



**ST. PETER**  
Lutheran Church & School

*November 2018*  
*Newsletter*

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**WORSHIP SCHEDULE TIMES**

**Thursday @ 6:30 pm and**  
**Sundays 7:30; 9:00 & 10:30 am**  
**The CORE – Sunday, 5:30 pm**

*Message from Pastor*

**A Legacy of Faith**

Someday when you are no longer here, what do you want to be remembered for?

Based on your current priorities and direction, what will you be remembered for?

If you are honest, perhaps the answers to these two questions are not the same. Wrestling with them can change the direction of your life.

Our Early Bird Bible class recently finished up a study on the life of Abraham. We discovered that he was a flawed human being who made mistakes. But God's promises, faithfulness and direction through life caused his faith to grow and mature. And that's why, looking back on the life of Abraham, the writer to the Hebrews describes Abraham's legacy as a legacy of faith.

Hebrews 11:8-12: <sup>8</sup> By faith Abraham, when called to go to a place he would later receive as his inheritance, obeyed and went, even though he did not know where he was going. <sup>9</sup> By faith he made his home in the promised land like a stranger in a foreign country; he lived in tents, as did Isaac and Jacob, who were heirs with him of the same promise. <sup>10</sup> For he was looking forward to the city with foundations, whose architect and builder is God. <sup>11</sup> And by faith even Sarah, who was past childbearing age, was enabled to bear children because she considered him faithful who had made the promise. <sup>12</sup> And so from this one man, and he as good as dead, came descendants as numerous as the stars in the sky and as countless as the sand on the seashore.

You and Abraham have a lot in common. God has been just as faithful to you. His promises to you are no less spectacular. He has promised that all your sins are forgiven through the life and death of Jesus – and it's guaranteed through the resurrection. He has promised that eternal life is yours now and forever, and that you will live in his awesome presence and glory. He is guiding and directing the

course of your life just like he did Abraham's. So when family and friends reflect on your life someday, what "by faith..." incidents will they recall?

- By faith she made weekly church attendance a non-negotiable.
- By faith he generously and regularly gave offerings in good times and in bad.
- By faith they declined the promotion / transfer because there was not a suitable church nearby.
- By faith she defended the Christian faith before an atheist philosophy professor.
- By faith he took care of his sick wife for nearly a decade as Alzheimer's took its toll.
- By faith he / she decided to dedicate their whole lives to full time gospel ministry.

God gave his very best – his Son – for us. By faith we respond by trusting and obeying him in our daily lives. Today is a new day! What will you do "by faith?" How will God be glorified because of your legacy of faith?

*Pastor Michael Ewart*



### **The Enemy Within**

*Dates: November 4  
(last week)*

**Week #4:** "My Performance = My Worth" - My value is determined by my performance! From your review at work to the raise you get, whether it's the ACT score or GPA number that colleges look at - the message the world says is this is true. That's what makes this enemy within us all so important to remove because spiritually on our own we are anything but a success. Thankful, our value in God's eyes is not determined by our performance but by Jesus accomplishments - his perfect life, death in our place and resurrection. These things give us something far better than worldly success, it gives us a hope and a future.



### **What Did You Expect?**

*Dates: November 11, 18, 25*

*Summary: Expectations are everything. And we are always expecting something. We expect God to treat us in a certain way. We expect life to turn out according to our plans. We expect good things to happen when we make good choices. But faulty expectations lead us to question God, even deny him altogether. This series gives us God's expectations for our lives, freeing us from the lies that would lead us away from God's love.*

**Week #1:** Expect Pain (to have a purpose)—Few things pull people away from God like suffering. Cancer. Tragedy. War. Poverty. But what did you expect? The prophets, the apostles, and Jesus himself promised that we would have trouble in this world. Yet we take heart in the plans and purposes God has for his suffering kids. Peter explores God's hand in the midst of pain and encourages us to entrust our broken hearts to God.  
Text: *1 Peter 4:12-19.*

**Week #2:** Expect Delayed Rewards—Read the Proverbs and you might expect good things to happen to good people and bad things to happen to bad people. But the Psalms remind us that sometimes the opposite occurs. That's when we need to know what to expect. An ancient poet named Asaph almost lost his faith in God until he expected God to judge with justice. That put his heart at ease and made God worthy of praise.  
Text: *Psalms 73.*

**Week #3:** Expect Eternity to Be Amazing—Time puts everything in perspective. In the moment, 24 hours of labor seems unbearable. But compared to decades with a daughter, it is nothing. In the same way, God promises eternal decades of joy, dancing, happiness, and worship for his people. John's glimpse into heaven gives us a giddy expectation of our eternity. Forget harps and clouds. Get ready for the celebration to begin! Text: *Revelation 7:9-17.*



