

St. Peter's Epistle



February/March 2023

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

Upcoming Events

Ash Wednesday
February 22
Confession & Absolu-
tion/Imposition of Ashes
9:00-11:00 AM
Divine Service
6:30 PM

Lenten Midweek Vespers
Wednesdays
March 1-March 29
6:30 PM
With light meals at 5:00PM

Family Movie Nights
Feb 10 & March 10

*Be sure to follow us on facebook
and visit our website at
www.stpeterswaterford.com*

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

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From the Desk of Pastor Conradt Vicarage

It's been thirty years since our church received her first vicar. Vicar Rick Twenhafel (1) served this congregation under Pastor Bischoff's tutelage from 1992-1993. He is now serving as Pastor of St. Paul Ev. Lutheran Church in Duluth, Kansas. St. Peter had a total of 20 vicars. Out of those 20, 18 are serving in the ministry.

Currently, former vicars serve as pastors all over the country. This includes Oklahoma, Michigan, Texas, Iowa, Colorado, Alabama, and Oregon. There are two in Illinois, two in Minnesota, and two in Kansas. One has two earned doctorates and is a professor at Concordia University, Irvine, California. There are four serving in Wisconsin. One in the North Wisconsin District and three in our own district. That includes Rev. Gary Tillman (7), Rev. Roger Erdman (16), and yours truly (19).

Of those men that continued their studies here Rev. Curtis (11) serves as the head of Stewardship for the Synod and is married to Rev. Jack Gilbert's sister Rebekah. Rev. Gilbert serves St. John, Racine and just filled in here on a Wednesday in January. While at Symposia at the Fort Wayne seminary in January, I met Rev. Jay Watson (2) and also saw Rev. Adrian Sherrill (8)'s daughter Joanna (the oldest of twelve), who is in the hallway picture with Dad and Mom when she was a baby. She now had her first child with her.

Needless to say, our church has done a lot to help prepare men for the ministry and the impact can widely be seen.

In November, our congregation voted to return to this program after a 10 year hiatus. Some of you were here for all twenty vicars while others are newer to the congregation. As we get everything ready to make this happen, here are a few things that are helpful to know:

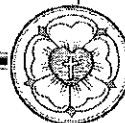
In order to become a pastor in The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod a man must have a bachelor's degree and typically attends an additional four-year program of seminary instruction. This includes two years at the seminary (either St. Louis or Ft. Wayne), followed by a year of on site internship under the care of a pastor (which we call vicarage). He then returns to the seminary for his fourth year of learning, at the end of which he earns a Master of Divinity (M. Div.).

There are things that a vicar can and cannot do. He preaches sermons approved by the pastor, conducts parts of the liturgy, teaches Bible studies, assists with the preschool, accompanies the pastor on visits, and attends meetings. He does not administer the sacraments—including with the homebound—nor does he conduct weddings or funerals.

This program requires a substantial financial commitment. Please let us know if you would like to help. We are looking forward to being an instrument of the Holy Spirit to help raise up these men to be pastors that will preach Christ crucified to a world in need of that eternal message.

In Christ,

Pastor Conradt



Lutheran Church

Missouri Synod

OFFICIAL ACTS



BAPTISM

Nora Frances Bennington, daughter of
Seth & Lisa Bennington

04/21/22 01/15/23



DEATHS

Mr. Craig Racer

10/7/1958 12/3/2022

Mrs. Gertrude Timm

01/07/1929 12/15/2022

Mr. Norman Tuscany

03/22/1943 01/06/2023



DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME BEGINS

March 12, 2023

*(Move your clocks ahead one hour
Saturday night, March 11th)*



SENIOR FRIENDSHIP

GROUP/LADIES AID/LWML



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 8th. 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 13th meeting. This will be in celebration of Valentine's Day.

<u>Newsletter Due Dates</u>	
April / May	March 20



LENTEN MEALS



The Board of Parish Fellowship is now planning for our Lenten Meals held before each Lenten worship service from 5:00 – 6:00pm.

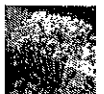
Volunteer groups, boards, committees, families, or individuals are encouraged to sponsor a meal and call the church office to select their date. (262-534-3639)

The following dates are available:

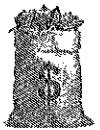
February 22 and March 1, 8, and 22nd



FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT



The Board of Parish Education continues to host "Family Movie Night". Popcorn and/or other light refreshments will be served. The February 10th movie will be the last of "The Narnia" Trilogy, "The Voyage of the Dawn Treader". The movie for March 10th will be posted in the bulletin once it is selected. The movies will continue to be the 2nd Friday of each month, starting at 6:00, throughout 2023.



