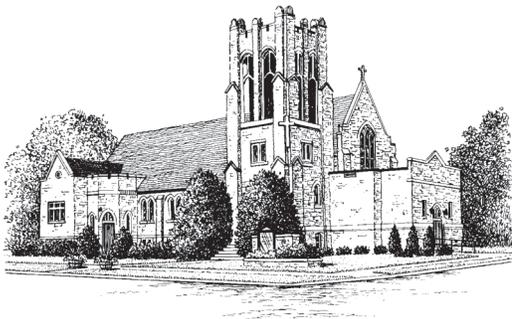




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ST. PETER'S NET

SEPTEMBER 2018

“Education is not preparation for life; education is life itself.” [John Dewey] As Christians we ought not see our school days as something preparing for something else—a job, college, life, etc. While we are in school, school is our vocation to learn of God’s gifts, to use and develop those gifts. In all of our school studies, from the puzzles and pictures of preschool, to the puzzles of math and the pictures of poetic imagination in later grades, Christians do not merely prepare for life, we are living now the life God has given us.

Yet, our results-based culture and general consumerism has stamped us into a dull mold. You can hear that voice in students: “Do we have to know this for the test?” “When will I ever use this lesson?” “Why do I have to take that course?”

Thus education is beaten down into the tiny, tiny world that each of us thinks is so big: “Me.”

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 and history? Who they were is a direct result of who we are today. Why learn Newton’s Laws and 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 God has made us to be as His people.



The same voice have left Christian education beaten over as well. It has reduced the faith to mere intellectual knowledge rather than receiving of God’s gifts for life and salvation. These are the voices that say that everything else in church is entertainment or self-enhancement or optional, depending on one’s particular bias.

Christian education is not preparing for faith, it is living the faith. It is not the accumulation of knowledge, although faith dies for lack of knowledge. It is not the memorization of doctrine, although faith is meaningless without doctrine. It is not the enduring of classes—Sunday School, Midweek, Confirmation, Bible studies—although faith evaporates without endurance. Christian education is not preparation for faith, it is living the faith.

It is always living, or else it is not education!

The best advice you can give when next you hear the 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: tell the whiner to 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 and life itself truly has begun! Keep living, that is, keep learning; worship, listen, ask, study, and pray.

Pastor Amen

Music Ministry



THE CHOIR
NEEDS YOU!

The music year is starting anew!
There are wonderful opportunities for St. Peter's member to participate in and enjoy.

Handbells choir begins again on Wednesday, September 5 at 6:30pm in the balcony. This group plays about once a month. The music they play ranges from renditions of hymns to adding color to the hymns and liturgies we sing. There is room for 11 full-time ringers, and there is room for occasional players as well.

Choir begins on Wednesday, September 5 at 7:30pm, also in the balcony. Choir sings about once a month. The choir sings anthems, helps lead new elements, and adds flare to familiar liturgical elements. We will also be doing a Service of Lessons and Carols on Sunday, December 16 and a spring Cantata in April. This group can't be full and always accepts new members, high school and adults! We'd love to have you join us for a semester, the year, or for an occasion!

There is opportunity for kids to participate in choir as well. Our Sunday School is divided into two choirs. Both groups sing about once a month. They each also prepare a Christmas Program. We love giving our children chances to learn great music about their Savior, Jesus Christ!

St. Peter's also loves having instrumentalists play in services. There are solo and small group opportunities. The next opportunity for a large group occurs on Reformation Sunday, October 28. Please consider playing for us then or for other occasions!

Hymn Study

The Feast of St. Michael and All Angels occurs on September 29, and we'll observe it in our services September 30/October 1.

The appointed hymn of the day is "Lord God, to Thee We Give All Praise", LSB 522. Philipp Melancthon (1497-1560) was Luther's right-hand man during the Reformation. Melancthon was highly intellectual, even in youth, having earned his Master of Arts degree in 1514, at sixteen years old. In 1518 he accepted a call to teach Greek and literature at Wittenberg University. There, he trained generations of men to be theologians. Melancthon wrote three of the Lutheran Confessions, later contained in the Book of Concord: the Augsburg Confession (1530), the Apology of the Augsburg Confession (1531) and the Treatise on the

Power and Primacy of the Pope (1537).