### Classic Christmas

Dates: December 2, 9, 16, 23 and Christmas Eve

*Summary: Nothing says Christmas quite like Luke 2. Luke's words have become the iconic way for Christians to celebrate the birth of Christ. But what if there were life-changing truths buried in these classic words? What if a second look renewed the love we first had for Jesus?*

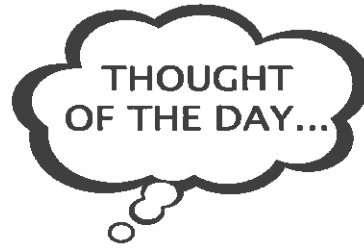
Week #1: Crazy Christmas (Luke 2:1-7)

Week #2: Black Sheep (Luke 2:8-10)

Week #3: To: You (Luke 2:11-12)

Week #4: A Christmas Carol - (Luke 2:13-14)

Christmas Eve: After Christmas (Luke 2:15-20)



THOUGHT OF THE DAY...

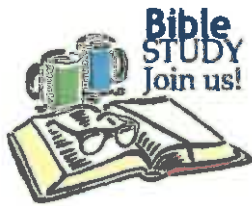
It is impossible for that man to despair who remembers that his Helper is omnipotent.

*"I lift up my eyes to the hills – where does my help come from? My help comes from the Lord... The Lord will keep you from all harm – he will watch over your life."*

Psalm 121:1,2,7



Christmas Poinsettia order form enclosed in this mailing.



Be sure to look for the updated bible studies sheet, including some new studies starting in November, included in this mailing. Sheets are also in the information racks in the church hallway and Gathering area.



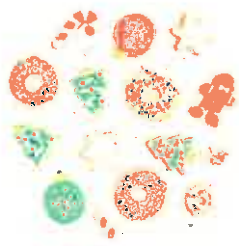
**Don't miss this opportunity** to invite a friend, coworker or neighbor to Advent by Candlelight. This is an evening filled with skits, music much like a concert, singing familiar Christmas songs, the

Christmas story and dessert! Consider inviting someone to this event. Use this event as a stepping stone to later invite them to come to a church service this Christmas season. Advent by Candlelight will be held in the church this year on Saturday, December 1<sup>st</sup> from 4:00-6:00 pm. No registration is required so invite as many people as you'd like!



**Special birthday wishes to the following members who are 70+ years young!!**

- Elmer Geiger (11/02)
- Barry Falk (11/03)
- Dennis Tiedt (11/04)
- Bill Schwab (11/05)
- Bud Knaack (11/06)
- Vern Wichman (11/07)
- Sandie Koenig (11/08)
- Bob Gehring (11/16)
- Ken Uhlenbrauck (11/19)
- John Borree (11/22)
- Elaine Krueger (11/24)
- Betty Runge (11/25)



## Community Cookie Decorating Event

Held at the downtown campus The CORE - gives you, the members of 922 ministries, an opportunity to grow your roots and extend an invitation out to

the community to join us in a holiday tradition. The community will gather at The CORE to share the joys of decorating Christmas cookies with their families and listening to the joyous sounds of the season. Please mark your calendar for December 8<sup>th</sup> and extend an invitation out to family, friends, and neighbors as we show the community the love of Jesus through our actions. This would not be possible without the help of volunteers; if you would like to help with this event please contact us at [contact@communitycookiedecorating.org](mailto:contact@communitycookiedecorating.org) Additional information can be located at [www.communitycookiedecorating.org](http://www.communitycookiedecorating.org).

Many blessings as we head into the holiday season.



WISCONSIN LUTHERAN CHILD & FAMILY SERVICE, INC.

## Workplace Giving Campaign

Did you know you may be able to help grow the ministries of Wisconsin Lutheran Child & Family Service through your workplace?

Many communities and corporations have a donor choice program in which you may designate a qualified 501(c)(3) agency to receive your donation.

Every year, WLCFS heals & helps thousands of people in need through the ministry of Jesus Christ through Christian counseling, in-home care, and senior services.

If you have questions about your participation in such a program, check your employer's guidelines, or call Jeff at WLCFS at 888-685-9522 or email [info@wlcfs.org](mailto:info@wlcfs.org) for more information.



## IRA Charitable Distribution

As of 2016 anybody 70.5 years or older has a new option for making gifts to the Lord's work at church, a local WELS-affiliated ministry, and/or a WELS area of ministry: your IRA!

Typically, IRA distributions are taxable, but, as of 2016, Congress made permanent the opportunity known as the IRA qualified charitable distribution where direct transfers from an IRA to charity are free from federal and potentially state income tax for anyone 70.5 or older. Consider directing IRA distributions to WELS to save on taxes, then using the cash you would have given for other needs.

Under the new law you and your spouse, assuming he or she is 70.5 years or older and has an IRA, may each make direct transfers of up to \$100,000 per year to charity. Rather than being treated as taxable income, direct transfers to charity are wholly excluded for federal income tax purposes. These transfers do not generate a charitable deduction, but the relief from tax impact is often more advantageous. Consult your tax or financial advisor to determine the most appropriate gift assets for your situation.

