

TRUSTEES MEETING

September 19, 2021 – 8:12 am

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

Non-Member Present: Pastor Janice Kuder

President Peter Fannin called the meeting to order at 12:09 p.m.

Pastor Janice led the Trustees in prayer.

The secretary's reports for August 1 and August 22 were given and motion was made to approve by Krause, seconded by Reinke. Motion approved.

The financial report was given by Baldwin. The treasury is low so we should be concerned at this time. Motion to approve was made by Reinke, seconded by Krause. Motion approved.

Pastor Janice then gave her monthly report. Anderson motioned to approve, seconded by Krause. Motion carried.

Old Business:

Tia Bestul has resigned her paid position but will continue to volunteer in the tech and music area.

President Fannin will contact Lee Rambo in regards to salary and employment. Also we need to clarify as an employee cannot be an employee of St. Peter's and serve as an Elder too.

President Fannin and Pastor Janice met to discuss health insurance plans. Several options for plans are available. Pastor Janice would like to stay with present doctors and services for choosing a plan. President Fannin will also contact Northland to consolidate insurance for Pastor and her husband and determine method of payment.

New Business:

Patty Schreier has made a donation of a tapestry and Jeremy Beilfuss has donated a painting. These will be auctioned off after the worship service on September 26.

We wish to make our church facility available to our community. It was decided we should look at our Facility Use Agreement and change or modify it to have a standard agreement. At present a \$50 minimum donation is requested for use.

Next Trustee meeting will be held on Sunday, Oct. 10, following worship.

Moved to adjourn by Reinke, seconded by Krause. Closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Tom Anderson, Trustee Secretary



St. Peter's Proverbs

November 2021

In All Things,

Give Thanks

1 Thessalonians 5:18

St. Peter's Lutheran Church

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"Alive in the Spirit"

A Message from Pastor Janice



Dear friends in Christ,
We are planning a **WELCOME HOME SUNDAY** on Sunday, November 14!

One part of being a member of St. Peter's means you're committed to gathering with other members of St. Peter's on a regular basis to worship our God. Some have gotten out of the habit—for good reason (COVID isolation). Some are newly affiliating with St. Peter's (i.e., joining St. Peter's / becoming members)

**WELCOME HOME SUNDAY, November 14, will be
A DAY OF CELEBRATION FOR ALL OF US—
COME HOME!**

**IT'S A (CHURCH-)FAMILY REUNION
10:30 WORSHIP**

11:30 FAMILY MEAL / FELLOWSHIP
(food provided by St. Peter's Trustees and Elders)

ALL ARE WELCOME!

**WHETHER YOU HAVEN'T JOINED US AT SUNDAY WORSHIP
IN AWHILE OR THIS IS YOUR FIRST TIME TO WORSHIP WITH
US AS YOUR CHURCH—your church home, your faith family.**

ARE YOU A MEMBER OF ST. PETER'S?

Do you consider yourself a member? Do you claim St. Peter's as your church home, your faith family? If you are baptized, you ARE a member of the Church, the body of Christ.

Do you choose to publicly affiliate with the Body of Christ organized into the local congregation known as St. Peter's Lutheran Church-Big Falls?

As it says in the last pledge of "**I am a church member**" (which we use as part of our 'Membership Application').

This membership is a gift. When I received the free gift of salvation through Jesus Christ, in my baptism, I became a part of the body of Christ. I then identified with a local body of Christ, and now identify with this local body of Christ, called St. Peter's

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Sign-Up Sheets

Sign-up sheets have been posted on the kiosk in the Welcome Area for Fellowship Times, Users and your favorite song.

Fellowship time is immediately following the worship service and consists of donuts, bars, cookies or whatever you would like to serve and beverage. An individual, family or group are encouraged to participate.

We are in need of ushers for the remainder of this year and into 2022. This consists of handing out Announcement Bulletins and offering.

Do you have a favorite song that you haven't heard in awhile? Feel free to write it on the sheet that is posted so it can be included in the worship service.



Thank you to the anonymous donors for paying for the remainder of the cost of crack filling the parking lot.



Look for
St. Peter's Lutheran Church-Big Falls

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.



