

St. Peter's Evangelical Lutheran Church

September 19, 2021



*Sharing the Truth of Christ's Love
by Caring for the Needs of Everyone!*

SUNDAY SERVICE

9:00 am

(Communion celebrated every Sunday)

CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL

(Ages 3 - 8th Grade)

September - May, 10:00 am

HIGH SCHOOL SUNDAY SCHOOL

(9th - 12th Grades)

September - May, 10:00 am

CONFIRMATION CLASS

(6th - 8th Grades)

September - May, 6:00 pm

ADULT BIBLE STUDY

10:00 am

MESSENGER

Power of Kindness, Part 2

Truly great people understand the power of kindness. Once, while Abraham Lincoln was dining in the White House, one of his country guests blew on his coffee, poured it into his saucer, and drank from it. As you might imagine, some of the refined ladies and gentlemen seated nearby were aghast and for a moment the room was filled with an embarrassed silence. Lincoln then took his coffee, poured it into his saucer, and for the rest of the evening drank directly from it. You know what? Everyone else in the room followed suit! One small act of kindness saved a White House guest unbelievable embarrassment. That simple but thoughtful gesture by one of America's greatest presidents reminds us of the value of setting an example of kindness.

Each day has one thing in common with the next: both offer opportunities to show kindness. But when missed, those opportunities leave you with unwanted regrets. Poet C.R. Gibson wrote, *"I have wept in the night / At my shortness of sight / That to others' needs made me blind, / But I never have yet / Had a twinge of regret, / For being a little too kind."*

Kindness is something that God emphasizes in His word. In Galatians 5:22-23 (ESV) it says, "But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control; against such things there is no law." Ephesians 4:32 (ESV) says, "Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ forgave you." In Colossians 3:12 (ESV) He says, "Put on then, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, compassionate hearts, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience, bearing with one another and, if one has a complaint against another, forgiving each other; as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive." This is summed up in 1 Corinthians 13:4-7 (ESV) which says, "Love is patient and kind; love does not envy or boast; it is not arrogant or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; it does not rejoice at wrongdoing, but rejoices with the truth. Love bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things."

In our own sinful, broken lives we cannot show kindness to others, but by the working of the Holy Spirit we can use the power of kindness to engage people with the life-saving Gospel message of Jesus Christ.

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

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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), Jim Hulke (Joe's brother, suffering from COVID), Wade Hulke (Jim's son, suffering from COVID), Ernst Kohn, Linda Mandell, Mandy (33 with bone cancer), Meta Meyer (who dislocated her ankle), Lorissa Rivers (friend of Pastor and Marilyn), Dennis Roush, Ginny Schuring, Marilyn Thompson, John Wieg, and Stacy (Jim Hulke's daughter, suffering from COVID).

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), and residents at Deer Path Assisted Living.

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

For those Americans, Afghans, and foreigners trying to escape Taliban rule.

For those who are grieving, including Minnie Rhodes (Pastor Eaves' mother's half-sister).

Attendance



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September 5: 54
September 12: 42
September 19:
September 26:

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.

September 19

Given by Dave & Carol Bahr, in honor of their 70th wedding anniversary (Sept. 21, 1951).

Birthdays

9/21 Dave Trupp

9/22 Jane Tegtman

Wedding Anniversary

9/21 David & Carol Bahr

Baptism Anniver-

9/20 Wendy Follman

9/21 Christy Petersen

9/25 Catherine Thomas

Senior Pinochle

We're looking for Pinochle players. We meet the third Thursday of every month, 1:00 pm-3:00 pm at St. Peter's.

We plan to meet at St. John's in Burlington every fourth Thursday of the month when they open again for activities.

Refreshments are welcome.

What a nice surprise to get such a beautiful bouquet of fresh flowers. Such pretty colors.

I'm doing well, but I hate the immobilizer I have to wear for at least four weeks on my left arm.

Pain is not as bad as I thought it would be.

