



“The Herald” Newsletter

St. Peter’s Evangelical Lutheran Church

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“Alleluia! He is Risen!”

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Midweek Lenten Services and Meal

LENTEN



Mid-Week Worship

Midweek Lenten services continue through April 10. Join us in the chapel at 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. for worship. This year’s focus is “Walking with the Prophets.” During this journey we will ponder suffering with Job, deliverance with Jonah, waiting for the Lord with Zephaniah, seeking justice with Amos, and

rejoicing with Isaiah. Images and homilies during the midweek service will point to the paths we take alongside these prophets looking to Christ our guide, our savior, and our Lord. A light meal will be provided Wednesday evenings at 6:15p.m. in the cafe. Meals will be hosted by various ministries of St. Peter’s. Be sure to join us as we journey together through the season of Lent!

Palm Sunday Breakfast

Sunday, April 14th
9:00 – 10:00 a.m.
Café/Family Life Center



Holy Week and Easter at St. Peter’s

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for Holy Week
and Easter Schedules)*

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April Worship Schedule

Sunday, April 7: The Fifth Sunday in Lent

New Day Service of Holy Communion at 10:45 a.m.

-- *Pastor Craig preaches*

Traditional Service of Holy Communion at 8:00, Service of the Word at 10:45 a.m.

-- *Vicar Nancy preaches*

Wednesday, April 10: Mid-Week Worship, Lent 5 – Holy Communion

7:00 a.m. & 7:00 p.m. Chapel Service

--*Pastor Craig preaches – Theme: “Rejoicing with Isaiah”*

Sunday, April 14: Palm/Passion Sunday

New Day Service of Holy Communion at 10:45 a.m.

-- *Reading of the Passion from St. Luke*

Traditional Service of Holy Communion at 8:00 & 10:45 a.m.

-- *Reading of the Passion from St. Luke*

Thursday, April 18: Maundy Thursday

Pew Communion Sages Service at 11:00 a.m.

-- *Pastor Craig preaches*

“Holy Take Out Thursday” Service at 6:00 p.m.

-- *Pastor Jeffrey Pretz leads*

-- *Bring your own meal to the FLC*

Traditional Congregational Service at 7:00 p.m.

-- *Sister Dottie preaches*

-- *Corporate Confession, Foot and Hand Washing with Stripping of the Altar*



Friday, April 19: Good Friday

Waffles & Worship at 9:00 a.m.

-- *Meet in the FLC for Holy Week activities and worship*

-- *Intended for families of elementary school children*

Children’s Stations of the Cross Service at 12:00 Noon

-- *Service held in the church sanctuary*

Traditional Good Friday Service at 7:00 p.m.

--*Pastor Sarah preaches*

-- *The Passion as told by the Gospel of John will be sung*

Saturday, April 20: Easter Vigil

Vigil Service of Light, Readings, Holy Baptism and Communion at 6:00 p.m.

Sunday, April 21: Easter Sunday

Traditional Service of Holy Communion at 7:30 a.m.

-- *Pastor Sarah preaches*

Family Service of Holy Communion at 9:00 a.m.

-- *Pastor Craig preaches*

New Day Service of Holy Communion at 10:45 a.m.

-- *Pastor Sarah preaches*

Traditional Service of Holy Communion at 10:45 a.m.

-- *Pastor Craig preaches*

Sunday, April 28: The Second Sunday of Easter

New Day Service of Holy Communion at 10:45 a.m.

-- *Vicar Nancy preaches*

Traditional Services of Holy Communion at 8:00 & 10:45 a.m.

-- *Sister Dottie preaches*

Name Tag Sunday—April 7th

Remember that Sunday, April 7th will be Name Tag Sunday. Do you have something purple you can wear for Lent? If not, no fear, we'll have plenty of generic name tags on a narthex table for you to use. (But come on ... a purple name tag will make you stand out in the crowd!). Make it easy for yourself and others to greet those people about whom you know much (where they sit in church, how many kids they have, how they sing hymns, etc.), but for whom you may not yet know their name.



Passion Readers Needed



If you would be interested in serving as a reader for one of the Passion Narrative readings on our April 14th Palm Sunday services (8:00 or 10:45 traditional and 10:45 New Day) please speak with Pr. Craig for the traditional service readings or Pr. Sarah for the New Day readings. One rehearsal will be asked of participants on Saturday, April 13th at 9AM at church.

Devotional Series: Stretch and Pray



Have you tried out the video devotional series called Stretch & Pray? Pastor Sarah and Erik Teichmann have been creating a video series that includes the health of stretching and praying. Videos are available on the St. Peter's Facebook page or go to our website <https://stpeterslutheran.org/stretch-and-pray/> Each video includes a series of stretches and a verse of a psalm to say while stretching. Take time to stretch and pray during your Lenten journey.

Sacrament of Holy Baptism



The Sacrament of Holy Baptism will next be celebrated on Saturday, April 20th at the 6:00 p.m. Easter Vigil Service. Interested persons should speak with one of the pastors.

Drivers Needed on April 18 for Sages Service

Might you consider giving a ride to and from the Sages service and luncheon on Thursday, April 18? Often our Sages need a ride to the service and luncheon. If you could help, please sign up on the Parish Life bulletin board outside the church nursery or call Christine Smith at 717-299-0949. Approximate times are 10:30 a.m. pick up time and return at 1:00 p.m.

Easter Plant Delivery



Our altar will be dressed with many beautiful plants on Easter Sunday but they'd like a permanent home. Please consider delivering an Easter plant to one of our homebound members who won't be able to make it to a church service on Easter. Sign up is available on the Parish Life bulletin board outside the church nursery or call Christine Smith at 717-299-0949 if you are able to deliver a plant and a smile to one of our older members. Fifteen volunteer delivers are needed, so please consider helping.



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Holy Week and Easter at St. Peter's



SATURDAY (April 6th)

EASTER EGG HUNT in the Narthex and Chapel at 10:00 a.m. Mark your calendars for our annual Easter Egg Hunt. In the event of bad weather, the hunt will be rescheduled for **Saturday, April 13th at 10:00 a.m.** Come and join us for all of the fun activities including crafts, pictures with the Easter Bunny, and of course, the Egg Hunt! Online registration is required at <https://stpeterslutheran.org/easter-egg-hunt/>



PALM SUNDAY (April 14th)

Palm Sunday Traditional Worship in the Sanctuary at 8:00 & 10:45 a.m. As we celebrate Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem, we also look ahead into the week, anticipating his trial and crucifixion. An interactive reading of the Passion Story in word and song between leaders and congregation will be featured along with a Palm Procession and Holy Communion.



Palm Sunday Breakfast in the Family Life Center from 9:00 - 10:00 a.m. All are invited to attend this fellowship event that will include pancakes, eggs, sausage, fruit and beverages. There will be a free will offering to offset costs. NO Sign up needed – just come and eat and touch base with some old or new friends!

New Day Worship in the Family Life Center at 10:45 a.m. The New Day worship will include palms, a blessing of the palms and special music. The service will continue with an interactive reading of the Passion Story through word and images. Young children will be invited to take part in an age-appropriate interactive session during the Passion reading. Holy Communion will be offered.

THURSDAY (April 18th)

Sages Maundy Thursday Service in the Sanctuary at 11:00 a.m. On Thursday April 18th, there will be a Sages Maundy Thursday Service at 11:00 a.m. in the Sanctuary. All of our Sages (those aged over 80) are welcomed to join us. Communion is offered in the pews, the congregation is seated for the entire service, and the choir will offer special hymns. Any Sage is welcomed and can invite family or guests to join them. A luncheon will follow after the service. Please call the church office at 717-569-9211 or Christine Smith at 717-299-0949 to make lunch reservations or to arrange a ride if needed by Monday, April 15th. Sign up is also available on the Parish Life bulletin board outside the church nursery. We look forward to seeing many of our Sages and their guests.

