

# Messenger

St. Peter Evangelical Lutheran Church

## From the Pastor

### September 2018

You've smelled it; you've had it: dragon's breath - *morning breath*. It causes your tulips to wilt and your family to flee as if Godzilla was chasing after them.

Morning breath is often caused by the lack of saliva in your mouth. When you're awake, your mouth usually produces enough saliva to break down food particles that allow odor-causing bacteria to grow. But when you're asleep, the saliva production slows down and the bacteria starts growing and munching on compounds, proteins, amino acids, and leftover foods that are stuck in your mouth. This is what produces that bad odor.

The solution? Prevention is key: brushing, flossing and using mouthwash right before bed. And of course, repeating in the morning to wash away all that odor-causing bacteria.

Now the purpose of this article is not to educate you on hygienic practices, nor is it meant to embarrass you in front of your family. But it is a reminder that even our mouths are subject to decay and death – a result of living in this fallen and sinful world.

How often we do forget that we sin in thought, word, and deed. But this is precisely what James reminds us, "But no one can tame the tongue; it is a restless evil and full of deadly poison. With it we bless our Lord and Father, and with it we curse men, who have been made in the likeness of God; from the same mouth come both blessing and cursing. My brethren, these things ought not to be this way." (James 3:8-10)

Our mouth is full of death and decay. What shall we do? As baptized children of God, prevention is key: avoid those things that cause sin to dwell in our mouth, as Luther reminds us, "cursing, swearing, using Satanic arts, lying, deceiving by His name, betraying, slandering, and hurting another person's reputation." In addition to this, we use our tongue to build others up: to pray, praise and give thanks to God; to defend our neighbor, speak well of him, and put the best construction on things (Explanation to Second and Eighth Commandments).

And what do we do when our mouths are filled with death? We cleanse them by daily returning to our baptismal waters in confession and absolution. We take into our mouths Christ's body and blood – given for our redemption, forgiveness, and cleansing. We allow Christ to take away our death and bring us into newness of life.

So the next time you wake up and smell the dreaded stench of morning breath – remember the death that dwells within your body and the sins that flow from your lips and mouth. Then rise, go brush your teeth and rinse it out with mouthwash, and remember how Jesus has washed away your sin and renewed your life by His blood.

-- Pastor Lorenz



# 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; David Dimond; Marcea Dimond; Don Fox (health concerns), brother of Barba Eickhoff; Ronald Gamble, nephew of Ruth Guy; Ruth Guhl; Janice Hencken; Bradley Heideman; Margaret Howard, friend of Max Heffelfinger; Michael Hughes, 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; Sandy McClain; Hilda Mitten, Friend of Petty Pike; 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.

**Englewood Health & Rehabilitation** – Mildred Craig

**Heritage of Huntington** – Maxine Stetzel; Robert Gernand

**Heritage, Warren** – Edward Campbell, Jr.

**Lutheran Life Village** – Rev. Donald Fischer; Ruth Guhl

**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.

## 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 Wertenberger at 356-8139 or Pam's cell phone: 260-388-2507 to arrange for delivery.



## Greeters

Greeters for the following months are:

### 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

### DECEMBER

Sat 5:00 Paul and Sue Kellam

Sun 10:15 Jim and Peggy Hoch



## ***A Little Heavenly Humor***

Symbols of our faith

While teaching children about world religions, a teacher asked her students to bring a symbol of their family's faith to class.

The next day, she asked each student to come forward and share the symbol with the class.

The 1st child said, "I'm Muslim, and this is my prayer rug."

The 2nd child said, "I'm Jewish, and this is my family's menorah."

The 3rd child said, "I'm Roman Catholic, and this is my Mom's rosary."

The 4th child said, "I'm Greek Orthodox, and this is an icon of my patron saint."

The 5th child said, "I'm a Baptist, and this is my casserole dish."

*Happy Anniversary*

### **Wedding Anniversaries**

<b>Date</b>		<b># Years</b>
9/17	Steven & Ann Forth	30

### **PEP**

The First PEP (Parent Encouraging Parents) gathering will be September 20. We can still use some helpers, if interested, see Kristin Lorenz or come to the first gathering.



