

Printed Service and Announcements

Fourth Sunday of Easter - Setting One with Holy Communion

April 25, 2021

During the worship service, we invite you to stand, as you are able

WELCOME

OPENING PRAYER

OPENING HYMN..... "The Lord's My Shepherd, I'll Not Want" LSB 710



1	The	Lord's	my	shep -	herd,	I'll	not	want;	He	makes	me
2	My	soul	He	doth	re -	store	a -	gain	And	me	to
3	Yea,	though	I	walk	in	death's	dark	vale,	Yet	will	I
4	My	ta -	ble	Thou	hast	fur -	nish -	ed	In	pres -	ence
5	Good -	ness	and	mer -	cy	all	my	life	Shall	sure -	ly



down	to	lie	In	pas -	tures	green;	He
walk	doth	make	With -	in	the	paths	of
fear	no	ill;	For	Thou	art	with	me,
of	my	foes;	My	head	Thou	dost	with
fol -	low	me;	And	in	God's	house	for -



lead -	eth	me	The	qui -	et	wa -	ters	by.
righ -	teous -	ness,	E'en	for	His	own	name's	sake.
and	Thy	rod	And	staff	me	com -	fort	still.
oil	a -	noint,	And	my	cup	o -	ver -	flows.
ev -	er -	more	My	dwell -	ing	place	shall	be.

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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

PSALM 138:1-5

I give you thanks, O LORD, with my whole heart;
before the gods I sing your praise;

I bow down toward your holy temple and give thanks to your name for your steadfast love and your faithfulness,
for you have exalted above all things your name and your word.

On the day I called, you answered me;
my strength of soul you increased.

All the kings of the earth shall give you thanks, O LORD,
for they have heard the words of your mouth,

and they shall sing of the ways of the LORD,
for great is the glory of the LORD.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

LORD, HAVE MERCY (KYRIE)

P In peace let us pray to the Lord.

C Lord, have mercy.

P For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.

C Lord, have mercy.

P For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.

C Lord, have mercy.

P For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.

C Lord, have mercy.

P Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

C Amen.

THIS IS THE FEAST

Refrain

C This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.

Al-le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

1 — Wor-thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose
 2 Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and strength, and
 3 Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and
 4 Bless - ing, hon - or, glo - ry, and might be to
 5 For the Lamb who was slain has be -

blood set us free to be peo - ple of God. *Refrain*
 hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are His. *Refrain*
 join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: *Stanza 4*
 God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men. *Refrain*
 gun His reign. Al - le - lu - ia. *Final Refrain*

Final Refrain

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.

Al-le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Let us pray.

Almighty God, merciful Father, since You have wakened from death the Shepherd of Your sheep, grant us Your Holy Spirit that when we hear the voice of our Shepherd we may know Him who calls us each by name and follow where He leads; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

FIRST READING: ACTS 4:1-12

¹As they were speaking to the people, the priests and the captain of the temple and the Sadducees came upon them, ²greatly annoyed because they were teaching the people and proclaiming in Jesus the resurrection from the dead. ³And they arrested them and put them in custody until the next day, for it was already evening. ⁴But many of those who had heard the word believed, and the number of the men came to about five thousand.

⁵On the next day their rulers and elders and scribes gathered together in Jerusalem, ⁶with Annas the high priest and Caiaphas and John and Alexander, and all who were of the high-priestly family. ⁷And when they had set them in the midst, they inquired, "By what power or by what name did you do this?" ⁸Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them, "Rulers of the people and elders, ⁹if we are being examined today concerning a good deed done to a crippled man, by what means this man has been healed, ¹⁰let it be known to all of you and to all the people of Israel that by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead—by him this man is standing before you well. ¹¹This Jesus is the stone that was rejected by you, the builders, which has become the cornerstone. ¹²And there is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved."

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE: 1 JOHN 3:16-24

¹⁶By this we know love, that he laid down his life for us, and we ought to lay down our lives for the brothers. ¹⁷But if anyone has the world's goods and sees his brother in need, yet closes his heart against him, how does God's love abide in him? ¹⁸Little children, let us not love in word or talk but in deed and in truth.