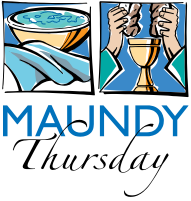


“Church on the Go” in the Café at 6:00 p.m. Holy Thursday is in the midst of a busy week, like most weeks. So instead of skipping one of the most important events in the life of Jesus and our remembrance of Jesus' Last Supper, join us for “CHURCH ON THE GO” on April 18th at 6:00 p.m. for a fellowship meal and a brief sharing of the meaning of PASSOVER and the Last Supper. We will be meeting in the Café. Come from work or school bringing a packed meal from home or your favorite “Take Out” establishment. Bring all that you need to eat this meal-on-the-go. This will be an informal family friendly event with a sharing of the Lord's Supper. We expect to be finished with the meal and worship **within 45 minutes**. Pastor Pretz will have an activity for the youngest pre-communion members of our families during the communion distribution. Weekdays are very busy so take this day for a stop at St Peter's with your packed meal at 6:00 p.m. and be on the road again before 7:00 p.m.! One could also stay for the formal congregational observance of Maundy Thursday in the Sanctuary at 7:00 p.m.

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Holy Week and Easter at St. Peter's

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THURSDAY (April 18th)

Maundy Thursday Worship in the Sanctuary at 7:00 p.m. This is a traditional service remembering Jesus' teaching and his mandate to love and serve one another. This service offers corporate and individual confession and absolution, laying on of hands, holy communion and ritual hand and foot washing. The service will conclude with the stripping of the altar.

FRIDAY (April 19th)

Waffles & Worship in the Family Life Center at 9:00 a.m. Please join us for our annual **Good Friday Waffles and Worship** event on Friday, April 19th beginning at 9am in the FLC. Learn about the events of Good Friday in this interactive, child-friendly worship service along with breakfast and music. Please RSVP online at: <https://stpeterslutheran.org/holy-week/waffles-worship/>.



Children's Stations of the Cross in the Sanctuary at 12:00 Noon. Don't miss the **Kid-Friendly Stations of the Cross Good Friday Service** on Friday, April 19th at noon in the Sanctuary. Kids will gain an understanding of the journey of Jesus from death to resurrection on Easter. Kids of all ages are welcome! No RSVP is required.



Good Friday Worship in the Sanctuary at 7:00 p.m. At the heart of this service is the passion reading according to John, which celebrates Christ's victory on the cross, and our honoring of the cross as we sing of forgiveness, healing, and salvation.

SATURDAY (April 20th)



Easter Vigil at 6:00 p.m. On the night before Easter Day, Christians around the world gather to celebrate Christ's passage from death to life. The service includes strong signs: new fire in darkness, light spreading from the light of Christ, the water and Word of baptism, the first resurrection meal and powerful words: the great saving stories of Hebrew scriptures and the first Easter gospel. We keep this wondrous night in the spirit of vigil, our lamps lit, awaiting Christ's coming both now and at the end of time. Alleluia! Christ is risen! And Christ will come again.

EASTER SUNDAY (April 21st)

Easter Sunday Traditional Worship in the Sanctuary at 7:30 & 10:45 a.m. We celebrate the Resurrection of our Lord with Holy Communion, festive hymns and music, and the story of the empty tomb.



Easter Sunday Family Worship in the Sanctuary at 9:00 a.m. We celebrate the Resurrection of our Lord with Holy Communion, festive hymns and music, and the story of the empty tomb, offered in an interactive way involving the congregation and our children.



New Day Worship in the Family Life Center at 10:45 a.m. Easter service will include musical leadership by the praise band who will lead you in several familiar praise songs. Pastor Sarah Teichmann will be leading the service and preaching that morning. We meet in the Family Life Center and we look forward to seeing you there!

Adult Christian Education

Wednesday Morning Bible Study

Wednesday Morning Bible Study will meet throughout the month of April, as we continue to work through our study of our “Comparative Study of the Four Gospels.” We are journeying through the narrative of Jesus’ life in all four of our gospels, with an eye to the places where the Gospels agree and differ in their content, along with the theological lenses through which they portray Jesus’ life. We will follow this study through the remainder of the year into early May.

Why not consider joining this vibrant group of 40-50 fellow believers as we study familiar material in ways that always open up faith discussion, historical reflection, and theological questions. Pastor Ross facilitates the class which meets in the Café on Wednesdays from 9:30-11:00 a.m. Friends are welcome. Modest snacks and drinks are provided. Our March schedule is:

April 3 – Jesus’ Public Ministry, Part 10

April 10 – Jesus’ Public Ministry, Part 11

April 17 – NO CLASS – HOLY WEEK

April 24 – Jesus’ Public Ministry, Part 12



April Pub Theology — Holy Week Trivia will take place on Wednesday, April 17th at 6:30 p.m. at Scooter’s. RSVP to Sister Dottie at dottie.almoney@stpeterslutheran.org. Prizes for the winners!

Sunday Morning Classes — 9:15-10:15 a.m.

St. Peter’s offers three distinct classes for our adults during the Sunday School hour (9:15 - 10:15 a.m.)

Crosspoints (Conference Room) - This class is a combination of Theology, Church history and the intersection of Faith and Life. This class takes place Sunday mornings from 9:15-10:15 a.m. in the Conference Room. Bring your coffee. Bring your comments. Bring your smiles.

April 7 – Why did Jesus Die, led by Pastor Sarah

April 14 – NO Class due to the Palm Sunday Breakfast

April 21 – NO Class – Happy Easter

April 28 – Joint Rostered leader session – Here we Stand series

Faith and Values (Room 100) - During the month of April, we will be diving into how God loves and works through our imperfections.

April 7 - Intuition and Trusting Faith

April 14 - Palm Sunday Breakfast (no class)

April 21 - Easter Sunday services (no class)

April 28 - Here We Stand (All are invited for a joint session in the Conference Room)

Faith and Values meets on Sundays, 9:15-10:15 am, Room 100

Sunday Morning Bible Study with Pastor Jeff Pretz (Room 118)

Pastor Pretz’s Sunday Morning Bible Study meets in Room 118. Each Sunday this class will explore in depth the Gospel reading for that day.

ADVOCACY CORNER

By Sister Dottie

As members of the ELCA, we believe that we are freed in Christ to serve and love our neighbor. God uses our hands, through our direct service work and our voices, through our advocacy efforts, to restore and reconcile our world. Through faithful advocacy, the ELCA lives out our Lutheran belief that governments can help advance the common good.



ELCA advocacy works for change in public policy based on the experience of Lutheran ministries, programs and projects around the world and in communities across the United States. We work through political channels on behalf of the following biblical values: peacemaking, hospitality to strangers, care for creation, and concern for people living in poverty and struggling with hunger and disease. (www.lutheranadvocacy.org)

I invite you to read the website for Lutheran Advocacy Ministry of PA, aka Lampa, to understand the issues and positions of the ELCA. If you are interested in learning more, Lutheran Advocacy Day will take place in Camp Hill on Monday May 20th. Visit <https://www.lutheranadvocacy.org/event/lutheran-advocacy-days-in-the-capital/> for more information or to register.

Camp Corner

Summer is right around the corner and many camp opportunities are available at the Lutheran Camping Corporation's three locals site: Kirchenwald, Nawakwa, and the Wittel Farm. Kirchenwald and Nawakwa offer overnight camps for kids, youth, families, and adults. From Classic Camp to High Adventure, Bikes and Boulders, Arts and Crafts, Outdoor Wilderness Survival, Guitar, the choices are great. Day camps are also available for younger campers. St. Peter's offers \$75 for each kid camper. The \$20 CampPerson discount also applies to St. Peter's members. Until April 6, there's an additional \$15 early registration discount. That's \$110 in savings. See Sister Dottie if cost is still a concern.

