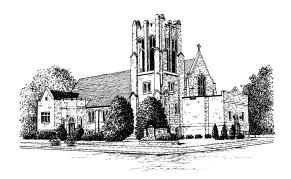


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ST. PETER'S NET

FEBRUARY 2022

Beloved in the Lord:

Poor Epiphany. She's the middle sister who sits in between her sisters Christmas and Lent. Even though Epiphany lasts a while, we don't think much of her. We're coming off the high of Christmas, celebrating the birth of Christ according to the flesh, and then we're on to Lent as we move toward Easter.

The season of Epiphany has a two-fold theme. First is the theme of Jesus Christ manifesting His glory. We see His glory manifested in the Jordan as John the Baptist baptizes Jesus. The Holy Spirit descends on Christ in the form of a dove and the Father speaks from heaven proclaiming Jesus to be His beloved Son. We also hear a number of signs and wonders performed by our Lord. We think of His first miracle at the wedding in Cana. This month we'll hear the miraculous catch of fish, as well

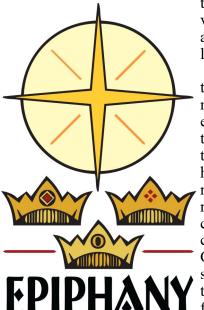
as some snippets of our Lord's preaching in Luke chapter six. Epiphany ends as it begins: a glorious manifestation of Jesus Christ as both God and man before Peter.

James, and John as Moses and Elijah join our Lord on

the mount of Transfiguration with the voice of our heavenly Father proclaiming again, "This is my Son, my Chosen One; listen to Him!"

The other theme that runs through the season of Epiphany is the Church's mission. The Magi leave Christ's presence as missionaries, returning home to tell the Good News about Jesus. We, too, tell the Good News about Jesus that we hear in Holy Scripture to those who do not believe in Jesus as Lord. We think not only of the many lost souls in foreign countries, but the lost souls in our own country, in Wisconsin, in Columbia County, and in Arlington and the many surrounding communities. We also speak this Good News to our loved ones in the faith, encouraging them to stand firm and trust that all our sins are paid in full in

the shedding of Christ's blood and in His perfect righteousness.



The season of Epiphany is the time when we sing: "God in man made manifest". God is manifest in His Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord. Jesus comes to us even on Park Street in Arlington, Wisconsin, giving us joy in the forgiveness of sins and in the promise of life everlasting. Now that's something worth celebrating all year long!

Your partner in the Gospel, Pastor Juhl





A Walk Through the Liturgy: Confession and Absolution

We go from one activity to another, often without even batting an eye. This certainly can happen within the Divine Service. How much attention do we pay to what's going on? Do we know why we do what we do in worship service?

Before confessing our sins as a whole congregation, we speak back and forth responsively, "I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord" and the congregation responds, "and You forgave the iniquity of my sin." After those words, there are some important red words printed in the hymnal. They say, "Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination."

We observe a time of silence. It is a time to consider myself and yourself in light of God's Law found in the Ten Commandments. Have I been the best father and husband I could have been for my children these past days? Probably not. I failed in my responsibility to my wife and children, breaking the 4th commandment not being as faithful to my calling as head of my household. Did I grudgingly congratulate someone who won the raffle or the

lottery, while in reality wishing it was me? Yup, so now I've also broken the 7th, 9th and 10th commandments. And oh, by the way, I broke the first commandment because I didn't trust God to give me all that I need. I can easily go through each commandment and see plenty of times this week alone where I failed miserably in keeping the spirit of the commandments. You do the same with your life—wife, son, daughter, employee, volunteer, etc.

Lord, have mercy. I am a sinner. I deserve exactly what I am about to confess about myself. I deserve death. We plead for God to have mercy on us.

But God who is faithful and just forgives our sins. Thanks be to God that, for Christ's sake, God forgives our sins. We cannot add anything to make God forgive us. Christ has done it all. Thanks be to Christ!

When we confess our sins and receive His forgiveness in the words of the Absolution, we are prepared to sing our Redeemer's praises. We are prepared to receive from His bountiful goodness the forgiveness of sins purchased and won for us by our Lord Jesus by His death at the cross.

So, take a moment slow down and brush up on the Lord's Ten Commandments in preparation for Confession and Absolution as we begin the Divine Service where God comes to serve us His gifts of forgiveness, life, salvation given to us on account of Christ, our Lord.

