



# ST. PETER'S MESSENGER

St. Peter's Ev. Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod  
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*Proclaiming JESUS Savior and Lord for LIFE*

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Paul M. Crolius, Pastor

Roger Tessendorf, Principal  
Cindy Nellesen, Administrative Assistant

## FROM THE PASTOR

***“But blessed is the man who trusts in the Lord, whose confidence is in him. He will be like a tree planted by the water that sends out its roots by the stream.”  
Jeremiah 17:7-8a***

It is hard to believe that we are already looking at August. It seems like summer begins and before you know it is gone. I hope all of you have been having an enjoyable summer. I don't know about you, but during the hot and humid weather, I find that I really get refreshed by a glass of cold water or by going for a swim. By doing this, I find relief from the heat of the day. Thanks be to our wonderful God who gives us such wonderful gifts to take away the burden of the heat and humidity.

The prophet Jeremiah uses the imagery of water to describe people living with hope. Those who put their trust and confidence in God are like a tree that grows by water and is nourished. It grows and sends out roots by the stream. However, if a person does not trust and put their faith in our Triune God, one will be like a tree without water that withers and dies. Jesus refers to Himself as the source of the water of life. Without Him and His love, all people would have withered and died in their sin. Yet in His love, Jesus came to save us from all sin and to reestablish the broken relationship with God.

Jesus died on the cross and rose again to new life that we might also have abundant life now and forever through faith in Him.

Scripture declares to us a stream of living water flowing forth from Him. A stream that heals, forgives and refreshes our lives. God has planted you as a flourishing tree by the waters of Baptism. His Holy Spirit enables us to have roots that reach out to his living water. Despite the fact that we daily sin and in the heat of the day turn from our Lord's ways, Jesus reminds us of His love. Our Lord continually calls us back to Himself and refreshes us with His Word. He also empowers us to bear fruit of faith sharing His love with others in word and deed. What a joy to have such hope and confidence in God being ever assured of His love, presence, and continued care. In Christ through faith, we are "trees planted by the water"- His water of life.

I would like to invite and encourage you to come again and again to be refreshed by His Water. Our Lord refreshes us through the Word in daily devotion, through Bible classes, regular worship, and in His Holy Supper. May God enable us all to be continually refreshed and strengthened to live for our Lord who has brought us the water of Life.

In Christ,  
*Pastor Crolius*

**FUNERALS**

Raymond Mundth died on Wednesday, June 27, 2018, and was given Christian burial on Monday, July 2, 2018.

### **BAPTISM**

Byron Jeffery, son of Ryan and Lauren (Lindloff) Downing was born April 4, 2018, and baptized on July 22, 2018.

Leila Dawn, daughter of Ali and Jennifer (Sweeney) Pervaiz, was born April 19, 2018, and baptized July 19, 2018.

### **MEMORIALS**

Given in Memory of Raymond Mundth  
St. Peter's Church                      \$125.00  
St. Peter's School                      \$288.00

### **THANK YOU**

Dear Pastor Crolius and members of St. Peter's Church and School,

Thank you for choosing me as one of the recipients of the 2018 Ruth Sorge Memorial Scholarship! I have enjoyed going to school and being very involved at St. Peter's. This scholarship will help with my expenses at Winona!

Brooklyn Schyvinck



### **RADIO BROADCAST**

**Tune in to....  
WCNP FM 89.5 at 12:00 noon**



## **2018 VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL**

**AUGUST 6 - 10, 2018  
9:00 - 11:30 A.M.**

**STUDENTS ENTERING K - 5<sup>TH</sup> GRADE**

**REGISTRATION FORM CAN BE FOUND  
ON THE BACK PAGE OF THE  
MESSENGER**

### **BADGER STEAM & GAS SHOW**

**AUGUST 18-20, 2017**



Come out and enjoy the show and support the St. Peter's Youth and the L.A.M.P. VBS Mission Team at their concession stand.