All ages are also invited to the Wittel Farm for "Feeding Faith on the Farm" throughout the summer. Contact Joy & Lyle Hosler with any questions about camp. joy@hoslerfamily.net; 717-560-4753



Upcoming Events:

April 6: Early registration discount deadline

April 7: Summer Camp Open House (Kirchenwald & Nawakwa)

April 27: Work Day (Kirchenwald, Nawakwa, & The Wittel Farm)

April 28: Earth Day Celebration (Kirchenwald)

May 3-4: Men's Retreat (Kirchenwald)

Lancaster Conference Confirmation Camp



Our *Lancaster Conference Confirmation Camp* will take place the week of June 23rd thru June 29th at Camp Kirchenwald for those entering grades 6-9. Cost is \$250 per person. We will be joined by several area Lutheran Churches! You will be able to do all of the camp activities that are done at their normal summer camp weeks including the ropes courses, swimming, hiking and Camp Capture the Flag. The 9th graders will be going off site for service projects. Visit the camp bulletin board for more information.

The Website Is Your Friend!

At St. Peter's Lutheran Church, you don't want to miss out on a program, a worship service, a devotional, or any other faith formational event. Why not make it easy on yourself and go to our website www.stpeterslutheran.org to find out the latest schedules and calendar events. Check out blog posts to help you plan or to engage your faithful preparations this season. Be sure to check out our Facebook page as well (<https://www.facebook.com/stpeterslancaster>) for posts about upcoming events or to catch the beauty and joy of a past event. If you have questions about events and schedules that you can't find on the website, don't hesitate to call the church office at 717-569-9211. The office staff will love to hear from you.

Health and Wellness Committee

April: National Autism Awareness Month



What is autism?

Autism spectrum disorder (ASD) is a broad term used to describe a group of neurodevelopmental disorders. These disorders are characterized by problems with communication and social interaction. People with ASD often demonstrate restricted, repetitive, and stereotyped interests or patterns of behavior. ASD is found in individuals around the world, regardless of race, culture, or economic background. There are currently five different ASD subtypes, or specifiers. They are:

- with or without accompanying intellectual impairment
- with or without accompanying language impairment
- associated with a known medical or genetic condition or environmental factor
- associated with another neurodevelopmental, mental, or behavioral disorder
- with catatonia

The exact cause of ASD is unknown. The most current research demonstrates that there's no single cause.

What are the symptoms of autism?

Autism symptoms typically become clearly evident during early childhood, between 12 and 24 months of age. However, symptoms may also appear earlier or later. Early symptoms may include a marked delay in language or social development. They are divided into two categories of symptoms: problems with communication and social interaction, and restricted or repetitive patterns of behavior or activities. Problems with communication and social interaction include: issues with communication, including difficulties sharing emotions, sharing interests, or maintaining a back-and-forth conversation. trouble maintaining eye contact or reading body language. Restricted or repetitive patterns of behavior or activities include: repetitive movements, motions, or speech patterns or rigid adherence to specific routines or behaviors, an increase or decrease in sensitivity to specific sensory information from their surroundings, such as a negative reaction to a specific sound.

Social Ministry



Lydia's Closet Clothing Bank at St. Peter's

Our Distribution Day is Saturday April 6th from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.
Contact Molly Olmsted if you can help out (astaloo@me.com)

Community Meal for April

Our meal for April will take place at Grace Lutheran Church on North Queen Street on Wednesday, April 3rd. Contact Jan Gigl or Sylvia Lashley if you can help!



Community Meal

Local Social Ministry Collections for April:

We are putting together food boxes for those who come in through our doors in need. We are in need of the following items:

- Boxed macaroni and cheese
- Peanut Butter
- Tuna Fish
- Box of crackers
- Dry Milk
- Cereal
- Cans of Soup
- Granola bars

Please place in the collection box in the Narthex. Your donations are greatly appreciated.

Prayer Chain Ministry

As we end our Lenten journey this month and celebrate our risen Lord, please consider joining the prayer Chain ministry! We are always here, ready to help our church family behind the scenes. We average about 10 new requests each week and those requests are prayed for 2 weeks (unless a specific time frame is given). All requests received are confidential and treated with respect and sensitivity. Watch the bulletin for information on our upcoming Book study coming in mid-May. If you are thinking about joining us, this might be a way of seeing what we are all about without making a commitment of more than a few weeks! Please contact either Angela Moshos (717) 393-6201 or Ginny Gerhart (717) 626-7406 with any questions or for more information!



“For this reason, I kneel before the Father, From whom every family in heaven and on earth derives its name”
Ephesians 3:14-15

Tithe.ly and the Way We Give



The Easter season is approaching and as you ponder ways you may give in service to the Lord, we invite you to think of ways you may offer your charitable giving. One of the newer platforms St. Peter's offers is through Tithe.ly -- as in tithing your income as a way to give back to God for all God has given you. You know about traditional giving -- you see it first-hand every time we pass the offering plate. Tithe.ly lets you give whenever you feel called -- easily, securely, and faithfully.

Simply visit stpeterslutheran.org/give on your phone, tablet, or computer to give a gift immediately, or take a moment to set up a recurring gift on a schedule that works for you. You can give whenever and wherever as a way to faithfully respond as God's stewards. You can easily control how much you want to give and when, and change your recurring gift at any time. Your contributions will be recorded on your church giving statement.

Digital giving is a great tool for supporting the everyday ministries of the church, and a timely one for when we need to respond quickly to a need in our greater community.

You can visit stpeterslutheran.org/give and sign up to give with your credit or debit card, or electronic funds transfer.

God is active here and now in this place, and we're called to faithfully respond to God's call in the 21st century. Tithe.ly helps us give and serve with 21st century means. Visit stpeterslutheran.org/give and give it a try today!

Finance Committee

February 2019 Financial Report

	Month	Year to Date Actual	Year to Date Budget
General Fund Receipts	\$86,760	\$167,108	\$172,927
General Fund Expenses	\$85,688	\$180,946	\$209,124
Surplus (Deficit)	\$1,072	\$(13,838)	\$(19,047)
Debt Reduction Receipts	\$3,693	\$16,772	\$24,104
Debt Reduction Expenses	\$14,271	\$21,481	\$24,104
Surplus (Deficit)	\$(10,578)	\$(4,709)	
Total Surplus (Deficit)	\$(9,506)	\$(18,547)	

New Members

We give thanks for the new members who have joined the St. Peter's family this spring. We welcome several families who took part in our Spring New Member class. Please take a look at their pictures on the kiosk in the narthex and Family Life Center and be sure to say hello. In fact, invite them to something—Sunday School, an Easter service or an upcoming youth event. Everyone was new at one time, and needs a friendly “Hello!”

Elizabeth Bennett (Palmer & Keeler)

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Elizabeth is transferring from Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Lancaster. She grew up in Lancaster and heard about St. Peter's “forever” and was attracted to St. Peter's by the kids' programs and Sunday School. Elizabeth has twin sons, Palmer and Keeler, who are in 2nd grade at Reidenbaugh Elementary. She is Vice President of Operations & Finance (CPA) at the Lancaster Theological Seminary.

Kathleen Brooks

Kathy was attracted to St. Peter's very welcoming congregation and the music. She feels that involving children in the church is an important part of a faith community.

Ritchie and Katie Keister (Olivia & Natalie)

303 Bowyer Lane, Lititz, PA 17543; 717-228-7013; katie.keister@gmail.com

Ritchie and Katie have twin daughters, Olivia and Natalie. They heard about St. Peter's because of their children attending Preschool here. They love attending St. Peter's to hear the Word, the love of community and all we offer for young children. Ritchie is employed as General Manager of Lancaster Car Company.

Thomas and Erlene Kilhefner

461 Amesbury Road, Lancaster, PA 17601; 717-581-0833; Candie17601@gmail.com

Tom and Erlene are transferring their membership from St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Lititz. Tom is retired from Ephrata Post Office and Erlene is employed at Cargill (Wilbur) in Lititz. They were attracted to St. Peter's by the friendly people.

