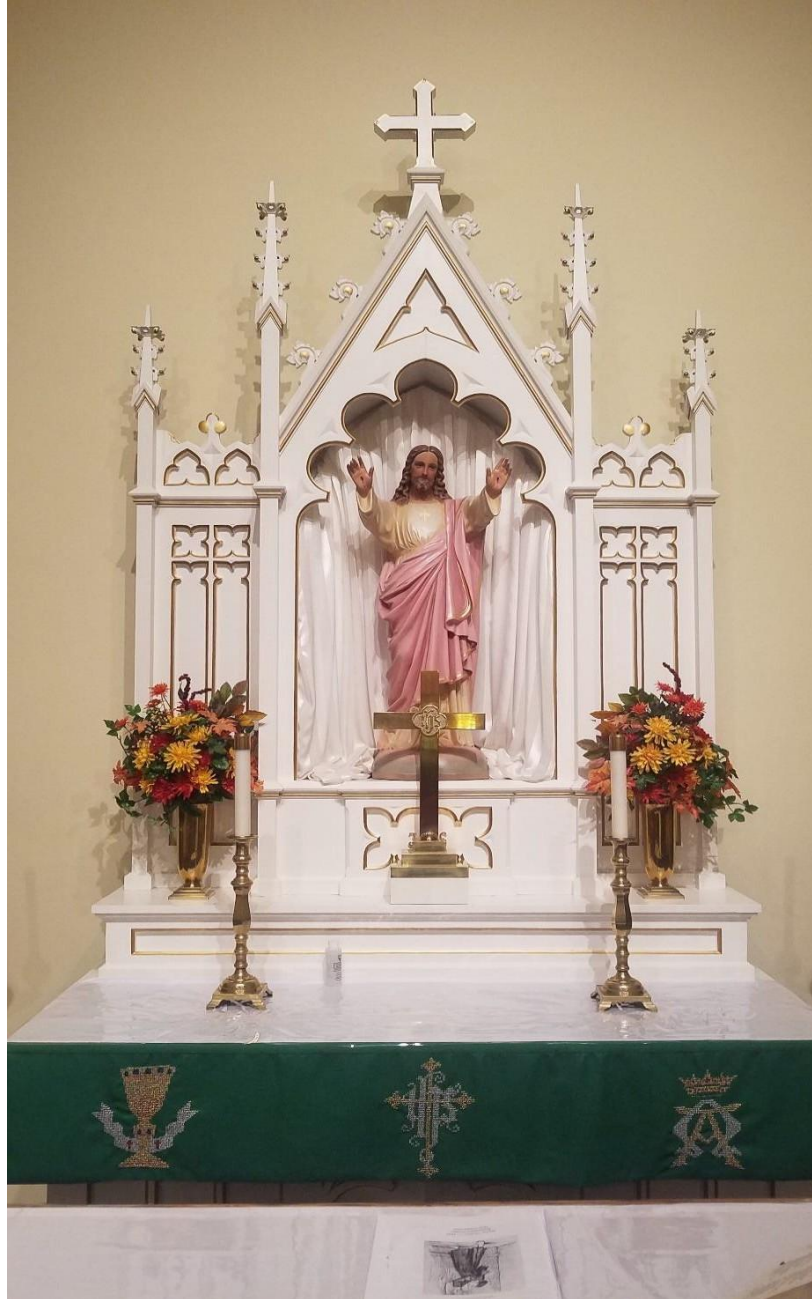


ST. PETER EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH



MONTHLY MESSENGER
SEPTEMBER EDITION



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309-229-4963

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309-231-4825

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309-369-2670

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(Council Treasurer)

309-657-3802

Ed Fischer (Trustee)

309-657-3753

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309-253-1001

If you have a prayer request, please contact our Church Council President:

Alice Diver @ 309-231-4825

or you may email her at:

alicediver2015@gmail.com

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309-696-0375

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Text & Email are preferred

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FOR WEATHER RELATED CLOSURES OF ST. PETER AND ACTIVITIES, PLEASE LOOK TO OUR FACEBOOK PAGE AND WEBSITE!

Please watch St. Peter Facebook page: St. Peter Lutheran Church ("Like" our page!)

Our website: www.stpeterlutheranchurch.net, and your emails for any updates on activities during the Covid-19 Pandemic as things change rapidly and often.