¹⁹By this we shall know that we are of the truth and reassure our heart before him; ²⁰for whenever our heart condemns us, God is greater than our heart, and he knows everything. ²¹Beloved, if our heart does not condemn us, we have confidence before God; ²²and whatever we ask we receive from him, because we keep his commandments and do what pleases him. ²³And this is his commandment, that we believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and love one another, just as he has commanded us. ²⁴Whoever keeps his commandments abides in him, and he in them. And by this we know that he abides in us, by the Spirit whom he has given us.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

ALLELUIA AND VERSE

C Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

HOLY GOSPEL: JOHN 10:11-18

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the tenth chapter.

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

¹¹[Jesus said:] "I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. ¹²He who is a hired hand and not a shepherd, who does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and flees, and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. ¹³He flees because he is a hired hand and cares nothing for the sheep. ¹⁴I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, ¹⁵just as the Father knows me and I know the Father; and I lay down my life for the sheep. ¹⁶And I have other sheep that are not of this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd. ¹⁷For this reason the Father loves me, because I lay down my life that I may take it up again. ¹⁸No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have authority to lay it down, and I have authority to take it up again. This charge I have received from my Father."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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

NICENE CREED

C **I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.**

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of His Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light,
very God of very God,
begotten, not made,
being of one substance with the Father,
by whom all things were made;
who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man;
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.
He suffered and was buried.
And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures
and ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of the Father.
And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead,
whose kingdom will have no end.**

**And I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord and giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,
who spoke by the prophets.
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,
and I look for the resurrection of the dead
and the life \dagger of the world to come. Amen.**

HYMN OF THE DAY "I Am Jesus' Little Lamb" LSB 740

1 I am Je - sus' lit - tle lamb, Ev - er glad at
 2 Day by day, at home, a - way, Je - sus is my
 3 Who so hap - py as I am, E - ven now the

heart I am; For my Shep - herd gent - ly guides me,
 staff and stay. When I hun - ger, Je - sus feeds me,
 Shep - herd's lamb? And when my short life is end - ed,

Knows my need and well pro - vides me, Loves me ev - 'ry
 In - to pleas - ant pas - tures leads me; When I thirst, He
 By His an - gel host at - tend - ed, He shall fold me

day the same, E - ven calls me by my name.
 bids me go Where the qui - et wa - ters flow.
 to His breast, There with - in His arms to rest.

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SERMON

"Hope in Jesus - Shepherding the Sheep"

1 Peter 5:1-4

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

PREFACE

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Lift up your hearts.

C **We lift them to the Lord.**

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

PROPER PREFACE

P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God. And most especially are we bound to praise You on this day for the glorious resurrection of Your Son, Jesus Christ, the very Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us and bore the sins of the world. By His dying He has destroyed death, and by His rising again He has restored to us everlasting life. Therefore with Mary Magdalene, Peter and John, and with all the witnesses of the resurrection, with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY (SANCTUS)

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:
Heav-en and earth are full of Your glo - ry. Ho - san-na. Ho -
san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high - est.

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.

WORDS OF OUR LORD

Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My ✠ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My ✠ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

LAMB OF GOD (AGNUS DEI)

Lamb of God, You take a - way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a - way the sin of the
world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a - way the
sin of the world; grant us peace.

Please be seated

DISTRIBUTION

Gluten free wafers are available. Please let Pastor Brian know at the rail if you would like a gluten free wafer.

RECORDED SONG

DISTRIBUTION HYMN..... "At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing" LSB 633



1 At the Lamb's high feast we sing Praise to
2 Praise we Him, whose love di - vine Gives His
3 Where the pas - chal blood is poured, Death's dread
4 Praise we Christ, whose blood was shed, Pas - chal



our vic - to - rious King, Who has washed us in the tide
sa - cred blood for wine, Gives His bod - y for the feast—
an - gel sheathes the sword; Is - rael's hosts tri - um-phant go
vic - tim, pas - chal bread; With sin - cer - i - ty and love



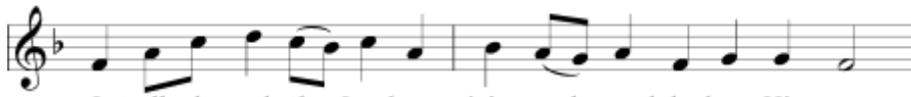
Flow - ing from His pierc - ed side. Al - le - lu - ia!
Christ the vic - tim, Christ the priest. Al - le - lu - ia!
Through the wave that drowns the foe. Al - le - lu - ia!
Eat we man - na from a - bove. Al - le - lu - ia!

