



ST. PETER'S LUTHERAN CHURCH NEWSLETTER

*Together, **BOLDLY** living and sharing God's grace with all.*

COMMUNION
8:15 & 10:45am
Sunday School at 9:30am

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Mid-week Lenten Meals and Worship

Please make plans to attend St. Peter's Lenten Meals and worship. Meals begin at 5:30pm and are hosted by a group from our church. All money collected at the meals goes directly to our school. See below for upcoming menu information.

Following dinner, join us for worship at 6:30pm in the sanctuary. Holden Evening Prayer is a 30 minute meditative worship to center us in our week and our Lenten journey. See page 2 to read more about our Lenten sermon series and our Lenten Offering outreach.

Totals so far:

Lenten meals: **\$ 2,366 (going to our school)**

Lenten worship offering: **\$ 5,987 (goal of \$15,000)**

Help us reach our goal by April 10!

Thank you for being generous!

HOLY WEEK



Palm
Sunday

April 14



Maundy
Thursday

April 18
6:30PM



Good
Friday

April 19
12:00PM & 6:30PM



Easter
Sunday

April 21

Lenten Meal Schedule

March 27th
Men's BYOBible Study
Pancakes & Sausage

April 3rd
Youth & Families
Taco Bar

April 10th
Women of St. Peter's
Favorite
Casseroles & Salad

2019 Lenten Theme & Offering

HEARTS ON FIRE



for The Helping Center

The Helping Center is building a new facility co-located with the Community Resource Center. They began a capital campaign in the fall of 2018, with the **goal of raising \$1,000,000 for the building project**. St. Peter's is one of the founding member churches of The Helping Center, and **we would like to make a commitment that says our HEARTS are ON FIRE** for this amazing ministry in our community. **Council has set a pledge of \$15,000.** (\$5,000 from our Endowment, \$5,000 from our 2019 Mission Support Budget, and \$5,000 from lenten offerings).



for Worship and Music

In worship we encounter God's HEART ON FIRE for us. As we give thanks for the ministry of Don Trapp, we look forward to hiring a part-time Music Director to grow our music and arts ministry in both familiar and new ways. **\$5000 of our Lenten offering will go to help our congregation stoke the fires of our music ministry this year.**



for Forming Church Leaders

Last spring, a fund was established in honor of our outgoing synodical bishop, Ray Tiemann. **The Tiemann Endowment for Leadership Development serves leaders in our synod** by equipping our pastors, deacons, and lay leaders who have a fire, passion, and/or calling to strengthen and empower their congregations. Our Southwestern Texas Synod Assembly offering in May is designated to support this fund for leadership development. **\$5000 of our Lenten offering will go to equip leaders across Texas.**

This year, our Lenten Offering focuses on HEARTS ON FIRE – for local, regional, and congregational ministries that reveal the presence of Jesus in our life and world. The Congregation Council has set a HEARTS ON FIRE goal of \$15,000 for our lenten offering. Your gifts will aid in supporting ministry locally through St. Peter's, synodically through the Tiemann Endowment, and across Burnet County through The Helping Center.

2019 Lenten Sermon Series - Open Eyes, Burning Hearts

Life can easily become a daily or weekly rhythm of keeping our eyes down on the tasks before us: from our work, tackling our lists, to our commitments with family and our community. **On the road to Emmaus, followers of Jesus have their eyes down, and their hearts are anything but burning. This is a story of the risen Jesus, of one who meets us on our road of life** to remind us of our purpose and direction, of the God who loves us, of the God who is right beside us with open eyes and a burning heart for us all.



March 27th Eyes and Hearts working together
 April 3rd Hearts on Fire for others
 April 10th Hearts on Fire to share the Story

Speaker: Don Trapp
 Speaker: Paul King/Sam Pearce
 Speaker: Pastor Vanicek

Meet Our St. Peter's Guatemalan Mission Team - Trip Dates: July 13th -20th



Tom Pfaff



Kimberly Sandman



Jessica Struchen



Cindy Struchen



Jennifer Gold,
Commission
Expeditions



Grace Spell,
Commission
Expeditions

Mission Outreach Ministry:

Our team will address both spiritual and physical needs of the people of the Peten jungle of northern Guatemala. The Peten region represents 1/3 the total area of Guatemala but only 5% of the population. This sparsely populated area has the lowest economic standing in Guatemala and contains hundreds of rural villages of Mayan people. We will be combining the ministry of God's Word with Community Development projects such as: VBS, Water Catchment Systems, Health Education, Hygiene Training, and Construction.

Together we can all be a part of this Great Commission!