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In His service, Cantor Geremy Zíeroth

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!



Dear friends and family in Christ Jesus, our Lord,

I am grateful to our Lord for giving me the opportunity to be the vacancy pastor at St. Peter's during these past 13 months. Thank you for allowing me to be part of your family, for blessing me with your many and various gifts and for all your prayers (especially the prayers for safety during my travels). I will ask that you continue to keep me in your prayers as I move on to another vacancy - you will continue to be in my prayers as you continue to do the Lord's work with Pastor Juhl.

Until we meet again, the Lord be with you. *Pastor* David W. Hintz

BIBLE STUDIES

Bible Study is on Sundays and meets in the classroom by the kitchen and offices.

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.



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.





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





Make jars of Italian barley soup to share love and warmth with friends.



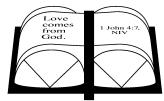
- 1 cup pearled barley
- ½ cup sundried tomatoes
- 1 Tbsp dry minced garlic
- 1 Tbsp dry minced onion
- 1 veggie bouillon cube
- Glass pint jars with lids
- Cardstock
- Scissors
- Pen



What you do:

- 1. In order, layer the first five ingredients into the jar.
- 2. Trace the outline of the lid onto cardstock. Cut out.
- 3. On the card, write these directions: Remove wrapper from bouillon cube. Add contents of jar to saucepan. Add 4 cups water and a can of diced tomatoes. Bring to a boil over high heat, reduce to low. Simmer about 20 minutes, until barley is tender. Serve with parmesan cheese.
- 4. Place the card atop the lid. Screw on the canning ring to keep it in place.

Share this Bible treat - and God's love — with a special valentine.



What you need:

- Black card stock or construction paper (2"x 1.5")
- Double-sided tape
- 2 wrapped Hershey's Nuggets candy bars (silver or gold)
- Pen or marker
- White paper (2.75 " x 1")
- Thin sliver of red paper or ribbon
- Scissors

What you do:

- 1. In the center of the black paper, tape down the candy bars side by side.
- 2. On the white paper, write a short Bible verse about love. Then wrap it around the candy bars horizontally and tape it down.
- 3. Place the red paper or ribbon between the two candy bars, and tape the top of this "bookmark" to the Bible.
- 4. Give away this fun, sweet message of God's love!

St. Peter's Child Care & Preschool

4-K Host Site for Poynette School District Kelly Pieper, Director

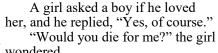
As much as the children enjoy the snow, we had many days last month where the children stayed warm inside. The children kept warm while exploring units about mittens and hot chocolate. We learned many things like what makes ice melt and how to build a snowman out of marshmallows.

But Jesus said. "Let the little children come to me and do not hinder them, for to such belongs the kingdom of heaven." Matthew 19:14. Jesus loves all the little children and wants them to come to him. February is a month where we think about love. This month we will learn about how much God loves us and cares for us. We will also talk about the love we have for our families and friends. We will be having a Valentine's Day party at the childcare center to celebrate all of the wonderful friendships we've made.









After a brief pause, the honest lad said, "No, mine is an undying love."



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



DIVINE SERVICE SCHEDULE FOR THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY

February 6/7 5th Sunday after Epiphany Isaiah 6:1-13 Psalm 138 1 Corinthians 14:12b-20 Luke 5:1-11	Text: Luke 5:1-11 Order: DSI, p. 151 Hymns: 826 - 398 - 940, 621 - 507 Organist: Cantor Geremy Zieroth Choir: Adult Choir
February 13/14 6th Sunday after Epiphany Jeremiah 17:5-8 Psalm 1 1 Corinthians 15:1-20 Luke 6:17-26	Text: Luke 6:17-26 Order: DSI, p. 151 Hymns: 684 - 982* - 699, 797 - 477 Organist: Cantor Geremy Zieroth Choir: Lower SS (8am)
February 20/21 7th Sunday after Epiphany Genesis 45:3-15 Psalm 103:1-13 1 Corinthians 15:21-26, 30-42 Luke 6:27-38	Text: Luke 6:27-38 Order: DSI, p. 151 Hymns: 844 - 820 - 845, 706, 692 - 660 Organist: Cantor Geremy Zieroth Choir: Bells
February 27/28 Transfiguration of Our Lord Deuteronomy 34:1-12 Psalm 99 Hebrews 3:1-6 Luke 9:28-36	Text: Luke 9:28-36 Order: DSI, p. 151 Hymns: 415 - 413 - 414, 537 - 417 Organist: Cantor Geremy Zieroth Choir: Upper Grades SS
March 2	Ash Wednesday

