

# Printed Order of Service

24<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

November 15, 2020

Graphic Explanation - *Be faithful with the gifts the Lord has provided you.*

WELCOME

OPENING PRAYER

OPENING HYMN..... "God Himself Is Present" LSB 907 v. 1,2

1 God Him - self is pres - ent: Let us now a - dore Him  
 2 God Him - self is pres - ent: Hear the harps re - sound - ing;

And with awe ap - pear be - fore Him. God is in His  
 See the hosts the throne sur - round - ing. "Ho - ly, ho - ly,

tem - ple; All with - in keep si - lence; Hum - bly kneel in  
 ho - ly!" Hear the hymn as - cend - ing, Songs of saints and

deep - est rev - 'rence. He a - lone On His throne  
 an - gels blend - ing. Bow Your ear To us here:

Is our God and Sav - ior; Praise His name for - ev - er!  
 Hear, O Christ, the prais - es That Your Church now rais - es.

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INVOCATION

**P** In the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

HYMN ..... "Holy, Holy, Holy" LSB 507 v. 1,2

1 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y!  
 2 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! All the saints a - dore Thee,  
 Ear - ly in the morn - ing our song shall rise to Thee;  
 Cast - ing down their gold - en crowns a - round the glass - y sea;  
 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, mer - ci - ful and might - y!  
 Cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim fall - ing down be - fore Thee,  
 God in three per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!  
 Which wert and art and ev - er - more shalt be.

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OLD TESTAMENT READING: ZEPHANIAH 1:7-16

<sup>7</sup>Be silent before the Lord GOD! For the day of the LORD is near; the LORD has prepared a sacrifice and consecrated his guests. <sup>8</sup>And on the day of the LORD's sacrifice—"I will punish the officials and the king's sons and all who array themselves in foreign attire. <sup>9</sup>On that day I will punish everyone who leaps over the threshold, and those who fill their master's house with violence and fraud.

<sup>10</sup>"On that day," declares the LORD, "a cry will be heard from the Fish Gate, a wail from the Second Quarter, a loud crash from the hills. <sup>11</sup>Wail, O inhabitants of the Mortar! For all the traders are no more; all who weigh out silver are cut off. <sup>12</sup>At that time I will search Jerusalem with lamps, and I will punish the men who are complacent, those who say in their hearts, 'The LORD will not do good, nor will he do ill.' <sup>13</sup>Their goods shall be plundered, and their houses laid waste. Though they build houses, they shall not inhabit them; though they plant vineyards, they shall not drink wine from them."

<sup>14</sup>The great day of the LORD is near, near and hastening fast; the sound of the day of the LORD is bitter; the mighty man cries aloud there. <sup>15</sup>A day of wrath is that day, a day of distress and anguish, a day of ruin and devastation, a day of darkness and gloom, a day of clouds and thick darkness, <sup>16</sup>a day of trumpet blast and battle cry against the fortified cities and against the lofty battlements.

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**G** Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE: 1 THESSALONIANS 5:1-11

<sup>1</sup>Now concerning the times and the seasons, brothers, you have no need to have anything written to you. <sup>2</sup>For you yourselves are fully aware that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night. <sup>3</sup>While people are saying, "There is peace and security," then sudden destruction will come upon them as labor pains come upon a pregnant woman, and they will not escape. <sup>4</sup>But you are not in darkness, brothers, for that day to surprise you like a thief. <sup>5</sup>For you are all children of light, children of the day. We are not of the night or of the darkness. <sup>6</sup>So then let us not sleep, as others do, but let us keep awake and be sober. <sup>7</sup>For those who sleep, sleep at night, and those who get drunk, are drunk at night.

<sup>8</sup>But since we belong to the day, let us be sober, having put on the breastplate of faith and love, and for a helmet the hope of salvation. <sup>9</sup>For God has not destined us for wrath, but to obtain salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, <sup>10</sup>who died for us so that whether we are awake or asleep we might live with him. <sup>11</sup>Therefore encourage one another and build one another up, just as you are doing.

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

## HOLY GOSPEL: MATTHEW 25:14-30

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the twenty-fifth chapter.