5. Mighty Victim from the sky,
Hell's fierce pow'rs beneath You lie;
You have conquered in the fight,
You have brought us life and light.
Alleluia!
6. Now no more can death appall,
Now no more the grave enthrall;
You have opened paradise,
And Your saints in You shall rise.
Alleluia!
7. Easter triumph, Easter joy!
This alone can sin destroy;
From sin's pow'r, Lord, set us free,
Newborn souls in You to be.
Alleluia!
8. Father, who the crown shall give,
Savior, by whose death we live,
Spirit, guide through all our days:
Three in One, Your name we praise.
Alleluia!

THANK THE LORD



C Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev-'ry-one what He has done.



Let all who seek the Lord re - jice and proud-ly bear His name.



He re - calls His prom - is - es and leads His peo - ple forth in joy



with shouts of thanks-giv-ing. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

P Let us pray.

O God the Father, the fountain and source of all goodness, who in loving-kindness sent Your only-begotten Son into the flesh, we thank You that for His sake You have given us pardon and peace in this Sacrament, and we ask You not to forsake Your children but always to rule our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that we may be enabled constantly to serve You; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

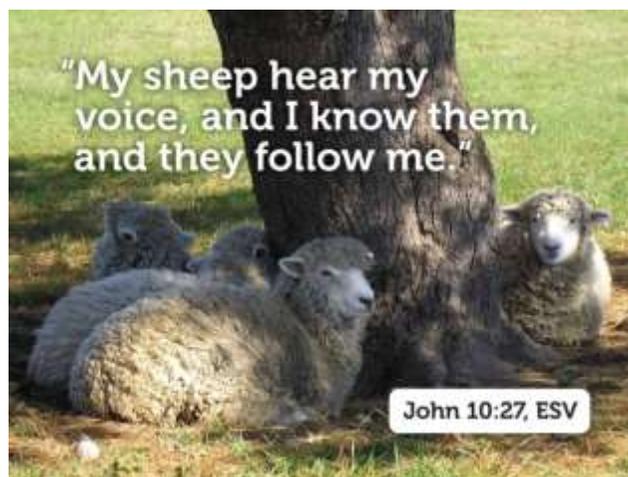
BLESSING (BENEDICTION)

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.

C Amen.



CLOSING HYMN....."Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us" LSB 711 v. 1, 2

1 Sav - ior, like a shep - herd lead us; Much we
2 We are Yours; in love be - friend us, Be the
need Your ten - der care. In Your pleas - ant pas - tures
guard - ian of our way; Keep Your flock, from sin de -
feed us, For our use Your fold pre - pare.
fend us, Seek us when we go a - stray.
Bless - ed Je - sus, bless - ed Je - sus, You have
Bless - ed Je - sus, bless - ed Je - sus, Hear us
bought us; we are Yours. Bless - ed Je - sus,
chil - dren when we pray. Bless - ed Je - sus,
bless - ed Je - sus, You have bought us; we are Yours.
bless - ed Je - sus, Hear us chil - dren when we pray.

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Sermon Outline – April 25, 2021

“Hope in Jesus - Shepherding the Sheep”
1 Peter 5:1-4

1. A _____ of _____

Sharing what we have seen and heard

What do you need to witness about from your life?

2. _____ for the _____

Leading by example

In what way(s) can we take care of the sheep here?

3. _____ Christ _____

His reward

In what way(s) are you seeking to please others above pleasing Christ?

