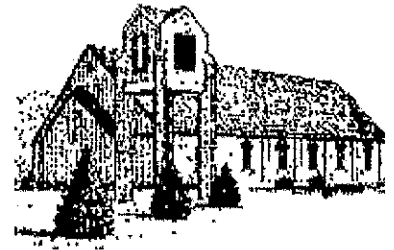


# St. Peter's Epistle



December 2020 / January 2021

St. Peter's Evangelical Lutheran Church  
145 S. 6th Street, Waterford, WI 53185

## Upcoming Events

### Advent

#### Midweek Vespers

December 2, 9, & 16  
6:30 pm

### Sunday School

#### Christmas Program

Sunday December 20 9:15am

### Christmas

#### Service Times

Eve: 5 & 7 PM  
Day: 8 & 10 AM  
(8:00 is a high-risk service)

### Voters' Meeting

Sunday January 31st, 9:15 a.m.

Be sure to follow us on facebook  
and visit our website at  
[www.stpeterswaterford.com](http://www.stpeterswaterford.com)

Sign up for regular updates by  
emailing Pastor Conradt and asking  
to be put on the list.

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## *From the Desk of Pastor Conradt*

### Now Thank We All Our God & The Magnificat

In the sermon for Trinity XXII I talked about a pastor named Martin Rinckart. His story of serving as pastor during the Thirty Years War (1618-1648), during famine, and plague. His trust in God in the midst of great loss.

The famine progressed to the point that people resorted to eating their own pets and dead crows found on the waysides. High taxes led them to the breaking point.

About 300 years after the Black Plague claimed the lives of 1/3 of Europe, during the height of the plague (Typhus), his senior pastor fled and the pastors of the other churches in his city died. This left him as sole pastor of his city. In a single year he buried 4,500 parishioners and also lost his wife to the plague.

And yet, this is the same man who wrote the hymn *Now Thank We All Our God* (LSB 895). His trust was in Christ alone and wore those words on his signet ring. His faith and trust are a beacon to us today.

In the midst of far worse things than the majority of us experienced this year, he put his faith in God. So should we all. As Christians we fear, love, and trust in God above all things. We worship Him alone and are filled with His Word and the life giving sacraments.

Christ is still reigning on His throne, salvation is still ours won for us by His death and resurrection. Jesus Himself, reminds us, "Which of you by being anxious can add a single hour to his span of life?" (Matthew 6:27). We place it and our lives into our Lord's hands.

And so we continue living as God gives us days. And we continue singing His praises. One way that the church has done this is by singing the songs given to us in the scriptures. One of the most prominent is called the *Magnificat* (Latin for "It Magnifies"). This is the Song of Mary. In St. Luke's Gospel upon hearing the

angel St. Gabriel declare the message that she would bear a son, that would be the savior of the world. She submits to God's will and declares, "Behold [I am] the maid-servant of the Lord! Let it be to me according to your word" (1:38).

Mary visits her cousin Elisabeth (also with child: St. John the Baptist). Upon Elisabeth's declaration of the blessing of Mary and the fruit of her womb (newly conceived Jesus), the Theotokos (God-bearer) sings out the words of the Magnificat.

Luke 1:46-55 give us this song and it is still used today. Mary's song points to God, her and our Savior. While she does say that all generations will call her blessed she points to it being because of what the Mighty One does to and through her. Like many biblical songs the church adds a fervent *Gloria Patri* at the end to give glory to our Triune God.

The Magnificat has been used in the order of Vespers since at least the 6th century A.D. It has been said that, "The Magnificat is the song of the faithful Church as she waits quietly for the fulfillment of the word of promise. Her song of revolutionary import should be learned and pondered by all the people of God as one of the essential items of devotion" (Pfatteicher and Messerli, *Manual on the Liturgy*).

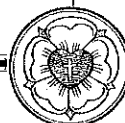
Martin Luther considered the Magnificat to be one of the most magnificent statements of faith in all of Scripture. He wrote, "Now, in all of Scripture I do not know anything that serves such a purpose so well as this sacred hymn of the most blessed Mother of God, which ought indeed to be learned and kept in mind by all who would rule well and be helpful lords. In it she really sings sweetly about the fear of God, what sort of Lord He is, and especially what His dealings are with those of low and high degree. It is a fine custom, too, that this canticle is sung in all churches daily at vespers, and in special and appropriate settings that set it apart from other chants" (AE 21:298).

We rejoice as we brush off and reclaim this great service and song.

