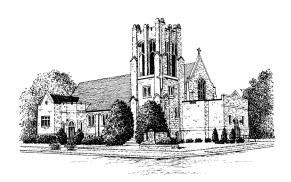


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ST. PETER'S NET

JUNE 2021

"There are three conversions necessary to every man: the head, the heart, and the purse." Attributed to Luther, though yet to be located in his vast writings, this statement echoes what Jesus taught about hearts and treasures. He said, "For where your treasure is, For where your there will your heart be also." (Matthew 6:21; Luke treasure is. 12:34)

But which conversion comes first? I submit that the order is this: first the head, then the purse, then the heart. Let's explore this topic.

will be also. Our Lord Jesus Christ dwelt among us to Matthew 6:21 save us. He took on our flesh, fulfilled the demands of the law in our place, became sin for us, and suffered torture and death on our behalf. He did this in order that we would be free from sin, death, and hell. He gives us what He accomplished through Baptism, Absolution, and the Lord's Supper. And so, He doesn't just do it for us but gives it to us. He makes what He did ours by making us His. Thus, we are called by His name: Christians. We have a new life in Him.

Through the preaching of Law and Gospel, God grants us repentance, a changing of our minds. It is a conversion of the mind. We are called to turn away from our sins and turn toward Him for forgiveness, life, and salvation. For when God calls us away from something, He is, at the same time, calling us to something.

> And thus, He calls us to a new life, with new deeds. This is the conversion of the purse. Jesus said that "it is easier for a camel to enter through the eye of a needle than for a rich person to enter the kingdom of God." (Matthew 19:24) "For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also." Notice that our hearts follow our treasures, not the other way around. As Christians, God calls us to invest our treasures in His Kingdom to ensure that the gospel is

preached and the sacraments are administered. He calls us to share all good things with the one who teaches us the doctrines of Christ. He calls us to be generous in giving to the church, for it is more blessed to give than to receive.

So where is your treasure? If it is not invested in the kingdom of God, then the only response is repentance – a conversion of the heart – and to begin doing just that. And as our Lord promised, where your treasure is there your heart will be also.

Continued

This is not to say that you earn your way into heaven. It is simply to say that as Christians, those who have been made to be temples of the Holy Spirit, who have been given a new life in Christ, who are dead to sin and now alive in Him, we are actually to live – think (conversion of the mind), do (conversion of the purse), and be (conversion of the heart) – a new life in Him. And when you fail, know that God in Christ loves and forgives you and still calls you away from that and to Himself.

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"Music, Ministry



As summer begins this month, we need to take a quick look at the hymn of the day for the weekend of June 20/21, "Evening and Morning", LSB 726.

In the summer of 2019, my family took a vacation, and one of our stops included the Field Museum in Chicago. The big exhibit of the summer was, simply, dirt. Or, as the exhibit clearly showed, dirt is anything but simple. As you "shrink yourself" to enter the exhibit, you then see dirt from the point of view of an insect living in the dirt. Getting dirt to be dirt is quite the process, as numerous organisms, both visible and microscopic, work hard at turning organic matter into dirt. Different organisms work at getting the nutrients from dirt into the plants we use as food. From there, which is a different exhibit, animals each have their own microscopic biome to digest the plants they eat.

Each species has their own purpose in the world, doing what they need in order to survive, which in turn helps a different species survive, or become the food another species needs to survive. When one link is removed, no matter how small, great changes must occur to adapt to the absence of that particular link. From there, we can see how environments house different groups. Different environments, when grouped together, create a larger environment with greater diversity. These even larger environments are linked by weather patterns and air movements. All of this is linked together by the energy the sun provides, and its energy does things even to the other worlds in our solar system. All of this was created by our very powerful God, who still maintains everything. While he knows what happens everywhere in the universe, he also cares for each individual flower and bird, and, more importantly, you. He knows how many hairs are on your head. He forms each new being in their mother's womb, knitting them together.

