## St. Peter's Epistle

February/March 2022

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



#### **Upcoming Events**

Ash Wednesday
March 2
Confession & Absolution/Imposition of Ashes
9:00-11:00 AM
Divine Service
6:30 PM

Lenten Midweek Vespers Wednesdays March 9-April 6 6:30 PM With light meals at 5:15PM

Be sure to follow us on facebook and visit our website at 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 Couradt Expanding Catechesis: Grammar Level

If you haven't already, I would encourage you to review the last three newsletters to read more about the need for expanding catechesis. This is the fourth and final newsletter looking at the remaining expanded level.

The levels once again are Catechesis: Grammar Level, Catechesis: Logic Level, and Catechesis: Rhetoric Level. These levels follow the classical education model. Grammar gives us the basic building blocks, Logic helps us think through these things critically, and Rhetoric gives us the ability to defend and speak persuasively.

The following describes the program for the Grammar Level, designed after careful examination of the Scriptures and Lutheran Confessions; and in conjunction with the Synod:

Baptized children of member families of St. Peter Evangelical Lutheran Church who desire the Sacrament of the Altar are brought to the pastor by the child's father and mother (or legal guardian), who serve as his or her primary instructors in the faith: "As the head of the house should teach it in a simple way to his household." (Small Catechism).

Father and Mother will be equipped by the pastor, and the child will receive supplemental instruction from him. The child will have learned by heart the primary texts of Luther's *Small Catechism* and is able to recite them in front of his or her father and mother (or legal guardian), the pastor, and one of the elders.

The primary texts are:

- The Ten Commandments,
- The Apostles' Creed,
- The Lord's Prayer, and

This includes Bible passage for Baptism (Matthew 28:19-20, Mark 16:16),

Confession (John 20:22-23), and the Sacrament of the Altar (Words of Institution/ *Verba*).

In addition to this, the child confesses his or her sins and trust in Jesus Christ along with an understanding of the bodily presence of the risen Christ in the Sacrament of the Altar. The child then undergoes the "Rite for First Communion" as it is endorsed by The Lutheran Church–Missouri Synod and provided for in the Lutheran Service Book: Agenda. Thus there is no specific age or grade for First Communion, but rather depends on each individual child and parents.

Children who are admitted to the altar in this way make similar vows of Confirmation including a promise, with the help of God, to continue receiving instruction.

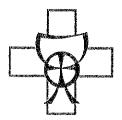
This program is optional, with eligibility tied to regular worship attendance. The rite is found in the following pages. If you have any questions, please ask.

"Teach them, first of all, these parts: the Ten Commandments, the Creed, the Lord's Prayer, and so on according to the text, word for word, so that they, too, can repeat it in the same way after you and commit it to memory" (Small Catechism Preface 10).

"Therefore let every father of a family know that it is his duty, by the injunction and command of God, to teach these things to his children or have them learn what they ought to know. For since they are baptized and received into the Christian Church, they should also enjoy this communion of the Sacrament, in order that they may serve us and be useful to us; for they must all indeed help us to believe, love, pray, and fight against the devil" (Large Catechism V The Sacrament of the Altar: 87).

In Christ,

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## FIRST COMMUNION PRIOR TO CONFIRMATION

#### General Notes

- 1. This rite is intended to be used to admit to the Lord's Supper baptized children who have not yet been confirmed. Candidates for admission to the Lord's Supper have learned the Ten Commandments, the Creed, and the Lord's Prayer. They have received careful instruction in the Gospel and Sacraments. Confessing their sin and trusting in their Savior, they desire to receive the Lord's Supper for the forgiveness of sins and the strengthening of their faith in Christ and their love toward others.
- 2. Concerning the worthy reception of the Lord's Supper, the Small Catechism teaches: "That person is truly worthy and well prepared who has faith in these words: 'Given and shed for you for the forgiveness of sins.' But anyone who does not believe these words or doubts them is unworthy and unprepared, for the words 'for you' require all hearts to believe."
- 3. Baptized Christians are admitted to the Sacrament when they have been examined and absolved by their pastor in accordance with the practice outlined in the Augsburg Confession (Article XXV).
- 4. Guidance for examination of candidates for First Communion prior to Confirmation is provided in "A Resource for Pastoral Examination of Catechumens," located in the LSB Pastoral Care Companion.

