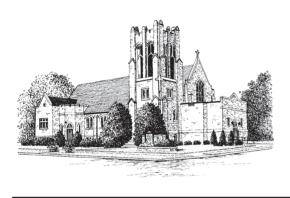


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"More goose than swan...more fool than wise."

"Education is not preparation for life; education is life itself." [John Dewey] As Christians we do not look upon our school days as preparation for something else—for a job, college, life, etc. While we are in school, school is our calling in life. In all

of our school studies, from the puzzles and pictures of kindergarten to the puzzles of calculus and the pictures of poetic imagination in the upper grades, we Christians do not merely prepare for life, we are living life in school, savoring the length and breadth and height and depth of the life we have from God.

Ah, but the engine of consumerism has squeezed us into its unimaginative mold. You can hear the

consumerist voice in students who ask: "Do we have to know this for the test?" "When will I ever use this stuff in real life?" "Why do I have to take that course? It's not in my major!" Education gets beaten down into that tiny, tiny world which each of us thinks is so big: "Me."

One human lifetime is not enough to grasp all that this life is about. What begins in our school days does not end until life ends; through all our days we are learning the life we live. Why study the ancient Greeks? Who we are today is a direct result of who they were. Why learn Newton's Laws or Euclid's or the elements of the periodic table? Why memorize poetry and Shakespeare and the rules of grammar? It's the life we live. It's who we are as human beings. Consumerism has left Christian education beaten over as well. It has reduced the faith to an either/or: "Either believe in Jesus and go to heaven, or don't believe in Jesus and go to hell." Consumerism says that everything else in church is entertainment or self-enhancement or busy work, depending on one's particular bias.

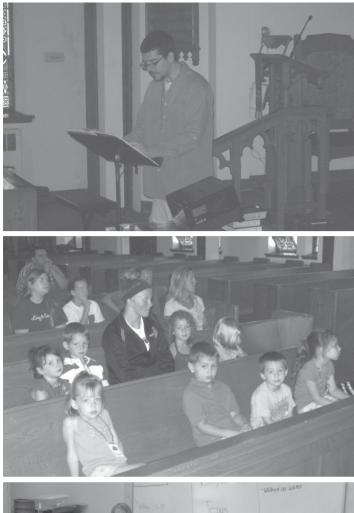


However, Christian education is not simply preparing for faith. It is the living of the faith. It is not the mere accumulation of knowledge, although faith dies with lack of knowledge. It is not merely the memorization of doctrine, although faith is formless without doctrine. It is not merely enduring classes, although faith evaporates without endur-

ance. No, Christian education is living within the length and breadth and height and depth of faith. This means, then, that we Christian instructors—parents, grandparents, siblings, teachers, pastors—by our words and actions, are either living the faith with our students or we are living specimens of unbelief.

The best advice you can give someone when next you hear them whining "Why do I have to learn this stuff in school?" "Why do I have to go to church?" and all the other age-old complaints is some advice from Martin Luther. Luther suggests that the whiner pinch himself and see if he is still alive. Only death rings the final school bell. And even then, for us in Christ, we will learn that our education has only begun!

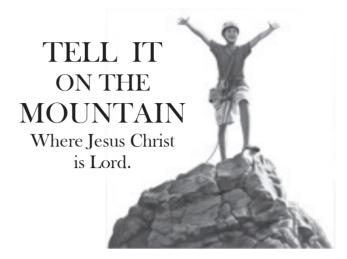








Some scenes from Vacation Bible School 2013 August 5-9



Photos, left, top to bottom; Deacon Josh Schroeder leads each mornings opening devotion and closing prayer; some of the children, teachers & helpers; two of the classes.

Grandparents Reflect God

A woman and her grandson were spending the day together. Suddenly, the boy had an "a-ha!" expression and asked, "Grandma, do you know how you and God are alike?"

The grandmother smiled to herself and mentally polished her halo a bit. "No," she replied. "How?"

"You're both old!" the boy said.

Ah, but most grandparents really are like God in many ways — kind, loving, forgiving, understanding, comforting, creative, wise. Above all, they've guided us to walk in God's paths.

Thank you, God, for these special people who have lived long enough to become like you, in many ways.



