

St. Peter's Lutheran Church

Please note: The Church and School offices will be closed on Monday, February 15, 2021, for President's Day. If you have a pastoral emergency, please contact the pastors directly.

CONNECT to Christ with Us

Worship Times, Links & Details

In-Person Worship

Saturday @ 5:00 pm

Sunday @ 8:00 am

Sunday @ 10:30 am

Monday @ 6:00 pm (Stepping Stones - Gym)

Ash Wednesday @ 12:00 pm (shortened service)

Ash Wednesday @ 7:00 pm (full service)

Weekend Scripture Readings

Old Testament Reading: Exodus 34:29-35

Epistle Reading: 2 Corinthians 3:12-18; 4:1-6

Gospel Reading: Mark 9:2-9

Weekend Sermon

"Take Delight in Jesus"

Mark 9:2-9

Pastor Steve

Ash Wednesday

Ash Wednesday (February 17) marks the beginning of the Lenten season and the return of midweek worship services. Our noon service will be an abbreviated service that involves no singing, but will include communion weekly. The 7:00 pm service will be a traditional midweek service with communion on this Wednesday only. This service will also be available via live stream.

Ash Wednesday Scripture Readings

Old Testament: Joel 2:12-19

Epistle Reading: 2 Corinthians 5:20b-6:10

Gospel Reading: Matthew 6:1-6, 16-21

Ash Wednesday Sermon

"A Call to Return"

Pastor McDowell

Live Stream Worship

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

Sunday @ 10:30 am

[Click here to access this Sunday's live stream service.](#)

Wednesday @ 7:00 pm

[Click here to access the Ash Wednesday service.](#)

Please Note: St. Peter's has a longstanding tradition to not cancel worship services due to weather. We, of course, advise you to exercise caution and only venture out if you feel it is safe for you to do so.

Stepping Stones Worship

How bright is, bright?

[Click here for a short video as Vicar Nate explains.](#)

The Transfiguration of our Lord in the Gospels tells us that Jesus was really bright. Brighter than any one could imagine. In Worship we will see how Jesus' glory and light affects each one of us and how we are moving into the season of Lent.

(As a reminder, Stepping Stones is a worship service, so attendance does count toward the Congregational Scholarship requirement for school families.)

Mission News

Support our Missionary

As partners in our Uruguay Mission, we might be asking, "What does Missionary Sharp need from us?" Apostle Paul gives us the answer as he writes from Rome to the Colossians: "Praying at the same time for us, too, that God may open a door for our message, so that we may proclaim the mystery of Christ, for which I am in chains. Pray that I may proclaim it clearly as I should." (Col. 4:3&4)

God has given Uruguay a missionary who proclaims the mystery of Christ clearly (as we heard in his videotaped sermon). Pray for him, and encourage him by letting him know you are praying for open doors.

Also, consider remembering Pastor Sharp's son, Elias, who is a high school student in the US. Cards, notes, and gift cards from St. Peter's are being gathered and will be sent to him before his March 21st birthday. You can deliver your messages to Elias via the Uruguay box in the Ministry Center by March 14, or send them directly to:

Elias J. Sharp
St. Paul Lutheran H.S.
PO Box 719
205 S. Main St.
Concordia, MO 64020

Photo: One of our new banners which says, "I am the Way, the Truth, and the Life. John 14:6"



GROW in His Grace with Us

Special Lent Family Videos

Grow in your faith as a family during the Lenten season in just 15 minutes each week.

Each Wednesday during Lent, we will post a special Bible lesson video for families to enjoy with their children. Each lesson will include a short narrative from a Bible character followed by instructions for an activity or discussion at home.

These videos will post on St. Peter's YouTube channel and Facebook page each week at 6:30 pm. You will have plenty of time to complete the video and activity before settling in for 7:00 worship either in person or via live stream. (The videos will remain in both locations in case another time in your week is easier for your family.)

For this week's video, you will want to have on hand some kind of scented oil, perfume, or lotion.

Sunday Bible Study:

Join us on Sunday morning at 9:15 am for Bible Study either in person in the Cornerstone Room or online via our YouTube channel.

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

Pastor Steve's Thursday Bible Study:

Pastor Steve continues his study of Hebrews this Thursday at noon in the Sanctuary and via live stream. This is a very in-depth and insightful study.

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

Children's Bulletin

Click the link below to download a copy of the Children's Bulletin for this weekend.

[Children's Bulletin for February 14](#)

SHARE Him with Others

St. Peter's 101

If you are someone you know if new to St. Peter's, we would like to invite you to join us for St. Peter's 101 on Sunday, February 28, 2021, at 9:15 am in the Large Conference Room. We will share information about St. Peter's, her history, her ministry and opportunities, her leaders, and even how to become a member. Child care will be provided. Please RSVP to Michelle Leahy.

