

# St. Peter's Evangelical Lutheran Church North Plato

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August 27, 2023



*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

## Adult Bible Study

10:30 am

MESSENGER

## Renew Your Mind with God's Word

*Romans 12:2 (ESV) says, <sup>2</sup>Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect.*

Doctors tell us that it is very important to start the day off with a good nutritional breakfast. The most important thing you can do every day for your spiritual health is to renew your mind with God's Word. When you get that right and are seeking God's will, everything else will begin to fall into place. You'll think and act differently, so you'll get different results.

Do you remember the TV series The Beverly Hillbillies? What made the show so interesting is that Jed and his family had been set free from their past - a life of poverty back in the Ozarks. But even after they moved to California's Beverly Hills, they continued in their hillbilly ways. Their financial situation and their location had changed, but their mindset hadn't.

The same was true of the Israelites. They had a slave mentality. Even though God brought them out of Egypt, freed them from their slavery, and God was providing their every need, the minute something bad happened they wanted to go back to Egypt. They couldn't enter tomorrow because they were still carrying the baggage of yesterday!

*Hebrews 4:1 (ESV) says, Therefore, while the promise of entering his rest still stands, let us fear lest any of you should seem to have failed to reach it.* The promises of God, including forgiveness of sins and eternal life are guaranteed as long as you don't refuse them. Refusing them is easy because we are born into sin, separated from God. We are born into this world refusing God and His promises unless we believe in Jesus Christ, His Son, as our Savior.

God's promises are guaranteed if you strive to follow Him. He has promised to direct our paths, if we acknowledge Him in all our ways. He promises to forgive you, if you forgive others. You can only prove what is good and acceptable and the perfect will of God by continually renewing your mind in Christ. God's counsel for you today is to renew your mind with God's Word.

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## Prayer Requests



### Those who are ill:

Don Adams, Pamela Andrews, Gloria Balgeman, Alicia Briskey (acute leukemia), Steve Collins, (Linda Butt's son-in-law, may need open heart surgery), Payton Cowan, Janie Eaves (Pastor Eaves' mother), Rose Hardwig, Wynn Howard (Sonja Sporleder's dad), Kim Jacobson (Wendy Jacobson's daughter-in-law), Karen Johnson (friend of Marilyn Eaves), Ernst Kohn, Daniel Kowalski, Linda Mandell, Paul Mills, Dave Neisendorf, Roxie Peters, Dennis Roush, Andy Schuring, Norm Schuring, Shaquita (Nakaila Slaughter's mother), Marilyn Thompson, and Andrea Zachotina

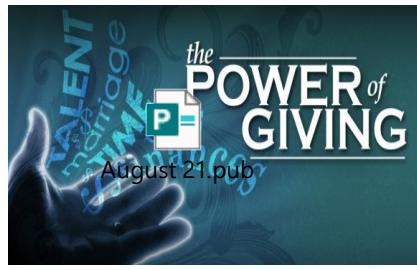
### Those residing in healthcare centers:

Don & Elaine Adams (Heritage Woods), Dave & Carol Bahr (Highland Oaks), Donna Butts (Unknown), Marie Gehrke (Avondale), Meta Meyer (The Pointe at Eastgate), Ellen Nelson (The Sheridan at Tyler Creek), Bill Mikesell (Crescent Care), and the residents at Deer Path Assisted Living.



**Those serving in our military:**  
Aidan Buttrum and Ally Mills

## Attendance



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**July 30:** 56  
**August 6:** 51  
**August 13:** 59  
**August 20:** 54  
**August 27:**

### True Practice of Faith

Giving back to God from what He has given you is a question not of reason or convenience or what God will do for us but of faith in God as our Creator. Giving back involves complete trust in His providential promises.

## Altar Guild



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

### August 27

Given by Pastor & Marilyn, in honor of their daughter and son-in-law's, Brandie & Steve's, 18th wedding anniversary.

## Lutherans for Life—Life Quotes

**August 27** "The rainbow is a reminder that God's grace will always preserve you and this beautiful world in which you live until He raises you and takes you to heavenly glory. This is God's amazing grace, and His grace generates your life of genuine gratitude." *Rev. Peter Sulzle, St. John Evangelical Lutheran Church, Redwood Falls, Minnesota – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • [lutheransforlife.org](http://lutheransforlife.org)*

## Lutherans for Life—Life Thoughts

**August 27 – Pentecost XIII (Proper 16A)** – Confessing the Christ means advocating the sanctity of every human life. If Jesus is indeed the Son of the Living God (Matthew 16:16), then He also serves as Lord of life-and-death situations and decisions. May He whose Word has plundered us out of hell's gates grant our testimony to extend this same courage and compassion to everyone considering abortion or physician-assisted suicide.

## LWML Northern Illinois District Fall Gathering

This year we are gathering to learn about Scripture journaling and creating illustrated encouragement cards. Virtual Faith Ministry, featured in the Fall 2022 Quarterly, will guide us through Bible Study, a presentation about their ministry, and two unique workshops to teach us how using visual illustrations of Scripture verses can enhance our own spiritual faith walk and encourage others.

Even if you don't think you are "creative", this workshop will have something for you!

Trinity Lutheran Church  
1165 S Westmore Ave  
Lombard IL 60148

Friday, September 29, 2023 7-9 pm \$10 includes workshop, fellowship, and dessert

Saturday, September 30, 2023 8:30 am to 2:30 pm Bible Study, presentation, and hands on workshop to create illustrated encouragement cards. (\$25 includes light breakfast and lunch)

You may come to one or both of the events.

