St. Peter's Lutheran Church



CONNECT to Christ with Us September 12, 2021 Praise Team Weekend (Sat 5 & Sun 10:30)

In-Person Worship

Saturday @ 5:00 pm Sunday @ 8:00 am Sunday @ 10:30 am Monday @ 6:00 pm

Live Stream Worship

These services can be found on our Facebook page www.Facebook.com/StPetersFW

Sermon

"Reality - The Place Where God Gives Us the Power to Live" Text: Mark 9:14-29 Pastor Steve Ahlersmeyer

Weekend Bulletin

Large Print Bulletins are available from an Elder before each service.

Worship Readings

Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 50:4-10

> Epistle Reading: James 3:1-12

Gospel Reading: Mark 9:14-29

GROW in His Grace with Us

SP101 & AIC

This Sunday, September 12th at 9:15 in the Large Conference Room join us to learn about the process for becoming a member and about new member classes starting September 28th.

Music Ministry

Wednesday, September 8th begins rehearsals every Wednesday for Adult Choir from 6:30-7:45 pm in the Cornerstone Room and Brass Band Rehearsals from 8-9 pm in the Sanctuary Balcony. Please join us!

If you're interested in joining the Handbell Choir, send an email to our Director of Music, Tim Degen at tdegen@stpetersfw.org.

Sunday Bible Study

A new study led by Denny Borchers called *God's Word is our Foundation* begins this weekend at 9:15 am in the Cornerstone Room and via live stream on our YouTube channel.

HSYG

Next meeting, this Sunday, September 12th from 6-8 pm at the Parish House. Elections for the Youth Officers will be held at this meeting.

Pastor Steve's Bible Study

Thursday Bible Study resumes September 16th at noon in the Sanctuary. This study will not be livestreamed.

Tuesday Ladies Bible Study

Tuesday, September 14, The Ladies Bible class will begin the study, *Jesus, the God who knows your name*.

Join us in the large conference room at 9:30 - 11:00 a.m. each Tuesday. If you are planning to attend, please contact Barbara Borchers or let the church office know.

Public School Confirmation

Orientation Class Sunday, September 12th at 9:15 in the Large Conference Room. Parents, plan to attend this meeting to enroll and fill out paperwork. If you have questions, send an email to <u>pastorahlersmeyer@stpetersfw.org</u>.

Senior Saints

September Lunch & Learn will be held on Monday, September 20 at 11:30 am in the Cornerstone Room. Sign up in the Ministry Center so we can prepare a delicious lunch of lasagna, sides, & dessert. Lunch will cost \$5 and can be paid at the church office. Our guest speaker will be Missionary Joe Boway from Liberian Children's Mission.

Hope Sessions

Put this on your calendar! Starting October 5th through November 9th, join us for dinner at 6 pm and then classes for all ages split and begin at 6:45 pm.



There is HOPE

About 123 Americans die by suicide each day, according to statistics reported by Suicide Awareness Voices of Education (SAVE). There is no common thread among those who die by suicide, other than their feelings of overwhelming despair.

Oftentimes, suicide is caused by depression that's compounded by other life circumstances—like physical illness, substance use, job loss, divorce or PTSD. The effect of these stressors can leave a person feeling like there is no hope. But nothing could be further from the truth! For those willing to seek help and start the journey to better mental health, hope is always on the horizon.

See the back of this News & Notes for a list of resources for you or a loved one.

SHARE Him with Others

Compassionate Care Collection Annual Cereal Collection for the Seminary

In September we will compassionately care for our Fort Wayne seminary students and their families through our annual CEREAL FOR THE SEMINARY COLLECTION. All breakfast foods are welcomed: dry cereal, hot cereal, pop tarts, pancake mix, syrup. Collection baskets are in the Ministry Center and North Corridor.

Knotters Silent Auction Sneak Preview and Early Bird Bidding will begin on September 25 and 26.

Visit the Ministry Center on September 25-26 to see a sample of quilts and other items created by our Knotters as well as some hand quilted items created by our Thursday Quilters. Bidding will continue on October 2nd and 3rd and wrap up after services on that weekend. All funds raised by bids will be used to help cover costs of shipping of our quilts and kits to those in



need around the world through Lutheran World Relief.