Prayer Page – April 25, 2021



ST PETER PRAYER PAGE

(We encourage you to reach out to the person or family to find out how you can pray for and encourage them)

For a medical diagnosis:

Louie Boeve (Roger & Marilyn Genzmer's son-in-law)

For healing:

Ashlyn Cooper

Danielle Berggren Kunert

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

Brett & Jessica (Betten) Brown and their family

Battling cancer:

Abby (Harms) Warm, Cammie (Cahill) Freitag

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

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

Ongoing health concerns:

Janet Robertson, Delbert Holtzen, Rose Plock

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

Allen Schardt, Patti Mueller, Chase Laaker, Doug Grupe

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

Donna Genung

Robin Sedlachek, Harvey & Marlene Weideman

Bridget Schnuelle (daughter of Brenda Betten)

Birthdays this week:

Lacey Schmidt, Duncan Finke, Larry Wilbeck, Drew Ayres, Cassie Wilbeck

Baptismal birthdays this week:

Matthew Bohling, Claire Sasse, Jana Finke, Heather Achterberg, Laura Achterberg, Caroll Genzmer, Nicole Zucker

Wedding anniversaries this week:

▪ Prayer requests from our missionaries, Rev. Dale and Suzanne Kaster:

- That we may grow in reaching out to Czechs
- For the hearts of Czechs to be opened to the Gospel of Christ

Circuit Youth Preparing For Full-Time Church Work:

Caleb Jalas - (Trinity, Friedensau) Concordia Seward;
Pre-Seminary Program Noah Burger - (St. Peter's, Davenport) Concordia Seminary, St. Louis

▪ **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 Joe 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:

Delbert Holtzen, Blue Valley Nursing Home

Dale Bohling, Parkview Haven

Gloria Reinboth, Meadowlark Heights

Larry Schardt, Blue Valley Care Home, Hebron

Sandra Meyer, Region 5 Group Homes, Hebron

Roger Finke, Lakeview Assisted Living, Firth



FAITH PRAYER PAGE

Health Issues:

Dean Blicow

Karen Prellwitz

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

Marla Braithwait

Cammie Freitag

Pastor Richard Gudgel

Amy Schlesselman (sister-in-law of Joyce Kroll)

Birthdays: Rebecca Burda - April 29

Anniversaries: Lyle & Lynda Johnson - April 28

General Announcements

St. Peter-Deshler and Faith-Hebron

April 25, 2021

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 for updated news and events.

Serving at Faith	Serving at St. Peter	Organist - Joyce Schmidt	Video - Mike Zucker
Pastor - Brian Francik	Pastor - Brian Francik	Sound - Doug Schardt	Flowers - Pam Harms
Organist - Cheryl Walsh	Elder - Matt Vieselmeyer	Screen - Sharon Houtwed	Sunday School - Meghan Endorf
	Acolyte - Alyssa Zucker	Usher - Doug Harms	Envelopes - Todd & Amy Voss, Neil & Monica Bohling

MEMORY VERSE OF THE WEEK

“Here is a trustworthy saying that deserves full acceptance: Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners - of whom I am the worst.” (1 Timothy 1:15)

WEEKLY DEVOTION

Email a request to Pastor Brian if you would like to receive a weekly devotion based on the Memory Verse Of The Week. You will receive it by email on Wednesdays.

Read Through the New Testament in 2021

It's not too late to join us as we read through the New Testament here in 2021 using the S.O.A.P. method. You can find S.O.A.P. resources on the St. Peter website or at either congregation. This is a great opportunity to dive into God's Word and be strengthened in your faith. **Reading Schedule April 25-May 1:**

April 25 - Sermon Reflection April 27 - Acts 3 April 29 - Acts 5 May 1 - Acts 7
 April 26 - Act 2 April 28 - Acts 4 April 30 - Acts 6

“One Another”

Each week, we highlight a verse of the Bible that uses the phrase “one another.” We are doing this to be reminded of the importance of the body of Christ and how it is shown through the local church.

“Carry each other's burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ.” (Galatians 6:2) - Christians should not think they are independent from help within the body of Christ. Christians should also not be excused from helping others. We are to help and support one another in the burdens that we face, thus fulfilling what Christ intended for His people.