## **Harmony Home Spaghetti Dinner**

A fundraiser for Harmony Home here in Huntington is planned for Sunday, September 9<sup>th</sup>. Tickets are Advance Adult - \$6.00 and Advance Children - \$4.00. Tickets at the Door are Adult - \$7.00 and Children \$5.00.

Tickets are available in the church office, Juergens Do-It-Center, Bippus Bank, and from a number of St. Peter members.

Harmony Home is a 12-step Recovery Home for men that are seeking recovery from alcohol and/or drug addiction. The Huntington Home is located at 751 W. Tipton St. The program duration ranges from six to eighteen months.

### ***Adult Instruction***

An Adult Instruction class is beginning on Wednesday, September 5, 2018 from 6:30 – 7:30 p.m. If interested or wanting a refresher course, contact the church office.

### **4-H Fair**

Thanks to everyone that helped to make this year 4-H Fair a success. To get the final results, please come to the September 3<sup>rd</sup> General Guild meeting and the September 17<sup>th</sup> Voters meeting.

## SCRIP - Kroger

Please link your Kroger rewards card to St. Peter Lutheran Church. When you shop at Kroger using your rewards card, you will be helping your church, the more we will earn. Kroger has recently upgraded their Community Rewards system, and as a result, our Non-Profit Organization (NPO) has a new account number. The new number is: **(AV921)**. Please reference the new number when contacting Kroger for assistance or when linking to the rewards program.

Your personal information will never be shared by Kroger. Kroger is committed to carefully protecting their customer's personal information. Kroger privacy policy applies to Community Rewards participation as well.

From April 1, 2018 through June 30, 2018, St. Peter Lutheran had 39 households participating in the Community Rewards program, and we received a check for \$154.79 (FREE MONEY) just by using your Kroger card.



## September

### 80 Plus Birthdays this month!

Date		
2	Allen Couch	80
13	Barba Eickhoff	83
16	Margaret Cozad	81
17	Richard Smith	31

## VOTERS MEETING

**Monday, September 17<sup>th</sup>  
7 PM**

## Organizations

**Ladies' Guild:** Next meeting will be Tuesday, September 4<sup>th</sup> with a report on the 4-H Fair and final plans for the Potato Bar. If you have a mission project or missionary in mind be sure to attend as the profit from the Potato Bar go to a missionary or mission project.

**St. Peter Association of Retired Keenagers (SPARKS)** – The lucky winner of the drawing at the August meeting was Mary Ellen Fuller. The September meeting will be held at noon on Wednesday, September 12<sup>th</sup> at Moes.

**Dorcas Circle:** Will meet on Wednesday, September 19<sup>th</sup> at the home of Barba Eickhoff. Please RSVP 356-1283.

**LYF:** Thanks to all of you, the youth have collected enough towels, combs and soap to put together the 50 kits that were set as our goal last fall. We are still in need of a few more toothbrushes and nail clippers.

On Saturday, September 15 @10AM, the youth will be gathering to put the final kits together and tie them up to ready for shipment in October with the quilts headed to Lutheran World Relief.

There is still time to donate items (Toothbrushes or nail clippers) or money to help offset the shipping cost of the health kits and quilts.

If you have any questions, or need more information contact the church office. The youth will accept monetary donations to purchase on your behalf.

