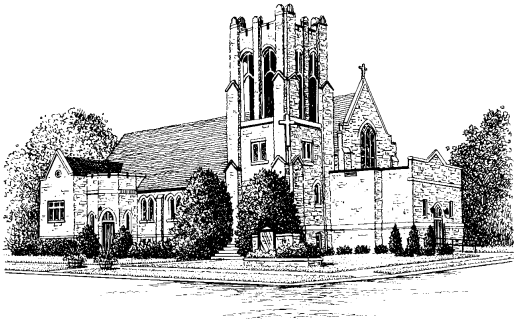




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ST. PETER'S NET

JUNE 2023

Beloved in the Lord:

June is the month we leave the Festival half of the Church Year and venture into the Non-Festival half of the Church Year, more appropriately called the "Time of the Church". From now until Advent begins, our focus each Sunday is on the life and preaching of Jesus Christ. We'll spend some time hearing portions of the Sermon on the Mount. We'll hear a few more of Jesus' perplexing parables. We'll also have a few festivals along the way.

The first festival is the Feast of Saint Barnabas on June 11th. Barnabas was a faithful companion of Saint Paul on his first missionary journey. It was brave Barnabas in Acts chapter nine who took a recently converted Saint Paul to a gathering of the disciples in Jerusalem to show them that Paul was now preaching boldly in the name of the Lord.

June 25th is the 493rd anniversary of the Presentation of the Augsburg Confession before Holy Roman Emperor Charles the Fifth. Lutheran princes and nobles were able, for the first time, to bear witness to what they believed and confessed as Christians without the fear of persecution or even death. This feast brings to mind the words of Psalm 119: "I will also speak of your testimo-

nies before kings and shall not be put to shame".

July 2nd is the Visitation of the Virgin Mary to her cousin Elizabeth. When Mary's voice strikes the ear of Elizabeth, John the Baptist leaps for joy in the womb because he is in the presence of the Lord. Mary then responds with the beautiful hymn called the "Magnificat" that begins: "My soul magnifies the Lord and my spirit rejoices with God, my Savior".

The long season when green paraments adorn the altar, pulpit, and lectern reminds us that this is the season for Christian growth. As trees, plants, and crops turn green and grow, so we, too, grow in grace and in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ. Sunday morning Bible Study will continue through the summer as we take a look at the different Christian denominations in America. Ladies Bible Study on Tuesday afternoons will, God willing, wrap up Romans at the end of June and begin a new book. Men's Bible Study on Saturday mornings will, God willing, finish the Gospel of John soon and start on another book. Now's the time for you to grow in grace on Sunday, Tuesday, Saturday, or any day!

*Your partner in the Gospel,
Pastor Juhl*



St. Peter's is open and welcoming everyone to come to worship. We offer three Divine 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.

Music Ministry



A WALK Through the LITURGY
The BENEDICAMUS and the BENEDICTION

Upon completion of the post-communion collect, the liturgy is quickly nearing completion. Pastor repeats the Salutation used prior to the Collect of the Day, "The Lord be with You." The congregation again responds in kind, "And with thy spirit." Then the pastor says the phrase, "Let us bless the Lord." This is what we call the Benedicamus, which is Latin for the phrase "Let us bless." The hymnal gives us Psalm 103 as a biblical reference. How great! Psalm 103 takes us back to the reasons we should sing praise and bless the Lord. He forgives our iniquities! He redeems our lives from the pit! He crowns us with steadfast love and mercy! The congregation responds singing "Thanks be to God!" It is certainly a fitting way to end the Liturgy of Divine Service.

Giving thanks for what our Lord has done for us is an every-Sunday event – every time the Divine Liturgy is sung. While the hymnal references the Psalm, the phrase first appears in the Torah. Moses says to bless the Lord in Deuteronomy 8:10. There Moses preaches to the Israelites as they prepare to enter the Promised Land.

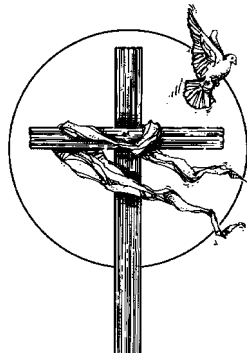
In the Benedicamus, we hear the words of Moses and the Psalmist reminding us to bless the Lord, who is merciful and gracious to us, even when we fail to recognize it as such. Think through the Liturgy. We have been in the gracious presence of God! We are hearing God's Word of Law of Gospel.