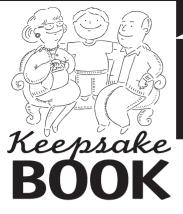
Halloween decorations and costumes will e out for sale in September. Christmas decorations will start appearing the middle of the month.

The store is located at 201 Cottage Grove Rd (just off Monona Dr). The hours are

Monday through Friday 10:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m. and Saturdays 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Donations are welcome during these hours. The phone number is: 223-1228.

Members of St. Peter's work on the first Friday (September 6th) and the third Wednesday (September 18th) of each month. Please call Alice Hanson if you have any questions or would like to become part of the *House of Thrift* team.

Thank you!



With your grandparents, create a special book to preserve cherished memories.

What you need:

• Index cards

- Pencil
- Hole punch
- Binder ring (or yarn)
- Crayons or markers

What you do:

- Brainstorm questions to ask one or more of your grandparents (topics can include their childhoods, favorites and advice).
 Write one question on each index card.
- 2. Ask your grandparent to write his or her answers on the blank sides of the cards.
- 3. Make a cover by decorating one index card.
- 4. Punch a hole in the top left corner of each card.
- 5. Use a binder ring or string yarn through the holes and tie to secure the cards together.



the blessing of your family and what you and your family should do for God.

What you need:

- 81/2" x 11" cardstock
- Markers or crayons
- A photograph of each person in your family that you can cut apart
- Scissors
- Glue stick
- A hanging picture frame that holds an 8¹/2" x 11" photo (optional)

What you do:

- Draw a colorful picture of the outside of your house. Remember to add a door and windows.
- Decide where you want each person's photo to go. Cut out a whole body (if you want someone to stand on the front porch, for example) or just cut out a face (if you want someone to be looking out a window).
- Use the glue stick to glue the cut-out photos onto your drawing.
- Write out Joshua 24:15b, NIV: "But as for me and my household, we will serve the LORD."
- To frame your picture, have an adult help you. If you don't have a frame, display your house on a refrigerator or bulletin board for everyone to see.



Next *Christian Women's Council* meeting date has been set for Sunday, September 15th, 9:30 a.m. in the Chapel. Plan to come and share fellowship as well as ideas with your friends and neighbors. Upcoming projects include the distribution of Personal Care Kits, Thanksgiving Pie Sale and the Annual Cookie Walk.

St. Peter's Child Care & Preschool

WMELS, Pre-K and NAEYC Accredited 5 stars with Wisconsin's Young Star By Connie Hendrickson, Director

Do not be anxious about your life. Luke 12:22

September has finally come back around and despite God's warning about "Do not be anxious," that's a tall order for some. Kids and parents alike are anxious, yet looking forward to the newness of a new school year, new friends, new teacher, maybe not new expenses....but new most everything else.

But with anxiousness comes worry and this is where we adults and kids alike need to remember that the Lord is acting on our behalf. He is in charge and with a little word from you (you know, prayer), He will help you balance the anxiousness, the unknown, and yes, all that soon becomes worry. And not only will He help and provide you with the onset of a new school year, but His grace will follow you throughout the entire year as well. Just ask.



Many miles of chalk lines have been making their presence known on the newly paved parking lot areas of the church playground. Names, hands, smiley faces, footprints; they've all made appearances this summer.

FALL OPEN ENROLLMENT

St. Peter's Child Care & Preschool has openings for the fall. Please call Connie Hendrickson at 635-4825 for a tour for your family or someone you know who is looking for five star childcare.



9/4 Donald Holl
9/5 Karl Hilgendorf
9/11 Jane Jensen
9/14 James Mueller
9/14 Robert Schmidt
9/16 Helen Manke
9/19 Karen Michaels
9/26 Robert Kronberg

DIVINE SERVICE SCHEDULE FOR THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER

Text: Luke 14:25-35 Order: (Thu) <i>Holy Communion</i> (8:00) <i>Rally Sunday</i> (10:30) <i>Matins</i> , p. 219
Hymns: 817 - 588 - 685 - 662 Organist: Geremy Zieroth Choir: TBA
Sermon: Lost & Found Text: Luke 15:1-10 Order: (Thu) Contemporary Service (Sun) DSIII, p. 184 Hymns: 802 - 740 - 711, 623 - 814 Organist: Geremy Zieroth Choir: TBA
Sermon: Wise As Serpents Text: Luke 16:1-15 Order: (Thu) Holy Communion (Sun) Matins, p. 219 Hymns: 712 - 557 - 730 - 851 Organist: Geremy Zieroth Choir: TBA
Sermon: A Little Lower than the Angels Text: Luke 10:17-20 Order: (Thu) Contemporary Service (Sun) DSIII w/o HC, p. 184 Hymns: 368 - 522 - 727 - 670 Organist: Geremy Zieroth Choir: TBA
["] Sing aloud to God our strength." Padm 81 KICKOFF September 4th! Adult Choir
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COUNCIL NOTES – August 13, 2013

President Greg Frank called the August 13, 2013 meeting of the St. Peter's Lutheran Church Council to order at 6:32 p.m. Members present were Tom Crum, Greg Frank, Steve Hustad, David Hutchinson, Tyson Miller, Keith Podoll, Stephen Saager, Sandra Sandstrom, Jennifer See, Lynnette Taylor, Corinne Tuschl, Mary Witt, Brad Zimmerman, Elizabeth Hutchinson and Deacon Schroeder. Greg Latzig, Steve Paskey, Mike Post, Shannon Rohrbeck, Mark Witt, Tom Daugherty and Glenn Puntney were excused.

The opening devotion was given by Deacon Schroeder from Hebrews Chapter11 in keeping with Sundays Epistle Lesson. By faith the Old Testament Saints did God's will. Just as today like in a race a runner concentrates on the finish line, we should concentrate on Jesus the goal and objective of our faith.

The **agenda** was presented. Keith Podoll made a motion to approve the agenda, Brad Zimmerman seconded and the motion carried.

The **Secretary's minutes** were read. Steve Hustad made a motion to approve the minutes, Tom Crum seconded and the motion carried.

The **Financial Secretary's Report** was presented by Mary Witt. Total offerings for the month were \$15,878.00 which is below our budget needs but is typical for summer. Jennifer See made a motion to approve the report, David Hutchinson seconded and the motion carried.

The **Treasurer's Report** was presented by Jennifer See. Total available for expenses as of August 1^{st} , is \$11,375.00. Jennifer See commended Lynnette Taylor for keeping expenses down on items such as postage etc. The organ loan balance is at \$35,159.21 with interest costing approximately \$190.00 per month. Lynnette Taylor proceeded to explain the situation with



the cost of the upcoming Community outreach picnic in September and she suggested that the Thanksgiving offering envelope funds could be used to cover the cost. After some discussion a motion was made by Steve

Hustad to transfer those funds to cover the cost of the picnic, Keith Podoll seconded and the motion carried. A motion was made by Stephen Saager to approve the Treasurer's report, Mary Witt seconded and the motion carried.

The **Board of Elder's Report** was presented. The Elders are working on their various committees. The usher lists are being updated, one Military Care package is going out monthly to Mark Pickle and the outreach project being planned is the upcoming Community picnic. The Christian Women's Council will be having a meeting in September. Deacon Schroeder informed the council that he is working full days at school in Westfield but will be back in time for Wednesday Midweek classes. Music Director Geremy Zieroth reported that he has been busy working on music and Pastor Hendrickson and him have been discussing some plans for the upcoming season when the various music groups start practices. A motion was made by Sandra Sandstrom to approve the Elders report, Brad Zimmerman seconded and the motion carried.

The **Board of Trustees Report** was presented by Keith Podoll. Keith informed the Council that the insurance for the

Church has gone up considerably from approximately \$756.00 to \$818.00. The bid for the handicapped accessible sidewalk project by Mead Construction has also been revised. The original bid was for \$1100.00 but after some additional communication with



Mead Construction the bid was increased to \$4100.00. After a lengthy discussion it was decided to put the project on hold for now because of the financial impact. (When Meade Construction was asked about the increase, it was revealed that there was a typo in the bid memo and the original price of \$1,100 is the correct amount for the project.) A motion was made by Corinne Tuschl to approve the Trustees report, Tom Crum seconded and the motion carried.