#### The Rite in Detail

- 1. The rite of First Communion prior to Confirmation takes place in the Divine Service before the Prayer of the Church.
- 2. Copies of this rite should be given to the children so that they are able to respond at the appropriate places.

Catechumens and their parents and baptismal sponsors gather near the font, at the chancel steps, or before the altar, as local custom dictates.

#### The pastor addresses the congregation:

Beloved in the Lord, in Holy Baptism these young people were born again as God's children and received into His Church. As a further gift of His love for us, our Lord Jesus Christ has given His Church the Sacrament of the Altar and invites His children to receive this Sacrament in faith for the forgiveness of their sins. The apostle Paul reminds us, "Let a person examine himself and so eat of the bread and drink of the cup," and "as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until He comes." These candidates have received instruction and have been examined by the pastor regarding their sin and their understanding of the Sacrament of the Altar.

1 Corinthians 11:28, 26

The pastor addresses the candidates:

You are about to be admitted to the Lord's Table. Holy Scripture describes the life of the Church and every baptized Christian with these words: "They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers." You are invited by our Lord to come regularly to hear His Word and receive His Sacrament. You will continue to be instructed and nurtured in the Christian faith and life. You are invited to confess your sins and receive the comfort of Holy Absolution. All this will help you live as the child of God you have been made through Holy Baptism.

Acts 2:42

In testimony of this faith and confession, I now ask you:

- P Do you believe in God, the Father Almighty, in Jesus Christ, His only Son our Lord, and in the Holy Spirit?
- Yes, I believe.
- P Do you believe that Jesus Christ, true God and true man, is your Lord?
- IB Yes, I believe.
- P Do you believe that you are a sinner?
- Yes, I believe.
- P Do you believe that Jesus Christ died for you and shed His blood for you on the cross for the forgiveness of all your sins?
- III Yes, I believe.
- Do you believe that in the Lord's Supper He gives you His true body and blood for the forgiveness of all your sins and to strengthen your faith in Him and your love toward others?
- Yes, I believe.
- P Do you intend to continue to hear and receive the instruction of your Lord, confess your sins, and receive the Lord's Supper faithfully throughout your life?
- Yes, with the help of God.
- I therefore invite you to the Lord's Supper to receive Christ's precious body and blood for the forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father and of the 
   ⊢ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- Amen.

The pastor addresses the congregation:

Parents, (sponsors), and members of the congregation, the whole Church shares with you the responsibility and concern for the ongoing instruction and spiri-

tual care of these young people. I now ask you, will you intercede for them in prayer and, as much as you are able, give them your counsel and aid that, in communion with the Church, they may grow up to lead a godly life to the praise and honor of Jesus Christ? Then answer: We will, with the help of God.

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Stand

P Let us pray.

For more than one candidate:

P Heavenly Father, whose Son Jesus Christ loved the young and called them to Himself, we ask You to bless these young people. Strengthen them in the faith through the Sacrament of Christ's body and blood so that they may grow spiritually and bring forth the fruits of faith in a life of love toward others to the praise and honor of Your holy name; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. (512)

For a single candidate:

P Heavenly Father, whose Son Jesus Christ loved the young and called them to Himself, we ask You to bless \_\_name\_\_. Strengthen him/her in the faith through the Sacrament of Christ's body and blood so that <u>he/she</u> may grow spiritually and bring forth the fruits of faith in a life of love toward others to the praise and honor of Your holy name; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever, (512)

#### @ Amen.

We rejoice with thankful hearts in your confession of faith. As you continue to hear the Lord's Word and receive His holy Supper, He who began a good work in you will bring it to completion at the day of Jesus Christ. Peace + be with you.

#### Amen.

The catechumens return to their seats. The service continues with the PRAYER OF THE CHURCH.

The catechumens receive the Sacrament of the Altar with the congregation in the usual order.

