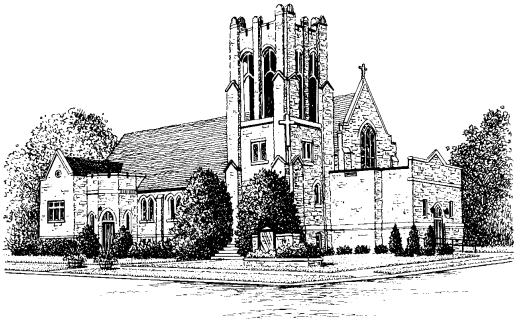


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Beloved in the Lord:

MOCHA HAGOTDI. No, it's not a new Starbucks Coffee drink. It's an acronym used by Cape Air, a Massachusetts based airline, that means "Make Our Customers Happy And Have A Good Time Doing It."

As a pastor, I don't have to worry about making customers happy. Our Father in heaven created us to be happy in Him. Christians are happy in Him because of Jesus' blood and righteousness that covers our sin. So what about having a good time doing it? What is "it" that we can have a good time?

The "it" is community; being together with one another both around the altar, pulpit, and font in the Lord's house, and being together with each other as the body of Christ.

We haven't been together in a long while. The pandemic robbed us of our togetherness. Some people are still not used to being together with others. We sympathize with them due to being immuno-compromised or some other possible health risk. For those of us blessed with good health, we are easing back to being with one

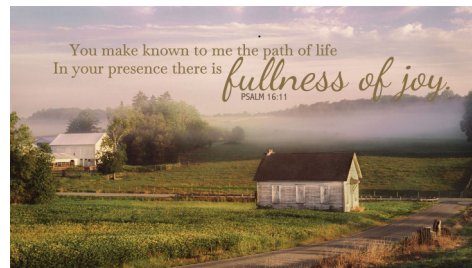
another. We are, as it were, having a good time being community.

Life together as Christians begins in the Divine Service, where heaven and earth meet to deliver God's goodness for sinners in the proclamation of His Word and the eating and drinking of His very Body and Blood for the forgiveness of sins. You can watch it on a

livestream. You can read about it in a book. But there's nothing like being there in person for the giving of His gifts.

The same thing can be said about life together away from 303 Park Street in Arlington, Wisconsin. Take the home visits happening now. You're inviting my family to your

home to get to know you and for you to get to know us. The visits I've made so far have been time well spent. The joy that permeates us in Christ Jesus is evident. We are having a good time being the body of Christ. It's not merely the "honeymoon phase" of my pastorate. It's also more than a good feeling. It's the way things are as pastor and people, fellow members of the body of



Christ. As King David sings in Psalm 16: “You make known to me the path of life; in your presence there is fullness of joy; at your right hand are pleasures forevermore.”

*Your partner in the Gospel,
Pastor Juhl*



Music Ministry



WALKING THROUGH THE LITURGY

This month: The HYMN of the DAY (and other hymns)

As we continue our way through the Divine Service, we reach a diversion point. Following the Holy Gospel in LSB services 1 and 2, comes the Hymn of the Day, or Chief Hymn. In services 3 and 4, this hymn comes after confessing the Creed. There is some leeway in the structure of the divine service, and this is one example of choosing where to put it. For some people, it may just be thought of as an “intermission” or a “time for pastor to compose himself prior to the sermon”, but in actuality the Hymn of the Day continues to narrow down the themes that have been percolating throughout the Collect and Readings of the Day, preparing us to hear those themes ring loud and clear in the upcoming sermon.

It is much easier to speak about specific hymns of the Day when we look to the Historic Lectionary. Within that lectionary, one expects certain hymns on specific days. On the Last Sunday of the Church Year the congregation would likely sing for the Hymn of the Day: Wake, Awake, For Night is Flying. The Gospel lesson is Matthew 25:1-13, the parable of the virgins. The hymn brings the singer into the story, and ultimately prepares the singer/congregation to receive the Supper to which Christ calls his faithful. Advent 1 brings us Savior of the Nations, Come; Reformation has A Mighty Fortress; Easter has Christ Jesus Lays in Death's Strong Bands.

The hymn of the day can be understood as yet another opportunity for the congregation to hear both Law and Gospel and be a response to such hearing. For instance, on the 6th Sunday after Trinity (July 24/25), we will sing All



Mankind Fell in Adam's Fall (LSB 562). The Old Testament of the day is Exodus 20:1-17, which is the giving of the Ten Commandments. The Gospel of the day is Matthew 5:17-26. Jesus preaches about the Law and expands on how to keep it. So we sing in the first 3 stanzas about how sin-filled we humans are, and everything we try to do is just as sinful as any other. But, stanzas 4-6 remind us how Jesus has paid for those sins and gives us His perfect righteousness. This is seen in the epistle of Romans 6 where Paul reminds us that we are baptized into Christ Jesus and, as a result, enjoy the life won for us in his death and resurrection.