ANNUAL FINANCE UPDATE

2022 Summary	Budget Forecast	Actual Results
Total Income (Offerings and other)	370,000	334,668
Total Operating Expenses	327,204	283,184
Difference	+ 42,796	+ 51,484

The church ended 2022 with a surplus of \$51,484. It is a blessing when we end the year with a surplus as we did last year. There are large expenses that arise which are not covered by the normal operating budget. Examples include replacing the roof shingles every 25 – 30 years, repairing or replacing old heating equipment when needed, etc. Surplus dollars go into savings for this type of uses when needed.



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!



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.



HEARING ASSISTANCE

Portable listening devices are available for use during the worship service. You will need to bring in your own set of headphones. Please see an Elder or Usher to assist you.



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.



ALTAR FLOWERS

The Flower Chart is in the Narthex, to the right of the door to the sanctuary, and to the left of the coat racks. You can sign up to provide and place Altar flowers in church for a birthday, anniversary, or any special occasion or memorial.

AMAZON SHOPPING



Unfortunately, Amazon is discontinuing the "Amazon Smile" program in February. Thank you to those who have used this program in the past to donate to St. Peter's.



CHURCH LIBRARY

Checking out books at the Church Library has never been easier! We use the honor system...no forms to fill out and no dates to remember! When you're finished with your items, simply return them to the shelf. We are not currently accepting donations of pre-owned books due to lack of shelf space. If you are interested in adding a new book to the library or making a monetary donation, please contact the Church Office.





HAPPY BIRTHDAY

The following members are celebrating February Birthdays:

Taylor Himebauch	2/03
Chesney Bankenbush	2/06
Kelsey Domke	2/06
Jaime 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
James Dumke	2/21
Cora Ciszewski	2/22
Steve Grindeland	2/22
Joseph Schauer	2/22
Janice Kafer	2/23
Dorothy Strasser	2/23
Kevin King	2/24
Jan Christiansen	2/25
Jill Grindeland	2/25
Pastor Conradt	2/26
AJ Hayden	2/27



HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

To the following couples who are celebrating February/March Wedding Anniversaries:

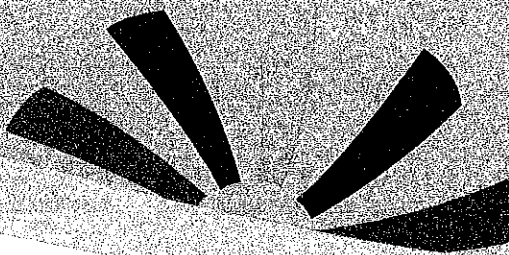
Frank & Dorothy Meyer	3/06
John & Beata Luznicki	3/19
Roman & Diana Nowak	3/19
Kevin & Patricia King	3/20
Christopher & Amy West	3/20
Michael & Kory Chart	3/21
Clifford & Darlene Jacobson	3/21
Nicholas & Jacqueline Hunt	3/27



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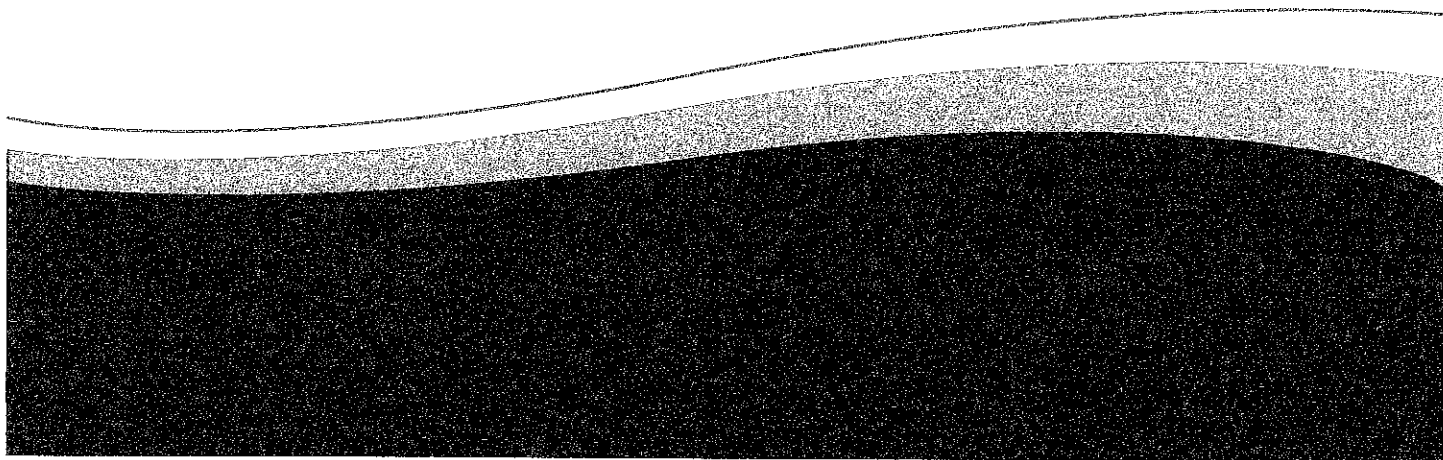
Owen Kin	3/01
Lauren Acker	3/02
Desiree Buchholtz	3/02
Jerry Kisley	3/02
Andrew Peterson	3/02
Jodel Jacobs	3/03
Gabriel Eberhardt	3/06
Erin Everett	3/07
Brinley Hunt	3/07
Glen Kimball	3/07
Raymond Morby	3/08
Gilbert Amborn	3/10
Karen Luick	3/10
Mikayla Acker	3/11
Scott Ten Cate	3/11
Samantha Repischak	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
MaryAnn Pirk	3/18
Chuck Brintnall	3/19
Judith Buse	3/21
Bruce Grindeland	3/21
Heidi Hollander	3/21
Carrie Buchholtz	3/22
Christine Repischak	3/22
Jason Charland	3/23
Hallie Hayden	3/23
Jeff Checker	3/25
Madelyn Jusuf	3/25
Bertha Neumueller	3/25
Jack Alloy	3/26
Stephanie Conradt	3/28
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