**Quilters:** Full quilting will resume on Wednesday, September 5, 2018 at 9AM

# SERVING THIS MONTH

## SEPTEMBER 2018

### ELDER

**SATURDAY:** GEORGE JUERGENS

**SUNDAY:** RICHARD WINKELMAN

### GREETERS

**SATURDAY:** Donna Smith

**SUNDAY:** Karen Smith

**ALTAR CARE:** Sally McCoy & Pam Wertenberger

**COUNTERS:** John & Jennifer Gunn

<b>SEPTEMBER</b>			
SAT SEPT 1	5:00 PM	COMMUNION ASSISTANT	Ron Brown
		COMMUNION ASSISTANT	Adrian Brown
		ACOLYTE	Erika Brown
SUN SEPT 2	10:15 AM	COMMUNION ASSISTANT	Larry Baade
		COMMUNION ASSISTANT	Jim Hoch
		ACOLYTE	Drew Dorsett
SAT SEPT 8	5:00 PM	ACOLYTE	Miranda Spitler
SUN SEPT 9	10:15 AM	ACOLYTE	Brianna Thomas
SAT SEPT 15	5:00 PM	COMMUNION ASSISTANT	Ted McElhaney
		COMMUNION ASSISTANT	Chad Worsham
		ACOLYTE	Jacob Worsham
SUN SEPT 16	10:15 AM	COMMUNION ASSISTANT	Jeff Derr
		COMMUNION ASSISTANT	Larry Baade
		ACOLYTE	Andrew Crider
SAT SEPT 22	5:00 PM	ACOLYTE	Samantha Weicht
SUN SEPT 23	10:15 AM	ACOLYTE	Ian Crider
SAT SEPT 29	5:00 PM	COMMUNION ASSISTANT	Ron Brown
		COMMUNION ASSISTANT	Fred Lange
		ACOLYTE	Macy Lange
SUN SEPT 30	10:15AM	COMMUNION ASSISTANT	Randy Prange
		COMMUNION ASSISTANT	Chris Durham
		ACOLYTE	Drew Dorsett

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

## September 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						<b>1</b> 4:00 Bible Class 5:00 Divine Service w/Communion
<b>2</b> 9:00 Sunday School & Bible Class 10:15 Divine Service w/Communion	<b>3</b> <b>LABOR DAY OFFICE CLOSED</b> 9:00 Chapel @ Heritage 10:15 Chapel @ Tipton	<b>4</b> 11:00-12:00 Diaper Store 5:00-6:00 Diaper Store 1:00 Chapel @Millers 6:30 General Guild 6:30 Elders	<b>5</b> 9:00 Quilting 6:30 Adult Confirmation	<b>6</b> 2:00 Bulletin Deadline 6:30 Jr. Confirmation	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b> <b>UNITY SUNDAY NO SATURDAY SERVICE</b>
<b>9</b> 9:00 Sunday School & Bible Class 10:15 Divine Service <b>UNITY SERVICE</b> 12:00 Spaghetti Dinner	<b>10</b> 9:00 Chapel @ Heritage 10:15 Chapel @ Tipton 7:00 Council	<b>11</b> 1:00 Chapel @ Millers	<b>12</b> 9:00 Quilting 12:00 SPARKS 6:30 Adult Confirmation	<b>13</b> 12:00 Bulletin Deadline 6:30 Jr. Confirmation	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b> 4:00 Bible Class 5:00 Divine Service w/Communion
<b>16</b> 9:00 Sunday School & Bible Class 10:15 Divine Service w/Communion	<b>17</b> 9:00 Chapel @ Heritage 10:15 Chapel @ Tipton 7:00 Voters	<b>18</b> 1:00 Chapel @ Millers 11:00-12:00 Diaper Store 5:00-6:00 Diaper Store 7:00 BPLE	<b>19</b> 9:00 Quilting 12:00 Circle 6:30 Adult Confirmation	<b>20</b> <b>10:00 PEP Gathering</b> 1:00 Crafters 12:00 Bulletin Deadline 6:30 Jr. Confirmation 2:00 Messenger Deadline	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b> 4:00 Bible Class 5:00 Divine Service
<b>23</b> 9:00 Sunday School & Bible Class 10:15 Divine Service	<b>24</b> 9:00 Chapel @ Heritage 10:15 Chapel @ Tipton 7:00 Evangelism Committee	<b>25</b> 1:00 Chapel @ Millers	<b>26</b> 9:00 Quilting 6:30 Adult Confirmation	<b>27</b> 12:00 Bulletin Deadline 6:30 Jr. Confirmation	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b> 4:00 Bible Class 5:00 Divine Service w/Communion
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### NOTES