In Christ,

*Pastor Conradt*

Lutheran Church



Missouri Synod

## OFFICIAL ACTS



### **BAPTISM**

Grant Arthur Poulter, son of  
Gregory & Whitney Poulter  
07-27-2020 11-01-2020

Tristan William Poulter, son of  
Gregory & Whitney Poulter  
07-27-2020 11-01-2020



### **SUNDAY SCHOOL PROGRAM**

As we prepare for the season of Advent, the Sunday School children are beginning preparations to celebrate our Savior's birth. They will be presenting a program out of thanksgiving for God's great love on Sunday, December 20th at 9:15 am. Everyone is invited! Sunday School wishes everyone a most joyous Advent.



### **NEW MEMBER**

**By Profession of Faith:**  
Heidi Hollander



### **MEMBERS LEAVING**

**By Transfer:**  
Cheryl Christensen (Tyler)

**Removed By Self Exclusion:**  
Alexandra Smith  
Charlotte Campbell

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### **CHRISTMAS DIVINE WORSHIP SCHEDULE**

#### **ADVANCE SIGN-UP REQUIRED**

Christmas Eve	5:00 & 7:00 pm
Christmas Day	8:00 am (masks required) 10:00 am



### **DEATHS**

Lucille Katherine Hardie  
10-09-1928 10-25-2020 10-30-2020

Patricia Jahn  
06-23-1949 11-20-2020



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**HAVE A BLESSED CHRISTMAS**

Direct your  
 Thrivent Choice  
 Dollars  
 Today!



### MOVING?

If you are moving, please notify the church office of your change of address and new phone number. If you are unsure of where to worship, we will also help you locate a new LCMS Church.

Church members who are also THRIVENT members:

It has come to our attention that some members have not been taking advantage of Thrivent's Choice Program. If you are eligible, Thrivent notifies you when dollars are available to allocate to non-profit organizations (St. Peter's Lutheran Church and Rainbow Preschool are two such organizations.) If you do not allocate these dollars to your favorite non-profit, then someone else will donate them to their favorite. This costs you nothing and could be a big advantage to us. To do so, please follow these instructions:

Call 800-847-4836 and when prompted say "Thrivent Choice."

Press 1 to direct your Choice dollars or press 2 to hear the Choice program Terms and Conditions (if prompted, say or enter your phone number and date of birth.)

A representative will work with you to direct Choice dollars.

Please complete this by the end of this year. Thank you for considering St. Peter's Lutheran Church and Rainbow Preschool when directing your Choice dollars.



### HANDICAPPED PARKING

On the East side of our building there are several parking spaces marked for handicapped parking only. We remind you that by state law, these spaces can be used only by individuals displaying a handicapped motorist sign in their car window or having the prefix "dis" on their license plate. Please respect the rights of our disabled members and guests!

### PLEASE CALL



If you should find yourself hospitalized or confined to your home for health reasons, please notify the church office. Pastor can only minister to your needs if he is aware of your situation. Pastor is eager and willing to make regular visits with you, but he can do so only if you let him know.



### USED EYEGASSES & HEARING AIDS

Please consider depositing your used eyeglasses & hearing aids in the container provided in the narthex. By donating these used items, someone is seeing and hearing the world differently. The Lions Club distributes these items to those in need.

### FALL FAIR TURKEY DINNER 2021

As you know by now, Fall Fair 2020 was cancelled due to COVID. And the next question that arises is *What about Fall Fair and Turkey Dinner 2021?* Due to the retirement of both LuAnn Himebauch and Sue Lindbloom, **Fall Fair is in need of 1 or 2 people to agree to take over the chairperson's position.** If you are able and willing to chair or co-chair this event, please know there are detailed step by step/month by month instructions. The decision needs to be made by March 2021 in order to start the process. Please give this request prayerful consideration. It is a marvelous fund raiser for our congregation and provides innumerable opportunities for Christian fellowship.

### Newsletter Due Dates

February/March	January 27
April/May	March 26



### DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Edwina Shelton	12/01
Lori Bakke	12/02
William Heck	12/02
Ronald Jung, Sr.	12/02
Noah Multhauf	12/02
Robert Repischak	12/02
Jarred Fiehweg	12/03
Jessica Berndt	12/06
Valerie Kimball	12/06
Rosemary Heck	12/07
Josef Lazar	12/07
Linda Winkelman	12/07
Frederick Wolfgram	12/07
Savannah Schmidt	12/08
Rose Schoening	12/09
Holly Breien	12/11
Russell Korntheuer	12/12
Ginny Morby	12/12
Laura Fischer	12/13
Darlene Jacobson	12/13
Craig Campbell	12/14
LuAnn Himebauch	12/15
Reid Schultz	12/15
Jim Johnson	12/16
Mackenzie Somers	12/17
Carson Fiehweg	12/19
Scott Jung	12/19
Jack Morawetz	12/19
Claire Scott	12/19
Jill Benson	12/20
Heidi Kin	12/20
Scott Peterson	12/20
Zachary Guenther	12/21
Beatrice Jacobson	12/21
Joan Somers	12/21
Robert Zwickey	12/21
Molly Fiehweg	12/22
Connor Charland	12/23
Raymond Fischer	12/23
Larry O'Neil, Jr.	12/23
Lynne Peterson	12/23
Franklin Lesser	12/24
Rick McGaughy	12/25
Dorothea Peper	12/25

