

St. Peter's Lutheran Church



CONNECT to Christ with Us **October 3, 2021** **Communion Sunday & LWML Weekend**

In-Person Worship

Saturday @ 5:00 pm

Sunday @ 8:00 am

Sunday @ 10:30 am

Monday @ 6:00 pm (Mask Required)

Live Stream Worship

These services can be found on
our Facebook page

[www.Facebook.com/StPetersFW](https://www.facebook.com/StPetersFW)

Weekend Bulletin

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

Sermon

“Pay Attention!”

Text: Hebrews 2:1-4

Pastor Steve Ahlersmeyer

Worship Readings

Old Testament Reading: Genesis 2:18-25

Epistle Reading: Hebrews 2:1-4

Gospel Reading: Mark 10:2-16

Monday night worship continues
through October as a mask required
service. We will determine the
extension of this on a month by
month basis.



Dear friends in Christ,

October is going to be an exciting month!

During the coming year, St. Peter's has committed to helping our congregation. We know that many of us struggle with stress reduction and anxiety within our church body. Recently, a large number of you participated in an anonymous survey from the Lutheran Foundation and shared your issues with us. Thanks to your contribution the church staff here at St. Peter's has responded by choosing to address these topics. Throughout the month of October, we are providing awareness and helpful links through News & Notes and Facebook to help those of you who are struggling or know someone who is.

On October 5th at 6:00 p.m., Hope Sessions will continue this process by offering you the opportunity to share some of your real-life concerns. Come to talk or learn more about topics like wellness in our "Living without Balance" session, "Christian Anxiety" session, or how to walk alongside a child who is experiencing mental health in our "Heartache in the Family" session. Starting this coming Tuesday, Hope Sessions are a place to share, listen, and learn how the love of Jesus Christ has an impact on everyone.

Additionally, St. Peter's hopes that you will join us for our first Quarterly Awareness event on October 17th @ 5:00 p.m. Professor Alice Jordan-Miles from Purdue University of Fort Wayne is coming to speak with us regarding our neighbors here in Northeast Indiana and their mental health concerns. Come for a great speaker and a fundraising dinner sponsored by the St. Peter's High School Youth Group.

Finally, we wanted to let you know that St. Peter's has received a grant from the Lutheran Foundation to support these projects. This has allowed us to further employ Vicar Nate Widener which allows him to help us craft the Community of Care and prepare for the future.

Here at St. Peter's our goal is to Connect, Grow, and Share with you in the love of Christ.

GROW in His Grace with Us



Hope Sessions

It's starts this Tuesday! 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. Even if you haven't signed up yet, just come and see what we're up to.



Music Ministry News

We are thrilled to announce our Music Ministry officially returns to worship this weekend!

- The Adult Choir will sing at the 8:00am Sunday service.
- The Junior Choir will sing at the 10:30am Sunday service.
- The Brass Band will play at both the 8:00am & 10:30am Sunday services.

Also, this weekend in all our worship services, we will sing "Lift High the Cross" to conclude St. Peter's Day School's September Hymn of the Month. The students have been enjoying singing this hymn in chapel each week, as well as learning about it and singing it in their music classes. We invite the congregation to celebrate this great hymn by raising your voices in song this weekend.

October's Hymn of the Month will be "A Mighty Fortress is Our God", and we will sing this hymn in worship the weekend of October 30-31.

October Awareness Event + Oktoberfest

The Status of Mental Health in These Changing Times

Sunday, October 17, 2021,
at 5:00 pm in the Sanctuary
(Dinner will follow in the Gym.)



Join us for a unique event that supports our Youth Group, on their journey toward the National Youth Gathering, and promotes awareness of Mental Health in North East Indiana. This special Oktoberfest Meal is limited to 150 people so sign up soon to guarantee your reservation.

Pastor Steve's Bible Study

Thursday at noon in the Sanctuary. This study will not be livestreamed.

Sunday Bible Study

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

Tuesday Ladies Bible Study

Join us in the large conference room at 9:30 - 11:00 a.m. each Tuesday for the study, *Jesus, the God who knows your name*.

SHARE Him with Others

Red Cross Blood Drive

Help Save a Life.....Schedule Your Blood Donation Today!

