

St. Peter's Evangelical Lutheran Church North Plato

43W301 Plank Road, Hampshire, IL, 60140, 847-464-5721

February 11, 2024

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

Confirmation

5:00 pm

*Sharing the truth of Christ's love
by caring for the needs of everyone!*

Why are we here?



Credit: Raybaumann.com

The above depiction is a pretty accurate representation of how a pastor sees his congregation. There is input from many people and typically no two inputs concern the same issue. I describe the pastor's role as similar to the plate spinner I used to watch on the Ed Sullivan Show. If you are unfamiliar with this or just need a refresher type in, "Ed Sullivan Show plate spinner," in your favorite search engine and several results will let you see these masters at work.

This is not a complaint or a whine. It is meant to give you an understanding of what is going on in my mind in addition to the service and all the pre and post service conversations and events that have or will take place.

Acts 2:42 (ESV) sums up what it means to be the Church, the Body of Christ. ⁴²And they devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers. This is God's blueprint for what the Church looks like and how it operates.

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Prayer Requests



Those who are ill:

Elaine Adams, Pamela Andrews, Alicia Briskey (acute leukemia), Steve Collins (Linda Butt's son-in-law), Payton Cowan, Sherry Gehrke (for wisdom with farm dealings), Rose Hartwig, Evelyn Hertrich, Karen Johnson, Ernst Kohn, Daniel Kowalski, Linda Mandell, Paul Mills, Dave Neisendorf, Dan Powell (close friend of Bette Wine's, in recovery after being attacked and shot), Dennis Roush, Lynn Robertson (cancer), Andy Schuring, Norm Schuring, Shaquita (Nakaila Slaughter's mother), Robert Schneller (Marilyn Eaves' cousin—cancer), Karen Stojan, Marilyn Thompson, Kathy Voog, Joe Watzlawick (Bobby Watzlawick's father-cancer), Gloria Wine (Bette Wine's sister-in-law, having radiation treatment), and Andrea Zachotina

Those residing in healthcare centers:

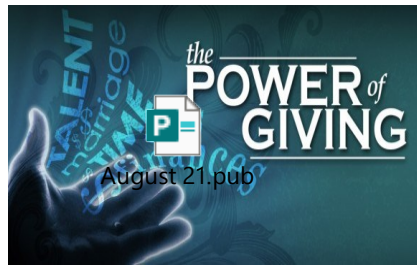
Elaine Adams (Heritage Woods), Dave & Carol Bahr (Highland Oaks), Donna Butts (unknown), Walt Clauss (The Sheridan at Tyler Creek), Meta Meyer (The Pointe at Eastgate), Ellen Nelson (The Sheridan at Tyler Creek), Bill Mikesell (Crescent Care), and the residents at Deer Path Assisted Living

Those serving in our military:

Aidan Buttrum, Ally Mills, and Steven Schaar (Pastor & Marilyn's son-in-law)



Attendance



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February 4: 46

February 11:

February 18:

February 25:

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.

Marie Gehrke Funeral Info:

Visitation: Saturday, Feb. 17

9-11 am, St. Peters

Service: 11 am Sat., Feb. 17 at St.

Peter's—Lunch will be served after the funeral in the Fellowship Hall

Interment: 2 pm, Lily Lake Cemetery

Altar Guild



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

February 11

Food Pantry Needs

The month of January we served 17 families which included 82 people. Items that are low: Hamburger Helper, cookies, cake mixes, salad dressing (all kinds), kidney beans, pork & beans, ketchup, dishwashing soap, Jello, & puddings.

Accepting donations the first Saturday of the month 9-10 am & also the Sunday before the Monday distribution from 10 am to noon at the Pantry 220 Keyes Ave., Hampshire. Monetary donations may be mailed to: **Burlington/Hampshire Area Food Pantry, PO Box 651,**

Lutherans for Life

Life Quote - February 11, 2024

"We live dripping with the promise of Baptism. We live fueled by the fire of God's Word. We live created on the sixth day and recreated by God's grace to be followers of Jesus seven days of the week until that great eighth day, called eternity, when we will sing praise in His presence forever. We live and we love and we are loved in the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, sin forgiven, shame erased, status: all very good." *Rev. Dr. John Nunes, guest speaker on "The Lutheran Hour"*
— *A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org*

Life Thought - February 11, 2024, Transfiguration of Our Lord

We proclaim not ourselves, but Jesus Christ as Lord (2 Corinthians 4:5) of body and sexuality. We proclaim not personal choice, but Jesus Christ as Lord of marriage and procreation. We proclaim not popular opinion, but Jesus Christ as Lord of hurts and healing. We proclaim not political debate, but Jesus Christ as Lord of life and death. Listen to Him who makes us beloved children of God (Mark 9:7).

The Church's main priorities as stated by God are devoting ourselves to the apostles' teachings, fellowship, and prayers. Devoting ourselves to the apostles' teaching consists of worship, Bible study, and service to others. Fellowship too consists of worship, Bible study, and service to others, as well as fellowship activities to enjoy the company of others.

The breaking of bread is understood as Holy Communion and typical meals shared together. The first is meant to be shared with believers of the same faith while the latter can and should be shared with anyone.

The final component of the Church is prayers. These can be prayers as part of worship, private prayers, and prayers for others.

The point to take away from this is the Church's and our purpose as stated in Acts 2:42 (ESV) above. The understood reason for this purpose is outlined in Matthew 28:19-20 (ESV) which says, *19Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, 20teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age.* Go in peace! Serve the Lord. Thanks be to God! Keep the input coming!

