

ST. PETER'S LUTHERAN CHURCH



Announcements December 17, 2023

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**GUEST PREACHER** for this weekend is Pastor James Borgwardt from Redeemer. We thank Pastor Borgwardt for bringing us God's Word.

**WORSHIP TIMES** Christmas Eve services will be held at 3:30 & 6:30 pm and Christmas Day at 9:00 am. We will celebrate Advent 4 on Thursday, December 21 at 6:30 pm and Sunday, December 24 at 9:00 am. Christmas Day will also have the Lord's Supper. **Please note the time for one morning service on Sunday, December 24 for Advent 4.**

New Year's Worship with Communion will be on Thursday, December 28 at 6:30 pm and Sunday, December 31 at 8:00 & 10:30 am.

**CLEAN GOD'S HOUSE** Would you appreciate some quiet solitude in God's house? Perhaps you like to clean. You may rather do it alone or with a friend or small team. However you'd like to clean, quite a few weeks are open on our volunteer sanctuary cleaning schedule for 2024. The schedule is on the information station. You may write your name, phone number, and email in a slot. Thank you for keeping God's house clean!

 **WLA CHRISTMAS CONCERT** The Winnebago Lutheran Academy Sacred Christmas concert will be presented at WLA **Tuesday, December 19** at 7:00 pm and again **Wednesday, December 20** at 1:00 pm. All are invited to attend.

**SPLS CHRISTMAS SERVICE** *What a Story!* will be **December 17**. We will have two Children's Christmas services to accommodate all the family members. All students in 1<sup>st</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade will participate in both services at **2:00 & 4:00**. Families of children with last names A-L are encouraged to attend the 2:00 service, while M-Z families would attend the 4:00 service. Come and hear the children recite Scripture passages and sing songs of praise about the newborn King.

**2024 OFFERING ENVELOPES** have been put in your mailboxes. Please check your offering envelopes to make sure the number labeled on top of your box matches ALL of the envelopes inside your box. If they do not, please let Anna or Ashley in the office know, at 922-1160 or email [annagilgenbach@stpetersfdl.net](mailto:annagilgenbach@stpetersfdl.net) or [ashleywill@stpetersfdl.net](mailto:ashleywill@stpetersfdl.net). Thank you!

**MEMORIALS** Special gifts have been given to the Improvement Fund and to St. Peter's Tuition Student Aid Fund in memory of Jeanne Colla.

- † Courtney and Amy Meyer and family have given a special gift to the Outdoor Classroom in memory of Elmer Meyer.
- † Friends and family of Deb Deere have given special gifts to the General Fund in her memory.
- † Friends and family of Marcella Meyer have given gifts in her memory to the General Fund.
- † A special gift to Honoring the Lord! has been given in memory of DuWayne Zamzow.

**VOTERS' MEETING** Three Voting Members of St Peter's Lutheran Church, Fond Du Lac, Josh Guell, Kurt Turdo, and Ashley (Toby) Hanson have requested a Voters' Meeting to take place on December 20th, 2023 at 6:00 pm. The meeting's agenda will be a motion on joining the Wisconsin Parental Choice Program (WPCP) for the 2024-2025 school year (application deadline is January 10th, 2024) and also voting on approving the project and funding for our boilers.

The Coordinating Council has scheduled an Open Forum on December 20, 2023 from 4:45 to 5:45 pm. The Open Forum discussion includes the Wisconsin Parental Choice Program (School Choice).

**HELP FOR THE BOEHRINGERS** There are dates available in January if you'd like to help out and make a meal for the Boehringers. One 9x13 dish is plenty. Please use the sign up to pick a day for the meal <https://www.mealtrain.com/trains/07o4m3> You may drop off meals between 5:00-5:30 at 1003 Windsor Ave or you can bring

them to school with a drop off time before 3:00 pm. Other ideas for help would be gift cards: Kwik Trip, BP, Pick N Save, Walmart, Culver's, Domino's, Panda Express, Chick fil A. If you would like to assist Pastor & Sarah with transporting some of the kids to and from activities, that would be much appreciated as well! Please talk to Sarah about helping out with the kids. Please keep Pastor, Sarah, and their family in your prayers.

**WINDSOR SHED** A shed needs to be removed from the Windsor Parsonage Property. The measurements of the shed are 8' tall, 8'6" wide, and 12' long. The door opening is 6' tall and 4' wide. The inside of the shed is drywalled. If anyone would like this shed, please inform Scott Morenzen or Anna or Ashley in the office by January 3, 2024. All interested parties will have their name put into a hat and whoever's name is drawn, will be able to take the shed. You must be able to disassemble and haul it yourself. Any questions, contact Scott Morenzen on our Board of Church Properties or 920-960-6214 or [smorenzen@eilertson.net](mailto:smorenzen@eilertson.net).

