

**SEPTEMBER 5, 2010**

**15th SUNDAY After Pentecost**

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**THURSDAY:** Order of Service: Page 184

7:00 pm Hymns: 700 - 683 - 618/619 - 805

**SUNDAY:** Order of Service: Page 184

9:00 am Hymns: 700 - 683 - 618/619 - 805

**The Sermon:** "Something You Just Have To Do"

Philemon 1:8-21

**PRAYER OF THE DAY** Benevolent Father, gracious God, Host at the end-time banquet for all who are in Christ, stay us from pride in our faith and life, and give us enough insight into Christ to follow His example of servanthood to all; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit are one God with dominion over us forever.

**PULSE OF THE CHURCH (Attendance)**

Last Sunday Attendance: 197

St. Peter's Total Membership: 989

<b>Our Gifts To Our Lord:</b>	<b>Last Week</b>	<b>Total This Year</b>
Offerings:	\$ 7,859.20	\$ 218,422.13
Weekly Budget	7,069.23	247,423.05
Compared to Budget	+ 789.97	— 29,000.92

*Philemon 1-21: Since Philemon was indebted to Paul, he could have ordered him to do the right thing and treat his runaway slave like a brother, but Paul wanted Philemon to do the right thing from his own free will. Likewise, we are indebted to God for all the blessings He has showered upon us; God could demand that we give freely of our time, abilities and financial resources, but He loves cheerful givers!*

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**ELDERS:** Thursday, 7:00 pm: Wendell Zirbel

Sunday, 9:00 am: Dave Moyer

**ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK**

Today (5)	Divine Worship Services 9:00 am
Monday (6)	Labor Day
Wednesday (8)	School Board 6:30 pm Dartball practice 7:30 pm
Thursday (9)	Divine Worship Service 7:00 pm
Sunday (12)	Divine Worship Service 8:00 & 10:30 am Sunday School & Bible Class 9:15 am LYF Meeting & Lunch 11:30 am

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**AS WE GATHER** At this Divine Service at St Peter's Lutheran Church and School, we recall the words of St. Paul to the Ephesians: *Now glory be to God, who by His mighty power at work within us is able to do far more than we would ever dare to ask or even dream - infinitely beyond our highest prayers, desires, thoughts, or hopes.* Eph. 3:20 TLB

We pray that the power of the Holy Spirit working within us will inspire us to be all that God has intended for us to be, and that we will share the Good News of eternal salvation with others. May we do all things to the praise and glory of God in Christ Jesus.

**CHECK OUR WEBSITE** Didn't take home your bulletin and now need some important information from it (like, "When is Fall Fair?")? Just go to our website at [www.stpeterswaterford.com](http://www.stpeterswaterford.com). The entire bulletin is there in a readable format.

**HEARING ASSISTANCE** Portable listening devices are available. Please see an Elder or Usher to assist you.

**YOUNG CHILDREN'S ACTIVITY BAGS** are available. The coloring page and stickers may be taken home. Please replace the bag in the plastic box when finished.

**WE REMEMBER** in our prayers friends and family of ***Luella Baumgart*** whom the Lord called home on August 27, 2010. Services were held on Saturday, September 4, 2010. We also remember in our prayers the friends and family of ***Myrtle Lueneburg*** whom the Lord called home on September 1, 2010. Funeral services will be held Sunday, September 5, 2010 at 3:00 pm. May the sure and certain Hope of the Resurrection be a comfort to us all.

**LYF MEETING & LUNCH** All 7th graders through high school students please join us on Sunday, September 12th after the late church service, at 11:30 am in the parish hall for a pizza lunch and a meeting. We will elect new officers and plan and discuss possible events and activities. Don't miss the fun!!

**SUNDAY SCHOOL REGISTRATION:** The new Sunday School year begins September 12th with registration in the parish hall following early service. We look forward to welcoming everyone for another year of strengthening our faith through learning and sharing.

**TEACHER NEEDED:** Sunday School is in need of a teacher for our 7th grade students. This is an important year for our young people as we help Pastor and Vicar prepare them for their Confirmations. If you may be interested but can't commit to every week, perhaps there is someone who might consider sharing responsibilities. This is an excel-

lent opportunity to share your faith with those who are the future of our Church. Please call Bob or Sheri at 262 662 4902.