Dr. Cheryl M. Laub (Max Nork)

105 Treetops Drive, Lancaster, PA 17601; 717-682-8467; cheryl_laub@comcast.net

Cheryl is transferring her membership from Lutheran Church of Good Shepherd, Lancaster. She has a great-nephew, Max, in the 6th grade at Centerville Elementary. Cheryl was attracted to St. Peter's by the Sunday School. The children's programs, liturgy and community of faith are important to her.

Tom and Lois Padilione

800 Northside Ct., Apt. 823, Lititz, PA 17543; 717-273-9750

Tom and Lois are retired and are transferring their membership from Salem Lutheran Church, Lebanon, PA.

Deborah Patton

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Deb is transferring from Covenant United Methodist Church, Lancaster. She enjoys the pace and tradition of the service and finds the church to be friendly. She is employed by Stoudt Advisors as Manager IT.

Corine Rollman

Corine is transferring from St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church, Hamburg, PA. She heard about St. Peter's from a friend. She grew up in Strausstown, PA, where she was a choir member, Sunday School teacher, church council member and church treasurer.

Dave and Jane Schappell

89 Fairland Road, Manheim, PA 17545; 484-515-7074; janeschappell@aol.com

Dave and Jane are transferring from Union UCC, Neffs, PA. They enjoy the large variety of programs and diversity. Jane is a subject matter expert at 3M Health Information Systems and Dave is a pharmacist at Kmart Pharmacy, Willow Street.

Worship and Music at St. Peter's

Worship Leadership Schedule for Choirs

SUNDAY	8:00	10:45	NEW DAY
APRIL 7	Canticle Choir	Herald Choir	
APRIL 14	No Choirs	Herald Choir	
APRIL 21	See separate announcement		
APRIL 28	Exsultate Ringers	Herald Choir, Jubilate Choir	Exsultate Ringers
MAY 5	No Choirs	Herald Choir, St. Peter's Ringers	Youth Choir

Holy Week Worship Music Leadership

Sages Maundy Thursday, April 18, 11:00am: Sages Choir (see separate announcement for rehearsals)

Maundy Thursday, April 18, 7:00pm: Youth Choir, Jubilate Choir, St. Peter's Ringers

Good Friday, April 19, 7:00pm: Herald Choir

Easter Sunday Worship Music Leadership

7:30am: Canticle Choir

9:00: Youth Choir, Jubilate Choir, Exsultate Ringers

10:45: Herald Choir, St. Peter's Ringers

Noah's RemARKable Voyage – Thank you!

Thank you to everyone who helped make St. Peter's Musical, Noah's RemARKable Voyage, a success! It was a fantastic afternoon of word, song, and dance. From cast and crew to instrumentalists and behind the scenes help, we couldn't have done it without all of you!

Sages Choir for Sages Maundy Thursday Service, April 18, 11:00am

The Sages choir will rehearse from 11:00a-12:00p on Tuesday, April 16th to prepare to lead the Sages Maundy Thursday Service on Thursday, April 18th at 11:00a. All are welcome!

Mid-Week Lenten Services – April 6th, 13th 7:00am and 7:00pm

Come to St. Peter's at 7:00am or 7:00pm on Wednesdays in Lent to walk with the prophets. We'll be exploring the message of the prophets and thinking about how their messages might manifest in our daily lives.

Mennonite Children's Chorus of Lancaster – Sunday April 7, 2019 4:00p

A special program of the Mennonite Children's Chorus of Lancaster will be held in the sanctuary here at St. Peter's on Sunday, April 7. While not an official program of the 2018-2019 Musical Arts Series, this program promises to be one full of excellent singing by the young people from the Lancaster area. Come to support the future of music-making and engagement in the arts.

Musical Arts Concert – Saturday, April 27, 7:00 p.m. – Wheatland Chorale

The Wheatland Chorale, one of the premier choruses in the area, presents the next program on the 2018-2019 Musical Arts Series on Saturday, April 27th at 7:00pm. Come early to get a good seat and stay for what promises to be an evening of glorious music.

Formation of a Piano Committee

The church council has authorized the formation of a piano committee to look into replacing the current instrument in the sanctuary with a larger instrument that is better suited for the large space. The committee has met a couple of times to discuss the process and to begin to determine interest in such a project. Keep your eyes out for the committee's findings in the May Herald and other communications to follow. If you have questions, please contact Adam at adam.hughes@stpeterslutheran.org.

Groups and Events



WELCA — Thursday, April 11th in Room 124 at 9:00 a.m. A light breakfast will be served. We look forward to having Pastor Sarah as our speaker. All women are welcome. Our April item for the Personal Care Kits is sturdy combs. Also at our April meeting we will have a signup sheet for our May meeting's Make Your Own Salad Bar. After the April meeting the signup sheet will also be posted on the Parish Life Bulletin Board located in the narthex by the nursery room door. Any questions, contact Sally Rager, 717-569-6119 or Kathy Caldwell, 717-627-7434.

50 PLUS — Please join us for exciting entertainment and good fellowship on Thursday, April 4th at 11:45 a.m. in the Café. Our program will feature Pastor Ross speaking about Holy Week. Please bring your own sandwich, place setting, a beverage and a snack to share. Anyone is welcome to come, share lunch and listen to a speaker. Upcoming gatherings include May 2nd Nick Siegert will offer a power point presentation about the Ephrata Cloister. On June 6th we will begin a 6 month series with Dr. Robert Frick speaking about "Together, They Made Lancaster Great". Our annual picnic will be held on August 1st with the vicar as our guest. Dr. Frick's series will continue September 5th, October 3rd, and November 7th. Our annual Christmas luncheon will be on December 5th at the Eden Resort. Dr. Frick will conclude his series on January 2nd, February 6th and March 6, 2020. This schedule is posted on the Activities Bulletin Board. If you have any questions, please contact Debra Shue at 717-318-8848.

JUST FOR FUN (April 3rd) — HELP SERVE DINNER AND HAVE DINNER

We will have 2 activities on Wednesday, April 3rd. You can participate in one or both. Just sign-up on the bulletin board. Alan and Beverly Swanson will coordinate these activities.

Dinner Service at Grace Lutheran Church – We will assist in serving dinner at Grace Lutheran Church, 517 N Queen Street Lancaster. We need a total of 7 people to assist with the dinner. Our role in these dinners will be to put food on each person's place from the kitchen or help with some dish washing. We need to either be at St. Peter's by 4:40 p.m. and we can drive together to Grace Lutheran. Or you can meet us at Grace Lutheran at 5:00 p.m. We will be back at St. Peter's approximately 6:30 p.m.



Dinner at Fiorentino's – Everyone is invited to have dinner at Fiorentino's at the Lancaster Airport at 6:45 p.m. You do not have to participate at Grace Lutheran to join us for dinner.

DISASTER RESPONSE TRIP TO PUERTO RICO

Pastor Glenn Beard, Jr., Coordinator of the Lower Susquehanna Synod Disaster Response Network, announces a second disaster response mission trip to Puerto Rico to help rebuild following Hurricane Maria, October 30-November 7, 2019. A trip planning meeting will be held on Sunday, April 28th, at 2:00 p.m. in the Community Room at Luther Acres, 600 E. Main Street, Lititz. The trip is limited to 32 participants due to housing limitations. If you have questions or concerns, please feel free to email Pastor Beard at gbeard@luthercare.org or call him at (717) 471-1067.

LAST CALL FOR REGISTRATIONS FOR SPRING MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKENDS



There is still room for YOU at one of the spring Lutheran Marriage Encounter Weekends if you act very quickly! No matter whether you have a practically perfect marriage or whether you are experiencing major relationship issues, couples most frequently report that the Weekend improved and enriched their marriage to a level they never thought possible. Go to www.GodLovesMarriage.org TODAY for more information and to sign up online to attend the Weekend of your choice:

April 5-7, 2019 at Country Inn & Suites in State College, PA

April 26-28, 2019 at Heritage Hotel in Lancaster, PA

For questions, please contact Northeast US Directors of Lutheran Marriage Encounter, Fred & Julie Schamber, at: fjschamber@comcast.net or 724-325-3166.