PARISH NEWS



In Our Prayers

Carolyn Selman
Kay Rodgers
Joanie Dryer
Jolene Williams
Judy Haverlah

Doris Schappe
Annie Woods
Nik Schappe
Doris Tate
Bob England
Jenny Braeutigam
Pat Magerkurth
Marci Wilde
Chris Grazier
Linda Williams

Mary Posey
Harold Brueckner
Mary Langehennig
Jerry Braeutigam
Brayden Ybarra
Jane Taylor
Richard Rahr
Virginia Rahr
May Watson
Camilla Pilgram

Larry Stahl
Margo Stahl
Bob Ward
Kris Ward
Sarah Holmes
Haley Beatly
Matthew Holmes
Charlie Hayes
Kim Hansard
Paul Farrell

Ann Huebner
Ron Burke
Lisa Williams
Cliff Jordan
Judy Hegg
Greg Butler



Mary Ann Hefner in the loss of her sister-in-law, Cleo Fisher
Randy Hibler and family in the loss of his dad, Ronny Hibler



To Ellen Doffing & Sandi Gorski for their help in the Church office during March.

Financial Results Through Feb. 2019			Avg. Attendance/Sunday		
Item	Feb	YTD		Feb	YTD
Income (All)	\$ 32,917	\$ 75,229	Attendance - 2019	192	191
Budget Income	\$ 42,719	\$ 78,363	Attendance - 2018	231	215
Diff. \$ Over/Under(-)	(\$9,809)	(\$3,134)	Diff.	(39)	(24)
%	77%	96%	We want you in worship!		
Expenses	\$ (34,389)	\$ (73,001)	Why? - Because from the very beginning of the church... the life of the community of faith has revolved around the regular gathering of believers for worship, common prayer, and eating bread and drinking wine in remembrance of the one in whose name they gathered.		
Budget Expenses	\$ (36,900)	\$ (82,557)			
Diff. \$ Over/Under(-)	(\$2,510)	(\$9,556)			
%	93%	88%			
Net	(\$1,473)	\$2,228			

Join us for a lil' **Social Hour Fundraiser Events**

to support our St. Peter's Guatemalan Ministry Outreach, March 7th, April 12th, May 16th, June 20th

Friday, April 12th—5:00 to 7:00 p.m.

At Bruce & Ann Jackson's, 480 Juniper Trail, Kingsland

Please bring your special beverage of choice

Appetizers, Water, & Tea will be provided

Free Will Donation

All are welcome!!!



Do you have a Christmas tree that is pre-lit that you no longer need or use? St. Peter's is searching for two trees. One about 6 feet and one that is 7 feet or more. If you have one that you would like to donate, please let call the Church office or let Janette Clausen know. We can pick it up!

Bible/Book Studies:

RED HOT MOM SQUAD: Meets at **10:00am on Monday's** in the Narthex. Join us as Anna Womack leads "Intentional Parenting".

MEN'S BYOBIBLE STUDY: All men are invited. We meet the third Monday of the month at **7:00pm** at Double Horn Brewing Company. Come to the next meeting on **April 15th**.

WOMEN OF ST. PETER'S BIBLE STUDIES: Meet monthly during the school year. The Bible study is taken from the *Gather* magazine, which can be found on the current publication table in the narthex. Please consider a donation to cover the cost of the magazine.

Deborah Bible Study: Meets at **10:00am** on the third Thursday of the month. Meets next on **April 18th**, at the home of Betty Matejowsky.

Agape Bible Study: Meets at **1:00pm** on the fourth Tuesday of the month. Meets next on **March 26th** at the home of Ellen Doffing.

CHRONOLOGICAL BIBLE READ IN ONE YEAR: Are you interested in learning about the Bible? Would you like to be able to sit in a room and share your thoughts on the different books of the Bible from the creation to the Gospels? We meet on the first Tuesday each month, from 6 to 8pm. Next meeting will in **April 2nd**. Contact Coach Orton if interested at corton@splcmf.org or 830-637-1388

THE BOOK CLUB: Will meet on Monday, **April 15th, at 1:30pm** in Room 212 to discuss *The Great Alone* by Kristin Hannah, a novel describing the struggles of a troubles POW and his family who move to Alaska seeking a better future. Looking ahead, our book for May will be *True Women* by Janice Woods Windle.

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

"Sticky Faith: Building faith in kids & adults" - Room 215 at 9:45

For all adults, parents, retired, empty-nesters, singles—March 31st; April 7th & 14th

"Dwelling in Romans" - Room 212 at 9:45

A Bible study on the book of Romans —May 5th, 12th, 19th, & 26th

"Experimenting with the ABCs of Faith" - Room 215 at 9:45

Engage faith concepts through science experiments—May 5th, 12th, 19th, 26th

an ALL AGES adult Sunday School class

stickyfaith

building faith in kids and adults

Anna Womack
Pastor Vanicek
Room 215
Mar 31; Apr 7, 14

Meals on Wheels Cookie Project

Each month we will need . . .

