

An Important Announcement

Covid-19 has hit home at St. Peter and your leaders are responding in thoughtful and helpful ways. Here is what we know for certain:

Several participants in an event held on New Year's Eve have tested positive for and/or developed symptoms of Covid-19. In some cases, a family member has also contracted the virus. None of these persons were in worship on Sunday, January 3, and the last time any of these persons were in contact with other St. Peter members was on Wednesday, Dec. 30, when a family member was at a committee meeting where social distancing and other measures were followed.

Because of this, I and the elders in consultation with other congregation leaders have decided the following:

- 1) Christmas "undecorating" will continue as planned but social distancing measures, including wearing masks must be observed by everyone in attendance.
- 2) The **Call Committee** meeting schedule for Saturday will be rescheduled.
- 3) In-person worship for **Sunday, January 10**, will continue as planned.
- 3) We **Elders** and **Church Council** meetings on Tuesday, January 12, will be held as scheduled.
- 4) Mask wearing is **required** for every person in attendance at each event until at least Sunday, January 17. As always, we request that everyone wear a mask and observe social distancing, but **for the events in the coming week they will be required.**

However, if you have underlying health issues please do not join us in person for these events. As always, you are encouraged to join us online for the 9am service this Sunday.

Finally, please pray for those who have been directly impacted by this virus, most especially those of the St. Peter family who are ill. The first members of our congregation who are healthcare workers are receiving the first doses of the vaccine and we look forward to the time when more of our congregational family will be able to receive the same.

Peace and joy,
Pr. John Albers



Welcome

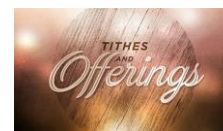
WE'RE GLAD YOU'RE HERE

Weekly Announcements January 10, 2021



Baptism of Our Lord

Mark 1:7 – "And (John) preached, saying, 'After me comes he who is mightier than I, the strap of whose sandals I am not worthy to stoop down and untie.' " John is right. Jesus is immensely greater than any of us yet behold how He came to serve! That is the upside down, outlandish grace of God. The innocent Jesus takes our sinner's place. This is the greatest act of giving the world has ever known or will know. The Father gives His Son to die in the place of sinners.



Envelopes are available at the bulletin table & welcome desk for offerings

General Fund- \$1,114.00
(Weekly need \$3,028.00
Operating budget)
Building Fund-\$400.00
(Weekly need \$591.00)



Save the Date!
Blood Drive, Monday,
February 15th
11:30 am -5:00 pm



Join us for our next Church Council Meeting on January 12th at 7:00 pm. All are welcome to attend!



Our 2021 cleaning calendar is available for sign-ups on the welcome desk!



If you ordered a poinsettia please be sure to pick it up from the tables outside the sanctuary. Thank you!



Sunday 1/10

Worship at 9 am & 11
Installation of Officers

Tuesday 1/12

Council Meeting
All are welcome!

Wednesday 1/13

Bible Study at 10:00am

Sunday 1/17

Worship at 9 am & 11

MAKING A DIFFERENCE IN
OUR COMMUNITY



EVERY FRIDAY 4pm-6pm
-Beginning October 2nd, 2020-
(There will be no fish fry's around Thanksgiving or Christmas)

Carry-Out Only

\$10 Lake Perch Plate or \$8 Pollock Plate
Includes potatoes, coleslaw & a roll

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Drive up to place
your order
& we will
deliver carside!

There will be no fish fry
1/ 8 & 1/15. They will
resume Friday 1/15.

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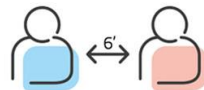
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If you leave home, know your Ws!



WEAR

a cloth face covering.



WAIT

6 feet apart and avoid close contact.



WASH

your hands often or use hand sanitizer



- Dan Rex Jan 7
- Henry A. Rubio Jan 7
- Kay Rhame Jan 9
- Sarah Lackey Jan 13
- Linda Lemond Jan 14
- Peyton Thaxton Jan 20
- Brenda Busch Jan 23
- Karen Snyder Jan 23
- Rob Bodza Jan 28
- Page Molnar Jan 30
- Michael Cooper Jan 31



Did you know that St. Peter has a food pantry? If you know a congregation member or someone in our community in need please arrange a pantry visit with the office or visit the pantry on Sunday mornings.



Pray for our civil leaders, health workers, and emergency personnel. They are facing the biggest challenges. Additionally, pray for their families. Pray for our community and nation. They are called to lead in anxious times and they need our prayer. Pray for Dick Hull, Ray Parker, Alan Anderson, Karen Snyder & Family, Diane, Stacy Carroll, Alice Miller & Family, Judy Anderson, Carl Anderson, Sandy & Vinney Paloma, Dawn White & Family, Tina Gurniewicz, Virginia Galanos, Margie Fites & Family, Dorothy Coons, John Gallagher, Kristina Thaxton; Ruth Imhof, Deb and Ari Wilson; Joleen Wilson, Mike & Linda Lemond, Karen Ackermann, Brenda and Bob Busch, Pat and John Newlin, Michael Cooper, 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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