The American Red Cross is facing a huge shortage of blood donations and need your help. St. Peter's will be hosting a blood drive on Sunday, October 10 from 9 am to 2 pm in the Church Gym. To schedule your donation go to redcrossblood.org. Walk-In appointments will also be available if there are open time slots.

LWML

VIDEOS, SONGS- NEW WAYS TO REACH THE BURMESE in Fort Wayne and wherever this immigrant community lives.

Fall Gathering of Lutheran women. Saturday, Oct 2 at Emanuel Lutheran Church, 800 Green Street, New Haven, IN, Registration and light breakfast at 8:30 and fee of \$6.00.

Ingathering for Journey, Birth and Wellness
Infant and postpartum supplies.
Sponsored by the Lutheran Women's Missionary League. To register call Elise Koenemann by Sunday Sept 28 at 493-3923 (you may have to leave a message).

Knotters Silent Auction

Place your final bids this weekend!

This is the final weekend to place bids on the quilts and other items in the Ministry Center. The Silent Auction will close after Monday night service. We will also have a selection of items for cash and carry that include washcloths, crochet baby blankets, and hanging towels. Please visit the ministry center to help support the Knotters project to send needed items throughout the world through Lutheran World Relief.



Faithfully Forward Campaign Update



Find out where we stand on our current Faithfully Forward Campaign by going to our St. Peter's YouTube Page or going to this [link](https://youtu.be/ySCYLprmdTQ); <https://youtu.be/ySCYLprmdTQ>. Thank you to all of St. Peter's for supporting the ministry.

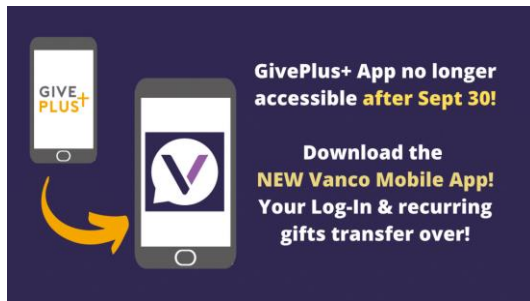
Tithes & Offerings

Stewardship Corner as of 9/19/2021

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

	<u>Month to Date</u>	<u>Year to Date</u>	<u>Other Revenue</u>
Total Giving	\$49,618	\$231,031	-
Budget	\$69,360	\$246,708	\$6,185
Surplus/(Deficit)	(\$19,742)	(\$15,677)	(\$6,185)
Loan Balance	\$1,803,005		

LWML is our Special Offering in the month of October. Drop your offering envelope in the wooden church in the Ministry Center.



Attention Give+ Mobile App Users: At the end of September the Give+ Mobile app is being replaced by Vanco Mobile. You will need to download the Vanco Mobile Faith Engagement app from the Apple or Google app store. Search for "St Peters Lutheran Church" and look for our cross logo and our address to make sure you have selected the correct organization. IF you have any questions, please contact the Church Office.

Lord's Week at a Glance

Saturday, October 2

LWML Quilt Auction

5:00 pm – Worship w/communion (Sanctuary)

Sunday, October 3

LWML Quilt Auction

8:00 am – Worship w/communion (Sanctuary)

9:15 am - Bible Study (Cornerstone Rm)

9:15 am – Public School Confirmation (Large Conf Rm)

10:30 am – Worship w/communion (Sanctuary)

6:00 pm – Pickleball (Gym)

Monday, October 4

LWML Quilt Auction

9:00 am – Knotters (Parish House)

6:00 pm – Worship w/communion (Sanctuary)

Tuesday, October 5

9:30 am – Ladies Bible Study (Large Conf Rm)

6:00 pm – HOPE Dinner (Cornerstone Room)

6:45 pm – HOPE Sessions

Wednesday, October 6

6:30 pm – MSYG (School cafeteria)

6:30 pm–Adult Choir (Cornerstone Rm)

8:00 pm – Brass Band Rehearsal (Balcony)

Thursday, October 7

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)

5:00 pm- Advancement Committee (Lg Conf)

5:15 pm – Nominating Team Meeting (Cornerstone Room)

6:00 pm – Youth Board Meeting (Staff Conference Room)

7:00 pm – Ministry Impact Team Meeting (Cornerstone Room)