Mail-in registrations must be postmarked by Sept. 11 and online registrations must be paid before Sept. 12th. For online registration please go to <https://lwmlnid.org/event/fall-gathering/>.

### 2023 Northern Illinois District (NID) Lutheran Women's Missionary League (LWML) Fall Gathering Gifts From the Heart (September 29 & 30, 2023)

Voice of Hope Behind the Wall Ministry NID has evolved in the past three years reports Deaconess Lori Wilbert. After 34 years of working behind the wall at Stateville Prison and working in ministry within the NID 38 years, Deaconess Wilbert has transitioned into working with those being released from prison in the Illinois Department of Corrections.

The teaching ministry at Stateville continued during the COVID shutdown with the blessing of the warden and with staff he assigned to the ministry. Prison staff delivered class lessons and assignments to the cell houses each week, picked them up, and sent them back to Deaconess Wilbert. This teaching model continues.

Upon their release, former prisoners need items that help an individual set up an apartment. These Gifts from the Heart will enable each person to have a solid start as he re-integrates into his community.

**Household Items:**

Toilet paper  
Kleenex  
Paper towels  
Laundry detergent  
Dish soap  
Lysol toilet cleaner  
Cleaning cloths

**Personal Needs:**

Kitchen towels/Dish cloths  
Bath towels/Washcloths  
Queen or Full Sheet sets  
1 set of basic pots/pans  
Set of plates/coffee mugs/glasses  
Silverware

**Personal Needs:**

Bars of soap/Body wash  
Shampoo/Conditioner  
Toothpaste  
Hair brush/Comb  
Disposable Shavers  
Shaving Cream  
Deodorant

**\*\*Package sizes should be appropriate for an individual**

### Worship Assistants

	Elder	Usher	Greeters	Reader	Altar Guild
<b>8/27</b>	Jeff Pergande	Nancy Heine	Dave & Pam Neisendorf	Marilyn Eaves	Marilyn Eaves
<b>9/3</b>	Bob Felbinger	Fern Petersen	Paul & Darlene Tegtmeier	Carol Wieg	Christy Petersen
<b>9/10</b>	Steve Sporleder	Christy Petersen	Beth Jack, Betty Kurtz	Heidi Blezian	Christy Petersen
<b>9/17</b>	Jeff Pergande	Fred Rackow	Marilyn Eaves	Ally Mills	Christy Petersen
<b>9/24</b>	Bob Felbinger	Nancy Heine	Bette Wine	Denny Sunderlage	Christy Petersen

Birthdays	
8/27	Jerry Sunderlage
8/31	Matt Muetterties Mason Wacker
9/1	Marlene DeTamble
Baptism Anniversaries	
9/1	Abigail Needham
9/2	Stan Hecker
9/2	John Hulke
Lutheran Hour	
<p><b>August 27</b> "Raising the Praise" Rev. Dr. John Nunes Every day and everywhere they go, the followers of Jesus bring the "echo" of Easter with them.</p> <p><b>September 3</b> "Entryway" Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler The Psalms are God's words, given to us as an entryway into His presence.</p> <p><b>Broadcast Stations &amp; Times:</b> Sundays WGN 720 AM, 6:30 am WGSL 91.1 FM, 4:30 pm WKKD 1580 AM, 9:30 am</p>	

This Week		
<b>Sunday, 8/27</b>	<b>Indoor Worship Church Assembly Meeting</b>	9:00 am 10:30 am
<b>Wednesday, 8/30</b>	<b>Little Saints Preschool Open House Chapel Service - Deer Path</b>	9:00 am 10:00 am
<b>Thursday, 8/31</b>	<b>Bible Study</b>	1:30 pm
Looking Ahead		
<b>Sunday, 9/3</b>	<b>Outdoor Worship*</b> <b>Adult Bible Study</b> <i>Donut &amp; LWML Mites Sunday, hosted by Christian Education/Youth</i>	9:00 am 10:00 am
<b>Monday, 9/4</b>	<b>Office Closed</b> <i>Labor Day</i>	
<b>Tuesday 9/5</b>	<b>First day of Little Saints Preschool, for three-year-olds</b>	9:00 am
<b>Wednesday 9/6</b>	<b>First day of Little Saints Preschool, for Pre-K Chapel Service - Deer Path</b>	9:00 am 10:00 am
<b>Thursday, 9/7</b>	<b>Ladies Aid Bible Study Elders Meeting</b>	Noon 1:30 pm 6:30 pm
<b>Friday, 9/8</b>	<b>Prayer Shawl Ministry</b> <i>Sonja Sporleder's home 44W930 Deerpath Lane, Hampshire</i>	1:00 pm
<b>Saturday, 9/9</b>	<b>Pew Sisters</b>	10:00 am
<b>Sunday, 9/10</b>	<b>Indoor Worship Children's Sunday School</b> <i>Lesson: Nehemiah Rebuilds Jerusalem Wall</i> <b>Adult Bible Study</b>	9:00 am 10:00 am 10:00 am
<b>Saturday, 9/16</b>	<b>Pew Sisters</b>	10:00 am

*\* If inclement weather, service will be held indoors.*

If you are ever in need of a notary public, please contact Sonja Sporleder, as she is one and would be happy to help you at any time. She can be reached at 630-386-6599, or at [slsporleder@me.com](mailto:slsporleder@me.com).

### Free Baby Grand Piano

Contact Pastor Eaves  
701-340-8324

Livestream St. Peter's Sunday Worship at <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCY-0ZhtspZkK7vIpJ7DEY1Q>

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