

The
Messenger

St. Peter Evangelical Lutheran Church

From the Pastor

October 2017

The 500th Anniversary of the Reformation.

“Out of love for the truth and from desire to elucidate it, the Reverend Father Martin Luther, Master of Arts and Sacred Theology, and ordinary lecturer therein at Wittenberg, intends to defend the following statements and to dispute on them in that place. Therefore he asks that those who cannot be present and dispute with him orally shall do so in their absence by letter. In the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, Amen.”

So begins the 95 Theses, nailed to the church door in Wittenberg on October 31, 1517, which launched the Reformation with the Scriptural truth of salvation through Christ Jesus alone. Five hundred years later, on October 31, 2017, we will celebrate the Reformation with a worship service at 7:30 p.m. in Kramer Chapel. The Rev. Dr. Matthew C. Harrison, president, The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod will serve as preacher. The CTSFW Kantorei and Schola Cantorum, led by Kantor Kevin Hildebrand, will provide special music, as will the Chamber Choir from Concordia Lutheran High School, Fort Wayne.

If you can't join us on campus, the service will be livestreamed at www.ctsfw.edu/Daily-Chapel and on Facebook at www.facebook.com/CTSFW.

If you are interested in attending this service as a group from St. Peter, please call or stop by the church office and sign up by Monday, October 30 at noon. We will need to arrive early, so we will need to leave from the church at 5:45 pm. Carpooling will be available if you are unable to or do not wish to drive to the seminary yourself. I hope to see you there!

-- Pastor Lorenz



500 YEARS

News and Notes of St. Peter



Congregational Christian Care

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

Jimmy Barnhart (cancer), relative of Laurie Trlak; Jay Beekman; Niki Boswell (stroke), niece of Diana Mason; Bertie Brooks (cancer), aunt of Leah Hiers; Maryann Clemmer (cancer), friend of Sandy Gast; Frank & Nancy Cozzen, brother-in-law & sister of Dewayne Anderson; Dorothy Davis (heart), friend of Norman Kochensparger; Don Fox (health concerns), brother of Barba Eickhoff; Pam Hite (terminally ill breast cancer), friend of Pam Wertenberger; Dolly (Ahlschwede) Kikuchi (cancer), relative of Diana Mason; Mark Mason (cancer), friend of Larry & Susie Baade; Dennis Miller (heart & stroke), friend of Ruth Moon; Kathy Neumann, friend of Laurie Trlak; Kelly Detamore-Palmer (heart), daughter of Madonna (Maybee) Detamore; Steven Spear (stroke), nephew of Donna Smith; Geneva Stetzel (stroke), aunt of Leah Hiers; Brandon Trlak (cancer); Christy Trlak (treatment); Steven Welker (stroke), son-in-law of Donna Dennis.

Englewood Health & Rehabilitation – Mildred Craig

Heritage of Huntington – Maxine Stetzel; Robert Gernand

Heritage, Warren – Edward Campbell, Jr.

Miller's Merry Manor – Neil & Sandy Stonebraker; Charles Weicht

Markle Health & Rehabilitation – Jean Simmons

Norwood – Wilbur & Ginger Van der Zee

Home – Jason Cozad; Shirley Powell; Pete Weicht (heart)

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

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. Please call Pam and Jack Wertenberger at 356-8139 or Pam's cell phone: 260-388-2507 to arrange for delivery. If you have received and listened to previous tapes, please place in a bag and hang on your door for pick up when a new tape is delivered, if we don't see you. Thanks for your help.

Jack & Pam Wertenberger



Greeters

Greeters for the following months are:

NOVEMBER

Sat	5:00	Ted and Janet McElhaney
Sun	10:15	Holly Cuttriss

DECEMBER

Sat	5:00	Paul and Sue Kellam
Sun	10:15	John Wegmann

Memorials

Memorials have been given to St. Peter Lutheran Church in memory of:

Dorothy Bush

Hospital Contact Information

Please be sure to list Pastor Lorenz on contact information upon entering the hospital or nursing home even for rehabilitation. Because of HIPPA, information is not released to the pastor.



80 Plus Birthdays this month! October

Date		
10/2	Wilbur Van der zee	85
10/7	Ronald Brown	80
10/20	Elson Carmien	85

NOTE: Don't see your anniversary listed, or you are 80 and over and don't see your birthday listed, please check with the office and give the information to secretary. As we probably are lacking this information. We would very much like to have it so our records could be complete.

