



St. Peter's Lutheran Church
*Building on the Rock
of Jesus & His Word*

Announcements
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OCTOBER CALENDARS & FORWARD IN CHRIST are available on the information station in the narthex.

NEW SCOREBOARDS We thank the family of Josh Mathwig for the memorial given to our athletic fund to purchase brand-new customized scoreboards for our gym. We appreciate this update to our facility, in memory of Josh.

LWMS FALL RALLY **Saturday, October 12** is the Lutheran Women's Missionary Society (LWMS) Winnebago Circuit Fall Rally here at St. Peter's. The event starts at 9:00am with breakfast beginning at 8:15am. All women in the congregation are part of LWMS and are encouraged to attend. The speaker will be Pastor Jeff Mahnke, Western WI District Mission Board Chair, highlighting the Synod's goal of "100 Missions in 10 years". His presentation will start at 10:30am and any WELS member is invited to hear his exciting update.

We are looking for three 7th grade or older kids to help with childcare. Help would be needed from 8:00am until Noon. The kids will be compensated for their time. We would need 2 for sure and a 3rd person as a backup in case someone can't make it. We aren't sure how many kids will need to be watched...it may just be a few, but we do not know. If your child is interested, please contact Anna or Ashley in the office for more information.

VOTERS' MEETING will take place on **Sunday, October 6** after the late service. The topic discussed and voted on will be the Wisconsin Parental Choice Program. The WPCP Committee's Final Report and Voters' Meeting Agenda has been emailed and paper copies are on the information station. Please make plans to attend!

Proposed Motion: **Be it resolved, the voting members of St. Peter's Evangelical Lutheran Church & School hereby directs the Coordinating Council to apply for membership in the Wisconsin Parental Choice Program prior to January 10, 2025, enter into an Act 59 Partnership with Winnebago Lutheran Academy and initiate a committee to commence with the accreditation process.**

OWLS The next meeting of the Flyway OWLS will take place **Tuesday, October 8** beginning at 1:00, here at St. Peter's. The speaker will be Kevin Keller, the seminary's Director of Mission Advancement. He will highlight our Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary, the final training school for WELS pastors. The Seminary is located at 11831 N. Seminary Drive, Mequon, WI. (15 miles north of downtown Milwaukee). Total number of students attending this school year is 153. There are 49 first year, 37 second year, 40 vicars (third year; 'internship' in a congregation) and 27 seniors. Kevin will share many facts with us about the Seminary.

HELP FOR BOEHRINGERS If you would like to help the Boehringers while Pastor recovers from surgery, gift cards to Culvers, Wal-Mart, Aldi, and Pick n' Save would be helpful as they have a busy schedule with kid's activities. A box has been placed on the information station. Please keep Pastor and his family in your prayers.

MISSION FESTIVAL will be held **Sunday, October 13**. Our guest preacher will be Ethan Carter. Evening Circle will be providing snacks during Bible Class. Our teen group will be giving a presentation/slideshow about their experience from the WELS International Youth Rally for the first part of Bible Class. Ethan Carter will be speaking for the second half of class. Please join us!

Semarian Ethan Carter grew up in Eau Claire, WI, but more recently he has called Cheyenne, WY home. He graduated from Luther Preparatory School in 2017, and Martin Luther College in 2021 before continuing his studies at Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary. Last year, after getting married to his wife Britt, Ethan served as a Vicar at Light of the Valleys Lutheran Church in Reno, NV. In his final year at Seminary, he serves as the Student Recruiter, who goes around to local congregations and schools encouraging students to consider serving as pastors

and teachers. If you have any questions about WLS or are interested in coming to tour the WLS campus, feel free to email him at ethan.carter@wls.edu.

HANDICAP SPOTS There are 4 additional handicap spots available in the church parking lot. Thank you to our Board of Church Properties for this addition!

CHRIST THROUGH US A Pictorial History of the Wisconsin Synod, 1850-2025. This book is filled with captivating images and fascinating stories and is a limited-edition, hardcover book. Place your order before September 30 online at Northwestern Publishing House (online.nph.net).

SPLS PTO TRUNK OR TREAT will be held on **Sunday, October 20** from 3:00-5:00pm in the parking lot. Start thinking about those trunk decorating ideas! Watch for more information to come!

