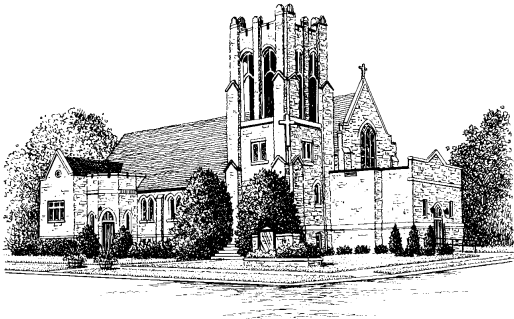




P.O. Box 45
Arlington, WI 53911-0045

PRESORTED
STANDARD
U.S. POSTAGE PAID
ARLINGTON, WI 53911
PERMIT NO. 1

CHANGE SERVICE REQUESTED



ST. PETER'S NET

JANUARY 2022

Beloved in the Lord:

Happy New Year of Our Lord 2022! Thanks be to God that He has brought us together as fellow members of the body of Christ!

Here's my brief biography: I was born June 1, 1972 in Du Quoin, IL, some 400 miles south of Arlington on U.S. Highway 51. I was baptized on June 18, 1972 and confirmed on March 23, 1986 at Bethel Lutheran Church, Du Quoin, IL. I attended public schools in Du Quoin, then attended Junior College for two years before transferring to Southern Illinois University, Carbondale, IL, where I graduated in 1994 with a Bachelor's Degree in Radio-Television Broadcasting. I worked in radio for my hometown radio station from my senior year in high school until I started seminary formation at Concordia Theological Seminary in Fort Wayne, IN in the fall of 1998.

I served my vicarage during the 2000-2001 academic year at Faith Lutheran Church, Tullahoma, TN. I graduated from seminary in 2002 and was placed at Trinity Lutheran Church, Iuka, IL, where I was ordained and installed as pastor on July 7, 2002. I met my wife Becky through an Internet website not long after I was installed in Iuka. We long distance dated between Iuka

and Milwaukee until we were married on October 3, 2003. The Lord has blessed us with three sons and two daughters.

I was installed on March 25, 2007 as Pastor of Our Savior Lutheran Church, Momence, IL. After nearly fifteen years of ministry in Momence, the Lord of the Church has brought me to Saint Peter Lutheran Church, Arlington, WI.

Now that I'm here, what's next? Only God knows the answer to that question. What I know is that I covet your prayers as I begin the ministry of the Gospel here. I also know that I will make a lot of mistakes. Please give me an extra measure of grace these first few months as I get to know you, and you get to know me.

One more thing I know. It's the most important thing of all. Saint Paul says in First Corinthians chapter two: "And I, when I came to you, brothers, did not come proclaiming to you the testimony of God with lofty speech or wisdom. ***For I decided to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ and him crucified.*** And I was with you in weakness and in fear and much trembling, and my speech and my message were not in plausible words of wisdom, but in demonstration of the Spir-

Continued

it and of power, so that your faith might not rest in the wisdom of men but in the power of God."

Your partner in the Gospel,
Pastor Juhl



Music Ministry



AN EPIPHANY DEVOTION

Read Matthew 2:1-12

1. *Brightest and best of the stars of the morning,
Dawn on our darkness and lend us your aid.
Star of the east, the horizon adorning,
Guide where our infant Redeemer is laid.*
3. *Shall we not yield him, in costly devotion,
Fragrance of Edom and off'rings divine,
Gems of the mountain and pearls of the oceans,
Myrrh from the forest or gold from the mine?*

(LSB 400) text: Reginald Heber; Tune: James P. Harding.

The Wise Men had spent many hours in study and research before setting out on their long journey. They came from a distant land and traveled a difficult, dangerous way to find the King whose star they had seen in the East. Let us pray for the light of God's Word shine to forever shine in our hearts and be our guide, a well-lit path for all our days of joy as well as our days of sorrow.