Happy Anniversary

October Anniversaries

Date		# Years
10/5	Adrian & Heather Brown	15
10/9	Alan & Tiffany Maza	7
10/13	Michael & Sally McCoy	44
10/23	Robert & Ruth Ann Whitesell	62



A Little Heavenly Humor

A collector of rare books ran into an acquaintance of his who had just thrown away an old Bible that had been in his family for generations. He happened to mention that "Guten something" had printed it.

"Not Gutenberg?" gasped the book collector.

"Yes, that was the name."

"You idiot! You've thrown away one of the first books ever printed. A copy recently sold for \$700,000 at an auction."

"Mine wouldn't have been worth a dime." Replied the man. "Some clown by the name of Martin Luther had scribbled all over it."



Food Pantry
Donations Needed

Food for LOVE

It has come to our attention that the shelves at LOVE INC are about bare. All the food the children collected during VBS has been gone a long time ago. Perhaps on the next food shopping trip your family makes you could pick up a couple of extra cans or boxes of food and deposit in the back of church in the box marked LOVE. The box is under the south side coat rack. We have volunteers that will take the food to LOVE.

St. Peter Organizations

Ladies' Guild – Will meet on October 2nd in the reception room of the education building. There will be an LWML Bible Study with a short business meeting.

St. Peter Association of Retired Keenagers (SPARKS) – is open to everyone over 55 retired Keenagers group meeting just for fun at various eating places. We meet at noon on the second Wednesday of each month - next meeting will be at noon on October 11th at The Berg. We have a cash drawing at each meeting for fun - winner of the drawing at the September meeting was Karen Smith.

Dorcas Circle - will meet on October 18th, with Marjorie Richardson as hostess. We will be meeting in the reception room of the church education building. If unable to attend, please let Marjorie know. Her phone number is 260-786-3699.

Quilters – Meet on every Wednesday, from 9-noon. We are always thankful for donations of cotton fabric and new or slightly used flat sheets and pillowcases. If you don't quilt, but would like to learn, please come join us or contact Judy Turgeson (200-1376) or Anita Prout (356-3627) for further information.

LYF - Youth will be meeting on October 22nd in the Youth Room of the Church Education Building.

Choir - Please join the choir on Wednesday evenings at 7PM. Gather in the church by the piano. If you have questions, please contact Keith Crider at 260-356-8097. The next time we will sing is October 28/29 Reformation.

PEP – October 5th 9AM meeting of the workers
Thursday October 12th PEP Gathering

St. Peter Boards

Board of Mission and Evangelism -
“You are the salt of the earth. You are the light of the world” (Matthew 5:13 & 14). Are you interested in being on the Board of Mission and Evangelism? Or would you like to participate in evangelism activities? If so, please contact Jeff Derr. Board meetings are scheduled for the 4th Monday of every month at 6:00 pm.

Board of Parish Life – Picture below of Sunday School Children singing in church on Sunday, September 24, 2017



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.

LWML Fall Rally

The Ft. Wayne South LWML Fall Rally will be held on Saturday, November 4th with registration and breakfast at 8:30am. Host is St. Augustine at the Holy Cross Aulick Center. Registration fee \$6.00. Speaker will be Dr. Wendy Decker, speaking on “Counseling Women with Cancer in Guyana”
Ingathering: Cash Offering for OSHAG (Organization for Social & Health Advancement for Guyana)

4-H Fair

We thank the Lord for providing us the willing workers and strength for another year (80 plus years now). A BIG Thanks goes out to everyone helping with the 2017 4-H Fair making it another successful year. Thanks to the pie makers for the gift of time and talents to make the homemade Dutch apple, blackberry and rhubarb pies – our best sellers this year, and to those who bake them.

We had very comfortable weather-favorable for coming to the fair and eating food. As our Lord has continued to give to us this GIFT of opportunity to continue to serve food at our Huntington County 4-H Fair.

Thank you to Keith and Thomas Crider and Norman Kochensparger for again taking your vacation time and spending it helping each day at the Fair. We are grateful for your gifts. Thanks to each and every one for the prayers, the donations, and your time given in fixing and serving the food.

An interesting note: A Fair Board member stopped by to tell us how glad he was that we were a part of the fair this year. He looks forward to our being at the fair each year. Also, this year when the young 4-H'ers brought chairs for the Pork Producers, they also brought chairs for us.