**BRATS  
CHICKEN SANDWICHES  
SWEET CORN  
SLUSHIES, SODA & WATER**

Additional help at the concession stand is always welcome. Please call Jennifer Anderson at 608-477-1159 to sign up to help.

Thank you for your continued support of our Youth and the LAMP Mission Team!



**we believe**

# YOUTH NEWS!!

## **SR YOUTH COMMANDOS - AUGUST 8**

All students going into 9th - 12th grade are invited to an active game night called Commandos. This game is an outside game similar to Capture the Flag where you run and take cards to the other base while hitting each other with socks. Join us on August 8th from 9-11pm at Trinity Baptist Church. Please wear dark athletic clothing and running shoes. Also, students are asked to bring along a long pair of socks. This is a community youth event. If you have any questions, please let me know! It is going to be so much fun!! Hope to see you there!!

## **BADGER STEAM AND GAS SHOW** **AUGUST 17-19**

The LAMP Team and St. Peter's Youth will be working together again at the Steam and Gas Show. We will be selling brats, chicken sandwiches, sweet corn, slushies, soda, and water. I am looking for youth to sign up to help with this event. There will be a sign-up sheet placed in the narthex of the church on July 29th for the youth and adult helpers to sign up or you can contact me and I will add your name to the list.

## **NATIONAL YOUTH GATHERING MEETING**

On Sunday, August 26, at 6:00PM, there will be a meeting in the school gym for all youth and adult leaders who plan on attending the National Youth Gathering in Minneapolis on July 11 - 15, 2019. Youth entering 9<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> grade in September

2019 are invited to attend. We will be discussing details of the trip, fundraising, and discussing our goals for the trip. Discussion and planning will be in full force over the next couple months. Be on the lookout for more information as the date gets closer. It will be here before we know it! If you are interested in joining us at this awesome event or have any questions about the event, please contact me.

### **Youth Group Begins!!**

**Sr Youth - September 5 & 19, 6:30 - 8:30pm**

**Jr Youth - September 12, 6:00 - 8:00pm**

If there any questions about any of these events, please contact me anytime at [608-477-1159](tel:608-477-1159) or by email at [jenniferanderson@saintpetersls.com](mailto:jenniferanderson@saintpetersls.com)

In Christ,  
Jennifer Anderson, Youth Director



The Board of Congregational Services is looking for a person or persons who would like to share their time and talents as the Sunday School Superintendent.

**Sunday School** teachers and helpers are always needed and planning will begin soon to make sure we have teachers when Sunday School begins again in September. Moms, dads, and young adults are always welcome to share their time and talents in any way.

If you are interested in learning more about this opportunity, please contact the church office at 524-4512.

# ST. PETER'S LUTHERAN SCHOOL NEWS



**School Theme for 2018-2019:** The school theme for this year is Real, Present, God based on Psalm 46.

Five areas of focus will be Real Grace, Real Places, Real People, Real Time and Real Praise.

**Survey Says:** The information collected during the April survey has been reviewed by the teachers, the Board of Christian Education and myself. A presentation highlighting the information will be given at the October Voter's meeting. You are also invited to join the Principal Chat on September 19 at 6:00 P.M. A more detailed presentation on the survey results will be conducted at that time.

**Principal Chats:** During the 2018-2019 school year I plan to host two Principal Chats. The first will be in September 19 followed by another on February 6. Both will be held in the gym at 6:00 PM The September Chat will include detailed highlights of the survey and goals for the school ministry. There will be an opportunity for you to ask questions. Members of the Board of Christian Education will also be available to listen to your comments and questions. The Principal Chats are open to Parents, Guardians and Church Members. *Note: This is being offered in response to the information gathered from the survey.*

**School Goals 18-19:** The following goals were established for the 18-19 school year. They are based on the Survey, Test Scores and the last Accreditation Report.