Contact the investment firm that handles your IRA to request a direct transfer of IRA assets to a particular WELS ministry. To ensure that your IRA transfer is not taxable, the check must be made payable to the charity, not to you personally.

You can give to multiple WELS designations by directing your transfer to WELS Foundation. WELS Foundation will distribute funds to the ministries per your instructions and provide you with the proper acknowledgement.

If interested, talk to your financial planners and your local WELS Christian giving counselor to learn more.



## Thanksgiving Services

Wednesday, 11/21 @ 6:30 pm

Thursday, 11/22 @ 9:00 am

(Note: No service in the evening)



### Bargain Garden Milestone

The Bargain Garden Thrift Shop is excited to announce it has reached ONE MILLION DOLLARS in donations to FVL. Federation members, we could not have done it without you—volunteers from your congregations, donations of clean and gently used items, and shopping to bring home bargains for yourself and your family—all of which support FVL’s ministry. Whatever your contribution, we and FVL thank you. To God be the glory—great things He has done!



### Missing your lawn chairs?

We still have a few chairs that were left here after our picnic in August. They have been placed in the church coat room. Please pick them up as soon as possible.

### SCRIP Hours

7:30-8:15 am & 3:00-3:30 pm

Monday and Fridays in the church/school office.

Sundays in the Gathering Area in church from

8:30-9:00 am and 10:00-10:30 am.

**Note:** No SCRIP will be sold on Friday, 11/23.

### MEDITATIONS & FORWARD IN CHRIST

The latest editions of “Meditations” & “Forward in Christ” are available for you at the Welcome Center.

These are great personal resources for spiritual growth, containing devotional content and practical advice for Christian living.



The following are some especially needed items for November: Hamburger helpers, tomato and chunky soups, canned fruits, all canned meats, cookies, all crackers, jams/jellies, spaghetti sauce, cake/brownie mixes and frostings, rice and rice side dishes, shampoos and conditioners. They are also collecting baby items like diapers and wipes for The Hope Center.

*Please no expired or perishable items.*

The donations made in November will be distributed for Christmas. **The collection will be on Sunday, November 11, 2018**, one week early due to the Thanksgiving holiday. Please bring your pantry items to the church kitchen. Monetary donations can be placed in the donation box on the counter in the church kitchen the first Sunday of each month.

Please make your checks out to:

*Apple Valley Food Pantry.*



Check out St. Peter's YouTube channel! The sermon is posted there each week, as are some other videos you may be interested in. To get to the St. Peter channel, go to [922church.com](http://922church.com), click "St. Peter Church" then "About." Look in the right column for the link to our YouTube channel. While you're there, be sure to subscribe!

### Request for New College or Military Addresses

If your child has entered college or the military and has a change of address, we would appreciate this information so we can keep in touch with them.

Please send this information to:

[gloria.plamann@922ministries.com](mailto:gloria.plamann@922ministries.com) or

call the office at 739-2009.

**FUEL - Resilience and Recovery from Trauma**  
November 14<sup>th</sup> @ 6:30 – 8:00 pm

Dr Brandon Hayes from Christian Family Solutions will talk about Divorce. Chronic pain. Trauma. Loss. Bullying. Cancer. These are just a few of the many challenges Christians face living in a sinful world. Scripture tells us that in all things God promises to work for the good of those who love him. However, it can be so difficult for a Christian to trust this promise when it seems like everything in their life is falling apart. We will discuss the role our thoughts and expectations play in helping us prepare for the inevitable challenges of life in a sinful world (i.e., resiliency). In addition, we will review what psychology and Scripture has to say about recovery from trauma and PTSD.

Dr. Hayes joined Christian Family Solutions in 2006. He received his PhD in Clinical Psychology from UW-Milwaukee and completed his undergraduate degree in Psychology at UW-Green Bay. Prior to joining Christian Family Solutions, Dr. Hayes completed an internship at the Minneapolis Veterans Affairs Medical Center, specializing in treating clients with addictions and post-traumatic stress disorder.

In addition to his clinical work, Dr. Hayes has also served as an adjunct instructor at UW-Milwaukee and Wisconsin Lutheran College. His research on the factors influencing alcohol consumption among college students has been presented regionally and nationally. He is a member of the American Psychological Association.



**Organization of WELS Seniors (OWLS)**

On Tuesday, November 13<sup>th</sup>, at 1:00 pm all seniors are welcome to attend the local chapter gathering hosted by St. Paul Lutheran Church, 302 N. Morrison St. in Appleton.

We will have an opportunity to learn more about WELS work among the Sudanese. Pastor Michael Ewart will present the topic, *Outreach to the Sudanese: Hope for the Afflicted*. In Psalm 9:18, we are reminded, *"But the needy will not always be forgotten nor the hope of the afflicted parish."*

At the business meeting, elections will be held for vice president and secretary. You may also pay your dues for the year 2019. Refreshments and fellowship will conclude the afternoon.