#### OFFICIAL ACTS

#### **BAPTISM**

Morgan Jade Mehring, daughter of Justin & Jessica Mehring 08/20/21 01/23/22



#### **NEW MEMBERS**

#### By Transfer:

Jerry & Belinda Kisley



#### MEMBERS LEAVING

#### Transfer out:

Ron & Jayne Badtke Jeff & Denise Schmittinger

#### By Release:

Irene Zirbel Robert & Tammy Scott

#### Removed by Request:

James Johnson Warren & Sandy Majchrzak



#### **LENTEN MEALS**

The Board of Parish Fellowship is now planning for our Lenten Meals held before each Lenten worship

Volunteer groups, boards, committees, families, or individuals are encouraged to sponsor a meal and call the church office to select their date. (262-534-3639)

The following dates are available:

service beginning at 5:15 pm.

March 9, 16, 23 and 30th



#### DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME BEGINS

March 13, 2022

(Move your clocks ahead one hour Saturday night, March 12th)



#### SENIOR FRIENDSHIP GROUP/ LADIES AID

Looking for Christian Fellowship? Come and join our Senior Friendship/ Ladies Aid/ LWML Group. We meet the second and fourth Monday of every month until May 9th. Everyone brings their own lunch if desired and two people usually volunteer to bring a dessert. We are planning on a luncheon at the February 14th meeting. This will be in celebration of Valentine's Day.

Newsletter Due Dates				
April / May	March 21			



#### 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 quests!



#### **HAPPY BIRTHDAY**

The following members are celebrating February Birthdays:

Taylor Himebauch	2/03
Chesney Bankenbush	2/06
Kelsey Domke	2/06
Jamie Multhauf	2/07
Jenna Keeling	2/08
Pamela Fesko	2/09
Robert Somers, Jr.	2/09
Ramona Holden	2/10
Nicholas Szeklinski	2/10
Paul Collins	2/14
Nicholas Ulbing	2/14
Kathy Anderson	2/15
Melissa Holden	2/15
Charlene Eisenhut	2/17
Thatcher Smith	2/17
Eden Conradt	2/18
Hella Goering	2/18
Dwight Jutrzonka	2/18
Weston Baumeister	2/19
Michael Chart	2/20
Cora Ciszewski	2/22
Steve Grindeland	2/22
Joseph Schauer	2/22
Janice Kafer	2/23
Dorothy Strasser	2/23
Larry Henning	2/24
Kevin King	2/24
Janet Christiansen	2/25
Jill Grindeland	2/25
Nick Carriker	2/26
Pastor Conradt	2/26
AJ Hayden	2/27
Faith Alloy	2/28
Addison Drallmeier	2/28



#### **HAPPY ANNIVERSARY**

2/08

To the following couple who is celebrating a February Wedding Anniversary:

Keith & Jennifer Drallmeier



#### **USED EYEGLASSES & 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.



#### PRAYER REQUESTS

If you would like to request a prayer on Sunday morning for birthdays, anniversaries, etc., please call the church office. We would be happy to share with you those special days in prayer.

#### 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.



**MOVING??** 

If you are moving, please notify the church office with your new address and phone number.



The following members are celebrating March Birthdays:

Owen Kin	3/01
Lauren Acker	3/02
Desiree Buchholtz	3/02
Jerry Kisley	3/02
Andrew Peterson	3/02
Jodel Jacobs	3/03
Gabriel Eberhardt	
	3/06
Brinley Hunt	3/07
Glen Kimball	3/07
Raymond Morby	3/08
Gilbert Amborn	3/10
Karen Luick	3/10
Mikayla Acker	3/11
Scott Ten Cate	3/11
Samantha Repischak	3/12
Marian Becker	3/14
Jacob King	3/14
Lila Solar	3/14
Mark Long	3/15
Frank Meyer	3/16
Patrick Becker	3/17
William Lindbloom	3/17
MaryAnn Pirk	3/18
Charles Brintnall	3/19
Judith Buse	3/21
Bruce Grindeland	3/21
Heidi Hollander	3/21
Carrie Buchholtz	3/22
Christine Repischak	3/22
Norman Tuscany	3/22
Jason Charland	3/23
Hallie Hayden	3/23
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Jeff Checker	3/25
Madelyn Jusuf	3/25
Bertha Neumueller	3/25
Jack Alloy	3/26
Taylor Badzinski	3/28
Stephanie Conradt	3/28
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Kirsten Grindeland	3/28
Ronald Hunt	3/28
Robert Hassey	3/29
Ken Hein	3/29
Tammy Peterson	3/29
Brandon Eisenhut	3/30
Harry Knoblauch	3/30
Kathryn Zastrow	3/30
Keith Drallmeier	3/31



