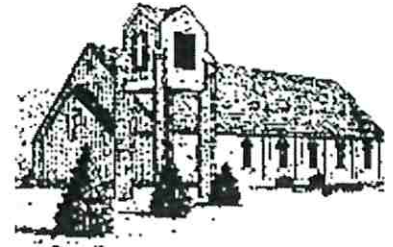


St. Peter's Epistle



October 2024

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

Upcoming Events

Movie Night
Oct 11

Men's Retreat
Oct 12 8:30am

Turkey Dinner
Sit Down & Carry Out
Oct 19
4-7 PM

New Pictorial Directory
Appointments this month

Joint Ref. Service Oct 27
St. John, Racine 4:00 PM

*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

160th Anniversary Recap

"Why do the heathen rage, and the people devise a vain thing? The kings of the earth set themselves, and the rulers take counsel together, against the LORD and against His Anointed, saying, "Let us break Their bonds asunder, and cast away Their cords from us."

"He that sitteth in the heavens shall laugh; the LORD shall hold them in derision. Then shall He speak unto them in His wrath, and vex them in His sore displeasure: "Yet have I set My King upon My holy hill of Zion."

"I will declare the decree: The LORD hath said unto Me, "Thou art My Son; this day have I begotten Thee. Ask of Me, and I shall give Thee the heathen for Thine inheritance, and the uttermost parts of the earth for Thy possession. Thou shalt break them with a rod of iron; Thou shalt dash them to pieces like a potter's vessel."

"Be wise now therefore, O ye kings; be instructed, ye judges of the earth. Serve the LORD with fear and rejoice with trembling. Kiss the Son, lest He be angry and ye perish from the way, when His wrath is kindled but a little. Blessed are all they that put their trust in Him." (Psalm 2)

What a joy and blessing it was to celebrate our Lord's bountiful gifts over the last 160 years. On Sunday September 22nd we commemorated our 160th anniversary. Rev. Dr. Carl Rockrohr (grandson of Erwin & Erna) and Rev. Paul Rockrohr (great-grandson) assisted us. Erwin formerly served as Chairman of the Congregation and their son David (father to Carl) was ordained here at St. Peter's in 1963, before being installed as a professor at Con-

cordia College in Portland, OR.

Psalm 2 (written above) served as the text for Rev. Dr. Carl Rockrohr's sermon and he wonderfully drew out of it the work God has done through St. Peter's throughout her history. Rev. Paul Rockrohr focused on the Gospel lesson for the day about healing from Jesus. The entire service was recorded and will be uploaded in due time on the church's website.

It was a day filled with singing and rejoicing. The church's singing was full and beautiful. The choir helped by singing a few stanzas as we could sit and meditate on the words. As always the organ was brought to life and the nave was filled with the accompaniment of the trumpet. The Word was proclaimed and the sacrament properly administered.

The time shared after the service around the fellowship of food and family was also uplifting. Thank you to all who helped to put this day together.

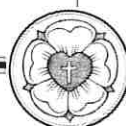
In honor of the 160th, Parish Fellowship is working on a new pictorial directory, so please use the informational sheets to schedule your time slot.

It is a joy and privilege for me to serve Christ in His Church here at St. Peter's. for 12 of those 160 years. The Lord has richly blessed us and continues to bless us. May we not lose sight of that as the world increases its chaos. May we continue forward with a deeper and wider foundation of Jesus Christ.

May the Lord bless and preserve St. Peter's and you in the years to come until Christ's return.

In Christ,

Pastor Conradt



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OFFICIAL ACTS



BAPTISM

Caleb Matthew Morby
8/26/2024 9/15/2024

Lucas Maitland Morby
8/26/2024 9/15/2024

DEATHS



Jean Luerssen
7/8/1943 9/16/2024



TURKEY DINNER UPDATE

This year's Turkey Dinner is being planned for Saturday, October 19th, 4:00-7:00pm. Please be sure to mark your calendars and set time aside the week of October 14th, as well as on the 19th, to help with this wonderful event that our church members and community members enjoy so much. There will be sit-down and carry-out dinners along with a bake sale. See sign up sheets in the narthex.

October 2024 Mission of the Month "Luther Classical College"

Luther Classical College educates Lutherans in the classical, Lutheran tradition and prepares them for godly vocations within family, church, and society, fostering Christian culture through study of the best of our Western heritage.