If you would like to add something to the monthly messenger or weekly bulletin, please call or text our church Secretary Aletta at:

309-620-3731

or you may email me at:

stpetersecretary@yahoo.com

Weekly bulletin notice deadline is:

Wednesdays by 9am

Monthly Messenger deadline is:

The 21st of the month

PASTOR'S NOTES

CONFIRMATION CLASS SYLLABUS

DATE: 2025 SEPTEMBER–DECEMBER

SUNDAY CLASS DATES

SEPTEMBER

INTRODUCTION

14: TO CLASS AND TO CURRICULUM MATERIALS

21: TO LUTHER'S SMALL CATECHISM

28: TO THE CHRISTIAN CREEDS AND THE PERSON OF JESUS

OCTOBER

*SECTION ONE

THE TEN COMMANDMENTS

05: INTRODUCTION AND THE FIRST COMMANDMENT

12: THE SECOND AND THIRD COMMANDMENTS

19: THE FOURTH AND FIFTH COMMANDMENTS

26: THE SIXTH AND SEVENTH COMMANDMENTS

NOVEMBER

02: THE EIGHTH–TENTH COMMANDMENTS

09: THE CLOSE OF THE COMMANDMENTS AND SUMMARY 1

SECTION TWO

THE CREED

16: THE FIRST ARTICLE [PARTS 1&2A]

23: THE FIRST ARTICLE [PARTS 2B&3]

30: THE SECOND ARTICLE [PARTS 1&2A]

DECEMBER

07: THE SECOND ARTICLE [PARTS 2B&3]

14: THE THIRD ARTICLE [PARTS 1&2A]

21: THE THIRD ARTICLE [PARTS 2B&3]

28: NO CLASS

Pastor Ray's phone number

309-229-4963

Cathy's phone number

309-229-1635

Starting September 7, services will go back to 10:00 a.m. Outside services will be held on the 2nd Sunday September.

CONFIRMATION [AFFIRMATION OF BAPTISM]

DEFINITION: A RITE OF PASSAGE WHICH IS MARKED BY ONE'S PUBLIC AFFIRMATION OF FAITH AND COMMITMENT TO LIVING AS A CHRISTIAN. A PROCESS OF PREPARATION FOR YOUNG PEOPLE TO IDENTIFY MORE DEEPLY WITH THE CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY AND ITS MISSION. THIS INVOLVES LEARNING ABOUT THE CHRISTIAN FAITH, INCLUDING THE BIBLE, CREEDS, AND LUTHERAN TEACHINGS, AND ACTIVELY PARTICIPATING IN THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH.

—EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH IN AMERICA—

STUDENT NOTES

- ATTENDANCE IS EXPECTED AT EACH CLASS. PLEASE CONTACT PASTOR RAY VIA TEXT IN THE EVENT OF ILLNESS PER CLASS OR REASON FOR ABSENCE. THIS IS IN ORDER THAT CLASS ASSIGNMENTS CAN BE COMMUNICATED...PREVENTING THE STUDENT FROM FALLING BEHIND IN THEIR CLASS.
- CLASS TEXTBOOKS WILL BE PROVIDED FOR EACH STUDENT. THE RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE CARE AND BRINGING TO CLASS OF THESE TEXTBOOKS LIES WITH EACH STUDENT.
- STUDENTS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR BRINGING THEIR WRITING INSTRUMENTS [PENS/PENCILS/LAPTOPS] AND NOTEBOOKS TO EVERY CLASS.
- I MAINTAIN A HIGH DEGREE OF RESPECT AND VALUE FOR EACH OF MY STUDENTS AND WILL GO OUT OF MY WAY TO HELP A STUDENT IN ANY WAY THAT I CAN. RESPECT GOES BOTH WAYS!
- HOMEWORK ASSIGNED WILL REQUIRE SOME READING, ANSWERING QUESTIONS AND A SMALL AMOUNT OF MEMORIZATION.
- I ASK FOR THE HELP AND SUPPORT OF EACH PARENT ALONG THIS CONFIRMATION INSTRUCTION JOURNEY WITH THEIR DAUGHTER/SON.

THANK YOU,
PASTOR RAY [309.229.4963]

COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

August 13, 2025

Submitted by: Lynne Huey Church Council Secretary

Meeting was called to order at 6:05 by Council President, Alice Diver.

- **In Attendance:** Alice Diver, Brad Bolton, Trish Deppermann, Ed Fischer, Lynne Huey, and Joan Scott.
- Motion was made, seconded, and carried accepting the July 9, 2025, meeting minutes.
- Motion was made, seconded, and carried accepting the August Building Maintenance Report.

