

April 1-2, 2017

Lent 5

Liturgy: pg. 38 CW

Psalm of the Day: Psalm 116, page 107

First lesson: 2 Kings 4: 18-37

Second lesson Romans 8: 11-19

Gospel: John 11: 17-27, 38-45

Sermon text John 11: 17-27, 38-45

Speaker, Rev. Newlin Schafer

Hymns: 104, 110 vs. 1-5, 110 v. 6-7, 728

Special music: 8:00 – Jr. Bell Choir; 10:30 am – Senior Bell Choir

Schedule

1 Sat **8:00 – Noon Spring church cleaning**
 11:00 – 1:00 Easter Canvass
 4:00 pm Worship service

2 Sun 8:00 am Worship service
 9:00 am Scrip sales
 9:15 am SPL Adult & Youth Bible Hour
 10:30 am Worship service

3 Mon 6:00 pm Stewardship Committee meeting

4 Tue 10:00 am Pastor’s Study Club
 6:00 pm Nominating Committee meeting
 6:30 pm Bell choir, 7:30 pm Choir

5 Wed 3:15 & 7:00 pm Lenten Worship services
 7:45 pm Visiting Elders meeting

6 Thur 1:30 pm Ladies Aid meeting
 5:00 pm PSI
 5:00-8:00 pm SPL School Open House
 6:30 pm Evangelism Committee meeting

8 Sat 4:00 pm Worship service w/altar communion

9 Sun 8:00 am Worship service w/altar communion
 9:15 am SPL Adult & Youth Bible Hour
 10:30 am Worship service w/altar communion
 11:30 am Open Forum

Organist: Becky Miller; 4/5: Judy Lemke

Deacon: Mike McGlin; **Head Usher:** Mike Abrahamson; **Radio:** Dan Pople

Greeters: 4:00–David & Janet Hartfiel; 8:00–Dennis & Donna Yorkson;

10:30- Adam & Lisa Alix & family; 4/5- L. Hidde, V. Frederick; Coffee: Rolfs/Collins

Ushers: 8:00–Danielle Behn, Jaelyn & Mikyla Reeck, Cole Hudziak

10:30-Logan Witt, Lily & John Mueller, Cami Gettendorf

Church Attendance: 3/29: 141 + 32 = 173; 3/25-26: 80 + 107+ 208 = 395

SCHEDULE 4/8-9: Organist: Kerry Koehler

Deacon: Alan Kurth; **Head Usher:** Jeremy Schroeder; **Radio:** Tammy Bucholtz

Greeters: 4:00 –Jim Shaffar; 8:00 – Mike & Mae Gettendorf;

10:30 – Justin & Lakkin Zielke & family Coffee: Hammer/Kolz/Kaminske

Ushers: 8:00 – Andy Schroeder, Nathan & Tyler Togstad, C. Pomeranke

10:30 – Sara Nehring, Amanda Loehrke, Greg Radtke, Tom Schneider

CALL EXTENDED

On Sunday, March 19, the voters of St. Peter congregation extended a Call to Benton Witte to be our teacher of Grades 3 & 4, along with being technology director and doing some possible coaching. He presently is a teacher at Riverview Lutheran School in Appleton, WI. He graduated from Martin Luther College in 2008 and was assigned to Riverview Lutheran School. Please keep him in your prayers, that God would guide him to a decision that will be to His glory and for the benefit of God’s people.

LENTEN SERVICES

“**Repent: Turn to Jesus!**” – is the theme for the Lenten services this year. The remaining services are at 3:15 & 7:00 pm on 4/5, and the theme is: Repent: Turn to Jesus; He Changes Your Life – Pastor Paul Bowe.

BIBLE STUDY ON GENESIS – CONTINUES THIS SUNDAY

We continue on the long journey we are taking in which we plan to read the entire Bible and discuss each book chapter by chapter, verse by verse. We are presently reading Genesis, chapters 20 to 30. Included in these chapters are the struggles that existed between Hagar and Sarah, the severe test Abraham faced in being told to sacrifice his own son, the conflict that tore apart the family of Jacob, Jacob’s dream at Bethel, and much more. Each of these classes are being held in the **Commons**, starting at **9:15 a.m.**

OPEN FORUM TO BE HELD

The next ‘Open Forum’ is set for **Sunday, April 9, 2017 at 11:30 a.m.** The agenda items will include: 1) Financial Update, which may include items regarding the budgeting process; 2) Sanctuary Committee Update which may include the following – selection of a color choice for the new carpet, discussion about ‘Confirmation Photos’, sound booth details; and 3) Stewardship Committee Update. These forums are for all of our members, male and female, so we hope you will plan on attending. They are to last no longer than an hour. We seek the opinions and ideas of all of our members as we work together in doing the Lord’s work here at St. Peter.

WISCONSIN LUTHERAN SEMINARY CHORUS

Immanuel Waupaca is pleased to welcome the Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary Chorus for a free concert on Saturday, April 1st, at 6:30pm! Come join us for a night of sacred song.

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HOLY WEEK

The most sacred week of the church year is fast approaching. We will have opportunity to gather for the following special services:

Maundy Thursday Communion Service 4-13-2017 7:00 p.m.
Good Friday Communion Services 4-14-2017 1:00 & 7:00 p.m.
(The 1:00 o'clock service will be broadcast live on WDUX AM800.)
Easter Sunday Celebration Services 4-16-2017 6:30, 8:00 & 10:30 a.m.
(Easter breakfast will be held in the Commons from 7:00 – 10:15 a.m.)