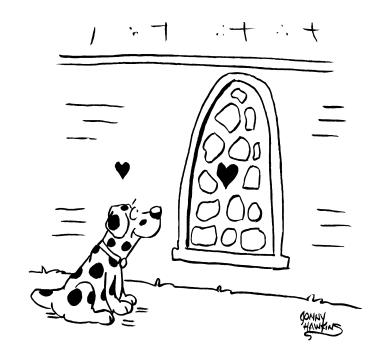
God of love — for, with and in us

An ancient heresy — that the God of the Old Testament was a God of judgment and wrath, while the God of the New Testament is a God of grace and love — still persists a bit. Yet God is the same God, with the



same characteristics, throughout time. Way back in Genesis 3, God graciously sewed garments to clothe humans, although they had disobeyed him. And even in the Gospels, God's anger was evident through Jesus' response to temple money-changers cheating the poor.

God always works for life and goodness in all things. Sometimes people misunderstand God's ways; sometimes God, like a human parent, uses "tough love." Mick Brooks writes: "The Old Testament is God for us, the time of Christ is God with us, and the age of the Holy Spirit is God in us" (*Every Day With Jesus*, Sept/Oct 2020). That may be a bit simplistic, but it's a good reminder that while God's ways of interacting with us vary, he — the God of Love — does not.



COUNCIL MINUTES January 11, 2022

The January 11th meeting of the St. Peter's Lutheran Church council meeting was called to order by President James Rittmeyer at 6:35 pm. This meeting was held in the sanctuary so social distancing can be observed. In attendance were: Greg Frank, Bob Hagenow, Connie Hendrickson, Beth Hutchinson, Brad Larson, Bill Manthey, Keith Podoll, Barbara Reddeman, Charlotte Reddeman, Alex Rehlinger, James Rittmeyer, Benjamin Robinson, Lynnette Taylor, and Paul Yamriska.

President Rittmeyer opened the meeting with prayer. The agenda was presented. Keith Podoll moved approval, Bill Manthey provided the second, motion carried.

Secretary's minutes were read. Bob Hagenow moved to approve the report, Bill Manthey second, motion carried.

The Financial Secretary's report was given by Bob Hagenow. December was a very solid month with online contributions making up 26% of the operating expenses contributed and 48% of missions given during the month. We are at 117% of the previous December for the general fund, 109% of the previous December for missions, putting us at 96% of the prior year in the general fund and 99% of the prior year in mission giving. The Special Purpose Fund is at 173% of the prior year due to the various estate gifts that have been received. Brad Larson moved approval, Alex Rehlinger second, motion carried.

The Treasurer's report was given by Barbara Reddeman. The current checkbook balance is \$29,469.85. This includes all bills on the report paid (although we are still waiting on the water bill from the village), two deposits so far but no payroll for the month of January. It was noted that with the Mission fund pledge having been met we will be sending \$2,253.45 to the SWD as half of the excess given. Some of the other bills listed were discuss especially those pertaining to the improvements being made at the parsonage. Greg Frank moved approval of the treasurer's report, Brad Larson second, motion carried.

The Elders report was presented. Military Care indicated that the two Christmas packages (Something Special from Wisconsin) had been very well received and appreciated. It was noted that the iPad was glitching on connectivity this past weekend so Alex is going to look into that to see if he can figure out why. The CWC is hosting a light reception for the Installation of Pastor David Juhl and it will consist of fruit trays, sausage and cheese trays, and cakes as well as beverages. Cantor Geremy Zieroth sent a report via email that stated: Sorry for missing tonights meeting. COVID found the Zieroth house. Hattie got it the worst last week, but is on the mend. The rest of the house likely got it this weekend and are following the quarantine guidelines to be safe. Christmas and Advent went really well musically. The Lower Grades SS program was in between services on December 19. It was great to listen to them tell the story simply. They also sang with great gusto. The Upper Grades SS program also went really well on Christmas

Eve. Many, many thanks to Charlotte for helping that program be as wonderful as it was. Bells and choir shared their music on Christmas Eve. I was greatly pleased by their sounds, as well. We resume next week when my quarantine is hopefully finished.



