



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

## Announcements October 20, 2024

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**BAPTISM & NEW MEMBER** Konrad James Bliss, newborn son of Kenny & Kayla Bliss, will be received into the Kingdom of Grace through the Sacrament of Holy Baptism in the 10:30 service on Sunday. May Konrad always remain faithful to his baptismal covenant.

Kayla Bliss will be received as a member of St. Peter's by Affirmation of Faith. We welcome Kayla into the fellowship of the Evangelical Lutheran Church and our congregation, and pray for God's richest blessings as she makes this beginning in her new church home.

**MEMORIAL** A special gift has been given to Honoring the Lord in memory of Violette Pautsch.

**AT HOME WITH THE LORD** Our faithful God and Father called home to himself the soul of our sister in faith, Serena Toll, who departed from this life to life eternal on Monday, October 14 at the age of 92 years, 6 months and 5 days. The funeral service is Saturday morning, October 19 at 11:30 with visitation from 9:00-11:30. May her family and friends find comfort in the truth and promises of God's Word.

**VOTERS' MEETING RESULTS** On Sunday, October 6, the voting members of St. Peter's voted in favor of our Coordinating Council to apply for membership in the Wisconsin Parental Choice Program, and to enter into an Act 59 Partnership with Winnebago Lutheran Academy, and to initiate a committee to commence with the accreditation process. We pray for God's guidance during this undertaking.

Mr. Courtney Meyer was designated to be St. Peter's Administrator and Coordinating Council will also select a designated Assistant for this work. Chairman Ben Zick sent a letter of resignation to the Council, which the Council received with many thanks to Mr. Zick for his years of service and leadership to Christ's church here at St. Peter's. Mr. Chad Birkholz was designated by the Council to fill the Chairman's seat for the remainder of 2024.

At the next Election Voters' Meeting, we will be electing a new President and Secretary to finish those terms in 2025. Expired term positions include Vision Coordinator, Treasurer, and spots on each board, with Elders needing 2 spots filled. Please watch for more information about the early January Voters' Meeting.

*May they all be one, as you, Father, are in me, and I am in you. May they also be one in us, so that the world may believe that you sent me." John 17:21*

**SPLS PTO TRUNK OR TREAT** will be held on **Sunday, October 20 from 3:00-5:00pm** in the school parking lot. Come enjoy trunk or treating, make your own snack mix, music, games, photo ops & the chance to win some gift cards! The more decorated trunks we have, the more fun it will be! Please invite family and friends to this wonderful event. Decorated trunks can arrive at 2:15 to set up.



**THANK YOU** Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ, Thank you so much for your generous gift of money to me in support of my schooling at Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary. Your gift is a great encouragement to me seeing how much God's people treasure His Word and the training of pastors. My first few months at the Seminary have been amazing as I learn more and more how special of a place this is to be at. The gospel is the center of everything we do here and the proclamation of Christ crucified and risen. May God bless the ministry of St. Peter's as you continue to spread the love of Jesus in Fond du Lac. In Christ, Jackson Lindemann

**AREA REFORMATION SERVICE** will be held at St. Peter's on **Sunday, October 27<sup>th</sup> at 4:00pm**. Professor Steven Pagels, Professor of Systematic Theology & Homiletics at Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary, will be the preacher in this afternoon service. The Brass Quintet from WLA under the direction of Mrs. Abby Kurth will perform and there will be a Pastors' Choir from the area churches also.

**SEMINARY CHRISTMAS GIFTS** The Fond du Lac area WELS churches are again giving Gift Card Christmas Gifts to the married students at Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary. Please place money in the special offering envelopes on the information station & drop it in the offering plate or in the office. Collections can be made through November 4th. Gifts will be delivered to the Seminary the first week in December. Redeemer member Roxanne Pieper is coordinating this program and questions may be directed to her: [braillepins@yahoo.com](mailto:braillepins@yahoo.com).

**WIDOWS & WIDOWERS FELLOWSHIP GROUP** will meet at Faros Restaurant, 131 N Pioneer Rd, FDL on **Tuesday, October 22, at 1:00pm**. Our speaker will be Lisa Freiberg – Fond du Lac County Clerk. She will be speaking to us about the voting process and how to make sure you are able to vote in November. Please RSVP to Dave Seibel at 920-948-9475 (call or text) or [dseibelz56@gmail.com](mailto:dseibelz56@gmail.com).

