St. Peter's **PROVERBS**



APRIL 2023

FROM THE DESK OF PASTOR JANICE



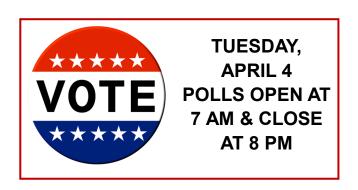
CHRIST IS RISEN! JESUS IS ALIVE! REJOICE IN WHAT THE LORD HAS DONE!

Jesus Is Our Redemption: In the temple Jesus said, "If anyone keeps my Word, he will never see death" [John 8:51]. For Jesus came to taste death for us—to drink the cup of suffering to the dregs in

order that we might be released from its power. Clinging to His life-giving words, we are delivered from death's sting and its eternal judgment. Christ is our High Priest, who entered the Most Holy Place and with His blood obtained everlasting redemption for His people [Hebrews 9:11-15]. He is the One who was before Abraham was, and yet is his descendant. He is the promised Son who carries the wood up the mountain for the sacrifice, who is bound and laid upon the altar of the cross. He is the ram who is offered in our place, who is willingly caught in the thicket of our sin, and who wears the crown of thorns upon His head [Gen. 22:1-14]. Though Christ is dishonored by the sons of the devil, He is vindicated by the Father through the Cross.

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A public welcome for new members will be held on Palm Sunday, April 2 at the 10:30 a.m. worship service. They include: Donald and Amber Beechy, Hayden, Waylon and Rosalyn; Rob and Kimberly Karski and Lauren Detert.

During worship that morning the new members and the entire congregation will participate in a *reaffirmation of our baptismal covenant* which is the basis of our membership in God's family and in this or any church [that means we won't single you out to come to the front of the church].

Following worship at *fellowship hour* (youth will be serving) we will be able to greet and welcome the new members on an individual basis.



Easter Worship Schedule

Join us for the following worship services to celebrate the death and resurrection of Our Lord & Savior Jesus Christ

<u>Maundy Thursday, April 6</u>

Worship with Communion 6:30 pm <u>Good Friday, April 7</u> Tenebrae Worship 2 pm Easter Program 6:30 pm <u>Sunday, April 9</u> Sunrise Service 8 am

Youth Serve Breakfast 9-10:15 am Easter Worship 10:30 am

FROM THE DESK OF PASTOR KAY



Have you seen the Jesus Revolution movie yet? I actually preached on the Jesus Revolution of the 60s last summer when I was previewing Ecclesiastes chapter 3, so I was super excited when I heard about it, and I was blessed to see this amazing movie last week. To be honest, I wasn't ready for it to be as really good as it was. But I can honestly say it was a GOOD movie.

The box office numbers are surprising everyone. This movie is a hit. But more than that, it's inspiring to both young and old. Don't make the mistake of thinking this movie is only for the 60+ crowd who witnessed the actual <u>Jesus movement</u> of the late '60s and early '70s. This movie can deeply impact all ages.

Watching the movie, I realized there are so many similarities between the hippies of yesteryear and teens of today. Both generations are open, honest, and looking for answers. Both are looking for purpose, transcendence, and hope. Both endured large-scale traumas (a perceived unjust war combined with the battle for Civil Rights for the hippies and the trauma of Covid-inspired lockdowns and isolation for our teenagers). Both tend to be looking for answers in all the wrong places. And both have begun to realize that those wrong places don't satisfy.

When the "hippies" started coming to an end of themselves and seeing that the aftermath of drugs, sex, and rock 'n' roll wasn't filling the gaping holes in their souls, many were open to joining the Jesus movement.

Sometimes you have to hit rock bottom, flat on your back, before you can look up. That's what happened with the Jesus movement. When people realized that LSD didn't bring them transcendence; that communal living didn't bring them peace, and countercultural chants didn't change a thing, many were willing to give Jesus a chance.

The results are, well, historic. I believe the same thing is happening today. People are hitting rock bottom of isolation and depression. Despite being ultra-connected, we are the loneliest generation on record. Last month, I took part in a Suicide and Teens conference where the CDC indicated that **57% of teenage girls in the U.S. felt** "**persistently sad or hopeless.**" Around 30% of girls admit they've seriously considered taking their own lives. The bad news is that today's youth is flat on its back, knocked down by sadness, loneliness, and anxiety. The good news is that now they can look up to Jesus.

