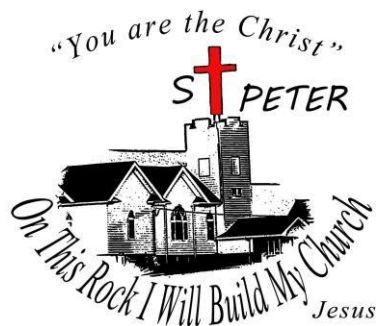


ST. PETER EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH



MONTHLY MESSENGER
MARCH 2026



St. Peter Evangelical Lutheran Church

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309-369-2670

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309-339-2295

Ed Fischer (Trustee)
309-657-3753

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309-264-2406

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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.

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 SCHEDULE AND SYLLABUS

DATES: JANUARY–APRIL 2026

SUBJECT 1: LUTHER'S SMALL CATECHISM
SUBJECT 2: BAPTISM

**Pastor Ray's phone number
309-229-4963
Cathy's phone number
309-229-1635**

CLASS DATES

JANUARY

04: THE LORD'S PRAYER: INTRODUCTION
11: FIRST AND SECOND PETITIONS
18: THIRD AND FOURTH PETITIONS
25: FIFTH AND SIXTH PETITIONS

FEBRUARY

01: SEVENTH PETITION AND CONCLUSION
08: LORD'S PRAYER: REVIEW
15: THE MEANS OF GRACE: THE SACRAMENTS
22: THE SACRAMENT OF THE ALTAR: INTRODUCTION

MARCH

01: SACRAMENT: THE DEFINITION
08: BENEFITS AND POWER OF THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION
15: RECEIVING THE HOLY SACRAMENT: EXPLANATION AND PRACTICE
22: REVIEW
29: INTRODUCING THE CLASS SUBJECTS FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE CLASS YEAR

APRIL

05: NO CLASS
12: THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM
19: THE NATURE AND BENEFITS OF BAPTISM
26: THE BAPTISMAL SERVICE

MAY

03: THE SERVICE OF BAPTISM: EXPLAINED & PRACTICE
10: NO CLASS
17: LAST CLASS OF THE 2025-2026 YEAR

NOTES:

1.] PRIOR TO CONFIRMATION, A PERSON MUST BE BAPTIZED. SO, A 'SERVICE OF HOLY BAPTISM' WILL BE ARRANGED FOR EACH PERSON IN THIS CONFIRMATION CLASS WHO HAS NOT BEEN BAPTIZED.

2.] DUE TO UNFORESEEN CIRCUMSTANCES [WEATHER, ILLNESS, ETC.] THE ABOVE CLASS SCHEDULE MAY NEED TO BE ALTERED.

MY THANKS TO ALL.
PASTOR RAY

Church Council Meeting Minutes February 11, 2026

Respectfully Submitted By: Lynne Huey, Church Council Secretary

Meeting was called to order at 6:00 by Council President, Rosemary Haynes.

- **In Attendance:** Rosemary Haynes, Trish Deppermann, Ed Fischer, Lynne Huey, Jim Krusemark, Joan Scott, Michele Voss, Alice Diver, and Marilyn Strickfaden.
- Motion was made, seconded, and carried accepting the January 14, 2026, meeting minutes.
- Motion was made, seconded, and carried accepting the January 14, 2026, treasurer's report.
- Motion was made, seconded, and carried to renew the LP & Insurance CD (Certificate #568384) at Busey Bank which matures on February 15, 2026. Michele Voss will become a new authorized signatory, replacing Marilyn Strickfaden who should be removed. Michele Voss and current signatory Patricia Deppermann will remain a signatory on all current and potential new business conducted with Busey Bank. Busey Bank does not offer 7-month CDs any longer. 5-Month APY 3.75% 11-Month APY 3.70% Michele and Trish will be renewing the CD for 5 months.
- Motion was made, seconded, and carried accepting the February Building Maintenance report.
- Motion was made, seconded, and carried to purchase 3 more wireless thermostats.
- Motion was made, seconded, and carried to use money from the Building Fund to purchase the 3 wireless thermostats.

