

2021 Year to Date Budget at a Glance			
Budgeted 2021		\$147,639.36	
Budgeted Jan.-Dec.	Feb. Income Received	Expenses	Net Income
\$147,639.36	\$9,388.60	\$9,267.73	\$120.87

St. Peter's Prayer Chain

Prayers are so important at all times and St. Peter's recognizes that and has a dedicated group of people who regularly pray for those who ask. If you are in need of prayers or know of someone who is in need of prayers, contact Faye Miller, 715-445-4600, with the information and she will relay the message to the prayer chain.

Benevolence Giving Increased

At the Annual Meeting held in January a motion was passed to increase the percentage of giving for Benevolence Funds from 10% to 15%. Those receiving funds include: Camp Forest Springs, House of Hope, Love Packages, Wisconsin Family Council, Alliance Defending Freedom, Don Shire, Gateway to Better Education, "I Am" World Mission Outreach, Sweet Bread Ministries, Wycliffe Bible Translators, Samaritans Purse and International Children's Fund. A portion is also set aside for St. Peter's for the Trustees to use at their discretion.

happy
Easter



Noisy Offering to Begin

Due to Covid, the Noisy Can Offering was not being taken. Now that we are open again, the Noisy Can Offering will begin on Sunday, April 11 and will be held the second Sunday of each month. Cans will be placed next to the offering plate for you to drop in your coins as you enter or leave. These funds are used for those who are in need of financial help.

St. Peter's Proverbs

April 2021

April
SHOWERS
BRING
May
FLOWERS

St. Peter's Lutheran Church

"Alive in the Spirit"

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A Message from Pastor Janice



Dear friends,

Easter Sunday is just past, but the Resurrection continues to shape our reality!

After that first Easter Sunday, the first disciples had quite an adjustment period, from the arrest and torture and execution of their Friend and Master, to the Empty Tomb, to encounters with the Living Lord Jesus!

It was a time of shifting their understanding:

they had to journey from living and working with their Lord Jesus beside and before them in the flesh as a human, to living and working with the Spirit of their Lord Jesus living in their hearts.

It was a challenging transition, and one important thing about *how* they did it should **serve as example for us—something we can imitate. They did it together.**

They were constantly together, in one another's homes or at the temple, praying, listening/ waiting on God **TOGETHER.**

The journey of the life of faith is always challenging and God never wants us to try to do it on our own. So He gives us the fellowship of believers (the church) so we can do faith-life *together.*

Our life-giving faith is very personal, but never entirely private. We need trusted friends who are also believers to **do faith together with.**

A small group of believers, trusting each other, processing the Word of God as they hear it *together.* Helping each other see where God is at work around you and how you can best join God in that work.

Such a group of trusted believers can be as small as two people. It might stretch to as big as 5-10. It's people you commit to building trust with and in whom you invest yourself as they invest their energies and gifts in your life.

Finding and sustaining such a group takes effort. My prayer is to facilitate small group formation for all St. Peter's members. Watch this summer and fall for opportunities we'll be offering to **help you find the small group support you need to grow in your love of God and love of others.**

Blessings,
Pastor Janice



APRIL 2021 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

April 1	Maundy Thursday Fellowship	
April 2	Good Friday Events	
April 4	Easter Worship	7:30 & 9 am
April 5	Bible Group	9 am
April 6	Men's Study Quilting	8:30 am 9 am
April 7	Ladies Aid Confirmation Revelation Bible Study	12 pm 6:30 pm 6:30 pm
April 11	Sunday School Worship	9 am 9 & 10:30 am
April 12	Bible Group	9 am
April 13	Men's Study Quilting	8:30 am 9 am
April 14	Confirmation Revelation Bible Study	6:30 pm 6:30 pm
April 18	Sunday School Worship	9 am 9 & 10:30 am
April 19	Bible Group	9 am
April 20	Men's Study Quilting	8:30 am 9 am
April 21	Confirmation Revelation Bible Study	6:30 pm 6:30 pm
April 25	Sunday School Worship Trustees Meeting	9 am 9 & 10:30 am 11:30 am
April 27	Men's Study Quilting	8:30 am 9 am
April 28	Confirmation Revelation Bible Study	6:30 pm 6:30 pm

**ST. PETER'S LUTHERAN CHURCH
TRUSTEE MEETING - FEBUARY 21, 2021**

Members present: Pastor Janice Kuder, Jen Reinke, Jackie Baldwin, Sandy Krause, Pete Fannin, Tom Anderson

Pastor Janice Kuder called the meeting to order at 11:20 a.m. A time of prayer followed to thank God for his work in our lives.

New officers were elected. They are as follows: Pete Fannin, President; Jen Reinke, Vice-President, Tom Anderson, Secretary and Jackie Baldwin, treasurer.

Reports:

Minutes from the Jan. 17 were presented and read by all. A motion was made by Krause to approve the minutes, seconded by Reinke. Motion carried.

Baldwin presented the financial reports. She reported that there were Benevolence Funds in the amount of \$313 to be used as the Trustees designate. A motion to approve the financial reports was made by Anderson, seconded by Reinke. Motion approved.

