



# How to Avoid a Shipwreck, Part 2

ere are two more pointers on how to avoid a shipwreck. **First**, don't take advice from the wrong people, even the so-called experts.

Regarding Paul's story, **Acts 27:11 (ESV)** says: "But the centurion paid more attention to the pilot and to the owner of the ship than to what."

Paul said the ship's owner was probably an expert in business and its captain was probably an expert in maritime matters. Nevertheless, both men were incapable of hearing the voice of God. Be discerning (careful) about who you take advice from. Just because someone's successful in a secular field doesn't mean they're qualified to give you spiritual guidance.

**1 Thessalonians 5:12-13 (ESV)** says: "We ask you, brothers, to respect those who labor among you and are over you in the Lord and admonish you, and to esteem them very highly in love because of their work. Be at peace among yourselves."

When you need spiritual guidance, go to leaders in God's work who have proven themselves worthy of your love and respect. Seek out those who go to God's Word for their response to your needs.

**Second**, remember that the majority is not always right. **Acts 27:12 (ESV)** says: "And because the harbor was not suitable to spend the winter in, the majority decided to put out to sea from there, on the chance that somehow they could reach Phoenix, a harbor of Crete, facing both southwest and northwest, and spend the winter there."

The fact is the majority can be wrong! Remember what happened when Moses started to lead the children of Israel to the Promised Land? The majority wanted to return to Egypt. But they were wrong – dead wrong – and they perished in the wilderness. We can get ourselves into a real mess by following prevailing opinion and the most popular ideas.

Listen for God's voice and you'll always go in the right direction.

Psalm 25:9 (ESV) says: "He leads the humble in what is right, and teaches the humble his way."

Christ is risen! He risen indeed! Alleluia! Christ has died. Christ is risen. He will come again!

## **Prayer Requests**



Those who are seeking healing and comfort during a difficult time: Rev. Reuben and Martha Baerwald (friends of Bette Wine) Kristy Bartels, Jean Brewer, Don Dorwaldt, Rhonda Driver (Rose Harmon's daughter), Les Herman, Lynn Hubbs and family and Neva (Rose Harmon's niece and sister). Ernst Kohn, Linda Mandell, Mandy (33 with bone cancer), Meta Meyer (who dislocated her ankle), Lorissa Rivers (friends of Pastor and Marilyn Eaves), Dennis Roush, Ginny Schuring, Marilyn Thompson, and John Wieg.

Members who are residing in healthcare centers: Dave Bahr (Highland Oaks), Meta Meyer and Ellen Nelson (The Sheridan at Tyler Creek), Fern Warfel (Tower Hill Care Center), and Mary Jane Lindaas (Bethany Healthcare).

**Members** experiencing difficulties in getting around: Alta Dittman, Mabel Maas, Doris Meilahn, Eleanor Miller, and Betty Roush.

**People** suffering from physical, emotional, economic, pain, and the residents at Deer Path Assisted Living.

**St. Peter's Mission** to be revealed by the Holy Spirit and inform us of how to share Jesus' love with our neighbors.

For those grieving the loss of a



#### **Attendance**



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**August 1:** 56

August 8: August 15: August 22: August 29:

#### TRUE PRACTICE OF FAITH

Tithing is a question, not of reason or convenience or what God will do for us, but of faith in God as our Creator and Owner. Tithing involves complete trust in His providential promises.

#### **Altar Guild**



Altar Flowers are always, first and foremost, given for the glory of God.

#### August 15

Given by Fred & Linda Rackow, in honor of their 45th wedding anniversary, which is August 21.

# Pantry Update

In July, we served 15 families (60 people).

Items we're in need of: variety crackers, instant mashed potatoes, strawberry jam/ jelly, grape jelly, cans of ready made frosting, cookie mix, variety muffin mixes, pie fillings,

sugar, flour, healthy snacks for after school, baggies, plastic wrap, and tinfoil.

Thank you so much for your generosity and support. Dorothy Paddock



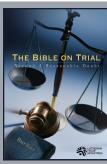


Hard at work finishing the Pole Barn by pouring the apron.

Worship	Worship Assistants							
	ELDER	USHER	GREETERS	READER	ALTAR GUILD			
Aug. 8	Bob Felbinger	Fern Petersen	Bette Wine	Marilyn Eaves				
Aug. 15	Steve Sporleder	Christy Petersen	Marilyn Eaves & Dolores Schuring	Carol Wieg				
Aug. 22	Jeff Pergande	Fred Rackow	Beth Jack	Denny Sunderlage				
Aug. 29	Bob Felbinger	Jim Butt	Dave & Pam Neisendorf	Bob Felbinger				

Birthdays					
August 9	Karen Andraski				
August 10	Catherine Thomas				
August 14	Sally Hartje				
August 15	Betty Kurtz				
Baptism Anniversaries					
August 9	Sonja Sporleder				
August 15	Bob Felbinger				

Beginning this Sunday, August 8, Christian Education will be starting a new study, "The Bible On Trial: Beyond A Reasonable Doubt." This is a fourpart video series, which will be followed by group discussion.



Biblical criticism, ancient historical voices, the illumination of archaeology, the testimony of first-century followers of Jesus Christ—all these come to bear on the examination of the reliability of the Scriptures in "The Bible On Trial."

The case will be made that the Scriptures are authentic, dependable, God-inspired and worthy-not only of our full attention, but of our complete faith. In this Bible study, attorney Craig Parton leads the viewer through relevant points that comprise this important discussion. He asks, "Is this book, the Bible, and its contents-reliable?"

This study addresses critical views of the Scripture, examines evidence from the ancient world, surveys how archaeology often corroborates the Biblical record and considers the word of those who were either Jesus' contemporaries or were closely connected to eyewitnesses who knew Jesus -and His remarkable life-well.

This Week at St. Peter's					
Sunday, August 8	Indoor Service Fill The Pews Sunday Christian Education	9:00 am 10:00 am			
Wednesday, August 11	Board of Outreach Mtg.	6:00 pm			
Thursday, August 12	Midweek Bible Study Preschool Board Mtg.	1:30 pm 6:30 pm			
Saturday, August 14	LWML Bible Study Lesson: "Therefore"	10:00 am			

## **Weekly Announcements**

Next Outdoor Service: August 15, 2021

### **LWML NID Fall Gathering 2021**

Where: Good Shepherd Lutheran Church,

195 Nesler Road, Elgin, IL. When: September 25, 8:30 am

**Speakers:** Pastor and Sheryl DeWitt of Redeeming Life Outreach Ministry

Cost: \$10

**Lunch:** \$12 (turkey or ham wrap), or bring your own lunch **Masks:** CDC recommendations for masks will be followed **Questions:** Call Kris Blackwell, 630.234.1491,or email her at

kbwrk123@gmail.com

Online Registration (by September 18): https://lwmlnid.org/event/lwml-nid-fall-gathering-2021/. Registration closes at midnight on Sept. 18 for the lunch.

**Mail-in Registration Forms:** Available on the credenza in St. Peter's narthex. Checks payable to LWML NID. Must be postmarked by Sept. 15.

#### Link to livestream St. Peter's Worship services every Sunday: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCY-0ZhtspZkK7vIpJ7DEY1Q