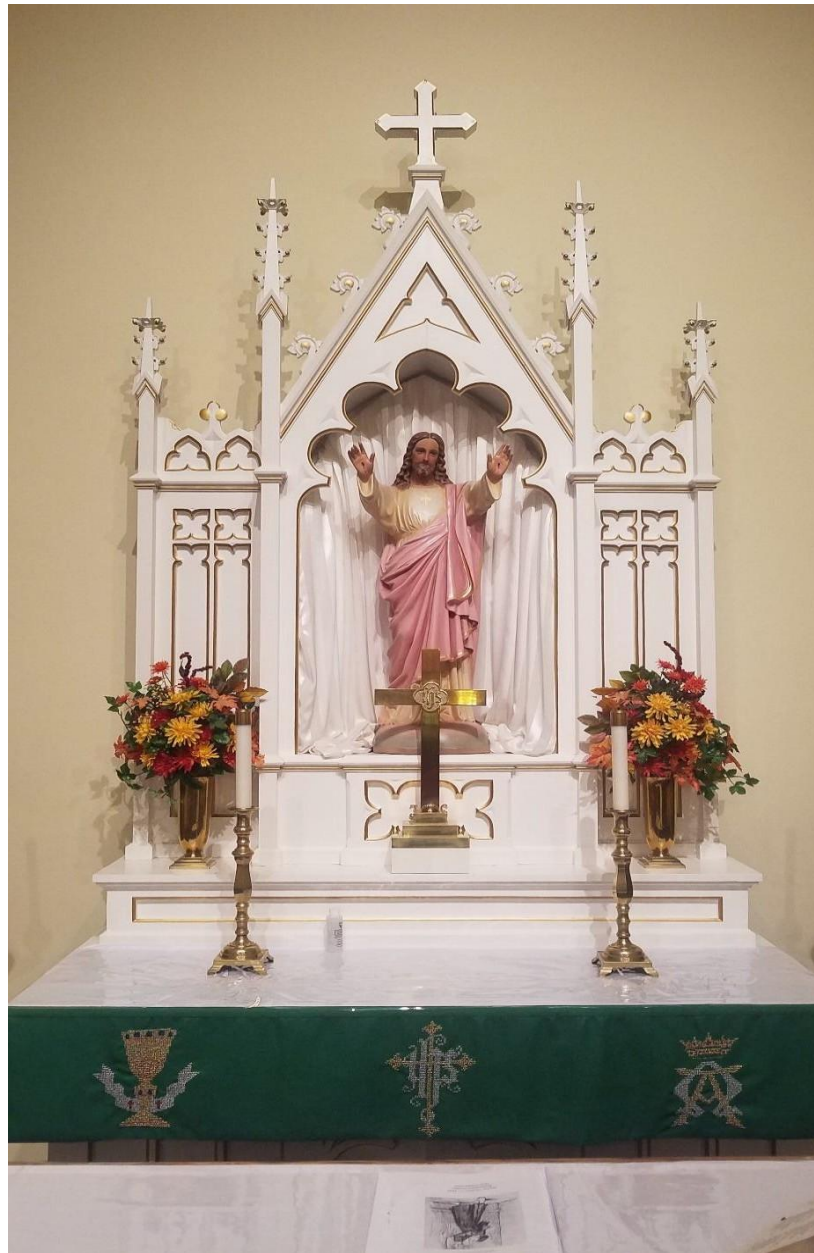


ST. PETER EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH



MONTHLY MESSENGER
OCTOBER EDITION



St. Peter Evangelical Lutheran Church

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***COUNCIL MEMBERS ***

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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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309-369-8376

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(Council Treasurer)

309-657-3802

Ed Fischer (Trustee)

309-657-3753

Brad Bolton (Trustee)

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

Or please contact:

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309-696-0375

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mlj1960@yahoo.com

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

Hebrews 11:6 NIV

And without faith it is impossible to please God, because anyone who comes to him must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who earnestly seek him.

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

September 10, 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, Joan Scott, and Marilyn Strickfaden
- Motion was made, seconded, and carried accepting the August 13, 2025, meeting minutes.
- Motion was made, seconded, and carried accepting the August treasurer's report.
- Motion was made, seconded, and carried accepting the September Building Maintenance Report.

Committee Reports:

- Memorials – Brad has 3 more families to contact.
- Parish Education –Adult Sunday School and Confirmation class will start on September 14, 2025. Youth Sunday School will start September 21st, 2025.
- WELCA – The next general meeting is September 21 at 3:00 p.m. The August Ladies Night Out at Gil's Supper Club was well attended. WELCA is sponsoring a Ladies Night Out Dinner at Gil's Supper Club on September 23 and October 21 at 5:30.
- Motion was made, seconded, and carried to approve the committee reports.