Courtney Blawat	12/26
Nicole Grant	12/26
Jessica Koch	12/26
Shannon Spencer	12/28
Jill Jacobs	12/29
Debra Steinke	12/29
Dale Breien	12/30
Daniel Grosskreuz	12/30
Dennis Kramer	12/30
Graham Heng	12/31
Shelley Kempken	12/31
Deb Petri	12/31



### HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!!

To the following couples who are celebrating December Wedding Anniversaries.

Ronald & Ruth Burke	12/02
Robert & Kathleen Hansen	12/07
Ron & Susan Greiner	12/09
Robert & Luanne Hassey	12/13
Lawrence & Teri Geboy	12/15
Dale & Janet Buchholtz	12/18
Spencer & Heidi Frost	12/27
Matthew & Michelle Triplett	12/31



## JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

Denise Haas	1/01
Melissa Dodulik	1/02
Lillian Dolezal	1/03
Rachel Vant	1/03
Carol Wolfgram	1/04
Hannah Chart	1/05
Charlotte Jung	1/05
Lisa Salo	1/05
Steve Solar	1/05
Julie Campbell	1/06
Tammy Scott	1/07
Juliana Taggatz	1/07
Gertrude Timm	1/07
Katherine Oelkers	1/08
Shawntay Schmidt	1/08
Nicole Lannon	1/09
Hadlee Beck	1/10
Ruby Gobel	1/10
Terry Jacobs	1/10
Andrew Salo	1/11
Kaitlyn Buchholtz	1/13
Kyle Griebel	1/13
Daniel Majchrzak	1/13
Susan Pokora	1/13
Nils McDermott	1/15
Michael Dessecker	1/18
James Haas	1/18
Jarmen Czuta	1/19
Jennifer Drallmeier	1/20
Jacob Gilgenbach	1/20
Avery Fiehweg	1/23
Bernd Kampe	1/23
Chelsey Walbrant	1/23
Jim Anderson	1/24
Diane Mehring	1/24
Shirley Spletter	1/24
Chloe Applegate	1/27
Casey Griebel	1/27
Joseph Multhauf	1/28
Debra Jung	1/29
Jackson Keeling	1/30
Gabriella Salas	1/30
Diana Storm	1/31



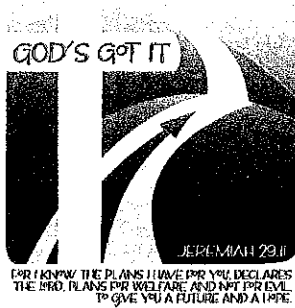
## HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!!

To the following couples who are celebrating January Wedding Anniversaries.

Theodore & Jill Jacobs	1/16
Dwight & Debbie Jutrzonka	1/17
Jarmen & Tina Czuta	1/23
Duane & Karen Luick	1/23
Richard & Linda Noll	1/27



**LWML SWD Winter Getaway**  
**January 29 & 30, 2021**  
**Clarion Hotel and Conference Center**  
**(formerly Wintergreen Hotel)**  
**60 Gasser Road**  
**Wisconsin Dells, WI 53965**



**Jeremiah 29:11 – “For I know the plans I have for you, declares the Lord, plans for welfare and not for evil, to give you a future and a hope.”**

**Please invite and encourage all the women in your life to attend this Christ-centered getaway. We have a great hands-on event planned!**

- ❖ **Friday:** Registration starts at 4:00 p.m. and the program begins at 7:00 p.m.
- ❖ **Saturday:** Breakfast is served 6:30 a.m. to 8:00 a.m. (included in room rate)

- ❖ **Speaker:** Deaf Ministry Liaison Kaye Wolff – engaging inspirational and motivational speaker, VP Special Focus Ministries 2015-2019 (national)
- ❖ **Gifts from the Heart:** Inspirational mugs, tea bags, Hot chocolate packets, creamers, bookmarks, socks, Mustard Seed devotions (order through Diane Kamrath at the LWML store), and crochet/knit octopus baby toy (pattern on LWML SWD website), for NICU patients and families in the Milwaukee, Madison, and LaCrosse areas
- ❖ **Servant Events:** Tying fleece blankets for NICU patients, coloring greeting cards, filling gift bags for NICU patients/families, and making witness bracelets
- ❖ **Offering Recipient:** LCMS Disaster Response