- #1 Develop and implement ways to improve communication from the school to church members and parents concerning what is happening at the school.
- #2 Develop and implement ways to improve the recruiting of volunteers for the school from the church and parents.
- #3 Review and update the Math Curriculum as needed.
- #4 Prepare the teachers and students for the probable transition to the Forward Exam, the State Testing Tool, in the next year or two.
- #5 Start Preparation for NLSA Accreditation Visit in Spring of 2020 including a Curriculum Map.



**Official Tiger Logo:** This is the official Tiger Logo for St. Peter's. There will be a contest to name the tiger. More information on this contest will be coming in September.

**Kindergarten Assistant:** We thank Beth Lynch for her faithful service for the past few years. We are pleased to inform you that Marty Meyer will be the next Kindergarten Assistant.

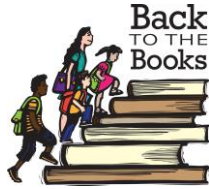
**Safety Grant:** THE GRANT HAS BEEN APPROVED!!! These funds will be used for a new intercom system at the school and also motion detection lighting at the schools outside entrances on Locust and Pine.

In His Service,  
Mr. Roger Tessendorf  
Principal



## Opening Chapel Service

**Tuesday, September 4th  
9:00 am**



Stop by the school office and learn all you need to know about beginning the new school year!!!

3- Year Old Pre-Kindergarten is still accepting applications!!

Volleyball & Cross Country information is available to pick up at the school office.



Would you like to help in supplying our students with school supplies? Below is a list of the most used items. Donations may be dropped off throughout the summer at the school office or in the entrance of the church.

- 12" Ruler with metric
- 4oz. white glue-no gel glue
- 8 Crayons (thin)
- Blue, Black & Red Pens
- Compass - Protractor (Transparent)
- Colored & regular pencils
- Markers-regular & thin basic
- Crayons (24 or more)
- Double pocket folder
- Eraser - Glue Sticks - Highlighters
- Large box of tissues & disinfecting wipes
- Colored Dry Erase Markers
- Pocket folders
- School box with snap lid
- Scissors
- Spiral notebooks & loose leaf paper - wide rule
- Watercolor paints (8 colors)

Thank you to the many people who donate supplies to our school at this time of year. These gifts to our students are greatly appreciated by children, moms and dads!! With your wonderful generosity we are able to keep supplies on hand throughout the school year for ALL students whenever they have a need. Thank you!!!

## ST. PETER'S LUTHERAN CHURCH VOTERS' MEETING - July 26, 2018

Membership additions and changes approved by the Voters' Assembly.

### **Received by Baptism**

Alyrah Daniels	Byron Downing
Leile Pervaiz	Maxwell Reuter
Wyatt Stando	Caden Stowers
Kennedy Stowers	

### **Transferred to the Church Triumphant**

Theodor Gerike	Raymond Mundth
Gwen Steinhorst	

### **FOR APPROVAL BY VOTERS ASSEMBLY**

### **Transferred In**

Ralph & Patricia Lange  
Joy Tessendorf

### **Received Adult Confirmation**

Bracen Brandt	Melissa Dietz
Ella Halvensleben	Callie Johnson
Jacob Korklewski	Tyler Murray
Marisa Pertzborn	Addison Procter
Samuel Raupp	Grace Rogers
Joshua Thomas	Summer Thompson
Nicholas VanEtten	



## **SUNDAY SCHOOL BEGINS**

Sunday, September 9

With Sunday School soon to begin, we will be in need of teachers! We pray that you would find it in your heart to volunteer fulltime, quarterly, every other month or even every other Sunday. There is a signup sheet on the bulletin board in the narthex. If you have any questions, please contact the church office at 524-4512. Thank you.



When it comes to stewardship, a favorite Bible verse is the account of the widow's mite (Luke 21:1-4). It's a moving account. Our Lord praises the seemingly small gift of two copper coins given by a poor widow above the abundance of gifts given by the rich, saying, "Truly, I tell you, this poor widow has put in more than all of them" (Luke 21:3).