Thank you, Linda Meyer

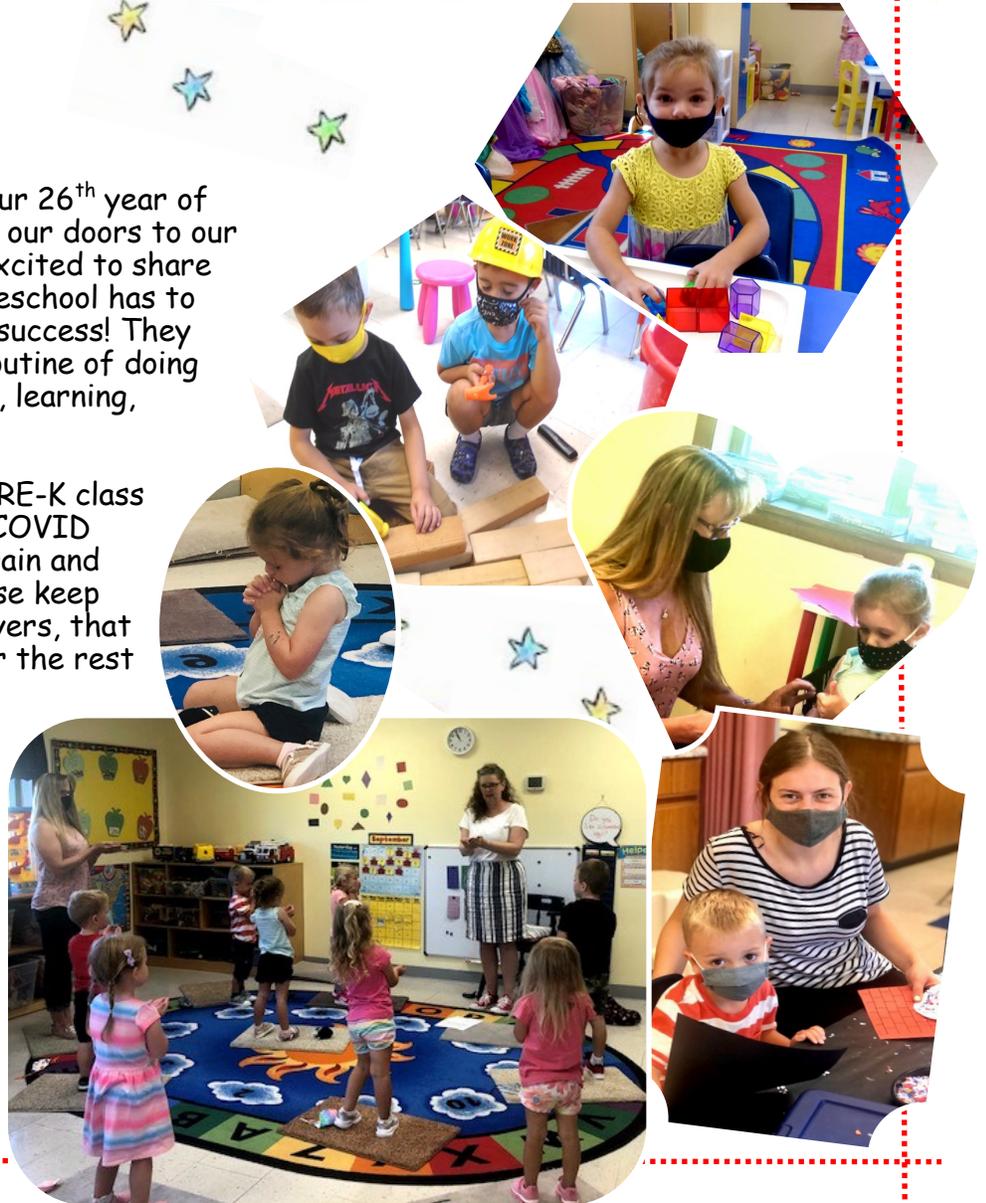
Welcome BACK TO SCHOOL

FROM THE DIRECTOR,
KRISTINA KOLODZIEJ

We're thrilled to begin our 26th year of preschool! We opened our doors to our preschool families and are excited to share with them everything our preschool has to offer! Our first week was a success! They will quickly settle into the routine of doing art projects, singing, playing, learning, and praying.

While we hit a bump in our PRE-K class with our first ever positive COVID case, we're back together again and ready to move forward. Please keep our Little Saints in your prayers, that we can keep COVID away for the rest of the year!

We will be fundraising with Perfect Pastries again this year! We're humbled by the success of this Fundraiser, and have been able to purchase new furniture and learning activities for the classroom. Please consider supporting Little Saints by purchasing from Perfect Pastries! More info to follow.



Worship Assistants

	ELDER	USHER	GREETERS	READER	ALTAR GUILD
Sept. 19	Bob Felbinger	Christy Petersen	Beth Jack & Betty Kurtz	Fern Petersen	Christy Petersen
Sept. 26	Steve Sporleder	Fred Rackow	Betty Wine	Steve Sporleder	Christy Petersen

This Week at St. Peter's

Sunday, 9/19	Indoor Worship Adult Christian Education: <i>Death, Then What?</i> Children's Sunday School	9:00 am 10:00 am 10:00 am
Tuesday, 9/21	Church Council	6:30 pm
Thursday, 9/23	Midweek Bible Study	1:30 pm
Looking Ahead		
Saturday, 9/25	LWML NID Fall Gathering	8:30 am
Sunday, 9/26	<u>Last Outdoor Worship</u> Adult Christian Education: <i>Death, Then What?</i> Children's Sunday School "Walk for Seniors" at Walcamp <i>Donations taken at start of walk. Refreshments available. Walk is two-mile marked path. Walk at your own pace. Everyone is welcome.</i>	9:00 am 10:00 am 10:00 am 1:30 pm
Wednesday, 9/29	LSP Chapel	11:15 am
Thursday, 9/30	LSP Chapel	11:45 am
Saturday, 10/16	Trunk or Treat <i>Board of Outreach's annual event. Bring your trunks, decorate them, and win a prize for scariest, best decorated, etc. Hand out treats and join the fun in our parking lot.</i>	1:00 pm - 3:00 pm
Saturday, 10/23	Christian Life & Faith Conference: "Christians in a Woke World" St. John's Lutheran, Sycamore <i>What does it mean to be a Christian in a woke world? A child of God in a world where oppressors are everywhere, where groups are pitted against each other, where natural law is ignored, where individuals are judged by the color of their skin? Where do we find courage to speak the truth in love, confess the hope within us, and love those who despise us? Adults and teenagers will dive into God's Word, have time for Q&A, and enjoy fellowship and refreshments. Register at stjohnsycamore.org.</i>	8:00 am - 12:30 pm
Sunday, 10/24	Church Potluck Guest Speaker: Lori Trinche, Redeeming Life Ministry	After Worship
Sunday, 10/31	<i>Rite of Confirmation</i>	9:00 am



**Pastor & Marilyn's new address:
1253 Omega Circle Court, DeKalb, IL 60115**



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

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