In the opening stanza of Paul Gerhardt's masterful hymn, Evening and Morning, he alludes to this bedazzling

interconnectedness of life in God's good world. The times are ordered, we know, by the rotation of the earth, and we human creatures mark the passing days by the sunset and dawning. Beyond the physical world, God has endowed us with the delightful gifts of such things as gladness and joy, hope and satisfaction, even sometimes in the midst of suffering and sadness. Of course, the world God has created is not the primary location, and certainly not always a reliable location, to marvel at the goodness of God. The morning and the evening, the sunset and dawning are good times to remember in prayer and devotion our own baptism when we were washed clean of the stain of sin; each day we are invited to remember and claim the forgiveness that pours forth from the springs of Christ's death and resurrection.

For this good and perfect gift we daily give thanks. Our hearts overflow with praise. Our lives are marked by the sign of the Crucified One and under the order and the direction of the Merciful One. Our faith receives those gifts. The fruit of faith is that our lives respond in praise, and that our good works are sweet incense before the throne of grace. This day is the gift that falls between this morning and this evening, and our song is a sign that this day, too, will be lived for Christ and for the sake of God's kingdom.

God bless your June and we will see you at the Divine Service!

- 1. Evening and morning, sunset and dawning, wealth, peace, and gladness, comfort and sadness: These are thy works; all the glory be thine! Times without number, awake or in slumber, thine eye observes us, from danger preserves us, causing thy mercy upon us to shine.
- 2. Father, O hear me, pardon and spare me; calm all my terrors, blot out my errors that by thine eyes they may no more be scanned. Order my goings, direct all my doings; as it may please thee, retain or release me; all I commit to thy fatherly hand.
- 3. Ills that still grieve me soon are to leave me; though billows tower, and winds gain power, after the storm the fair sun shows its face. Joys e'er increasing and peace never ceasing: these shall I treasure and share in full measure when in his mansions God grants me a place.
- 4. To God in heaven all praise be given!
 Come, let us offer and gladly proffer
 to the Creator the gifts he doth prize.
 He will receiveth a heart that believeth;
 hymns that adore him are precious before him
 and to his throne like sweet incense arise.



God of all grace and mercy, bless those who serve as members of the altar guild that they may be faithful in their service. Grant them steadfast devotion and strong faith. By their loving service to your house of prayer and your altar of worship may your church be built up to the praise and honor of your most holy name; through Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Dear friends in Christ,

The above prayer is used in the *Lutheran Worship Agenda* for the placing of altar guild members as servants of the congregation. It expresses three things about the nature of the work of the altar guild: its purpose is to serve; its service requires spiritual commitment, and its service has a spiritual goal. In fact, it is an auxiliary service of the type that has been given to others since the earliest days of the church (cf. Acts 6:1-6).

We would like to extend to you the same opportunity to serve. Members of our Altar Guild are necessary and valuable servants of the congregation. If you would like to be one of those valuable servants for just one month (or even a half a month) out of the year then please contact an Elder or the church office for more information. We look forward to hearing from you. God's peace,

God, accept and bless the work of my hands and all who serve you in the care and adornment of your sanctuary, that your holy name may be glorified; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord. Amen.





BIBLE STUDIES

Bible Study has resumed Sundays though we will meet in the classroom by the kitchen and offices. Tables and distancing are being observed.

Friday morning Men's Bible Study is also in the same classroom at 7:30am.

Join in time of fellowship and discussion of God's Word.



We need a leader to take on the task of VBS this year.

We anticipate the dates to be August 2-6.

There are varying themes that can be used depending on the preference of whomever would like to step forward to lead this year.

Call or email the church office if you would like to volunteer for this very important outreach this summer.

Hit the Road

When a teenager received his driving permit, he asked his father, who was a minister, if they could discuss use of the car.

His father said, "I'll make a deal with you. You bring your grades up, study your Bible a little, get your hair cut,

and we'll talk."