And that is usually where we stop. But the text goes on. "For they all contributed out of their abundance, but she out of her poverty put in all she had to live on" (Luke 21:4).

"She ... put in all she had to live on." She gave everything. She held nothing back. She trusted that the Lord who made her and all creatures, who gave her everything she had, who redeemed her from her own sin, from death, and the power of the devil, who called her by the Gospel and enlightened her with His gifts of Word and Sacrament, would continue to do this. He would provide her with all that she needed for this body and life because that is the character of the God she had.

But this is not why we give small gifts. Her gift, though it appeared small, was actually large. When we are tempted to give small gifts it is precisely because we want them to be small! We don't trust the Lord to provide for us. We give small gifts because we lack faith in the One who created us, redeemed us, sanctifies and keeps us in the one true faith. We give small gifts because we doubt that God will really give us what we need and desire. We give small gifts because we are not content with what God has already given. We are not slaves, children of the slave woman, under the Old Covenant (Gal. 4). We are adopted sons of the free woman. And since we are sons, we are also heirs. And heirs receive the inheritance. For everything is already ours in Christ. And thus, moved by the willing spirit of adoption, we do the will of God in financial matters far beyond all that done by

those under the Old Covenant who were forced by legal demands.

So what have you decided to give? How do I decide what to give? Let the Scriptures be your guide.

We are to give proportionally to what we have received from God's giving to us (Luke 12:48; 1 Cor. 16:1-2, 2 Cor. 8:12). But you have not been set free to give nothing. See that you excel in the grace of giving (2 Cor. 8:7). We are not free to live selfishly outside the Gospel, without regard for God who gives us all good gifts, without generosity for our neighbor who needs us and our gifts, without supporting the community of faith in which we live, without care for our spiritual fathers and those who teach and help raise our children in the faith, without resources for the poor and needy – in short, we are not free to live unto ourselves, hoarding what God has given us only for us.

For love is the fulfillment of the law (Romans 13:10). And the sum of the law is this: Love God and love your neighbor (Matt. 22:34-40). We love because He first loved us. We give because He has given to us.

Luther once said, "Possessions belong in your hands, not in your heart" (LW 14:240). There is a reason your 10 fingers spread apart. With your hands you catch God's gifts for what you need and let the rest fall through your fingers to your neighbors – your family, your friends, your community, your church.

**CHURCH DIRECTORIES** have arrived!! Thanks be to God! We would like to thank all who helped make the directory possible. Especially, we would like to thank Sharon Craker for the many hours of work setting up the layout for the directory. All the work done on the project by many hands is greatly appreciated!!



GENZ, GRACE	8/1
WHITEHURST, CASON	8/1
BUDNIK, KELLEY	8/2
DRAKE, NICHOLAS	8/2
KLINGBEIL, NOAH	8/2
KLITZKE, SALLY	8/2
NAQUIN, JAMES	8/2
WOOD, TROY	8/2
ZIECH, SUSAN	8/2
CRAKER, DARIAN	8/3
KRUSE, JILLIAN	8/3
KRYDER, LAURIE	8/3
ROGERS, EMILY	8/3
LYNCH, ANDREW	8/4
MEYER, KAIDEN	8/4
MEYER, REBECCA	8/4
PERTZBORN, LISA	8/4
STEFAN, TREVER	8/4
CARROLL, TANYA	8/5
COOK, STEPHANIE	8/5
GADE, DAVID	8/5
ALBRECHT, KATELYNN	8/6
BAGENSKI, KEVIN	8/6
COLEMAN, JACOB	8/6
MARSTON, KENNEDY	8/6
SKINNER, KINLEY	8/6
LOOMANS, DALE	8/7
DONAHUE, COTY	8/8
MCPHERSON, NICHOLAS	8/8
ZIMMERMAN, KAREN	8/8
BRANDT, DAWN	8/9
DULEY, DOLORES	8/9
HANKE, TANNER	8/9
KALEPP, PENNY	8/10
MCMILLEN, ALLISON	8/10
PARK, DANIEL	8/10
SCHAFFER, JOSEPH	8/10
GADE, WILLIAM	8/11
GRIEVES, SELENE	8/11
KRUEGER, KRISTIN	8/11
REINECKE, FREDERICK	8/12
REINECKE, SPENCER	8/12
SCHULENBURG, GAIL	8/12
BREIDENBACH, HAYLEE	8/13
REINECKE, MARCUS	8/13
STRUTZ, FRED	8/13
SUKUP, ERIC	8/13
KLINGENMEYER, DENNIS	8/14
SCHENCK, PHYLLIS	8/14
SOBECK, LUCAS	8/14
WUNSCH, CJ	8/14