Music helps us see what is unseen. Through Word and song we see the holy angels: that watchful band that guard us in this life and attend us as we die (stanza 7). As we busily go they are forgotten, but they do not forget us, protecting children, travelers, those growing weak, the tempted, the dying and all others.

The hymn shows angels in two dimensions, before the Father in heaven, and here on earth in daily life: *Stanzas 1-3* teach that they are created, attending the Christian Church on earth. This makes clear their work for human beings--they attended even to our Lord Jesus in birth, time of danger, and Resurrection.

Stanzas 4-6 depict another created angel, the devil. He is NOT equal to Jesus but fallen and angry (4), always causing trouble in both Church and State (5), and looking to harm Christians like a roaring lion (6).

He cannot and will not win, as we are blessed to see in Revelation the angels fight for us in heaven. Today we join our voices with theirs in praise of God (8) because Satan has been conquered by the blood of Christ.

Luther included this sentence in the Morning and Evening Prayers in his Small Catechism, "Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me" (LSB 327). Luther preached: "[God] does at times permit us to experience such [evil and harmful attacks], that we might learn, if God were not there [with his angels] all the time preventing their occurrence, they would happen continuously; and for this reason we ought to pray all the more diligently." And later, "This feast commemorating the angels has been placed in the church's calendar for the sake of our young people, or more correctly, for the sake of all Christians, so that they might train themselves to think about the beloved angels and thank God for appointing these mighty lords to be his servants for us."

In His service,
Cantor Jeremy Zieroth

Rehearsals begin Wednesday, September 5th

Handbell Choir at 6:30 p.m.
Choir at 7:30 p.m.



Instrumentalists: please plan and consider playing for Reformation, Oct. 28th. Talk to Cantor or Pastor.

Paul's correspondence to the Thessalonians marks the probable beginning of Christian literature. Most New Testament scholars agree that these letters which we know today as 1st and 2nd Thessalonians may have been Paul's earliest writing which date to the 50's A.D.



Already, even in these earliest of writings, we find characteristic features distinctive of Paul's writing style found throughout his Epistle Letters. As Paul ministered to the church in Corinth, the church in Thessalonica persisted in his thoughts and prayers. Paul was filled with a restless anxiety for the faithful there since he was torn away from them due to persecution (1 Th 2:17, 2 Th 1:3-5). Paul wrestled with the question whether the faithful there would stand fast under the threat of persecution or had they misunderstood his sudden



departure and absence from them. In response to the questions Paul wrestles with, he drafts letters of fatherly instruction responding to the strain felt by this sudden separation (Acts 17). In his letters Paul's overriding concern is the identity and integrity of the church there. What we find to be the case in this young congregation we also discover to be the case elsewhere in congregations founded by Paul; an enthusiastic reception of his message did not necessarily mean a thorough grasp of it. Paul also writes because he needs to clarify misunderstanding and confront disaffection. The congregation knew that they were beloved by God and chosen by him (1 Th 1:4). They knew that Jesus was raised from the dead and would deliver them from coming wrath (1 Th 1:10). Yet, the deliverance in Christ that Paul had spoken of had not visibly occurred, yet the wrath seemed to be presently upon them (1 Th 2:16). The congregation quivered since to them, they seemed to be more under the promise than the fulfillment: *For God has not destined us for wrath, but to obtain salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, who died for us so that whether we are awake or asleep we might live with him (1 Th 5:9-10).* What the congregation did not understand was that in this life Christ was with them just as in death, those who are in Christ, are called home to heaven to be with Him! Therefore, Paul pays attention to the shaken confidence in the triumph of God in Christ Jesus that the congregation displays, which has been brought on by the death of some congregants likely brought on by persecution. The Christian identity of the Thessalonian congregation was undoubtedly shaken. In turn, the congregation had been responding like those who had not understood the distinctive view of God gained by the resurrection of Jesus. Those who "did not know God" (2 Th 1:8) in this way lived in the world "with no hope" (1 Th 4:13-18). Yet those who had come to faith in the Gospel message, that God who raised Jesus from the dead, had hope rooted in the reality of the resurrection. Paul's reminder comforted the congregation, as it should comfort us today! We can be confident that just as God had raised Jesus, He too will raise us to life in Christ on the last day: *God will bring with him those who have fallen asleep (1 Th 4:14).* The timing may be uncertain, but the outcome is always sure: *we will always be with the Lord (1 Th 4:17b).*