To the following couples who are celebrating March Wedding Anniversaries:

Frank & Dorothy Meyer	3/06
John & Beata Luznicky	3/19
Roman & Diana Nowak	3/19
Kevin & Patricia King	3/20
Christopher & Amy West	3/20
Michael & Kory Chart	3/21
Clifford & Darlene Jacobson	3/21
Nicholas & Jacqueline Hunt	3/27



#### Ladies Aid/LWML Newsletter

Thank you for your faithful and consistent gifts of love through our mite collection.

PAID - Mission Grant #8 - Bethany Ev Lutheran Church Asaba, Deftal State of Nigeria, New church Planting - \$12,000

PAID - Mission Grant #9 - LCMS Chaplain Scholarships - \$3,000. Make possible the spiritual leadership of clergy on short term mission trips

Now Funding - Mission Grant - part 2 - \$15,000 - Church Worker Student.

Mission Grant #10 - International Friendship Center - \$15,000



Fund Worldwide Missions! pick up a box in narthex

Visit us at lwml-swd.org/grants

#### DATES to SAVE

LWML Winter Getaway - February 4 & 5, 2022. Clarion Hotel and conference Center - Wisconsin Dells

LWML Spring Rally - April 2 - Good Shepherd in East Troy. - more information to come.

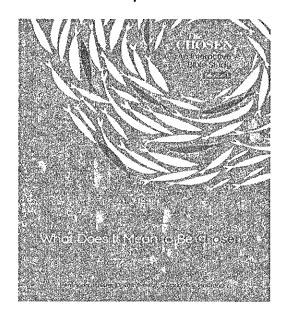
SWD Convention June 18, 2022 in Grafton - more inormation to come.

Stay engaged in the mission of the LWML by subscribing to the 2022-2023 Lutheran Women's Quarterly. Contact Winnie Shelton - dgshelton@wi.rr.com

### You are Chosen...

... to be part of a wonderful fellowship opportunity.

After late service in February and March, we will serve a simple lunch -Free will offering style- show an episode of The Chosen on the big screen in the Parish Hall-then read "The Book" (AKA The Bible) and dig in to the life of our Savior at a deeper level.



It's ok if you miss some weeks, we can show you how to access the episodes on your own if you are busy or out of town. If you would like to purchase a Bible Study book (shown above) a limited amount are available at \$15.00 each, once those are gone, books can be purchased from Amazon or the website shown at the right. However, you do not need to have a book to join us.

Feel free to reach out to Amy West with questions. 262-825-7399.

We will meet in the Parish Hall after late service, get a plate of food and try to start the show promptly at 12:00 - study and discussion after the show- until about 2:00.

- February 6<sup>th</sup> Season 1 Episode 1- Pizza / popcorn/ grapes
- February 13 Season 1 Episode 2 Chili / corn bread/ fruit cocktail
- February 20 Season 1- Episode 3-Sandwiches /chips/ clementines

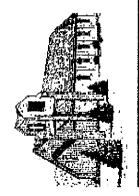
February 27 Season 1- Episode 4- Lasagna/ garlic bread/ salad

- -March 6 Season 1- Episode 5- Pizza/ popcorn/ melon
- March 13 Season 1- Episode 6 French toast casserole/ sausage links/ strawberries
- -March 20 Season 1- Episode 7- Hot dogs/ Brats/ mac n cheese/ carrots/ apples
- -March 27 Season 1 Episode 8- Taco Bar

Menu subject to change. Coffee and water will be provided - feel free to bring you own (nonalcoholic) beverage. There is a sign-up sheet on the office window.

#### ABOUT THE CHOSEN

"The Chosen is the first-ever multi-season TV show about the life of Jesus. Created outside of the Hollywood system, The Chosen allows us to see Him through the eyes of those who knew Him." www.thechosengifts.com -Accessed 12 January 2022.



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