**2010-2011 RAINBOW PRESCHOOL ENROLLMENT** is still being accepted for the upcoming school year. Our State licensed program offers a 5 day Pre-K class or a 3 day Pre-K class. Our 3 day Pre-K class is filled but we still have room in our Monday - Friday Pre-Kindergarten class. We also offer 2 day and 3 day preschool for children that are 3 years of age by September 1st. As we begin our 19th year we continue to be blessed with an exceptional, Christ centered faculty with years of experience. If you would like more information, please contact the school office at 534-6066.

**KINDERGARTEN—8th GRADE** St. Peter's Lutheran School will again be offering half (for the first semester) and full day **Kindergarten through 8<sup>th</sup> grade**. Our school and preschool have much to offer. If you are interested in getting more information or a personal tour, please call the school office at 534-6066. Enrollment forms are available in the church and school offices and on our website at [stpeterswaterford.com](http://stpeterswaterford.com) (please follow the school or preschool links)

**DON'T FORGET** to check your mail. Each family has a mailbox.

**ST. PETER'S SCHOOL—TUITION COSTS:** If you have ever thought of sending your children) to St Peter's School, and have hesitated because of **tuition costs**, we would like you to know that St. Peter's School has an ongoing **Tuition Assistance Fund** to assist families that would otherwise struggle to pay tuition. Please contact the school office for details. (We will gladly accept any donations to the Tuition Assistance Fund so that we may continue to help families – Donations may be directed to the school board).

**SCHWAN'S FUNDRAISER:** We earned \$100.97 from the Schwan's Fundraiser on July 31st—thanks to all who participated. The next event will be Saturday, September 25th, from 9:00 am till noon. The new campaign # is 30302. Order information is available in the Kiosk in the narthex, and also will be available in future bulletins.

**ST. PETER'S PRAYER TEAM** Email your prayer requests or join the prayer team at [weallpray@hotmail.com](mailto:weallpray@hotmail.com)

**NEED HELP??** The Board of Social Ministry helps to ensure the basic needs of our community and congregation are met. We can only minister to needs we are aware of. Please bring our attention to any needs you know about. We can then prayerfully consider ways we will be able to help.

**PRIZES** We are now accepting prizes for the Annual Church Golf Outing which is scheduled for October 3rd. Please bring your prize donations to the church office. For any questions, please call Josh Czuta at 262-758-0566.

**PRAYERS** There is a prayer request book located in the narthex. Feel free to use this book to request a prayer. Also check it periodically to pray for someone else.  
*The Board of Social Ministry*

**LIVING WELL WITH CHRONIC DISEASE** Join this six-week workshop, designed to assist those with various chronic health problems in order to enhance regular treatment and learn skills to manage health and live an active, fulfilling life. Mondays—September 13th through October 18th, 1:00 pm to 3:30 pm held at ProHealth Care, Regency Senior Communities, Muskego, W181 S8540 Lodge Blvd., Muskego. Please call Mary at 262-679-0888 to make your reservation by Tuesday, September 7th.

**FREE FINANCIAL WORKSHOPS** Sponsored by Thrivent Inc. These are informational only. You may request more information to fit your financial situation but you will not be solicited.

**Burlington                      Sept. 14, 2010                      My Legacy Matters**

Presented By:                      Scott Herrmann, Financial Associate

Time:                                      6:30 pm – 7:30 pm

Location:                              Love Inc. Bookstore  
446 S. Pine St.

Description:                      Understand that your legacy is much more than money – it's values, traditions and life lessons as well. You will take steps to identify your values, clarify your legacy intentions and create a plan to ensure your legacy is carried out. This workshop helps participants understand that their legacy is more than money, its values, traditions and life lessons.

