

December 2-3, 2017

Advent I

Liturgy: Divine Service I

Psalm of the Day: Psalm 24 pg. 73 CW

First lesson: Genesis 6: 1-3, 5-14, 17-22

Second lesson I Corinthians 1: 3-9

Gospel: Mark 13: 32-37

Sermon text Mark 13: 32-37

Speaker, Rev. Dennis Lemke

Hymns: 363, 2, 9, 731

Special music: 8:00 – Gr. 1-2, 10:30 – Senior Bell Choir

Schedule

2 Sat 4:00 pm Worship service
3 Sun 8:00 am Worship service
9:00 am Scrip sales
9:15 am SPL Youth Bible hour
10:30 am Worship service
4:00 pm Advent by Candlelight
4 Mon 6:00 pm School Board meeting
6:00 pm Member Ministry meeting
5 Tue 6:30 pm Bell Choir
7:30 pm Choir
6 Wed 3:15 & 7:00 pm Advent Worship services
4:00 – 6:30 pm Chili Supper in Commons
5:00 pm PSI
7:45 pm Visiting Elders meeting
7 Thu 10:00 am BIC
12:30 pm Ladies Aid Christmas party
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 Bible hour
10:30 am Worship service w/altar communion
3:30 – 5:30 pm Griefshare program
10:30 am service broadcast on WDUX AM800
Organist: Kerry Koehler; 12/6 – Judy Lemke
Deacon: Tim Pailer; **Head Usher:** Chris Behm; **Radio:** Wayne Faulks
Greeters: 4:00 – Sue Thiel; 8:00 – Bestul/Ritchie
10:30 – Mark & Marcia Fink; 12/6 – Ken & Karlene Wolff **Coffee:** Mueller/Raisler
Ushers: 8:00 –Zayne Rodencal, Riley Radtke, Aidan Smithson, Collin Jorgensen
10:30- Bryce Tesch, Jaden Alswager, Haven & Tristian Paulson
Church Attendance: 11/25 & 26: 68 + 115 + 124 = 307
SCHEDULE 12/9-10 Organist: Becky Miller; 12/13 – Judy Lemke
Deacon: Jeremy Schroeder; **Head Usher:** Mike Abrahamson; **Radio:** Dan Popple
Greeters: 4:00 -; 8:00 – Neil & MaryAnn Rasmussen; 10:30 Anthony & Joanne Pankow & girls; 12/13-G. Prillwitz, R. Montgomery **Coffee:** Boushley/Paap

Ushers: 8:00 – Abigail Collins, Rob Hoewisch, Sariya & Tatum Williams

10:30 – Mason & Hunter Soerens, Nick Loehrke, Jessup Rolfs

Working Together — Celebrating God's Good Gifts

"For we are co-workers in God's service" (1 Cor. 3:9).

CHILI SUPPER

The F.A.C.E. (Friends Assisting Christian Education) group will again be hosting their annual Chili supper on **Wednesday, December 6th**, after the Advent service. Thrivent Action team funds will be used to help supplement this event. It will be held in the Commons from 4:00 until 6:30 pm. Please plan to join us!

MID-WEEK ADVENT SERIES

The theme for our mid-week Advent services this year is: **"Evergreen.....and All I Ever Want!"** We are going to focus on preparations made for the first coming of Christ and how many there were who were unprepared for his coming, and from those historical accounts learn how to properly prepare ourselves for the Second Coming of Christ. The dates and the individual themes for these services are: Wed., Dec.6 – **'How Shall I Greet You?'**; Dec.13 – **'Advent's Fiery Preacher'**; Wed., Dec.20 - **'Not Another Advent!'** The mid-week services will be held at 3:15 and 7:00 p.m. May the Lord bless our Advent preparations!

LADIES AID CHRISTMAS PARTY

The Ladies Aid Christmas party will be held Thursday, December 7, 2017. Lunch will begin at 12:30 pm. Parents, grandparents & other family members of school children at SPL are invited. Ladies Aid members are asked to bring a large dish to pass. Entertainment will follow at approximately 1:30 pm.

GRIEFSHARE: Surviving the Holidays

This seminar is being offered by SPL Cares on Sunday, Dec. 10 from 3:30 - 5:30 PM for those who are facing the holidays after a loved one's death. Practical suggestions and reassurance will be offered through videos and discussion at church. Participants will also receive a booklet with additional insights and holiday surviving ideas. Signups can be made with Carol Tessen at 715-281-5559 or Sue Morack at email(hifishman1@att.net). If you know of anyone who could use this encouragement, please ask them to join us.

CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS

See the green insert for ordering poinsettias – orders must be turned in by December 10, 2017. The cost is \$13.00 each.

SPONSOR RADIO BROADCAST?