The hymn of the Day continues the process of narrowing down the theme of the Day and should prepare us all for the words of the pastor who will likely be preaching his sermon on the themes espoused throughout the Collect, Readings, and Hymn.

Now, what about all those other hymns we sing? They are chosen to match with the readings, too! Grab your hymnal and check out what is written on the lower right-hand corner of every hymn. In small, italics print are listed just a few Scripture references that each hymn alludes to or quotes. This amazing reference is expanded upon in our resources. St. Peter's uses both the Hymn Selection Guide and Lutheran Service Builder, where EVERY reference is available for every reading used. There's a listing of hymns that match well with the Old Testament, the Epistle, the Gospel, and sometimes multiple readings. Usually, every hymn matches the general idea of the Gospel lesson. Sometimes a generic morning, evening, praise, or communion hymn gets picked, but even then, the one that most closely aligns with the readings is used! This month, see if you can make the connections between all of the hymns and the readings and the sermon on any given Sunday. It's a great way to strengthen your faith to see how all of these different authors work to preach the Gospel to you!

In His service,
Cantor Jeremy Zieroth

Oxygen for ministry

Flight attendants instruct airplane passengers that if oxygen masks are needed, we should secure our own before assisting someone else. Why? If we aren't getting enough oxygen ourselves, we can't help another person for long.

The Holy Spirit empowers Christians for ministry — the work of loving and caring for our neighbors and God's creation. But if we aren't Spirit-fueled on an ongoing basis, we will soon lack capacity to serve. This may manifest as burnout, cynicism, exhaustion or even lack of faith. So how to ensure we're breathing in the Spirit's energy and guidance instead of poor-quality "air"?

By taking part in corporate worship regularly, immersing ourselves in the Scriptures (devotional reading and Bible study), praying "continually" (1 Thessalonians 5:17, NIV) and spending time with Christian friends and mentors. Opening ourselves to the Spirit in these ways allows the Breath of God to flow into us, which in turn empowers us to reach out to others in love.



BIBLE STUDIES

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.



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.



Thanks to the St. Peter's Board of Education and the congregation for the recent gift card and recognition we recently received for serving as Sunday School teachers, volunteers and Superintendent over the past 15 years. We have thoroughly enjoyed the opportunity to serve in these roles.

We want to thank all the teachers, staff and other volunteers who have worked with us over that time helping teach and make Sunday School at St. Peters special. Your commitment and dedication to this "local mission" is most admirable.

We would finally like to thank the parents of the Sunday School students for entrusting their kids with us and most importantly, the kids themselves, over the years who have attended Sunday school. We hope we have helped start and strengthen your knowledge of Jesus and his work of redemption for us all. It has been a labor of love for us.

Bob and Lisa Hagenow.

7/1	Jeff Rouse
7/10	Diane Wolff
7/21	Susan Zak
7/22	Dee Hanson
7/27	Kathy Schulz
7/28	Tony Pafford

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

SANDY SCENES

Make a scene with this fun summer craft you can create outdoors.



What you need:

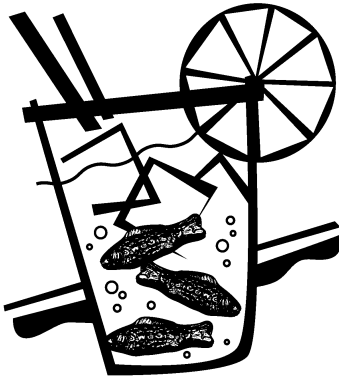
- Play sand
- Spoons
- Empty jars
- Powdered tempera paint
- Cardstock paper and pencil
- Craft glue
- Paintbrush

What you do:

1. Pour a few tablespoons of sand into empty jars. (You need one jar for every color of paint you make.)
2. Add a small amount of powdered paint to the sand and then mix. Experiment with the amount, using more paint to create deeper colors.
3. Lightly sketch a design on cardstock.
4. Working in one small section at a time, paint an even layer of craft glue on the paper.
5. Use a spoon to sprinkle colored sand atop the glue. Tilt the paper so extra sand falls off. Repeat to complete the entire design.
6. Let dry on a flat surface before displaying upright.

OCEAN WATER

After a busy summer day, relax in the shade with this cool drink.