Contact:                              Scott Herrmann,  
[scott.herrmann@thrivent.com](mailto:scott.herrmann@thrivent.com)

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# **ADULT BIBLE STUDY**

## **2010-2011**

*"Your word is a lamp to my feet and  
a light for my path." Psalms 119:105*

### **VICAR'S TUESDAY BIBLE STUDY**

Leader: Vicar Joshua Conradt

When: Every Tuesday, starting September 21  
(7:00 - 9:00 PM)

### **SENIOR FRIENDSHIP GROUP**

Leader: Pastor Bischoff

Topic this Year: The Book of Joshua

When: The 2nd & 4th Monday of each month,  
starting September 13 (11:00 AM)

### **SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE CLASS**

Leader: Pastor Bischoff

Topic this Year: The Book of Acts

When: Every Sunday, starting September 12  
(9:15 - 10:15 AM)

### **PASTOR'S TUESDAY EVENING CLASS**

"What Does The Bible Say?"

When: Tuesday evenings, starting September 21  
11 Weeks (7:00 - 9:00 PM)  
Details on the next page

## **Join Us In Bible Study!**

# What Does The Bible Say?

## WHO IS THIS COURSE FOR?

- committed Christians that their faith may grow deeper
- Christians who feel their discipleship isn't all it could be
- non-Lutherans interested in joining our church
- persons seeking fresh insights into spiritual questions who don't want to feel pressured into joining a particular church

**THIS IS YOUR CHANCE TO INVITE A FRIEND OR NEIGHBOR WHO IS UNCHURCHED OR STRUGGLING IN THEIR FAITH -- OFFER TO ATTEND WITH THEM!**

## WHAT DO WE TALK ABOUT?

Anything is fair game. If you have questions, come and ask. The only person who is hopeless is the one who is too proud to ask questions. Here is a sampling of some of the topics that we will be discussing:

- **Who is God?**
- **Am I good enough to please Him?**
- **Why does He allow suffering?**
- **Why are there so many denominations?**
- **Can a person be sure of going to heaven?**
- **What is God's relationship for men and women?**
- **Does the Bible speak to "life issues" like abortion and euthanasia?**

## NOW THE DETAILS:

**WHEN: Starting Tuesday, September 21<sup>st</sup> (7:00-9:00 p.m.)**

**DURATION: Course runs approximately 10 weeks.**

**WHERE: Here at church**

**COST: No cost**

It is our discovery that relaxed discussion is hampered when more than 50 people attend. Therefore registration will be limited to the first 50.

***Please register now by using the sign-up sheet located on the window by the church office.***

## Fifteenth Sunday After Pentecost

### **Old Testament Lesson: Deuteronomy 30:15-20 (ESV)**

“See, I have set before you today life and good, death and evil. [16] If you obey the commandments of the Lord your God that I command you today, by loving the Lord your God, by walking in his ways, and by keeping his commandments and his statutes and his rules, then you shall live and multiply, and the Lord your God will bless you in the land that you are entering to take possession of it. [17] But if your heart turns away, and you will not hear, but are drawn away to worship other gods and serve them, [18] I declare to you today, that you shall surely perish. You shall not live long in the land that you are going over the Jordan to enter and possess. [19] I call heaven and earth to witness against you today, that I have set before you life and death, blessing and curse. Therefore choose life, that you and your offspring may live, [20] loving the Lord your God, obeying his voice and holding fast to him, for he is your life and length of days, that you may dwell in the land that the Lord swore to your fathers, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, to give them.”

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

**C: THANKS BE TO GOD!**

### **Epistle Lesson: Philemon 1:1-21 (ESV)**

Paul, a prisoner for Christ Jesus, and Timothy our brother,  
To Philemon our beloved fellow worker [2] and Apphia our sister  
and Archippus our fellow soldier, and the church in your house:

[3] Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord  
Jesus Christ.

[4] I thank my God always when I remember you in my  
prayers, [5] because I hear of your love and of the faith that you  
have toward the Lord Jesus and all the saints, [6] and I pray that  
the sharing of your faith may become effective for the full knowl-  
edge of every good thing that is in us for the sake of Christ. [7]  
For I have derived much joy and comfort from your love, my  
brother, because the hearts of the saints have been refreshed  
through you.