Imagine a college where students learn:

- to value marriage and family over career and money.
- that men are men and women are women, with God-given and beautiful differences and roles.
- that to be a father is greater than being the president and to be a mother is greater than being a queen.
- that the Bible is the wisdom of God far surpassing all the wisdom of men.
- that the Lutheran Church has the greatest theology, the best hymns, the most excellent music in the history of the world.
- that Bible, hymns, prayer, devotion, and talking about God belong in our homes every day.
- that children are a heritage from the Lord, the only thing in all the earth we can take to heaven with us.
- that piety is better than wealth and virtue is better than fame.
- that the Western tradition, with its literature, philosophy, music, scientific discovery, and Christian theology, is by far the greatest tradition the world has ever seen.
- that socialism is theft and wokism is bullying.
- that Christian culture grows through supporting faithful churches and leading pious homes.

Newsletter Due Dates

November	October 22nd
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FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT



The Board of Parish Education continues to host "Family Movie Night" 6:00pm in the parish hall. The October movie is *Pete's Dragon*. There will be some time for "open gym" after the movie. We will have popcorn and juice; attendees can sign up to bring a snack to share.

Movies will continue to be held on the 2nd Friday of each month, starting at 6:00, throughout 2024.



LADIES AID/LWML

Join us for Christian fellowship / Bible Study every second Monday of the month here at St. Peter's Lutheran Church. We meet at 11:00 a.m. for Bible Study then a short meeting followed by your own bag lunch. Dessert and coffee are provided. Come join us!

THE FALL FAIR COMMITTEE is looking for YOUR "Flour Power"! We are bringing back the popular Bake Sale during the Turkey Dinner! We would GREATLY appreciate your donated favorite HOMEMADE baked goods! Cakes, pies, brownies, cookies and breads! All items should be packaged in small or individual bags or boxes and labeled (**Especially if nuts are used**). The committee will price items. Items can be dropped off on Friday, Oct 18th and the morning of Saturday, October 19. For questions, please contact Julie Campbell at [262-716-6483](tel:262-716-6483).

LIBRARY The Board of Trustees would like to remind the congregation that the church has 2 computers in the library available for use by members of the congregation. Feel free to stop in the office during office hours if you need information about how to sign on.



SENIOR FRIENDSHIP GROUP

Attention all 55+ members (men & women) and your friends!! Join us for Christian fellowship and Bible Study every second and fourth Monday of the month here at St. Peter's Lutheran Church. Meetings begin at 11:00 a.m. for Bible Study then a short meeting followed by your own bag lunch. Dessert and coffee are provided. Afterwards, those who want to can enjoy cards, bingo, or other planned seasonal activities. Come join us!



FLOWERS

Flowers are a wonderful way to honor a special occasion or remember loved ones and friends who have passed away. The signup sheet is in the Narthex by the coat racks. When signing up for chancel flowers please be sure to have the florist call the church office for delivery days and times.

RECIPE CORNER

EMAIL LIST!



Pastor Conradt periodically sends out an email to church members who want to be informed of important updates. To be included on Pastor's email list, please send an email to Pastor Conradt at pastorconradt@stpeterswaterford.com and include in the subject line: **"Add me to the list."**

You say: "I can't do it" God says: You can do all things. Philippians 4:13



EASY POTATO SOUP

- 4 to 5 potatoes, peeled and cubed
- 10 ¾-oz. can of cream of celery soup
- 10 ¾-oz. can of cream of chicken soup
- 1 1/3 cup water
- 4 2/3 cup milk
- 6.6-oz. pkg. instant mashed potato flakes
- Garnish: bacon bits, green onions and shredded cheddar cheese

Place potatoes, soups and water into a slow cooker; heat on high setting until potatoes are tender, about 2 to 3 hours. Add milk and instant mashed potatoes to reach desired consistency, stirring constantly. Heat 2 to 3 hours longer; spoon into bowls to serve. Top with garnishes. Serves 4 to 6.