What you need:

- 3 Tablespoons water
- 3 Tablespoons sugar
- 1 teaspoon coconut extract
- 3 drops blue food coloring
- 24 oz. (2 cans) lemon-lime soda
- Clear cup or glass
- Ice
- Swedish Fish candy

What you do:

1. In a small microwave-safe bowl, combine the water and sugar. Heat for 1 minute. Stir until sugar is dissolved.
2. Pour the mixture into a pitcher. Add coconut extract, food coloring and soda. Stir.
3. Pour into cup. Add ice and fish. Enjoy!

St. Peter's Child Care & Preschool

4-K Host Site for *Poynette School District*

Kelly Pieper, *Director*

The summer is flying by from all the fun that we're having at the daycare. The children love playing in our brand new giant sand box. Thank you to our trustees and volunteers for helping to put that together. This month the children have Vacation Bible School from July 11-15 for our children ages 3 and up. They'll get to sing fun new songs and learn about God.

The school age children planted different vegetables and flowers in our garden. They also decorated rocks and signs to put in the garden, and we invite people to come see their hard work. Our school age children have been a big help to the teachers and our younger friends, and we appreciate their help with things like doing crafts with the kids and making the snack.

Our preschool children have been busy too. They've been spending a lot of time outside riding bikes and playing in the sandbox. The children are also doing many fun projects and crafts. Last month they made cards for the fatherly figures in their lives, painted seashells, and decorated popsicles.



Reminder:

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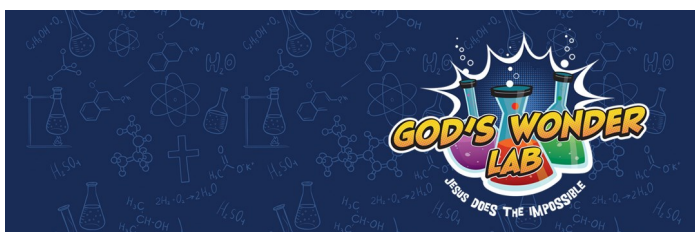
 filled and pass quickly, Divine

 Service is available

 Monday evenings at 6:30pm.

DIVINE SERVICE SCHEDULE FOR THE MONTH OF JULY

<p>July 3/4 3rd Sunday after Trinity Micah 7:18-20 Psalm 25:1-2a, 5b, 15, 20; antiphon: vv. 16, 18 1 Peter 5:6-11 Luke 15</p>	<p>Order: DSIII, p. 184 Hymns: 966 - 608 - 802, 611, 791 - 717 Organist: Cantor Jeremy Zieroth Choir: Handbells</p>
<p>July 10/11 4th Sunday after Trinity Genesis 50:15-21 Psalm 27:3-4a, 5; antiphon: vv. 1-2 Romans 8:18-23 Luke 6:36-42</p>	<p>Order: DSIII, p. 184 Hymns: 815 - 696 - 861, 878 - 919 Organist: Cantor Jeremy Zieroth</p>
<p>July 17/18 5th Sunday after Trinity 1 Kings 19:11-21 Psalm 27:1a, 11-12, 14; antiphon: vv. 7, 9b 1 Peter 3:8-15 Luke 5:1-11</p>	<p>Order: DSIII, p. 184 Hymns: 869 - 688 - 750, 637 - 877 Organist: Cantor Jeremy Zieroth Choir: VBS kids</p>
<p>July 24/25 6th Sunday after Trinity Exodus 20:1-17 Psalm 28:1-2, 7; antiphon: vv. 8-9 Romans 6:3-11 Matthew 5:17-26</p>	<p>Order: DSIII, p. 184 Hymns: 575 - 562 - 581, 558 - 698 Organist: Cantor Jeremy Zieroth</p>
<p>July 31/Aug 1 7th Sunday after Trinity Genesis 2:7-17 Psalm 47:3, 6-8; antiphon: vv. 1-2 Romans 6:19-23 Mark 8:1-9</p>	<p>Order: Matins w/ Holy Communion, p. 219 Hymns: 819 - 625 - 622, 732 - 549 Organist: Cantor Jeremy Zieroth</p>