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

Easter Lily sign-up list is by the bulletin board in the Narthex. You may request them to be in honor or memory of someone or anonymously for someone.

Board of Outreach Activities: contact Beth Jack with questions for the following activities at elizabethannjack@gmail.com or 630-702-5897

A signup sheet is in the Narthex to signup for Lenten meals at 6:30 pm. You may bring drinks &/ or desserts, plus your choice for meal.

During Feb. we will collect until Feb. 25 for care packages for college students & military, i.e.: socks, granola bars, popcorn, nuts, soup, gum, snack items, beef jerky, hand sanitizer, small toys, etc. Eight packages will be sent.

Potluck & White Elephant Bingo will be held **Sunday, Feb. 18.** Meal at 11 am, bingo at noon. All ages welcome.

Easter bunny pics & egg hunt – free: Saturday, March 23 at 10 am until noon.

Outreach meeting dates: Mondays: Feb. 26, Mar. 25, April 22, May 20, June 24, July 22, August 26, Sept. 23, Oct. 28, Nov. 25 & Dec. 23. All input is welcome!! Volunteers are always welcome.

MATERNITY HOME
in Dundee, Illinois

Now Open

Redeeming Life
Outreach Ministries Inc.

The house
NOW WELCOMES
applications for
new residents.

Find More Details
RLOM.ORG/EXPANSION

As of February 5, the maternity home in Dundee has begun accepting applications for new residents. Housing and programming is available for pregnant women whether they choose to parent or share their baby through the gift of adoption. Residents live in a family-style community and gain skills in infant care, job readiness, financial literacy, and more. All programming is focused on helping residents to live full and independent lives. The home welcomes up to four women at a time and features a live-in residential manager. Daily family-style meals and weekly worship will foster a strong community. Residents will find help securing pre and post-natal healthcare as well as behavioral health support.

Worship Assistants

	Elder	Ushers	Greeters	Reader	Altar Guild
2/11	Bob Felbinger	Nancy Heine	Beth Jack & Betty Kurtz	Jeff Pergande	Fred & Linda Rackow
2/18	Steve Sporleder	Fern Petersen	Marilyn Eaves	Sonja Sporleder	Fred & Linda Rackow
2/25	Jeff Pergande	Christy Petersen	Bette Wine	Paul Tegtmeier	Fred & Linda Rackow

Birthdays	
2/11	Aidan Buttrum Karen Stojan
2/14	Jase Winner
Baptism Anniversary	
2/14	Sadie J. Collins
2/17	Leslie Stoner

Lutheran Hour	
February 11— "What Is Evangelism?" Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler How do you encourage someone to receive the gift God has for them? (Mark 9:7-8)	
February 18—"Redeeming DIY" Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler (Mark 1:12-13)	
Station	City/State Freq Band Day Time
WGN	Chicago 720 AM Sun 6:30am
WGSL	Rockford 91.1 FM Sun 4:30pm
WKKD	Aurora 1580 AM Sun 9:30am
WRMN	Elgin 1410 AM Sun 9:00am
WMCW	Harvard 1600 AM Sun 9:05am
Woman To Woman	
Station	City/State Freq Band Day Time
WRMN	Elgin 1410 AM Sun 7:30am

Lenten Inspiration
9 am—2 pm Saturday,
March 2
Immanuel Lutheran Church
Belvidere

The Northern Illinois *LWML District will host *Rev. Kris Whitby* from the Luth. Church Missouri Synod Northern IL District office speaking on **Romans 12:10** "Love & Honor One Another" for the Lenten season.

A tote is in the Narthex for our collection to *Empower Boone* of food, sheets, and blankets. Breakfast will begin at 8 am.

This Week		
Sunday, 2/11	Worship Children's Sunday School <i>(Lesson: Peter Visits Cornelius, Acts 10:1-48)</i> Adult Bible Study	9:00 am 10:00 am 10:30 am
Monday, 2/12	LWML Quarterly Bible Study Church Council	6:30 pm 7:00 pm
Wednesday, 2/14 <i>Ash Wednesday</i> Happy Valentine's Day	Chapel - Deer Path Chapel - Little Saints Preschool Ash Wednesday worship	10:00 am 11:45 am 1:30 pm 7:30 pm
Thursday, 2/15	Chapel - Little Saints Preschool Pinochle Bible Study Preschool Board Meeting	11:55 am 1:00 pm 1:30 pm 6:30 pm
Looking Ahead		
Sunday, 2/18	Worship <i>Fill The Pews</i> Children's Sunday School <i>(Lesson: Lydia Believes in Jesus, Acts 16:6-15)</i> Potluck White Elephant Bingo	9:00 am 10:00 am 11:00 am 12:00 noon
Monday, 2/19	No School - Little Saints Preschool	
Tuesday, 2/20	Dartball, St. Peter's	7:30 pm
Wednesday, 2/21	Chapel - Deer Path Lenten Worship Lenten Supper Lenten Worship	10:00 am 1:30 pm 6:30 pm 7:30 pm
Thursday, 2/22	Bible Study	1:30 pm
Saturday, 2/24	Pew Sisters' Bible study	10:00 am
Sunday, 2/25	Worship Children's Sunday School <i>(Lesson: Priscilla and Aquila Help Apollos, Acts 18:1-3, 18-28)</i> Adult Bible Study	9:00 am 10:00 am 10:30 am
Monday, 2/26	Outreach board meeting	6:30 pm
Wednesday, 2/28	Chapel—Deer Path Chapel—Little Saints Preschool Lenten Worship Lenten Supper Lenten Worship	10:00 am 11:45 am 1:30 pm 6:30 pm 7:30 pm

* Lutheran Women's Missionary League

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