

St. Peter's Lutheran Church



CONNECT TO CHRIST WITH US

Good Friday, Holy Saturday, & Easter
April 15-17, 2022

Live Stream Worship Friday at 7pm & Sunday at 10:30am

These services can be found on our Facebook page

www.Facebook.com/StPetersFW

Large Print Bulletins are available from an Elder.



Good Friday Sermon

"Witnesses to Christ: John"

**Pastor Steve
Ahlersmeyer**



Holy Saturday Sermon

"Witnesses to Christ: Nicodemus"

Vicar Nathan Widener



Easter Sunday Sermon

"Surprise...Jesus is Alive"

Pastor Adam McDowell

Holy Saturday Readings

Old Testament: *Isaiah 43:16-21*
Epistle: *2 Corinthians 5:14-19*
Gospel: *John 19:38-42*

Easter Sunday Readings

Old Testament: *Jeremiah 31:1-6*
Epistle: *Colossians 3:1-4*
Gospel: *John 20:1-18*

GROW IN HIS GRACE WITH US

Pastor Steve's Bible Study

Pastor Steve's Thursday Bible Study continues every Thursday at noon in the Large Conference Room.

Tuesday Ladies Bible Study

Tuesdays 9:30 - 11:00 am
Large Conference Room

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Bring pictures, etc. of Noah/ark

High School Youth Group (HSYG)

Next meeting is this Sunday, April 24th from 6-8 pm at the Parish House.

Confirmation

Confirmation Rehearsal

Friday, April 22nd @ 6:00 pm

Confirmation Service

Sunday, April 24th @ 1:00 pm

Sunday Bible Study

Creation, was it "big bang", "chaos", or "on purpose with a plan by a Power that always was, is and will be?" Join the Sunday Adult Bible Class at 9:15 am.

LWML Fort Wayne Spring Rally

Saturday, April 23, 2022

Christ Lutheran Church, 4412 Park St., Woodburn
\$6 Registration at the door - 9:00 am - 11:30 am
"Using the Hymnal in the Home"

Dr. Jon Eifert, Director of Parish Music at St. Michael's Lutheran Church in Richville, MI - *Using the Hymnal as a Guide for Personal and Family Devotions*. He will also share his musical gifts during a short hymn sing.

St. Peter's Compassionate Care Collection this month is part of a larger district ingathering. We are asked to collect burp cloths. Collection baskets in the Ministry Center and North Corridor.

Please pre-register to Elise Koenemann by Sunday, April 17 at celerysoup@frontier.com or 493-3923

"Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, teaching and admonishing one another in all wisdom, singing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, with thankfulness in your hearts to God." - Colossians 3:16



Starting again Tuesday
April 19th @ 5:30 pm
Come connect with us!
We're EXCITED!

HOPE Sessions Start

Dinner for April 19th is Tater Tot casserole, fruit, & cookies.

Printed class schedules & dinner menus are in the Ministry Center. If you would like these mailed to you, call the Church Office and we'll drop one in the mail that day.

Upcoming Quarterly Awareness Event Sunday, May 1st @ 5 pm *Speaker: Toni Lovell*



Toni Lovell is a Licensed Clinical Social Worker and a Licensed Addiction Counselor with over 22 years of experience in the fields of social work, mental health and addiction. She specializes in the areas of trauma, anxiety, depression, addiction, chronic homelessness, and relationship issues.

She has spent 21 years working at The Rescue Mission working with the homeless population before transitioning to LSSI in August of 2019. She was the Vice President of Programs and was responsible for all of the programs that were offered for men, women and children.

Currently, Toni serves as the Director of Clinical Services for LSSI and oversees the Balance Works Program, which is their mental health initiative and includes office-based therapy. Toni has been happily married for almost 22 years and has two children, ages 14 and 16.

Join us May 1st at 5 pm to listen to Toni going into a deeper dive with ways family members, loved ones, and friends can be helpful and supportive to someone dealing with substance abuse.

Compassionate Care Collection: LWML Ingathering

St. Peter's Compassionate Care Collection this month is part of a larger district ingathering. We are asked to collect **burp cloths** for Chris' Cupboard, the Burmese Ministry. Collection baskets in the Ministry Center and North Corridor.

Easter Lily Sign Up

The EASTER LILY sign up sheet is in the ministry center. **You can still sign up this weekend!**

You may take the Easter Lily home after the 10:30 service on Easter or leave it for a donation to a member in need. A thank you Easter treat is waiting for those who sign up!

Cemetery Clean Up

Cemetery clean up time. Seasonal decorations in the cemetery will be removed before Easter weekend unless they are new ones for the spring season.

SHARE HIM WITH OTHERS

Mental Health Focus: Self-Harm & Warning Signs

Warning signs that someone may be injuring themselves include:

- Unexplained frequent injuries including cuts and burns,
- Low self-esteem,
- Difficulty handling feelings,
- Relationship problems or avoidance of relationships, and
- Poor functioning at work, school or home.

