



**St. PETER**  
LUTHERAN CHURCH  
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**Stewardship  
Moment**

Luke 3:21 – “Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heavens were opened ...” We know why the people were baptized, but why was Jesus baptized? He didn't need repentance or forgiveness. The answer is that He did it for us. The reason God sent His Son into the world is to fulfill all righteousness for us, to do what we could not do. The whole of Jesus' life, everything He did and said was one great offering to the Father in our stead to fulfill all righteousness for us. With our righteousness fulfilled in Jesus and given to us in Baptism – our hearts now overflow with thanksgiving and praise.



Altar flowers this week are to the Glory of God by:

Mike Lemond  
Linda's 70th Birthday

*Please Note*

*Altar Flowers are \$15 per arrangement. Please pre-pay for your flowers in the Church Office at least one week in advance.*

# WELCOME

*We are so glad You are here!*

January 13, 2019

## St. Peter Weekly Announcements



**Save the date! St. Peter's 2nd Annual Germanfest**

**will take place on Saturday, September 28, 2019 at Founders Square.**

We are looking for volunteers to help with acquiring vendors, sponsors and developing a marketing plan. Job descriptions for each area are below. If you are interested in helping in any of these areas, please contact Jen Santaquilani at [Jennifer12778@comcast.net](mailto:Jennifer12778@comcast.net), call or text (219) 381-1138 or talk to her after Sunday service.

**Vendor Volunteers:** attend craft fairs and events (starting in November), pass out vendor applications, talk to potential vendors about Germanfest and/or pick up business cards for follow up. We will coordinate who will attend what event at the meeting.

**Sponsorship Volunteers:** drop off sponsorship packets to businesses, talk to potential sponsors, help research potential sponsor. We will coordinate who will contact potential sponsors at the meeting.

**Marketing Volunteers:** research marketing options both local and regional, help distribute fliers, posters and signs (distribution will begin in 2019), assist with social media and updating the Germanfest website.



New volunteer opportunity: Volunteers needed for offering counters in 2019, this will be for both services on the day you sign up. Simple instructions will be provided before your first time. Please sign up at the welcome desk or see Kelly Roscoe if you have any questions.



**It's time again to sign up for cleaning the church. We have a few more months to fill!! The calendar is on the welcome desk!**  
Thanks! -Kelly

## St. Peter Weekly Announcements Continued...

QUART or PINT CANNING or MAYONNAISE TYPE JARS are needed for a project at church. This is a great way to recycle those glass or plastic jars & help your church family too. Please place them in the box in the narthex labeled CONVERSATION JARS.

Thanks so much,  
Sunday School Action Team

# UP COMING EVENTS

### Attention Ladies

Ladies: "Thank You Lord for giving me the brand new year ahead. Help me live the way I should as each new day I tread. Give me gentle wisdom that I might help a friend,"... Join us at our next "Gab 'n Eat" Saturday Jan. 19th for breakfast 10A.M at: Schoops. ... "Give me strength & courage so a shoulder I might lend. The year ahead is empty, help me fill it with good things. Each new day filled with joy & happiness it brings. Amen." HAPPY NEW YEAR! Sign-up sheet in Welcome Center!

### Church Council

We will have the next Council Meeting **On Tuesday, January 15, 2019 at 7:00pm.**



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**St. Peter's Next Blood Drive**  
Will be on **February 18th, 2019**  
**11:30 am– 5:00 pm**

### This week at St. Peter...

#### Sunday 1/13

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

#### Tuesday 1/15

Church Council Meeting  
7:00pm

#### Wednesday 1/16

Bible Study 10 am  
Praise Team  
7:00pm

#### Sunday 1/20

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



Dan Rex	Jan 7
Debbie Waters	Jan 7
Kay Rhame	Jan 9
Melissa Mann	Jan 10
Dylan Santaquilani	Jan 12
Sarah Lackey	Jan 13
Linda Lemond	Jan 14
Peyton Thaxton	Jan 20
Brenda Busch	Jan 23
Karen Snyder	Jan 23
James Bartley	Jan 24
Rob Bodza	Jan 28
Michael Cooper	Jan 31

### Serving in the Lord's House

9am 11am

Lector: Donna P John Carney  
Greeter: Marty R  
Usher: Marty R Bob Duron  
Counter: Bill Lackey & Kelly R

### Sunday's Offering

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

Offering - \$2,794.00

Mortgage- \$565.00  
(weekly need \$591.00)

MAKING A DIFFERENCE IN  
**OUR COMMUNITY**



**Comfort Dogs** are not the only outreach Lutheran Church Charities does. One of the other services they provide is volunteer emergency response teams who report in crisis situations such as catastrophic storms. They have boots and paws on the ground within 24 hours in such situations. They do not receive any state, federal, district or synod funding. 100% of their operating budget is from donations from people like you. Their annual fund campaign is going on now. If you feel so moved to help support this ministry, you can get further information at their website: [www.lutheranchurchcharities.org](http://www.lutheranchurchcharities.org)

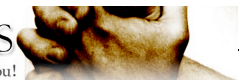


### Now Accepting donations for our food pantry

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.

### PRAYER REQUESTS

We are here to pray for you!



Susan Lackey, Dawn White & Family, Tina Gurniewicz, Virginia Galanos, Margie Fites & Family, Shirley Kuhn, Dorothy Coons, Marge Shery, Kenita Kersten, John Gallagher, Wanda Gilbert, Kristina Thaxton; Ruth Imhof, Donna Flint-Wood and her mother Eleanor, ; 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, Michael Cooper, Loraine Giertz, Dorothy Anderson, Cathy Laatsch, Lindsay Hietz, Kathy and Tom Levandoski, Jane Krohn, Pauline and Mark Krill, and many people in our congregation who are battling serious illnesses; and those grieving the loss of loved ones.

Have a Prayer Request that you would like St. Peter's Prayer Chain to know about? Please feel free to fill out a prayer slip on the bulletin table, or email /call the office with your request.

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