The Trustees reported that the house looks great following the cleaning done by Moon's Cleaning Solutions. The repair on the garage floor of the parsonage is complete and the door has also been rehung to match the new floor. Due to the requests from Pastor Juhl at the previous meeting a new 60 amp breaker box has been added and a few other things have been rewired to make it more efficient for the family when they move in.

The Board of Christian Education report was given by Charlotte Reddeman. The Child Care Center will be raising their rates starting on January 17th. They will go from \$150 per week to \$165 for full time enrollees. They will be getting a new student in January. Their current 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). The Sunday School programs for Christmas were very well done. "Happy Birthday Jesus" was performed by the younger grades (PreK – 2) and "Arise Shine" was performed during the Carol Service Christmas Eve at 6:30pm by the older grades (3-8). Midweek classes are meeting as usual on Wednesdays. The Bible study groups are still meeting with approximately 8 attending on Sundays and just a small handful on Friday mornings.

The Pastor's report consisted of reminding the Council of the upcoming Installation service for Rev. David Juhl.

There were no membership changes.

The Nominating Committee led off old business with an updated list of members who have agreed to serve on the Council next year: Cameron Gramse, Michael Hendrickson, Benjamin Robinson, *Elders*: Meg Hanson, *Treasurer*; Bob Hagenow, *Financial Secretary*; Lynnette Taylor, *Council Secretary*; Connie Hendrickson, *Board of Christian Education*; and Shelley Miller, *Endowment Committee*. Budget committee report was next in old business. Bob Hagenow handed out a copy of what thebudget committee had come up with for expense predictions for the 2022 year. There were a few discussions of what those predictions entailed and why. Keith Podoll moved to send that budget to the Voters' Assembly for ratification, Alex Rehlinger second, motion carried.

New Business was the reminder that reports from Boards need to be into the office by Thursday, January 20th to be included in the packets for the Annual Meeting. Bill Manthey moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:26 pm, Benjamin Robinson second, motion carried. We closed with the Lord's Prayer. Elder meeting follows.



FINANCIAL REPORT CURRENT EXPENSE FUND:



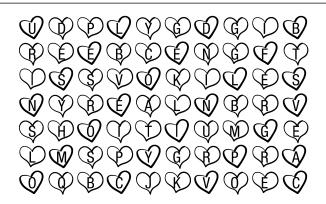
Balance on Dec 31, 2021	\$29,426.40
Receipts for Jan (est.)	\$16,821.28
Expenses for Jan (est.)	\$(17,406.37)
Shortage/Overage	\$28,841.31



The heart of a friend

Big-hearted friendliness comes from generously serving others.

Directions: Start with the first D and move according to the arrows beneath the blanks. Then fill in the letters to complete 1 Peter 4:8-10.



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Answer: deeply, covers, sins, hospitality, grumbling, gift, serve, grace



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.

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Feb 6	8:00 a.m.	Brad Larson
	10:30 a.m.	Alex Rehlinger
Feb 7	6:30 p.m.	Bill Manthey
Feb 13	8:00 a.m.	Brad Larson
	10:30 a.m.	Alex Rehlinger
Feb 14	6:30 p.m.	Bill Manthey
Feb 20	8:00 a.m.	Brad Larson
	10:30 a.m.	Alex Rehlinger
Feb 21	6:30 p.m.	Bill Manthey
Feb 27	8:00 a.m.	Benjamin Robinson
	10:30 a.m.	Benjamin Robinson
Feb 28	6:30 p.m.	Bill Manthey



February 6 & 13

Early
No Chairman
Wade Senft
George Schoeneberg
Jeff, Brandon, Jacob Rowe
Phil & Austin Kruger

Late
Tyson Miller, Chr.
(635-8504)
Mitch & Ahren Schoeckert
Matthew Hendrickson
Michael Hendrickson
Stephen Saager
James & Matthew Saager

February 20 & 27

Philip Hanson, Chr
(635-2244)No ChairmanRandy SchusterBob HagenowRobert RittmeyerAl StoltenbergMark HirssigBrad Larson

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