**C** **Glory to You, O Lord.**



### Using Your *Talents*

<sup>14</sup>[Jesus said:] "For it will be like a man going on a journey, who called his servants and entrusted to them his property. <sup>15</sup>To one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away. <sup>16</sup>He who had received the five talents went at once and traded with them, and he made five talents more. <sup>17</sup>So also he who had the two talents made two talents more. <sup>18</sup>But he who had received the one talent went and dug in the ground and hid his master's money. <sup>19</sup>Now after a long time the master of those servants came and settled accounts with them. <sup>20</sup>And he who had received the five talents came forward, bringing five talents more, saying, 'Master, you delivered to me five talents; here I have made five talents more.' <sup>21</sup>His master said to him, 'Well done, good and faithful servant.

You have been faithful over a little; I will set you over much. Enter into the joy of your master.' <sup>22</sup>And he also who had the two talents came forward, saying, 'Master, you delivered to me two talents; here I have made two talents more.' <sup>23</sup>His master said to him, 'Well done, good and faithful servant. You have been faithful over a little; I will set you over much. Enter into the joy of your master.' <sup>24</sup>He also who had received the one talent came forward, saying, 'Master, I knew you to be a hard man, reaping where you did not sow, and gathering where you scattered no seed, <sup>25</sup>so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here you have what is yours.' <sup>26</sup>But his master answered him, 'You wicked and slothful servant! You knew that I reap where I have not sowed and gather where I scattered no seed? <sup>27</sup>Then you ought to have invested my money with the bankers, and at my coming I should have received what was my own with interest. <sup>28</sup>So take the talent from him and give it to him who has the ten talents. <sup>29</sup>For to everyone who has will more be given, and he will have an abundance. But from the one who has not, even what he has will be taken away. <sup>30</sup>And cast the worthless servant into the outer darkness. In that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.'"

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C** **Praise to You, O Christ.**

## APOSTLES' CREED

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.**

**And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life ✠ everlasting. Amen.**

HYMN OF THE DAY ..... "Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus" LSB 685 v. 1,3

1 Let us ev - er walk with Je - sus, Fol - low His ex -  
 3 Let us glad - ly die with Je - sus. Since by death He  
 am - ple pure, Through a world that would de - ceive us And to  
 con - quered death, He will free us from de - struc - tion, Give to  
 sin our spir - its lure. On - ward in His foot - steps tread - ing,  
 us im - mor - tal breath. Let us mor - ti - fy all pas - sion  
 Pil - grims here, our home a - bove, Full of faith and  
 That would lead us in - to sin; And the grave that  
 hope and love, Let us do the Fa - ther's bid - ding. Faith - ful  
 shuts us in, Shall but prove the gate to heav - en. Je - sus,  
 Lord, with me a - bide; I shall fol - low where You guide.  
 here with You I die, There to live with You on high.

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SERMON "Hope in Jesus - Be Alert" 1 Peter 1:13

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.**

BENEDICTION

**P** The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and ☩ give you peace.

**G Amen.**

CLOSING HYMN ..... "Abide, O Dearest Jesus" LSB 919 v. 1,4,6

1 A - bide, O dear - est Je - sus, A - mong us with Your grace  
 4 A - bide with rich - est bless - ings A - mong us, boun - teous Lord;  
 6 A - bide, O faith - ful Sav - ior, A - mong us with Your love;  
 That Sa - tan may not harm us Nor we to sin give place.  
 Let us in grace and wis - dom Grow dai - ly through Your Word.  
 Grant stead - fast - ness and help us To reach our home a - bove.

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## Sermon Outline - November 15, 2020

“Hope in Jesus – Be Alert”  
1 Peter 1:13

1. \_\_\_\_\_  
Prepared for action

**In what way does your mind need to be prepared for action in God’s kingdom?**

2. \_\_\_\_\_  
Self-controlled

**In what way does the fruit of self-control need to be displayed in your life?**

3. \_\_\_\_\_ your \_\_\_\_\_ is in  
Fully on God’s grace

**What are you putting your hope in?**

## Prayer Page - November 15, 2020



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ST PETER PRAYER PAGE

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### Major health issues with COVID:

Stephanie Schroeder (daughter-in-law of the late Ken & Norma Schroeder)

### Healing:

Sue Mosier (sister-in-law of Marilyn Barga, moved from the Hebron hospital to Parkview Haven)

### For peace, patience & protection as they wait to get their adopted daughter, Ruby, from China:

Brett & Jessica (Betten) Brown and their family

### Ongoing health concerns:

River Kruse (newborn baby at Children's Hospital, Omaha)

Pastor Delmar Klover (treatment for pancreatic cancer)