Sometimes grace does not feel like grace to us, though. Being confronted with your sin and being brought to repentance hurts. But that is God's

grace at work. He doesn't want people to die in sin but wants to save sinners. Therefore, the Law is good because it shows you your sins and tells you the truth of your sinful state. While that doesn't look like a gracious thing on the surface, it's perhaps the most gracious thing our Lord can do. He loves you that much to discipline you that you might be saved and made alive again on account of Christ your Savior, who died on the cross to redeem you.

The entire Divine Service has been leading us to see how gracious our Lord is to us. He deals with our sins by sending His Son Jesus Christ to be our Savior. So yes, we shall "Bless the Lord" and give thanks to our God.

With the Benediction, the service now ends, the perfect closing to the Lord's Service to His people. The Aaronic Benediction, the words given by the Lord to Aaron to speak over the assembly who waited at the services of the Tabernacle, is the bookend to the Invocation. There, the Name of the Lord was put upon the people. So now at the conclusion the Lord's name is placed upon His people once again before leaving the sanctuary to enter the world, living out their daily lives in various vocations. Not only does the congregation leave with His Name, but they also leave with His Peace.



The Aaronic Benediction used as the final words of the Liturgy is uniquely Lutheran. Note the Tri-fold blessing that the congregation receives. They are kept by Him, they have His face shine upon them, and they receive peace. What a perfect blessing to receive that reminds us of our baptisms as we leave the sanctuary. God goes with us into the world, just as He promised. For He shall never leave us but will remain with us until the end of the age.

It is a peace which is only known via Jesus Christ giving us this peace in Word and Sacrament. He serves us this peace by coming into the world to bear the burden of our sin and stand in our stead at the cross as our substitute. He acts as the great high priest who has atoned for our sin not via the blood of bulls or goats but has obtained our salvation by pouring out His own blood as payment for sin. By Christ we have been reconciled to God. As the Gloria in Excelsis says, "Glory be to God on high and on earth peace, goodwill toward men" we have that peace granted to us. God's goodwill is shining upon us. He is gracious to us on the account of Christ. Christ our Lord speaks this peace to His faithful even now through His chosen mouthpiece, the pastor, whom He has placed in your congregation, so that you hear this good news and believe. Christ's peace is then made yours.

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The congregation upon reception sings the Triple Amen. Yes, yes, it shall be so. Yes, Lord let it be so, now and always.

I pray that this Walk Through the Liturgy has been a blessing to you. It certainly has been a joy to present this series. A special thanks to Rev. Jacob Hercamp of La Grange, MO for providing the basis of this series. I pray we all found more connections between the words of the Liturgy and Scripture. As you participate and receive God's gifts in the Divine Service, may you see how beautiful each piece of the Divine Service truly is and why we Lutherans do what we do in the Liturgy. It is always God serving us, and what a beautiful service He does. He serves us Jesus and the salvation won for us by Jesus all the way.

In His service,
Cantor Jeremy Zieroth

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SEASONAL HUMOR
FOR SUMMER WEDDINGS:

- The wedding was so beautiful, even the cake was in tiers.
- Did you hear about the two spiders who got engaged? ~~They met on the web.
- Two cell phones got married. The reception was terrific!
- Why did the King of Hearts and the Queen of Hearts get married?
~~They were perfectly suited.

Puzzle!

Complete this crossword with names of biblical fathers. Use the references for help, if needed.

1. King Solomon's father, who ruled over Israel for 40 years (2 Samuel 5:4)
4. He was asked to sacrifice his son Isaac (Genesis 22:1-2)
6. He had 12 sons (Genesis 35:22b)
7. Samuel's father (1 Samuel 1:19-20)
9. His son was Obed (Ruth 4:21)
10. David was the youngest of his 8 sons (Ruth 4:17)

2. His 3 sons helped him build an ark (Genesis 6:10)
3. His youngest son, Jacob, tricked him into giving away a birthright (Genesis 27:30)
5. The Father of our Lord (Ephesians 1:3)
7. His sons were not like Samuel; they were wicked (1 Samuel 2:12)
8. David's best friend and the father of Mephibosheth (2 Samuel 9:6)
11. Father of Cain, Abel and Seth (Genesis 4:25)
12. He was married to Mary, mother of Jesus (Matthew 1:20-21)
13. Father of Jonathan; Israel chose him as their first king (2 Samuel 9:6)

Answer: DOWN 1. David, 4. Abraham, 6. Jacob, 7. Elkanah, 8. Jonathan, 11. Adam, 12. Joseph, 13. Saul
9. Boaz, 10. Jesse; ACROSS 2. Noah, 3. Isaac, 5. God, 7. Eli,



- 6/3 George Schoeneberg
- 6/9 Barbara Plenty
- 6/11 Jayne Barnharst
- 6/11 Margaret Schuster
- 6/14 Philip Hanson
- 6/18 David Steinke
- 6/19 Susan Moll
- 6/20 Wayne Hanson
- 6/21 Patricia Miller
- 6/26 Herb Miller
- 6/27 Shirley Qualle

A timeless timeline

Explore your history while compiling this family timeline.