All ladies of St. Peter's are invited to the Annual Christmas party scheduled for Wednesday, Dec. 1, 12 p.m. This will be a potluck party with games played after the meal. Guests are welcome to attend. Each lady attending is asked to bring your favorite food to pass and two wrapped gifts. If you are bringing a friend a wrapped gift for them also.

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Lutheran Church-Big Falls. And now I am humbled and honored to serve and love others in our church. I pray that I will **never take my membership for granted, but see it as a gift and an opportunity** to serve others and to be a part of something so much greater than any one person or member.

If you're 'on St. Peter's membership list' then the church leaders and I consider that you are **committed** to the pledges of I AM A CHURCH MEMBER and our MEMBERSHIP COVENANT (which we will review and read together on **WELCOME HOME SUNDAY, November 14** and which are also available on our website, labeled 'Membership Application') and that you've given us the right to hold you accountable to that.

If you don't want to make any such commitment / be subjected to that kind of accountability, that's fine! YOU'RE STILL WELCOME HERE!

You are Welcome:

- ◆ to worship with us,
- ◆ to participate in small groups and studies organized by church members or leaders,
- ◆ to bring your children to Sunday School, or our Confirmation program or Youth Group activities,
- ◆ to support and participate in our ministries.

If you participate regularly in any activities at St. Peter's (as a member or not-a-member), we'd love to have **up-to-date contact information** for you on record in the church office (names of all in your household, address, phone number(s), email addresses) so we can keep you up-to-date on what's going on at St. Peter's.

Yours in Christ, *Pastor Janice*

Operation Christmas Child



It's time to start filling shoeboxes for "Operation Christmas Child" There are some boxes located in the Welcome Area or you can purchase a small plastic shoebox and fill it.

There are leaflets on the table that will tell you what you will need to fill a shoebox. Ideas include a "WOW" item such as a stuffed animal, doll, soccer ball with pump, toy cars, etc. Also needed are personal care items, school supplies and accessories such as socks, sunglasses, flashlights with batteries and more. Make sure to mark your box for boy or girl.

Boxes will need to be returned by Sunday, Nov. 21. Questions can be directed to Pastor Kay.

A Message from Pastor Kay

Dear friends in Christ,

Thanksgiving is November 25th... or is it every day?

"Give thanks in everything, for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus." (1 Thessalonians 5:18)

Did you thank God today? For what, you may ask? For anything. Sometimes I can go an entire day without remembering God even once, much less thanking Him for His many gifts. It is so easy to forget in our relative safety just how dependent on God we really are. No one is trying to kill or imprison us for our faith. Comfort can breed complacency. We need to combat this potential with the truth of God's Word.

One of my favorite verses when thinking about being thankful to God is the first part of [Acts 17:28](#): *"For in Him we live and move and exist."* You are alive today by the power of God. You got out of bed today, perhaps took a shower, got dressed for school or work, and ate breakfast all because God is actively sustaining you. You exist because He continues to will that you exist.

Realizing this gives a completely new perspective to Jesus' words, *"Apart from Me you can do nothing."* When you remind yourself just how much God has given you and just how much you need Him for everything, you can't help but thank Him.

I want you to try something for a minute... *Close your eyes, focus on your breathing, and take five deep breaths. With each breath, I want you to simply pray "Thank you, Jesus."* Go ahead, do it now. Seriously, stop reading and do it. I can wait. For most of us, being able to breathe is probably at the top of the list of things we take for granted. However, each breath you take is a gift from God. Taking time to thank God for this most fundamental necessity of life can help remind us to have a heart of thankfulness.

Whether it is the air you breathe, the new day's sunrise, or the embrace of a loved one, thank God today for something you normally take for granted.