October 2024 St. Peter's Lutheran Church newsletter - Rainbow Preschool update

*Trust in the LORD, and do good; Dwell in the land, and feed on His faithfulness.
Delight yourself also in the LORD, And He shall give you the desires of your heart.
Commit your way to the LORD, Trust also in Him, And He shall bring it to pass.
Psalm 37: 3-5*

Dear Congregation of Believers at St. Peter's,

It is now almost 2 months that I have been on the job as your Director for the Preschool. It has been a whirlwind. Mrs. Grundman, Mrs. Mendenhall and I are happily servicing 5 families with their Preschool and Childcare needs. We have space and a beautiful facility for more. Every time I give a tour of the church, preschool, gym, playground and the grounds, I am reminded about how much God has blessed this place with resources in which to grow as a place to share God's word with the families of our community.

The Bible verse above reminds me of the patience that I have to have as we watch God "build this house" in a sense. *Unless the LORD builds the house, they labor in vain who build it; Psalm 127:1* I am reminded through the surprising calls that seem to come out of nowhere that God is indeed drawing those whom He would want in our midst through Himself.

As we reflect on 160 years of God's faithful work of changing lives through His Holy Word and Sacrament at St. Peter's Waterford, I am filled with Thanksgiving at the faithful who still attend regularly. The Holy Spirit helps us give thanks for the faith of the faithful who have helped us on our way. Even though we each have our own spiritual journey and faith, we celebrate the oneness and communion that we have in Christ and in this congregation as we move forward. 1864 was a long time ago, and life was very different, but in another sense, life and the Gifts of God have always been the same.

Genesis 1 through 3 lays out how God created the world and sustained it. It also lays out God's plan for salvation for the broken, fallen and sinful world. Daily, I get to interact with young children who are learning. These children are learning about life - how to listen, how to behave appropriately, how to speak appropriately, learning how to forgive. The children are learning colors, numbers, and sounds. The children are so full of exuberant joy and life, it is fun to interact and work alongside everyone at Rainbow Preschool.

Please continue to help us spread the word about our Preschool and pray for those families and teachers that we have and for those whom God will send our way.

Sincerely, *Melvin Beversdorf*

*For every house is built by someone, but He who built all things is God. Christ is faithful over God's house as a son. And we are His house, if we hold fast the confidence and the rejoicing of the hope firm to the end.
Hebrews 3:4,6*

St. Peter's Lutheran Church Annual

Turkey Dinner

&

BAKE SALE

- Dining Room and Carry Out options available -

Saturday, October 19, 2024

4 p.m. to 7 p.m.

MEAL INCLUDES:

Turkey, mashed potatoes & gravy, stuffing, green beans, coleslaw, cranberries, dinner roll and a slice of pie

For more information
please visit our
Facebook page or our website
at stpeterswaterford.com or
call 262.534.3639

Dine -In Prices
\$15 Adults
\$10 Ages 4 to 11
3 and under Free
Carry-Out dinner \$15

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Please Join Us!





St. Peter's Evangelical Lutheran Church U.A.C.

160th Anniversary

Participate in your
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Professional family portraits at your church.

To sign up and for more info, go to:
infocusphotography.org/stpeters-lutheran

Or use your phone to scan the QR Code.



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PHOTO SESSIONS

The photography sessions will be held on October 21, 22, 26, 28 and 29.

The hours for photography will be from 2 PM to 7 PM on weekdays and 10 AM to 2 PM on Saturday.

You may schedule on-line at any time or we will have people to assist you after Church services.

Volunteers Needed:

1. Telephone Volunteers – Will call members to schedule photo sessions.
2. Greeters – Meet families when they arrive for photo session and help complete forms.
3. Early Signup Team – work at church after service to help people signup.
4. More opportunities to help coming.

*For more information or questions please contact
Diana Nowak 414-418-4749 or Jim Dumke 262-442-6050*

“The Singing Church”

Lutherans have historically been called “the singing church.” There is no doubt that music has been a major component in the theology and practice of the Lutheran church. Luther once remarked about music, “We can mention only one point, namely, that next to the Word of God, music deserves the highest praise.”¹ Music has a power and purpose that cannot be understated in our worship and the life of the congregation.

But music does more than touch the emotions. Music is a vehicle that carries both the musician and the hearer deeper into connection with the truth of the Scriptures. This is true of the most complex Bach chorale and even the simplest of songs like “Jesus Loves Me, This I Know.” Each musical selection within the church shapes the thoughts, minds and faith of the people who experience them.