Committee Reports:

- **Parish Education** -Sunday School students made Valentines. Amber Darrow is planning Easter activities.
- **WELCA**- Valentines and cookies were packed and given to homebound folks, college students, and military members. The SOS luncheon will be held on April 11.
- **Evangelism** - The committee volunteered to coordinate the Hanging of the Greens and lunch afterwards. An evening at Cornstock Theater is being planned for this summer.
- **Cemetery** – The committee will continue to work on removing the chain link cemetery fence.
- Motion was made, seconded, and carried to approve the committee reports.

Old Business:

- Furnace problems have been resolved. Ed is negotiating service charges with service manager.
- Mini-split air conditioning/heater for secretary's office is up and running.
- Aletta is donating a small color printer to be used for small printing projects.
- Trish has contacted Leonard's Book Binding Service and is waiting for their quote to repair the St. Peter record books.
- New insurance documents have been received from Church Mutual. A refund will be issued for the remainder of the policy from Country Companies.
- St. Peter will be helping Glasford United Methodist Church with the sausage and pancake breakfast on February 14.
- **Lenten Services**
Glasford United Methodist Church will be holding services on Wednesday evenings. Pastor Barclay will be holding Lenten Bible Studies on Wednesday mornings at 10:00 at St. Peter.

****CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES CONTINUED ON PAGE 6****

Monthly Messenger Report 2026		January
Regular Checking		
	Beginning Balance	\$94,326.13
	Income	\$15,916.00
	Expenses	\$13,735.89
	Ending Balance	\$96,506.24
Social Ministry		
	Beginning Balance	\$324.13
	Income	\$0.00
	Expenses	\$0.00
	Ending Balance	\$324.13
Regular Savings		
	Beginning Balance	\$14,611.81
	Income	\$0.00
	Expenses	\$0.00
	Ending Balance	\$14,611.81
Education Fund		
	Beginning Balance	\$4,669.60
	Income	\$100.00
	Expenses	\$0.00
	Ending Balance	\$4,769.60
Local Benevolence		
	Beginning Balance	\$5,276.46
	Income	\$350.93
	Expenses	\$5,000.00
	Ending Balance	\$627.39
LP & Insurance		
	Beginning Balance	\$9,152.22
	Income	\$0.00
	Expenses	\$0.00
	Ending Balance	\$9,152.22
Special Projects		
	Beginning Balance	\$10,270.81
	Income	\$0.00
	Expenses	\$3,385.00
	Ending Balance	\$6,885.81
LP & Insurance - Busey CD		
	12/31/25 Beginning Balance	\$32,236.95
	Income	\$743.33
	Expenses	\$0.00
	Ending Balance	\$32,980.28
		Matures on 2/15/26
Wilma Sutton Inheritance - Busey CD		
	1/27/26 Balance	\$16,056.96
	Interest	\$373.74
	Withdrawal	\$0.00
	Ending Balance	\$16,430.70
		Maturing on 8/17/26
Cking & Svgs Trans - Morton Comm CD		
	12/31/25 Balance	\$175,000.00
	Income	\$32,255.64
	Ending Balance	\$207,255.64
		Matures on 4/16/26
Auto Owners Annuity (Sutton)		
	Accumulated value as of 12/31/25	\$53,209.60
	Income	\$2,128.39
	Accumulated value as of 12/31/26	\$55,337.99

Jan. 26' Financials

Building Fund Report February 11, 2026

Financials

Checking Account

Beginning Balance \$5985.28
Expenses \$612.50
Deposits \$327.90
Ending Balance \$5700.68

Savings Account

Beginning Balance \$11,137.95
Interest Received \$2.81
Ending Balance \$11,140.76

Pedez Memorial Monies CD's

Busey Bank (rate 3.25%)

Maturity date 07-13-2026 \$60,343.40

Pedez Memorial Annuity

Country Financial (rate 3.95%)

Maturity Date 07-07-2026 \$65,210.42

Activities

Met with Standard Heating & Cooling on Jan. 20, 26, and Feb 4th regarding ongoing Sanctuary furnace problems. Problem appears to be resolved. Now negotiating service charges with service manager.