It's easy to thank God when everything is "as it should be." But chances are some of you reading this are going through some dark days right now. What do you do when you just don't feel like saying thank you for what's going on in your life? **God not only said to give thanks in everything, He also said in [Ephesians 5:20](#) to give thanks for everything.** [James 1:2-4](#) tells us that we should "consider it a great joy" when we face hard times because God uses those hard times to

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NOVEMBER CALENDAR Continued

Nov. 17	Pastor's Drop-In Hours Confirmation & Isaiah Bible Study	5-6:30 pm 6:30 pm
Nov. 20	Play Practice	7 pm
Nov. 21	Sunday School Worship Isaiah Bible Study	9 am 10:30 am 11:30 am
Nov. 23	Men's Bible Study Quilters Pastor's Drop-In Hours	8:30 am 9 am 9:30 am-12:30 pm
Nov. 24	No confirmation or Isaiah Bible Study	
Nov. 25		
Nov. 27	Pastor at River of God Healing Rooms Gilligan's Island Christmas Dinner Show	9 am-Noon 6:30 pm
Nov. 28	Elder's Meeting Sunday School Worship Gilligan's Island Christmas Dinner Show	7:30 am 9 am 10:30 am 1 pm
Nov. 30	Men's Group Quilters Pastor's Drop-In Hours	8:30 am 9 am 9:30 am-12:30 pm



Kim Peebles	Nov. 2	Jameson Arndt	Nov. 11
Jordan Bestul	Nov. 4	Jessica Phillips	Nov. 12
Brandon Furman	Nov. 5	Rick Mengert	Nov. 13
Jeanne Rohloff	Nov. 5	Laurie Miller	Nov. 13
Aiyana Kempka	Nov. 6	Bailee Miller	Nov. 15
Clayton Miller	Nov. 6	Tia Bestul	Nov. 16
Nicholas Miller	Nov. 6	Sarah Blashe	Nov. 16
Lisa Remer	Nov. 6	Brock Opperman	Nov. 17
Andy Holder	Nov. 7	Sharie Anderson	Nov. 21
Christina Petersen	Nov. 7	Aubree Ridge	Nov. 23
		Lily Koeppel	Nov. 26
		Amy Jo Ronek	Nov. 26
		John McIntee	Nov. 28
		Kotti Hintz	Nov. 29
		Rosie Bazile	Nov. 30




2021 Monthly Budget at a Glance Budgeted 2021 \$147,639.36

Needed each Month	Sept. Income Received	Sept. Expenses	Sept. Net Income
\$12,303.28	\$9,433.06	\$9,286.00	\$147.06

2021 Year to Date Budget at a Glance

Budgeted Thru Sept.	Income Received	Expenses	Net Income
\$110,729.52	\$79,625.69	\$92,144.84	-\$12,519.15

NOVEMBER CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Nov. 3	Ladies Aid Pastor's Drop-In Hours Confirmation & Isaiah Bible Study w/Family Meal	12 pm 5-6:30 pm 6:30 pm
Nov. 6 	Tiffany Bestul Bridal Shower DON'T FORGET TO TURN YOUR CLOCKS BACK 1 HOURS	10 am-4 pm 
Nov. 7	Sunday School Worship Youth Serve Lunch Isaiah Bible Study	9 am 10:30 am 11:30 am Following Lunch
Nov. 9	Men's Group Quilters Pastor's Drop-In Hours	8:30 am 9 am 9:30 am-12:30 pm
Nov. 10	24/7 Bible Study Confirmation & Isaiah Bible Study	5 pm 6:30 pm
Nov. 11		
Nov. 13	Pastor at River of God Healing Rooms Play Practice	9 am-Noon 7 pm
Nov. 14	Sunday School Welcome Home Sunday Worship Trustees/Elders Serve Lunch Trustees Meeting Isaiah Bible Study	9 am 10:30 am 11:30 am Following Lunch Following Lunch
Nov. 16	Men's Group Quilters Pastor's Drop-In Hours	8:30 am 9 am 9:30 am-12:30 pm

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strengthen our faith. For reasons we will not always understand, God uses difficult circumstances to make us more like Jesus. As Paul said in Romans 5, hard times refine our faith to produce endurance, proven character and hope. We should thank Him that He cares for us enough to grow us in our faith and not leave us as we are.

Even in your darkest hour, you can thank God you don't have to face that dark hour alone. So every day can be a day of Thanksgiving! Praise God, and thank you Jesus! "He who offers a sacrifice of thanksgiving honors me". ([Psalm 50:23](#)).

Have a blessed Thanksgiving! --Kay

Lutheran World Relief Donations

Our quilting group was quite busy despite the COVID-19 restraints in 2021. In early October the group took 122 quilts and 89 baby care kits to St. James Lutheran Church, Shawano, for shipment overseas.