Now is the time for another Jesus movement! Now is the time to take our young people to this amazing movie (if you haven't already!). Why not take your family to a Saturday afternoon showing? Maybe everybody can dress up like hippies! Hehe! Please send me pictures!) And start simple revival conversations.

Ask questions like:

What would it take to see another Jesus revolution in this generation?

2. What are the roadblocks to this kind of revival?

How can we begin to live this out in our community?

And pray! Spend time in prayer, asking God to start that revival in your hearts and

through our congregation and community! Then ask each family member to identify one person they want to share Jesus with this week. Why? "Because it ain't revival until it spills into the streets!"

And if you can't find the time to see the movie, but others in your family want to see it, let me know. I will definitely go to see it again!

Have a blessed and safe and healthy spring! --Kay

Have your purchased your tickets yet? The Men's Group is selling raffle tickets to win one of three prizes Tickets are \$10 each or 3 for \$20. Grand prize is a 2023 Polaris Sportsman 450 H.O.



ATV, provided by Caroline Motor Sports, Caroline; 2nd prize is a Barnett Whitetail Pro Star Crossbow and 3rd prize is a \$100 Shell gas card. Tickets are available from Pete Fannin or any of the men's group. Drawing will be held on Sunday, Sept. 10, 12 p.m. at St. Peter's. Need not be present to win. Funds will be used for area benevolence needs.



The Marion Food Pantry needs for March are juice, soup and crackers or any non-perishable food items. The Food Pantry wants are dish soap and shampoo. Items may be dropped off at church or at the House of Hope in Marion. Happy Anniversary

> David & Mary Ann Zilz 57 Years

Ron & Vickie Nyhouse April 25



COUNCIL MINUTES

TRUSTEES MEETING February 19, 2023 – 8:00 am

Members present: Krista Enoch, Brian Knight, Tom Anderson, Pete Fannin, Patty Beck

Ex-Officio present: Pastor Janice Kuder, Jackie Baldwin

Peter Fannin called the meeting to order at 8:02 a.m. followed by prayer led by Pastor Janice.

Officers were nominated as follows: President, Pete Fannin; Vice President, Patty Beck; Secretary, Tom Anderson and Treasurer, Brian Knight. Enoch motioned to cast a unanimous ballot for the nominated members, seconded by Beck. Motion carried.

Secretary's report was presented. Knight made a motion to approve the Jan. 15 meeting minutes with the following correction: date changed to January 15. Enoch seconded the motion, motion carried.

The treasurer's report was presented. Anderson made a motion to approve, seconded by Enoch. Motion carried

There was no report from Pastor Janice.

Old Business:

The kitchen stove project was discussed. More discussion will be held concerning if we need the stoves right now, cost, etc.

The generator fund has \$5,230 in it. Discussion of using portables instead of stationary was brough up and the size of this project. The trustees will continue to seek the future vision for St. Peter's.

The report of the HVAC system was presented by Anderson. We are waiting for bids to compare and take action.

The replacement tables project was discussed. Knight will recontact the party whom expressed an interest in purchasing some of the old tables.

The trustees are trying to speak to members who have keys to the church. At present we have no spare keys. The trustees are in agreement to the procedure of calling in advance to Pastor Janice who will then contact one of the trustees or Jackie to make arrangements to have the building open when needed.

New Business:

The Men's Ministry raffle is under way to raise funds for community outreach and benevolence. The drawing will be September 10, 2023.

Next meeting will be held on March 19, 8 a.m., and will be a joint meeting with the Elders.

Enoch motioned to adjourn, seconded by Knight. Meeting adjourned at 8:45 a.m. Respectfully submitted,

Tom Anderson, Secretary

2023 Budget at a Glance 2023 Budget \$145,442.79								
Budgeted For Feb.	Income Received	Expenses	Net Income/ Loss					
\$12,120.24	\$9,665.64	\$10,837.10	-\$1,171.56					

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