~Vicar Kazmierski

High School Youth

Sunday, September 16th 4pm

Ice Cream Party

Warning: Ice Cream may not be eaten from a bowl...

Sunday, September 30th 11:45am

5th Sunday lunch

Meet upstairs by office and we will leave from there.

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



Midweek and High School Youth

Friday and Saturday October 19-20

(For many there is no school Friday)

Retreat weekend to Camp Luther Three Lakes, WI

Anticipated Costs: \$50

1-2 female chaperone needed, please speak with Pastor

Other details to be announced soon.

Sign up by September 30th



"Because I didn't have any decent church clothes. Why'd you join the choir?"

Miracles happen!

Create this colorful reminder of God's wondrous works.



What you need:

- white cardstock
- white wax crayon
- paintbrush
- water
- watercolor paints

What you do:

1. Across the paper horizontally, write with the white crayon "Miracles happen!" (or a Bible verse such as Job 5:9; Psalm 77:14; Jeremiah 32:27; or Matthew 19:26).
2. Wet the paintbrush and paint over the words with different colors.
3. Let dry and then hang up.

Smart cookies

September is an exciting time, as you begin growing in wisdom with a new year of school and Sunday school. Be a "smart cookie" by making this special container for your kitchen. Change the pictures as your year goes by. Or fill the container with cookies to give as a gift.

What you need:

- 2 identical disposable plastic containers (rectangular and clear)
- 1 lid
- 4 photos or drawings
- Scissors
- Sticky bow or ribbon (optional)
- Cookies

What you do:

1. Cut four different pictures or drawings to fit the sides of your container. Allow the edges to slightly overlap around the four sides of one container.
2. Gently set one container inside the other. Then slide the pictures or drawings down between the two containers to cover the four sides. Press the inner container down to secure the pictures in place between the sides.
3. Fill the container with cookies, and put the lid on top of the inner container.
4. You can put a sticky bow or ribbon on the lid to make the container look like a present.

St. Peter's Child Care & Preschool

WMELS Accredited

4-K Host Site for Poynette School District

We have been busy preparing for school which is just around the corner! We are happy to say our enrollment is full for the fall and we are excited to meet our new children joining us as we make this transition. We are going to miss our school aged children but pray they have a wonderful and successful school year!

Our field trips have come to a close, but what fun we had this summer. We topped off the summer at Sassy Cow Creamery and enjoyed the tour of their amazing facility. They were gracious and flexible when we arrived and it was raining! The field trip ended with the kids indulging in some delicious ice cream!

We are also happy to be doing the bread fundraiser which will start soon after school starts and end the first week of October.

Here are a few pictures of our adventures over the past



SEPTEMBER

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Beth Hutchinson
Amy Paskey



DIVINE SERVICE SCHEDULE FOR THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER

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| <p>September 2/3 15th Sunday after Pentecost</p> <p>Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-9 Psalm 119:129-136 Ephesians 6:10-20 Mark 7:14-23</p> | <p>Sermon: Stand Firm Order: DS II, p. 167 Hymns: By Request Organist: Cantor Jeremy Zieroth</p> |
| <p>September 9/10 16th Sunday after Pentecost</p> <p>Isaiah 35:4-7a Psalm 146 James 2:1-18 Mark 7:24-37</p> | <p>Sermon: Loving Without Partiality Order: DS II, p. 167 Hymns: 768 - 797 - 749, 846 - 839 Organist: Cantor Jeremy Zieroth</p> |
| <p>September 16/17 17th Sunday after Pentecost</p> <p>Isaiah 50:4-10 Psalm 116:1-9 James 3:1-12 Mark 9:14-29</p> | <p>Sermon: Order: DSII, p. 167 Hymns: 545 - 849 - 620, 554 - 839 Organist: Cantor Jeremy Zieroth Choir: Handbells</p> |
| <p>September 23/24 18th Sunday after Pentecost</p> <p>Jeremiah 11:18-20 Psalm 54 James 3:13-4:10 Mark 9:30-37</p> | <p>Sermon: You Ain't First, You Last Order: DS II, p. 167 Hymns: 730 - 851 - 438, 605 - 716 Organist: Cantor Jeremy Zieroth Choir: Lower Grades Sunday School</p> |
| <p>September 30/Oct 1 St. Michael and All Angels (Observed)</p> <p>Daniel 10:10-14; 12:1-3 Psalm 91 Revelation 12:7-12 Luke 10:17-20</p> | <p>Sermon: Angels Guard and Keep Order: DS III, p. 184 Hymns: 522 - 454 - 537, 940 - 725 Organist: Cantor Jeremy Zieroth Choir: Upper Grades Sunday School</p> |



SEPTEMBER 9, 2018
9:15 A.M.
St. Peter's Lutheran Church

Join us as we celebrate on Rally Day, the kickoff to another year of learning and hearing God's word. Pancakes & toppings will be served to all.



ARLINGTON COMMUNITY PICNIC

Fireman's Park
Wednesday, Sept 12, 2018
5pm-til we leave.

Join the fun & games! Bring friends!

Quilt raffle to support
the Deaconess Elle
Konetzki Memorial
Scholarship.

\$5 for 1; \$20 for 5



Sunday, September 23rd: Serve UW Students

Volunteers are needed to join Vicar Kazmierski in preparing and serving lunch for the UW students who attend the campus church, Calvary Lutheran. We will need 6-10 volunteers to help that day, as well as volunteers to provide baked goods. Sign up sheet is in the narthex.

COUNCIL MINUTES - AUGUST 14, 2018

Financial Secretary's report: presented by Lynnette Taylor. Looks good, everything is holding steady. Approved by Paul Yamriska, seconded by Tom Crum, motion carried.

Treasurer's report: presented by Lynnette Taylor. Accounts are holding steady, no big bills coming up. All of the moving expenses for Vicar Brown and Vicar Kazmierski are taken care of. The youth group fund is in the negative after their summer trip, but we are waiting on \$1,000 from the Endowment fund. Moved to approve by Steve Paskey and seconded by Bob Kronberg, motion carried.

Board of Elders: Thank you to everyone for always helping out. Welcome Vicar Kazmierzki! No other reports.

Board of Trustees: report given by Steve Paskey. Tree was taken down in Pastors yard and the stump with be ground on Friday. Have received 2 estimates for the floor downstairs- waiting on one other one- 1 estimate was \$6,300 and the other was \$12,000. Considering having daycare pay for ½ of it at least.

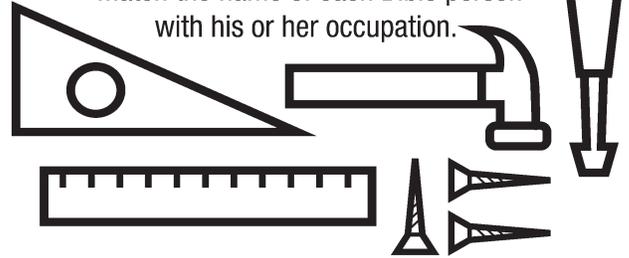
Board of Christian Education: report was given by Kim Manke. Child Care Center- Enrollment for fall is healthy, Pastor met with Matt Shapell (superintendent) for 4K contract and Pastor & Tiffany are meeting with the principal and teachers on Wednesday. Beth Hutchinson is part time with no paid time off- she will now start accumulating 1 hour for every 30 hours worked. Sunday School- Letters will go out soon to parents. Rally Sunday is September 9th with a pancake breakfast. VBS- went well Thanks to Amy & Jenni and everyone else. Youth Group- went to Higher Things in MN and enjoyed it. Bible Classes have been on and off this summer as the group desires but are now back on to their regular schedule.