Enrollment for DLS - Deshler Lutheran School is accepting new students entering grades Kindergarten through Eighth for the 2021-2022 school year. At a time when equipping our children with a Biblical worldview is more important than ever, consider enriching your child's daily life with a Christ-centered education at DLS.

DLS is open to students from any community or any denomination. There is never a charge for your first year at DLS. Scholarships are also available for subsequent years. DLS has students from numerous communities in the area. Ride-sharing is available.

Perhaps you are interested in supporting DLS financially with a one-time or ongoing gift? If you feel the Holy Spirit nudging you to explore further, please contact Mr. Todd Voss, Principal at (402) 365-7858, by email at DeshlerLuth@gpcom.net, or check out the website: www.Deshlerluth.org

2021 FOS Auction Date Set

Thank you to all who took the time to fill out our survey for the school auction. We have met and made the decision based on the survey results to proceed with our fall 2021 auction as normal. This year's school auction is November 13, so mark your calendars and we hope to see you all there! Thanks again!

Ladies of Faith Meeting

Ladies of Faith (LOF) will be meeting on Monday, April 26 at 6:30 at Faith Lutheran Church. All ladies from both congregations are welcome to attend.

EQUIP on Wednesday Nights

EQUIP is an opportunity to sing some worship songs, be equipped in your faith in Jesus, pray with other believers and grow in your relationships with other Christians. **The topic will be: Sharing the Gospel.** If you haven't been to EQUIP before, we invite you to check it out on Wednesday nights at 7:00pm and be encouraged.

Contact Pastor Brian if You Would Like a Visit

If you have been shut-in during COVID or are unable to come to church currently and would like Pastor Brian to visit or give you communion, please contact him to set up an appointment.

St. Peter - Deshler Announcements

Screen Graphic Explanation *Jesus is the Good Shepherd who lays down His life for the sheep*

Offering Report	Received 4-18-2021	Needed Weekly	Year to Date	Attendance Report Week of April 18
General Fund	4,630.00	6,919.86	64,876.00	Church - 81
General Fund - Direct Deposit	600.00		18,175.00	Visitors - 1
General Fund - Online				Sunday School Pre-6 th - 12
NE District/Missions	200.00		1,890.00	EQUIP - 19
Special Mission (Kasters)				
Building Fund	50.00		200.00	
Total	5,480.00			

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

Giving Online - You have the opportunity to give online using a debit or credit card. Click on the "Give" tab on 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.**

C.A.R.E. Warriors

Compassionate Acts in Response to Jesus' Enduring Love

C.A.R.E. Warriors is a social ministry and resource networking opportunity where God's people connect with one another and share prayer, gifts, resources, support, and most importantly - the Gospel. We work with our spiritual and physical gifts to be the hands and feet of Jesus, right here in Thayer County. Can you spare time and resources to help someone else? Some examples such as: Clean up the yard/paint a porch/drive to a medical appointment/help someone with technology/get groceries/run to get parts during harvest/fix a flat tire/take kids to an activity/babysit/organize clutter/be a prayer partner/study the Bible with someone/provide a space for meetings/teach a class/cook a meal/and on-and-on. Please pray that God will reveal 1) how He wants you to serve and 2) people who need our time and talents. The body of believers needs to be alert, seeking, and engaged in ways to spread the Gospel and Christ's love - more than one hour on Sunday morning. People are thirsty for hope, healing, and Jesus in our own zip codes. Contact Pastor Brian or Shamlynn to get involved.

Discipleship starts with relationships. (Acts 2:42-47)

Cemetery Mailing

We are getting the cemetery donation letters ready to mail. It would be helpful to have 4 or 5 volunteers to assist with the assembly of the letters on Wednesday, April 28 at 1:00 p.m. Please contact Colleen if you can help (402.768.1619).

May Newsletter

The May newsletter is available via one or more of the following options:

- 1) online at stpeterdeshler.org under the connect tab
- 2) *received by email each month
- 3) *paper copy received in your church mailbox

*Contact the office to add your name to the list for the email or church mailbox options.