**WLA MUSICAL** WLA students are currently rehearsing and preparing their fall musical, the enchanted version of Rodgers & Hammerstein's classic musical, *Cinderella*. Tickets for performances on November 7-10 are available. You may purchase them online <https://www.hometowntickets.com/wla> or in the WLA office during school hours.

**WELS YOUTH NIGHT** You are holy: Who our God is and why that means everything to us. Teens, join us for our first youth night on **Sunday, November 3** from **1:00-3:00pm**. We will have games, snacks, a keynote speaker & small group discussions. Feel free to invite friends!

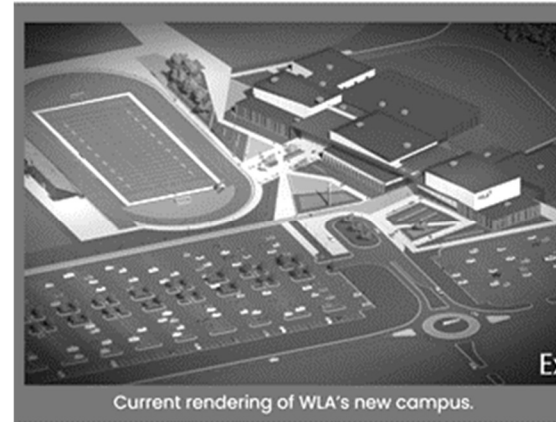


**BOWLING** Our Board of Adult Discipleship has reserved lanes at Ledgeview Lanes on **Sunday, November 10 from Noon until 3:00pm**. The cost of bowling is \$4 per person per game (3 games equals \$12 per person) and includes shoe rental. You can pay upon arrival at the bowling alley. Come enjoy some fellowship with members! A sign-up sheet is in the narthex if you plan to attend.

**ONLINE TEEN BIBLE STUDY** At a time in life when many questions, doubts, and fears can easily overwhelm you, it's important to stay connected to God and to fellow believers! Join us for another national teen online Bible study to learn how you can better "pass the tests" and walk by faith! Bible study will take place on **November 10 at 6:00pm**. During this 1-hour Bible study, teens will have the opportunity to connect with others, study and discuss the Word, and apply it

specifically to your lives today. Pastor Phil Huebner will lead this Bible study. Register today <https://wels.net/serving-you/christian-life/discipleship/national-teen-bible-study/>

## WLA New Campus Update



### NEW CAMPUS UPDATE

God be praised for the many hours many individuals and committees spend planning our new campus. Here are some highlights of our progress:

- The overall campus design is nearing completion.
- The academic building footprint is planned.
- A financial plan is in place that includes multiple ways this project will be supported.
- A capital campaign is underway to raise the funds needed to break ground.

### OUR CAMPAIGN FOR OUR CAMPUS

Our campaign has begun to raise the funds needed to break ground on our new campus. Many people are spending many hours asking individuals to consider supporting this effort. We are asking members of our association, community, and businesses to consider giving gifts to make our campus a reality.

Please contact Kevin Ehlke at WLA if you would like to learn more or share your plans to support our campus.





## On this rock I will build my Church

The Faith of our Fathers

And the immigrants kept coming. In the years from 1900-1915, 40 million people entered the country. This equaled the prior 40 years. Glacier became a National Park in 1910, and in 1912, New Mexico and Arizona became the 47<sup>th</sup> & 48<sup>th</sup> states. That number remained unchanged for 47 years. On April 14, 1912 the "unsinkable" ocean liner Titanic, carrying 3,148 passengers and crew sank after colliding with an iceberg. 4 out of 5 perished, many were immigrants. As ships got larger, losses in ocean disasters became staggering. March 4, 1913, Woodrow Wilson became the 28<sup>th</sup> President, and in 1914 the Panama Canal opened for business. This was a Teddy Roosevelt project that had begun in 1903.



The nation's love affair with the automobile has really "cranked up." The Model T Ford had come on the scene in 1908, but Henry wasn't done yet! In 1913, he introduced the moving assembly line, a car was produced every 93 minutes. The autoworkers jobs became boring and tedious. Ford stifled the discontent by introducing the unheard of 8-hour work day with wages of \$5 per day. An 8-hour work day meant 3 shifts every 24 hours, reducing the cost of a new Model T to \$260. Most working families could afford a "Tin Lizzie." By the end of the decade more than half of the cars on American roads were Fords. The Model T was discontinued in 1927, having sold 15.5 million cars, when the population of the country was 92 million.