*"There's a Prayer for That..."* is a collection of over 450 prayers for the people and situations in your life. Whether you are thinking about your family and friends, your future, or your faith, this book will guide you in prayer. No matter what life brings, there's a prayer for that – and there's a loving Father who wants you to talk to him. Look for this book to be sold at St. Peter soon!



**Available for sale in the office!**  
St. Peter 150<sup>th</sup> mug or coaster \$5 each.  
These would make a great gift!

**Who can utilize it:** Families with young children who are the ages (6 months - 3 years)

**When:** Sundays during 9:00 am Church service

**Where:** Designated Nursery Area in the 3/4K Preschool Room

Please Contact Jessica De Deker if you are interested in signing up to help staff the Nursery or with any questions @ 920-470-1047 or [jgant@new.rr.com](mailto:jgant@new.rr.com).



### Military Family Support Group

The Military Support Team will once again honor our veterans on Thursday and Sunday Nov 11th. There will be a brief announcement acknowledging them at the end of the service. A display table will highlight how our Veterans have served our country. We would encourage our veterans to present that Sunday. We give thanks to God for their service.

Members of the Military Support Team board are: Dr. Michael Black, Michael Wichman. Susan Hatcher, Dusty Wenninger, Kari Dombrowski and Bill and Barb Schwab. If interested in this group or have any questions, please contact Dr. Michael Black at [mblack0694@yahoo.com](mailto:mblack0694@yahoo.com) or (920) 257-8082.

*"Do not be terrified, do not be discouraged, for the LORD your God will be with you where ever you go." (Joshua 1:9)*



**FVL's annual Veterans Day Breakfast & Service** will be held on Monday, November 12. Breakfast will start in the commons at 8:00 am, followed by a service in the auditorium at 9:00 am.

This event is open to all Federation veterans and their family members as well as any other veterans you wish to invite as guests. **Please RSVP by Tuesday, November 6.** Online registration is available at [fvlhs.org](http://fvlhs.org).



November 4<sup>th</sup>



### Card Making Ministry

Join the fun in making greeting cards for our homebound members, those in the hospital, new babies, etc. This group meets every second Monday of the month in the 1910 Centre (the old building located across the street from the new church). Everything is supplied! Just bring yourself. The next get-together will be Monday, November 12<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm. Questions? Call Luella Kietz at (920) 731-1650.



### Ladies Quilting Ministry

The St. Peter Quilting ministry is one that touches many people. Every new baby that becomes a part of our church family receives a quilt, as do members and friends who are homebound, in the hospital or facing treatments for cancer and other illnesses. You don't have to know how to sew, you can be taught different things that can help. This group meets each Thursday at 9 am in the room upstairs in the 1910 Centre (historic school building across from the church). If you're interested in helping the quilting ministry in any way, please contact Karen Peters at 739-2924.



- Gregg Mattek (President)
- Doug Dahm (Vice President)
- Brian Hoppe (Secretary)
- Craig Schultz (Treasurer)
- Craig Vosters (Maintenance)
- Joel Weeks (Evangelism)
- Gaetan Philippon (School Board)
- Dave Flunker (Elders)

*Please note that we invite people to speak with any of these men listed above if you have any questions at any time.*

# Grateful to God



With so much energy and focus having gone into the celebration of our 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary and the first 5K glow run, it's certainly gratifying to look back at how God blessed the entire weekend. Not that anyone should be surprised as we worship the God of love and endless blessings. How else could we explain or understand how God inspired so many great people to step up and volunteer and help out in so many ways to make that first weekend in October so successful and such a blessing to not only our church family but to the greater community as well.

We had more than 300 people sign up to run in the 5K glow run and many more than that turned out to enjoy the night. We deeply appreciate everyone who supported the event in any way. With the great work of Robin Bromm who led the way and was assisted by Jarrod Pfarr, Jodi Ninmann and Kim Novotny and others for the Ready, Set, Glow 5K Glow Run, we will be making sizable monetary contributions to two community organizations that do outstanding work for the less fortunate in our area – LEAVEN and Pillars, Inc. (Pillars is a new organization that was formed when Homeless Connections merged with two other community support organizations.) (As of this writing not all the bills are in so we will report the actual numbers next month.) In my interactions with the Town of Freedom with getting all the proper permits and figuring out how to handle the road closures and traffic issues, people in Freedom were surprised and impressed that 100% of the proceeds from our 5K were going entirely to charity. In conjunction with our 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, it would've been a great opportunity for any kind of fundraiser for St. Peter, yet I am so gratified that the organizers felt that doing something to benefit others outside of our church family was the right way to go.