Mike Finke

Bernard Betten (Father of Don & Kent Betten, & Bev Harms)

Lodean Voss (father of Todd Voss)

Allen Schardt, Abby (Harms) Warm

Patti Mueller, Chase Laaker (battling seizures)

Cammie (Cahill) Freitag

Doug Grupe

Kylie Noojin (daughter-in-law of John & Tammy)

Lynnis Eitzman (battling cancer)

Whitney Watson (breast cancer - Rod & Cindy's daughter-in-law)

Aaron Fiet (Dale Endorf's brother-in-law)

Robin Sedlachek

Marlene Weideman, Harvey Weideman (back issues)

Donna Genung

Bridget Schnuelle (daughter of Brenda Betten)

### Birthdays this week:

John Noojin, Jadelyn Calkins, Dillon Schardt, Colleen Kruse

### Baptismal birthdays this week:

Pamela Lemke, Joseph Dunlap, Helen Watson, James Bohling, Rebecca Drew, Karla Deepe, Kelli Schardt, Janet Robertson

### Wedding anniversaries this week:

David & Janet Larkins (43 years on Nov. 18)

Everett & Marilyn Schardt (49 years on Nov. 21)

▪ **Prayer requests from our missionaries, Rev. Dale and Suzanne Kaster:** Pray that the Holy Spirit would open up hearts to the Gospel in the Czech Republic

▪ **That God would use each of us** at St. Peter to encourage one another and to love those we come into contact with

▪ **For Deshler Lutheran School:** That our staff, families, and congregations would focus on our 20-21 year theme: "Sent to Serve" - Matthew 20:28

▪ **For our missionaries:** The hundreds of men and women serving overseas bearing witness, showing mercy and living life together in and by our Lord, Jesus Christ, with others around the world

▪ **For our country; President Donald Trump; President-Elect Biden;** all leaders; our service men and women; Chaplains; for peace, guidance & safety in our land

▪ **Members/Relatives/Friends in service or in active service:** Jacob Noojin (son of John & Tammy); Mark Baden (son of Marvin & Sharon); Peter Magnus (nephew of John & Tammy Noojin); Brandon Lee (nephew of Galen & Melissa Sasse); Isaac Ralston (grandson of Virgil & Lola); TJ & Emily Wiebe, (brother & sister-in-law of Jocelyn Berggren)

▪ **For Hope Pregnancy Center:** That God would bless this ministry as it reaches out to families in our local area and defends life

▪ **For our members in assisted living, nursing home & care centers:**

Mary Loontjer and Dale Bohling @ Parkview Haven

Larry Schardt, Blue Valley Care Home, Hebron

Sandra Meyer, Region 5 Group Homes, Hebron

Roger Finke, Lakeview Assisted Living, Firth

Nick Bartling, Life Care Center of Elkhorn, Omaha



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FAITH PRAYER PAGE

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### Health Issues:

Murray Family

Karen Prellwitz - healing

Lynda Johnson - recovering from surgery

Lisa Johnson (daughter-in-law of Lyle & Lynda Johnson)

Marla Braithwait

Cammie Freitag

Pastor Richard Gudgel

**Birthdays:** Cary Tietjen - November 19

Scott Harms - November 19

### Anniversaries:

## Announcements

St. Peter Lutheran, Deshler and Faith Lutheran, Hebron  
24<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost  
**November 15, 2020**

**WELCOME!** We pray that God will bless you through the power of His Word. If you are a guest or visitor, we are so thankful you joined us. If you would like to hear more about Jesus or our congregations at St. Peter and Faith, please contact Pastor Brian. A Live Stream of the service takes place at 9:45 a.m. on St. Peter's Facebook and YouTube pages. Full printed services and announcements are available for you in the Narthex. Please visit [stpeterdeshler.org](http://stpeterdeshler.org) for updated news and events.

### General Announcements for St. Peter and Faith

Serving at St. Peter	Serving at St. Peter	Serving at St. Peter	Serving at Faith
Pastor - Brian Francik	Acolyte - Campbell Bohling	Sound - Doug Schardt	Pastor - Brian Francik
Elder - John Noojin	Screen - Sharon Houtwed	Video - Reinold Kruse	Organist - Cheryl Walsh
Organist - Joyce Schmidt	Usher - Matt Bohling	Flowers - Becky Reinke	

#### Memory Verse of the Week

“God made him who had no sin to be sin for us,  
so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.” (2 Corinthians 5:21)

**Weekly Devotion** - Email a request to Pastor Brian if you would like to receive the weekly devotion based on the Memory Verse of the Week. You will receive it by email on Wednesdays.