MARTIN LUTHER COLLEGE CHOIR CONCERT of New Ulm, MN, will present a sacred concert titled "God is our Refuge and Strength" at Grace Lutheran Church, Oshkosh (913 Nebraska St) on Sunday, October 13 at 1:30. The program will include settings of familiar hymns, as well as selections by choral music composers representing a variety of musical styles. The mission of MLC is to prepare pastors, teachers, and staff ministers to serve the congregations of the synod. A freewill offering will be gathered to support MLC's efforts to train future gospel servants. All are invited to attend!



YOUTH GROUP PIZZAS A table and display are set up in the narthex for you to fill out order forms. The proceeds from the pizza sale help send our Lutheran Girl Pioneers to summer camp and our teens to the WELS International Youth Rally. **Last year we sold 1,384 pizzas. Let's try to top that!** Support our youth ministries, and if you must ask – the pizzas are awesome! **Orders are due by October 6.**

FOCUS ON MINISTRY Last year 47 high school students from 14 area Lutheran high schools, along with numerous chaperones, attended two separate Focus on Ministry events at Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary. This WLS Focus on Ministry is intended to bring high school boys onto the WLS campus, allow them a chance to speak with current students, and lead them to think more about pastoral ministry for their future.

We have scheduled two more Focus on Ministry events at WLS for 2024-2025: **Sunday-Monday, November 17-18, 2024, and Sunday-Monday, February 23-24, 2025.** If you know of any high school boys in grades 10-12, please encourage them to attend! For more information and to register please visit: <https://mlc-wels.edu/admissions/focus-on-the-ministry-wls/>

2025 CREATION CALENDARS The 2025 Creation Calendars are in, and they are beautiful! The calendars are great for family planning or to give as gifts. Each month contains a beautiful picture of God's creation and an inspirational Bible passage to go with it. They are available at the Youth Group table with the pizza order forms. **The cost is \$10 per calendar.** The proceeds from these calendars help support our Youth!

CUSTODIAN POSITION St. Peter's is looking to hire a part-time custodian (10-15 hours per week). This job consists of routine work to maintain the cleanliness of the building and grounds and receives general direction from the Board of Church Properties and Principal. This employee performs cleaning and maintenance functions in the morning or evening shift, with flexibility. The starting wage is \$20 per hour. A full job description is located in the office. For more information or to apply contact Kurt Turdo at turdojrk@gmail.com or (920) 216-2136.

PASTOR BOEHRINGER UPDATE It's been over a week since my September 13 surgery. I was discharged on Monday, September 16, and have been recovering at home since then. My incision is healing steadily. Hopefully, over the next several weeks the Lord will continue to bless me with progress. That's one thing and it's welcome news.

The other thing is not so good; for the time being, we are back in a period of uncertainty. Since the surgery didn't go as hoped, I still have many tumors. At this time, we don't know what treatment options are still possible. The surgeon was able to remove my appendix and some other tissue for analysis. Lord willing, this analysis will provide our oncology team with information that can more specifically direct my treatment. We meet with the surgeon at the beginning of October, and the oncology team at the end of October. The new plan will take time to put together, both because I need to heal before any treatment starts, and also because the tissue analysis can take several weeks. When we have more details, we will let you know.

For today consider Paul's words to Timothy: "Instruct those who are rich in this present age not to be arrogant or to put their hope in the uncertainty of

[health], but rather in God, who richly supplies us with all things for our enjoyment. Instruct them to do good, to be rich in good works, to be generous and willing to share. In this way they are storing up for themselves the treasure of a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of that which is truly life." (1 Timothy 6:17-19)

Health is never promised to us from Christ, but life now and forever is. This is what we cling to, the holy saving cross of Jesus, which makes us truly alive and eternally rich. And it also makes us generous! Thank you so very much to all of you for your generous prayers, support, and gifts during this time. In your daily devotion I ask you to ask Jesus to reveal a clear path forward from this uncertainty, but even if He doesn't, we know with steadfast clarity that whether we live or die, we are the Lord's. (Romans 14:8).



On this rock I will build my Church
The Faith of our Fathers

It's 1900! The new century ushers in a booming economy across the nation. March 3, 1901, President McKinley was inaugurated for his second term with war hero Teddy Roosevelt as his vice president. On September 9, while shaking hands among the crowd attending the Pan American Exposition in Buffalo, NY, assassin's bullets struck. He died on September 14 and Roosevelt became the 26th president.