What you need:

- Paper
- Clear tape
- Ruler
- Pencil

What you do:

1. Tape together at least 3 sheets of paper horizontally.
2. Draw a straight line across the center of the long paper. Label dates at regular intervals to keep the information organized. For example, each page you add could represent 10 years.
3. Gather information for the timeline. Start with your birth year and memorable events in your life. Interview family members to learn what year they were born and when key things in their life happened. Include notes and photos.
4. Add pages as needed. Carefully roll up the timeline to keep for generations to come.

In my FATHER'S FOOTSTEPS



Make this keepsake to express love for your dad or another special man this Father's Day.

What you need:

- White construction paper (11" x 13" sheet)
- Pencil
- Black permanent marker
- Crayons or paint

What you do:

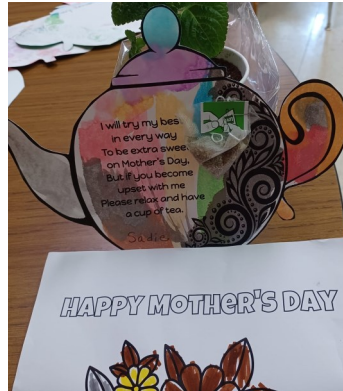
1. In the center of the paper, trace your foot in pencil. Darken the outline with marker.
2. Color or paint the footprint. Let it dry.
3. Trace your father's foot (same one) on top of your footprint (with yours in the middle of his).
4. Color or paint his footprint. Let it dry.
5. Sign your names and the date at the bottom.

St. Peter's Child Care & Preschool

Cathy Wendt, Director

Summer is here! We are ready for all our school age children to join us for a fun filled summer program! We celebrate with families as their child takes their next steps in their education adventure.

We are excited to introduce some new and some returning faces to the Center. Ms. Rachel worked with us last summer and is returning for our summer program. Ms. Mercedes (Sadie) will be joining the Child Care Team full time. We praise God for sending these gifted workers to join our St. Peter's family. The kids have welcomed them with open arms.



We celebrated our Moms last month and this month we get to celebrate Dads. We are blessed to have male role models to love and guide us, just as God our father in heaven loves and guides us!

We have limited slots available for the summer program, contact the center immediately.

Tip of the month:

Set good examples for children because remember, they do not necessarily do as you say. They do what you do!



Did you Know Our Child Care & Preschool has a Wish List?

- Volunteers who love working with children
- Monetary gifts

• Items on our Amazon.com wish list https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/3AHJ7WTR7OX4C?ref=wl_share

- Gently used books, toys and dress up clothes
- Your prayers as we celebrate our 29th year this fall!

DIVINE SERVICE SCHEDULE FOR THE MONTH OF JUNE

<p>June 4/5 The Holy Trinity Isaiah 6:1-7 Psalm 8:1-2a, 3-5; antiphon: Liturgical Text Romans 11:33-36 John 3:1-17</p>	<p>Order: DSIII, p. 184 Hymns: 504 - 498- 628, 907, 949 - 507 Organist: Cantor Jeremy Zieroth</p>
<p>June 11/12 St. Barnabas, Apostle Isaiah 42:5-12 Psalm 135:1-3; antiphon: v. 13 Acts 11:19-30, 13:1-3 Mark 6:7-13</p>	<p>Order: DSIII, p. 184 Hymns: 518 (v. 17) - 837 - 682, 857, 681 - 856 Organist: Cantor Jeremy Zieroth</p>
<p>June 18/19 2nd Sunday after Trinity Proverbs 9:1-10 Psalm 18:1-2a, 27, 30a, 49; antiphon: vv. 18b-19 1 John 3:13-18 Luke 14:15-24</p>	<p>Order: DSIII, p. 184 Hymns: 916 - 510 - 622, 534 - 853 Organist: Cantor Jeremy Zieroth</p>
<p>June 25/26 493rd Anniversary of the Presentation of the Augsburg Confession Isaiah 55:6-11 Psalm 46:1-3, antiphon: Psalm 119:46 Romans 10:5-17 John 15:1-11</p>	<p>Order: DSIII, p. 184 Hymns: 840 - 834 - 627, 558 - 830 Organist: Cantor Jeremy Zieroth</p>



“Attendance is always down on Father’s Day. They all get golf balls.”