Your Word is a lamp to my feet and a light for my path.
Psalm 119:105

The Wise Men rejoiced when they saw the star that would lead them to Jesus. So, too, God's Word will lift our spirits, give us strength and brighten our lives. May the joy found in His promises of forgiveness, redemption and glory be evident in each of us.

*May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace
as you trust in him, so that you may overflow
with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.*

Romans 15:13

When the Wise Men reached the end of their journey and at last came to Jesus, they knelt down and wor-

shipped Him. They had found the Savior of the world. They may not have known it, but they were the first Gentiles to come to faith in the Savior. They presented Him with their most precious gifts: gold, frankincense and myrrh.

What is the meaning of Epiphany? God has sent His Son to be the Savior for ALL people. So we are reminded that our gifts will help bring joyful word of that Savior to all people everywhere.

But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far away have been brought near through the blood of Christ. For he himself is our peace, who has made the two one and has destroyed the barrier, the dividing wall of hostility, by abolishing in his flesh the law with its commandments and regulations. His purpose was to create in himself one new man out of the two, thus making peace, and in this one body to reconcile both of them to God through the cross, by which he put to death their hostility. Ephesians 2:13-16

After the Wise Men had worshiped Jesus, they were warned not to return to Herod, so they returned home another way. God's Word is the source of hope and wisdom for our lives. From His Word, we are called to repent of trusting in ourselves or despairing; His Word shows His faithfulness, that we may then cast our anxieties on the Lord. From God, the wise men had but a vision for their safety, and they believed. How much more have we received from the Lord for our eternal safety. *O Holy Spirit, put our feet on this other way, the path of trust.*

For you have been born again, not of perishable seed, but of imperishable, through the living and enduring word of God. For, *"All men are like grass, and all their glory is like the flowers of the field; the grass withers and the flowers fall, but the word of the Lord stands forever."* 1 Peter 1:23-25

1. *As with gladness men of old/
Did the guiding star behold/
As with joy they hailed its light,
Leading onward, beaming bright;/
So, most gracious Lord, may we/
Evermore be led by thee.*
3. *As they offered gifts most rare/
At thy cradle, rude and bare,/
So may we with holy joy,
Pure and free from sin's alloy,
All our costliest treasures bring,
Christ to thee, our heav'nly king.*
4. *Holy Jesus, ev'ry day/
Keep us in the narrow way;/
And when earthly things are past,
Bring our ransomed souls at last/
Where they need no star to guide,
Where no clouds thy glory hide.*

(LW 397) Text: William C. Dix; Tune: Conrad Kocher.

Dear Father in heaven, thank You for sending Your Son into the world as both True Man and True God. Please daily open our eyes to see that Light of Jesus and continue to seek to know Him and serve Him. Help us to keep Epiphany foremost in our hearts and minds so that others will see this Light and come to know Jesus as their Savior. In Your Son's most precious name we pray. Amen.

MAY GOD BLESS YOU IN THE NEW YEAR

AS YOU SERVE THE LORD WITH GLADNESS!!

In His service,
Cantor Jeremy Zieroth



The younger Sunday School program:
Happy Birthday Jesus!



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,
Mondays at 6:30 pm.**

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

1/2	Cynthia Hemp
1/7	Pamela Childs
1/8	Judy Smith
1/24	Kristine Mack
1/25	Joyce Herwig

What's in a name?

As the U.S. evacuated thousands from Afghanistan in August 2021, an Afghan woman gave birth on a plane. She named her daughter Reach — the name of the aircraft that brought her family to safety.

Many people name their children after loved ones or special events; a child born on Christmas might be called Noel or Holly. In Bible times, too, names often had meanings: Eve likely means "mother of all living"; Abraham, "father of many"; Isaac, "laughter." Moses is a play on words with the Hebrew for "draw out" because Pharaoh's daughter drew him from the Nile.

Of course, the most important biblical name is Jesus, which means "The Lord saves." As the angel told Joseph, "[Mary] will bear a son, and you shall call his name Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins" (Matthew 1:21, ESV). The Christian church traditionally celebrates Name of Jesus on January 1. But every day, as we pray in Jesus' name, we remember that what's in *this* name is the salvation God offers to all.