#### Circuit Forum Update To Be Virtual

Due to recent state-wide COVID-19 mandates, the circuit forum for tonight will be virtual and will only include voting for circuit visitor by the circuit pastors and congregational representatives. Please continue to keep all of our circuit pastors and congregations in your prayers.

**DLS Backpack Program** - Suggestions of food appropriate for this program are available at [stpeterdeshler.org](http://stpeterdeshler.org) under Connect - News/Announcements. Fliers with appropriate food suggestions are available in the Narthex at St. Peter. Please leave food items in the totes marked DLS Backpack Program. For more info, please contact Rachel Werner @ 402-768-8826. Thank you to those who have supported this program in any way.

### St. Peter Announcements

#### Graphic Explanation

*Be faithful with the gifts the Lord has provided you.*

OFFERING REPORT	Received Nov. 8	Needed Weekly	Year to Date	IN-PERSON ATTENDANCE
General Fund	3,881.00	6,350.52	202,435.39	Church - 58
General Fund - Direct Deposit	1,000.00		41,900.00	Communion - -
General Fund - Online (Tithely)			1,201.66	Visitors - 2
NE District/Missions	80.00		3,195.00	Adult Bible Study - -
Special Mission (Kasters)			1,170.00	Preschool - 8 <sup>th</sup> Sunday School - -
Christmas Eve Program	45.00		50.00	EQUIP - -

**Direct Deposit Offerings** - Automatic withdrawal is available as a way to give your offerings here at St. Peter. Signup forms are available in the Narthex, or if requested can be mailed or emailed to you. If you have any questions, please contact our treasurer, Sara Kresser, at 402-984-2453 or [fourleafclover9@hotmail.com](mailto:fourleafclover9@hotmail.com)

**Giving Online** - You have the opportunity to give online using a debit or credit card. Click on the "Give" tab on [www.stpeterdeshler.org](http://www.stpeterdeshler.org), then select "Click to Give." **Please note: There is a fee for using a debit or credit card. It will be deducted from your offering unless you choose to cover the fee.**

### Thank You From Pastor Brian

"Thank You" to St Peter and all those who gave me various gifts during Pastor Appreciation month in October. I am truly humbled and blessed by the generosity shown toward me. I continue to be thankful for the opportunity to be your pastor. May the Lord continue to strengthen us for service in His Kingdom.

### Sunday School Christmas Program

We are working toward a much smaller scale Sunday School Christmas Eve program this year in the midst of COVID-19. We are looking at various options including in-person or recorded or a combination of both. If your kids are comfortable participating in some way, please contact Jim Bohling or Pastor Brian.

### Christmas Eve Preparation

Because of current statewide mandates in regard to occupancy and social distancing, we are considering different options for worship on Christmas Eve (such as adding a second service). We are asking for your feedback:

***Under the current conditions, will your family be attending, in-person, the Christmas Eve service? Please contact the church office and let us know by December 6 if your family will be attending and how many will attend so we can plan accordingly. Thank you so much.***

St. Peter Updated COVID-19 Action Plan - Please see last page (pages 11-12)

### Cards Welcome for River Kruse

Cards of encouragement would be welcome to Kevin and Kaitlyn Kruse, the parents of little River (not quite 3 weeks old) who remains in Intensive care at Children's Hospital in Omaha. Please pray for nourishment and weight gain, as a second intestinal surgery is needed in December.

The mailing address is River Kruse % Children's Hospital 8200 Dodge St Omaha NE 68114

To send a card electronically, use this website: <http://www.childrensomaha.org/hospital-experience/your-child-hospital-stay/greeting-card/> Scroll all the way down to the bottom where it says send e-card. Need his name (River Kruse) and room number (NICU #458).

### Seasonal Cards and Napkins

Thanksgiving cards as well as Fall and Thanksgiving napkins are available in the card bookcase in the Narthex.



### Poinsettias

It is time to order poinsettias for decorating the Chancel for Advent and Christmas. If you would like to help, you may order a poinsettia through the church or bring a plant in. To order through the church, please fill out an order form, attach payment of \$25 per plant to the order form, and poinsettias will be purchased through Amanda's Cottage in Hebron. **The deadline for all orders is Thanksgiving Day November 26.** Order forms are in the Narthex.