Pastor's Letter

Dear Friends:

Did you have something to eat this morning? Not a person who starts your day with breakfast? Tsk, tsk ... most important meal of the day, right, as we set a healthy foundation for the rest of the meals that will follow. We have more nutrition and diet information that we can realistically process. It seems like everyone from movie stars, to pop culture icons, to doctors, to yoga instructors have advice for you about what you should eat, when you should eat it and why it is healthy.

Well good news, folks, God has just one dietary message for you, and it has been the same message for like the past million years ... OK, more specifically, it's been the same one since the time of the Last Supper, circa 33 CE. That's a long time in either case. The message of course, is this ... *"Take and eat, this is my body; take and drink, this is my blood."* It is a pretty simple message. Of course, life in the Christian Church is rarely simple, and so all kinds of historic factors have shaped the practice around this simple command to *"take and eat...take and drink."* History ... clergy shortages ... pietism ... personal preferences ... time management ... the list is longer, but these are some of the more significant factors that have led to occasional or even regular Sunday worship gatherings around just the Word, instead of Word and Sacrament.

We have talked about the variety of pieties and preferences here at St. Peter's since the time I was first called as your associate pastor in 1986. We have talked a lot ... we have struggled with practical issues and with theological issues in our discussions ... we have questioned the balance of more frequent communion services with all the other things that happen on a Sunday morning. All of that has been good and healthy. Luther was fond of reminding us that "we are all priests before our God." So you are as much a theologian as I am. But given some changes in our worship landscape in recent years, it seems an apropos time to revisit this conversation again.



So your pastors in conjunction with the Worship Committee have agreed to host an experiment for the Easter season, which begins on April 21 (mark your calendars 8AM worshippers, the early service is 7:30 on Easter Sunday). We will commune at all three of our Sunday services during the seven week Easter season. Since the Day of Pentecost is a theological close to the season (and is a festival in which we already have communion at all services), the "experiment" will actually run for eight weeks. It is a modest experiment, as five of those eight weeks are already communion Sundays, per our normal communion schedule. But it will give us a taste of a modest stretch of weekly communion.

We will have some formal opportunities for feedback after we worship through the season, but in the meantime, we always love to hear from you and what you are thinking. Just send us (your pastors, or Worship Committee) a note ... email us ... FB message us ... send a carrier pigeon ... stop in for a chat. Our hope is that we will have some vibrant discussion around our experiment. Your pastors and Worship Committee see this as a time of exploration and growing in our faith. We pray that you will be able to see it in the same light. Until then, I'll ...

See you in Church ...

Pastor Craig

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PLEASE HELP SAVE MAILING COSTS!!!!

PLEASE CONSIDER signing up to receive the online version of the "Herald" Newsletter and help us save on our mailing costs. Contact Sandy Shattuck in the Church Office at 717-569-9211 or sshattuck@stpeterslutheran-lanc.org to sign up and start receiving the "Herald" by email. Please note: You may also pick up a copy at the Welcome Desk or Literature Racks.



Pastor Sarah's Message

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

A few weeks ago Pastor Craig and I had the pleasure to sit down with the newest members of our community of faith. We love the chance to engage with people during our new members' class. It is a time where we can share our mission, "Building a community of faith by God's grace" and share stories of the ways we worship, learn, gather, and serve. We certainly enjoy sharing! But we also greatly enjoy listening.

I love it when different people gather around and share how the Lord led them to be part of this community of faith. Perhaps few new members would use the phrase, "The Lord led me to this time and place," but when I listen to their stories, I witness the Lord's handiwork. Some of the ways I witness the Lord at work:

The Lord works through the laughter of our children: Some of our newest members spoke about how the laughter of their children in St. Peter's Preschool ushered them from the hallways of the preschool into the worshipping spaces of our church. So many of our new members spoke about how they kept on coming back as visitors because they saw the joy children bring in worship and with every giggle, wiggle, and shout they see the Holy Spirit at work.

The Lord works through technology: Some of our newest members spoke about going to the maps app of their phone or Googling "Lutheran Church" and finding our website, and from there seeking more about the ways we worship, learn, gather, and serve in Jesus' name.

The Lord works through you: New members in this class and classes in the past have pointed to one or two people who invited them to come. You invited (maybe offered the invitation a few times) and perhaps offered to go with them to a worship service, a Bible study, a children's event, or a community outreach opportunity. And your invitation made all the difference.

I think when we consider the word Evangelism we get a little scared or put off because we think of overbearing, argumentative models of behavior. This doesn't have to be this way. Evangelism really means 'good news,' and taking part in our new members classes I got to witness the good news of joy, the good news of sharing, and the good news of invitation.

So friends, be part of the good news. Here's an idea... this season is a GREAT time to invite someone!

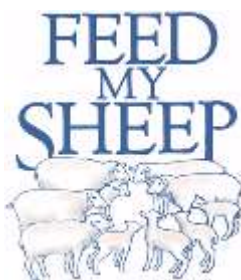
- Invite a buddy to the Palm Sunday breakfast (April 14 at 9-10am) and worship.
- Invite a parent and their children to the Good Friday Waffles and Worship (April 19 at 9am) or the Good Friday Children's Stations of the Cross (April 19 at noon).
- Invite someone in your family to come to Easter services with you (7:30, 9, 10:45-Traditional and 10:45 New Day).

Be a messenger of God's good (AWESOME) news of love and grace!

Peace,

Pastor Sarah

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The Sheep are Hungry! Please Help Feed Them

Needed in April: *Peanut butter; jellies and jams; canned fruits; canned pasta; canned tomato products; spaghetti sauce; boxed macaroni and cheese; instant stuffing & potatoes; canned yams; complete pancake mix & syrup; canned tuna and chicken; tuna, beef & chicken helper; cereal; instant oatmeal.* Food Carts are in the Narthex. Items go to the Lancaster County Council of Churches Food Bank.

Thanks for your donations!

Letter From the Vicar



Dear Congregation,

There are two types of waning. A moon wanes when a progressively smaller part of its visible surface is illuminated. It appears to decrease in size. Having rounded the half-way point of my internship at St. Peter's several months ago, as I begin my last quarter with you, I am waning in this sense.

My hope for the future is that you will not experience the second kind of waning from me: notice a decrease, see a diminishing, or sense a contracting (vicar). As I currently finish up my final seminary course (online) and work toward Approval by my candidacy committee, I may indeed be waning in the amount of time I spend attending activities and meetings.

In truth, I am still with you for three more months. My care for you and depth of investment in St. Peter's continues to grow and has not yet reached its most visible state, a full moon. I continue to receive useful input from my internship committee, you and the staff.

I already grieve the thought of not having you in my life and leaving the comfortable spaces in which I've made myself at home. If you haven't already, come visit me in my office; it is cozy. There's a beautiful handmade quilt on the wall given to me by St. Peter's quilters. The entire room features crafted handiwork. As you walk in, you'll see a family heirloom (of sorts), a green and gold oriental rug. A large begonia (that in the past only ever produced leaves), has finally bloomed under ideal conditions.

Thank you for making the conditions of my internship conducive to personal and professional growth and flowering. In your own unique ways you have provided good soil and nourishment to strengthen the roots of my calling. Being pruned by critique or a lack of reward never felt fun, but it has been marvelous to experience the effects. You multiplied the number of pathways made available to me. It's all been very much worth the undertaking and I am so grateful to you all.

Love,

Vicar Nancy

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St. Peter's Preschool

Our preschool is almost completely full for the upcoming 2019/20 school year. This is a great testament to the strength of our program and talent of our teaching staff. Waiting lists are forming and it seems like St. Peter's is the school with ***buzz*** in the community. Thanks to everyone who helps support the work we do here. We appreciate that so much.