Distribution of Communion Update

We will continue to have distribution at the communion rail. The pastor and elder will no longer wear masks or gloves. They will sanitize prior to distribution. We will resume having communicants take the cups from the trays. The cups will be spread apart in the tray. Pre-packaged supplies will still be available for use. If you have any questions, please talk to Pastor Brian or an elder.

Vacation Bible School

Because VBS was cancelled last year because of COVID, we will be hosting VBS this year. We have a couple people who are willing to help plan. We would like one or two others to be involved in planning VBS. If you are interested, please contact Pastor Brian.

Needing Information

Pastor Brian is seeking to reach out to the members of our congregation to check in with them and find out how he can encourage and pray for them. We are needing emails and/or phone numbers for numerous people that are listed as members of our congregation. Please look at the updated 2021 phone directory. If you have phone numbers that aren't in the directory, please contact Pastor Brian or Colleen. Please also check and see if we have email addresses for them.

Religious Greeting Cards Available - Confirmation and graduation cards are available along with the regular birthday, anniversary and sympathy cards. Also check out the various napkins that are available.

Best Choice UPC's - You can help Deshler Lutheran School earn \$ by clipping the UPC labels from Best Choice products. Clip and deposit in the glass jar located on the table by the mailboxes.

Available In the Narthex - Sunday Bulletins, Pastor Brian's Weekly Devotion, *My Devotions*, *Portals of Prayer*, *LifeDate*, Annual Report 2020, Text Alert Signup Sheets, Cloth Masks and Hand Sanitizer

Are You On Facebook? - Check out the St. Peter, Faith, and DLS 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 after each service. All videos are available for anyone to take home, watch, and return.

St. Peter-Deshler Calendar		
Sunday, April 25	9:00 AM	Worship Songs
	9:45 AM	Worship Service with Holy Communion
	11:00 AM	Sunday School & Bible Class
Wed., April 28	7:00 PM	EQUIP
Thurs., April 29	9:15 AM	DLS Chapel
Friday, April 30	- - - - -	Pastor's Sabbath
	1:00 PM	Bulletin Folders
Sunday, May 2	9:00 AM	Worship Songs
	9:45 AM	Worship Service with Holy Communion led by Pastor Tim Brisbois
	11:00 AM	Sunday School

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

Faith - Hebron Announcements

Lawn Mowing Volunteers - There is a sign-up calendar at the back of the church for lawn mowing. Please sign up if you would like to serve by mowing the church lawn.

Virtual Photo Finish Mission Walk - Faith Lutheran Church is planning to have a "Virtual Photo Finish Mission Walk" for the 2021 LWML Convention on May 2 following worship. More information will be available soon, along with pledge forms. There will be a poster at church displaying all of the Mission Grant Distributions that the money will be going towards.

Faith-Hebron Calendar

Sunday, April 25	8:30 AM	Worship Service with Holy Communion
	9:30 AM	Sunday School
	9:45 AM	St. Peter-Deshler service livestreamed
Monday, April 26	6:30 PM	Ladies of Faith (LOF) (<i>St. Peter ladies welcome</i>)
Wednesday, April 28	7:00 PM	EQUIP at St. Peter-Deshler
Friday, April 23	- - - - -	Pastor's Sabbath
Sunday, May 2	8:30 AM	Worship Service with Communion led by Pastor Tim Brisbois
	9:30 AM	Virtual Photo Finish Mission Walk for the 2021 LWML Convention
	9:30 AM	Sunday School
	9:45 AM	St. Peter-Deshler service livestreamed

Deshler Lutheran School Announcements

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

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

DLS Family of the Week

Prayer is powerful and we have the opportunity to lift each other up before the Lord. Join us this week as we pray for the Vieselmeyer family: Lainey, her sister Allie and parents Matt & Alesha.

Play Day Friday, May 7 at Friedensau

Time: 10:00 a.m. - Parents are invited to attend Events of the day: Chapel service in the Sanctuary, field events, a hot dog meal, running events, awards ceremony

Faith Lutheran Church

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Sunday Worship Schedule

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 & Adult Bible Class