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



CHOIR, MUSIC OPPORTUNITIES

Practices are Wednesdays

Handbells: 6:30 pm
Vocal Choir: 7:30 pm

Help us make a joyful noise with your musical gifts!

Golden GIVING

Live out Jesus' golden rule by preparing gift bags for people in need.



What you need:

- Gallon-size zip bags
- New socks
- Hand warmers
- Bus fare or tokens
- Bottled water
- Nonperishable food
- Toiletries and first-aid items
- Paper and markers

What you do:

1. Gather supplies, using the ideas above. Fill bags to make care packages.
2. Write notes or draw pictures for recipients, placing one in each bag.
3. Zip bags and keep them in a vehicle to distribute. Or deliver them right away to people in need (or to sick or homebound people, nursing home residents, a homeless shelter and so on).
4. Pray that God will use your gifts to help and encourage each recipient.

"ONE" PAINTING

Ephesians 4:4-6 talks a lot about *one*. Create one painting that says it all.



What you need:

- Foam letters or letter stickers
- White painting canvas
- Acrylic paints
- Paintbrush or sponge
- Water

What you do:

1. Place letters on the canvas to spell out the "ones" in Ephesians 4:4-6 (one body, one Spirit, one hope, one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God).
2. Paint over the letters, using various colors.
3. When the paint is dry, peel off the letters to reveal words that explain important Bible truths.
4. If desired, finish by painting some number 1's in any blank spots.

St. Peter's Child Care & Preschool
4-K Host Site for Poynette School District
Kelly Pieper, Director

Happy New Year! We had a wonderful time celebrating the birth of our savior, Jesus. The children put on a great show for their families and church members. They enjoyed decorating the center to prepare for Jesus's birthday. The children also love playing in the snow. They've been making snow angels, catching snowflakes on their tongues, and building with it.

January is a great time to reflect on the past year and to think about goals for the upcoming year. At the childcare center, we're always looking for ways to better ourselves. Children are one of the many blessings from God, and it's our job to nurture and care for them as best as we can. They've grown so much in the past year, and I look forward to seeing the path God has made for them in this new year.



DIVINE SERVICE SCHEDULE FOR THE MONTH OF **JANUARY**

<p>January 2/3 Epiphany (Observed) Isaiah 60:1-6 Psalm 72:1-11 Ephesians 3:1-12 Matthew 2:1-12</p>	<p>Sermon: The Mystery Revealed Text: Ephesians 3:1-12 Order: DSI, p. 151 Hymns: 370 - 395 - 400, 409 - 397 Organist: Cantor Jeremy Zieroth</p>
<p>January 9/10 Baptism of Our Lord Isaiah 43:1-17 Psalm 29 Romans 6:1-11 Luke 3:15-22</p>	<p>Sermon: Myrrhs, Aloes, Cassia, and the Baptism of Our Lord Text: Luke 3:15-17, 21-22 Order: DSI, p. 151 Hymns: 594 - 407 - 405, 590 - 394 Organist: Cantor Jeremy Zieroth</p>
<p>January 16/17 2nd Sunday after Epiphany Isaiah 62:1-5 Psalm 128 1 Corinthians 12:1-11 John 2:1-11</p>	<p>Sermon: As the Bridegroom Rejoices Over the Bride Text: Isaiah 62:1-5 Order: DSI, p. 151 Hymns: 399 - 402 - 408, 859 - 533 Organist: Cantor Jeremy Zieroth</p>
<p>Sunday, January 16, 2022 3:00p.m.</p>	<p>Service of Vespers and the Installation of Rev. David Juhl as Pastor of St. Peter's Lutheran Church</p>
<p>January 23/24 3rd Sunday after Epiphany Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10 Psalm 19 1 Corinthians 12:12-31a Luke 4:16-30</p>	<p>Order: DSI, p 151 Hymns: 658 - 839 - 583, 401 - 412 Organist: Cantor Jeremy Zieroth Choir: Handbells</p>
<p>January 30/31 4th Sunday after Epiphany Jeremiah 1:4-10 Psalm 71:1-11 1 Corinthians 12:31b-13:13 Luke 4:31-44</p>	<p>Order: DSI, p. 151 Hymns: 749 - 842 - 729, 538 - 722 Organist: Cantor Jeremy Zieroth Choir: Upper Grades SS</p>



THE ANNUAL MEETING
Sunday, January 23rd
1:00 p.m.