Gary Williams, Sister Dottie and I attended an all day training seminar at Thaddeus Stevens on March 7th which concentrated on Active Shooter protocol. This was one of several sessions we have attended in an effort to provide the safest and most secure environment for our parishioners, staff, preschoolers and families. We are committed to our mission of establishing some simple guidelines and procedures which will greatly increase the integrity of our church surroundings. We plan to be meeting regularly with experienced security personnel, first responders in our area and church members with firsthand knowledge. Please help support this important initiative by being vigilant and aware at all times, and by keeping outside doors locked. Together, we can enjoy a safe and secure church. Thanks to all of our church family.

Lorraine DiBernardo,
Preschool Director

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From the Director of Music

Holy Things

*To the bath and the table,
To the prayers and the word,
I call every seeking soul.*



As we approach the time of year we call Holy Week, our thoughts turn toward the central things to our existence as Christians. Of course the stories we tell this time of year are important: the command to love one another, the passion of Jesus, the history of salvation, and Jesus' resurrection. Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, Easter Vigil, and Easter Sunday are full of amazing occurrences which challenge our ideas about power and weakness, life and death.

As Lutherans, we hold two categories as being central to expressing our faith: Word and Sacrament. The Word part of worship encompasses all those places where God speaks to us: bible readings, preaching, hymns, prayers, and blessings. Sacraments are those holy signs where God truly comes among us and they are accompanied by more words. In the Lutheran church we confess two Sacraments: Baptism and Communion, signs of cleansing water and a communal meal shared for all.

The above inscription, found on the bell of West Denmark Lutheran Church in Luck, WI (the bell was destroyed in a 1985 fire), presents an interesting view of church and how God meets us in worship. The words bath, meal, and word clearly match up to our "church"-y words of Baptism, Communion, and scripture or terms for the physical items associated with these important parts of our faith such as font, altar, and Bible. Interestingly, the inscription chooses to describe these things as actions central to human existence. Cleaning, eating, and communal living figure highly on a list of items required for healthy living.

The choice to make use of the words bath, table, and word reminds us that God goes with us in all places of life. We meet God in worship, but we also can be reminded of baptism during a spring rain, communion at a meal with friends and/or family, and God's word when we meet each other in those tough places in life. Worship, and particularly worship during Holy Week, is merely a practicing ground for our daily lives. In worship we practice cleansing reconciliation, sharing all that we have with others, and encouraging each other with the words of God so we can go out to show the world how to live fully.

This Holy Week and Easter, see what other connections the bath, table, and word may pop up in your lives and make an effort to get to church to practice these things in community. Let the bath, table, and word be signs and symbols of God going with us now and always.

Adam

Youth & Family Ministry News...

April 7th – Youth Group Event –Dollar Dinner – 6:00 – 8:00 pm-Bring a dollar – we will form teams and go shopping. What can your group buy with your money and prepare back at church? Parent drivers/chaperones needed.

REMINDER – NO SS on April 14th due to Palm Sunday or April 21st due to Easter

High School Senior Recognition – Sunday April 28th at all services – you will be receiving form in the mail to fill out and return by Wednesday April 17th. Contact Sister Dottie if you don't receive a form.



2019 Summer Confirmation Camp (grades 6 thru 9) – June 23 thru June 29th Camp Kirchenwald. We will join youth from other area Lutheran Churches for learning and outdoor fun!

Summer Beach Retreat – July 4-8th for those entering grades 8 and up in the fall – we will travel to Cape Henlopen State Park in Delaware

If you have any questions, please contact Sister Dottie Almoney, Parish Deaconess at dottie.almoney@stpeterslutheran.org



ST. PETER'S KIDS!

Congratulations to the following children for completing the **Communion Awareness Class on February 10th!** They were welcomed to the Lord's Table for the first time on February 17 and 24.



Charlotte Griscom
Libby Hofmann
Luke Schlegelmilch
Sienna Young

Shane Groff
Patrick McCarthy
Aiden Thompson

We are looking for Youth Volunteers to assist the day of the Easter Egg Hunt. We need helpers from 9:15am to about 11:15am. If you have an older child who would be willing to help out the day of the Easter Egg Hunt, please email Samantha to sign them up to help! scuascut@stpeterslutheran-lanc.org



Reminder: There will be **no Sunday School on April 14th or 21st**. We will resume our normal schedule on April 28th.

Mark your calendars for **Vacation Bible School!** This year it will be held **July 14-18** and the theme will be **To Mars and Beyond!** Please note, VBS will run Sunday through Thursday again this year and the time will be 6-8pm each night. We are also looking for volunteers for the week...Please email Samantha at samantha.cuascut@stpeterslutheran.org if you are willing to help!



Sunday School Format Reminder:



Our Junior Explorer (preschool and kindergarten) **Sunday school classes** follow a traditional format. You may take your child to his/her classroom at 9:15 am, and then at 10:15 am, pick up your child in the same classroom.

Age 2/3 - Nursery

Age 4 – Bunny Room

Kindergarten - Frog Room

Bible Explorers (Rotation Sunday school) is for children in grades 1 through grade 4. All Bible Explorers meet in the Family Life Center (FLC) at 9:15am every Sunday for an opening. From there, guides (adult volunteers) will lead them to their rotation activity. Because your child will be doing a different activity each week, their pick up room changes each Sunday. Check the Children's Ministries' bulletin board to see where you should pick up your child each week.

If you have any questions, contact Samantha Cuascut, Director of Children's Ministries at samantha.cuascut@stpeterslutheran.org or 717-586-0330.



RIGHT OF REFUSAL WAIVER FOR PHOTOS — To insure the safety of our parishioners, St. Peter's has adopted a policy for the use of photos from various services, events and educational programs here at church. If you wish that your image or the image of your child(ren) NOT BE USED in any media that St. Peter's publishes, please pick up a "Right of Refusal Waiver" (a bright green form) from the literature racks in the narthex or at the Welcome Desk. For the form to be valid, a photo must be included with the form. Forms will be valid for the calendar year (until December 31). Each year a new form and updated photo will need to be filled. Please hand in the completed form with picture to the church office. Please contact Samantha Cuascut, Director of Children's Ministries if you have any questions.

Traditional Worship Assistant Schedule for April

	ACOLYTE/ CROSSBEARER *both Acolyte & Crossbearer	LECTORS	COMMUNION ASSISTANT	USHERS	BREAD & WINE PRESENTERS
April 7 8:00 a.m.	Sean O'Brien	Dee Vulgaris	Randy & Debbie Shue	Brent Bearinger, Tom Chever, Dennis Maurer, Tom Rothfus, Randy & Debbie Shue	Dennis & Louise Sitler
10:45 a.m.		Kelly Wicks	No Communion	John & Kathy Burke, John & June Crisp, Chris Shimer, Brian Tolbert	No Communion
April 14 8:00 a.m.	Cole Troop	Larry Wilcox	Clint Frontz Bret Hoffmaster	John Kerchner, Cindy Miley, Dave Mullican, Ted Andrews, Bob & Phyllis Hollinger	Bill & Mary Ellen Kopetz
10:45 a.m.		Jill Pretz	Jeff Pretz Janet Roberts	Dave, Lis, David & Jessica Wolf, Richard & Ann Wolf	Lis & Dave Wolf
Maundy Thurs. April 18 11:00 a.m.			Bob Courtois Ginny Stickler	Clint Frontz, Mary Ellen Kopetz, Nancy Miller, Linda Siems, Norm Yunginger	Pew Communion
Maundy Thurs. April 18 7:00 p.m.		Paul Berkebile	Geoff & Kathy Groff	TBA	Station Communion
Good Friday 7:00 p.m.		Craig Boyhont			
Easter Vigil 6:00 p.m.				TBA	TBA
Easter Sunday April 21 7:30 a.m.		Ena Marie Banks	Clint Frontz Karen Peiffer	Eric May, Steve & Diane Gegg, Liz, Sean & Iain O'Brien	Christine Ponti Linda Siems
Easter Sunday April 21 9:00 a.m.	Mitchell Burkholder Ethan Groff	Nicolette Simon	Nancy Pokopec, Jennifer Schlener-Thomas	Joann & Jillian Gerner, Bob & Shirley Gerner, Greg & Sylvia Lashley	Jeff & Anneliese Owen
Easter Sunday April 21 10:45 a.m.		Margaret Strausser	Clint Front Margaret Strausser	Don & Kyle Templeton, Thompson, Betsy, Rory & Jensen McConnell	TBA
April 28 8:00 a.m.	Maurielle Courtois	Marianne Beasley	Brendan Armitage John Burke	Mark, Melanie & Mitchell Burkholder, Larry Wilcox, Bill & Linda Montgomery	Patti & Maurielle Courtois
10:45 a.m.		Nancy Beauregard	Paul Berkebile Shirley Gerner	Scott Glassford, Andy Hirko, Jocelyn Kline, Alan & Beverly Swanson, Russell Vollmer	Rich & Ann Larrick