Committee Reports:

- **Memorials** – Brad is continuing to contact families on the memorial list.
- **WELCA** is sponsoring a Ladies Night Out Dinner at Gil's Supper Club on August 19 at 5:30.
- Motion was made, seconded and carried to approve the committee reports.

Old Business:

- Russ is continuing to work on the new keys.
- Starting in September Pastor Barclay will begin to offer first year Confirmation Classes.
- Ed is researching different types of handrails for the west side of electronic door.
- Ed is researching heating and air conditioning options for the secretary's office.
- Blacktop patchwork is done.
- The issue of GFL's use of church parking lot has been resolved.
- Cemetery committee is continuing to work on removing the chain link cemetery fence.
- The church parsonage is now vacant. Pat Geltmaker has moved to her new home.

New Business:

- Ed will contact blacktop company about repairing some ongoing problems.
- Tower windows need to be patched and painted.
- An outdoor service will be held on Sunday, September 14 at 10:00 a.m.
- Tomi Sewell has volunteered to stain and refurbish the St. Peter Church signs that are located throughout the area.
- Alice will contact Johnson Company about some issues with the top convection oven.
- Fabric tubs will be moved to the high school room in the basement for storage.
- Parsonage will be cleaned once a month.
- Water heater in parsonage will be turned off.
- Council discussed saving some of the church artifacts from parsonage.

Other Business:

- Alice will write a thank you note to Tomi Sewell for her work on the church signs.
- Alice will write a thank you note to Pat Geltmaker for her efforts in taking such good care of the church parsonage.
- Alice noticed some standing water outside of church that will be looked at.

Next Council Meeting will be Wednesday, September 10 at 6 p.m.

Meeting was adjourned and closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Monthly Messenger Report 2025				July
Regular Checking				
	Beginning Balance			\$82,668.95
	Income			\$9,539.80
	Expenses			\$4,990.09
	Ending Balance			\$87,218.66
Social Ministry				
	Beginning Balance			\$324.13
	Income			\$0.00
	Expenses			\$0.00
	Ending Balance			\$324.13
Regular Savings				
	Beginning Balance			\$14,604.44
	Income			\$0.00
	Expenses			\$0.00
	Ending Balance			\$14,604.44
Cking & Svgs Trans - Morton Comm CD				
	10/16/24 Opening Balance			\$175,000.00
	Income			\$3,142.65
	Ending Balance			\$178,142.65
			Matures on 10/16/25	
Education Fund				
	Beginning Balance			\$4,667.25
	Income			\$0.00
	Expenses			\$0.00
	Ending Balance			\$4,667.25
Local Benevolence				
	Beginning Balance			\$2,548.58
	Income			\$163.39
	Expenses			\$0.00
	Ending Balance			\$2,711.97
LP & Insurance				
	Beginning Balance			\$1,109.52
	Income			\$950.00
	Expenses			\$0.00
	Ending Balance			\$2,059.52
LP & Insurance Busey CD				
	Renewed on 7/15/25			\$32,236.95
	Income			\$743.33
	Expenses			\$0.00
	Ending Balance			\$32,980.28
			Matures on 2/15/26	
Special Project Fund				
	Beginning Balance			\$10,265.63
	Income			\$0.00
	Expenses			\$0.00
	Ending Balance			\$10,265.63
Wilma Sutton Inheritance Busey CD				
Renewed on 4/17/24				\$15,692.18
	Interest			\$364.78
	Withdrawal			\$0.00
	Ending Balance			\$16,056.96
			Maturing on 1/17/26	
Auto Owners Annuity (Sutton)				
	5/18/23 Beginning Balance			\$51,157.58
	Income			\$2,052.02
	Ending Balance			\$53,209.60

JULY FINANCIALS

BUILDING FINANCIALS:





CEMETERY FINANCIALS:



We do not remove names from Prayer list unless requested by the individual or family. Thank you

~ Strength & Healing Concerns~

PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS



Pam Rabe	Judy Livingston	Pat Janssen	Bill Juraco	Phyllis Fischer	
Lyle & Mary Lou Nannen	Judy Wyss	Virginia Mahan		Richard Sathoff	Ray Hammerich
Cyndi Benson	Carl Satterlee	Dave Kroepel		Linda Meyer	Grant Blaza
Doug Rabe	Alice Lopez	Derek Cruik		Heather Hayden	Marsha Shafer
Greg Strickfaden	Greg Sewell	Linda Hollenback		Kendall Manwaring	Bobby Creamer