FAUERBACH, JOLYNN	8/15
GROSKREUTZ, BRENDA	8/15
KLITZKE, TODD	8/15
SYLVANDER, RHIANNON	8/15
BUDNIK, ASHLYN	8/16
KLEEBER, KASSIDY	8/16
SCHNELLER, TERESA	8/16
THOMPSON, SHANNON	8/16
BUELOW, AUBREY	8/17
COLE, DAVID	8/17
KLINGBEIL, HANNAH	8/17
MATHEWS, ELIZABETH	8/17
GILLIS, LOGAN	8/18
JOHNSON, ANDREW	8/18
MEYER, MICHAEL	8/18
ROBINSON, TIMOTHY	8/18
SCHULTZ, CASEY	8/18
THOMAS JR, TIMOTHY	8/18
DEMARS, MARCIE	8/19
GLEASH, MATTHEW	8/19
MAIER, ANTHONY	8/19
MCDONOUGH Jr., JOHN	8/19
SCHYVINCK, BROOKLYN	8/19
TOWNSEND, OWEN	8/19
ROSE, GARY	8/20
SCHULENBURG, CHELSEY	8/20
MEYER, MERLIN	8/21
SWANSON, REESE	8/21
KOCH, KEITH	8/22
MEYER, MARTHA	8/22
SCHULTZ, LARRY	8/22
SIEMANDEL, JEFFREY	8/22
BACKEBERG, CHARLES	8/23
KLEEBER, CHERYLE	8/23
MILLER, LOGAN	8/23
WREZENSKI, SCOTT	8/23
RADTKE, ROGER	8/24
DEITELHOFF, TRACY	8/25
PARK, JARED	8/25
PFUFF, KATHERINE	8/25
THOMPSON, TUCKER	8/25
HARRISON, WILLIAM	8/26
GLICK, JAROLD	8/27
KLINGBEIL, OLIVIA	8/27
LEMOINE, LYLE	8/27
SHEPARD, DEENA	8/29
STRAMPE, SHAUNA	8/29
BELL, ANITA	8/30
IMHOFF, TARA	8/30
MEYER, KATHERINE	8/30
PARADIS, WILLIAM	8/30
BRANDT, KEVIN	8/31
BUELOW, CANDICE	8/31
CLARK, LAURA	8/31
DOROW, JAMES	8/31
HOEGE, RANDY	8/31
JOHNSON, VERITY	8/31

St. Peter's Lutheran Church  
Quarterly Voters' Meeting – April 2018

Meeting was opened by Congregation Chairman Bob Corey.  
Devotion and prayer led by Pastor Crolius.

There was a call for everyone to sign the attendance sheet. January Voter's minutes were presented for approval. Motion was made by Bob Corey to accept the minutes, 2nd by Nate Braun.