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Worship Leader Coordinators

Acolyte, Crucifer, & Torch Bearer: TBA

Altar Guild: Betsy Linn 618-9615

AV Room: Bill Schlener 725-2700 & Bob Preston

Bread & Wine Presenter: Jennifer Lehman 519-8851

CD & Flower Delivery: Christine Smith 299-0949

Communion Assistants: Karen Peiffer 569-3643

Greeters: Leigh Trayer 271-9268

Lectors: Thom McConnell 581-0068

Nursery: Patti Courtois 898-1898

Ushers: Nancy Beauregard 295-9814
& Beth Bigler 569-7843

Welcome Center: Mary Ann Oberholtzer 898-7823

Traditional Worship Assistant Schedule for April (continued)

	GREETERS	WELCOME CENTER	AV/LIGHTING	NURSERY	ALTAR GUILD COORD.	ALTAR GUILD
April 7 8:00 am	Tom & Pat Badorf	Shirley Dombach Susie Roderick	Bill Schlener	Julie Gotwald Alyssa Kerper	Debbie Shue	Shirley Dombach Nancy Miller
10:45 am	Daniel & Karen Beck	Nancy Shimer Clarence Simon	Dave Tilley	Karen Shreiner Alyssa Kerper	No Communion	No Communion
April 14 8:00 am	Brent & Susan Bearinger	Larry & Sylvia Miller	Tom Chever	Amy Groff, Alyssa Kerper	Debbie Shue	Bill & Linda Montgomery
10:45 am	Andy & Sandi Hirko	Art & Libby Stoner	Bob Preston	Sara Deno Alyssa Kerper	Debbie Shue	Barbara Beyer Tricia Hough
Maundy Thurs. April 18 11:00 a.m.		James & Martha Fulmer		N/A	Debbie Shue	Cindy Gillespie Nancy LeFevre
Maundy Thurs. April 18 7:00 p.m.	Laretta Stutzman Cindy Miley	Bob & Edee Bedford	Joe Almone	TBA Alyssa Kerper	Debbie Shue	TBA
Good Friday April 19 7:00 p.m.	Rich & Ann Larrick	Andy & Sandi Hirko	Bill Schlener	TBA Alyssa Kerper	No Communion	No Communion
Easter Vigil April 20 6:00 p.m.	Joh & June Crisp	Rich & Ann Larrick	Dave Tilley	TBA Alyssa Kerper	Debbie Shue	Cindy Gillespie
Easter Sunday 7:30 a.m.	Susie Roderick Christine Ponti	John & Kathy Burke	Mark Burkholder	Bob & Phyllis Hollinger, Alyssa Kerper	Debbie Shue	Steve & Diane Gegg, Christine Ponti
Easter Sunday 9:00 a.m.	Janis Sharkey Andrea Sherman	Ron & Joan Beck	Bob Preston	Rachel Shaffer Alyssa Kerper	Debbie Shue	Anna Mae Kenyon Laretta Stutzman
Easter Sunday 10:45 a.m.	Vicki Legath Jocelyn Kline	Ron & Treva Shaffer	Joe Almone	TBA Alyssa Kerper	Debbie Shue	Suk Shuglie Nancy Shimer Peggy Popp
April 28 8:00 a.m.	Mark & Jan Gilliford	Pam Hoffmaster Christine Ponti	Tom Badorf	MaryAnn Oberholtzer Kyra Rishell Alyssa Kerper	Barb Cooper Kathy Caldwell	Bob & Phyllis Hollinger
10:45 a.m.	Bob & Lori Long	Brian & Barbara Tolbert	Rick Groff	Chloe Otto Alyssa Kerper	Barb Cooper Kathy Caldwell	Lois Vollmer Jill Mowery



NURSERY 9:15 A.M.

April 7: Bob & Patti Courtois, Alyssa Kerper
April 28: Bob & Patti Courtois, Alyssa Kerper

NEW DAY WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS — APRIL 2019

	April 7	April 14	April 21 Easter	April 28
Lector	Sharon Schaefer	Lynn Stover	Megan Thompson	Peter Murdock
Communion Assistant	Jennifer Sassaman	William Sassaman	Sharon Schaefer	Molly Olmsted
Ushers	John & Janet Hess	Mark & Sharon Schaefer	Scott & Amanda Sprague	Bill & Drew Sassaman
Altar Guild	Robin Schmincke	Robin Schmincke		Ann Fink
A/V Sound	Scott Fyfe	Scott Fyfe	Scott Fyfe	Scott Fyfe
Coffee Bar	Catherine Stover	Sprague Family	Hosler Family	Beth Soslow



NARTHEX COFFEE BAR



Thanks to all our faithful members who provide baked goods and serve coffee. **We are always looking for helpers and bakers!!** If you love to bake, we need you. As always, we thank Laretta Stutzman, Tim Fickes, John Hess and Ann & Rich Larrick for picking up the donated baked goods from Giant. Have questions? Please feel free to send me an email at lcwolf01@hotmail.com

NARTHEX COFFEE BAR COORDINATOR NEEDED — “We are looking for someone to run the Coffee Bar. Unfortunately, my time has been filled with kids sports and other family commitments that I am unable to dedicate my time to the fullest to the Coffee Bar. Please contact me at lcwolf01@hotmail.com or call at 717-341-4796. Thanks so much!” *Lis Wolf*



April Flower Delivery Schedule

Date	Deliverer	Recipient
April 7	No Flowers During Lent	None
April 14	No Flowers During Lent	None
April 21	All Deliver	All Receive
April 28	Nancy LeFevre	Open recipient

OUR MISSION

Building a community of faith by God's grace.

“This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you.”

John 15:12

OUR VISION

St. Peter's Evangelical Lutheran Church will show our love for God, our love for neighbors, and our desire to make disciples.

Because we love God, we will:

- Worship and pray together.
- Help each other develop a meaningful relationship with God.
- Model our faith to children, youth, and others.

Because we love our neighbor, we will:

- Serve one another, especially the unseen and underserved within our congregation.
- Support those in need in our Lancaster community and in the world through our ties with the Lower Susquehanna Synod and the Evangelical Lutheran Church of America.
- Love others boldly in a diverse and changing world, deepening relationships with our neighbors.

Because we desire to make disciples, we will:

- Seek to teach God's love through adult education, our programs for children and youth, and our preschool.
- Offer small groups that connect God's Word to our everyday lives and create communities of faith.
- Share the good news in creative and authentic ways with the St. Peter's family and with neighbors in our community.



NewsLetter
DEADLINE

MAY 2019 NEWSLETTER ARTICLES DUE APRIL 10TH

Articles for the May 2019 “Herald” are due in the church office no later than **April 10th**. Please submit articles to Sandy Shattuck in the church office or email sshattuck@stpeterslutheran-lanc.org. Thank you for your cooperation.