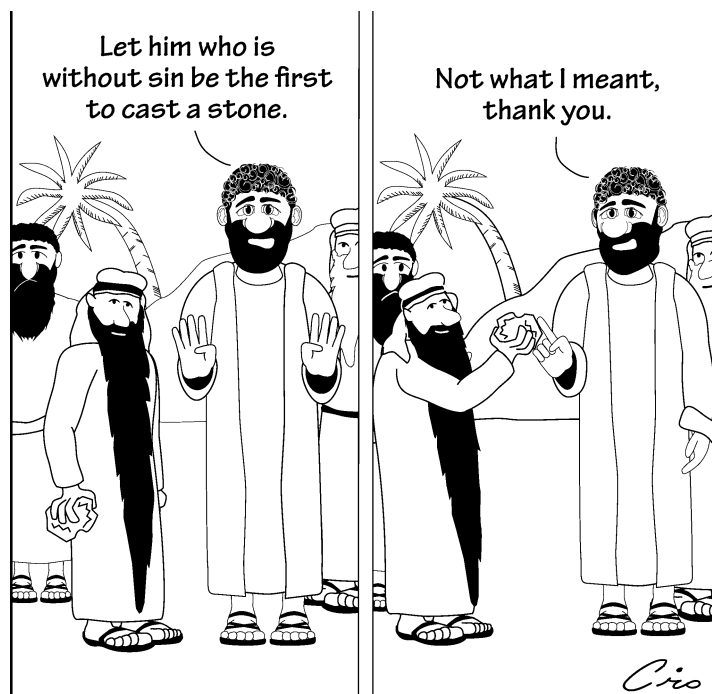


Starting Monday, July 11-15th, from 9:00 am-11:30 am, St. Peter's Lutheran will hold a special Vacation Bible School called "God's Wonder Lab; Jesus does the Impossible."

A science lab is full of fascinating things that help us explain how things are possible. In Jesus' ministry, He did things that cannot be explained. He turned water into wine, walked on water, and His greatest miracle of all was dying on the cross and rising from the dead for our salvation.



Be sure to join us for fun lessons, music, crafts, snacks, and activities to discover that Jesus does the impossible for us at 2022's VBS, *God's Wonder Lab!*



COUNCIL MINUTES June 14, 2022

The June 14th meeting of the St. Peter's Lutheran Church council meeting was called to order by President James Rittmeyer at 6:33 pm. This meeting was held in the sanctuary.

Pastor Juhl opened with a devotion from Isaiah 6, our Old Testament reading from the prior Sunday. Standing before God is a scary place because we know we are not perfect and have not perfectly kept His word. The seraphim in this scripture places a coal on Isaiah's lips and declares: "your guilt is taken away, and your sin atoned for", thereby reminding us that even though we are not worthy, God has made us worthy by the blood of Jesus Christ.

The agenda was presented. Bob Hagenow moved approval, Brad Larson provided the second, motion carried.

Secretary's minutes were read. Brad Larson moved to approve, Michael Hendrickson second, motion carried.

The Financial Secretary's report was given by Bob Hagenow. The statement that April was a much bigger month than others have been and probably will be for awhile was refuted because the month of May became the second largest giving month for Special Purpose since January, granted May had five Sundays however one was Memorial Day weekend. The General Fund giving was up 3.5% over the previous month and 138% of the prior year month to date with the same number of Sundays. Mission Fund giving was at 43% of the previous month but 102% over the prior year. Online giving counted for 28% of the General Fund contributions and 9.5% of the Mission Fund contributions. This leaves us at 3% over the predicted expenses that we budgeted and 182% above the needed amount for our pledged Missions. At the pace we have now with Mission giving we will meet our \$10,000 pledge much ahead of the end of the year at which time the excess giving to Mission is split 50/50 with General fund. The financial situation here at St. Peter's at the current time is exceptionally good. Benjamin Robinson moved to accept the report, Cameron Gramse seconded, motion carried.

The Treasurer's report was given by Meg Hanson. The current checkbook balance today is \$18,528.98. This includes all bills on the report paid, two deposits and one payroll so far this month. The question was asked if we had requested any funds from the investment account for the painting of the sanctuary. The answer is we will make that request as soon as we have the final bills from that project now that it is completed. Bill Manthey moved approval of the treasurer's report, Michael Hendrickson second, motion carried.

The Elders report was presented. The Christian Women's Council held their annual Plant/Bake Sale May 13 & 14 and raised over \$600. Bill told the group that they have been actively contacting members who have not been to church for awhile and we are starting to see some of those families returning. The Military Care Committee isn't very active as we have no one serving out of the US at this time. Thank you's to the Endowment Committee are being published in the bulletin as they are received. Cantor Jeremy Zieroth stated that Sunday School choirs have concluded for the year. Hand Bells plays for the 4th of July, and there was a nice group of instrumentalists at Ascension. He is putting things away from these past seasons and starting to plan for the fall.