Pastors Report- Pastor Crolius discussed that May is Military Bible Stick month, and every Bible Stick purchased will be matched. 295 have been sold in the last 2 years. May 6th will be the 8th grade confirmation. There will be 14 students confirmed. May 19th and 20th is Mission Weekend. Free at Last. Motion was made by Pastor Crolius to accept member changes with an additional change for Thomas, and Katie Pfaff be included in adult Baptism and Confirmation. 2nd by Gil Biskupski, passed by voice vote.

Principles report was given by Mr. Tessendorf. A power point was shared that showed pictures of students throughout the school day. Featuring Lutheran Schools week, lots of fun activities, and great turnout for grandparent's day. They would like to make this day a tradition for future Lutheran Schools Week. Mr. Tessendorf also gave an update about the security system that is now in place and working throughout the school. Mr. Tessendorf also showed how enrollment is looking for the upcoming school year, and how many new students that are already enrolled along with students enrolled in the Wisconsin School Choice program. He also went over the great turnout for the Gala, which brought in almost \$17,000 which will be used to do more updates in the gym. New Mats will be placed along the wall, along with a rock climbing wall. Also, there is a survey that he would like all to take for the school that needs to be turned in by April 30th.

Financial Management Report was given by Chairman, Nate Braun. Motion made to change the salary for the youth director, which is coming from the Emily Gerike Endowment Fund, to instead come from the annual budget to save money in the fund. There is \$15,000 in Emily Gerike Endowment Fund, and youth director is \$16,000. There is no raise in youth director salary, just change from where salary comes from. 2nd by Phil Rogers. Motion passed by voice vote.

Motion made by Nate Braun to accept 2018/2019 budget. Some questions were raised about District/Synod income and expense. Budget includes raising the tithe to the District back to 10%. (as shown in budget). Nate Braun made motion to accept budget as in until corrections are made. 2nd by John Gerike. Passed by voice vote.

John Thompson gave an update on tuckpoint project. They have not heard back from Church Restoration after a certified letter was sent. The crane company is still trying to collect payment from St. Peters. Mr. Thompson also expressed his concern that not all issues with the church have been fixed. It is still leaking.

Discussion was had about removal of the kneelers. Who donated funds/kneelers, if it would be okay to remove all, or maybe some, and use the removed ones for parts to fix the ones that would stay.

May 5th is cemetery cleanup. If you have flowers, etc you would like to keep, they will need to be removed before May 5<sup>th</sup>.

Motion made by Gil Biskupski to adjourn, 2nd Mark Hoof.  
Adjourned with Lord's Prayer

Respectfully submitted  
Beth Lynch, Secretary





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346 N. LOCUST STREET, REEDSBURG, WI - 608-524-4066

## 2018 VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

**AUGUST 6 - 10, 2018 9:00 – 11:30 A.M.**

**STUDENTS ENTERING K – 5<sup>TH</sup> GRADE**

Name of Parent/Guardian \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Contact in case of an emergency \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

**I would like to help with:** \_\_\_\_\_ provide themed snacks \_\_\_\_\_ lead a VBS station  
\_\_\_\_\_ assist with decorating \_\_\_\_\_ supervise VBS students \_\_\_\_\_ coordinate/teach PreK VBS in 2018

Please enroll the following students in Vacation Bible School:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Age as of 6/1/17 \_\_\_\_\_ Grade next school year \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Age as of 6/1/17 \_\_\_\_\_ Grade next school year \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Age as of 6/1/17 \_\_\_\_\_ Grade next school year \_\_\_\_\_

**Food Allergies? Medical concerns? Y N Please list:** \_\_\_\_\_

People who may pick up my child: \_\_\_\_\_

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**We need YOU!!!!** We are looking for leaders, assistants and helpers in all areas to make this year great. (**6<sup>th</sup> grade and up**) This brief commitment makes a huge impact when you share your love of Jesus with the children of our congregation and community! Please contact the office at **524-4066 ext. 1** or email [erika.molitor10@gmail.com](mailto:erika.molitor10@gmail.com)

*Registration forms may be dropped off at the school office or in the basket in the church narthex. Thank you.*