### Best Choice Labels for DLS

Do you shop at Arend's Family Food, Central Market or any other Best Choice Grocery Store? If so, you can help Deshler Lutheran School earn free money through their label program. Simply cut the UPC sign (which usually says "Best Choice" on it) from items you purchase. Collect the labels and turn them in to the Best Choice jar located on the table next to the mailboxes. For every 1,000 labels collected and submitted, DLS earns \$30. Check the labels of Best Choice cans, bottles, packages, even bread wrappers before you toss them in the trash. Thanks in advance for your support of DLS through this program from Best Choice!





### Music Ministry Update

Jamie Calkins is working to get our vocal choir and small groups back going after the COVID shut down. If you enjoy singing and would like to be part of choir or a small vocal group, please contact Jamie. If there are any adults or kids that would like to play an instrument for church, contact Jamie if you need someone to accompany you.

### Food Ministry

We are offering a ministry of providing and delivering meals to people going through major changes in life (major illness, death in the family, new baby, loss of a job, etc.) This is a way to serve, not only our members, but people in the community as well. If you would like more information or to sign up to be on the Food Ministry Team, please contact Shamlynn Francik at (402) 710-6635 or [shamlynn.francik@gmail.com](mailto:shamlynn.francik@gmail.com). If you know of people at church or in the community that we should reach out to, please contact Shamlynn.

### Available In the Narthex Throughout the Week

Sunday Bulletins, Pastor Brian’s Weekly Devotion, *My Devotions*, *Portals of Prayer*, Text Alert Signup Sheets, Cloth masks and hand sanitizer

### Are You On Facebook?

Check out the St. Peter, Faith, and Deshler Lutheran School Facebook pages, like, and follow them to get updates on your feed. We are continuing to find ways to encourage the body of Christ in the technology world.

### Video of Services

A DVD of each Sunday service is available in the white basket on the mailbox shelf around 10:00 a.m. on the following Thursday. All videos are available for anyone to take home, watch, and return.

St. Peter-Deshler Calendar			
Sun., Nov. 15	9:00 AM	Worship Songs	
	9:45 AM	In-person Worship Service <i>(No Sunday School or Bible Study)</i>	
	7:00 PM	Virtual Circuit Forum	
Mon., Nov. 16	7:30 PM	DLS Board	
Thur., Nov. 19	9:15 AM	DLS Chapel	
	1:15 PM	DLS 5-8 Musical Dress Rehearsal <i>(not open to guests)</i>	
Fri., Nov. 20	- - - - -	Pastor’s Sabbath	
	- - - - -	December Newsletter Deadline	
	1:00 PM	Bulletin Folders	
	7:00 PM	DLS 5-8 Musical <i>(watch on the DLS Facebook page)</i>	
<i>Sat. Nov. 21-Tues. Nov. 24 - Pastor Brian gone</i>			
Sun., Nov. 22	9:00 AM	Worship Songs	
	9:45 AM	Worship Service <i>(No Communion, Sunday School, or Bible Study)</i> Service will be led by Pastor Doug Francik	

The St. Peter worship services are live-streamed via the St. Peter Facebook page, YouTube, and Vimeo.

## Faith-Hebron Announcements

### Thank You From Pastor Brian

Thank you for the generous gift card that you gave to me and Shamlynn for Pastor Appreciation month. It will provide us with some opportunities to get away and enjoy some Nebraska wine and scenery. We both continue to be so blessed to be part of the ministry at Faith. May the Lord strengthen us as we work together to share Christ with others.

## Faith-Hebron Calendar

	Sun., Nov. 15	8:30 AM	In-person Worship Service
		9:30 AM	Sunday School
		9:45 AM	Live Stream St. Peter Service
<i>Sat. Nov. 21-Tues. Nov. 24 - Pastor Brian gone</i>			
	Sun., Nov. 22	8:30 AM	Worship Service (no communion) led by Pastor Doug Francik
		9:30 AM	Sunday School
		9:45 AM	Live Stream St. Peter Service

## Deshler Lutheran School Announcements



### 2020-2021 School Theme: "Sent To Serve!"

Kindergarten - Juli Reinke  
 First & Second - Debra McDonald  
 Third & Fourth - Rachel Werner  
 Fifth & Sixth - Amy Voss  
 Seventh & Eighth & Principal - Todd Voss



### Pray for our DLS Family of the Week

- Evan Langness and his family: Pastor Jon & Hannah and sisters Judith & Marjorie

### 5-8 Musical Dress Rehearsal

All kindergarten-fourth students will attend the dress rehearsal on Thursday, Nov. 19. Unfortunately, this event is not open to the public due to the current COVID risk dial.