Pastor's Report The youth group trip to Higher Things in MN was good. June & July we have had good services. I did a private baptism for a family moving from NV to Appleton, WI. Great farewell for Vicar Brown, he really appreciated his gifts. Vicar Kazmierski has jumped right in and seems to be adjusting well. Helped out with VBS and enjoyed it. Arlington Festival- the fire dept. appreciated us helping out with monitoring the bounce houses Friday night, the parade float went good- thank you to Steve Paskey & Darrell Schoeneberg.

Respectfully Submitted,
Amanda Hoyt, *Secretary*

Puzzle!

Match the name of each Bible person with his or her occupation.



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| 1. Nehemiah | A. soldier |
| 2. Luke | B. carpenter |
| 3. Demetrius | C. cupbearer |
| 4. Matthew | D. clothseller |
| 5. Lydia | E. fisherman |
| 6. Joseph | F. shepherd |
| 7. Paul | G. tax collector |
| 8. Cornelius | H. tailor |
| 9. Tabitha | I. silversmith |
| 10. Amos | J. priest |
| 11. Eli | K. tentmaker |
| 12. Peter | L. physician |

Answers: 1. C, 2. L, 3. I, 4. G, 5. D, 6. B, 7. K, 8. A, 9. H, 10. F, 11. J, 12. E



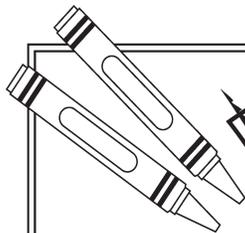
- 9/5 Karl Hilgendorf
9/14 James Mueller
9/14 Robert Schmidt
9/16 Helen Manke
9/19 Karen Michaels
9/20 Randall Schuster
9/25 Cameron Gramse
9/26 Robert Kronberg



**FINANCIAL REPORT
CURRENT EXPENSE FUND:**



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| Balance on July 31, 2018 | \$16,494.30 |
| Receipts for Aug (est.)..... | \$12,937.30 |
| Expenses for Aug (est.) | (\$17,055.58) |
| Shortage/Overage | \$12,376.02 |



PUZZLE

IT'S A MIRACLE!

Jesus performed many amazing miracles during his earthly ministry.

Directions: Match the words and pictures of different healings, from one column to the other. Then fit the word pairs in the blanks below to complete Matthew 11:5, NIV.



blind



leprosy



lame



deaf



dead

hear



walk



raised



sight



cleansed



The _____ receive _____, the _____, those
who have _____ are _____, the _____
_____, the _____ are _____.

MATTHEW 11:5, NIV

Answer: The blind receive sight, the lame walk, those who have leprosy are cleansed, the deaf hear, the dead are raised ... Matthew 11:5, NIV

House of Thrift



Halloween and fall items are filling the shelves. The store will be closed Sept 3rd for Labor Day.

The store is located at 201 Cottage Grove Road (just off Monona Drive). The hours are Monday through Friday 9:00 a.m.—6:00 p.m. and Saturdays 9:00 a.m.—5:00 p.m. The phone number is 223-1228. Donations are welcome when the store is open.

