

# ST. PETER'S LUTHERAN CHURCH



## Announcements December 31, 2023

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**GUEST PREACHER** for this weekend is Pastor Fred Toppe. We thank Pastor Toppe for bringing us God's Word into the New Year.

**FORWARD IN CHRIST AND JANUARY CALENDARS** The January *Forward in Christ* and January church calendars are available on the information station.

**MEMORIALS** A Special gift has been given to the Church Music Fund in memory of DuWayne Zamzow.

**AT HOME WITH THE LORD** Our faithful God and Father called home to himself the soul of our sister in faith, Regis Westphal, who departed from this life to life eternal on Tuesday, December 19 at the age of 96 years, 5 months and 6 days. The funeral service will be Friday, December 29 at St. Peter's and her mortal remains will be laid to rest at Bethel Cemetery to await the glorious resurrection. May her family and friends find comfort in the truth and promises of God's Word.

Our faithful God and Father also called home to himself the soul of our sister in faith, Audrey Hillmann, who departed from this life to life eternal on Wednesday, December 20 at the age of 91 years, 7 months and 28 days. The funeral service will be Thursday, December 28 at St. Peter's and her mortal remains will be laid to rest at Rienze Cemetery to await the glorious resurrection. May her family and friends find comfort in the truth and promises of God's Word.

**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 Sunday Bible Class.

**VOTERS' MEETING UPDATE** A special voters' meeting was held Wednesday, December 20. The 2 items that were motioned, seconded, and passed are as follows: To approve replacing our two boilers for~\$130,000 and upgrading/replacing the HVAC system controls for ~\$50,000 utilizing member gifts, loans and commercial loans at rates not to exceed 8%.

The Coordinating Council will form a committee to study the Wisconsin Parental Choice Program-committee to have regular monthly meetings and no less than 3 Open Forums to update congregation on progress with having a report to council/congregation by October 1, 2024 and a vote no later than October 6, 2024.

**CALL MEETING** Our next call meeting for an administrative pastor will be on **Wednesday, January 10 at 7:00 pm**. Please make plans to attend.

**VOTERS' MEETING** A voters' meeting will be held **Sunday, January 14** immediately following the 10:30 service. The proposed 2024 unified budget will be presented and voted on. We will also be voting for officers and board members to fill expired terms.

**EVENING CIRCLE** Ladies of St. Peter's, here is a great way to start 2024! Plan to attend Evening Circle's Soup and Sandwich Meeting on **Monday, January 8** at 6:00 pm in the Multi-Purpose Room. Join us for a light meal followed by our meeting. Hope to see you there!

**THE WLA EXECUTIVE BOARD** is calling a special meeting of the WLA Plenary Board on Tuesday, January 9, at 7:00 pm. This meeting is to share important information about new campus plans. Information will be shared about a potential partnership between Winnebago Lutheran Academy and a developer that could result in financial ministry support for the new campus building. Other updates on the new campus will also be provided. This meeting will be informational only, with no actions being taken. Please direct questions to Kevin Ehlke at WLA; 920-539-4041 or kehlke@wlavikings.org.

**2024 MEN OF HIS WORD CONFERENCE** The 15<sup>th</sup> annual Men of His Word Conference "Built to Serve" will be held at the Best Western Premier Waterfront Convention Center in Oshkosh on Saturday, February 17, 2024. Please go online at

www.menofhisword.org to register and get details about schedule, breakout sessions, keynote speaker, cost, etc. Rates increase after January 28. Please join us for a day of worship, praise and fellowship in God's Word! Paper flyers and registration forms are also available on the information station.

**WISCONSIN PARENTAL CHOICE COMMITTEE** Our Coordinating Council is looking for members who would like to be a part of the Wisconsin Parental Choice Committee. These members will be responsible for researching the program and updating the Coordinating Council and Congregation with what the program all entails. If interested, please talk to Ben Zick.

**BOILER AND HVAC FUNDING** Envelopes to support our new boilers and HVAC controls upgrade are available on the information station. You can also use the Improvement Fund envelopes in your offering box. If any members are interested in helping finance this project with a loan to the church, please talk to Ben Zick or Mike Will.

**ADULT CHOIR** would love to add more voices in 2024! First rehearsal is **Wednesday, January 3 at 6:00 pm**. Come share the Gospel beauty in song!

**JANUARY CARD PARTY** Adults are invited to a Court Whist Card Party on **Sunday, January 14**. We'll meet in the Commons and get started at 3:00 pm and wrap up around 5:00. **We need teams of four** which are then split into teams of two. You keep rotating tables and partners, so it's a great way to meet your fellow members. A sign up sheet is on the information station. Snacks and beverages will be provided.

**CUSTODIAN POSITION** St. Peter's is looking to hire a part time custodian ASAP. This job consists of routine work to maintain the cleanliness of building and grounds and receives general direction from the School Board & Board of Church Properties. This employee performs cleaning and maintenance functions in the morning or evening shift. Work is evaluated through observation while work is in progress and by inspection of completed assignments. Contact Anna or Ashley in the office for a full job description, questions, or to apply.

**OWLS** The next meeting of the Flyway OWLS will be **Tuesday, January 9** beginning at 1:00 at St. Peter's. The speaker will be Chris Caporale of Alliant Energy and will talk about the Springfield Solar Project between Lomira and Brownsville. Dues will be collected. Please note, it went from \$15 per person to \$20 per person for the year.

*Daily Bible Readings*

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| 01/01 1 John 1:1-2:2   | 01/05 1 John 4:7-5:3 |
| 01/02 1 John 2:3-27    | 01/06 1 John 5:4-21  |
| 01/03 1 John 2:28-3:10 | 01/07 John 2, 3      |
| 01/04 1 John 3:11-4:6  |                      |

*Last Week's Stewardship*

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| Advent 4 Worship: 79 + 124 = 203 | Christmas Eve Worship: 530 + 238 = 768 |
| Christmas Day Worship: 196       | Christmas Day Communed: 148            |

| <i>First Fruits to the Lord 2023:</i>            | <u>Last Week</u> | <u>Year-to-Date</u> |
|--------------------------------------------------|------------------|---------------------|
| Thank offerings in support of the unified budget | \$53,805.26      |                     |
| Other receipts in support of the unified budget  | 2,350.00         |                     |
| Total receipts in support of the unified budget  | 56,155.26        | \$1,549,922.94      |
| Requirement to support unified budget            | 33,054.58        | 1,718,838.16        |
| Overage (Shortfall)                              | 23,100.68        | (168,915.22)        |
| Honoring the Lord!                               | 7,646.36         |                     |
| Improvement Fund                                 | 3,834.51         |                     |
| WLA FIT                                          | 30.00            |                     |
| Church Music Fund                                | 70.00            |                     |



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

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| MONDAY      | OFFICE CLOSED                           |
| WEDNESDAY   | School Resumes                          |
|             | 6:00 pm Adult Choir                     |
| THURSDAY    | 6:30 pm Worship with the Lord's Supper  |
| NEXT SUNDAY | 8:00 am Worship with the Lord's Supper  |
|             | 9:10 am Bible Class/Sunday School       |
|             | 10:30 am Worship with the Lord's Supper |