Sherry Krautkramer also did an outstanding job of chronicling St. Peter's 150 year history. The entire ministry center was decked out from one end to the other with a timeline of critical events and pictures from our past. There were pictures of all the confirmation classes, of most if not all of the pastors and teachers who served here and various artifacts from over that century and a half as well. Hundreds of people took advantage of those displays to check out our history and renew memories of times gone by. We deeply appreciate the efforts of Sherry and all who helped her with creating a mini-museum and for bringing back so much of our rich history.

We shouldn't be surprised when God blesses us, but that shouldn't make us complacent in honoring him. We thank God for all the many ways that he has blessed us throughout our 150 years. One of those greatest blessings is the servants that he has placed here in the wonderful faith family that we now know as 922 Ministries, St. Peter Lutheran Church/School and The CORE. We give heartfelt thanks and appreciation to Pastor Ron Ash as well for coming back to help spread the Gospel message during the anniversary celebrations.

Just a reminder that the current awesome blessing and opportunity to have gifts and donations for mortgage reduction is for a limited time only. In this newsletter is an envelope you may use for this gift. Please put your name or envelope number on the envelope if you would like to be credited for this on your year-end statement. All money given to this initiative will be matched at a rate of 150% only during the months of October and November. Again we ask that any donations that are made will be "over and above" your regular giving, so that we can continue to fund our overall ministry plan. Thank you to all who are taking advantage of this great blessing.

God's blessings, now and always,

*Tom Dietzler, Director of Operations*







## Youth and Family Ministry

NOVEMBER 2018



Picture a Bible in your hand. Of course, the Bible stands for Jesus and his saving work. That's ultimately why it was written and what it proclaims. The hand, let's say it stands for your faith in Jesus and all of God's promises which alone come through him. Now, let's say the hand is holding to the Bible with just two fingers. We'd all agree that two fingers alone can hardly provide a strong grip. Still, isn't that grip of faith enough to be considered saving faith? Of course, which reminds us that saving faith isn't saving because of the strength of the grip but because of the object held onto – Christ. Still, we

would all agree that it would be very easy to knock the Bible out of one's hand who only has a two-finger grip. Now picture that same hand holding the Bible with all its might - with the whole hand. That's a better grip, no doubt. And it too is a saving grip, saving faith, that is, not because of the hand's strength but, again, because of what is being held – Christ. Imagine how secure that gift of salvation would be resting in the grip of faith if both hands held tight to it and in a bear hug to the chest, no less! Such a grip on the promises of Christ and God's Word is not readily or easily broken. With such a grip, not even death could tear the gift of salvation away. We would be right to say that such strong faith – available to every Christian – came because it grew in God's Word and continued to grip the Word stronger and stronger the more it connected to the Word and was proven all around, especially by the strongest of influences in a Christian's life. Question is, what kind of faith do you want for yourself and for your children? The answer is obvious. We want the strongest grip of faith possible on Christ.

Did you know that, when it comes to children, God so designed fathers and mothers to be their greatest influence so that a child's faith may turn into the strongest grip it can be, if parents are intentional and faithful in their calling – over every pastor, staff minister, called teacher or lay leader? It's true. By the regular daily sharing of God's Word from a father and mother to their child(ren) and through their daily actions of living out the Word – fathers and mothers are the greatest influences spiritually for a child, especially fathers – a child's faith will become unwavering 7 times out of 10. That stat is, by far, the greatest rate of retention we have ever uncovered for youth regarding faith, some 40-60% greater than any public minister could accomplish on their own in simply teaching the Word. How vital it is for parents, especially fathers – or whomever is the spiritual head of the household in a father's absence – regarding to the faith formation of a child. Due to this biblical finding, St. Peter and the CORE has created the Lead Me Father Project. It's a program that is geared toward encouraging and equipping fathers or any head of household on how to grow in their understanding of the Word, daily use of it, and how to share that Word with their children, fulfilling the primary discipler role for their kids which God designed fathers and mothers to do. For more information about this program, reach out to Pastor Bill at [pastorbill@922ministies.com](mailto:pastorbill@922ministies.com). And may God bless the partnership between churches and families, so that all our children might have the strongest faith possible, never losing their grip of Jesus.

*Pastor Bill Monday*  
Pastor of Family and Outreach

An exciting new opportunity for our high school students kicked off on Wednesday, October 10th. Wednesday nights from 7:00-8:00 pm are now high school youth group nights! We had about 30 teens join on the first night which launched with an ice cream sundae bar. The goal of this evening is to be an opportunity for teens to enjoy Christian fellowship, games and fun. Every Wednesday there will be opportunities for open gym and board games, but some Wednesdays will also feature other planned activities. Stay tuned for a schedule to be released of upcoming Wednesday night activities. Until then, any teens are welcome to join in on the fun every Wednesday from 7:00-8:00 pm in the school commons and gym. I hope to see you Wednesday!

