WELCOME

We are so glad You are here!

AUGUST 19, 2018

St. PETER
LUTHERAN CHURCH
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The Flowers on the Altar are to the Glory of God by:

Mike & Linda Lemond
"In celebration of our 48th Anniversary"

Jim Wells
"In celebration of Ethel's birthday"

Bill, Susan & Sarah Lackey
"In celebration of Hannah's birthday"

Kim Rex
"In celebration of Kim's Mom, Nancy Wise's, Birthday"

Stewardship Moment

Ephesians 5:6-7

"Let no one deceive you with empty words, for because of these things the wrath of God comes upon the sons of disobedience. Therefore do not associate with them."

The wrath of God is a real thing and we do well to reflect on this. As the Small Catechism states: God threatens to punish all who break these commandments. Therefore, we should fear His wrath and not do anything against them. But He promises grace and every blessing to all who keep these commandments. Therefore, we should also love and trust in Him and gladly do what He commands.

St. Peter Weekly Announcements

St. Peter German Fest – Portage Indiana

Germanfest needs your support!

Additional items are needed to make the Kinderzone are posted on the community board to return by **September 1st.** We also need 30 tent sponsors to get them ordered ($150- see flyer posted for details) Thanks for your help to make this a successful event and fundraiser! *Any questions contact Jen Santaquilani 219-381-1138 or* ***jennifer12778@comcast.net To Volunteer for the event*** *a sign up sheet is at the Welcome Center or in your weekly E-news.*

Attention Ladies

"God really did something special" .. Join us at our next **Gab 'n Eat for Lunch 12PM on Saturday September 15th** at: Ivy's Bohemia House 321 Broadway, Chesterton….." When He blessed me with a friend like you" Sign-up sheet in the Welcome Center! Carpool: 11:30AM from church.

Rummage Sale Update!

We do have a few requests on items for next year: **1st:** We are only accepting small appliances in working order – coffee pots, radios, alarm clocks, CD players, any small kitchen appliances, small hand tools, cameras & etc.. **NO TV'S, Computers, Printers or accessories** we have a hard time disposing of these! **2nd:** Please bag or box clothes categorizing them for men, women, kids, & infants.Please no torn, stained or broken items or clothes. If it's something you wouldn't buy we are sorry to say we don't want it. We threw a lot away. We pride ourselves in getting a lot of compliments for having nice things. **Our sale next year will be Aug. 1st, 2nd, & 3rd.** We will be accepting items after Easter April 21st to July 6th.**We are also accepting volunteers.**

Church Council

Our next Church Council Meeting will be on **Tuesday, September 11th at 6:30**. A voters meeting will follow at 7:30 to discuss the Germanfest.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

If anyone is interested in being either a Sunday School Teacher or a substitute, we can use you! If you are interested, please see me in person or by contacting me at (219)-707-6720. We need to know no later than **Sep. 2nd**. Thank you! Additionally, on **September 8th**, we will be having our Sunday School Rally and the blessing of our teachers and parents. Please pray for our upcoming Sunday School year and encourage all of our families and their children, as well as others to attend. We truly appreciate it! God Bless, Sincerely, Tiffany

A BIG thank you to those who helped work on the Parking Lot!
Thank you, Jerry Harnung, Ron Miller, Dave Nelson, Rich, Garrett, and Jason. It was much appreciated!

Reminder to keep filling those mite boxes!!! We'll be collecting them in September.

UPCOMING EVENTS

St. Peter German Fest – Portage Indiana

Saturday Sep. 29th
Germanfest at Founder's Square

St. Peter's Germanfest will be an annual event to raise funds for many projects to maintain our building and property (and have a little fun in the process)! Our first project is to replace our existing parking lot. Our 2018 event will also sponsor the Portage Exchange Club. They will help us with the event to raise money for their Needy Children Christmas Fund.
Pre-Order your tickets online or call the Church Office
219-762-2673

ST. PETER
LUTHERAN CHURCH

This Week St. Peter:

Sunday 8/19

Early Service 9a.m.
(Nursery provided ages 0-2 yrs)
Sunday school and Adult Bible Study at 10a.m.
Late Service 11a.m.