A month later, the young man returned to continue the discussion. "Son, I've been real proud of you," the father said. "You've brought your grades up and studied your Bible diligently, but you didn't get your hair cut!"

The teenager replied, "You know, Dad, I've been thinking about

that. Samson had long hair, Moses had long hair, Noah had long hair and even Jesus had long hair"

"Yes," the father said, "and they walked everywhere!"

The Herwig Scholarship recipients for 2021 are: (l-r) Presenter Kelly Hageman, Endowment Committee Member; Sarah Hagenow, Hayden Taylor, Megan Reddeman. *Congratulations on your high school achievements*.







Make a sunflower, which turns its head to follow the sun.

What you need:

- Paper plate
- Yellow marker
- Scissors
- Yarn (black and brown)

What you do:

- 1. Color the entire plate yellow.
- 2. Around the edge, cut out an odd number of triangles. Evenly space the cuts to form flower petals.
- 3. Poke a hole in the plate's center. String black yarn through the hole and over one triangle cut. Tie a knot at the back of the plate.
- 4. Continue looping yarn through the hole and over the remaining cuts. Secure the end. The flower should look like a wagon wheel with black spokes.
- 5. Tie the brown yarn to a black "spoke." Weave the brown yarn over and under the spokes in a circle. Continue until the sunflower has a large center. Then tie the end.
- 6. Display your craft as a reminder to follow the Son, Jesus!

Create this artwork to express your love and appreciation for your dad or another special man this Father's Day.



• A white painting canvas, foam-core board or poster

What you do:

- 1. Using the letters, spell out words that describe your dad's character (loving, honest, godly, etc.) and/or his titles (protector,
- 2. Arrange words in a crossword style, both horizontally and vertically.
- you like, stick the words onto the blank canvas or board.
- 4. Present the gift to your dad or another special man on Father's Day. He'll enjoy this reminder of your love

What you need:

- board
- Letter stickers (or foam letters and glue)



- provider, mentor, etc.).
- 3. When you have a design
- and appreciation.





St. Peter's Child Care & Preschool

WMELS Accredited 4-K Host Site for Poynette School District

This month we have been blessed with some beautiful summer like days for us to get outside and enjoy the weather! This has gotten the kids a bit excited to be done with school and on to their summer vacation!

We have been very busy planning for the summer and the children we will have. We are happy to see that we will be full and have all of our children back to have fun.

Our preschool has been busy learning about bees, and flowers and how they go hand in hand to help each other! They also had a lot of fun making all of the Mother's Day surprises for the special person in their life that fills their hearts with love and happiness.

We also are happy to report that after a few months we do have a new cleaning company hired and working their best to assist the staff in keeping the basement as clean as possible for the children and families of St. Peter's.

Our staff will also start wearing shirts that will sport our St. Peter's Lutheran Church Childcare and Preschool on the front. We are very happy doing the job that we have been given and when new people tour or come to pick up children they will know who the teachers of the center are. This is also an exciting way to present ourselves a bit more professionally.

Another new change is we are starting up a St. Peter's Church Childcare and Preschool Facebook page! This will allow us to bring in new people that are searching for "Childcare or Preschool" when searching on the internet or on Facebook. We are excited for this new marketing tool!