**17 dozen cookies by Friday before the 3rd
Saturday of this month (April 19)**

You can bring the cookies throughout the month, and put them in the kitchen freezer marked

"Meals on Wheels."



The Helping Center needs your help! Let's fill the basket!

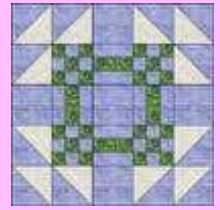
Please bring non-perishable and canned foods to the church throughout the month and leave in the grocery basket located in the Narthex. The last Sunday of each month (4/28) they will be collected and delivered to the Helping Center for distribution.



Snip-its

The Dedication and Blessing of the Lutheran World Relief Mission Quilts will be held on **Sunday, April 7th**, at both worship services. Please join us.

Please join us on **April 16th and April 30th at 9am**. Do you have a sewing machine at home collecting dust? Or, maybe you just need a change of pace with a quick, easy project. We're in need of "at home sewing." You can choose to sew squares together, bind quilts to produce a finished project, or both. Anything you can do would be a great help.



Questions: Call Judy Martin: (830)598-4249

Can you crochet or knit? Would you like to learn?

If so, then, **we need you** for **St. Peter's Prayer Shawl Ministry**. Come meet with us on **Saturday, April 20th at 9am**, in the office workroom. Bring your yarn along with knitting needles, crochet hooks, or loom. For more information call the Church Office. ****Everyone is invited****



Arbor House Worship—April 14th

St. Peter's leads the worship at Arbor House Assisted Living on the second Sunday of each month at 11am. All are welcome to join in this special time of sharing our faith in worship.

St. Peter's Lutheran Active Teens Gathering Schedule

Check your weekly **SPLAT+family email** for any special details for the month. Let Coach Orton know if you are not receiving this weekly email.

Sunday Mornings Sunday School- High school aged kids will meet in the **Fellowship Hall for Sunday Morning Coffee House at 9:30 am**. We will head to Sunday School from there. Coach Orton or Aaron Pyle will lead the discussion, activity, or game for the day.

Monday Morning Ministries- High school aged kids will meet at **Numinous Coffee at 7:15 am** to start their week off with a Bible study lesson. Please bring a friend.

Wednesday Evening Bible Study- High school aged kids will meet **6:00 – 8:00 pm**. We have some time for games, snacks, and Bible study. Please bring a friend.



Confirmation is what we call an intentional two year process of faith formation guided by the pastors, adults mentors, and special speakers. We dig into the small catechism (The Lord's Prayer, 10 Commandments, Apostles' Creed, Baptism, Communion). We will also learn some faith practices, field trips, and service projects.

~ Mark Your Calendars ~

March 27th	Worship Notes (8th grade - Due: Theme & drafts of 3 of your 5 subject areas.)
April 3rd	Worship Notes (8th grade - Due: Draft of your other 2 of your 5 subject areas.)
April 10th	Worship Notes (8th grade - Due: Near-final draft of all your subject areas.)
April 24th	Confirmation Celebration Dinner for 8th grade students/parents/p-partners
April 28th	Confirmation Sunday



Tuesday Pre-Confirmation (Jumpstart) - 5th & 6th grade students meet after school for a class to get a "jumpstart" on Confirmation by learning more about the stories of the people of the Bible and getting to visit some of our local ELCA congregations.

Retiree Round Up

Retiree Roundup will meet on **Thursday, April 25th, at 11:00am** in the Fellowship Hall. Our guest speaker will be from Burnet County Extension Office, discussing Lawn, garden, and tree care. Bring your questions. Lunch will follow with our **Salad Bar Buffet**. Please bring an ingredient to share or a dessert, if you can. Freewill donations accepted, as well. Please RSVP by Sunday, April 21st. Sign the attendance sheet in the narthex, or contact Betty Matejowsky or Pam Wettstein.

Winter Texans, if you are still here, please join us!



Cinco de My-Oh-My!



Gals' Night In
April 22nd at 6:00pm
At the home of
Ellen Doffing
336 San Saba St.,
Meadowlakes, TX
830-798-6312

Good food, friends, and fun are always on the menu at GNI Contact Jan Starkey (830-613-7819) to find out what you may contribute to our **BUILD YOUR OWN TACO PARTY.**

Please bring a friend & a beverage of choice.

What is Holy Week?

Holy Week is the last week of the 40-day season of Lent and the week preceding Easter. In Holy Week we focus on the last week of Christ's life, remembering especially His passion (suffering) and resurrection.

Palm Sunday is the commemoration of our Lord's triumphant entry into Jerusalem five days before His crucifixion. The service begins with a joyful procession with palms to remember our Lord's jubilant entry into Jerusalem.

