

Messenger

St. Peter Evangelical Lutheran Church

From the Pastor

August 2018

August is “Back to School” month in Huntington. It is a time when we remember just how important education is for our children – and not just for our children, but also for our own lives and trades. Consider, for example, the medical field. With the advances in technology, knowledge, techniques and procedures change. Years ago, when my mother had carpal tunnel surgery, they made an incision that took weeks to heal, and her ability to use her hand was restricted. Now (years later), they are able to do endoscopic surgery, which is less invasive and takes less time to heal. But in order to do this new type of procedure (and others), doctors must first learn it: even though they have completed medical school, they must perform what is known as *continuing education* – continued learning and training following the conclusion of their formal training.

Continuing education is a good thing: it ensures that professionals continue to remain informed about advances within their field. Continuing education keeps them thinking. And we desire this; we want our doctors to be educated (and to remain educated). Likewise, for lawyers; we want them up-to-date on the latest rulings and the implications of them for us. Even in The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, continued education is promoted and stressed for pastors and church-workers: with culture ever changing, we want our pastors to be at the frontlines of that change, meeting and applying the Gospel to our lives in the most effective ways.

But continuing education within the church is not just for church-workers. **It’s something that is for you, too!** Your formal Christian education took place in a Lutheran School, or in Confirmation class, or in your home devotions led by your father and mother. But when you graduated, were confirmed, or moved out of the house, those times of formal education in the Christian faith came to an end.

With that conclusion, however, do not become complacent in the Christian faith which has been given to you, even as Paul writes, “I fed you with milk, not solid food, for you were not ready for it. And even now you are not yet ready for it...” (1 Corinthians 3:2). Paul chastised the Corinthian church for not exercising and growing in the faith. Your days of formal training (for most of you) is complete, but continue on in your Christian education, taking the initiative and responsibility for that education yourself. Make use of Bible studies and Sunday School; attend services in the Lord’s house – not only on Sundays, but also on special occasions such as Advent/Lenten midweek services, Ascension Day services, District/Circuit convocations and conferences. Use

Continuing Education Requirements:

Respiratory care: 15 hours
Dental Hygienist: 25 hours
Physical Therapist: 30 hours
Psychologist: 36 hours
Physician/Surgeon: 50 hours

** requirements for the state of California, every 2 years

the devotional materials that are made available through the church. All these are opportunities to grow stronger in Christ Jesus.

I say none of this to shame you or to give you a guilt trip if you do not make use of these opportunities for continuing your Christian education. I say this because Satan is not getting any weaker. He continues to ply his trade and find new ways of attack so that Christians may be deceived and lost (1 Peter 5:8). He is shrewd and dangerous. Please, take advantage of the training available to you so that you may be well-prepared for the attacks of the devil (Ephesians 6).

Pastor Lorenz

Note: Sunday School and Adult Bible classes meet in the school building Sunday mornings at 9 am. Our first day of the Fall quarter will be August 12. Come and grow in Jesus with us!

News and Notes of St. Peter



Christian Care

Please pray for, phone, visit, and or send a card or note to the following:

Jimmy Barnhart (cancer), relative of Laurie Trlak;
Ray Blassingame, brother-in-law of Harold & Janet Bennett; Niki Boswell (stroke), niece of Diana Mason;
Peggy Broderick (cancer treatments), friend of Larry Baade; Bertie Brooks (cancer), aunt of Leah Hiers;
Danny Brok, son of Ruth Moon; Gary Brown; Amy Brunner, friend of Sandy Gast; Frank & Nancy Cozzen, brother-in-law & sister of Dewayne Anderson; Dorothy Davis, friend of Norman Kochensparger; David Dimond; Marcea Dimond; Don Fox (health concerns), brother of Barba Eickhoff;
Ronald Gamble (hospitalized), nephew of Ruth Guy; Ruth Guhl; Janice Hencken; Bradley Heideman; Pam Hite (terminally ill breast cancer), friend of Pam Wertemberger; Margaret Howard, friend of Max Heffelfinger; Michael Hughes (surgery), cousin of Diana Mason; Hazel Jackson (back problems), sister of Ruth Guy; Vicki Oden Kimmel, friend of Karen Smith; Richard Mann; Linda Manchy (cancer), friend of Sue Holtz; Mike McCoy; Adam Neumann, friend of Laurie Trlak; Tom Richhart (cancer), friend of Harold & Janet Bennett; Betty Riggers; Steven Spear (stroke), nephew of Donna Smith; Susie Sprowl

(cancer), friend of Jeff Derr; Geneva Stetzel (stroke), aunt of Leah Hiers; Brent Trlak (health problems), brother-in-law of Laurie Trlak; Brandon Trlak (cancer); Christy Trlak (treatment); Laurie Trlak; Don Webb; Steven Welker (stroke), son-in-law of Donna Dennis; April (Kirkpatrick) Wing (cancer), cousin of Marjorie Richardson; Kathryn Whitesell; Chris Worsham, brother of Chad Worsham.

