

The Messenger

What is celebration? Glad you asked.

Webster dictionary defines it: *proclaim, make known publicly, praise widely, commemorate with a special event or gathering.*

We certainly have reason for all of this; proclaiming, praising widely with public notice and commemorating with special event. With 150 years of blessings, we have reason for celebration (see above info).

As I sit in planning meetings for 150th events to come, I am amazed at all that God has done through this part of the Body of Christ called St. Peter. There is much that has been accomplished. We continue our desire to lift up the name of Jesus and honor God's name by all that we do and in all our proclaiming. Thank you Lord for all that you have done. Praise Your Holy Name. And we are not done!

This month we will celebrate again recognizing all that God has done on June 23rd. We will also celebrate God providing a new shepherd for this flock called St. Peter. God is good all the time; all the time, God is good.

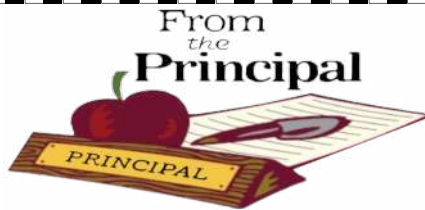
So, with all there is to celebrate in the month of June, Fathers Day, Flag day, my oldest brothers birthday (ok, maybe not), and the events of St. Peter's history, remember and thank the Lord for all His benefits to us. Praise the Lord, for He is good, and His mercy endures forever.

You are blessed
I am blessed
Pastor Randy

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June

April showers bring May flowers and June brings a shower of blessings. During the fall and winter there were times that we may have felt that Satan was winning the battle in our congregation. Pastor Nuttmann accepted the call to Kansas, Amber left our school in December, there was snow and ice, we were missing days of school, and the list of cares and concern seemed endless. We began looking for a teacher for our K-2 classroom and were finding it difficult to find a qualified teacher who was available. We were told that there were many more congregations submitting calls for a seminary graduate than there were candidates available.

We didn't recognize that the dark clouds that we were seeing really held the shower of God's blessings that we were about to receive. We were blessed when Kim Ellis accepted our offer to take the K-2 teaching position, starting in the fall. She is not only a well-qualified teacher; she is one of our own who has taught at St. Peter before and knows and loves our school. We discovered that Consumers Energy is willing to donate some excellent used items including twenty laptop computers, desk chairs and office furniture.

Then we are informed that our call for a pastoral graduate from the seminary will be granted. We watch the live stream of the Call Service and our new shepherd is revealed, and we recognize how truly blessed we are.

Just as the showers of April and the continued rains assured that the crops will grow and flourish and provide nourishment for our bodies, the showers of God's blessings will stimulate the growth and strengthening of our congregation and school. We know that the Lord will continue to shower down His blessings on us. **We are truly blessed.**

His Servant,
Paul Weismantel, Principal





St. Peter will be having a light lunch after our 10:00 a.m. Worship Service on June 30th to thank Pastor Randy for his service to our congregation. We will be serving soups, desserts and beverages. There will be a gift basket for cards and gifts for Pastor.



St. Peter Lutheran Church and School will be celebrating the Ordination and Installation of Pastor Timothy Bayer on Sunday, June 30th at 3:00 pm. Come celebrate with us as we welcome our new Pastor! Following the Worship Service, there will be a dinner at the St. Peter Fellowship Hall starting around 4:30 pm. Meat, potatoes, beverages and table service will be provided. St. Peter members are being asked to provide a couple of dishes to pass for this dinner. There will be a gift table and basket to welcome Pastor Bayer and his family. If you would like to provide a monetary gift by

check, please make it out to Reverend Timothy Bayer.



RADA Cutlery - reminder the Ladies Aid still sell knives, spatulas, etc. We have a RADA catalog in the office and on the chair table in the Fellowship hall lobby. Call, text, or email Kathy Bond with your order for yourself or for gifts. 989-640-0630, bkbond61@yahoo.com.

Dear Ladies of St. Peter

Ken and I would like to take this opportunity to thank you ladies of the church for all the dinners you're in charge of, and then you think of the shut-ins and you quite often will bring them food. I know I haven't thanked you enough. So thanks, Bev Mohnke

P.S. It helps!