The Board of Christian Education Report was present by Brad Zimmerman. Current enrollment in the Child Care Center is 20 children. Enrollment is picking up but 4 more full time children are needed to meet budget. Twelve children from the Center attended VBS and their parents thought it was a wonderful experience for them. To promote the Child Care Center over 200 flyers were handed out at the Arlington Fireman's Parade. On August 2nd the 4-K contract was signed and so far 21 children will attend the St. Peter's site. Vacation Bible School had a very successful week. Thank you Lori Schoeckert and Lisa Hagenow for all you have done to insure a great Christian experience for the children. Next year Becca Schulz and Kyley Falstad will be the directors of the VBS program with Jennifer See overseeing the activities. Sunday School is completely staffed for the upcoming school year. A motion was made by Mary Witt to approve the Board of Christian Education Report, David Hutchinson seconded and the motion carried.

The Pastor's Report- Pastor Hendrickson was at his last session at Concordia for his class on the Gospel of Luke but submitted a written report. It was a fairly quiet month for Pastor Hendrickson but he continued to read and talk with other pastors and resource people for refining his long range planning ideas. Next month he will present his thoughts to the council for some feedback. Pastor also commented on what a delightful week was had by all at VBS and added his thanks to Lori Schoeckert and Lisa Hagenow for all their work over the years. The week of August 20th Pastor will be having his first follow-up CT scan with hopes that all is clear. Lynnette Taylor made a motion to approve the Pastor's report, Sandra Sandstrom seconded and the motion carried.

Membership Changes-None to report.

Old Business-None to report.

New Business-None to report.

At 7:07p.m. a motion was made by Corinne Tuschl to adjourn the meeting, Keith Podoll seconded and the motion carried. The Lord's Prayer followed.

~Elizabeth Hutchinson, Secretary

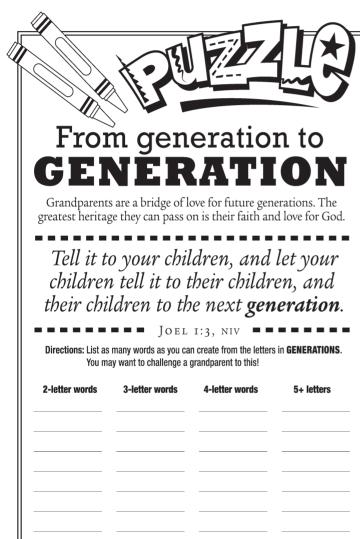
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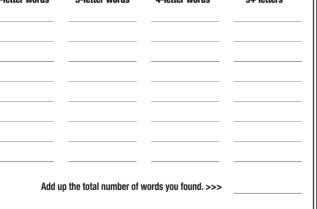


Balance on July 31, 2013	. \$15,139.14
Receipts for Aug	. \$12,479.80
Expenses for Aug	(\$14,014.97)
Shortage/Overage	.\$ 13,603.97

LOAN BALANCES:

Organ - \$35,159.21. The interest for this loan is costing us approximately \$190 per month. Wilson House - \$43,323.78.





Answers will vary.

Parents and College Students: Please let us know what your college address is going to be so that we can keep in touch through the coming year! Just email the Church Office:

stpeterluth@gmail.com





Elders

Sep	1	8:00 a.m.	Stephen Saager & Glenn Puntney
-		10:30 a.m.	Tom Daugherty
Sep	5	6:30 p.m.	Steve Paskey
Sep	8	8:00 a.m.	Mark Witt
		10:30 a.m.	Tyson Miller
Sep	12	6:30 p.m.	Steve Paskey
Sep	15	8:00 a.m.	Mark Witt & Steve Hustad
		10:30 a.m.	Tyson Miller & Tom Crum
Sep	19	6:30 p.m.	Tom Daugherty
Sep	22	8:00 a.m.	Stephen Saager
		10:30 a.m.	Tom Crum
Sep	26	6:30 p.m.	Glenn Puntney
Sep	29	8:00 a.m.	Steve Hustad
		10:30 a.m.	David Hutchinson



Sept 1, 8 & 15

Early

Larry Saager, Chr. (635-7168) Keith Podoll Bill & Justin Hageman Greg & Patrick Frank Alex Saager Kim & Brock Kriewaldt

Late Bruce Lambert, Chr. (608-742-3709) Roger Frank Steve Paskey

Sept 22 & 29

Eldon Gunderson. Chr. (635-7168) Wayne Hanson David Hutchinson Marvin Bystol Steve & Matt Hustad Calvin & Austin Moll Cameron Gramse





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