Eglewood Health & Rehabilitation – Mildred Craig

Heritage of Huntington – Maxine Stetzel; Robert Gernand

Heritage, Warren – Edward Campbell, Jr.

Miller's Merry Manor – Neil & Sandy Stonebraker

Tipton Place - Charles Weicht

Markle Health & Rehabilitation – Jean Simmons

Norwood – Wilbur & Ginger Van der Zee

Home – Jason Cozad; Shirley Powell; Pete Weicht

If you discover that the information has changed, please call the Church office so we can update this list.

Love INC Unity Fest

Save the date of August 19, 2018 for the 9th annual Love INC Unity Fest to be held at the Huntington County Fairgrounds from 11AM – 2PM.



Greeters

Greeters for the following months are:

SEPTEMBER

Sat 5:00 Donna Smith

Sun 10:15 Karen Smith

OCTOBER

Sat 5:00 Linda Hollowell

Sun 10:15 Mary Ellen Fuller

NOVEMBER

Sat 5:00 Bob and Kris McFarland

Sun 10:15 George and Barba Eickhoff



A Little Heavenly Humor

A father took his 5-year-old son to several baseball games where The Star-spangled Banner was sung before the start of each game.

Then the father and son attended a church on a Sunday shortly before Independence Day. The congregation sang The Star-spangled Banner, and after everyone sat down, the little boy suddenly yelled out, "PLAY BALL!!!"

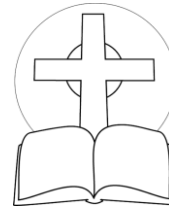
Junior Confirmation

First Day of Class: August 9

Time: 6:30-7:30

Location: Church Sanctuary

Not enrolled? Contact church office



Sunday School/Bible Class

Sunday School starts on August 12th for children ages 3 and up.

Adult Bible Class - No Class August 4 & 5

We will resume Book of Concord study on Baptism August 12. If you have not attended now is a good time to start.

Adult Confirmation

Adult Confirmation Class – Are you interested in becoming a member at St. Peter? Are you not a Lutheran and simply wish to understand more about what Lutherans believe? Would you like a refresher course in what we believe and teach? Our next adult class will take place on Wednesday evenings, from 6:30 pm to 7:30 pm, beginning on September 5. If you would like to attend, please contact the church office so we can have the class materials available for everyone in attendance.

Church Directory

2018 Church Directories are available at the back of the church. Please pick up your copy one (1) per family as you leave church. If you feel that your family needs more than one copy, please feel free to copy or call the church office for an additional copy.

Updated information will appear in the "Messenger".

Installation

Installation of the Indiana District officers:
Rev. Dr. Daniel J. Brege, President
Rev. Dr. D.R. Stuckwisch, First V. P.
Rev. David Shadday, Second V.P.
Rev. Nathan Rastl, Third V.P.
Rev. Peter J. Brock, Fourth V. P.
Rev. Douglas D. Punke, Secretary
will be held on September 9, 2018 at
3PM.with a reception following. RSVP:
church@zionfw.org by August 30.
Installation to be held at Zion Lutheran
Church, 2313 Hanna Street, Ft. Wayne, IN
46803



Mission Envelopes

Please prayerfully consider using your mission envelopes each month. Mission envelopes are in your pledge envelope box at the beginning of each month.

Tape Ministry

If you are unable to attend the worship services for any reason, including short-term recoveries, we would be happy to drop off a copy of the sermon or tape of the service which includes a bulletin. *Do you have tapes that have been dropped off to you in the past weeks? Please leave them for Pam and Jack to pick up when dropping off your new weekly tape.* They are needed to use again. Please call Pam and Jack Wertemberger at 356-8139 or Pam's cell phone: 260-388-2507 to arrange for delivery.

Organizations

Ladies' Guild: NO meeting in August. Next meeting will be Tuesday, September 4th with a report on the 4-H Fair.