The Trustees report was given by Keith Podoll. He said the sanctuary painting is complete. The painting took 18gal of paint but it looks fabulous. Ryan Signs, the group doing the upgrade on the outdoor signs, has let us know that they are just waiting for LED parts that are on back order. The Gardener Company is going to potentially start the parsonage siding project next week. The single use kitchen sink cabinet in the downstairs kitchen has some water damage and is going to be replaced. That contract has already been signed and we are

on the schedule for August 18th but since it is a single piece the installers may be able to squeeze it in sooner if they have an opening. We would need some volunteers to come and lift the stainless steel countertop off so they can replace that piece. The automatic door opener has been giving fits but we have figured out how to work it for now while we wait for Access Door Opener of Madison to get to us on their schedule. While Bill Manthey was on the ladder doing the various painting up high he mentioned to Keith that the stained glass windows could use some glazing. Keith is going to look into getting some quotes for that to be done.



The Board of Christian Education report was given by Charlotte Reddeman. The Child Care Center is quite busy and is needing to hire some part-time staff. The sandbox and planters that the Trustees have put together for the children have been a big hit. But it has been mentioned that the sand box is going to need a cover due to state regulations. They are also looking into different security options such as a video doorbell type device. The Sunday School closed for the year on Sunday, May 22nd. Vacation Bible School is set for July 11th -15th. Details are being worked out for that event. The Sunday Morning between services time is being used as a time for chatting with the Pastor. The Men's Bible Study on Saturday mornings is continuing to be well attended. The Ladies' Bible Study had seven attend their first meeting and they are going to be studying Revelations. Planning for the fall is underway for things such as Sunday School teachers and Midweek class helpers.

The Pastor's report began with Pastor Juhl indicating that home visits continue through the summer. He is extending visits into August and September to accommodate families with busy summer schedules. You are welcome to join your family with other families for joint visits, especially if two or more families live close to each other. Upon further discussion with our district mission executive, he will be assisting Bethlehem, Sun Prairie in preaching once a month at their mission site in Fall River. The Fall River mission meets Saturday night at 6:30 at the Fall River High School auditorium. Monthly visits may stretch into every once in a while, depending upon availability of other pastors to help. He will receive a stipend through Bethlehem from the South Wisconsin District for his time and for gasoline. Let's also keep this mission start in our prayers, that the Lord may bring a bountiful harvest of souls into His kingdom. Pastor also reminds us that as you see stray sheep from the Good Shepherd's flock here in Arlington, encourage them to join us for worship. we've seen a handful of new faces join us for Word and Sacrament over the last few weeks. The Lord continues to bless us! Average weekly attendance through the month of May is 110. News from South Wisconsin District Convention is the President Wille was re-elected to serve another three year term as president but stated that this will be his last term to serve as he is 69 years old. Other thoughts on convention was that it was pretty simple and had no major debates on business matters. There will be a milestone celebration in our congregation on June 26th. The SWD mission executive will be here at St. Peter's to preach on a Sunday in August as Pastor takes a vacation day.

There were no membership changes.





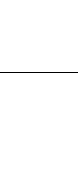
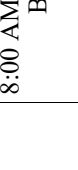

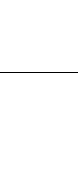



No Old Business.

No New Business.

Pastor Juhl led the council in the common doxology, then the meeting was adjourned at 7:10 pm. Motion made by Bob Hagenow, second by Bill Manthey, motion carried. Elder meeting follows.

Respectfully submitted,
Lynnette Taylor, *Council Secretary*

CALENDAR FOR JULY 2022

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
						
						
Trinity 3 3 8:00 AM Divine Service 10:30 AM Divine Service	4  6:30PM Divine Service	5 1:00 PM Ladies Bible Study	6	7	8	9 8:00 AM Men's Bible Class
Trinity 4 10 8:00 AM Divine Service 10:30 AM Divine Service	11 6:30PM Divine Service	12 1:00 PM Ladies Bible Study 6:00 PM Council Meetings	13	14	15	16 8:00 AM Men's Bible Class
Trinity 5 17 8:00 AM Divine Service 10:30 AM Divine Service	18 6:30PM Divine Service	19 1:00 PM Ladies Bible Study	20 	21	22	23 8:00 AM Men's Bible Class
Trinity 6 24 8:00 AM Divine Service 10:30 AM Divine Service	25 6:30PM Divine Service	26 1:00 PM Ladies Bible Study	27	28	29	30 8:00 AM Men's Bible Class
Trinity 7 31 8:00 AM Divine Service 9:30 AM Voters' Meeting 10:30 AM Divine Service						

Vacation Bible School: "God's Wonder lab; Jesus does the Impossible" 9:00 AM - 11:30 AM

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