

# ST. PETER'S LUTHERAN CHURCH



**In-Person Worship**  
SATURDAY @ 5 PM  
SUNDAY @ 8 AM  
SUNDAY @ 10:30 AM



**Live Stream Worship**  
Sunday @ 10:30 AM  
[www.Facebook.com/StPetersFW](http://www.Facebook.com/StPetersFW)



## CONNECT TO CHRIST WITH US

**January 21-22, 2023**

Third Sunday after the Epiphany

**Praise Team Weekend**

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### **Sermon**

"Seek His Face"

Text: Psalm 27

**Pastor Nathan Widener**

### **Worship Readings**

Old Testament: *Isaiah 9:1-4*

Epistle: *1 Corinthians 1:10-18*

Gospel: *Matthew 4:12-25*



**Prayer Text Hotline**

Text requests to  
**260-468-5816**

**On-Call Pastor  
(Call or Text)**

**260-888-6888**

**New National Mental  
Health Emergency  
Phone Number**

**988**

## Historical Corner

*UPCOMING THEME: Origin Story*

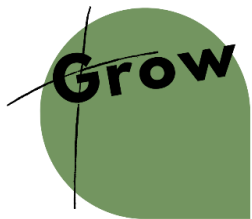
Thank you to everyone who participated in and shared with us their enjoyment of the first display we had in the new Historical Corner which highlighted several archived Advent, Christmas, and Epiphany pieces. Our upcoming theme goes back as far as we're able in our first decades of when St. Peter's came to be. If you have any items you would like to donate or be "on-loan" that recognize our beginning, starting in 1855 and through the turn of the century, please drop them off in the Church Office by Monday, January 30th along with your name and description of the item(s).



### Kids of the Kingdom: Volunteers Still Needed



THANK YOU so MUCH to Leah Fultz and Robin Kovacs for teaming up and taking care of all of February! We spied Karin Brown's name on there too! Thanks Karin! That means a lot! Take a look ahead, grab a buddy and sign up for March, April or May. Find the sign up in the Ministry Center.



## GROW IN HIS GRACE WITH US

### Bible Studies

#### Sunday Bible Study

Sunday bible study returns following the holidays as we continue our study in Leviticus with Pastor McDowell.

#### Tuesday Ladies Bible Study

*Large Conference Room from 9:30 - 11:00 am*

#### Tuesday Evening Care Groups

*(These groups will pause during HOPE Sessions-join us there at 6:15 pm, or come earlier for a dinner & fellowship!)*

#### Thursday Morning Men's Bible Study

Bible Study will be Thursday mornings at 6:30 am in the Cornerstone Room.

#### Pastor Steve's Thursday Noon Bible Study

A weekly noon Bible Study focused on the book of Revelation.



HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP

### Chicken Dinner Tickets

No need to cook for the Superbowl! Get your Chicken Dinner tickets in the Ministry Center before or after service from our Youth. Dinners are \$12/ticket and will be ready for pick up February 12th.





Dinner for 1/24

Potato Soup

Sloppy Joe Sliders

Coleslaw & 

Peach Crisp

**Winter HOPE Sessions:** Starting THIS Tuesday

Dinner @ 5:30 pm (Cornerstone)

Whole Group Devotion @ 6:15 pm (Cornerstone)

Classes @ 6:30 pm (ALL Church)

## What's Love Got to Do with It?

with Pastor Nate

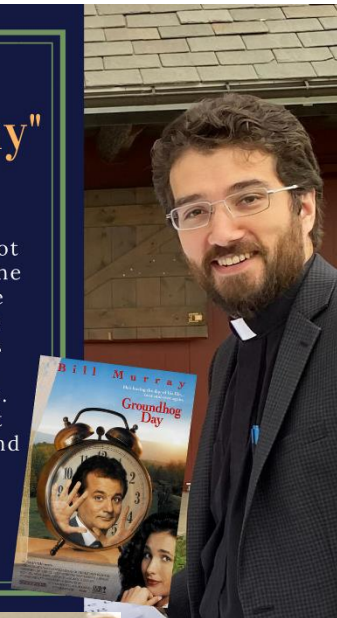
Valentine's Day is around the corner, and here at Hope Sessions we want to do what we can to help your holiday be a great one! What's Love Got to Do with It, is a class designed for couples, or singles, who want to take a look at what the Bible has to say about the timeless aspects of Love, Communication, and Respect contained within its pages. Join us as we explore what these ancient words mean to our 21st century relationships. Afterall, what's love got to do with it? Everything!