Another interesting bit about the chicken, when I first began the assignment of organizing the food tent several years ago, Roseanne Christ give me three pages of hand written directions for how to do the chicken. I still hear her spoken directions as well, and each year I am grateful again for her kindness and help as well as the gravy recipe and yearly guidance from Ruth Guy.

Once again, we thank the Lord in providing the workers, good weather and strength for the success.

Eleanor Smith
General Guild

Did You Know?

That General Guild sends 10% of the 4-H Fair profits to the Ft. Wayne Seminary Food Bank each year?

This year we were happy to send with Eleanor Smith a check in the amount of \$400 on September 12 which was the tithe from this current year profit of the 4-H Fair. That being said the profit from this year was \$4,000.

Once Again, we thank the Lord for the willing workers and wonderful weather for a successful 4-H Fair year.

Good Shepherd Institute

Singing the Faith –Past, Present and Future

As the Church celebrates the 500th anniversary of the Reformation, the Good Shepherd Institute Conference will take this opportunity to evaluate the past 500 years as we confess the faith in the present for the sake of the future. Plenary presentations on the history of the Reformation and the musical heritage of the Church will begin the conference. A series of sectionals focusing on detailed topics about art, music and preaching will provide practical ideas for our conference goers. To wrap up our time together, we will hear from the founders of the Good Shepherd Institute as they reflect on what the future holds not only for the Church's song but also for her care of souls.

Date: November 5-7, 2017

Registration Fee: \$130.00

Second Registration Fee: \$90.00

Location: Concordia Theological Seminary,
Ft. Wayne, IN

Registration Deadline: November 1, 2017

More information and registration form is on the bulletin board in the hall in the education building.



FISH FRY SUPPER

Plans are underway to hold an all you care to eat Fish Supper in the gym on Saturday, November 4. Serving time will be from 5:00 to 7:00 P.M. Carry outs will be available at the John Street entrance to the Education Building.

The menu will include fish, German potato salad, potato chips, applesauce, bread and butter, plus pie and cake. The cost will be \$8.00 for adults, \$4.00 for children 4-12, with those 3 and under free.

Tickets will be distributed at the door of the church the weekend of October 7th and 8th by Steve Forth, ticket chairman. All ticket money should be turned in the night of the supper or before with your name written on the ticket packet.

A Country Store will also be held featuring homemade noodles, jelly, cranberry salad, peanut butter fudge, and other good things to eat. Plan to have your baked goods, handmade crafts and gifts you wish to contribute ready to bring in on Friday, November 3rd, before 3:00 P.M. or on Saturday morning, November 4th at 9:00 A.M. when the store opens. If information is needed on the Country Store, contact Sue Holtz (260-344-1702) or Sue Eltzroth (260-244-9118).

There will be handmade quilts available for sale at the Fish Fry Country Store. The proceeds will be used for the shipping expenses of the quilts made for the "Comfort the Needy" project.

Please be available to help in any way that you can and please make an effort to sell your allotted tickets. More tickets will be available in the church office, or you may phone Steve at 786-3911 and he will get them to you.

Thank You!

Fish Fry Steering Committee



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2018 HIGHER THINGS CONFERENCES

Higher Things Conference

What happens at a Higher Things conference?

Three distinctive things: Worship, work, and play. Higher Things conferences have a very strong emphasis on worship. A lot of time at conferences is also devoted to solid Biblical teaching in both plenary and sectional sessions on topics of interest to youth by speakers skilled at connecting with them. And there is always healthy mix of fun for teens too. Each locale provides different opportunities for youth to engage in a variety of fun and recreational activities together and during free time.

Higher Things® Conferences are specifically designed for high school youth, but registration is open to any youth who will have been confirmed by the conference date. Exceptions to this rule may be granted by specific requests.

July 3-6, 2018 Carleton College Northfield, MN	July 10-13, 2018 Southern Illinois University Carbondale, IL
July 24-27, 2018 The University of Kansas Lawrence, KS	July 31-Aug 3, 2018 Pacific Lutheran University Tacoma, WA

**"You shall be holy to me, for I the LORD am holy and have separated you from the peoples, that you should be mine."
(Lev 20:26)**

If you are interested in attending, or for more details, please contact the church office so planning efforts can begin. Early (i.e. cheapest) registration closes January 31.

