

## Whalin' Wall Completed

Sunday School Students in 8th grade have worked hard this year transforming a wall in the Mother's Room into a fun "Whalin' Wall". The wall depicts a whale with mouth open just before he swallowed Jonah. Those working on the wall included MacKenzie Bonikowske and Trinity Bestul with their teacher Jen Reinke. Stop in and take a look at this creation and while there have your picture taken with "Whalin'!"



# St. Peter's Proverbs

May 2021

Last Day of Sunday School

Mother's Day

Confirmations

Graduations

Memorial Day

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## A Message from Pastor Janice



Dear friends,

May is the month of Mother's Day, graduations, and Confirmation.

We turn our thoughts to honoring mothers, celebrating graduates, and confirming the faith in God that we see in our young people.

### **HONOR OUR MOTHERS**

We've all got one! Remember her if she's already awaiting you in heaven.

Do her a kindness if she's still alive.

Also, think of how you might honor other 'mothers' in your life: those who have been 'like a mother' to you; people you love (a wife, sister, or friend, perhaps) who are mothers—how might you honor or support or do a kindness for them?

Or what about those who are struggling with motherhood: women who find themselves facing an unexpected or unwanted pregnancy. Consider supporting a ministry like the Agape Center in Waupaca.

### **HONOR OUR GRADUATES**

We will honor five young members of St. Peter's during our worship service (9 am) on Sunday May 23, 2021: Aiyana Kempka, Andy Pingel, Sawyer Strebe, Julia Peebles, Hannah Arndt.

### **CONFIRMATION WORSHIP SERVICE**

On Sunday, May 2, 2021 we will *confirm the faith* of five young men who will be publicly *affirming the faith into which they were baptized*: Spencer Strebe, Isaiah Smith, Jackson Krohn, Parker Miller, Kade Rosenow.

### **COME HOLY SPIRIT!**

We celebrate Pentecost Sunday in May this year on May 23<sup>rd</sup>. Fifty days after that first Easter when God raised Jesus from the dead, Jesus sent His Holy Spirit to fall on and fill ALL His followers.

We celebrate Holy Spirit's work in our lives, each and every day! *Come, Holy Spirit!*  
Blessings,

*Pastor Janice*



## Graduates To Be Honored



Join us on Sunday, May 23, 9 a.m. as we honor our 2021 high school graduates. Those being honored are Hannah Arndt, daughter of Scott and Ann Arndt; Julia Peebles, daughter of Shawn & Kim Peebles; and Andy Pingel, son of Jon and Kyla Heiman, all graduating from Marion High School; Aiyana Kempka, daughter of Michael and Amanda Kempka, Iowa

-Scandinavia High School and Sawyer Strebe, son of David and Brenda Strebe, Little Wolf High School, Manawa.



## MAY 2021 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

May 1	Confirmation Dinner	5 pm
May 2	Last Day of Sunday School Worship Confirmation Worship	9 am 9 am 10:30 am
May 4	Men's Group Quilters	8:30 am 9 am
May 5	Ladies Aid	12 pm
May 9	Summer Worship Begins	9 am
May 11	Men's Group Quilters	8:30 am 9 am
May 12	24/7 Bible Study	5 pm
May 16	Worship	9 am
May 18	Men's Group Quilters	8:30 am 9 am
May 23	Worship with Baptism & Graduation Recognition	9 am
May 25	Men's Group Quilters	8:30 am 9 am
May 26	24/7 Bible Study	5 pm
May 30	Worship	9 am
May 31	Memorial Day	

**ST. PETER'S LUTHERAN CHURCH  
TRUSTEES MEETING - March 21, 2021**

Members present: Pastor Janice Kuder, Jen Reinke, Jackie Baldwin (via phone), Sandy Krause, Pete Fannin, Tom Anderson  
Meeting was called to order by President Pete Fannin at 11:44 a.m.

**Reports:**

The secretary's report from Feb. 21 was given. Krause made a motion to approve followed by a second by Reinke. Motion carried.

Baldwin presented the February financial reports. She made note of the problem we had with the heating and cooling thermostats. January was \$1,400 and February will be \$1,200 which is double the normal. President Fannin will be getting covers to protect against this problem in the future. Reinke motioned to approve the financials as presented, Krause seconded. Motion carried.

Pastor Janice presented her monthly report for February. A motion to approve the report was made by Krause, seconded by Reinke. Motion approved.

**Old Business:**

Baldwin will continue to investigate computer options for Pastor Janice and the bookkeeping computer. A possible solution would be to purchase a computer for Pastor and to place the QuickBooks on the secretary's present computer.

Trees by the church will be coming down as Lee Baldwin has followed up with the contractor.

**New Business:**

A motion was made by Baldwin to purchase Easter lilies and palms for the Easter celebration of our Savior. Krause seconded the motion and paid for the items. Thank you, Sandy. Motion carried.

President Fannin brought up Pastor Kay's compensation as she has been offered other parishes. As a group we should keep the idea of increasing her compensation and to place this on the agenda for a decision.

Motion made by Reinke and seconded by Anderson to adjourn.

Next meeting will be held on Sunday, April 25, following the 10:30 am worship service.