## 4 Days of "Groundhog Day"

with Pastor McDowell

Bill Murray's character proclaims, "I am a god, but not THE God... I don't think" in the movie "Groundhog Day" as he wrestles with living the same day over and over again. This class explores themes in the movie that relate to our lives. We'll laugh and ponder about how God governs each day and how His will intersects with ours.



## The Intersection of Church & State

with Pastor Steve

The Intersection of Church & State examines the dynamic give-and-take relationship that has marked the crossroads of church and state in this country. Though roadblocks are frequent where the two meet, there is still tremendous potential for cooperative work to be done.

Using expert commentary from academics, church and civic leaders, agency professionals and others, this study underscores the healthy collaboration between church and state in caring for the needy, settling refugees, child adoption, chaplain services and more. It will also consider how these historical church and state partnerships are jeopardized. In the end, it will suggest a far superior metaphor in describing the church-state relationship is not one using a wall or barrier but, instead, an intersection, which benefits us all.



## Drums of Praise

with Alicia Rodenbeck

Drums Alive is a program that utilizes "whole brain - whole body" thinking by developing sensory motor reflexes and kinesthetic awareness. The physiological and psychological benefits are numerous including those found in traditional forms of aerobic fitness. Drumming has also been found to improve and increase the neurological connection between the 2 brain hemispheres, stimulating Alpha brain wave activity which can lead to higher levels of concentration, sensory/motor improvement, and an overall sense of well-being.

In Drums of Praise, Certified Drums Alive Coach, Alicia Rodenbeck, will lead participants through a short meditation on a verse highlighting God's Masterwork in the human body before leading a fun and uplifting drumming workout suitable for all ages and abilities. Come to drum away some stress or to dance and find some joy!



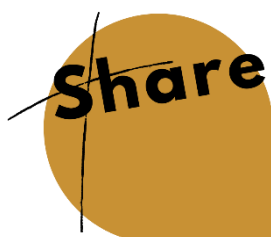
## From Mourning to Joy

with Michelle Leahy

No matter the circumstances of the loss, the grief recovery process is a painful one that follows no predefined track or time limits. It is a process that at times threatens to consume us and to extinguish our hope. It is a journey that can leave us with unanswered questions and newfound challenges. The world consoles us by stating that over time the grief will shrink, but how can that be possible? Frankly, it isn't.

Grief is not something that shrinks; instead, over time we grow around that grief and learn to live again while carrying the pain we have experienced. From Mourning to Joy is a facilitator led group that will examine expert advice on growing during times of grief. Unanswered questions will be embraced as we search the Scriptures for answers.

Through our discussions, we will have the opportunity to share our pain and to support and encourage one another. You do not have to grieve alone. Let us help you carry that pain on your journey from mourning to joy.



## SHARE HIM WITH OTHERS

### Capital Campaign: First Impressions You're Invited!

Pastor Steve is hosting a gathering discussing some critical and exciting things to come in 2023 and beyond. The church would like to invite anyone who is interested in sharing your thoughts and insights as we plan and dream about things God has in store for us.

There are two available dates from which you can choose. Please call the church office to RSVP or email [churchoffice@stpetersfw.org](mailto:churchoffice@stpetersfw.org) to choose your date. This meeting should last about 90 minutes and a light dessert will be served.

- Tuesday, January 24th @ 2:00 pm (Large Conference Room)
- Thursday, January 26th @ 6:30 pm (Cornerstone Room)

### Compassionate Care Collection January's Mission: Turnstone

Please consider contributing to this program/service that provides help to those with disabilities in need of assistance with finding their potential. Items needed:

- Ziploc bags (any size)
- Tissues
- Dry erase markers

Collection baskets are in the Ministry Center and North Corridor. Thank you for caring and for sharing!







# Missions Team

**URUGUAY UPDATE**

**Uruguay Mission: Meet us in the Ministry Center NEXT week**

The Mission Team is very excited to share Uruguay with you using ALL your senses! Meet them in the Ministry Center next weekend, January 28-29, after all services to sample some churros as well as get an info kit with all the updates.



Not sure what a churro is? You'll be delighted to try this popular dessert or breakfast food found throughout Uruguay. These long thin-shaped fried pastries are not too complicated to make. The main ingredients are flour, baking powder, oil and boiling water. The churro recipe often varies according to the different traditions and flavors you might find in Latin American and European countries. In Uruguay, the yerba mate tea is a perfect match for any churro. Other countries traditionally serve them with melted chocolate or caramel sauce, might be coated in cinnamon sugar, or filled with chocolate, cream, or dulce de leche. In any case, the secret to a good churro is for it to be crispy on the outside and fluffy on the inside. Use your special mission offering envelope to support this mission financially, or make a note in the memo of your check. Thank you for taking care of the Sharp family and their mission in Uruguay!