### Updated 5-8 Musical Attendance Info

Only household members of those students participating are allowed to attend the Friday, November 20 musical in person. All guests are asked to wear a mask. Family units will be separated. There will be no refreshments after the performance due to safety measures. We plan to record the performance and offer DVD's for sale.

### DLS Musical to be Live Streamed This Week Friday

DLS is also planning to live stream the musical. Look for it Friday, November 20, at 7:00 p.m. on the DLS Facebook page. Pop some popcorn and enjoy the performance from the comfort of your own home. Please share this information with family and friends that they may watch *Not your Average Joe*. It is the story of Joseph with a new twist. This production has a 50's flare, great music, and a message of truth from God's Word. Students have been working hard in their preparation.

**Thanksgiving Break** is November 25-27 (Wednesday-Friday).

#### Faith Lutheran Church

420 Charles Road, Hebron, NE 68370  
See below for Pastor Contact and Worship Times

<b>Deshler Lutheran School</b> School Office: 402-365-7858 School Email: <a href="mailto:deshlerluth@gpcom.net">deshlerluth@gpcom.net</a> Street Address: 509 E. Hebron Ave. Mailing Address: PO Box 340 Deshler, NE 68340 Mr. Todd Voss, Administrator Todd Voss Cell: 402-720-5590 School Website: <a href="http://www.DeshlerLuth.org">www.DeshlerLuth.org</a>	<b>St. Peter Lutheran Church</b> Church Office: 402-365-4341 Secretary Email: <a href="mailto:stpeterdeshler@gmail.com">stpeterdeshler@gmail.com</a> Street Address: 400 E. Hebron Ave. Mailing Address: PO Box 69 Deshler, NE 68340 Pastor Brian Francik Info: Home: 402-365-4217 Cell: 402-710-6679 Email: <a href="mailto:pastorbfrancik@gmail.com">pastorbfrancik@gmail.com</a> Church Website: <a href="http://stpeterdeshler.org">stpeterdeshler.org</a>	<b>Sunday Worship Schedule</b>  Faith Lutheran, Hebron 8:30 a.m. Worship 9:30 a.m. Sunday School  St. Peter Lutheran, Deshler 9:45 a.m. Worship 11:00 a.m. Sunday School & Bible Class
The Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod (LCMS)		

# COVID-19 Action Plan



**Friday 13 November 2020 @ 8:00 a.m.**

## A Message from Pastor Brian:

On Wednesday, November 11, 2020 new state-wide COVID-19 Directed Health Mandates (DHM) were initiated.

On Friday, November 13, 2020, Thayer County's COVID-19 risk dial went into the red category (severe).

With these in mind and with an increase of positive COVID-19 cases and quarantines in our community, we have updated our action plan to include the following:

**In-person worship services will continue on Sunday mornings. We will continue to live stream the full worship service via our Facebook page, Vimeo, and YouTube channel.**

**Social distancing** - at least six feet - between households (people who live in the same house together) must be maintained at all times on the premises.

After the service, attendees will be ushered out, beginning with the back pews. Once dismissed, please exit the building immediately while continuing to maintain social distancing at all times.

We will refrain from celebrating the Lord's Supper until further notice.

The use of masks is highly encouraged.

Worship music will play in the sanctuary (not on live stream) beginning at 9:00 a.m. until 9:35 a.m. when the pre-service organ music will begin. This provides an opportunity to worship and meditate in your seat before church starts.

Other weekly activities will be cancelled or held virtually until further notice.

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If you are sick or showing symptoms of COVID-19, for the safety of yourself and others, please remain at home. Please take your safety seriously and act in accordance with your own best interests.

Please make sure Pastor Brian has your current email address so that he can send you the weekly devotional message. If there are people you know who would like to receive the weekly message, forward it on to them or let Pastor Brian know their email address.

If you need pastoral care during this time, please contact Pastor Brian.

If you have questions, please call Pastor Brian or an Elder. We will continue to reevaluate and adjust the action plan as needed. Please continue to pray for our community. We continue to look to Jesus, who is our ever-present help in time of trouble.