Total number of quilts, baby care kits and more donated by several area churches including St. Peter's that were shipped are:

Quilts / Blankets - 3,258; Baby Care Kits - 451
Personal Care Kits - 551; School Kits - 84
Sewing Kits - 31; Boxes / Yards of Fabric - 5 Boxes
Shipping Donations - \$2,374.63

Thankyou to all the quilters who give willingly of their time to make these items for those less fortunate: Carola Jobst, Lisa Remer, Louine Malueg, Karen Radies, Sandy Krause, Marge Larson, Nancy Morris, Diane Beyersdorf and Joni Adams.

Anyone is welcome to join the group each Tuesday at 9 a.m. at the church.



**Pastor Janice's
Drop-In Hours
Tuesdays
9:30 am-12:30 pm
At St. Peter's
1st & 3rd Wednesdays
5-6:30 pm
At St. Peter's
2nd & 4th Saturdays
9 am-Noon
River of God Healing Rooms
113 N. Main St., Marion**

Scott & Ann Arndt Nov. 3, 31 Years
Stanley & Jessica Phillips Nov. 12, 5 Years
Rick Tracey Mengert Nov. 14, 34 Years
Sam & Peggy Rulseh Nov. 14, 33 Years
Charles & Christina Petersen Nov. 19, 2 Years



St. Peter's Lutheran Church

Presents

Gilligan's

Island

Christmas

Dinner Show

Saturday, November 27, 6:30 Pm

Doors open 5:30 Pm, Dinner 6:30 Pm

Sunday, November 28, 1 Pm

Doors open 12 Pm, Dinner 1 Pm

at

St. Peter's Lutheran Church

N10685 Petersen Rd., Marion

Tickets \$20 each or Table of 7 for \$125

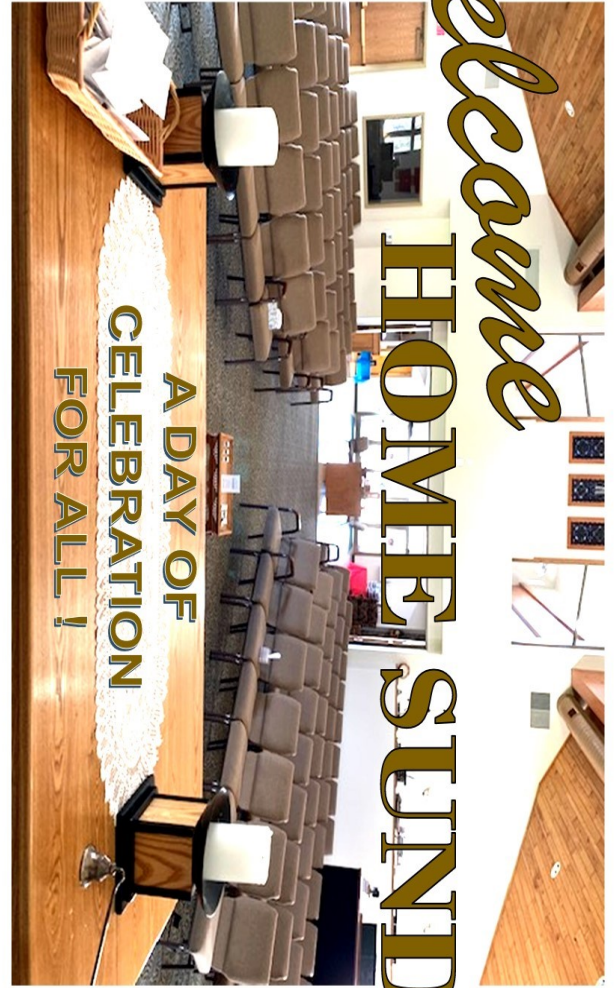
Call 715-754-2690 or 715-460-2131

Funds will help support St. Peter's Technical Equipment



Food Pantry Needs

The Marion Food Pantry is in need of ketchup and stuffing or any non-perishable food items. Wants are Lysol and paper toweling. Items may be dropped off at church or at the House of Hope in Marion. Due to COVID please call Pat Leach at: 715-754-2665 to arrange a drop off.



Welcome HOME SUNDAY

November 14, 10:30 a.m. Worship

11:30 FAMILY MEAL / FELLOWSHIP

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