## Stewardship Corner

### TITHES & OFFERINGS

**Stewardship Corner as of 1/8/2022**

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

**Our January Special offering is designated for the St. Peter's mission field in Uruguay, led by Rev. James Sharp.**



	Month to Date	Year to Date
Total Giving	\$ 41,507	\$ 588,037
Budget	\$ 46,132	\$ 600,334
Surplus/(Deficit)	(\$ 4,625)	(\$ 12,297)
Loan Balance		\$ 998,038

## LORD'S WEEK AT A GLANCE

### **Saturday, January 21**

8:30 am - iLEAD Training (Cornerstone)  
1:00 pm - Altar Guild Clean and Polish (Cornerstone)  
3:30 pm - Praise Team Rehearsal (Sanctuary)  
5:00 pm - Worship w/ Praise Team  
7:00 pm - HSYG Basketball (Gym)

### **Sunday, January 22**

8:00 am - Worship (Sanctuary)  
9:15 am - Praise Team Rehearsal (Sanctuary)  
9:15 am - Adult Bible Study (Cornerstone)  
9:15 am - Public School Confirmation (Large Conference Room)  
10:30 am - Worship w/ Praise Team  
5:00 pm - Pickleball (Gym)  
6:00 pm - HSYG Meeting (Parish House)

### **Monday, January 23**

9:00 am - Knotters (Parish House)  
5:30 pm - Preschool Board Meeting (Large Conference Room)

6:00 pm - Day School Board Meeting (Cornerstone)  
7:00 pm - Brass Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)

### **Tuesday, January 24**

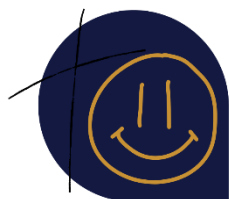
9:30 am - Tuesday Ladies Bible Study (Large Conference Room)  
1:00 pm - Capital Campaign: First Impressions (Large Conference Room)  
5:30 pm - Hope Dinner (Cornerstone)  
6:30 pm - Hope Sessions (All Church)

### **Wednesday, January 25**

6:30 pm - Adult Choir Rehearsal (Cornerstone)

### **Thursday, January 26**

6:30 am - Men's Bible Study (Cornerstone)  
9:00 am - Ladies Aid Quilting (Cornerstone)  
12:00 pm - Pastor Steve's Bible Study (Large Conference Room)  
6:30 pm - Capital Campaign: First Impressions (Cornerstone)



# Thank You!

### **Sponsors**

Thank you to Halden Krauter, in loving memory of his wife L. Maxine Krauter, for taking care of all 3 of these publications for this current quarter.

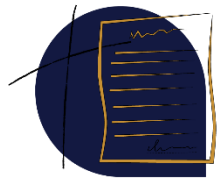
- Portals of Prayer: Quarter 1
- Large Print Portals of Prayer: Quarter 1
- Hopeful Living: Quarter 1

### **Thank Offerings: Lord, I am thankful for...**

- Our Church
- A New Year to Serve the Lord

## Thank you notes & Shout Outs

- Thank you for helping touch lives through the ministry of Camp Lutherhaven! Your support means that Jesus' love continues to be shared in the special setting of His beautiful creation. We are truly blessed by your investment through in-kind gifts of colored duct tape, rubbing alcohol, peroxide, cotton balls & ace bandages. Thanks so much for thinking about Camp Lutherhaven and partnering with us in this year-round ministry. - Tim Jank, Executive Director
- Thank you Pastors for all the wonderful services you give me by way of the television. Plus all the good things you do for us. Thank you Church Staff for all the help you gave the Pastors and people of the church. Also Happy New Year, From your Sister in Christ Jesus, Joyce King
- Dear Ladies at St. Peter's, Thank you for your Christmas gift of \$50. Your prayers and support are appreciated as we work together in a number of ways to provide for the physical and spiritual needs of men and women preparing for the pastoral and diaconal ministries. - Seminary Guild, CTSFW
- Thank you sincerely for sharing our sorrow. Your kindness is deeply appreciated and will always be remembered. - Family of Rick Miller



# Records Update

## December 2022 Report

### Transfer Out:

Christopher Amick (to Living Water Lutheran Church, Wolf Lake, IN)

### Births:

Teddy Jill Everson (9/28) to parents Drake & Kylie (Havens) Everson

### Baptism:

Felix Michael Mello (12/18)  
Teddy Jill Everson (1/7/23)

### Deaths:

Jim Doctor (1/5/23)  
Ned Byer (1/9/23)