People who self-injure may attempt to conceal their marks, such as bruises, scabs or scars with clothing, and you may notice them wearing inappropriate clothing like long sleeves and pants in hot weather. If discovered, a person who self-injures may often make excuses as to how an injury happened (for instance, "I fell" or "The cat scratched me"). To learn more, go to: <https://mhanational.org/conditions/self-injury-cutting-self-harm-or-self-mutilation>





Sponsors

- Frank & Chris Hartman in celebration of their 50th Wedding Anniversary
 - Quarter 2: Portals of Prayer
- Ron & Gale Fiebig in honor of their parents.
 - Quarter 2: Hopeful Living
- Tim & Theresa Donovan
 - Postage for mailed News & Notes

Thank Offerings

I am thankful for...

- The Spring Leadership Conference
- My Church
- Our birthdays
- St. Pete's
- Steady Work
- The blessings of Easter

A few special thank yous and shout outs:

There aren't enough words to express our heartfelt gratitude to our St. Peter's family who prayed, sent cards, provided words of encouragement, and so much more during Jan's battle with cancer, her recent hospitalization and her passing. Special thanks to Pastor Steve, Pastor McDowell, Vicar Nate, and Pastor Koehneke for their visits and phone calls with our family during those final days and beyond. We are also grateful for the love and care shown by the staff and funeral ushers, as well as those who set-up, cleaned up, served, and provided for the funeral dinner. The selfless giving of your time did not go unnoticed. - Otto Bradtmueller & family

During our 78 years the generosity you have shown through your in-kind donations is an example of how we have been lifted up by the community to serve those with unique needs. - Turnstone

SCHOOL UPDATES



Preschool Celebration

We are excited to invite the congregation to a Celebration of the 20th Anniversary of the Preschool with an Open House and reception on the 23rd and 24th of April following the 5pm and 10:30 am services respectively. Tour the preschool and celebrate the changes and updates that have happened throughout the years.

You'll also have the opportunity to provide support for laying a new brick path that replaces the loose rock leading out to the Preschool playground. Bricks can be engraved with a name or inscription of your choosing. Medium bricks will be \$75 each and Large bricks will be \$100 each. The Open House will be the kick off of the sale of these bricks.

Auction

Your next adventure awaits!

Our annual Wildcat Pride Benefit Auction will be held Saturday, May 14th. Experience far away lands, see incredibly sights, and marvel at the wonders of the world! Limited tickets available [here](#). Contact [Emily Campbell](#) to learn how you can help! Sponsorships opportunities and all donations will be graciously accepted.

Scrip Sale

Scrip Sales are winding down. Mark your calendars for the last two weekends Scrip will be available in the Ministry Center: 4/30-5/1 and 5/21-5/22.

Be on the lookout for Mother's Day and Graduation Specials.

Remember, you can order scrip anytime through the School Office. Orders in by Tuesday at 2 pm will often be ready for you to pick up by Thursday. There won't be any in-person Scrip Sales in June or July.

TITHES & OFFERINGS

Stewardship Corner as of 4/3/2022

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>
			<small>Thru February</small>
Total Giving	\$ 19,434	\$ 924,631	\$ 13,610
Budget	\$ 23,986	\$ 923,442	\$ 20,984
Surplus/(Deficit)	(\$ 4,552)	\$ 1,189	(\$ 7,374)
Loan Balance	\$1,407,365		

While there is no special offering this month, consider a

Thank Offering

that's *unique to you* instead.

You'll find these envelopes in your packets
& can drop them in here or the offering plate.

SO MUCH TO

Celebrate

***St. Peter's collected
\$592 for the February
Special Offering going
to the CLHS Performing
Arts.***

LORD'S WEEK AT A GLANCE

Friday, April 15

Good Friday - Church Office Closed/No School

12:00 pm - Worship Service (Sanctuary)

7:00 pm - Worship Service (Sanctuary)

Saturday, April 16

Holy Saturday

8:00 am - Altar Guild Easter Set-Up (Sanctuary)

5:00 pm - Easter Vigil Worship w/ Communion

7:00 pm - HSYG Basketball (Church Gym)

Sunday, April 17

Easter Sunday

6:30 am - Sunrise Service w/ Communion

8:00 am - Easter Worship w/ Communion

9:15 am - Adult Bible Study (Cornerstone)

9:15 am - Public School Confirmation (Large Conference Room)

10:30 am - Easter Worship w/ Communion

KOTK Available

Monday, April 18

Easter Monday - Church Office Closed/No School

6:00 pm - Finance Committee (Zoom)

Tuesday, April 19

9:30 pm - Ladies Bible Study (Large Conference)

11:00 pm - Senior Saints Planning Team Meeting
(Large Conference Room)

5:30 pm - HOPE Sessions Dinner

6:15 pm - HOPE Sessions Classes Begin

Wednesday, April 20

10:00 am - Nicole Cichocki Calling

11:00 am - Nicole Cichocki Funeral

3:00 pm - Honor Flight Meeting (Cornerstone Rm)

6:00 pm - Support Group (Staff Conference Rm)

6:30 pm - Adult Choir Rehearsal (Cornerstone)

8:00 pm - Brass Band Rehearsal (Sanctuary Balcony)

Thursday, April 21

6:30 am - Men's Bible Study (Cornerstone Room)

9:00 am - Ladies Aid Quilting (Cornerstone Room)

12:00 pm - Pastor Steve's Bible Study (Large Conference Room)

6:30 pm - Board of Directors Meeting (Large Conference Room)

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

Friday, April 22

6:00 pm - Confirmation Rehearsal