*Zach Flunker*  
Youth & Volunteer Coordinator





St. Peter Lutheran School



SCHOOL NEWS  
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**Early Childhood Ministry Center Enrollment for the 2019-2020 School Year**

Your St. Peter Lutheran Early Childhood Ministry Center is excited to begin the enrollment process for the 2019-2020 school year. Below is a guide on the enrollment process. Children enrolling in our Early Childhood Ministry Program must be 3 years old or 4 years old by September 1.

**Step 1:** On November 27, 2018 **Early Enrollment Information** for the 2019 summer care program and for the 2019-2020 academic school year will be mailed to all current early childhood ministry families, St. Peter/Core families that would have a child eligible to use our early childhood ministry, and families on our waiting list. On Tuesday, November 27, parents can complete an on-line application on our school website at 922church.com.

**Step 2:** Families that received **Early Enrollment Information** should bring their 2019-2020 ECM tuition form to the school office on December 11, 12 or 13. We will have extra staff on hand for ECM parents from 7:00 to 8:15 a.m. and 3:00 to 5:30 p.m. on these days.

**Step 3:** On **Tuesday, January 8, 2019 Enrollment Information** for the 2019 summer care program and for the 2019-2020 academic school year will be shared with families in our community.

**Step 4:** After **January 9, 2019** St. Peter Lutheran Early Childhood Ministry Center will accept enrollment forms until the Early Childhood Ministry Center is serving 60 children. Families that submit their enrollment form after 60 children are enrolled will be placed on a waiting list.

Families that would like to schedule a tour of our Early Childhood Ministry Center should contact Anna Ungemach, our ECM director, or Phil Punzel, our principal, at 920-739-2009.



Special thanks to those who purchased pizzas for our school's fall fundraiser. Proceeds from this sale are used to pay for library books, transportation for field trips, chrome books, and much more. Your support is truly appreciated.

Congratulations to our both our A-team Soccer and Volleyball teams for winning the League Championship. Way to Go Comets!!!

May God Bless Your Thanksgiving Celebration!

*Phil Punzel, Principal*





# St. Peter Lutheran Church Bible Class Schedule



## OPPORTUNITIES FOR SPIRITUAL GROWTH

WHEN	WHAT	WHERE	MORE INFO
<b>Sunday Morning</b> <b>9:00 am</b>  <b>The Art of Dying</b>  <b>11/18 – 12/23/18</b>	<b>End of Life Issues</b>	<b>St. Peter</b> <b>Ministry Center</b>	<p>We will all experience the loss of a loved one, if we have not already. Modern medicine can make end of life issues even more complex. This Bible study examines death from the point of Scripture and psychology. The author, Prof John Schuetze, examines such things as: Understanding the Dying, Preparing for Death, Euthanasia, Quality of Life, Preserving Life or Prolonging Death. This Bible study is sure to be a blessing to any Christian navigating end of life issues.</p>
<b>30 Min Sunday Morning</b>  <b>Book of Daniel</b>  <b>10:15 am</b> <b>11/18 – 12/23/18</b>	<b>Politics - Religion</b>	<b>St. Peter</b> <b>Ministry Center</b>	<p>Can politics and religion coexist? In the book of Daniel, we see both. See how Daniel not only survives, but thrives in the Babylonian government. Learn how it can help you in your discussions today about politics and religion.</p>
<b>Tuesday's at 6:30 pm</b>  <b>9/11/18 – 12/11/18</b>  This Bible study does require preparation for class. Cost is \$15.00 for materials. Questions? Email Pastor Jim pastorjim@922ministries.com.	<b>Intensive Bible Study</b>  <b>The Life of Christ</b>	<b>St. Peter</b> <b>Ministry Center</b>	<p>Have you ever followed the life of Christ chronologically from birth to ascension? This course offers just that. We'll tackle reading all four Gospels, Matthew, Mark, Luke and John. We'll explore the three main geographic areas of Jesus' ministry - Judean, Galilean and Perea. We'll examine the political climate Jesus navigated under the rule of the Romans, Herods and Jewish Sanhedrin. Finally, we'll see why Jesus' teachings differed so radically from the Judaism of his day. This study promises to give you a greater understanding of your Savior and God's plan of salvation for you.</p>

