

September 2-3, 2017

Pentecost 13

Liturgy: Page 15 CW

Psalm of the Day: Psalm 133-134, pg. 115

First lesson: ..... Proverbs 9: 1-6, 13-18

Second lesson ..... Romans 11: 13-15, 28-32

Gospel: ..... Matthew 15: 21-28

Sermon text ..... Proverbs 9: 1-6, 13-18

Speaker, Rev. Dennis Lemke

Hymns: 402, 413, 539, 756

Schedule

2 Sat 4:00 pm Worship service

3 Sun 8:00 am Worship service

9:00 am Scrip sales

**9:15 am Adult Bible Hour**

10:30 am Worship service

4 Mon 6:00 pm School Opening service

6 Wed 10:00 am BIC

5:00 pm PSI

6:30 pm Visiting Elders meeting

7 Thu 1:30 pm Ladies Aid meeting

6:30 pm Evangelism Committee

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

10 Sun 8:00 am Worship service w/altar communion

9:15 am SPL Youth/Adult Bible hour

10:30 am Worship service w/altar communion

**10:30 AM service is broadcast on WDUX AM800**

**Organist:** Kerry Koehler

**Deacon:** Dennis Yorkson; **Head Usher:** Anthony Pankow; **Radio:** Durant Pople

**Greeters:** 4:00 – Gene & Priscilla Bartel; 8:00 – Paul Thiel, Art Hallman;

10:30 – David & Mary Werth

**Ushers:** 8:00 – Mike Hahn, Quinten, CeCe & Avery Kempf

10:30- Kendra & MaKayla Lenz, Travis & Carter Dittmann

**Coffee hour:** Freer/Smiley/Schalo

**Church cleaners:** week of 9/3 – Schumacher

**Church Attendance:** 8/26-27: 75 + 109 + 92 = 276

**SCHEDULE 9/9-10:** Organist: Judy Lemke

**Deacon:** Tim Paidler; **Head Usher:** Chris Behm; **Radio:** Wayne Faulks

**Greeters:** 4:00 – Randy & Susie Faulks; 8:00 – Gary & Gloria Klug

10:30 – Jeremy & Sarah Rhone & family

**Ushers:** 8:00 – Collin Jorgensen, Riley Radtke, Zayne Rodencal, Aidan Smithson

10:30 – Bryce Tesch, Jaden Alswager, Haven & Tristian Paulson

**Coffee hour:** Hayes/Schumacher

### CALL RETURNED-NEXT CALL MEETING SET

Pastor Michael Zarling has returned the Call to be our “lead” pastor. The next call meeting is set for Thursday, September 14<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm. All are encouraged to attend.

### ST. PETER OPENING SERVICE

The opening service for the 2017-2018 school year will be held on Monday, September 4, starting at 6:00 p.m. at St. Peter Lutheran Church. All are cordially invited to attend. Parents and children should sit together. After the service, students will have the opportunity to take their school supplies to their classrooms. The first day of school will start Tuesday, September 5, at 8:00 a.m.

### GOLDEN AGERS DINNER

The Golden-Agers dinner for all members age 65 and over and spouse/guest will be held on Saturday, October 7 at 5:00 pm in the Commons. Come for a delicious ham dinner, lively entertainment and wonderful Christian fellowship. Please sign-up in the back of church or call the office at 867-2200 if you plan to attend.

### REFORMATION MOVIE – MARTIN LUTHER “A RETURN TO GRACE”

Our congregation has been invited to see the movie “A Return to Grace” (regarding Martin Luther and the Reformation). It will be shown on **Wednesday, September 6, at 7:00 p.m. in the New London High School Auditorium.** Tickets to the movie are **\$5.00.** You may stop in our office to purchase a ticket.

### SPL CHILDREN’S BIBLE HOUR REGISTRATION

This year the final **registration for Children’s Bible Hour** (4K – 8<sup>th</sup> grade) will be held **on Sunday, September 10, at 9:00 a.m. in the school lobby.** A reminder that this is for all students of St.Peter. We welcome and encourage participation from Public School students and SPL students alike. Come and enjoy a fun and relaxed atmosphere with our new curriculum (different from St.Peter Lutheran School curriculum). The first SPL Children’s Bible Hour will be held **Sunday, September 10, at 9:15 a.m.**

### SPL CHILDREN’S BIBLE HOUR TEACHER INSTALLATION

The teachers for SPL Children’s Bible Hour will be installed during the 8:00 o’clock service on **Sunday, September 10.** The teachers to be installed and their grade levels are: Pre-school to Grade 1 – Cassandra Rupno and Heather Villalobos; Grades 2-4 – Miranda Bestul; Grades 5-6 – Lynne Wozniak; Grades 7-8 – Rachel Loehrke. May the Lord’s blessings rest on these gifts to His Church as they teach the precious truths of God’s Word to the lambs entrusted to their care.

**\*\* SEE PINK INSERT FOR ADDITIONAL BULLETIN ITEMS \*\***

**COFFEE HOUR/NEW MEMBER WELCOME**

On Sunday, September 17, we will have our regular “Coffee Hour” in between services in the Narthex. We will use this opportunity to welcome our new members, Jaimie Kaminske and daughter, Caydence, and Melissa Vallery and daughter, Emma. We look forward to this special time for fellowship and for the opportunity to welcome our new members to St. Peter congregation!

**WOMEN’S BIBLE STUDY**

SPL Women's Bible Study will start up again on Wednesday, September 20th. The group will continue to work through Philippians using the book *Experiencing God's Peace* by Elizabeth George. If you would like to join the group this year, contact Judi Rehm at 414-803-8310 or [jrrehm@sbcgobal.net](mailto:jrrehm@sbcgobal.net), and she will order a book for you. The sessions run from 10-11 am and meet in the school meeting room. The September session will focus on Lesson 9: Living Like Jesus.