[8] Accordingly, though I am bold enough in Christ to com-  
mand you to do what is required, [9] yet for love's sake I prefer  
to appeal to you—I, Paul, an old man and now a prisoner also for  
Christ Jesus— [10] I appeal to you for my child, Onesimus,

whose father I became in my imprisonment. [11] (Formerly he was useless to you, but now he is indeed useful to you and to me.) [12] I am sending him back to you, sending my very heart. [13] I would have been glad to keep him with me, in order that he might serve me on your behalf during my imprisonment for the gospel, [14] but I preferred to do nothing without your consent in order that your goodness might not be by compulsion but of your own free will. [15] For this perhaps is why he was parted from you for a while, that you might have him back forever, [16] no longer as a slave but more than a slave, as a beloved brother—especially to me, but how much more to you, both in the flesh and in the Lord.

[17] So if you consider me your partner, receive him as you would receive me. [18] If he has wronged you at all, or owes you anything, charge that to my account. [19] I, Paul, write this with my own hand: I will repay it—to say nothing of your owing me even your own self. [20] Yes, brother, I want some benefit from you in the Lord. Refresh my heart in Christ.

[21] Confident of your obedience, I write to you, knowing that you will do even more than I say.

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### **Gospel Lesson: Luke 14:25-35 (ESV)**

Now great crowds accompanied him, and he turned and said to them, [26] “If anyone comes to me and does not hate his own father and mother and wife and children and brothers and sisters, yes, and even his own life, he cannot be my disciple. [27] Whoever does not bear his own cross and come after me cannot be my disciple. [28] For which of you, desiring to build a tower, does not first sit down and count the cost, whether he has enough to complete it? [29] Otherwise, when he has laid a foundation and is not able to finish, all who see it begin to mock him, [30] saying, ‘This man began to build and was not able to finish.’ [31] Or what king, going out to encounter another king in war, will not sit down first and deliberate whether he is able with ten thousand to meet him who comes against him with twenty thousand? [32] And if not, while the other is yet a great way off, he sends a delegation and asks for terms of peace. [33] So therefore, any one of you who does not renounce all that he has cannot be my disciple.

[34] “Salt is good, but if salt has lost its taste, how shall its

saltiness be restored? [35] It is of no use either for the soil or for the manure pile. It is thrown away. He who has ears to hear, let him hear.”

**Prayer of the Church**  
**Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost**  
**September 5, 2010**

P: Lord of Life, You have given us every good, especially forgiveness, peace, and eternal life through Christ Jesus. By Your Holy Spirit keep us from worshipping anyone or anything but You --the only true God. Lord in Your mercy,

**C: hear our prayer.**

P: Lord of Life, You have set before us life and salvation in Your holy Word. We ask that you would bless Rev. Matthew Harrison as he begins his service to You and Your Church as our new Synod President. Bless also Rev. John Wille, our District President. Give both of them faithfulness, humility, and wisdom to lead and teach us in Your truth. Lord in Your mercy,

**C: hear our prayer.**

P: Lord of Life, You sent Your Son to make peace for the whole world in His cross. Defend and encourage all faithful pastors and teachers and may all your people joyfully confess Christ that many may have life in His name. Lord in Your mercy,

**C: hear our prayer.**

P: Lord of Life, guard President Barack Obama, our Governor; and all in authority over us. Give them wisdom to defend the weakest among us, especially the unborn and aged. Preserve our military personnel and comfort their families. Lord in Your mercy,

**C: hear our prayer.**

P: Lord of Life, You gave Adam work before the fall. We thank you for the honest and faithful labor of those who serve us. Uphold in good order employers and employees that, working together for the good of each other, their needs may be supplied

by Your bounty. According to Your mercy, come to the rescue of the unemployed and underemployed, providing for them and their families. Protect all who travel. Lord in Your mercy,

**C: hear our prayer.**

*(Here special intercessions may be made.)*

P: Lord of Life, in Your merciful love You give us Your Son's Body and Blood for our forgiveness. Guide those who commune this day with repentance and faith, that they may receive this Sacrament for their good. Lord in Your mercy,

**C: hear our prayer.**

P: These petitions, and whatever else You know that we need, grant us Father for the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C: Amen.**