Members of St. Peter's work on the first Friday (August 3rd) and the third Wednesday (August 15th) of each month. Please call Elaine Podoll if you have any questions or would like to become part of the *House of Thrift* team. **Thank you!**

SEPTEMBER Elders

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| Sept 2 | 8:00 a.m. | Bill Hageman & Dan Schmidt |
| | 10:30 a.m. | Tom Crum |
| Sept 3 | 6:30 p.m. | Dan Schmidt |
| Sept 9 | 8:00 a.m. | Mike Manke & Greg Frank |
| | 10:30 a.m. | Phil Kruger |
| Sept 10 | 6:30 p.m. | Cal Moll |
| Sept 16 | 8:00 a.m. | Cameron Gramse & Bill Hageman |
| | 10:30 a.m. | Tom Crum |
| Sept 17 | 6:30 p.m. | Paul Yamriska |
| Sept 23 | 8:00 a.m. | Cameron Gramse & Greg Frank |
| | 10:30 p.m. | Cal Moll |
| Sept 24 | 6:30 p.m. | Paul Yamriska |
| Sept 30 | 8:00 a.m. | Mike Manke & Kim Kriewaldt |
| | 10:30 p.m. | Phil Kruger |

SEPTEMBER USHERS



Sept 2, 9 & 16

Early

Keith Podoll, *Chr.*
(635-8012)
Larry & Alex Saager
Bill & Justin Hageman
Greg & Patrick Frank
Kim & Brock Kriewaldt

Late

Chr.
()
Roger Frank
Steve Paskey
Brad Zimmermann &
Hunter & Tanner & Jakob

Sept 23 & 30

Chr ()

Wayne Hanson
David Hutchinson
Steve & Matt Hustad
Calvin Moll
Nate & Austin Moll
Cameron Gramse

Chr ()

Jim Paske
Shayne Brasda

The table in the narthex has a good selection of cards available. Stop by and check it out! There is a wide range of cards to fit every occasion and all proceeds go to the *Christian Women's Council* to help support all their good works. There are also a number of craft items still available for sale. You may leave your cash or check in the basket on the table.



CALENDAR FOR SEPTEMBER 2018

| SUNDAY | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY | SATURDAY |
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| Pentecost 15 2 8:00 AM Divine Service 9:15 AM Bible Class 10:30 AM Divine Service | Labor Day 3 Church Office & Child Care Closed 6:30 PM Divine Service | 1:00 PM Ladies Bible Class | 4:00 PM Midweek 6:30 PM Handbells 7:30 PM Choir | | 7:30 AM Men's Bible Class 9:00 AM Thrift Store | 1 |
| Pentecost 16 9 8:00 AM Divine Service 9:30 AM RALLY DAY Pancake Breakfast 10:30 AM Divine Service | 6:30 PM Divine Service | 1:00 PM Ladies Bible Class 6:00 PM Bd of Ed 6:30 PM Council 7:30 PM Elders | 4:00 PM Midweek 6:30 PM Handbells 7:30 PM Choir 5:00 PM-when we leave Arlington Village Picnic | 13 | Holy Cross Day 14 7:30 AM Men's Bible Class | 15 |
| Pentecost 17 16 8:00 AM Divine Service 9:15 AM Bible Class/SS 10:30 AM Divine Service 4:00 PM HS Youth Ice Cream Party | 6:30 PM Divine Service | 1:00 PM Ladies Bible Class | 9:00 AM Thrift Store 4:00 PM Midweek 6:30 PM Handbells 7:30 PM Choir | 20  | St. Matthew 21 Apostle 7:30 AM Men's Bible Class | 22 |
| Pentecost 18 23 8:00 AM Divine Service 9:15 AM Bible Class/SS 10:30 AM Divine Service 11am-2pm Serve at Calvary at UW | 6:30 PM Divine Service | 1:00 PM Ladies Bible Class | 4:00 PM Midweek 6:30 PM Handbells 7:30 PM Choir | 27 | 7:30 AM Men's Bible Class | St. Michael 29 & All Angels |
| Pentecost 19 30 8:00 AM Divine Service 9:15 AM Bible Class/SS 10:30 AM Divine Service 11:45 AM HS Youth <i>5th Sunday Brunch</i> | 6:30 PM Divine Service | 1:00 PM Ladies Bible Class | | | |  |
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