Here are a few pictures of the fun we have been





DIVINE SERVICE SCHEDULE FOR THE MONTH OF JUNE

June 6/7 2nd Sunday after Pentecost Genesis 3:8-15 Psalm 130 2 Corinthians 4:13-5:1 Mark 3:20-35	Sermon: God's Thoughts, Word, and Deeds are Good for You Text: Genesis 3:9-15 Order: DSIV, p. 203 Hymns: By Request Organist: Cantor Geremy Zieroth
Jun 13/14 3rd Sunday after Pentecost Ezekiel 17:22-24 (Psalm 1) 2 Corinthians 5:1-17 Mark 4:26-34	Sermon: The Tent and the House Text: 2 Corinthians 5:1-10 Order: DSIV, p. 203 Hymns: 901 - 705 - 834 - 811 - 921 Organist: Cantor Geremy Zieroth
Jun 20/21 4th Sunday after Pentecost Job 38:1-11 Psalm 124 2 Corinthians 6:1-13 Mark 4:35-41	Sermon: Hidden and Revealed Text: Job 38:1-11 Order: DSIV, p. 203 Hymns: 722 - 726 - 752 - 717 Organist: Ms. Betsy Schroeder
Jun 27/28 5th Sunday After Pentecost Lamentations 3:22-33 Psalm 30 2 Corinthians 8:1-9, 13-15 Mark 5:21-43	Sermon: Christ Jesus and His Line, Cross, and Crossing Mark 5:21-43 Order: Matins, p. 219 Hymns: 809 - 750 - 760 - 739 Organist: Cantor Geremy Zieroth



6/3	George Schoeneberg
6/9	Barbara Plenty
6/11	Jayne Barnharst
6/11	Margaret Schuster
6/14	Philip Hanson
6/18	David Steinke
6/20	Wayne Hanson
6/21	Patricia Miller
6/26	Herb Miller
6/27	Shirley Qualle

St. Peter's is open and welcoming everyone to come to worship. We offer three services: Sundays at 8:00 am and 10:30 am, and Mondays at 6:30 pm.

YOU are invited to come to worship for the outpouring of God's love.

Remember, you can give online at StPetersArlington.org, with options for designated and automatic giving. Thanks for your generosity and support.





CHOIR, MUSIC OPPORTUNITIES

Cantor has lots of musical options for soloists, duets, small groups, and instrumentalists. Handbells will play on a limited basis. Rehearsals will be Sundays during the Sunday School hour or by arrangement with Cantor.

Help us make a joyful noise with your musical gifts!



JUNE

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Barb Reddeman *following COVID –19 procedures

COUNCIL MINUTES May 11, 2021



The May 11th meeting of the St. Peter's Lutheran Church council meeting was called to order by President James Rittmeyer at 6:34 pm. This meeting was held in the sanctuary so social distancing can be observed. In attendance were: Amy Cuff, Greg Frank,

Bob Hagenow, Beth Hutchinson, Kim Kriewaldt, Brad Larson, Bill Manthey, Keith Podoll, Alex Rehlinger, James Rittmeyer, Daniel Schmidt, Lynnette Taylor, Paul Yamriska, Geremy Zieroth and Guests Pastor David Jacoby and his wife, Liz.

President Rittmeyer introduced our guests. Pastor Jacoby spoke for a few minutes on his tours of the area and the church. He then asked for the council members to introduce themselves so that he had a little better handle on who all was present. He asked us if we had any further questions for him, none were brought forth. Bob Hagenow then posed the same question back to Pastor Jacoby but he, with clarification from his wife, said that he thought their list of questions had been answered well.

Cantor Geremy Zieroth led the devotion from Acts 1. This chapter talks about being chosen. We have all experienced being chosen or not, but with God we are always chosen. He chooses us to be His children always and forever.

The agenda was presented. Bob Hagenow moved approval with addition, Paul Yamriska provided the second, motion carried.

Secretary's minutes were read. Bill Manthey moved approval, Dan Schmidt second, motion carried.

The Financial secretary's report was presented by Bob Hagenow. He reports that we received 27% of the April general offerings through the online giving, 36.5% of the months mission offering was through online giving. General contributions are at 88% of the prior year while missions is at 82% of prior year. Special purpose giving is going to continue to track higher than the prior year due to the estate bequest. We are at 86% of the budgeted amount to cover expenses for the year. Brad Larson moved approval, Alex Rehlinger second, motion carried.

The Treasurer's report was presented. The current checkbook balance is \$28,367.98 which includes two deposits but no payroll with all bills to date taken out. Some of the bills presented to be paid out of the Special Purpose fund have been paid while others are waiting for repairs before being paid. Dan Schmidt moved approval of the treasurer's report, Beth Hutchinson second, motion carried.