LOOKING AHEAD

APRIL CALENDAR

Monday, April 1

9:30 a.m. - Worship Leaders (Pastor's Office)
1:00 p.m. - Quilters (Augsburg Alley)
5:30 p.m. - Global Missions (Conference Room)
6:30 p.m. - Exsultate Ringers (Music Room)
7:30 p.m. - St. Peter's Ringers (Music Room)
8:00 p.m. - AA (Room 100), Al Anon (Room 102)

Tuesday, April 2

10:00 a.m. - Staff Meeting (Conference Room)

Wednesday, April 3

7:00 a.m. - Lenten Service (Chapel)
9:30 a.m. - Bible Study (Café)
1:00 p.m. - Community Meal Preparation (Kitchen)
2:00 p.m. - Evangelism Committee (Conference Room)
4:30 p.m. - Community Meal (Grace Lutheran)
6:15 p.m. - Lenten Meal (Café)
6:45 p.m. - Addiction Ministry Team (Cry Room)
6:45 p.m. - Just For Fun (Fiorentino's Restaurant)
7:00 p.m. - Lenten Service (Chapel)
7:00 p.m. - Praise Band Rehearsal (Family Life Center)
7:30 p.m. - WOLD Bible Study (Room 100)

Thursday, April 4

11:45 a.m. - 50+ Fellowship (Café)
1:30 p.m. - Power Packs (FLC/Youth Lounge)
6:00 p.m. - Jubilate Choir (Music Room)
7:30 p.m. - Herald Choir (Music Room)

Friday, April 5

1:00 p.m. - Al Anon (Cry Room)

Saturday, April 6

10:00 a.m. - Easter Egg Hunt (Narthex & Chapel)
7:30 p.m. - Clothing Bank/Lydia's Closet (Youth Lounge)

Sunday, April 7

8:00 a.m. - Traditional Worship & Communion (Sanctuary)
9:15 a.m. - Canticle Choir (Music Room)
9:15 a.m. - Sunday School
10:00 a.m. - Youth Choir (Music Room)
10:30 a.m. - Word of Life Deaf Church (Chapel)
10:30 a.m. - Addiction Ministry Team (Cry Room)
10:30 a.m. - Word of Life Deaf Church (Chapel)
10:45 a.m. - New Day Worship & Communion (FLC)
10:45 a.m. - Traditional Worship (Sanctuary)
4:00 p.m. - Mennonite Children's Choir (Sanctuary)
6:00 p.m. - Youth Group

Monday, April 8

9:30 a.m. - Worship Leaders (Pastor's Office)
1:00 p.m. - Quilters (Augsburg Alley)
6:30 p.m. - Exsultate Ringers (Music Room)
7:00 p.m. - Council Meeting (Conference Room)

7:00 p.m. - Boy Scout s (FLC)
7:30 p.m. - St Peter's Ringers (Music Room)
8:00 p.m. - AA (Room 100) Al Anon (Room 102)

Tuesday, April 9

1:00 p.m. - Communication Committee (Conference Room)

Wednesday, April 10

7:00 a.m. - Lenten Service (Chapel)
9:30 a.m. - Bible Study (Café)
6:15 p.m. - Lenten Meal (Café)
6:15 p.m. - Addiction Ministry Team (Cry Room)
7:00 p.m. - Lenten Service (Chapel)
7:00 p.m. - Praise Band Rehearsal (FLC)
7:00 p.m. - Property Committee (Conference Room)
7:30 p.m. - WOLD Bible Study (Room 100)

Thursday, April 11

9:00 a.m. - WELCA (Augsburg Alley)
1:30 p.m. - Power Packs (Youth Lounge/FLC)
6:00 p.m. - Jubilate Choir (Music Room)
7:30 p.m. - Herald Choir (Music Room)

Friday, April 12

1:00 p.m. - Al Anon (Cry Room)

Sunday, April 14

8:00 a.m. - Traditional Worship & Communion (Sanctuary)
9:00 a.m. - Palm Sunday Breakfast (Café)
9:15 a.m. - Canticle Choir (Music Room)
10:30 a.m. - Word of Life Deaf Church (Chapel)
10:30 a.m. - Addiction Ministry Team (Cry Room)
10:45 a.m. - New Day Worship & Communion (FLC)
10:45 a.m. - Traditional Worship & Communion (Sanctuary)
11:15 a.m. - WOLD Sunday School (Room 100)

Monday, April 15

9:30 a.m. - Worship Leaders (Pastor's Office)
1:00 p.m. - Quilters (Augsburg Alley)
6:30 p.m. - Exsultate Ringers (Music Room)
6:30 p.m. - Maundy Thursday Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
7:30 p.m. - Easter Vigil Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
7:30 p.m. - St. Peter's Ringers (Music Room)
8:00 p.m. - AA (Room 100), Al Anon (Room 102)

Tuesday, April 16

11:00 a.m. - Sages Choir Rehearsal (Music Room)
6:00 p.m. - Children's Ministry Committee (Room 127)
6:30 p.m. - Intern Committee (Cry Room)
7:00 p.m. - Stewardship committee (Conference Room)
7:30 p.m. - Long Range Planning (Cry Room)

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Wednesday, April 17

11:00 a.m. - Sages' Luncheon Preparation (Kitchen)
6:30 p.m. - Pub Theology (Scooters)
7:00 p.m. - Praise Band Rehearsal (FLC)
7:30 p.m. - WOLD Bible Study (Room 100)

Thursday, April 18

9:00 a.m. - Preparation for Sages' Luncheon (Kitchen)
11:00 a.m. - Sages' Maundy Thursday Service (Sanctuary)
12:00 p.m. - Sages' Luncheon (Café)
1:30 p.m. - Power Packs (FLC/Youth Lounge)
6:00 p.m. - Church on the Go (Family Life Center)
7:00 p.m. - Maundy Thursday Service (Sanctuary)

Friday, April 19

9:00 a.m. - Good Friday Waffles & Worship (Café)
12:00 p.m. - Children's Stations of the Cross (Sanctuary)
1:00 p.m. - Al Anon (Cry Room)
7:00 p.m. - Good Friday Worship (Sanctuary)
7:00 p.m. - WOLD Good Friday Worship (Chapel)

Saturday, April 20

6:00 p.m. - Easter Vigil (Sanctuary)

Sunday, April 21

7:30 a.m. - Traditional Worship & Communion (Sanctuary)
9:00 a.m. - Traditional Family Service & Communion (Sanctuary)
10:00 a.m. - Word of Life Deaf Church (Chapel)
10:45 a.m. - Traditional Worship & Communion (Sanctuary)
10:45 a.m. - New Day Worship & Communion (FLC)

Monday, April 22

Church Office Closed
6:45 a.m. - Tanzania Missions Committee (Conference Room)
8:00 p.m. - AA (Room 100) Al Anon (Room 102)

Tuesday, April 23

10:00 a.m. - Staff Meeting (Conference Room)

Wednesday, April 24

9:30 a.m. - Bible Study (Café)
6:30 p.m. - WOLD Bible Study (Room 100)
7:00 p.m. - Praise Band Rehearsal (FLC)

Thursday, April 25

1:30 p.m. - Power Packs (FLC/Youth Lounge)
7:00 p.m. - Endowment Committee (Conference Room)

Friday, April 26

1:00 p.m. - Al Anon (Cry Room)

Saturday, April 27

7:00 p.m. - Musical Arts Concert (Sanctuary)

Sunday, April 28

8:00 a.m. - Traditional Worship & Communion (Sanctuary)
9:15 a.m. - Cantic Choir (Music Room)
9:15 a.m. - Sunday School
9:30 a.m. - Word of Life Deaf Church (Chapel)
10:45 a.m. - New Day Worship & Communion (FLC)
10:45 a.m. - Traditional Worship & Communion (Sanctuary)

Monday, April 29

9:30 a.m. - Worship Leaders (Pastor's Office)
10:00 p.m. - Quilters (Augsburg Alley)
7:00 p.m. - New Day Committee (Cry Room)
7:30 p.m. - St Peter's Ringers (Music Room)
8:00 p.m. - AA (Room 100) Al Anon (Room 102)



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