Thank You...

Sponsors

- Danny & Karen Marquart in celebration and thankfulness of their 35th Wedding Anniversary (4th Qt Portals)
- > Gloria Nietert in memory of Ron Nietert (4th Qt Lg Print Portals)
- Tim & Theresa Donovan (N&N Postage)
- Tim & Rhonda Scott in celebration of their 34th Wedding Anniversary (Worship Supplies)

A few special thank yous to the Garden Club!

- I enjoyed some fried potatoes and a delicious tomato and mayo sandwich from the picked produce you provided.
- Please tell the Garden Club thank you for sharing their love of food with us.

I am thankful for ...

- The memory of my father.
- Our families!
- Retirement
- What's on my heart
- What's in my prayers
- Our church

Tithes & Offerings

Stewardship Corner as of 8/29/2021

God certainly gives us what is good; let us return a portion to him!

	Month to Date	<u>Year to Date</u>	<u>Other Revenue</u>
Total Giving	\$97,736	\$181,414	-
Budget	\$89,626	\$177,349	\$6,185
Surplus/(Deficit)	\$8,110	\$4,065	(\$6,185)

Loan Balance \$1,830,643

The Fort Wayne Lutheran is our Special Offering in the month of September. Drop your offering envelope in the wooden church in the Ministry Center.

Ways to Serve

The Church Office is compiling a list of ways members can serve our church. There are a lot of different ways to serve each ministry with a variety of commitment levels. More opportunities are coming! Stay tuned and thank you for prayerfully considering!

School & Preschool News **Preschool Giving Tree**

78 preschool children are excited for classes to begin. Our classrooms will soon be filled with learning, songs and laughter as we begin our Amazing Race With Jesus. If you are looking for a way to support our preschool, you can pick a letter from our Giving Tree located in the Ministry Center. Each letter is labeled with a supply that is needed to help our children in class. Please purchase the supply



listed and return it to the tree. We thank you for equipping our Amazing Race.

2021 Wildcat Pride Benefit Auction

Saturday, September 18, 2021; 6pm - Gymnasium

Join us for our annual Wildcat Pride Benefit Auction supporting St. Peter's Lutheran School. The evening will be filled with unique auction items, an amazing meal from Goeglein's, and exciting entertainment from Jerry Ehle - our auctioneer!

Tickets are \$50 per guest and can be purchased through the School Office.

We would appreciate your support through a monetary or in-kind donation!

 Please contact Emily Campbell auction@stpetersfw.org regarding donations and sponsorship opportunities!

Do you love to bake? If so, our 2021 Wildcat Pride Benefit Auction would appreciate your help! Donated pies and cakes can be dropped off at the church kitchen on Friday, 09/17 or before 12pm on Saturday, 09/18. Please add your name to the sign up sheet in the Ministry Center - we'd love to send you a thank you note!

Lord's Week at a Glance

Saturday, September 11

9:00 am – Calling 11:00 am – Funeral Joan Shank (Sanctuary) 3:30 pm – Praise Team Rehearsal 5:00 pm – Worship w/ Praise Team (Sanctuary) **Sunday, September 12** 8:00 am - Worship (Sanctuary) 9:15 am – Bible Study (Cornerstone Rm) 9:15 am – Public School Confirmation Orientation (Gym) 9:15 am – SP101 (Large Conference Rm) 9:45 am – Praise Team Rehearsal (Sanctuary) 10:30 am – Worship w/Praise Team(Sanctuary) 1:00 pm – Calling (Sanctuary) 2:00 pm – Funeral for Bob Compton
6:00 pm – HSYG Meeting (Parish House)
Monday, September 13
6:00 pm – Worship (Sanctuary)
Tuesday, September 14
9:30 am – Ladies Bible Study (Large Conf Rm)
Wednesday, September 15
6:30 pm–Adult Choir (Cornerstone Rm)
8:00 pm – Brass Band Rehearsal (Balcony)
Thursday, September 16
6:30 am - Men's Bible Study (Goeglein's)
9:00 am – Ladies Aid Quilting (Cornerstone Rm)
12:00 – Pastor Steve's Bible Study (Sanctuary)
7:00 pm – Board of Elders Meeting (Sanctuary)