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2 Peter 3:18*



# St. Peter Lutheran Church Bible Class Schedule



## OPPORTUNITIES FOR SPIRITUAL GROWTH

WHEN	WHAT	WHERE	MORE INFO
<p><b>Early Bird Class</b></p> <p>Wednesdays starting October 24<sup>th</sup></p> <p>6:30-7:30 am</p>	<p><b>The Letters of John: "Light and Love"</b></p>	<p><b>St. Peter Ministry Center</b></p>	<p>In a world of darkness where the love of most has grown cold, Jesus calls his followers to live in the light of his truth and to love others as he loved us.</p>
<p><b>FUEL</b></p> <p>November 14<sup>th</sup> 6:30 - 8:00 pm</p>	<p><b>Resilience and Recovery from Trauma</b></p>	<p><b>St. Peter Ministry Center</b></p>	<p>Dr. Brandon Hayes from Christian Family Solutions will talk about Divorce. Chronic Pain. Trauma. Loss. Bullying. Cancer. These are just a few of the many challenges Christians face living in a sinful world. We will discuss the role our thoughts and expectations play in helping us prepare for the inevitable challenges of life in a sinful world. (i.e. resiliency). In addition, we will review what psychology and Scripture has to say about recovery from trauma and PTSD.</p>
<p><b>Women's Bible Study</b> Tuesday Mornings (every other week)</p> <p>9:00 – 10:30 am</p> <p>09/11/18 – May 2019 with a break Mid-Dec. – Mid-Jan.</p>	<p><b>Next Door Savior</b> by Max Lucado</p>	<p><b>St. Peter Heritage Room</b></p>	<p>Do you tend to call a relative or friend for issues in your life? You have a Savior who cares even more, listens 24/7, and He's closer than you think. Join us as we discuss what Jesus has to say about everyday life.</p> <p>Contact Bev Wichman with any questions at 733-1073 or bev_don@att.net</p>
<p><b>Saturday Morning</b> 7:30 am 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of each month</p>	<p><b>Men's Bible Study</b></p>	<p><b>Machine Shed Restaurant on Fox River Drive in Appleton</b></p>	<p>All men are invited to enjoy some food for the body and soul! No cost except for your breakfast. No sign up, just show up!</p>

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## The CORE Newsletter - November 2018

### **Tic Tac Toe - Hello!**

Results from first-time guest follow-up surveys reveal these two big takeaways:

1. Guests are likely to return when people at church are friendly, happy and helpful. And if a guest has a real conversation with someone, they'll come back almost every time. However...
2. Guests hate the mandatory, formal "stand up and greet someone nearby" ritual at the start of church. It's awkward, uncomfortable, somewhat fake, and ultimately reduces the likelihood that a guest will return.

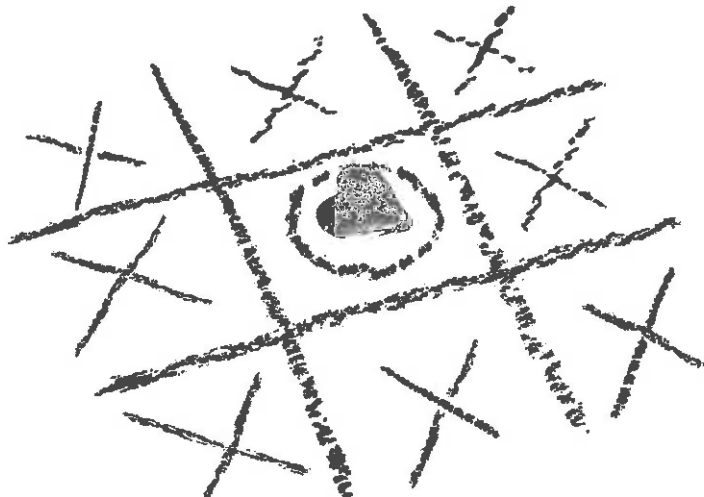
How can we make our 922 campuses more friendly and welcoming to guests? How can we accomplish #1 without resorting to #2? Our solution: Tic-Tac-Toe Hello. We are asking every member to intentionally (but casually) greet those nearest to them. Imagine a tic-tac-toe board, and you are sitting in the center square. Your goal is to greet everyone in the "squares" immediately surrounding you. Right when you sit down (or right when someone else sits by you), smile and greet those in your tic-tac-toe area. If it turns into a conversation, great! If it's a smile and a little wave, that's great too! Try to do this before church. Try to do it again as soon as church is over.

While this seems like a small, almost silly thing to do, it completely transforms the environment of church making it warm and inviting. And that's the kind of place a guest wants to visit again. And when a guest keeps coming back, they keep hearing about God's love for us in Christ. And we know that this good news is powerful and creates faith. And the result of this faith is that a person is connected to God through Christ now and forever. So it is not exaggerating to say that your greeting truly can change a person's eternal future!

We're looking for 100% of our members to embrace the "Tic-Tac-Toe Hello!" initiative. Would you do it starting this Sunday and continue to do it forever more? To help us remember, greeters will have the tic-tac-toe board on their name tags. You may see that same symbol on a slide before church or on a sign in the lobby. It will be a subtle reminder to every member to "tic-tac-toe hello."