**CONSIDER CHOIR**

St. Peter Senior Choir begins rehearsals on September 12 at 7:30 upstairs in church and continues every Tuesday, (except December 26, January 2 and 9), thru May. We practice and sing upstairs mainly because of logistics but also because the majority of choir members prefer the balcony or choir loft. There are no auditions and reading music is not a requirement. The choir tries to sing twice a month; once at 8:00 service and once at 10:30 service, if possible. If you love to sing, enjoy good Christian fellowship and would be interested in sharing your time and talent with others to praise God, please consider coming to rehearsal on September 12. All voices are very welcome. If anyone has questions, feel free to call the director, Jan Dahlke at 920-867-2025.

**CHURCH COUNCIL AUTHORIZES A SPECIAL REFORMATION FREE-WILL**

The Northern Wisconsin District is holding a special Reformation worship service at the PAC in Appleton Saturday, October 28<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 o'clock in the afternoon to commemorate the 500<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Lutheran Reformation. The district Reformation committee is inviting all 153 NWD congregations to take part in this special celebration. Each congregation in the district is asked to consider a special donation in order to fund this event. The Church Council is asking that **free-will offerings** be taken at all of the services the **weekend of September 9-10**. Free-will boxes will be placed in the back of church for this purpose. Any gifts given will be greatly appreciated!

**CONTRIBUTION UPDATE**

Month	Need YTD	Rec'd YTD	YTD over/short
G/F August	109,575	94,435	(-15,140)
Missions	10,908	18,254	7,346

The Radio Broadcast for September 3, 2017, is sponsored by Bill & Judy Goetsch on the occasion of Bill's 80<sup>th</sup> birthday.

**\*\* ADDITIONAL BULLETIN ITEMS \*\***

**MORNINGS WITH JESUS – FALL SESSION**

Join us as we begin our fall session of Mornings with Jesus. We are excited to start a new year and hope you can join us. We meet 2 times a month on Fridays from 9:00-10:00 in the Narthex. We will share a Bible lesson, stories, songs, and different activities. Children ages 0-5 and their caregivers (not just moms!) are welcome to join us. We are also looking for a co-leader for our group. If you are interested or would like more information, please contact Bethany Warnke (920) 652-8121 or [bethanywarnke84@gmail.com](mailto:bethanywarnke84@gmail.com)  
Fall dates: 9/8 – Apples, 9/22 – Bubbles, 10/6 – Mo Willems Stories, 10/20 – Pumpkins, 11/2 – TBD.

**REPRESENTATIVE NEEDED**

St. Peter is in need of an individual to represent the congregation as a delegate at Fox Valley Lutheran High School’s General Board meetings. The meetings are held three times a year in September, February, and May at the high school in Appleton. Due to an expected increase in future enrollment and the implementation of additional Science courses to meet the needs of today’s high schoolers, FVL plans on expanding/remodeling their current facilities. As we continue to support FVL financially and send some of our teenagers there to continue their Christian education, it is important to have someone from St. Peter receiving information about FVL on a timely basis. If you are interested, please contact Mr. Miller at either 920-867-2200 or [j.miller@splwega.net](mailto:j.miller@splwega.net).

**NEW BIBLE STUDY OPPORTUNITY IN SEPTEMBER**

During the month of September we will be having a new Bible Study entitled “Four Christian Doctrines That Are Often Misunderstood”. These Bible studies will be conducted in the Commons and will be led by Pastor Robert Balza from Appleton, WI. He is known throughout the Fox Valley as a very gifted Bible teacher. We look forward to having him in our midst and leading us in the study of these 4 individual doctrines: 1) Apostolic Authority (why this is such an important topic and what difference it makes in the reading and accepting of God’s Word); 2) Spiritual Discernment and Apostacy (how can I better understand spiritual truths and keep from being deceived by false teaching); 3) The Antichrist (what Scripture actually says in regard to the Antichrist and how we can recognize who or what it is); and 4) Predestination/Election (does the Bible really teach ‘election’? can I be sure I am one of the ‘elect’? how?).

The new Meditations devotional dated August 27 – December 2, 2017, is available in the back of church. The cost is \$3.50.

The September issue of the Forward in Christ magazine is available in the back of church.

## "A Christian's Job Description"

- If you feel far away from God, guess who moved?
- Fear knocked. Faith answered. No one was there.
- What you are is God's gift to you.
- What you become is your gift to God.
- I am God's melody of life and He sings His song through me.
- We can never really go where God is not, and where He is, all is well.
- No matter what is happening in your life, know that God is waiting for you with open arms.
- God promises a safe landing, not a calm passage.
- Do your best and then sleep in peace. God is awake.
- God has a purpose and plan for me that no one else can fulfill.
- The will of God will never take you to where the grace of God will not protect you.
- We are responsible for the effort, not the outcome.
- We set the sail; God makes the wind.
- Begin to weave and God will give you the thread.
- Sometimes when God says "no", it's because He has something better in store for you.
- The task ahead of us is never as great as the power behind us.
- Prayer: don't bother to give God instructions, just report for duty.
- It's my business to do God's business and it's His business to take care of my business.
- Serenity is not freedom from the storm, but peace amid the storm.
- How come you're always running around looking for God? He's not lost.
- God put me on earth to accomplish a number of things; right now I'm so far behind I will live forever.

"You will seek Me and find Me when you seek Me with all your heart."

Jeremiah 29:13