jay Reynolds, Derek Story, Alexa Story, Kevin Jahns, and Don Buerger.

OFFERING ENVELOPES Our congregation has a dedicated finance team supported by volunteers who are accurate and devoted to their responsibilities of counting the numerous offering envelopes, cash, and checks received every week. The time these volunteers spend, ranges from 1 ½ to 2 or more hours every week. To assist them with their duties, we are asking all members to please adhere to the following:

- Do not fold your check or cash when inserting it in your contribution envelope.
- Write the amount enclosed in your contribution envelope on the line provided.
- If you are a member, please use the contribution envelopes provided.
- Do not fold checks or cash placed in the collection plate.

We thank you, as your assistance will help reduce the time required to complete our weekly counting.

FLYWAY OWLS The next meeting of Flyway OWLS Chapter 77 (Organization of WELS Lutheran Seniors) will be on Tuesday, May 9. The meeting will be held here at St. Peter's and will start at 1:00pm. Pastor James Aderman will be sharing information on 316 NOW, a ministry of WELS and ELS members who are committed to bringing the gospel to the Chinese people by empowering Chinese Christian leaders.

MURDER MYSTERY DINNER THEATER You're invited to the WLA Drama Department's second annual Murder Mystery Dinner Theatre Fundraiser on May 13. This year, we're going Italian! The family is growing and so is the family business. This leads to some tensions in the Denaro family. Will everyone survive the night, or will someone end up sleeping with the fishes? Your \$40 ticket includes a three course Italian dinner and the interactive show. This event sold out quickly last year so get your tickets before they're gone by visiting wla.ticketleap.com!

SECOND IMPRESSIONS GRAND OPENING is May 17 to May 20. The thrift store is off to a great start and covering their expenses. It is a great blessing! However, in order to give back to WLA and further their mission, they are planning to open an additional day on Wednesdays, from 10:00 to 6:00, beginning May 17th. Second Impressions is blessed with wonderful volunteers, but is still in need of more help, especially on Wednesdays and Saturdays. Please call the store at 907-9900 to give your time.

Thank you to all who have so generously donated! Please keep the donations coming, to keep the cycle going! Some items specifically needed at this point are: bath towels, arts & crafts, tools, children's books, men's shoes, small appliances, Tupperware, and frying pans in good condition. A reminder to please keep clothing donations and decorations to items "in season."



“My sheep hear my voice.
I know them, and
they follow me.”

- John 10:27

The special Good Shepherd Sunday bulletins are given by Lorin and Rose Orvis in memory of their parents Orin and Edna Orvis and Jacob and Mollie Leonhardt.