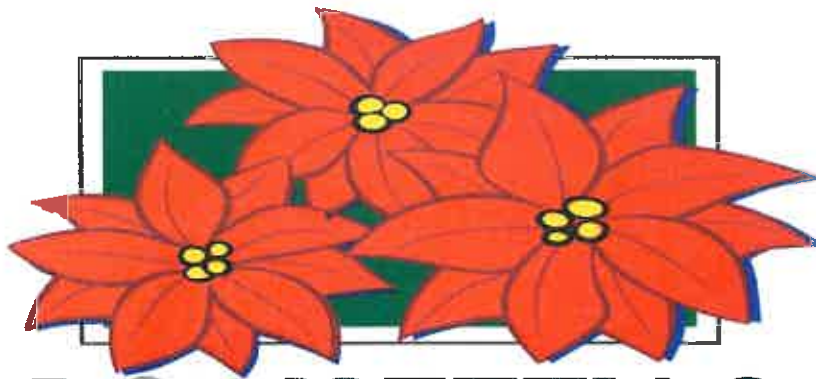
A suggested prayer just before entering church:

"Heavenly Father, my sin should make me a stranger to you, but instead you love me and gave your Son on the cross for me. Today, I'll see some strangers. Move my heart to love them like you loved me. Make me bold to offer a warm, genuine, friendly greeting to everyone near me today so your love will be evident to everyone in church. In Jesus' name. Amen."



# St. Peter Lutheran Church November 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>4</b> Worship – 7:30; 9:00 & 10:30 am Bible Discovery – 9 am Bible Classes – 9 & 10:15am Starting Point Bible Class – 10:15 am CORE – 5:30 pm	<b>5</b> Board of Ed Mtg. – 6 pm One Team Mtg. – 6:30 pm	<b>6</b> Pastor's Conf. - 8:30 am Bible Class w/Bev – 9 am Life of Christ Bible Class - 6:30 pm	<b>7</b> Bible Class – 6:30 am Bible Foundations – 5 pm Conf. Class Gr. 7 – 6 pm Conf. Class Gr. 8 – 7 pm Christian Recovery – 6:30 pm @ CORE H.S. Youth Group – 7 pm	<b>1</b> Children's Chapel – 8:30 am Quilting – 9 am Worship – 6:30 pm	<b>2</b> Wedding Rehearsal – 2:30 pm	<b>3</b> Theisen/DeJong Wedding – 2 pm
<b>11</b> Worship w/Lord's Supper – 7:30; 9 & 10:30 am Bible Discovery – 9 am Bible Classes – 9 & 10:15am Starting Point Bible Class – 10:15 am CORE – 5:30 pm	<b>12</b> Card Making – 6 pm (1910 Centre)	<b>13</b> Life of Christ Bible Class – 6:30 pm	<b>14</b> Bible Class – 6:30 am Bible Foundations – 5 pm Conf. Class Gr. 7 – 6 pm FUEL – 6:30 pm Conf. Class Gr. 8 – 7 pm Christian Recovery – 6:30 pm @ CORE H.S. Youth Group – 7 pm	<b>15</b> Children's Chapel – 8:30 am Quilting – 9 am Worship – 6:30 pm	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b> Men's Bible Study @ Machine Shed-7:30 am Pizza Pick Up – 10 – 11:30 am (Commons/Gym)
<b>18</b> Worship – 7:30; 9:00 & 10:30 am Bible Discovery – 9 am Bible Classes – 9 & 10:15am Starting Point Bible Class – 10:15 am CORE – 5:30 pm	<b>19</b> Church Council – 6:30 pm	<b>20</b> Bible Class w/Bev – 9 am Life of Christ Bible Class – 6:30 pm	<b>21</b> Bible Class – 6:30 am Country Villa – 10:30am Worship – 6:30 pm NO SCHOOL 3K thru 8th Grade	<b>22</b> Worship – 9 am Happy Thanksgiving!	<b>23</b> NO SCHOOL 3K thru 8th Grade	<b>24</b>
<b>25</b> Worship w/Lord's Supper – 7:30; 9 & 10:30am Bible Discovery – 9 am Bible Classes – 9 & 10:15am CORE – 5:30 pm	<b>26</b> Brewster Village – 9:45 am	<b>27</b> Life of Christ Bible Class – 6:30 pm	<b>28</b> Bible Class – 6:30 am Bible Foundations – 5 pm Conf. Class Gr. 7 – 6 pm Conf. Class Gr. 8 – 7 pm Christian Recovery – 6:30 pm @ CORE H.S. Youth Group – 7 pm	<b>29</b> Children's Chapel – 8:30 am Quilting – 9 am Worship – 6:30 pm	<b>30</b>	



# POINSETTIAS

Everyone will have the opportunity to purchase Poinsettias to decorate our worship area for the Christmas season in honor or memory of someone. This will be acknowledged in one of the church services during Christmas.

The cost will be \$20 per poinsettia plant and St. Peter will purchase all of the plants.

All orders should be put in the box at the Welcome Center desk or to the St. Peter office by **November 26<sup>th</sup>**.

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**Name** \_\_\_\_\_

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