Respectfully submitted,

Tom Anderson, Trustee Secretary

<b>2021 Year to Date Budget at a Glance</b>			
<b>Budgeted 2021</b>		<b>\$147,639.36</b>	
<b>Budgeted Jan.-Dec.</b>	<b>March Income Received</b>	<b>Expenses</b>	<b>Net Income</b>
\$147,639.36	\$8,181.42	\$8,973.37	-\$791.95

**Ladies Aid**

St. Peter's Ladies Aid will meet on Wednesday, May 5 at 12 p.m. Bring your own lunch, coffee will be provided. All women of St. Peter's are invited to attend. There will be a short Bible Study followed by the meeting to discuss upcoming events.

**River of God Healing Rooms Re-Opening**



The River of God Healing Rooms has been open by appointment only this past year. We are very excited to announce we will re-open on Tuesday, May 4 for walk in prayer. We will continue to be open the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of every month from 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m., with the last guest check in at 7:30 p.m. The

Healing Rooms are located at 113 N. Main Street in Marion (across the street from the Public Library) and are handicap accessible.

The Healing Rooms are staffed by ten volunteers who have heard the call from God and have gone through training on the proper protocol for those who come for healing. We have been so incredibly blessed to witness God providing healing; both physical and emotional on numerous occasions. We look forward to and are expecting even more healings in the future.

If you need any type of healing, emotional or physical, we would love to pray for you. If you have a desire to feel God's peace, please come. No appointment is necessary and there is no charge. So please feel free to stop on in if you would like to be prayed for. There is a nice welcome area and four private prayer rooms. If you prefer to schedule an appointment, you are welcome to do so.

The River of God Healing Rooms is a member of the International Association of Healing Rooms, based in Spokane WA and has 3200 Healing Rooms worldwide. IAHR website: [www.healingrooms.com](http://www.healingrooms.com). The IAHR commission is based on Mark 16:17-18, "And these signs shall follow those that believe...they shall lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover."

For any questions on the River of God Healing Rooms, you may contact us by calling 715-851-9599, send an email to [RiverofGodHR@gmail.com](mailto:RiverofGodHR@gmail.com) or send a note to P.O. Box 254, Marion, WI 54950. You may also follow us on Facebook.

## A Message from Pastor Kay

Sunday school and confirmation programs are ending for the summer. We have worked to build the faith of all our young members. However, in no way do you, as parents, want to close the book on learning for the year. It's important to help the children recognize that—no matter how young or old we are—faith is a life-long journey. God does not take a vacation from us. God wants us to stay close to him throughout the fun and sunny days of summer, even though no formal learning is scheduled.



1. Make a family promise of prayer. Decide on a time every day and commit to pray either together (or separately) and always do a check in to not only remind them but to also let them know prayer is just as important in your busy life.
2. With busy schedules and possibly vacation, many kids do not give any thought to their missing the sharing of Holy Communion. They are on vacation after all. But as a family, I challenge you all to make sure that you are participating in Holy Communion at least once a month. If you feel this to be difficult in a traditional environment, I suggest the sharing together as a family in private. We here at St. Peter's can help with any questions you might have, but this can and is a very powerful way to partake in the body and blood of Jesus when worship services aren't in the schedule.
3. Love Your Neighbor! Encourage the children to suggest ways they can show love for others during the summer months. They might choose toys to clean up and donate to a shelter in your area. Working together, they can shop for food to donate to a needy family in the community. If every family in our congregation, committed to one act of loving service every month, we would never doubt the love of Christ.
4. And spend some valuable time with your kids. No child can resist exploring the bounty of God's fantastic creation—especially during summer when the air's warm, the days are long, and there's plenty of free time. Kids love to explore, experiment and discover. To explore and discover is truly rewarding—especially when kids are focused on their faith. Boost kids' sense of awe with these ideas that'll spur kids to experience and rediscover our amazing God this summer.

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\*Take kids outdoors on a partly cloudy day to gaze at the sky and find the animals aboard Noah's ark. Afterward challenge them to find the account of Noah's Ark in their Bibles.

\*Read aloud Isaiah 42:16. Say: Even though we can't always see where God's leading us, we can trust him to watch over and protect us. Then enjoy a high energy game of Simon says or a trust walk to burn off that extra energy.

Use your imaginations or ask for some suggestions. The kids of our congregation are important to all of us, and we are all here to help build their faith whether we see you every week or not.

Enjoy the summer and praise God for it all!

Blessings,  
Kay

### Rummage Sale Fundraiser

A Rummage Sale Fundraiser will be held on Thursday, May 20 through Saturday, May 22, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Enoch residence, 455 Division St., Iola. Proceeds from the sale will go to Amber Selle to offset the cost of medical expenses incurred for cancer treatments. Help is needed each day. Contact Krista Enoch if you are available.



Joe & Missy Stuhr  
May 16  
18 Years

### Summer Worship Begins

On Sunday, May 9 (Mother's Day), we will begin our summer worship with only one service at 9 a.m. and will continue through Labor Day, Sept. 5. We will follow the same schedule that we have been doing in the past: worship in the parking lot, worship inside or worship via Facebook.



Pete Fannin	May 15
Octavia Phillips	May 16
Adam Stoltz	May 20
Kylie Peebles	May 23
Diane Beyersdorf	May 25
Elizabeth Enoch	May 25
Ciara Peebles	May 27
Jaxson Peeters	May 28
Louine Malueg	May 29
Bryistol Miller	May 30
Andrew Hintz	May 31