For Father’s Day, some dad jokes:

- My dream job is to clean mirrors because I can really see myself doing that.
- We’re renovating the house. The first floor is going great, but the second floor is another story.



BIBLE STUDIES

Sunday mornings between services a Bible Study is held in the sanctuary. Stay after the early service or come early for the late service to join in.

Saturday morning Men's Bible Study is held in the classroom across from the office at 8:00am.

Ladies Bible Study is held on Tuesday’s at 1:00 p.m. here at St. Peter’s.

Join in this time of fellowship and discussion of God’s Word.



You have the option of giving online at StPeter-Arlington.org, with designated or automatic giving. Thanks for your generosity and support.



JUNE
 608-635-4825
Barb Reddeman

COUNCIL MINUTES May 9, 2023

The May 9, 2023 meeting of the St. Peter's Lutheran Church council meeting was called to order by President Cameron Gramse at 6:30 pm. This meeting was held in the sanctuary. Pastor Juhl opened with a devotion from James Chapter 1: Be a do-er of the Word and not just a hear-er. If we look a little closer at who we are, our sinful nature doesn't want to process the Word and be a do-er. Jesus has done all of that and when we falter, He picks us up and carries us back to give us eternity.

Agenda was presented. Bob Hagenow moved approval, Brad Larson second, motion carried. Secretary's minutes were read. Bill Steffenhagen moved to approve the report, Dan Schmidt second, motion carried.

The Financial Secretary's report was given by Bob Hagenow. The month of April puts us right at where we need to be to meet our projected expenses while putting us way over for our Mission giving. Giving to the General Fund was at 105% of the prior year while Mission giving is at 119% of prior year. Online giving for the month of April accounted for 15% of the General Fund giving and 3% of the Mission giving. Steve Paskey moved to accept the report, Dan Schmidt second, motion carried.

The Treasurer's report was given by Lynnette Taylor. The current checkbook balance today is \$12,678.21. There were no questions or discussions. Bill Steffenhagen moved approval of the treasurer's report, Alex Rehlinger second, motion carried.

The Elders report was presented. Alex Rehlinger stated that a group of the Elders had the final instruction conversations with our 5 confirmands the week prior to confirmation. We are getting a Vicar for the next school year. Christian Women's Council will hold their annual Plant/Bake Sale coming up next week. Cantor Zieroth reported that the vocal choir has concluded their music season. Hand Bells will have one more Sunday plus will be accompanying during the Ascension service on May 18th. Sunday School choirs will conclude their year on May 21st at the 10:30 service, both groups will sing together and also have separate pieces. The organ concert held April 30th was very well attended with approximately 85 people in attendance. He hopes to do more of those types of events in future.

The Trustees report was presented. Erik Lurquin will be moving out of the vicarage by July 1st to give us time to spruce it up before the Vicar arrives in the middle of the month. Brown's Towing will be handling the mowing of the church and vicarage lawns this summer. The furnace and AC unit for the new addition has been installed.

Board of Christian Education report was presented by Charlotte Reddeman. She stated that the Child Care Center has an enrollment of 14 in preschool, 7 for before and after care, 6 in 4k program and is full at this time with our current staff numbers, but we have a

wait list of 13 families looking for care, some immediate and others out to 2025. The 4K partnership will be ending with the conclusion of this school year as the School District has made the decision to move all of the 4K programs to be housed in the Poynette Elementary school Building. Erik Lurquin will be leaving us this summer. They are still looking to hire additional staff, full and part time. There was no report for the Youth or from the Bible Classes. Midweek concluded for the year with confirmation. VBS has had a change of dates due to conflict with summer school. VBS will now be held July 24-28, 2023, theme yet to be determined as Charlotte looks for curriculum.

Pastor's report began with Pastor Juhl letting us in on Madison North and South Circuit matters. Rev. Grant Sorenson returned the call to St. Mark, Belgium and remains at St. Paul, Madison. Rev. Andrew Gray is deliberating a call from St. John, Marengo, IA to Calvary on the UW Campus. Candidate Benjamin Leeper was assigned from Concordia Seminary, St. Louis as the new Associate Pastor of Bethlehem, Sun Prairie. Living Christ, Madison is in the calling process for a new sole pastor. Looking ahead, Pastor will be taking some vacation time from Tuesday, May 23rd through Friday, May 26th to visit family in southern Illinois. He will not miss a Divine Service. He will also take some vacation time Friday, June 9th through Sunday, June 11th for the annual Warmuth family camping weekend. Rev. Nathan Meador will preach and preside on Sunday, June 11th. He will be here for Monday night Service on June 12th. Vicar-designate Nicholas ("Nick") Sinatra will be inducted as our eighth vicar on Sunday/Monday, July 16th/17th. Attendance is averaging 125 per week and he is visiting 7 households with homebound members.