Coming Soon.....

* Rainbow Preschool will be posting both Summer and Fall 2023 information soon!

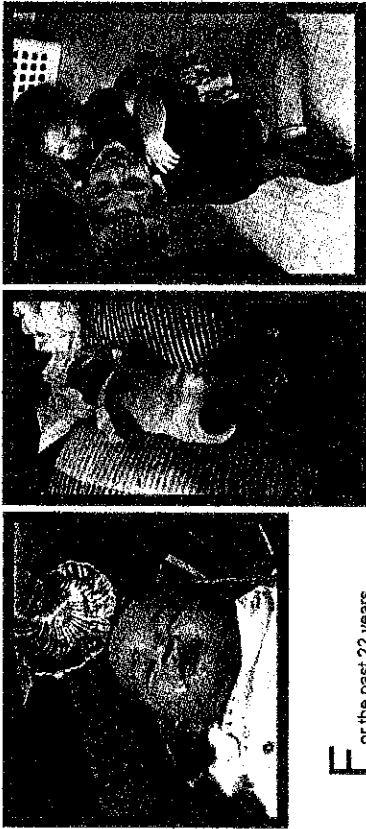
So keep a look out for the upcoming update!



2022-2024 LWML South Wisconsin District Mission Grant #6

A Place of Refuge Ministries

Refuge House Interior Renovation \$25,000



For the past 22 years,

Refuge House, maintained by A Place of Refuge Ministries of South Wisconsin, Inc, has been a temporary home to women facing difficult pregnancy choices/conditions and their children. During that time, countless hours of counseling, care and love have nurtured and upheld both mothers and children. It is time, however, for maintenance and upgrade of some interior projects. This grant money will assist this pro-life ministry to recarpet, change out the kitchen cabinets, add new phones and do some painting. Check out their website for additional ideas for your group to be supportive of such a valuable ministry as this: <https://www.aplaceofrefuge.org>

Mission Grant Prayer: In this post Roe vs. Wade era, we are extremely grateful, Creator God, that you have us in a position to be of physical help to women who might otherwise terminate the lives of their little ones. Thank you for Your many blessings to A Place of Refuge Ministries of South Wisconsin, Inc. and their continued commitment to provide a welcoming home for moms in need. We humbly ask you to bless this grant money to accomplish its intended purpose and thus give witness of the countless people who are on the side of life from the moment of conception. It is in the name of Jesus, once a baby Himself, that we make this petition. Amen



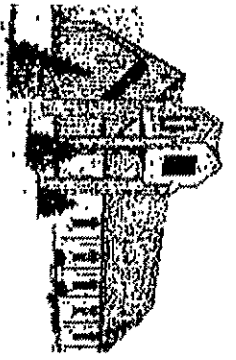
LWML 2023 Convention

Thu, Jun 22 - Sun, Jun 25, 2023



Abiding in Christ's LOVE

"Whoever confesses that Jesus is the Son of God, God abides in him and he is in God. So we have come to know and to believe the love that God has for us. God is love, and whoever abides in love abides in God, and God abides in him." 1 John 4: 15-16 ESV

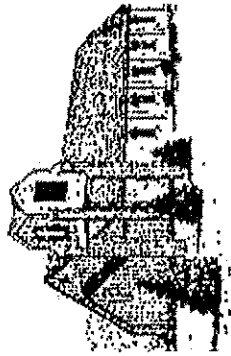


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