- ◆ *Election of Officers & Board members*
- ◆ *Adoption of the 2022 Budget*
- ◆ *Other items of business*



COUNCIL MINUTES December 14, 2021

The December 14th meeting of the St. Peter's Lutheran Church council meeting was called to order by President James Rittmeyer at 6:40 pm. This meeting was held in the sanctuary so social distancing is observed.

Cantor Jeremy Zieroth led the opening devotion from 1 Corinthians 4. Think of your employee handbook, it lists the things you are responsible for doing and also the consequences of forgetting those things. The Bible is like our employee handbook as it reminds us that we are a child of God and keeping His commandments are what we are responsible for. Fortunately for us, the consequences of forgetting those commandments have been graciously taken care of by Jesus Christ and we are forgiven because Jesus hung on the cross to relieve us of those consequences.

The agenda was presented. Two items were requested to be added as new business: Annual Voters' Meeting date and Christmas Gifts. Paul Yamriska moved approval, Brad Larson provided the second, carried.

Secretary's minutes were read. Bob Hagenow moved approval, Calvin Moll second, carried.

The Financial Secretary's report was given by Bob Hagenow. Contributions at 84% of the previous month for the general fund, 60% of the previous month for missions, reminding us that November was a four week month whereas October had five Sundays. The numbers show us at 87.5% of the prior year in the general fund and 91.1% of the prior year in mission giving. November online giving accounted for 9.9% of the contributions to the general fund and 27% of the mission giving. The Special Purpose Fund is at 181% of the prior year due to the various estate gifts that have been received. Brad Larson moved approval, Keith Podoll second, motion carried.

The Treasurer's report was given by Barbara Reddeman. The current checkbook balance on December 14th is \$14,606.36. This includes all bills on the report paid, two deposits so far and one payroll for the month of December. It was noted that the Mission fund pledge has been met and that further funds given to that account will be split half and half with the District. She noted that blinds have been ordered for the new parsonage windows. Greg Frank moved approval of the treasurer's report, Benjamin Robinson second, motion carried.

The Elders report was presented. Military Care indicated that two Christmas packages (a Wisconsin themed box with all things made in Wisconsin) have been sent to members who are out of state. Those members who are serving within the state are receiving Christmas cards. They reported that the return to the rail for communion has been received very well with many comments on how powerful it felt to be kneeling for communion again in the presence of the Lord. It was also noted that the new candelabra are absolutely beautiful. Cantor Jeremy Zieroth says that "It is Christmas", and all things are being prepared for that special time of year. Both Sunday School groups are well on their way to having their programs prepared. There are twelve children preparing "Happy Birthday Jesus" as the younger SS grades pro-

gram to be held Sunday, December 19th at 9:30 am. There are ten older children who are preparing "Arise and Shine" for the Carol Service on December 24th at 6:30 pm. Both the vocal and handbell choirs are also preparing special pieces for Christmas services.

The Trustees reported that the new windows have been installed. They have received three bids for the siding, gutters, soffit, and fascia at the parsonage. Ridge Top Siding bid came in at \$35,208; The Gardner Company bid came in at \$22,980 with a bit more if we choose to use the premium siding (they can do it the Spring of 2022); and Ron's Home Improvement bid came in at \$21,700 (they are booked through until the spring of 2023 so that could change by the time they get here). Calvin Moll made the motion to contract with The Gardner Company. Barbara Reddeman second, motion carried. The repair on the garage floor of the parsonage also has a bid in and Burkhardt said he would do it for \$3,300 (cash price) and would probably have it done before the new year. Pastor Juhl then had a few requests from his family regarding the parsonage: 1. Plenty of outlets for the chest freezers in the garage; 2. Outlets in the basement for television and radio broadcast equipment; 3. Has the fire-place been checked and is it usable?.