PRESCHOOL NEWS

Wow, what an amazing school year! We have been blessed with wonderful children and families. The children have grown and developed so much over the last nine months. We are going to truly miss our kindergarten kids but are so excited for them to take their next steps in their school careers.

The last couple of months have been very exciting and busy with parent teacher conferences, grandparent's day, our spring field trip and our family picnic. We greatly appreciate parents taking the time to meet with us to discuss their child's progress during parent teacher conferences. We would also like to send a big thank you to all the grandparents and special people that joined our preschoolers for grandparent's day. It was a wonderful day! Our spring field trip was spent at Potter Park Zoo. The weather was a little chilly, but the children enjoyed learning about different animals and exploring the zoo. Our school year ended with a family picnic where we enjoyed delicious food, songs sung by the children, and playtime with friends. We are so grateful to have shared these wonderful experiences with our preschool families!

This year has come to an end, but we are so excited for what next school year will bring. We have 18 children enrolled, and couldn't be more thrilled. We will be starting a waiting list for the fall. We are so excited to see the preschool program grow and are looking forward to another great year starting in the fall.

We hope everyone has a wonderful summer!!

Blessings,
Mrs. Smith and Mrs. Fletcher





Blood Drive

Don't forget the Red Cross Blood Drive at St. Peter on Tuesday, June 4th. Appointments start at 1:00 pm and run until 5:45pm and we are looking for twenty-eight people who can each donate a pint of blood to help three other people. You've probably seen the notices on television and in the newspaper that the Red Cross has a serious blood shortage so please consider helping and share the information with your friends, neighbors, co-workers, etc. All donors are welcome. To make an appointment you can give me a call, go online to redcrossblood.com, or sign up on the poster in back of church. Walk-ins are also welcome.

One Pop Tab at a Time

So what is the value of a little aluminum pop tab after the can of pop (or soup, etc.) is opened. You can't put it back on and there aren't a lot of other uses for it in your home. However, your single pop tab (or 12, or 24 or 36 or . . .) can be valuable when it's combined with others. I regularly pick up the tabs that people drop off at the back of church and a couple of weeks ago I took 45 pounds of them to the Ronald McDonald House in Lansing. Now one little pop tab doesn't weigh very much so it takes A LOT of them to make 45 pounds. In fact, they filled a plastic king size quilt bag! The Ronald McDonald House provides housing for families from out-of-town who have children in Sparrow Hospital. They recycle the tabs and use the funds to pay utility bills. You see your little pop tab, when added to the pop tabs of other members, and then the pop tabs of other community members combine to help provide support to parents caring for a very sick child. Every tab makes a difference so keep them coming!



Every Little Bit Counts

As I'm writing the note about the pop tab collection, it makes me think about us and our ministry here at St. Peter. God gave every one of us talents, different talents, different amounts of time to share, different resources to allocate, different passions, and when we each contribute what we can, our little bits combine to do great things.

THANK YOU

Thank you to everyone who contributed ideas, funds, labor or anything else for the playground at St. Peter. It is our favorite place to come and play with Gramma. It is so much fun. Charley Buscemi and Breslin Brook (Granddaughters of Papa Charlie and Gramma Theresa Silm)

GREETERS.....Thanks for your smiling faces, warm handshakes and maybe a hug or two. Praise God for you! If you are unable to greet the date scheduled, please switch with someone else and let Liz in the church office know so she can print the correct information in the weekly announcements. Please let me know if you have questions.

Sandy Lockwood

2019 GREETER SCHEDULE	
	June 2019
06/02/19	Sandy Lockwood & Ann Shellito
06/09/19	Jeanette & Bruce Mehney
06/16/19	Ilene Gibson & Marion Koeppen
06/23/19	Judy & Dave Bengel
06/30/19	Rollie Kloeckner & Bill Caruss
	July 2019
07/07/19	Olga & Ralph Matteson
07/14/19	Renee & Al Schmitzer
07/21/19	Jean & Roger Heathman
07/28/19	Karen & John Burgess
	August 2019
08/04/19	Carleen Eaton & Marilyn Richmond
08/11/19	Albert Smith & Shirley Hayes
08/18/19	Lorna & Keith Kirschenbauer
08/25/19	Laurie & Earl Flegler



SCRIP Helen Anderson will be selling script and Sandy Lenneman will be collecting and mailing in the Box tops. Please continue to save Boxtops, Coke points, and Aunt Millie's bread upcs.

