

St. Peter's Evangelical Lutheran Church

October 10, 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

Thinking Godly, Part 3

Not everybody is willing to seek God's will and some people resent those who do. The apostle John says in 3 John 1:9-11 (ESV), "I have written something to the church, but Diotrefes, who likes to put himself first, does not acknowledge our authority. So if I come, I will bring up what he is doing, talking wicked nonsense against us. And not content with that, he refuses to welcome the brothers, and also stops those who want to and puts them out of the church."

Every church has at least one of these people; just make sure it's not you. One of the most damaging sacred cows in churches is basing member status on seniority or generosity. From a Bible standpoint all members should be treated the same. Yes, loyalty is important, but some of the most loyal members I've ever met are loyal because of selfishness. They project loyalty to keep their status or to hold on to their authority. Real loyalty is about seeking God's will, seeking to carry out His tasks and helping the church get where God wants it to be. Every person has worth and has a role to play.

Good leaders in the church encourage people to use the gifts God has given them and help them find ways to use them according to God's plan. Just because a person is a great cake decorator doesn't mean God wants the church to open a bakery. Good leaders in the church disciple people to lead Christian lives, hone their gifts, and apply them in ways that bring praise, honor, and glory to God, not the person.

When the church creates an atmosphere of Godly thinking, discipleship, you'll have more loyalty than you'll know what to do with. Most churches are so ignorant of how to develop an environment of discipleship that if you'll do it, you will have people coming from every direction to work with you. The apostle Paul practiced and taught this principle as found in 1 Thessalonians 5:12-15 (ESV), "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.¹⁴And we urge you, brothers, admonish the idle, encourage the fainthearted, help the weak, be patient with them all. See that no one repays anyone evil for evil, but always seek to do good to one another and to everyone." To become a disciple, a Godly thinker, you must value God's Word. Being a disciple means putting God and His ways first.

Prayer Requests



Those who are ill

Rev. Reuben and Martha Baerwald (friends of Bette Wine) Kristy Bartels, Jean Brewer, Don Dorwaldt, Les Herman, Jim Hulke (Joe's brother, suffering from COVID), Ernst Kohn, Linda Mandell, Meta Meyer (dislocated her ankle), Linda Riley (Dave & Carol Bahr's daughter, diagnosed with PSP), Lorissa Rivers (friend of Pastor and Marilyn), Dennis Roush, Ginny Schuring, Squita (Nakaila Slaughter's mother, suffering from COVID), 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.



Attendance



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October 3: 55
October 10: 38
October 17:
October 24:
October 31:

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.

Wedding Anniversary

10/14 Phillip & Karen Stojan

Altar Guild



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

October 10

Given by Pastor & Marilyn, in honor of their grandson, Cooper's, birthday, October 10.

October 17

Given by Bette Wine, in memory of her and George's 55th wedding anniversary, October 15.

CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING

To discuss church budget

**Tuesday, October 12
6:30 pm**

Volunteers Needed for Two Committees

Building Sign

The church is soliciting 7-9 people to serve on a committee to research lettering to affix to the northside of the church building. This lettering would identify us as St. Peter's Lutheran Church.

Electronic Sign

The church is soliciting 7-9 people to serve on a committee to research the cost and logistics of placing an electronic sign on our property along Plank Road.

If you are interested in serving on either of these committees, please contact the church and let Denise know. Thank you!

LWML Convention Videos Available

If you want to look back on some of the highlights of the 2021 Lexington Convention, you can still watch the business sessions at livestream.com/thelwml. Separate videos are available for you to view of the 2021-2023 LWML mission grants adopted, the keynote address by Linda Reiser, the humorous interruptions by Jan Struck and Abby Goehring, and the thank you video from

Outreach Bake Sale Fundraiser

The Outreach team welcomes all baked goods to sell during the Ladies' Aid Turkey Casserole Dinner takeout on Saturday, November 13. The bake sale will be held under the Pavilion. Please contact Beth Jack at 630.365.9970 if you have any questions.

Congratulations to Mike, Nicole, and Michael Bensko for the new addition to their family, Maleena Rebecca, born Tuesday, October 5, 2021!

Calling All Carvers



Help is needed to prepare the turkey for the Ladies Aid Turkey Casserole Dinner (November 13). Cooking and carving is Monday, October 11, 12:00 pm. Please call Darlene Tegtmeier at 312.209.6971 if you can help, or have questions.

Worship Assistants

	ELDER	USHER	GREETERS	READER	ALTAR GUILD
Oct. 10	Bob Felbinger	Fern Petersen	Dave * Pam Neisendorf	Jeff Pergande	Erin Real
Oct. 17	Steve Sporleder	Christy Petersen	Dolores Schuring	Sonja Sporleder	Erin Real
Oct. 24	Jeff Pergande	Fred Rackow	Carol Weig	Paul Tegtmeier	Erin Real
Oct. 31	Bob Felbinger	Nancy Heine	Beth Jack & Betty Kurtz		Erin Real

This Week at St. Peter's

Sunday, October 10	Worship: <i>Fill the Pews</i> Adult Christian Education: <i>Do Aliens Really Exist?</i> Children's Sunday School	9:00 am 10:00 am 10:00 am
Monday, 10/11	Ladies' Aid Turkey Casserole Preparation	12:00 pm
Tuesday, 10/12	Church Council Meeting: <i>To discuss budget</i>	6:30 pm
Wednesday, 10/13	LSP Chapel	11:45 am
Thursday, 10/14	LSP Chapel	11:15 am
Looking Ahead		
Saturday, 10/16	Trunk or Treat Bring your decorated trunks to hand out treats to children in our parking lot. Prizes awarded for scariest, best decorated, etc. Sign-up sheet in the narthex.	1:00 pm - 3:00 pm
Sunday, October 17	Worship Adult Christian Education: <i>Amazing Animals</i> Children's Sunday School	
Saturday, 10/23	Christian Life & Faith Conference "Christians in a Woke World" St. John's Lutheran, Sycamore, register at stjohnsycamore.org .	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
Thursday, 11/11	Pastry Pick-up Day	
Saturday, 11/13	Ladies Aid Turkey Casserole Dinner & Outreach Bake Sale (\$10/person)	4:00 pm - 7:00 pm
Saturday, 12/4	Pictures with Santa & Mrs. Claus	TBD

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

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