Old Business:

- Marilyn and Ed are working on the purchase of a new laptop.
- Ed reported that the railing for the west side of electronic door has been purchased and will be installed in the near future.
- Cemetery committee is continuing to work on removing the chain link cemetery fence.
- Ed is continuing to research different options for heating and air conditioning the secretary's office.

New Business:

- A painting donated by the Weber family has been hung in the upper room.
- After a discussion it was decided to leave the prayer list in the bulletin as is and to continue to update as needed.
- **The date for the fall cleanup is Saturday, October 4, at 8:00 a.m.**
- Pat Geltmaker is finished with items in garage and parsonage and has returned parsonage keys.
- It was suggested that a request for volunteer pallbearers be put in the monthly bulletin.
- Alice met with the Church Mutual insurance representative and will give updates at the October meeting.

Other Business:

- Stu and Darrell are preparing a letter to clarify perpetual fund and cemetery upkeep.

Next Council Meeting will be **Wednesday, October 8, at 6 p.m.**

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

Monthly Messenger Report 2025				August
Regular Checking				
	Beginning Balance			\$87,218.66
	Income			\$13,633.89
	Expenses			\$5,988.30
	Ending Balance			\$94,864.25
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			\$2,711.97
	Income			\$66.57
	Expenses			\$0.00
	Ending Balance			\$2,778.54
LP & Insurance				
	Beginning Balance			\$2,059.52
	Income			\$1,410.00
	Expenses			\$0.00
	Ending Balance			\$3,469.52
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

AUG. FINANCIALS

BUILDING FINANCIALS:

NO REPORT FOR THIS MONTH

The Cemetery Committee would like to clarify some questions concerning the perpetual care fund. The cemetery is a separate entity from the church. The perpetual care fee and contributions directly to the cemetery pay for all upkeep of the cemetery grounds: mowing, erosion control, seeding, fertilizer, fencing and other improvements. Care of the headstones is the responsibility of the family.

The council pays, through Sunday offerings or designated contributions to the church, for mowing of the parsonage, berms and other ground issues. Those costs are not paid by the cemetery.

If you have questions, you may contact the cemetery committee. Stu Pille (309 208 6465) Darrell Moore (309 645 7850) Victor Diver (309 678 8423)



CEMETERY FINANCIALS:

Aug-25

Cemetery Checking

Beginning Balance	\$16,041.83
Income	\$770.42
<u>Expenses</u>	<u>\$765.00</u>
Ending Balance	\$16,047.25

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	
Cyndi Benson	Carl Satterlee	Dave Kroepel		Linda Meyer	Grant Blaza
Doug Rabe	Alice Lopez	Heather Hayden		Marsha Shafer	Greg Strickfaden
Linda Hollenback	Kendall Manwaring	Bobby Creamer		Becky Pfahl	



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 Elliot

Various Leaders



It is almost that time of year again when all our little ghosts and ghouls make an appearance! Once again, I am asking for candy donations to pass out on Halloween. We will have a set up in Glasford like years past. If you would like to help in any way, please let me know. I will have a bucket with a lid in the Narthex beginning in October for your donations.

Thank you,
Aletta Cookson

Also, if you would like to help pass out candy, just let me know. I am usually there around 4ish to set up and we take down when we are out of candy!



HELPING HANDS



READERS

Oct. 5th – Colleen Juraco
 Oct. 12th – Rosemary Haynes
 Oct. 19th – Carol Heisel
 Oct. 26th - LYO

ALTAR GUILD

Marsha Shafer

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:

Oct. 5th, 19th, & 26th
 Bobbie Dean
 Loren Benson
 Colleen Juraco

~ ST. PETER HAPPENINGS ~

Oct. 4th – 8am Fall Clean-Up @ St. Peter
 Basement Reserved – Diver / Fischer
 Oct. 5th – Communion Sunday
 Timber-Hollis Fire Protection District Open House
 – Glasford Fire House
 Oct. 8th – 9am Sewing and Potluck
 6pm Council Meeting
 Oct. 12th – Non-Communion Sunday
 Oct. 18th – 8am Men's Breakfast @ Glasford Baptist Church
 Oct. 19th – Communion Sunday
 Oct. 21st – 5:30pm @ Gil's Supper Club in Hanna City for Ladie's Night Out
 (Reservations required with Caryn Alonzo by Oct. 14th)
 Oct. 26th – Non-Communion Sunday
 Oct. 31st – Halloween!!!
****Watch for details about our Annual Trick-or-Treat set-up in Glasford**

Families often honor their loved one by carrying the casket into the church. On occasion, due to distance or family size or age, I need to ask assistance to help the funeral home employees carry the casket into the church. It is usually in the morning before the visitation or funeral. If you would be interested & able to assist, please contact Alice 309 231 4825. I'll make a list that I can call when needed. Thanks.

~ OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES ~

Crystal Elliott 10/03
 Russ Zeine Jr. 10/07
 Dianne Turner 10/08
 Bob Alonzo 10/08
 Kristen Sweet 10/08
 Melissa Honings 10/10
 Sheryl Kellogg 10/13
 Lucas Klein 10/13
 Oliver Gronewold 10/13
 Richard Heisel 10/13
 Kevin Largent 10/16
 Marilyn Strickfaden 10/20
 Gary Rosenbohm 10/22
 Richard Monroe 10/27
 Adalynn Rehana 10/27
 Christie Farmer 10/29
 Martin Behrends 10/30
 Lisa Mirande 10/30



Bill & Nicole Lettow	Oct. 1st	16 Years!
Mark & Lisa Mirande	Oct. 2nd	
John & Dianne Turner	Oct. 2nd	49 Years!
Allen & Linda Fischer	Oct. 10th	38 Years!
Rick & Ashley Scott	Oct. 14th	25 Years!
Bob & Denise Geier	Oct. 18th	45 Years!
Bill & Colleen Juraco	Oct. 20th	35 years!
Lyle & MaryLou Nannen	Oct. 29th	64 years!

Ladies Night Out:

There will be one more night out at Gil's. **Tuesday, October 21st @ 5:30pm**, then we will start again in the spring. Please let me know by Tuesday, October 14th if you would like to attend so I can make reservations for everyone. Come and enjoy a fun evening again.


Caryn Alonzo 309-678-7484

🚒🔥 Timber-Hollis Fire Protection District Open House 🔥🚒

We're opening our doors to the community on **Sunday, October 5, 2025**, at THFD Company #1. Come see what it's like to be part of your hometown fire department:

- ✨ Meet the firefighters, police officers, and EMTs that serve your community
- ✨ Check out our trucks and equipment up close
- ✨ Live demonstrations & fire safety tips
- ✨ Fun for kids—try on gear, sit in the rigs, and more!

 **Date: Sunday, October 5, 2025**

 **Time: 2pm-6pm**

 **Location: 401 S. Glasford Road, Glasford, IL**

This is a free, family-friendly event—bring the kids, bring your neighbors, and come celebrate the start of Fire Prevention Week!

You and your pets are invited to the Blessing of the Animals. **Saturday, October 11, 2025, 3 pm at**

**St. John Lutheran Church
6614 W. Smithville Rd, Bartonville**

In the picnic shelter behind the church Pastor Michael Jones, officiating. Pets are one of the special blessings from our loving God. We invite you AND YOUR PETS to come to this special, short outdoor service for a chance to thank God for the love we get from our pets and ask God to bless them. Pastor will lead us, in a short devotion, and your pet will be invited to receive a Pastoral blessing at the end of the service. A representative from the TAPS No-Kill Shelter will be on hand with information about adoptions. If your pet does not like “crowds” or has passed over the rainbow bridge, you are invited to bring a picture of them and honor their memory. Please keep your pets safely leashed or crated.

If anyone would like to send a card with well wishes and let Gabe know you are thinking of him, please send him a card. Only a simple note and send your prayers. His address is:

Gabriel A. King
c/o Peoria County Jail
301 N Maxwell Rd
Peoria, IL 61604

WELCA HAPPENINGS

September – November

The WELCA “Project Promise” continues its next phase for the fall months by collecting donations for the Community Christmas Baskets in September, October, and November. Containers will be available in the Narthex to collect the following items:

- **Peanut Butter & Jelly**

Fabric Kits

Sewing is a valuable skill, one that leads to a reliable income for many women and men. Fabric Kits supply vocational training programs with fabric for teaching sewing, and for newly trained tailors to launch their sewing business.

INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING ITEMS IN EACH FABRIC KIT:

Two pieces of cotton or cotton-blend fabric (no knits or 100% polyester); fabric should have no stains or holes and be cut into pieces measuring:

- - 2 ¼ yards of 60” wide fabric, or
 - 3 yards of 44” wide fabric, or
 - 4 yards of 36” wide fabric
- Two spools of matching or neutral-colored general-purpose thread, 250-300 yards each

Cash donations are okay.. please contact Renee Diver @ 309-264-1460 for any questions.