**CALL RETURNED** Pastor Eugene DeVries has returned our call to serve as our next administrative pastor. He will continue to serve at his congregations in Hutchinson, Minn. We wish him, his family, and congregations our Lord's richest blessings. We will be working with our district president to set a date for our next call meeting. From Dec. 15 to Jan. 9 no new calls to pastors can be extended, so we will be trying for a call meeting with those dates in mind. Please continue to pray for St. Peter's as the Lord rules from His throne and will give us our next shepherd in His good time.

**YEAR-END GIVING** *A tax-efficient way to support the ministry of St. Peter's* – If you're age 70.5 and older, you can support St. Peter's by requesting a Qualified Charitable Distribution (QCD) from your Individual Retirement Account (IRA) directly to St. Peter's. Even better, if you're age 72 and older, the QCD will count toward your required minimum distribution. Qualified Charitable Distributions (up to \$100,000 per person per year) are excluded from taxable income. Please contact your tax professional to learn how you can make a tax-wise gift to St. Peter's, the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod, or Winnebago Lutheran Academy. It is recommended to make a QCD well in advance of New Year's Eve because the money has to be out of your account and the check needs to be transferred to the charity and deposited by the charity no later than December 31 of the current tax year.

**BIBLE CLASS & SUNDAY SCHOOL** will resume on January 7. Wednesday Bible Class is still on hiatus. Join us after the New Year as Pastor David Haag leads Bible Class.

*Daily Bible Readings*

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|-------|--------------------|-------|--------------------|
| 12/18 | Isaiah 11, 12      | 12/22 | Isaiah 20:1-22:14  |
| 12/19 | Isaiah 13:1-14:23  | 12/23 | Isaiah 22:15-23:18 |
| 12/20 | Isaiah 14:24-16:14 | 12/24 | Isaiah 24, 25      |
| 12/21 | Isaiah 17, 18, 19  |       |                    |

*Last Week's Stewardship*

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|--------------------------------------------------|------------------|---------------------------|
| Worship: 84 + 112 + 354 = 434                    |                  | Christ Child Concert: 178 |
| Sunday School: 19                                |                  | Bible Class: 50           |
| <i>First Fruits to the Lord 2023:</i>            |                  |                           |
| Thank offerings in support of the unified budget | <u>Last Week</u> | <u>Year-to-Date</u>       |
| Other receipts in support of the unified budget  | \$26,880.65      |                           |
| Total receipts in support of the unified budget  | 2,556.00         | \$1,430,266.23            |
| Requirement to support unified budget            | 29,436.65        | 1,652,729.00              |
| Overage (Shortfall)                              | 33,054.58        | (222,462.77)              |
| Honoring the Lord!                               | (3,617.93)       |                           |
| Improvement Fund                                 | 1,235.00         |                           |
| WLA FIT                                          | 13,721.40        |                           |
| Church Music Fund                                | 498.00           |                           |
| Outdoor Classroom                                | 680.00           |                           |
| SPLS Tuition Assistance                          | 140.00           |                           |
|                                                  | 7,000.00         |                           |



*This Week at St. Peter's*  
[www.stpetersfdl.net/calendar](http://www.stpetersfdl.net/calendar)

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| SUNDAY    | 8:00 am  | Worship with the Lord's Supper                          |
|           | 10:30 am | Worship with the Lord's Supper                          |
|           | 2:00 pm  | SPLS 1 <sup>st</sup> -8 <sup>th</sup> Christmas Program |
|           | 4:00 pm  | SPLS 1 <sup>st</sup> -8 <sup>th</sup> Christmas Program |
| MONDAY    | 3:30 pm  | Faculty Meeting                                         |
|           | 5:00 pm  | School Board Meeting                                    |
| TUESDAY   | 5:30 pm  | Board of Outreach                                       |
|           | 5:30 pm  | Board of Properties                                     |
|           | 6:30 pm  | Board of Elders                                         |
|           | 7:00 pm  | WLA Christmas Concert                                   |
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| WEDNESDAY | 1:00 pm  | WLA Christmas Concert                                   |
|           | 4:45 pm  | Open Forum                                              |
|           | 6:00 pm  | Voters' Meeting                                         |
| THURSDAY  | 6:30 pm  | Worship                                                 |