**\$60.00 Retreat Registration Fee (includes Saturday Lunch)**

To encourage our Deaf LWML sisters, a grant to assist in costs for Deaf Interpreters has been applied for through Mill Neck Foundation for Deaf Ministry

**Room Reservations at the Clarion**

Call the Clarion to reserve your room at (800)648-4765, ext. 1, to reserve your room (ask for the LWML SWD rate) by Sunday, January 10, 2021, to ensure the LWML SWD discount rate of \$95.00 (includes breakfast) +tax per night, for single/double occupancy, plus \$5.00 for each additional person.

Event sponsored by the Young Women of the LWML SWD

Visit [www.lwml-swd.org](http://www.lwml-swd.org) for more information



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**There are a couple of ways this could happen.**

**Option #1: One or 2 people to agree & to take over the chairperson's position.** If you are able and willing to chair or co-chair this event, please know there are detailed step by step/month by month instructions. Remember: You can ***“do it YOUR way”***. You don't have to do it the way it has been done in the past.

**Option #2: Individuals willing to take responsibility for One Day or Segment:** **Tuesday** (Turkey Prep for Roasting); **Wednesday** (Turkey Roasting & Deboning + Fill In Tasks); **Thursday** (Turkey slicing & layering, Dressing, Cole slaw Prep + Fill In Tasks, Dining room table (physical) set up); **Friday** (Finish anything not completed + set tables for 1<sup>st</sup> dinner seating + side serving tables); **Saturday Morning Crew** (Food assembly, pie and bread check-in, pie table set up, bread table set up); **Saturday Early Afternoon Crew** (Food Set up and Heat Food); **Saturday Dinner Crew** (Oversee all food prep through dinner) **Saturday Clean up Crew** (Kitchen and Dining room clean up + packaging leftovers for Sunday Sales); **Sunday Morning** (set up and sell before and after both church services)

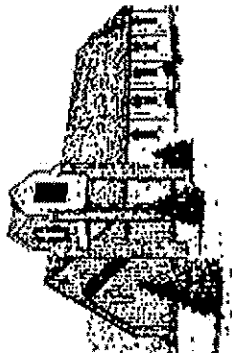
The regular sign up boards offer immeasurable support for all the above efforts.

**Additional departments:** Dining Room Team, The Bake Sale, The Silent Auction and The Carryout Department.

**The Starting Point is** The Kitchen Prep Work (Tuesday– Saturday) and the Dinner (Kitchen Crew and Dining Room Crew) And **NOTHING** can happen unless we have people committed to these critical areas.

Many people have faithfully executed certain responsibilities and have done them so masterfully. And for that we are very thankful! Our hope is that we will have people volunteer for the Tuesday – Saturday Kitchen and Dining room responsibilities. And we will need everyone to continue to sign up on the sign up boards and do what you always have done.

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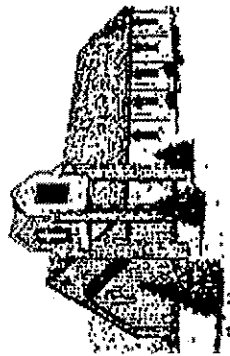


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St. Peter's Ev. Lutheran Church  
Waterford, WI

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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	Abbreviations B.C. Bible Class S.S. Sunday School		Advent Worship 6:30pm			
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Worship 8:00am S.S. & B.C. 9:15am Worship 10:30am	Women's Virtual BC 6pm Confirmation 6:00pm		Advent Worship 6:30pm			
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20	21	22	23	24	25	26
Worship 8:00am S.S. & B.C. 9:15am Worship 10:30am	Women's Virtual BC 6pm Confirmation 6:00pm Elders/Boards 7:30pm		Advent Worship 6:30pm	CHRISTMAS EVE WORSHIP 5:00 & 7:00pm	CHRISTMAS DAY WORSHIP 8:00 & 10:00am	
27	28	29	30	31		
Worship 8:00am Worship 10:30am	Women's Virtual BC 6pm					





# JANUARY 2021

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
3 Worship 8:00am S.S. & B.C. 9:15am Worship 10:30am	4 Women's Virtual BC 6pm Confirmation 6:00pm	5 Abbreviations B.C. Bible Class S.S. Sunday School	6 Worship 6:30pm	7 Ladies Aid 1:00pm	8 9	2 16
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