SERVING THIS MONTH

OCTOBER 2017

ELDER

SATURDAY: GEORGE JUERGENS

SUNDAY: RICHARD WINKELMAN

GREETERS

SATURDAY: JOHN, JENNIFER AND JASE GUNN

SUNDAY: DICK AND JANE WINKELMAN

ALTAR CARE: NANCY BOWLAND AND SUE ELTZROTH

OCTOBER			
SAT OCTOBER 7	5:00 PM	ACOLYTE	SAMANTHA WEICHT
SUN OCTOBER 8	10:15 AM	ACOLYTE	DREW DORSETT
SAT OCTOBER 14	5:00 PM	COMMUNION ASSISTANT	RON BROWN
		COMMUNION ASSISTANT	ADRIAN BROWN
		ACOLYTE	ERIKA BROWN
SUN OCTOBER 15	10:15 AM	COMMUNION ASSISTANT	LARRY BAADE
		COMMUNION ASSISTANT	JOSH REBER
		ACOLYTE	DREW DORSETT
SAT OCTOBER 21	5:00 PM	ACOLYTE	MIRANDA SPITLER
SUN OCTOBER 22	10:15 AM	ACOLYTE	IAN CRIDER
SAT OCTOBER 28	5:00 PM	COMMUNION ASSISTANT	TED MCELHANEY
		COMMUNION ASSISTANT	JORDAN JONES
		ACOLYTE	TED MCELHANEY
SUN OCTOBER 29	10:15 AM	COMMUNION ASSISTANT	RANDY PRANGE
		COMMUNION ASSISTANT	JOSH REBER
		ACOLYTE	NOLAN HUGHES
		TORCH BEARER	JOSH REBER
		TORCH BEARER	CHRIS DURHAM
		CRUCIFER	RANDY PRANGE

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.

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October 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 9:00 Sunday School & Bible Class 10:15 Divine Service w/Communion 11:30 POTATO BAR 2:00 Adult Confirmation	2 9:00 Chapel @ Heritage 10:15 Chapel @ Tipton 1:30 General Guild 6:30 Elders	3 11:00-1:00 Diaper Store 4:00-6:00 Diaper Store	4 9:00 Quilters 2:00 Adult Confirmation 7:00 Choir	5 9:00 PEP Meeting 12:00 Bulletin Deadline 6:30 Jr. Confirmation	6	7 4:00 Bible Class 5:00 Divine Service
8 9:00 Sunday School & Bible Class 10:15 Divine Service 2:00 Adult Confirmation	9 9:00 Chapel @ Heritage 10:15 Chapel @ Tipton 7:00 Council	10 10:00 Chapel @ Norwood	11 9:00 Quilters 12:00 SPARKS 2:00 Adult Confirmation 7:00 Choir	12 10:00 PEP Gathering 12:00 Bulletin Deadline 6:30 Jr. Confirmation	13	14 10:00: Funeral Workshop 4:00 Bible Class 5:00 Divine Service w/Communion
15 9:00 Sunday School & Bible Class 10:15 Divine Service w/Communion	16 9:00 Chapel @ Heritage 10:15 Chapel @ Tipton	17 11:00-1:00 Diaper Store 4:00-6:00 Diaper Store	18 9:00 Quilters Noon Dorcas Circle 7:00 Choir	19 12:00 Bulletin Deadline	20 Messenger Deadline	21 4:00 Bible Class 5:00 Divine Service
22 9:00 Sunday School & Bible Class 10:15 Divine Service 5:30 LYF	23 9:00 Chapel @ Heritage 10:15 Chapel @ Tipton 6:00 Board of Evangelism Pastor Fall Conference Indianapolis	24 10:00 Chapel @ Norwood Pastor Fall Conference Indianapolis	25 9:00 Quilters 7:00 Choir Pastor Fall Conference Indianapolis	26 12:00 Bulletin Deadline 6:30 Jr. Confirmation	27	28 10:00 Altar Guild 4:00 Bible Class 5:00 Divine Service w/Communion
29 9:00 Sunday School & Bible Class 10:15 Divine Service w/Communion 2:00 Adult Confirmation	30 9:00 Chapel @ Heritage 10:15 Chapel @ Tipton	31 5:45 Leave Church for 7:30 Reformation Service at CTSFW				