Wednesday 8/22

Bible Study 10am

Community Dinner
5:30pm

Praise Team Practice
7:30 pm

Sunday 8/26

Early Service 9a.m.
(Nursery provided ages 0-2 yrs) Sunday school and Adult Bible Study at 10a.m.
Late Service 11a.m.

Carl Anderson	8/4
Mercedes Cooper	8/7
Nancy Steve	8/9
William Melcic	8/13
Donald Giertz	8/14
Emily Snyder	8/14
Nicole Harnung	8/16
Stacia Pleasant	8/16
Richard Hull	8/19
Ethel Wells	8/19
Adalyn Arnold	8/20
Richard Keel	8/20
Hannah Lackey	8/26
Kaitlyn Roscoe	8/26
Hunter DeTienne	8/31
Michael Lemond	8/31

If your birthday was accidently missed, please notify the office.

Would you like to serve on Sunday's at St. Peter?

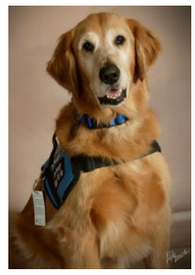
Opportunities include:
Lectors, Greeters, Sunday School Teachers & Substitutes and more!
If you would like more information or you are interested in serving please contact the Church office.

MAKING A DIFFERENCE IN OUR COMMUNITY

Now Accepting donations for our food pantry

You Never Know when your donation to the church's food pantry will be a blessing to someone. Your food and personal items are given to congregation & community members who are in need. We are now asking for additional donations to re-stock items.

Comfort Dog's



Did you know there are over 130 LCC Comfort Dogs in 23 states across America? Each one has their own Facebook page and their own bible verse. Barnabas' (Barney's) verse is 2 Corinthians 1:3-4, "Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of compassion and the God of all comfort, who comforts us in all our troubles, so that we can comfort those in any trouble with the comfort we ourselves receive from God." If you know someone who would like a visit from Barney, you may contact Nancy Carroll at 762-4220.

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You shop. Amazon gives.

New Amazon Program Enables Shoppers to Easily Donate to Their Favorite Nonprofits

Do you shop on Amazon? Next time you shop, please consider shopping on www.amazonsmile.com and select **St. Peter Lutheran Church** as the Charity to support. The AmazonSmile Foundation will donate 0.5% of the purchase price to St. Peter!

For Details on how to shop on Amazon and give back to St. Peter, there are fliers on the Welcome Desk!

Are you someone in need of a worker? Do you need help with your gardening, raking, painting, or something else? Do you need a reliable babysitter? Or are you a worker in need of a job? Do you have some skills you'd like to share? Check out the new Job Board on the bulletin board in the hallway leading to the Nursery. There are cards to fill out offering jobs and some offering services - both paid or for free. Many schools require a certain number of service hours, so this could be an opportunity to get some. Fill out a card, post it on the board, and see who responds. You could make a new friend as well as connect over some chores.

Serving in the Lord's House

	9am	11am
Greeters:	Marty Riley	
Lectors:	Marty Riley	Chris Dahlin
Ushers:	Marty Riley	Bob Duron

Last Sunday's Offering

Envelopes are available at the bulletin table for donations to the Parking Lot Fund & for the Mortgage

Offering - $ 2,630.00(weekly need $3028.00 operating budget)

Mortgage- $567.00(weekly need $591.00)

PRAYER REQUESTS

We are here to pray for you!

Tina Gurniewicz, Virgina Galanos, Margie Fites & Family, Bill & Nancy Webber, Lee Riley, Shirley Kuhns, Dorothy Coons, Marge Shery, Kenita Kersten & Family, John Gallagher, Wanda Gilbert, Kristina Thaxton; Carrie Chapman; Ruth Imhof, Donna Flint-Wood and her mother Eleanor, Connie Carney; Howard, Deb and Ari Wilson; Joleen Wilson, Mike Lemond, Karen Ackermann, John Spencer, Brenda and Bob Busch, Pat and John Newlin, Tiffany Richards, Betty and Dick Hull, Donna Potchen, Michael Cooper, Loraine Giertz, Dorothy Anderson, Cathy Laatsch, Lindsay Hietz, Kathy and Tom Levandoski, Jane Krohn, Pauline and Mark Krill, Steve & Dawn White and the many people in our congregation who are battling serious illnesses; and those grieving the loss of loved ones.

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