Thanks,
Pam



We would like to thank everyone that attended or provided gifts for Janell's funeral. The sermon, music and food that were provided were excellent. Please accept my apology if I did not send you a thank you card. This was my first project without Janell correcting my mistakes.

Bob Barber & Family



LADIES AID NEWS

The ladies continue working in our ladies aid room every Thursday morning on quilts and other projects. We would like to see more ladies! So if you would like to come on Thursday at 9:00am, there are many things to do and such wonderful fellowship. Many hands make work light, it really isn't work though; its ways of serving our Lord.



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Ken Bond	989-640-2380	kbbenji88@yahoo.com
John Burgess	616-295-3903	johnburgess6606@gmail.com



Prayer Chain

If you have a prayer request, please call Liz in the church office (989) 224-3178 during office hours. If in the evening or weekend, please call Pam Mohr (989) 292-1686.



St. Peter 150 Anniversary: "Built on the Rock - Yesterday, Today, Tomorrow"

Please mark your calendars for this special service, and others planned during our 150 anniversary year: June 23, outdoor worship with Pastor Mark Werner and St. Peter's Annual Hog Roast; and the final special service set for October 13 with Pastor Jeffrey Heimsoth that includes a catered dinner.

Updates on these special services will be included in the Sunday bulletin and upcoming newsletters. Also, remember to look for "Past Memories of St. Peter's 150 Years" each week in the Sunday bulletin as we celebrate 150 years of being "Built on the Rock" Yesterday, Today and Tomorrow."





ST. PETER LUTHERAN CHURCH FELLOWSHIP PICNIC AND HOG ROAST



St. Peter Lutheran Church hosts Fellowship Picnic and Hog Roast, June 23. Part of 150th anniversary celebration.

St. Peter Lutheran Church is hosting its annual Fellowship Picnic and Hog Roast on Sunday, June 23, following the 10:00 a.m. worship service. Pastor Mark Werner is the special guest pastor at the service that celebrates the 150th Anniversary of our congregation.

Dinner begins at 11:30, following the worship service. Food will be available until 3 p.m. Meat, potato salad, beans, rolls, beverages and table service will be provided; please bring a dish to pass.

Lots of outdoor games for families and children are part of the afternoon fun. There will be games with prizes, and an obstacle course for the children. Socks must be worn in order to go into the obstacle course. Adults and older children will enjoy playing Bingo (with prizes) inside the Fellowship Center.

In celebration of St. Peter's anniversary, a variety of memorabilia from years gone by will be on display in the Fellowship Center throughout the afternoon. In addition, Parts 1, 2 and 3 of our St. Peter History Slideshow will be available for viewing.

Pastor Werner is a part of St. Peter's history and will be a familiar face to many members and guests. He served as St. Peter's Director of Youth Ministry from 2003-2010 before attending Concordia Theological Seminary, Ft. Wayne. He was ordained in 2014, and continues to serve at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Munising.

Members and guests are invited to come June 23 for an afternoon of family and fun. For details on events related to St. Peter's 150 anniversary and to view the History Slideshow, visit <http://www.stpeterriley.org/>



For we are
GOD'S HANDIWORK,
created in
CHRIST JESUS
to do
GOOD WORKS.

EPHESIANS 2:10, NIV

MIGRANT SCHOOL FAMILIES FOOD DONATION

We Need Your Help!!

Migrant School Program will run from: June 24th- August 8th.

We are asking you, when you go Grocery shopping for the next 5 weeks (June 9th – July 14th) to buy some food to help out with the Migrant School Families.

Suggested Migrant Family Food Items are: Flour, Sugar, Crisco, Black or Pinto Beans (Dried or Canned), Bags of Dried Whole Chilies, Dried Herbs and Spices (Cilantro or Parsley), Oil (Vegetable or Canola), Canned Tomatoes, Canned Corn, Tajin (Mexican Seasoning), Bags of Dried Whole Chilies.

You can bring the food to the back of the Church. Place it in our Food Pantry container. We also have Food Pantry bags in the container. You can take them to use, for your future donation items.

