

TRUSTEES MEETING

Aug. 28 2022 – 8:00 am

Members present: Jen Reinke, Krista Enoch, Brian Knight, Tom Anderson, Pete Fannin

Ex-Officio present: Pastor Janice Kuder

Guest present: Sherry Laatsch

President Peter Fannin called the meeting to order at 8:03 a.m. followed by prayer.

Secretary’s report was presented. Knight motioned to approve, seconded by Reinke. Motion carried.

No report was received from Pastor Janice.

The Financial Report was presented by Knight. Reinke motioned to approve the financials as presented, Enoch seconded. Motion carried.

Old Business:

Church audit is in progress. The committee must meet again to complete.

Benevolence Committee: The entities that we support will be reviewed. It is suggested that the Trustees be part of the committee for input as the final approval rests with the Trustees.

The carpet in the office has been installed.

Finishing the stage needs to be completed.

New Business:

Wish list for memorials was discussed. Options for families which wish to donate memorial funds were presented.

The generator proposal for St. Peter’s was discussed (cost, details, size, etc.). It was presented as a project for the church to work towards.

Next meeting will be Sept. 25, 8 am.

Reinke motioned to adjourn, Knight seconded, meeting adjourned at 8:40 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Tom Anderson, Secretary

2022 Budget at a Glance			
2022 Budget—\$146,424.68			
Budgeted For Aug.	Income Received	Expenses	Net Income/ Loss
\$12,202.06	\$11,544.74	\$11,102.00	\$442.74
YTD Budget			
Jan.-Sept. Received	Jan.-Sept. Expenses	Net Income/ Loss	
\$103,036.35	\$106,431.80	\$3,395.45	



St. Peter's Proverbs

*Enter his gates with thanksgiving
and his courts with praise;
give thanks to him and praise his name.
For the LORD is good and
his love endures forever;
his faithfulness continues
through all generations.
Psalm 100:4-5*

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"Alive in the Spirit"

A Message from Pastor Janice



Dear Friends,
I'm repeating myself—but it's worth repeating!
Each and every person who believes in Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior needs to be GROWING in their love of God and GROWING in their love of others. (That's what Jesus said the Greatest & 2nd greatest commandment was: LOVE GOD and LOVE OTHERS.)
Each person's spiritual growth is their own responsibility. The leadership of St. Peter's can

provide resources, coaching, mentoring to equip you, but the responsibility to find your growth as a Christian is yours.

Spiritual growth happens best in SPIRITUAL COMMUNITY. A "circle"—personal, one-to-one interactions which can take the form of a 'Small Group'—but doesn't have to! [See the information below about Learning in Rows vs. Learning in Circles.]

So I again encourage you to **find your 'spiritual community'**—if you haven't already!

It might be as simple as FINDING A TRIAD—3 people who commit to connect/ interact regularly to share faith and life. Three is enough! You can meet face-to-face for coffee or have a habit of texting/ messaging/calling one another on a regular basis.

Blessings, *Pr. Janice*

GROWING SPIRITUALLY requires LEARNING and PRACTICING.

LEARNING: gaining new *information* from and about the Bible; gaining new information about how to live a Christian life.

AND PRACTICING: Finding ways to apply what you are learning to real, day-to-day living so that you actually do grow. This is **transformation:** being transformed (not just instructed or given information) more and more into the image of Christ.




LEARNING/GROWING happens in various ways, of course.

LEARNING IN ROWS: The INFORMATION we need to learn to better live our Christian lives can be attained by sitting in rows in front of a teacher. Such things as Bible studies, instruction on how to pray, teaching about how to think about and respond to what's going on in the world around us.

BUT OF COURSE, WE NEED MORE THAN JUST INFORMATION! WE WANT TRANSFORMATION—CHANGE OF HEART AS WELL AS CHANGE OF MIND.