Wireless thermostat installed in sanctuary.

Met with Standard Heating & Cooling on Feb. 10th for secretary office mini split startup.

Thanks to D. Moore for replacing toilet seals in old bathrooms.

New Business:

- Rosemary will contact those who will need to go to Glasford Bank to update bank signature cards.
- New liaisons were assigned to the following committees: Memorial – Joan Scott
WELCA- Trish Deppermann Parish Education- Jim Krusemark
- Alice Diver will continue as the prayer request liaison along with Mary Lou Jansssen.
- Rosemary will complete the annual ELCA report and submit it by the March due date.
- Thank you notes were received from LSSI, South Side Mission, and EverTrue Lutheran Hillside Village for money donated from the benevolence fund.
- Rosemary reported that the ash trees will be removed and replaced with new ones. Scott Worms volunteered to help with the removal of trees.
- Council will continue to meet the 2nd Wednesday of the month at 6:00.
- It was decided to change the March meeting date to **Tuesday, March 10** at 6:00 due to Lenten Services.

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

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	Mary Lou Nannen	Judy Wyss	Virginia Mahan
Richard Sathoff	Carl Satterlee	Dave Kroepel	Linda Meyer
Grant Blaza	Doug Rabe	Alice Lopez	Marsha Shafer
Greg Strickfaden	Bobby Creamer	Becky Pfahl	Brenda Hyneman
Rita Scott	Karen Randle	Mason Deppermann	Travis Riekena

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

Mar. 1st – Gary Rosenbohm
Mar. 8th – Mike Rabe
Mar. 15th – Trish Deppermann
Mar. 22nd – Alice Diver
Mar. 29th - LYO

ALTAR GUILD

Kathy Rosenbohm

KITCHEN WATCH:

Volunteers

PIANIST/ORGANIST:

Linda Garmon
Marilyn Strickfaden
Alice Lopez

Communion Assistants:

Mar. 1st - Alice Diver
Loren Benson
Gary Rosenbohm
Mar. 15th - Alice Diver
Mike Rabe
Lynda Riekena
Mar. 29th - Alice Diver
Lynda Riekena
Mike Rabe

GREETERS & USHERS:

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

~ ST. PETER HAPPENINGS ~

Sun. Mar. 1st – 10a Communion Sunday
Wed. Mar. 4th – 10am Lenten Bible Study @ St. Peter
Lenten Supper @ 5:30p @ GUMC
Lenten Services @ 6:30p @ GUMC
Sat. Mar. 7th – SOS Luncheon Tickets go on Sale!!!
Sun. Mar. 8th – Non-Communion Sunday
Tue. Mar. 10th – 6pm Council Meeting (due to Lenten Services)
Wed. Mar. 11th – 10am Lenten Bible Study @ St. Peter
Lenten Supper @ 5:30p @ GUMC
Lenten Services @ 6:30p @ GUMC
Thu. Mar. 12th – 9am Sewing (due to Lenten Services)
Sun. Mar. 15th – Communion Sunday
Wed. Mar. 18th - 10am Lenten Bible Study @ St. Peter
Lenten Supper @ 5:30p @ GUMC
Lenten Services @ 6:30p @ GUMC
Sun. Mar. 22nd – Non-Communion Sunday
Wed. Mar. 25th - 10am Lenten Bible Study @ St. Peter
Lenten Supper @ 5:30p @ GUMC
Lenten Services @ 6:30p @ GUMC
Sun. Mar. 29th – Palm Sunday
Communion Sunday

