

## SPL SCHOOL NEWS

Mrs. Tryba asked for sponsors from the congregation to support **St. Peter's reading program**. Various members donated money to offer students the capability of purchasing brand new books for only \$1.00 each month of the school year. When the book box arrives with their orders, it is like Christmas. Each time, the students are super excited to begin new adventures as they dive into the wonderful world of the printed page. Thank you to all who have contributed to this scholastic endeavor.



**The Horse and Buggy Day's King and Queen** made a visit to St. Peter back in September. Mr. and Mrs. Morgan shared what it was like for them growing up in the area. Students asked questions of them from "What kind of toys did you play with?" to "What did you do for fun?"

to "Was there McDonalds back then?" Students and staff enjoyed the time they took out of their busy schedule to visit with all of us.

**Come** see a classic Christmas tale told by **MARIONETTES!** The **Fox Folk Marionette Troupe** of Fox Valley Lutheran High School will present the Christmas classic "The Search for the King" at St. Peter on Thursday, **Dec 13 at 1:15 p.m.** Young and old alike will enjoy this updated version of "The Other Wiseman" by Henry Van Dyke.



This half-hour family-friendly show will feature over 20 colorful, hand-crafted marionettes. Animals and Bible characters will take the stage to tell the story of Artaban, a "wise" man who will remind the audience of the important truth that "wise men (and women) still seek Jesus."

This performance is one of the group's Senior Showcase events. FVL senior Aidan Smithson has been with the puppet team over the past several years and will be coming back to perform at St. Peter where he graduated from four years ago.

## ADULT BIBLE HOUR

**Families of the Bible:** January 6-27 (Sundays)

Are you and the members of your family perfect? Families found in the Bible are made up of sinners like you and me. What is God's will for our imperfect families, and how does he strengthen the family bond?

- Adam and Eve: God's plan for husband and wife
- Noah: Families surrounded by an immoral world
- Abraham and Sarah: Making God our top priority
- Lot: Our families give godly flavor to a distasteful world

**Church, Mission, Ministry:** February 3-24 (Sundays)

What is St. Peter doing here? Really, what *is* St. Peter--beautiful buildings? A collection of committees? A business with a complicated budget? In this study we'll spend some time studying the God-given mission of St. Peter Church and School.

## YOUTH MINISTRY

**Children's Bible Hour**

SPL Children's Bible Hour started their year with some new faces in the teaching department & also new students who have joined us this year. Emily Kristopeit, Rachel & Darren Carson, Lily & John Mueller joined our staff. We appreciate our entire staff for dedicating their time to teaching our students about God's saving grace.

Our students joined with the day school and sang for Pastor Lemke's retirement service and Christian Education Sunday. **Currently we are preparing for our Christmas program that will be held on Saturday December 22nd at 4 pm.** We invite the congregation to attend this beautiful service. Our theme this year is **The People of Christmas**. We have limited class time to prepare each year, but our students do such a wonderful job & would love to share the Christmas story with our members.

Our first series of Bible stories has focused on how God protected His people in Egypt and during the exodus. We will then move to New Testament stories after Thanksgiving break and focus on God sending His Son to save us. We encourage any SPL day school children to join us. Please feel free to stop in on any Sunday and check things out!

**Mornings with Jesus**

meets the first Friday of every month at 9:00 in the narthex. Children 5 and under are invited to come with the caregivers.

December 7th

we are celebrating Jesus' birthday! We hope you can join us! Pictured: Kids enjoyed exploring a Thanksgiving theme: Playing "I Spy" and exploring fun through a cranberry sensory bin.



## FELLOWSHIP MINISTRY

**FACE**

In September, FACE welcomed students and their families to a new school year as the group served cookies and lemonade after the opening service. Parent Game Night was held in early October. A lot of fun was had by all and everyone enjoyed the potluck. FACE will host the annual Chili Supper on Wednesday, **December 5th**. The supper will be served from 4-6:30p.m. We hope to see everyone there for some great food and fellowship.

**Ladies Aid Christmas Party**

The Ladies Aid is hosting their annual Christmas Party at 12:30 on **December 6th**. St. Peter school children will be the entertainment. All parents and grandparents are invited to join the Ladies Aid to begin the celebration of Jesus' birth.



## MINISTRIES OF COMPASSION

**Quilt Ministry**

The members involved in the Quilting Ministry continue to finish quilts. They are currently distributing them to the Foundations for Living in Waupaca, food pantry in Weyauwega and to babies baptized at St. Peter. If you know of individuals with needs in the community, please contact Lu Pagel.

**Prayer Ministry**

Over 20 members are now part of the SPL Prayer Chain appreciating the opportunity to pray for their fellow members. If you, a family member or a friend needs prayers, please contact the church office or call Kathe Jonely at (920) 3476. "...pray for each other so that you may be healed..." James 5 :16

**SPL Cares**

SPL has been very busy with a social in September, a "Loss of Spouse" seminar in October and a "Surviving the Holidays" seminar in November.



## WOMEN'S MINISTRY

**Women's Evening Bible Study**

Women's Evening Bible Study (WEBS) has been launched with an average attendance of 12. We are currently studying "The Heart of Jesus," women in the Gospel of Luke. Our next two sessions are Thurs. **Dec 13**, and Thurs. **Jan. 17** at 6: 30 p.m.

**Women's Morning Bible Study**

Now meeting twice a month on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesdays at 10:00 a.m. The topic this year is Twelve Women of the Bible – Life changing stories for women. It is never too late to join!