There were no membership changes

There was no old business.

New business presented was the explanation of one of the perks of being a vicarage supervisor. Pastor is allowed one Continuing Education class through the Seminary. There is a CE event being held in Shawano, WI June 26-28, 2023 with Dr. Todd Peppercorn (CTSFW) as the lead instructor and Pastor Juhl would like to attend. Because this meets the qualifications, there will be no cost to the congregation, other than mileage, for Pastor to attend. We will have to cancel one Monday evening service. Brad Larson moved approval of Pastor attending this Continuing Education event, Dan Schmidt seconded, motion carried.

Lord's Prayer was said by all. Brad Larson moved to adjourn the meeting, Dan Schmidt second, motion carried at 7:00 p.m.



Respectfully submitted,
Lynnette Taylor, *Council Secretary*



**FINANCIAL REPORT
CURRENT EXPENSE FUND:**



Balance on April 30, 2023	\$17,381.94
Receipts for May (est.)	\$12,785.64
Expenses for May (est.)	\$(20,726.17)
Shortage/Overage	\$9,441.41

ELDERS

June 4	8:00 a.m.	Brad Larson
	10:30 a.m.	Paul Yamriska
June 5	6:30 p.m.	Dan Schmidt
June 11	8:00 a.m.	Bill Steffenhagen
	10:30 a.m.	Tyson Miller
June 12	6:30 p.m.	Benjamin Robinson
June 18	8:00 a.m.	Phil Kruger
	10:30 a.m.	Tyson Miller
June 19	6:30 p.m.	Paul Yamriska
June 25	8:00 a.m.	Brad Larson
	10:30 a.m.	Alex Rehlinger
June 26	No Service	



JESUS' FAMILY TREE

Matthew records a timeline of Jesus' family dating back to Abraham. Do you know who is in Jesus' family tree?

Directions: Use Matthew 1:1-17 to order the genealogy. Then put the letters in order in the boxes to answer the question below.

- T. Uzziah the father of Jotham
- O. Jacob the father of Judah
- N. Jacob the father of Joseph
- E. Elihud the father of Eleazar
- U. Boaz the father of Obed
- F. Abraham the father of Isaac
- R. Solomon the father of Rehoboam
- E. Josiah the father of Jeconiah



How many generations were there from Abraham to David, from David to the Exile, and from the Exile to Jesus, the Messiah?

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ANSWER: FOURTEEN



JUNE USHERS

June 4 & 11

Early

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

Late

- No Chairman
- Steve Paskey
- Roger Frank
- Derek Gordon
- Brad Zimmermann & Hunter & Tanner & Jakob

June 18 & 25

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

- Jim Paske
- Shayne Brasda
- Ben Robinson






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Greeting Card Sale



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, All proceeds go to the *Christian Women's Council* to help support all their good works. There are also a small number of craft items available for sale. You may leave your cash or check in the basket on the table.

CALENDAR FOR JUNE 2023

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
						
Holy Trinity 4 8:00 AM Divine Service 9:30 AM Bible Study 10:30 AM Divine Service	6:30PM Divine Service	1:00 PM Ladies Bible Study 6	7	8	9	10 8:00 AM Men's Bible Class
St. Barnabas, Apostle 11 8:00 AM Divine Service 9:30 AM Bible Study 10:30 AM Divine Service	12 6:30PM Divine Service	1:00 PM Ladies Bible Study 6:00 PM Bd of Ed 6:30 PM Council 7:30 PM Bd of Elders 13	Flag Day 14 15	16	17 8:00 AM Men's Bible Class	17 8:00 AM Men's Bible Class
Trinity 2 18 Father's Day 8:00 AM Divine Service 9:30 AM Bible Study 10:30 AM Divine Service	19 6:30PM Divine Service	1:00 PM Ladies Bible Study  20	21	22	23	Nativity of 24 St. John, the Baptist 8:00 AM Men's Bible Class
Augsburg Confession 25 8:00 AM Divine Service 9:30 AM Bible Study 10:30 AM Divine Service	No Divine Service 26	No Ladies Bible Study 27	28	St. Peter & 29 St. Paul, Apostles	30	30 
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