

# St. Peter's Lutheran Church



## Worship & Communion Updates

**In-person worship will begin the weekend of May 23-25.** Stay tuned after live stream worship this weekend for a special video on returning to worship.

**Live stream worship will continue this weekend and beyond**, even once we are able to safely resume in-person worship. We strongly encourage anyone to continue to worship from home if you are over 65, if you have underlying health conditions, or if you are simply not comfortable returning to in-person worship at this time.

These services can be accessed through our Facebook page  
([www.Facebook.com/StPetersFW](https://www.facebook.com/StPetersFW)).

[Click here to access the Saturday live stream service.](#)

[Click here to access the Sunday live stream service.](#)

## Special Communion Services

We are offering a special opportunity to receive Holy Communion next Wednesday (May 20). Mini-communion services (approximately 10 minutes long) will be offered every half hour for small groups in the church gym. Services will run from 9:00-11:00 a.m. as well as 6:00-8:00 p.m. Special precautions will be put in place to maintain social distancing. If you choose to join us, please enter through Door 2 only (the south door by the gym). We strongly encourage you to wear a mask.

A special page on our website ([www.stpetersfw.org](http://www.stpetersfw.org)) has been created with all the latest information concerning life and ministry during the pandemic. Please check this page often for updates. [Click here to access that page.](#)

### Church Facebook Page

## Spring Voter's Meeting

The Spring Voter's Meeting, originally scheduled for May 17, has been postponed until Sunday, June 14, 2020, immediately following the 10:30 a.m. worship service.

## Welcome Vicar Nathan Widener

After worship last weekend, Pastor Steve shared a video interview he did with our new Vicar, Nathan Widener, and his wife Amy. If you missed the interview, click the link below to watch it now:

[Interview with Vicar Nate & Amy](#)



## Update Vacation Bible School

Like most everything else, we will be making adjustments to our summer VBS plans as well. The Parish Education team is hard at work developing a new hybrid style VBS that is fun and meaningful for all. Daily lessons and opening/closings will be offered online through video and live stream.

Additionally, each family who registers will have the opportunity to participate in a special train car parade to pick up VBS kits on the first day. Your kit will contain all the supplies you need for fun at-home activities as well as any t-shirts that you pre-order. Registration information will be released next week.

As long as Indiana progresses as planned for the return to normal activities, by the time of VBS you could consider hosting small VBS groups in your backyard. Do you have neighborhood children that you could invite? Do you have family members that would join you? This could be a great opportunity to reach out to the children around you to share the love of Jesus with them.

**This year's VBS will be held on June 28-July 2.**

## Children's Corner

**Children's Bulletin** - [Click here](#) to download and print the Children's Bulletin that goes with this weekend's worship service.

**Video Sunday School** - [Click here](#) to access a video lesson for children. This week's lesson is on how Jesus' Power Calms our Fears.

## Pandemic Financial Tool-Kit

Lutheran Social Services of Indiana is committed to moving families toward economic and family stability. During this unprecedented time of COVID-19, it can be difficult for individuals and families to determine what decisions are best for them. Click the link below to download their financial tool-kit. (It is a compiled list of resources and facts as they are right now – and are subject to change.)

What you will find in this toolkit:  
 Answers to urgent financial questions  
 Connections to resources and more information  
 Strategies to make positive financial decisions

[Click here to download the tool-kit.](#)

## Returning of Masks

Thank you to everyone who picked up mask kits this last week! It's amazing how fast they went. And another big thank you to those who have already brought back completed masks. Keep bringing them in! We're hoping to have some extra ready for next weekend to give to members who arrive without a mask of their own.

## Tithes & Offerings

Thank you for faithfully supporting your church through your tithes, offerings, and Faithfully Forward pledge payments. There are a variety of ways you can submit your contributions. To view a complete list of options (along with instructions), [click here](#).

**You can still mail your offering envelopes to the church office.**

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### Stewardship Corner as of 5/03/20

	<u>Month to Date</u>	<u>Year to Date</u>
<b>Total Giving</b>	\$19,737	\$932,553
<b>Budget</b>	\$16,580	\$946,933
<b>Surplus/(Deficit)</b>	\$3,157	(\$14,380)
<b>Loan Balance</b>	\$2,431,559	

## Special Thanks

Linda and I want to say a BIG, HUGE, THANK YOU to our church family that we miss so very much. The outpouring of cards, calls, prayers simply come so very short of our heartfelt gratitude that EVERYONE has displayed during our walk through this latest cancer journey. We know deep down in our hearts that GOD has heard and responded to all of the prayers and blessed us with a very successful surgery up to and including a full release on April 24th with no restrictions! Watching God at work healing me and strengthening me, the unbelievable patience and hard work, support and courage from Linda has been anything short of miraculous. Praise God.

-Dan Doehermann

St. Peter's Church Family,

Thank you for all the cards and notes sent to me upon the death of my father. Special thanks to Pastor Steve for his call and note with words of comfort. I am happy to be a part of the St. Peter's family.

-Cathy Broome

To the staff,

A BIG thank you for all the mailings and DVDs. May God bless all of you for all of your XTRA work!

-Love, Leila Judt

## Church Calendar

### **Saturday, May 16**

5:00 pm - Worship Live Stream (Facebook)

### **Sunday, May 17**

10:30 am - Worship Live Stream (Facebook)

6:00 pm - High School Youth Group (Zoom)

### **Monday, May 18**

5:30 pm - Preschool Board Meeting (Zoom)

6:00 pm - Day School Board Meeting (Zoom)

### **Wednesday, May 20**

9:00-11:00 am - Communion Services (Church Gym - Enter Door 2)

6:00-8:00 pm - Communion Services (Church Gym - Enter Door 2)

6:00 pm - Finance Team Meeting (Zoom)

### **Thursday, May 21**

6:30 pm - Board of Directors Meeting (Zoom)

### **Worship Next Weekend**

#### **Saturday, May 23**

5:00 pm - Worship (In Person & Live Stream)

#### **Sunday, May 24**

8:00 am - Worship (In Person)

10:30 am - Worship (In Person & Live Stream)

#### **Monday, May 25**

7:00 pm - Worship (In Person)

**[Click here for a copy of May birthdays.](#)**

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