HSYG

Thank you for purchasing Chicken Dinners. The Youth deeply appreciate your generosity and support of their mission trip. You have helped them take the next step to getting to

South Dakota to help at the Pine Ridge Reservation. Please, keep us in your prayers as we get ready for our mission trip in June.

Youth:

We will meet in the Sanctuary this Sunday the 14th from 6-8 pm.
Meeting topic: Modern Ideologies & the Bible

Compassionate Care Collection

Time Goes Fast - For a few more weeks we are focusing on helping the Rescue Mission/Charis House with much needed underwear – we all need it. Here are a wide range of sizes which we all can find as we shop in-person, on-line delivered or pick-up at store. Needed: for men sizes medium to 4X, for women 5-4X and all sizes for children. Sponsored by the Lutheran Women's Missionary League helping us all reach out. Collection baskets in the North Corridor and Ministry Center.

Altar Flower Dates Available

Please contact Carol Nahrwold at 486-1727 if you would like to reserve any of the dates below:

March 6-8

~~March 13-15~~

~~March 27-29~~

May 1-3

~~June 19-21~~

~~October 23-25~~

Tithes & Offerings

To view a complete list of giving options (along with instructions), [click here](#).

Stewardship Corner as of 1/31/21

Be bold in your generosity and find joy in your giving! Thank you!

	<u>Month to Date</u>	<u>Year to Date</u>	<u>Other Revenue</u>
Total Giving	\$124,993	\$622,346	\$62,228
Budget	\$84,953	\$602,282	\$103,169
Surplus/(Deficit)	\$40,040	\$20,064	(\$40,941)
Loan Balance	\$2,021,854		

Planned Giving – The goal of planned giving is to help you plan your estate in a way that benefits you, your family, and organizations that you support. Your planned gift to St. Peter's Church and School can have a huge impact on the future of St. Peters and can be as simple as making your church the beneficiary in your will, on a life policy, or in your retirement plan. If you have questions or need guidance in this area, please contact Tony Hunt, Director of Advancement. Thanks to the members that have already notified us of their planned giving intentions.

Kroger Community Rewards - A big thank you to our members and the Kroger Community Rewards program. We received our quarterly donation of \$472.70. These donations total nearly \$2,000 of additional support for our school each year. If you are not in the program, please consider joining over 155 families that have linked their Kroger Plus card to the community rewards program in support of St. Peter's. Simply go to <https://www.kroger.com/i/community/community-rewards> and sign up. Our code is WG079 under St. Peter's Lutheran School – Scrip. Any questions please email Tony.

School Updates

Open Enrollment

We are already looking ahead to the 2021/2022 school year. Enrollment is now open for members of St. Peter's and the community. St. Peter's partners with families to provide a Christ-centered education that nurtures faith in Christ, promotes discipleship, develops God-given talents, and encourages academic excellence. Please share this information with anyone you know who may be interested in enrolling their child(ren) age 2 through 8th grade. Contact the school office to learn more or to schedule a personal visit (260-749-5811).

Church Calendar

Saturday, February 13

- 10:00 am - Funeral for Lois Massucci (Sanctuary)
- 3:00 pm - Praise Team Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
- 5:00 pm - Worship w/ Praise Team (In Person)
- 8:00 pm - Men's Basketball (Church Gym)

Sunday, February 14

- 8:00 am - Worship (In-Person)
- 9:15 am - Adult Bible Class (Cornerstone Room & Live Stream)
- 9:15 am - Public School Confirmation (Church Gym)
- 9:45 am - Praise Team Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
- 10:30 am - Worship w/ Praise Team (In-Person & Live Stream)
- 6:00 pm - HSYG (Sanctuary)

Monday, February 15

No School/Preschool; Church office closed

- 6:00 pm - Stepping Stones Worship (Church Gym)
- 6:00 pm - Finance Committee Meeting (Zoom)

Wednesday, February 17

- 12:00 pm - Ash Wednesday Worship Service (In Person)
- 5:30 pm - School Board Meeting (Large Conference Room)
- 7:00 pm - Ash Wednesday Worship Service (In Person & Live Stream)

Thursday, February 18

- 6:30 am - Men's Bible Study (Goeglein's Fireplace Room)
- 9:00 am - Ladies Aid Quilting (Cornerstone Room)
- 12:00 pm - Pastor Steve's Bible Study (Sanctuary & Live Stream)
- 6:30 pm - Board of Directors Meeting (Cornerstone Room)
- 8:00 pm - Men's Basketball (Church Gym)

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