This is also true of stewardship hymns. We are currently considering the verses of “Forgive Us, Lord, for Shallow Thankfulness” (*LSB* 788) as it shapes our understanding and practice of stewardship. This month we take a deeper dive into verse two:

Teach us to thank you, Lord, for love and grace
For life and vision, for a purpose clear,
For Christ Your Son, and for each human face
that shows Your message ever new and near.

The stanza begins by touching on the truth of the Law. Thankfulness is not a natural posture for fallen humanity. For sinners curved in upon themselves, thankfulness for love and grace is something that must be taught. We are those who hoard and clutch. Our confession of our shallow thankfulness highlights the need for us to learn thankfulness to God.

Thankfulness also points to what we are stewards of: love and grace! All the things we have traditionally called stewardship aren’t actual stewardship. Rather, what matters is how we steward the one, true and only treasure: the love and grace of God revealed to us in the Gospel of Jesus Christ. So, all stewardship is stewardship of the Gospel! How can we gaze at the cross and empty tomb and not be thankful?

The LCMS defines stewardship as “the free and joyous activity of God’s family — the church — in managing life’s resources for His purposes.” God’s love and mercy give us a clear purpose as we live out our Baptism and practice this joyous stewardship. All we are, all we have entrusted to us, and all we are called to do is to connect others with the love and mercy of God revealed in Jesus!

The faithful steward sings with lips and life of this love and mercy that is ever new and near. In the Scriptures. In the Lord’s House. At the Lord’s Table. This is where our stewardship song starts and ends. Our family, our co-workers and classmates, and our world need to hear this song!

¹ Martin Luther, “Preface to Georg Rhau’s *Symphoniae iucundae*,” in *Luther’s Works*, ed. Jaroslav Pelikan, Helmut T. Lehmann, and Christopher Boyd Brown, vol. 53 (Philadelphia and St. Louis: Fortress and Concordia Publishing House, 1955–), 321–322.

Ladies Aid/LWML News

Fall Rally - LWML - Saturday, October 12, 2024

8:30 Fellowship - 9:00 - 11:30 Rally

Faith Lutheran Church - Sturtevant

8500 Durand Avenue

Speaker Bonnie Beversdorf - Missionary in the Philippines

Bible Study Pastor Lockie

Check out our bulletin board in the narthex.

Salad supper at East Troy - Mary-Martha Society - Speaker Bonnie Beversdorf.

Her talk was about Pillowcase dresses. She has kits for making these dresses.

She also has a pattern for the dresses if you have some material at home.

The dresses will be sent to Orphan Grain Train. If you are interested, contact Winnie Shelton.

Update on Mission Grants - LWML National - Healthy Together: Heal thy Workers - Heal thy Church - Lutheran Family Services US - \$106,000 PAID IN FULL!

God directs the church to care for those He calls to serve in ministry. Church workers and their families regularly face unprecedented stress, challenges, and suffering which affects their physical, psychological, emotional and spiritual well-being. There is an urgent need for the church to support and care for church workers. Lutheran Family services is responding to the need and this grant will help increase their ministry team of masters-level, licensed therapists who will provide marriage and family counseling that is Christ-centered.

South Wisconsin district Mission Grant #2 - Lutheran Counseling and Family Services of WI Child Therapy Expansion - Mental Health Coverage. \$25,000.

With the counseling skills of the staff at LCFS and a vision of expansion to serve more youth, the goal is to expand the Child Outreach Therapy program that reaches children and their support networks and brings them to a better place in life through the message of the Gospel.

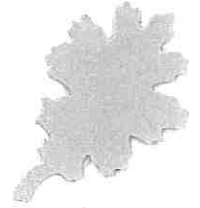
Pick up a mite box in the Narthex.

Serve the LORD with gladness!





Lutheran Women
in Mission



LWML Zone 21 ~ Fall Rally
Saturday, October 12, 2024

Faith Lutheran Church
8500 Durand Avenue
Sturtevant, WI 53177

8:30am Fellowship
9:00-11:30am Rally

SPEAKER:

Deaconess Bonnie Beversdorf

TOPIC:

Her time spent in the Philippines



BIBLE STUDY LEADER: Pastor Chris Lockie

INGATHERING: School Supplies for St. John's
Loose Leaf Paper (wide-ruled), Glue, Crayons, Colored
Pencils, No. 2 Pencils, Scissors, Construction Paper, Pens,
Rulers, Pocket Folders, Erasers, Pencil cases, Notebooks,
Markers, Boxes of Kleenex



OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

Garrett Foat	10/01
Patricia King	10/01
Hudson Koch	10/03
Logan Eberhardt	10/05
Carrie Jacobs	10/05
Ralph Jankowsky	10/06
Lisa Bennington	10/08
Brody Hayden	10/08
Noah Kin	10/08
Todd Morawetz	10/08
Susan Nelson	10/08
Cheryl Gilgenbach	10/09
Benjamin Everett	10/11
Janet Buchholtz	10/12
Alexandra Grindeland	10/12
Karla Friemoth	10/13
Emmie Draves	10/15
Maggie Frost	10/15
David Keeling	10/15
Gloria Schmidt	10/16
Bennett Stephan	10/17
Jody Farchione	10/18
Shelby Somers	10/18
Blake Berndt	10/19
Duane Harma	10/19
Lee Ann Michelau	10/19
Grace Obermeyer	10/19
Kyra Obermeyer	10/19
May Obermeyer	10/19
Bryan Brintnall	10/20
Terrence Dlugi	10/20
Matthew Eberhardt	10/20
Mollie Hein	10/20
Kevin Eisenhut	10/21
Patricia Jung	10/21
Taylor Mehring	10/22
Jim Bakke	10/23

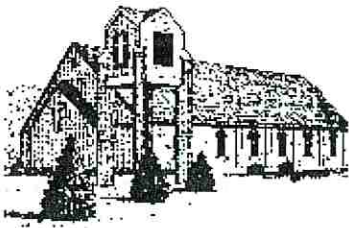
Tom Szeklinski	10/23
Gavin Morawetz	10/24
Nolan Domke	10/25
Collin Charland	10/26
Brittany Erb	10/28
Kathy Grant	10/28
Blake Hayden	10/28
Matthew Stephan	10/29
Amy West	10/29
Ronald Baumgart	10/30
Donato Guida	10/30
Mark Ketterhagen	10/31



HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

To the following couples who are celebrating
October anniversaries:

Gil & Rosemary Amborn	10/03
Eric & Casey Dietz	10/03
Jim & Jean Dumke	10/03
Steven & Candice Strueder	10/03
Dennis & Sharon Kramer	10/05
Peter & Debbie Berndt	10/06
Raymond & Ginny Morby	10/08
Thomas & Kathleen Carlson	10/12
Timothy & Nancy Szeklinski	10/12
AJ & Erinn Hayden	10/13
Eric & Jenny Obermeyer	10/14
Joseph and Marissa Campbell	10/15
Donald & Edwina Shelton	10/16
Jarrold & Jeanette Morby	10/17
Scott & Dianne Ten Cate	10/17
Dan & Sharon Krueger	10/21
Jack & Kerrie Alloy	10/22
Alan & Brittany Erb	10/27
John & Jillane Persch	10/30
Jeffrey & Jenny Kempken	10/31
George Marczewski & Susan Nelson	10/31



October 2024

St. Peter's Ev. Lutheran Church

Waterford, WI

Abbreviations
 B.C. Bible Class
 S.S. Sunday School
 M.B.S Men's Bible Study
 W.B.S. Women's Bible Study

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 W.B.S. 1:00pm	2 Youth Catechesis 5:15pm Worship 6:30pm	3	4	5
6 Sunday School/Bible Study 8:15am Worship 9:30am Choir practice after Worship	7 Finance 6:00pm Council 7:00pm	8 W.B.S. 1:00pm	9 Youth Catechesis 5:15pm Worship 6:30pm	10	11 Movie Night 6:00pm "Pete's Dragon"	12 Men's Bible Study 8:30am Holy Hill back by 3:00pm
13 Sunday School/Bible Study 8:15am Worship 9:30am Choir practice after Worship	14 Sr. Group and LWML 11:00am	15 W.B.S. 1:00pm	16 Youth Catechesis 5:15pm Worship 6:30pm Elders 7:30pm	17	18	19 Bake Sale 3:00pm-until sold out. Turkey Dinner 4:00pm-7:00pm
20 Sunday School/Bible Study 8:15am Worship 9:30am Choir practice after Worship	21	22 W.B.S. 1:00pm Preschool Open House 4:00-6:00pm	23 Worship 6:30pm	24	25	26
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160th Anniversary Church Directory Photo Session Dates –
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