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NOVEMBER CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Nov. 1	Men's Group Quilters Town of Wyoming	8:30 am 9 am 7 pm
Nov. 2	Ladies Aid Confirmation & Solomon Bible Study	12 pm 6:30 pm
Nov. 3-6	Via Di Cristo - Silver Birch Ranch	
Nov. 3	Dartball @ Trinity	7:30 pm
Nov. 5		
Nov. 6	Sunday School Worship	9 am 10:30 am
Nov. 8	Men's Group Quilters 	8:30 am 9 am
Nov. 9	Confirmation Solomon Bible Study	6:30 pm 6:30 pm
Nov. 10	Dartball - Here	7:30 pm
Nov. 11		
Nov. 13	Elders Meeting Sunday School Worship	8 am 9 am 10:30 am
Nov. 15	Men's Group Quilters	8:30 am 9 am
Nov. 16	Confirmation & Solomon Bible Study	6:30 pm
Nov. 20	Sunday School Worship	9 am 10:30 am
Nov. 22	Men's Group Quilters	8:30 am 9 am
Nov. 23	No Confirmation or Bible Study	
Nov. 24		
Nov. 27	Sunday School Worship	9 am 10:30 am
Nov. 29	Men's Group Quilters	8:30 am 9 am
Nov. 30	Confirmation & Solomon Bible Study	6:30 pm

LEARNING IN CIRCLES: True growth—through the application and practice of what we learn in rows (new information)—happens most effectively in circles. Sitting a circle with a few other people, each able to speak and question and respond. A safe place where you can trust one another and risk sharing your thoughts and questions and experiences, and together find wisdom from God and each one’s life experience. **A small group of believers intentionally meeting with Jesus and with each other for the purpose of growing in their love of God and love of others.**



Marion Area



The Marion Food Pantry is in need of stuffing and canned fruit or any non-perishable food items. Their wants dish soap and toilet paper. Items may be dropped off at church or at the House of Hope in Marion. More information call 715-754-2665.



Scott & Ann Arndt
Nov. 3 - 32 Years

Stanley & Jessica Phillips
Nov. 12 - 6 Years

Rick & Tracey Mengert
Nov. 14 - 35 Years

Sam & Peggy Rulseh
Nov. 14 - 34 Years

St. Peter’s Elders and Trustees

Sometimes we need to be reminded of who St. Peter’s Trustees and Elders are. There are times when people join and we try to get them all the information that is needed, but the Elders, Trustees, Bylaws and Constitution seem to be overlooked. Hopefully this will help people to understand how the church is run and who they can go to with questions and concerns.

St. Peter’s Trustees include Pete Fannin, Tom Anderson, Brian Knight, Jen Reinke and Krista Enoch. The duties and responsibilities of the Trustees can be found in the Bylaws under Article 7.

The Elders of St. Peter’s include Pastor Janice, Pastor Kay, Sarah Blashe, Lee Rambo and Dave Schmidt. The duties and responsibilities of the Elders can be found in Article 5 of the Bylaws.

Both the Bylaws and Constitution can be found on our website at: www.stpetersstpauls.org. If you do not have access to the internet, let Jackie know and she can print a copy for you.



Congregation Information Update and Directory

It’s time to update your information for our records. We know that changes occur throughout the year and we do our best to update these as we notice them, but we don’t always catch them all. Along with this we would like to print a directory with information for all those in the congregation (none of this info is given to anyone outside our congregation). Please take the time to fill out either the form that is being passed around or the form that is on the round table in the Welcome Area and return to Jackie.

Questions can be directed to either Jackie or Pastor Janice. Thank you for taking the time to do this.



Children’s Church Volunteers Needed

We would like to start having Children’s Church again. In order for this to happen we will need volunteers to take the children out of the sanctuary into the Great Room where they will do a Scripture Reading and activities that are printed out for them ahead of time. Jackie will take care of printing out these each week. We would like at least four volunteers to start with so it would be one Sunday a month. You can do it yourself or partner up with someone else, whatever works best for you. If we have more that would be great! If you are willing to help with this, let Jackie know.

	NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS
McLane Miller	Nov. 1
Kimberly Peebles	Nov. 2
Jordan Bestul	Nov. 4
Brandon Furman	Nov. 5
Jeanne Rohloff	Nov. 5
Aiyana Kempka	Nov. 6
Clayton Miller	Nov. 6
Nick Miller	Nov. 6
Lisa Remer	Nov. 6
Andy Holder	Nov. 7
Jameson Arndt	Nov. 11
Jessica Phillips	Nov. 12
Rick Mengert	Nov. 13
Bailee Miller	Nov. 15
Tia Bestul	Nov. 16
Sarah Blashe	Nov. 16
Brock Opperman	Nov. 17
McCoy Miller	Nov. 20
Sharie Anderson	Nov. 21
Aubree Ridge	Nov. 23
Lily Koeppel	Nov. 26
Amy Jo Ronek	Nov. 26
John McIntee	Nov. 28
Kotti Hintz	Nov. 29
Rosemary Bazile	Nov. 30

A Message from Pastor Kay



I love the fact that in the United States we as a nation set aside one day a year simply for giving thanks to God for his good gifts. At some of our tables, we will take a few minutes before we eat to mention the things that we are thankful for: a healthy family, an amazing Thanksgiving meal, or a new job. This is all good and proper. But we should take every opportunity to thank God for his particular gifts. Every day!

Have you ever thought about the fact that Thanksgiving is one way of describing the entire Christian life? This is not an exaggeration. God showed us grace, and our response to that grace

should be a life lived out of gratitude. The Apostle Paul put it like this: “And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him” (Colossians 3:17).

The manner in which we serve others illustrates the point well. Christian service isn’t simply deciding to serve, and then “getting through” our service. We serve in awareness of the boundless grace we have received from God! God looked upon us, sinners that we were, and chose to send Jesus to die in our place. As a response, we sacrificially serve others because of the unbounded grace we have received.

The sinful woman who poured expensive ointment on Jesus’s feet and wiped his feet with her hair shows us the relationship between thankfulness and its relationship to the actions of one who has been forgiven much. When Simon complained (in his own head) that Jesus shouldn’t have allowed a sinful woman to act in such a way, Jesus challenged those thoughts with “he who is forgiven little, loves little” (Luke 7:47). But the woman at Jesus’s feet knew how much she had been forgiven, and she allowed that grace to move her heart toward gratitude, and the result was an extravagant act of thankful service to Jesus.

Perhaps this year we can move beyond listing out individual things on one day that we are thankful for and start to respond more deeply to the grace God has demonstrated through the sacrificial death of Jesus—and how such thankful reflection might work its way into the way we live the year ahead. A whole life lived out of thankfulness is the right and proper way to respond to God’s lavish gift of grace through Christ.

Let’s maybe start out the month of November, consciously living in gratitude to God every single day, and see where that leads us.

Have a blessed “Thankful Month” - Kay

YOUTH Activities

Youth Group for all 6th-2th graders is starting. Because there is not a church van to use for travel, Pastor Kay is trying to get things put together ahead of time to set up travel arrangements.

- ◆ Nov. 6, Youth Group to serve lunch after worship
- ◆ Nov. 11-12, Stand to Reason Conference, Eden Prairie, MN.
- ◆ Nov. 26, Youth Group Thanksgiving potluck feast, 6-8 p.m. at St. Peter’s.
- ◆ Dec. 4, Youth Group to serve lunch after worship
- ◆ Dec. 9-10, Youth Group Lock-In, 6:30-8 p.m., St. Peter’s
- ◆ Jan. 6-8, 2023, District Youth Conference, Green Bay, more details to come
- ◆ March 24-26, 2023, Faith Quake, Wisconsin Dells

For more information on the Youth Group or any of the events listed, contact Pastor Kay at 715-460-2131 or rascal01@frontiernet.net.

Lutheran World Relief Donations

Our quilting group was quite busy despite in 2022. In early October the group took 158 quilts, 3 blankets and 59 baby care kits to St. James Lutheran Church, Shawano, for shipment overseas.

Total number of items donated by several area churches including St. Peter’s that were shipped are:

Quilts / Blankets - 2,913; Baby Care Kits - 378

Personal Care Kits - 526; School Kits - 722; Sewing Kits - 50;
Boxes / Yards of Fabric - 3 Boxes; Shipping Donations - \$1,938

Thank you 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 and Joni Adams.

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

DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME ENDS

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 6

Don't Forget to Set
Your Clocks Back 1 Hour