The Board of Christian Education report was given by Charlotte Reddeman. The Child Care Center enrollment is at 14 with another 10 who are wrap-around students (those who come for Preschool and then stay with us the rest of the day). They will be raising their rates after the first of the year. The staff are also looking at increasing salaries. They are hosting a Christmas program on Wednesday, December 22 at 4:30 pm here in the sanctuary. The inside climbing gym has been donated to Kid's First in Poynette. The Sunday School programs are all practicing for Christmas on Saturdays this month with Superintendent Bob Hagenow organizing those practices. Midweek classes are meeting as usual but will be taking off for Christmas break Dec 22nd and December 29th and plan to meet again on January 5th. The Bible study groups are still meeting. The Pastor's report stated that there are a number of upcoming services during the month of December. The Christian Women's Council has taken charge of organizing the reception for the Installation of Rev. David Juhl.

There were no membership changes.

There was no old business as neither the Budget or Nominating Committee's had anything to report.

New Business began with the options for holding our Annual Voters' Meeting in January. Greg Frank moved to hold it on Sunday, January 23, 2022 at 1:00 p.m., second was provided by Brad Larson, motion carried. President Rittmeyer then asked Jeremy, Lynnette and Pastor Juhl to be excused so that the rest of the council could discuss Christmas.

There were no notes taken about the close of the meeting.



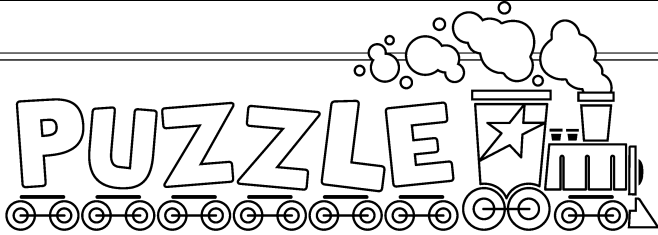
Respectfully submitted,
Lynnette Taylor, *Council Secretary*



**FINANCIAL REPORT
CURRENT EXPENSE FUND:**



Balance on Nov 30, 2021	\$17,862.98
Receipts for Dec (est.)	\$31,684.46
Expenses for Dec (est.)	\$(13,959.95)
Shortage/Overage	\$35,587.49



A measure of love

Jesus says one golden rule sums up the law.

Directions: Match the word parts from the ruler to the incomplete words in the first three Bible verses. Then add the bolded letters (in order) to Matthew 7:12 to complete that verse.

Do not seek **re**_____ or bear a grudge against anyone among your _____ople, but **love** your **neig**_____ as yourself.

LEVITICUS 19:18, NIV

Learn to do **right**; seek jus_____. Defend the _____pressed. Take up the cause of the _____less; plead the _____e of the widow.

ISAIAH 1:17, NIV

He has shown **you**, O mortal, what is go____. ... To act **justly** and to **love** me____ and to walk _____ly with your God.

MICAH 6:8, NIV

So in _____ything, do to ot _____ what you would _____ve them d_____to you, for this s_____ms up the _____w and the Proph_____s.

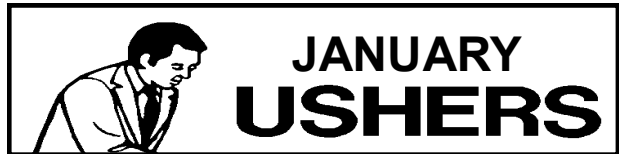
MATTHEW 7:12, NIV

- _____ father_____
- _____ pe_____
- _____venge
- _____od
- _____rcy
- _____op_____
- _____hbor
- _____humb_____
- _____cas_____
- _____tice

Answer: revenge, people, neighbor, justice, oppressed, fatherless, case, good, mercy, humbly, everything, have, do, sums, Law, Prophets