Maundy Thursday remembers the events in the upper room the night before Jesus died. The name "maundy" comes from the words of Jesus, "Man datum Novum," meaning "new commandment." Since it was on this night that Jesus gave a new commandment—that we love one another and instituted the Lord's Supper, that sacred meal is the emphasis of Maundy Thursday's service. At the end of the service, the altar is stripped, in preparation for Good Friday. This symbolizes Christ's being stripped by the Roman soldiers prior to His crucifixion.

Good Friday focuses on Jesus' crucifixion and death. It is a very sad and solemn service.

Easter celebrates Christ's victory over sin, death, and the devil and the promise of our justification and everlasting life.

Holy Week is a wonderful opportunity for *Christian growth*. It offers incredible potential for satisfying spiritual hunger, especially for those who experience the whole series of worship opportunities.

St. Peter's Lutheran School

THANK YOU to everyone who has been helping with the Lenten Meals in any way (donations, serving, shopping, cleaning, desserts, etc.)! We are amazed at the generosity of our congregation! Thank you for supporting our school ministry in this way! We have raised \$2,366 to date. All of the money raised is going toward the furniture and supplies needed to expand our school by one new classroom and teacher! We will have 2 three year old classes this fall.

We want to introduce our new employees for the fall with one more pending . . . Ashley Crouse will be our new 3 year old teacher! She is a faithful congregation member, a parent in the school, a member of our School Board, and also a certified and experienced teacher! We will also welcome Christy Humphries as an aide! Christy has over 25 years of experience in pre-schools and comes to our community from Rockwall! Welcome to both ladies!

Registration for the 2019-20 school year is underway! Our school serves children ages 3 through Kindergarten. Classes are filling rapidly, so please encourage your family, friends, and neighbors to register early! Scholarships are available as well. We will have two 3 year old classrooms, two PreK classrooms, a Kindergarten, and an Extended Learning mixed-age class on Mondays/Fridays. Our school continues to grow and our ministry continues to flourish - thank you for supporting us through prayer for the teachers, students and families.

The 8th Annual Run for the Son will take place on Saturday, April 13, beginning at the Double Horn Brewing Company parking lot. We need lots of volunteers and participants to pull off such a huge event! Volunteers can help with: handing out water, monitoring traffic, passing out goody bags, sorting t-shirts, and other activities. Please contact Tracy at tracy@splcmf.org or fill out a volunteer form (found in the narthex) if you are interested in volunteering! Otherwise, we hope to see you at the 5K, whether you are walking or running! All money earned will go directly to provide scholarships for students with financial need to attend our school. You may also register online at www.myraceregistration.com under Run for the Son. Please plan on being a part of this fun annual event.

We also want to **THANK** the sponsors of this year's Run for the Son - these businesses and families make this event possible! We are blessed by their generosity!

Subway, Julie's Cocina, Squeaky Wheel Marketing, Nunnally, Freeman, & Owens, SRCI, Womack's Heat & Air, Edwards Risk Management, Bluebonnet Café, Gillian & Associates Realty, Backbone Valley Nursery, Thornblom Plumbing, Cactus Companies, Dale Brown Properties, Grasshopper's Lawn Care, Mustang Mania, Chevrolet of Marble Falls, Walker & Associates, Alexis Granite, The Core, Terrell Vet Clinic, Bryan Hicks Law, Trey Berry - Coleman Team Realty, Central Texas Land & Title, Spicewood Vineyards, Yates Vineyards, Ridgemont Village, Pyle Financial Group, The Knight Family, Grand Bank, and Smartie Pantz!

Tracy Knight, St. Peter's School Director

LENTEN MEALS SCHOOL FUNDRAISER

Please make plans to attend **St. Peter's Lenten meals** and worship. Each meal will be hosted by a group from our church and all money collected from each meal will go directly to our school. There is **no charge for the meal, but a free-will offering is greatly appreciated.** Any offering we receive this year will go toward the expansion of our school allowing us to serve more students while keeping our classroom numbers low.

We ask congregation members and school parents to help contribute desserts for each meal,

so please sign-up in the Narthex and help this worthy cause.
The students, teachers, and parents thank you for your support!



VBS 2019
Save the Date
June 17th-21st

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Office Hours: 8:00am—3:00pm

Monday— Friday

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ST, PETER'S Blessings

Carol Leighton, *Board Member*
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Linda Burling, *Board Member*
Jan Starkey, *Board Member*

Building to Bless

Dale Moquist, *Campaign Leader*
Pastor Vanicek, *Campaign Lead Pastor*
Pastor Vanicek, *Visual/Print Communications*
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Steve Reitz, *Committee Chair*

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Vonda Orton, *Committee Chair*

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Nick Bohmann
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Dale Moquist
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Cindy Struchen

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