And All Soldiers Serving Our Country



Our

3 yr olds – 2nd grade -
 3rd - 6th grades -
 7th - High School
 LYO -
 Adult Class

Staff

Sharon Phelps
 Alice Diver & Amber Darrow
 Heather Harmon
 Amber Darrow & Crystal Elliott
 Various Leaders



HELPING HANDS

READERS

7th – Alice Diver
14th – Greg Strickfaden
21st – Kathy Rosenbohm
28th - LYO

ALTAR GUILD

Trish Deppermann

KITCHEN WATCH:

Volunteers

PIANIST/ORGANIST:

Linda Garmon
Marilyn Strickfaden
Alice Lopez

GREETERS & USHERS:

1ST SUNDAY – COUNCIL
2ND SUNDAY – LADIES'
3RD SUNDAY – GENTS'
4TH SUNDAY – VOLUNTEERS
5TH SUNDAY – LYO

Communion Assistants:

7th & 21st: Bobbie Dean
Lynda Riekema
Mike Rabe

~ ST. PETER HAPPENINGS ~

Sept. 1st – Labor Day!

Sept. 7th – 10am Worship Service

Communion

Sept. 10th – 9am Sewing

6pm Council Meeting

Sept. 14th – Non-Communion Service

10am Outdoor Worship Service

9am Confirmation Classes begin

Sept. 20th – 8am Men's Breakfast @ Glasford UMC

Sept. 21st – Communion Service @ 10am

Sept. 28th – Non-Communion Service

First Year Confirmation Classes Announcement:

I hope to be able to offer first year Confirmation Classes beginning in September. So, if you are interested or know someone who is, please contact either myself or your Council President, Alice Diver.

I'm open to combining younger age students this year in order to keep students being the only student in their class. Please help to spread this announcement to people who you believe would be interested.

Classes will begin in September, but class materials need to be ordered well in advance.

Have any questions? Talk to Alice D. or call me anytime.

Pastor Ray (309) 229-4963

~ SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES ~

Lisa Sathoff - 9/2
 Sadie Antle - 9/2
 Samantha Hansen - 9/3
 Jared Rice - 9/5
 Sarah Segovia - 9/6
 Linda Fischer - 9/7
 Adley Worms - 9/8
 Arlan Janssen - 9/8
 Mike Fischer - 9/11
 Justin Rabe - 9/14
 Amber Darrow - 9/14
 Brenda Hyneman - 9/15
 Grady Combs - 9/18
 Wyatt Combs - 9/18
 Lyle Nannen - 9/19
 Jenny Heisel - 9/19
 Lindey Harmon - 9/20
 Kinsley Honings - 9/23
 Matt Swearingen - 9/23
 Elsee Darrow - 9/24
 Julie Scott - 9/24
 Cary Vincent - 9/25
 Shaylee Worms - 9/26
 Steve Belfield - 9/26
 Julie Coogan - 9/26
 Ashton Monks - 9/27 **"Sweet 16"!!!**
 Craig Nannen - 9/27
 Derrick Diver - 9/28
 Darrell Moore - 9/29
 Scott Worms - 9/30



Doug & Sandy Gordon	Sept. 2, 1978
Pat & Martha Davis	Sept. 8, 1979
Ed & Marsha Shafer	Sept. 8, 1963
Tom & Julie Coogan	Sept. 24, 1983
Gavin & Beth Graham	Sept. 26, 1992

St. Peter Church - Our church in the year 2040?

We all wonder, what will our church, St Peter, be in the future, say, the year 2040. Not really that far off. Sometimes a casual topic for a couple minutes among some of us, but then the truth is, it is an uncomfortable topic, actually. I would propose to gather a group of members who are interested in discussing the subject, the realities, and the options. Not a "doomsday" discussion, but to understand thoughts, concerns, and share/learn a few things that we should know and that impact the future. Not to be pessimistic, but objective and realistic. The time is now for some discussion, and not if/when there are fewer of us. We have members with great wisdom and ideas to share. So, think about the subject if you haven't already. I know there are folks who are interested in hearing more and wondering what others think. This is not a committee or thoughts of regular scheduled meetings. It will be very interesting to see what others are thinking. Feel free to contact me if you're interested and I will schedule a date and time sometime in September to get together.

Thanks
Mike Rabe