An extra component has been added this year: **Rummage Items** for the Migrant Families. **The Dates for Collection are: (June 23rd – July 14th).** **We will be collecting them in the: Entrance to the School.**

Some interesting facts about the Migrant Program:

We have the opportunity of Hosting a Migrant School Program for: English as a Second Language for Children.

The children enrolled in this government-funded program are children of Migrant Workers who are now in our area OR any “permanent” residents who have been in the country for 3 years or less.

The State of Michigan is renting the School Facilities for: The Migrant Program classes during the month of July. They are bringing in State employed staff to teach the children. They will learn: English and Math. They will also have some Fun with Art and PE.

The **Kids and Parents** will **GREATLY APPRECIATE** any of the above Food and Rummage items you can give!! **Thanks for Your Support !**

Al & Renee

SOUP KITCHEN VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

July 20th - (Saturday)

We will be having our Soup Kitchen at:

Christ Lutheran Church (now St. Luke)

122 S. Pennsylvania Ave. (opposite corner of Sparrow Hospital)

Lansing, MI.

This is a Great Opportunity to help people in need.

They are Very Appreciative!

- We would like you to arrive @ 9:15 a.m.
- We will need people to put up tables and chairs, set the place settings on the tables in the dining room, people to prepare the planned meal of the day.
- If you work in the kitchen, you will need to wear a ball cap or hair net.
- As people sit down, we will also need servers to serve the food on the plates & people to take their meal, beverage, salad, and dessert to their tables as they sit down.
- They enjoy a Wonderful meal.
- Then we clean-up, and generally we will be done around 2:00 p.m.

We would really like to See You There!!

If you would like to Help or have any questions, please call Al & Renee @ 989-224-8663. Thanks!



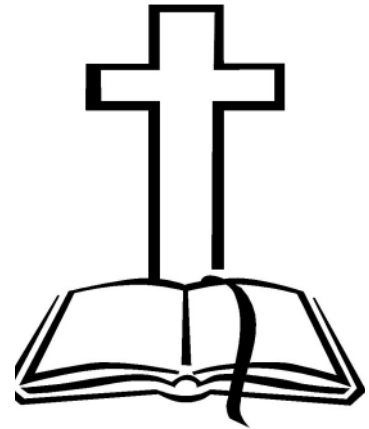


*“Laying the Foundation to Build on the Rock of Christ.
Study the Word, Seek the Lost, and to Serve our Neighbors”*

ST. PETER LUTHERAN CHURCH SERVICES

Wednesdays: Chapel 9:00am
Bible Study 6:00pm-7:00pm
(Mid Week Worship Service 7:00pm) temporarily discontinued

Sundays: Worship Services 10:00am
Bible Study 8:45am
Sunday School 9:00am



Shut-In Visit List Weekly Visits

Shirley Edwards
Ethel Flegler
Bill & Cindy Horman
Tom Johnson
Ken Mohnke

Sheila Ordway
Gordon Schrader
Mel Sehlke
Charlie Silm
John Sillman

Lois Sillman
Albert Smith
Bill & Sherri VanBeelen



Check out our website!
www.stpeterriley.org

Be sure to check our website for event or service updates and cancellations. Also on our website you are able to download the monthly newsletter and calendar. We are continuously updating and making changes to the website so if you have not logged on the website lately check it out see what's new.

Here's What's Happening!

- 6/3/19 School Board Meeting 6:30pm (Library)
6/4/19 Blood Drive 1:00pm-5:45pm (Gym)
Elders Meeting 7:00pm (Library)
6/5/19 Bible Study 6:00pm
6/6/19 Ladies Aid Quilting 9:00am (Ladies Aid Room)
Ladies Aid Meeting 12:00pm (Library)
Full Day School - No Busing
6/7/19 Last Day School - St. Peter
Over 50's Group 6:30pm (Gym)
6/10/19 Heart Sisters 9:00am (Meet at Swaney's)
6/11/19 Council Meeting 6:30pm (Library)
6/12/19 Bible Study 6:00pm
6/13/19 Ladies Aid Quilting 9:00am (Ladies Aid Room)
6/16/19 *Father's Day*
6/17/19-6/21/19 VBS "The Incredible Race" 9:00am-Noon
6/18/19 4H Meeting 7:00pm-8:30pm (Gym)
6/19/19 Bible Study 6:00pm
6/20/19 Ladies Aid Quilting 9:00am (Ladies Aid Room)
6/21/19 Migrant School Set-up 2:00pm
6/23/19 Outdoor Worship w/guest Pastor Mark Werner @10:00am
St. Peter Annual Hog Roast immediately following Church
6/24/19 Heart Sisters 9:00am (Meet at Swaney's)
Migrant School starts at St. Peter
6/26/19 Bible Study 6:00pm
6/27/19 Ladies Aid Quilting 9:00am (Ladies Aid Room)
6/30/19 ***Luncheon for Pastor Randy (following 10:00am Church)
Ordination and Installation of Pastor Timothy Bayer 3:00pm
with meal around 4:30pm (please bring a couple dishes to
pass)***