~ MARCH BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES ~

JOYCE	SEWELL	3	1
ZACH	COATS	3	1
DENNIS	KOENIG	3	3
LYNNE	HUEY	3	5
RICHARD	SATHOFF	3	5
JUTTA	HERREN	3	5
ERIN	PILLE	3	6
ABBI	SCHAFFER	3	6
DARRYL	DIVER	3	8
JUDY	LIVINGSTON	3	9
KATIE	BELL	3	9
LOREN	BENSON	3	9
PASTOR JILL	FLYNN	3	11
BETTY	QUICK	3	12
KELSEY	SWEARINGEN	3	13
JAY	WILLIAMSON	3	13
GREG	JANSSEN	3	14
KATHRYN	PFAHL	3	16
ANNALIESE	BOLTON	3	16
JIM	PFAHL	3	17
ELIZABETH	RENCH	3	18
ADRIENNE	BOLTON	3	18
MASON	DEPPERMAN	3	18
KAREN	RANDLE	3	20
DOUG	HAAGE	3	22
CHARLES	RICE	3	27
LINDA	GARMAN	3	28
TREVOR	RYNEARSON	3	30
JEFF	NANNEN	3	31
ANGI	RUCHOTZKE	3	31



Stu & Amy Pille	Mar. 11th
John & Julie Haage	Mar. 23rd
Jim & Becky Pfahl	Mar. 25th

~ Thank You ~

Hello,
 Just wanted to say thank you so much for the cookies again, I really do appreciate it. I hope all is going well there at the church. I'm still living out in Colorado with the wife up in a small town called Indian Hills. Everything is going great! **-Jacob**

Thank so much for the Valentine cards, cookies and candy. I sure enjoyed them we don't have good cookies like this here. I miss being with all of you but on Sunday I open my computer for the service and also to Share the Peace with you.

Blessings to all
Irma Uphoff

Dear WELCA Friends,
 My family and I thank you so much for the warm and loving kindness in providing a meal after Lyle's services. There are not enough words to express our gratitude for your gracious service in providing the delicious meal and allow us to have fellowship with our family and friends.

God Bless You All!
 Mary Lou Nannen

LENTEN FOCUSING!

Love to have you attend our Bible “Focus Group” during the Wednesday mornings during Lenten. We’ll be meeting at the Church (upstairs...Adult Study area) at 10am. In advance, if you would enjoy doing some pre-group study, review the Scripture verses around His ‘I Am’ statements in John 6,8,9,10,11,14 and 15. Then write down some of your thoughts relating to Jesus’ revelation about Himself, how specifically Jesus works in your daily life, who is Jesus to you and your favorite of His ‘I Am’ declarations.

The dates are as follows:

March 4th
March 11th
March 18th
March 25th



Bible Study

Join us as we continue our Lenten Bible Study led by Pastor Barclay on Wednesday mornings beginning at 10am. The remaining dates are: March 4th / March 11th / March 18th / & March 25th.

Lenten Services @ Glasford Methodist Church

The Glasford Methodist Church is hosting Lenten Services on Wednesday evenings with a light meal starting at 5:30p and services beginning at 6:30p. We will be using the Max Lucado book “He Chose the Nails”. If you need a copy, please see Rosemary.

Illini Bluffs FFA

The Illini Bluffs FFA students is hosting their 3rd Annual “Egg Your Yard” fundraiser to help support our local FFA Chapter students and they are looking for plastic egg donations and candy donations! They would even love already stuffed eggs!! If you would like to donate candy or eggs, I will have a plastic tote with a lid in the Narthex. We will need to have all donations by March 31st. For any questions, please feel free to reach out to me @ 309-620-3731. Monetary donations are always accepted throughout the year and greatly appreciated. All money raised goes to our students to help pay for competitions, food, and travel expenses.

Thank you,
Aletta & Ashton

Cemetery Reminder!

Please have all flowers removed from the cemetery prior to April 1st. Thank you.

WELCA HAPPENINGS

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.

January thru May:

Non-Perishable food items for St. John’s Food Pantry and Personal Care Kit Items:

- Light weight bath towels (dark color) (20”x40”)
- Bars of Bath Soap
- Sturdy Combs
- Adult Toothbrushes
- Nail Clippers

If you would like, Sharon Benson will do the shopping for you if you would rather. Just let her know!
Thanks!

Ladies, spring is here and it’s time to go to Gil’s again. We will start on Tuesday, March 24th @ 5:30p. Please call me anytime up to the 17th of March for your reservation.

Looking forward to great company and yummy food!

Caryn Alonzo 309-678-7484

"Hold the date. The SOS Luncheon will be April 11th. More information to follow. Tickets go on sale March 7th."