The Elders report began with a note from the Military Care Committee that there is one soldier deployed to Germany, Jonathan Laatsch. Endowment Committee has awarded the three applicants with a scholarship: Sarah Hagenow (\$2000), Megan Reddeman (\$1500) and Hayden Taylor (\$1500). Each will be presented with a plaque at their respective high school awards night as well as being recognized at the close of Sunday School service on May 23rd. Cantor Geremy Zieroth reported that the Sunday School choirs are wrapping up their performances with choir pieces to be sung at the close of Sunday School service on May 23rd. The hand bell choir will also perform this month and he has several small groups gearing up for performances in the summer. He reminded everyone that hymn sing Sunday would occur the first Sunday in June this year.

The Trustees reported that the accordion fold door had arrived but was damaged in shipping and so was returned to the company for repair. There have been a bevy of ladies and helpers in to the parsonage to do the cleaning in preparation for a new pastor and his family. There is someone contracted to clean the windows. It was brought up that the cross on the north side of the bell tower needs a repair. So far the cleaning crew has been doing a good job. The Trustees are still waiting on bids for siding the parsonage.

The Board of Christian Education report was given by Bob Hagenow. The CCC is full and preparing for the summer months. They are hiring another part time student worker for the summer. Sunday School will continue for two more weeks and then wrap up for this school year with closing ceremonies on May 23td. The midweek classes are wrapping up with confirmation happening on May 16th. The Youth group is not real active right now. The bible study classes are going strong.

There was no Pastor's report.
There were no membership changes.
There was no old business
There was no new business.

Paul Yamriska moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:18pm, Bob Hagenow second, motion carried. The Lord's prayer was recited. Elder meeting follows.

Respectfully Submitted, Lynnette Taylor Council Secretary





FINANCIAL REPORT CURRENT EXPENSE FUND:



Balance on Apr 30, 2021	\$31,245.67
Receipts for May (est.)	
Expenses for May (est.)	
Shortage/Overage	



Conundrums of creation

God's creation is filled with amazing and sometimes puzzling works.

Directions: Use the bank of picture clues to answer the riddles.



You can hold but not touch this.

Before using this, you must break it.

This falls without getting hurt.

This gets bigger the more you take away.

This has an eye but cannot see.

"In the heavens God has pitched a tent for the _ _ _ .

It is like ... a champion rejoicing to run his course.

It rises at one end of the heavens and makes its circuit to the other; nothing is deprived of its warmth."

PSALM 19:4-6, NIV

Answer: breath, egg, rain, hole, hurricane, sun



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 available for sale. You may leave your cash or check in the basket on the table.

CLACKS

June 6	8:00 a.m.	Dan Schmidt
	10:30 a.m.	Alex Rehlinger
June 7	6:30 p.m.	Calvin Moll
June 13	8:00 a.m.	Brad Larson
	10:30 a.m.	Ben Robinson
June 14	6:30 p.m.	Paul Yamriska
June 20	8:00 a.m.	Brad Larson
	10:30 a.m.	Ben Robinson
June 21	6:30 p.m.	Bill Manthey
June 27	8:00 a.m.	Dan Schmidt
	10:30 a.m.	Tyson Miller
June 28	6:30 p.m.	Bill Manthey



June 6 & 13

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

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

June 20 & 27

Wayne Hanson David Hutchinson Steve & Matt Hustad Calvin Moll Nate & Austin Moll Cameron Gramse Jim Paske Shayne Brasda



CALENDAR FOR JUNE 2021

SATURDAY	rv	21	19	26		
FRIDAY	7:30 AM Men's Bible Class	7:30 AM Men's Bible Class	18 7:30 AM Men's Bible Class	25 7:30 AM Men's Bible Class		
THURSDAY	m	10	17	Nativity of 24 St. John, the Baptist		.org
WEDNESDAY	2	o	16	23	30	theran Church Fax: 608-635-2753 www.stpetersarlington.org
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