SPRING CHURCH CLEANING

It's time for our annual Spring cleaning at church! We have scheduled **two Saturdays, April 1st and April 8th from 8am-Noon** for spring cleaning the church. However, if people would like to come in at other times during the month, there are detailed lists of chores to be completed. Stop by the office for instructions if you are coming during the week. Any questions can be addressed to Susie Faulks 920-867-3985, Denise Anderson 920-299-3427, or St. Peter office 920-867-2200.

CONFIRMATION PARENTS

The pastors would like to meet with all parents of 8th graders (LES & PSI) who will be confirmed on Sunday, May 7, 2017. Final details will be shared about the confirmation plans. The **meeting is set for Sunday, April 2, after the 10:30 service**. The following are in charge of these matters - gowns: Rachel Loehrke, Michael Abrahamson; photographer: Jacci Olson, Sarah Mueller; flowers: Courtney Williams, Penny Dittmann.

OPEN HOUSE

St. Peter Lutheran School's annual Open House will take place Thursday, April 6, from 5:00 – 8:00 pm. All who attend can tour the facilities, visit with staff, view student projects in the classrooms, and be entertained by grades 5-8 production of the Kids' Praise musical. The musical itself will begin at 7:00 pm. Psalty (the singing songbook) and all the children will share through song and dance with those in attendance the joy they have in their hearts for Jesus. All are welcome to attend this uplifting event.

The Radio Broadcast for April 2, 2017, is sponsored by Ty & Jamie Wohlt & family and Roy Balthazor, in memory of Penny Balthazor.

Given in memory of Alton Ponto whose birthday was March 21st: \$50.00 to St. Peter Lutheran Church.

The April issue of the Forward in Christ magazine is available on the back table in church.

LWMS SPRING RALLY

The Spring Wolf River Circuit Rally is **Saturday, April 22, 2017** at Zion Lutheran Church, Readfield. Registration starts at 8:15 with opening devotion at 9:00 am. Pastor Jim Roecker, husband of our former teacher, Elizabeth Roecker, will speak about the UW- Stevens Point Campus Ministry at THE WORD Lutheran Church, which was dedicated in January of this year. The Rally theme is "Remain in Jesus' Love" (John 15: 9-10). A sign up sheet for attending the LWMS Rally at Zion Lutheran Church in Readfield is on the table in back of church along with LWMS envelopes if you'd like to donate a monetary gift for missions. Envelopes can be put in the collection plates or dropped off to St. Peter's office by April 9th.

EASTER BREAKFAST HELP

There is a sign-up sheet in the back of church for helping with the Easter Breakfast. Times are: Set up Saturday morning April 15 from 9am to 10am, and Easter Sunday morning, April 16. Any help is appreciated. If you have questions, contact Cheryl Peters. (867-2834). Thank you.

NEW BIBLE STUDY COMING IN APRIL

2017 marks the 500th anniversary of the beginning of the Lutheran Reformation. The 95 Theses were posted on the door of the Castle Church in Wittenberg in 1517. How much do we truly know about the Lutheran Confessions which we adhere to as a church body? This 5-week study will present an overview of how the confessions fit into the history of the Lutheran Reformation; will give participants an idea of the subjects covered in the Lutheran Confessions; and will give the class a taste of the Confessions by having them read sample sections. The individual titles are: 1) The Three Ecumenical Creeds; 2) The Small and Large Catechisms; 3) The Augsburg Confession and the Apology; 4) The Smalcald Articles; and 5) The Formula of Concord, Part One. These classes will run from **Sunday, April 23 to Sunday, May 28**. Each of the classes will be held in the **Commons**, starting at **9:15 a.m.**

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

The next meeting of St. Peter's Nominating Committee is scheduled for **Tuesday, April 4th, in the Conference Room at 6:00 pm.**

PICTORIAL DIRECTORY SUPPLEMENT

We were blessed with many new members last year. In order to make sure your Pictorial Directory is up-to-date, pick up a supplemental page of pictures in the back of church. This will include all the new members since the printing of the directory through December 2016.

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CHILDREN'S SERMON

A reminder that we have a 'Children's Sermon' the first Sunday of each month. We ask all pre-school to grade 3 age children to come to the front of church during the 2nd verse of the pre-sermon hymn; after the devotion the congregation will continue singing the rest of the hymn while the children go back to the pews. The next 'Children's Sermon' will be on **Sunday, April 2, 2017.**

WEYMONT FOOD PANTRY COLLECTION

During the month of April, we will be collecting nonperishable food items for the Weymont Food Pantry. At this time the Pantry needs saltine crackers, jello, pudding, spaghetti, raviolis, spam, tuna, diced tomatoes, tomato sauce, cake mixes, frosting, cookie mixes, ketchup, and peanut butter. The Pantry **does not** need cereal or macaroni and cheese at this time. Please place your donations in the large barrel in the narthex.

CO-ED VOLLEYBALL TOURNAMENT

Emanuel Lutheran Church invites you to the 4th annual co-ed volleyball tournament that will be held on Saturday, April 22nd at Fox Valley Lutheran High School. Matches will begin at 8:30 am. Churches are welcome to bring more than 1 team. The registration per team is \$30.00 and the deadline to register is Monday, April 17th. We will try to have a recreational league and a more competitive league if there are enough teams to do so. Players must be at least 18 years old. The number of teams will determine the number of games each team will have and the times, which will be determined after the registration deadline. Please email your team name, church name, captain's name & rec or competitive preference to liessefoley@hotmail.com.

A note about the tournament- The purpose of this tournament is for members of the local congregations to participate in friendly competition. This is meant to be a recreational tournament. Teams are allowed one church prospect on their team. Contact Liesse Foley at liessefoley@hotmail.com or 920-224-5788 with questions.

**** Anyone who can help distribute invitations for our Easter Canvass is asked to meet at the church on Saturday, April 1st, at 11:00 am.**