In German Lutheran Wisconsin, English was making inroads. In 1911, Synod produced its first English hymnal of 115 songs and in 1914, introduced an English publication, "The Northwestern Lutheran." Synod was trying, but the people weren't buying. Most English publications barely broke even. Those who had arrived as many as 50 years ago still wanted German. St. Peter's school was steadily growing. Looking to the future, the school dedicated in 1903 was built with 4 classrooms when only 3 were needed. In 1911, the 4<sup>th</sup> class was added. In 1913, on recommendation of a lay committee, St. Peter's introduced an envelope system and by December 1914, the congregation was debt free.

In 1910, the entire community, but especially St. Peter's church and school, suffered a heart wrenching loss. On Friday afternoon, April 29, three 9-year-old girls, having been warned not to do so, decided to take a shortcut on the very long walk home.



They were walking hand in hand. The headline tells the tale: "Little Girls Drowned in River Near West Scott St." There were 2 parallel trestle bridges crossing the river. The Northwestern bridge was a main line track. The girls didn't know a train was approaching. They were half-way across when the first train whistle blew. Even though the train was able to stop, the girls panicked and fell into the icy water. Amanda Leu and Hilda Lemke drowned, Mollie Lemke was plucked from the water when she bobbed to the surface. Passengers on a passing Soo Line train witnessed the tragedy. School let out early on Monday, May 2<sup>nd</sup>, for the huge double funeral. Eight girls from school served as pallbearers for their friend's two small white caskets.

The tragedy doesn't end there. Life was so fragile, medical so primitive, contagious diseases so prevalent. Twelve years later, when Mollie was 21, she died of tuberculosis and is buried in Estabrook Cemetery near her sister and her friend and next to her own 3-week-old infant, who died 8 months earlier. **Check out online @ [wordpress.com: From a train bridge, a Fond du Lac tragedy.](https://nebulabit.wordpress.com/)**

*Asleep in Jesus! Blessed sleep, from which none ever wakes to weep,  
A calm and undisturbed repose, unbroken by the last of foes.*

*Asleep in Jesus! Peaceful rest, whose waking is supremely blest;  
No fear, no woe, shall dim that hour that manifests the Savior's pow'r.*

Then, on June 28, 1914, Austria's Heir to the Empire, Archduke Franz Ferdinand and his wife Sophie were assassinated. The world would never be the same again.

\*\*Please check out the display in the narthex where you can see old school records of Amanda Leu's siblings & a news article clip.

*Daily Bible Readings*

10/21 2 Chronicles 6:12-42      10/25 2 Chronicles 13, 14  
 10/22 2 Chronicles 7, 8          10/26 2 Chronicles 15, 16  
 10/23 2 Chronicles 9, 10        10/27 2 Chronicles 17, 18  
 10/24 2 Chronicles 11, 12

*Last Week's Stewardship*

Worship: 92 + 175 + 304 = 571

Bible Class: 82  
 Sunday School: 20

*First Fruits to the Lord 2024:*

	<u>Last Week</u>	<u>Year-to-Date</u>
Thank offerings in support of the unified budget	\$18,489.13	
Other receipts in support of the unified budget	3,025.00	
Total receipts in support of the unified budget	21,514.13	1,128,498.06
Honoring the Lord!	832.00	
Improvement Fund	125.20	
WLA Forward in Trust	694.00	
WLA Tuition Assistance	21.00	



*This Week at St. Peter's*

[www.stpetersfdl.net/calendar](http://www.stpetersfdl.net/calendar)

**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  
                   3:00 pm    SPLS PTO hosts Trunk or Treat  
                   4:00 pm    WLA Fall Concert

**WEDNESDAY**    10:00 am    Bible Class  
                   6:00 pm    Adult Choir  
                   7:00 pm    Bible Class

**THURSDAY**      No School  
                   6:30 pm    Worship

**FRIDAY**        No School

**NEXT SUNDAY**    8:00 am    Worship  
                   9:10 am    Bible Class & Sunday School  
                   10:30 am    Worship  
                   4:00 pm    Reformation Service