In 1902 a gentleman from Fond du Lac changed the faces of the nation. King Camp Gillette invented the double edge safety razor and beards disappeared. In 1903 transportation would be forever transformed, when Ford Motor Company and Harley Davidson were formed and the

Wright brothers took flight in the first motorized aircraft at Kitty Hawk, NC. April 1, 1904, The Louisiana Purchase Exposition opened in St. Louis, Missouri. When it closed on December 1, 20 million people had visited. There are many great websites about this event and several of the buildings have become historic landmarks. The same year the nation acquired the Panama Canal Zone.

In 1900, the Fond du Lac population had recovered making it the second largest city in the state. The historic bandstand at Lakeside Park was erected. Wisconsin Power and Light began operating the electric trolley line and built the streetcar waiting station, which is still a landmark at Taylor Park. North Fond du Lac was

being developed by a land company. Two lots were donated for establishing a Lutheran Church. An additional lot was purchased by St. Peter's.

At St. Peter's, October 30, 1900 a new women's group, the Frauenverein was begun with 41 charter members. In March 1901, the congregation completed a chapel on the North Fond du Lac site. The Frauenverein donated paraments and carpet. This was the birth of St. Paul's Ev. Lutheran Church. That same month the voters decided to replace the parsonage, which had been deemed unsafe. By September, that was all finished at a cost of \$3,100 (\$111,000 in today's dollars).

At school, Teacher Meyer resigned due to ill health and was replaced by candidate Bernard Hagedorn. Slow steady growth made 3 classrooms insufficient and the school building was also no longer sanitary. On April 6, 1902, the congregation voted to erect its 3rd new school complete with plumbing and electricity. Under the direction of Pastor Bergemann, aggressive fundraising was begun and within a month \$6,200 (\$220,000) of the total cost of \$14,600 (\$522,000) had been raised. Construction began in Spring 1903 and dedication celebrated October 25th. The modern school has a ground floor with assembly hall seating for 500 and 4 large main floor classrooms. Furnishings were provided by a \$1,000 donation from Frauenverein and \$2,500 from the Young People. This building would see continuous use for the next half century.

In 1903, a 16 voice Men's Choir was formed. F. Zeigler directed and provided violin accompaniment. Services were also enhanced by an orchestra of 10 instrumentalists. In 1904, the local AAL group was formed with 77 members. That fall, the ever-faithful Miss Schmedtjen requested a leave of absence for health concerns.

St. Peter's church and school had become a place to belong. This was a congregation that got things done and did them well. Its members embraced the progressive nature of the nation and welcomed into the fold the many immigrants still coming. Maintaining what they owed, establishing another new congregation and furthering the cause of Christian education is a legacy to be cherished and for which we must be ever grateful.

*Christ is our cornerstone, on him alone we build.
With his true saints alone the courts of heav'n are filled.
On his great love, our hopes we place of present grace and joys above.*

Daily Bible Readings

09/30 Psalm 117, 118	10/04 Psalm 119:81-104
10/01 Psalm 119:1-24	10/05 Psalm 119:105-128
10/02 Psalm 119:25-48	10/06 Psalm 119:129-152
10/03 Psalm 119:49-80	

Last Week's Stewardship

Worship: 103 + 144 + 222 = 469	Bible Class: 58
9/25 Mid Week Bible Class: 19 + 24 = 43	Sunday School: 17

<i>First Fruits to the Lord 2024:</i>	<u>Last Week</u>	<u>Year-to-Date</u>
Thank offerings in support of the unified budget	\$18,867.21	
Other receipts in support of the unified budget	2,300.00	
Total receipts in support of the unified budget	21,167.21	1,051,238.87
Honoring the Lord!	906.51	
Improvement Fund	1,009.20	
WLA Forward in Trust	170.00	
WLA Tuition Assistance	487.00	



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

SUNDAY	8:00 am	Worship
	9:10 am	Bible Class & Sunday School
	10:30 am	Worship
TUESDAY	6:30 pm	Area Women's Bible Study @ Redeemer
WEDNESDAY	10:00 am	Bible Class
	6:00 pm	Adult Choir
	7:00 pm	Bible Class
THURSDAY	6:30 pm	Worship with the Lord's Supper
FRIDAY	6:30 pm	WLA Skit Night
SATURDAY	11:00 am	WLA Homecoming Game
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
	11:30 am	Voter's Meeting for Wisconsin Parental Choice Program