With all the special services coming up during the holidays, we would like to encourage those interested in sponsoring a worship service to do so. If you would like to sponsor a worship service in memory of a loved one, in honor of an anniversary, a birthday, or any special occasion, we can carry out that desire. The cost for sponsoring a service is \$100.00, which will remain in effect until January, 2018. Then the cost will go up. We can announce to the radio audience – who is sponsoring the service and for what special purpose. If you have any questions about this, please ask the pastor or church secretary for further information.

COMMUNITY DINNER VOLUNTEERS

Every first Monday of the month, Weyauwega residents are invited to enjoy a community dinner at 5 in the evening. The Presbyterian church at 200 Pine Street is the location every month. Hosting the dinner for approximately 100 people each month is shared by all the churches of Weyauwega.

A few St. Peter's volunteers are needed to plan, prepare, and serve a meal Monday, February 5th, the first of 2 St. Peter's dinners in 2018. Volunteers will be guided by Marlene Phillips who has graciously been leading the St. Peter's dinners for several years. Mrs. Phillips will offer menu suggestions and provide shopping and preparation guidance. The February dinner will be sponsored financially by Thrivent. If you can be part of this community unifying outreach opportunity, a sign up sheet will be in the back of church the week after Thanksgiving.

The Radio Broadcast for December 3, 2017, is sponsored by Lee & Betty Larson on the occasion of their 40th Wedding Anniversary.

Brad Kaminske, age 50, died on November 21, 2017. His funeral was held on November 27th. May the Lord graciously comfort the survivors.

Emma Louise Vallery was baptized in a private ceremony at St. Peter Lutheran Church on Friday, November 24, 2017. "Whoever believes and is baptized will be saved!" (Mark 16:16)

The new Meditations devotional dated Dec. 3 thru March 3 is available in the back of church. PLEASE NOTE: The cost has increased to \$4.00 per copy.

CONTRIBUTION UPDATE

Month	Need YTD	Rec'd YTD	YTD over/short
G/F Nov.	267,850	234,687	(-33,163)
Missions	26,664	30,781	4,117

GREETERS ARE NEEDED! PLEASE SIGN UP!

ADDITIONAL BULLETIN ITEMS

"BAILEY BRAVE" BENEFIT

Our young member, Bailey Mitchell, age 14, daughter of Randy Mitchell and Codi Loughrin, has been diagnosed with Dysautonomia which is a dysfunction of the autonomic nervous system causing many complications. In April, Bailey had a feeding tube placed for nutrition. Due to complications, she has been hospitalized many times and undergone countless surgical procedures.

Bailey has been approved to receive NueroStim treatments that her doctors feel will help reset her nervous system. With God's blessings and your prayers, these treatments will bring relief and restore her to do most daily activities and get her off the feeding tube.

Bailey has been struggling for a long time and to finally have a treatment available is simply the miracle we've been asking for. Due to the high costs, we've planned a benefit on Dec.16 at the Crossings Steakhouse on Hwy 110/54 from 1-5 pm. Please join us for a family-fun day.

An account has been setup at Community First Credit Union - account #1198115, if you'd like to make a cash donation. If you have any questions, please contact us at 920-850-9796. Thank you again for love, support, prayers and kindness.

UPCOMING WORSHIP SERVICES

A reminder about the special upcoming services that will be held:

Mid-week Advent Services will be held on the Wednesdays of Dec. 6th, 13th, and 20th at 3:15 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.

SPL Youth Bible Hour Christmas Service 12-23-2017 4:00 pm (Saturday)
St. Peter School Christmas Services 12-24-2017 10:30 am & 4:00 pm (Sunday)
Christmas Eve Vesper Service 12-24-2017 7:00 pm (Sunday)
Christmas Day Service 12-25-2017 9:30 am (Monday)
New Year's Worship Services 12-30-2017 4:00 pm w/communion
12-31-2017 8:00 & 10:30 am w/communion

THANK YOU

Thank you to everyone who was involved in making the 5th Annual Community Thanksgiving Dinner such a success. Over 50 of St. Peter members were involved in sharing their time, donating food or making a monetary donation. There were also many donations from area businesses that made this meal possible. We served 171 dinners to our members & members of our community. Participants had the opportunity to place notes on a Thanksgiving Tree that reflected what they were thankful for. A number of them mentioned they were thankful for this meal and the fellowship that they experienced at St. Peter. Thanks again to everyone who was involved.

POINSETTIA ORDER FORM ON REVERSE...

Christmas Poinsettias

The Christmas season is here and once again it is time to beautify our church in celebration of the birth of our Savior. If you would like to order a poinsettia in memory of a loved one, or in celebration of Christmas, please fill out this form and **return it along with payment to the office by December 10, 2017**, as we have to order early for December delivery.

_____ **1 Poinsettia \$13.00 (payable to St. Peter Lutheran)**

From: _____

In memory

of: _____