ELDERS

Jan 2	8:00 a.m.	Brad Larson
	10:30 a.m.	Benjamin Robinson
Jan 3	6:30 p.m.	Bill Manthey
Jan 9	8:00 a.m.	Brad Larson
	10:30 a.m.	Alex Rehlinger
Jan 10	6:30 p.m.	Bill Manthey
Jan 16	8:00 a.m.	Calvin Moll
	10:30 a.m.	Tyson Miller
	3:00 p.m.	Benjamin Robinson
Jan 17	6:30 p.m.	Paul Yamriska
Jan 23	8:00 a.m.	Dan Schmidt
	10:30 a.m.	Alex Rehlinger
Jan 24	6:30 p.m.	Calvin Moll
Jan 30	8:00 a.m.	Dan Schmidt
	10:30 a.m.	Tyson Miller
Jan 31	6:30 p.m.	Calvin Moll



January 2, 9 & 16

Early

No Chairman
Dave & Wesley Sandstrom
Craig & Owen Wendt
Glenn Puntney
Riley Puntney
Cody Puntney
Todd, Justin, Hayden Taylor
Logan Sandstrom

Late

No Chairman
Nathan Campbell
Noah, Haydin, & Lucas
Vint Quamme
Vint Quamme, Jr
David Steinke
Alex Rehlinger

January 23 & 30

John Caldwell, Chr.
(635-4762)
Mike Manke
Dale & Tucker Johnson
Mark Manke
Tom Manke
Nate & Austin Moll
Cameron Gramse

Herb Miller, Chr.
(635-4557)
Paul Yamriska
Andrew & Josh Yamriska
Jeff Anderson
Kraig See

Jim & William Plenty (Mondays)

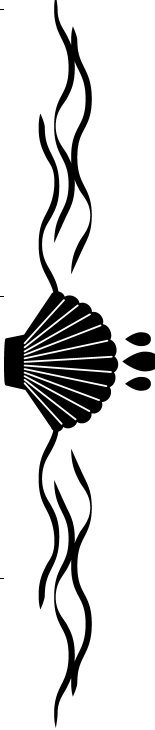





The table in the narthex has a good selection of cards available. Stop by and check it out! There is a wide range of cards to fit every occasion and all proceeds go to the *Christian Women's Council* to help support all their good works. There are also a number of craft items available for sale. You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



JANUARY
635-4825
VOLUNTEERS

CALENDAR FOR JANUARY 2022

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
						1
Epiphany of Our Lord 2 8:00 AM Divine Service 9:15 AM Bible Class 10:30 AM Divine Service	3 6:30PM Divine Service	4	5 4:00 PM Midweek 6:30 PM Handbells 7:30 PM Choir	6  EPIPHANY	7 7:30 AM Men's Bible Class	8
Baptism of Our Lord 9 8:00 AM Divine Service 9:15 AM Bible Class/SS 10:30 AM Divine Service	10 Juhl Family move-in & unload moving truck 6:30PM Divine Service	11 6:00 PM Bd of Ed 6:30 PM Council 7:30 PM Bd of Elders	12 4:00 PM Midweek 6:30 PM Handbells 7:30 PM Choir	13	14 7:30 AM Men's Bible Class	15
Epiphany 2 16 8:00 AM Divine Service 9:30 AM SS/Bible Class 10:30 AM Divine Service 3:00 PM Installation <i>Rev. David Juhl</i>	17 6:30PM Divine Service	18 	19 4:00 PM Midweek 6:30 PM Handbells 7:30 PM Choir	20	21 7:30 AM Men's Bible Class	22
Epiphany 3 23 8:00 AM Divine Service 9:15 AM Bible Class 10:30 AM Divine Service 1:00 PM Annual Voters' Meeting	24 6:30PM Divine Service	25	26 4:00 PM Midweek 6:30 PM Handbells 7:30 PM Choir	27	28 7:30 AM Men's Bible Class	29 
Epiphany 4 30 8:00 AM Divine Service 9:15 AM Bible Class 10:30 AM Divine Service	31 6:30PM Divine Service	St. Peter's Lutheran Church Phone: 608-635-4825 Fax: 608-635-2753 E-mail: stpeterluth@gmail.com www.stpetersarlington.org				