Pastor Janice gave a report on her ministry for January. She expressed that much of her contact is by phone for visitation. Thank you. A motion to approve the report was made by Reinke, seconded by Krause. Motion approved.

Old Business:

In follow-up from the Annual Meeting the Bylaw and Constitution changes were approved and they will need to be signed by the Trustees from 2020 who made the changes.

New Business:

President Pete Fannin brought up the idea of promoting the availability of the worship opportunities at St. Peter's. Discussion followed of the different platforms available. Motion to explore options and to pursue announcements was made by Krause, seconded by Anderson. Motion carried.

A motion to approve landscape by Sharie Anderson by the church sign was made by Baldwin, seconded by Reinke. Motion carried.

Baldwin brought up that both the Pastor's laptop and the laptop that Quick Books is on need to be upgraded as the systems are old and do not have the capacity to handle the Quick Books upgrade. Baldwin will check into the costs of laptops and the Quick Books upgrade and bring to the next meeting.

A motion to adjourn was made by Krause and seconded by Reinke and meeting adjourned with the Lord's Prayer.

Next meeting will be held on Sunday, March 21, following the 10:30 am worship service.

Respectfully submitted,
Tom Anderson, Trustee Secretary

Ladies Aid

St. Peter's Ladies Aid had their first meeting since March 2020 on April 7. Several ladies met for lunch at noon, followed by a Bible lesson presented by Pastor Janice. A meeting was held following discussion on the Bible lesson. Several items were discussed for future events.

Camp Scholarships are available to any youth who would like to attend a Bible camp this summer. You may contact Patty Beck or Carola Jobst for details.

It was decided to meet again on May 5 at 12 p.m. and that it will be bring your own lunch. Coffee will be provided (hopefully it won't be as strong. Sorry!). All women of St. Peter's are invited to attend.



David & Mary Ann Zilz
April 16
55 Years

Birthdays & Anniversaries

If you do not see your birthday or anniversary listed each month and/or some information is incorrect, contact Jackie to update your information. You may call church and leave a message at 715-754-2690 or email: stpetersbigfalls@gmail.com.

Amber Kleditz	April 3
Brandon Blashe	April 4
Judy Anklam	April 7
Brian Knight Jr.	April 7
Geraldine Preuss	April 7
Tianna Bestul	April 10
Pat Stedjee	April 12
Cindy Fannin	April 13
Faye Miller	April 18
Jackie Baldwin	April 20
Meadow Knight	April 21
Delores Fournier	April 22
Tara Peeters	April 24
RJ Opperman	April 26
Krystal Paulson	April 26
Camden Ronek	April 27
Maverick Peebles	April 28



The Marion Food Pantry is in need of canned fruit, cereal, toilet paper or any non-perishable food items. Items may be dropped off at church or at the House of Hope in Marion. Due to COVID-19 please call Pat Leach at 715-754-2665 to arrange a drop off.

A Message from Pastor Kay

On April 1st, there were a group of St. Peter's faithful that gathered for an amazing evening worshipping and praising our Lord Jesus Christ.

We started the evening with a Christian version of a Seder meal that included sharing Holy Communion and an optional foot washing. There were traditional scripture readings and beautiful music along with ceremonial hand washings and prayers.

We shared a meal of green vegetables, matzah ball soup, hard boiled eggs, lemon chicken and apple dessert. The meal also included the traditional wine and unleavened bread.

There was also an optional "regular" Maundy Thursday service followed by special anointing of those in attendance commemorating Jesus being anointed by Mary before his last day. The entire evening was very intimate and personal as we had devotional and fellowship times which included time by our campfire and watching the Passion of the Christ in clips pertaining to Christ's last hours as we continued through the night trying to follow scholar's timelines as close as possible to the last day of Jesus.

As Jesus would have been sentenced to the cross early Friday morning, we started our walk of 1 1/2 miles in order to allow us the time and distance to reflect on Jesus last walk. On our return to church, we were greeted by Lee and Dale Rambo and their neighbor Sam who had made from their own hands a cross to dedicate to the altar for Good Friday and Easter.

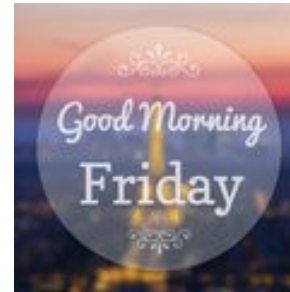
We finished our "Night of Passion" by sharing breakfast and a traditional Good Friday service at which it is suggested that Jesus was put up onto the cross.

Quote from one attendee: "What an experience and wonderful way to not only walk with Jesus but experience some of what He did for us". The people in attendance were not only touched by the emotions of the evening but by the strength the Holy Spirit gave all participants to stay alert and watch with Jesus through the night. We pray that through the devotion and love experienced that night,



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that we can be alive in the Spirit again now and through the coming year.



*Christ
is
Risen!*

Thank You!

Thank you Dale and Lee Rambo and friend Sam for the beautiful cross that was made and that was used in the final walk by those who shared in the Good Friday walk and then beautified our sanctuary on Easter Sunday!

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