MEMORIALS

In loving memory of Marilyn Kay Kloeckner, my wife \$170.00
Love you Marilyn and Miss you

Susan Hunter (Dick Stout's sister) \$20.00
Eileen Burgis (Sally Fitzpatrick's mother) \$10.00
Esther Straus \$10.00
Ivan Whitford \$10.00
Janell Barber \$945.00



Christian Education

Teens and adults interested in volunteering to help at Vacation Bible School in 2019 should contact Sally Pontius, Director of Christian Education. gsPontius@aol.com – (517) 204-7991

News Release

On your mark! Get set! Go!

At *The Incredible Race*, we're off on a race around the world as we discover that no matter where we live, what language we speak, or what we look like, we are all part of the same family! Kids will discover we are all part of the same race, the human race, as they enjoy songs, crafts, games, goodies, and dramas.

Vacation Bible School at *The Incredible Race* will be an amazing adventure filled with excitement, so contact us today!



For information call Office - 989-224-3178
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Michigan District Welcomes New Pastors, Vicars, and Deaconess Interns

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By [Newsroom Michigan District](#) • May 3, 2019

The Michigan District welcomed 3 pastoral candidates and 6 vicars, and 2 deaconess interns to its roster this week.

On Monday, April 29 and Tuesday, April 30, two separate worship services took place at Concordia Theological Seminary, Fort Wayne, Ind. (CTSFW) for assignment of vicarage and internships and for call placements, respectively. Vicars assigned to the Michigan District are Jessten Heimer (Trinity, Reese), Mark Matheny (Open Arms, Belleville), and Timothy Schmeisser (Trinity, St. Joseph). Deaconess interns are Chelsie MacIntosh (Trinity, St. Joseph) and Mika Patron (Grace, Auburn). The candidate receiving his first placement in Michigan from CTSFW is Timothy Bayer (St. Peter, St. Johns).

On Wednesday, May 1, Concordia Seminary in St. Louis, Mo. (CSL) held two separate worship services for assignment of vicarage and internships and for call placements, respectively. Vicars assigned to the Michigan District are Andrew Mussell (Our Savior, Lansing), Corey Shaffer (St. Lorenz, Frankenmuth), and Andrew Zobel (Messiah, Clio). Candidates receiving their first placement in Michigan from CSL are Coleman Geraci (St. Paul, Milan and St. Thomas, Ann Arbor) and Christian Jones (Missionary at Large to Franklin Avenue Mission, Flint/Michigan District, LCMS).

Please keep these students and their families in your prayers as they transition from seminary life into vicarage, internship, and full-time ministry.

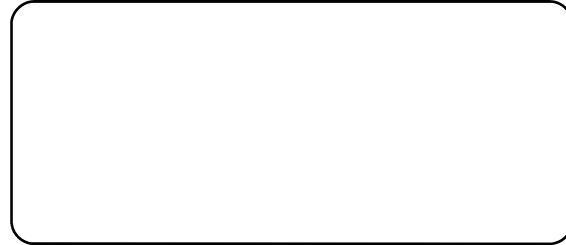


CTSFW – Front row, from left:
Karl Heimer, Kristin Bayer, Debra Matheny, Chelsie Schmeisser.
Second row, from left: President Timothy Bayer, Mark Matheny, Timothy Schmeisser, Mika Patron, Pat Maler

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Father's
⇒DAY⇒

AS A FATHER
HAS COMPASSION
ON HIS CHILDREN,
SO THE LORD
HAS COMPASSION
ON THOSE WHO
FEAR HIM.

PSALM 103:13