St. Peter Association of Retired Keenagers (SPARKS) – The lucky winner of the drawing at the July meeting was Wayne Ashbaugh. The August meeting will be held at noon on Wednesday, August 8th at Pizza Hut.

Dorcas Circle: No meeting August.

LYF: We are still collecting items for healthcare kits to be shipped to Lutheran World Relief. Kits include 2 towels (not fluffy); 2 bars of soap; 1 comb; 1 nail clipper. Please donate only new items. If you are unclear of what to purchase, the youth will accept monetary donations to purchase on your behalf.

Quilters: For those that want to work on quilts during the summer (knotting and finishing), the door will be open at 9:00 am on Wednesday. There will be no snacks. Full quilting will resume Wednesday, September 5, 2018

80 Plus Birthdays this month! August

Date		
4	Mildred Craig	92
10	Donald Fischer	87
19	Ruth Guhl	86
28	Betty Pike	83

SERVING THIS MONTH

AUGUST 2018

ELDER

SATURDAY: GEORGE JUERGENS

SUNDAY: LARRY BAADE

GREETERS

SATURDAY: Jim and Nancy Bowland

SUNDAY: Rolland and Vel Hoch

ALTAR CARE: Audra Herber & Linda Crider

COUNTERS: Larry & Susie Baade

<i>AUGUST</i>			
SAT AUGUST 4	5:00 PM	COMMUNION ASSISTANT	Adrian Brown
		COMMUNION ASSISTANT	Chad Worsham
		ACOLYTE	Erika Brown
SUN AUGUST 5	10:15 AM	COMMUNION ASSISTANT	Jeff Derr
		COMMUNION ASSISTANT	Ron Brown
		ACOLYTE	Nolan Hughes
SAT AUGUST 11	5:00 PM	ACOLYTE	Samantha Weicht
SUN AUGUST 12	10:15 AM	ACOLYTE	Brianna Thomas
SAT AUGUST 18	5:00 PM	COMMUNION ASSISTANT	Ted McElhaney
		COMMUNION ASSISTANT	Fred Lange
		ACOLYTE	Macy Lange
SUN AUGUST 19	10:15 AM	COMMUNION ASSISTANT	Randy Prange
		COMMUNION ASSISTANT	Jim Hoch
		ACOLYTE	Andrew Crider
SAT AUGUST 25	5:00 PM	ACOLYTE	Jacob Worsham
SUN AUGUST 26	10:15 AM	ACOLYTE	Ian Crider

If you are scheduled at a time that does not work for you, please contact an acolyte or communion assistant listed to take your place and let the office know so changes to the bulletin can be made. Thank you for your commitment to serve at St. Peter Church.

ST. PETER LUTHERAN CHURCH

August 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 9:00 Quilting	2 12:00 Bulletin Deadline	3	4 5:00 Divine Service w/Communion
5 10:15 Divine Service w/Communion	6 9:00 Chapel @ Heritage 10:15 Chapel @ Tipton 7:00 TinCaps	7 11:00-12:00 Diaper Store 5:00-6:00 Diaper Store 1:00 Chapel @Millers	8 9:00 Quilting 12:00 SPARKS 6:30 Elders	9 9:00 PEP Meeting 12:00 Bulletin Deadline 6:30 Jr. Confirmation	10	11 4:00 Bible Class 5:00 Divine Service
12 9:00 Sunday School & Bible Class 10:15 Divine Service	13 9:00 Chapel @ Heritage 10:15 Chapel @ Tipton 7:00 Council	14 1:00 Chapel @ Millers 7:00 BPLE	15 9:00 Quilting	16 12:00 Bulletin Deadline 6:30 Jr. Confirmation	17	18 4:00 Bible Class 5:00 Divine Service w/Communion
19 9:00 Sunday School & Bible Class 10:15 Divine Service w/Communion	20 9:00 Chapel @ Heritage 10:15 Chapel @ Tipton 6:00 Evangelism Committee 2:00 Messenger Deadline	21 1:00 Chapel @ Millers 11:00-12:00 Diaper Store 5:00-6:00 Diaper Store	22 9:00 Quilting	23 12:00 Bulletin Deadline 6:30 Jr. Confirmation	24	25 4:00 Bible Class 5:00 Divine Service 1:00 Elder's Bible Study
26 9:00 Sunday School & Bible Class 10:15 Divine Service	27 9:00 Chapel @ Heritage 10:15 Chapel @ Tipton	28 1:00 Chapel @ Millers	29 9:00 Quilting	30 12:00 Bulletin Deadline 6:30 Jr. Confirmation	31	

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