

Organist: Char Hillman

ORDER OF SERVICE

Video Taping: Theresa Braun

Acolytes:

5:00 p.m. Tyler Murray
Ashtin Phephles
8:00 a.m. Nate Stando
Isaac Coleman
10:30 a.m. Reese Swanson
Bo Schuppner

Growing as God's People

Saturday 5:00 p.m. 59
Sunday 8:00 a.m. 104
10:30 a.m. 99
Average Attendance 318

Greeters:

8:00 a.m. Phyllis Schenck
Ev Klitzke
10:30 a.m. Eldarene Bowlin
Betty Andreasen

Our Gifts to the Lord

Home	\$	6,179.79
Synod Support	\$	501.07
Thanksgiving	\$	2,118.00
Tuckpoint	\$	225.00
Misc	\$	181.00
Total	\$	9,204.86

"Built on the Rock of Christ"

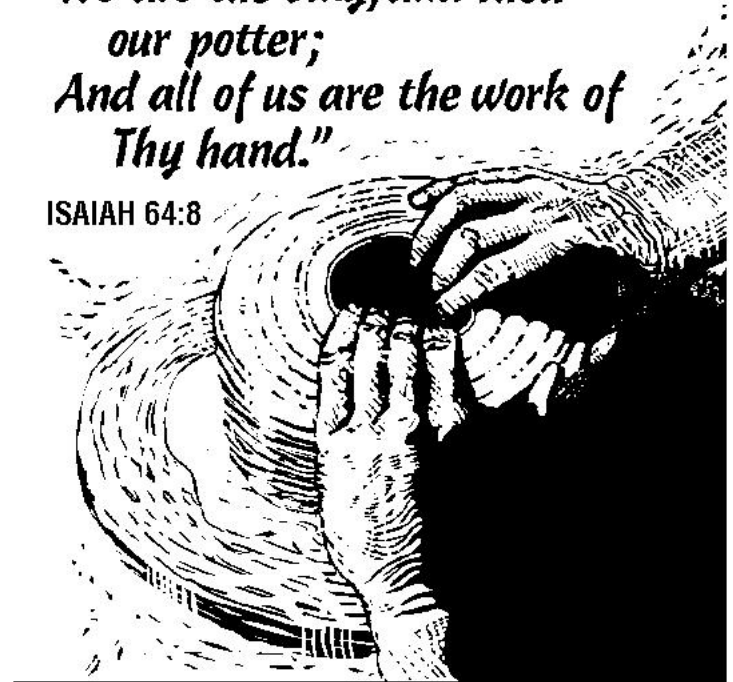
Tuck Point Funds Received
\$158,360.39

Balance owed on project
\$44,951.41

Pre-Service Music	
Ringing of the Bell	
Opening Hymn	733
Invocation	p.213
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Introit	
Kyrie	944
Salutation & Collect	p.214
First Testament	Isaiah 64:1-9
Gradual	
Epistle	1 Corinthians 1:3-9
8:00 am Children's Choir	
	"Promise Fulfilled"
The Gospel	Mark 11:1-10
Creedal Hymn	953
Children's Message	
Hymn of the Day	334
Sermon: "Father, We Need You"	
	Text: Isaiah 64:1-9
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***"But now, O Lord, Thou art
our Father,
We are the clay, and Thou
our potter;
And all of us are the work of
Thy hand."***

ISAIAH 64:8



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December 2 & 3, 2017

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FIRST SUNDAY IN ADVENT

OUR MISSION STATEMENT *To make disciples of all people through a faithful ministry of Word and Sacrament.*

OUR VISION *Connecting all people to Christ and each other through worship, education, service, and fellowship.*

OUR PROMISE STATEMENT *St. Peter's Lutheran Church nurtures you to form a foundation for a relationship with God which keeps you on the right path as a place to be at peace. We help you develop a Christian perspective, invite you to work for the common good, give the source for Godly counsel, and partner with you to raise your children in a Christ centered way.*

WELCOME FRIENDS! *All are asked to sign the attendance card and place it in the plate during the offering. When Holy Communion is offered, guests are asked to read through the statement on the inside cover of the hymnal before receiving communion. If you require gluten free wafers, please speak to the Pastor or an elder.*

THE RADIO BROADCAST is sponsored to the Glory of God with memorial funds established in the St. Peter's Foundation.

CHRISTMAS TREES are given to the Glory of God and in memory of Arnie and Arlene Sass by their families.

ANNUAL COOKIE WALK will be held on Sunday, December 10th, beginning at 9:00 a.m. Please check out the Cookie Walk board in the narthex of the church for a list of supplies needed to help with this event. Donated supplies maybe dropped off at the school no later than Friday, December 8. Thank you!!



ADVENT SERVICES

Wednesdays, December 6, 13, 20 @ 2:00 p.m.

Children's Christmas Service

Saturday, December 16th @ 5:00 pm

Saturday, December 23 – No Service

Christmas Eve

Sunday, December 24

8:00 & 10:30 am & 7:00 pm

Christmas Day

Monday, December 25 @ 9:00 a.m.

Saturday, December 30 @ 5:00 pm

New Year's Eve

Sunday, December 31

8:00 & 10:30 am & 7:00 pm

St. Peter's Lutheran Church - 1867-2017

Built on the Rock of Christ

"I love you, O LORD, my strength. ² The LORD is my rock and my fortress and my deliverer, my God, my rock, in whom I take refuge, my shield, and the horn of my salvation, my stronghold. Psalm 18:1-2 (ESV)

DID YOU KNOW?

In 1878, as in previous years, the sum of \$15.00 was allowed for buying a Christmas tree and trimmings.

December – The Celebration Continues

- † Live Window Display
- † December 9/10
- † Rev. Dr. Chris Wicher

KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS SIGNS are once again available through the church office. Cost is \$7.00. Please call or stop by the office to purchase yours. 608-524-4512, ext. 1.

ST. PETER'S LWML

In a little STABLE far across the sea was a little Baby just like you and me.

O I love this Jesus who was little then, For I know He loves me, little though I am.

Come and hear about the birth of our Savior in a stable and also enjoy the STABLE story that Mark and Shaun Pelton have to share at our next Lutheran Women in Mission gathering on Monday, December 11 at 6:00 p.m. in Concordia Hall. All women are welcome to join us for dessert and fellowship as we celebrate the birthday of Jesus our King!

GUEST PASTOR Pastor Robert Butler will be leading our Saturday evening service this weekend. Pastor Butler is the pastor of Zion Lutheran Church and St. Paul Lutheran Church, LaValle. May God bless him as he shares God's Word with us.

ANNIVERSARY SPEAKER next weekend will be the **Rev. Dr. Chris Wicher** of Cheektowaga, N.Y., a former vicar of St. Peter's. He is currently serving his third term as the district president of the LCMS Eastern District. We are thankful that he is able to be with us for our last month of celebration of 150 years of being "Built upon the Rock of Christ."

2018 CHURCH OFFERING ENVELOPES have arrived and may be found in the entrance of the church. If you are not able to locate yours, please ask an elder, they will be happy to help.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GIFT Each year envelopes are inserted in the bulletin so that those who would like may donate to the candy bags given to the children after their Christmas Service and a gift to our teachers and staff to show appreciation for their time and talents they bring to our students every day. Thank you in advance for your gift.

COME JOIN US!

Tuesday	8:30 AM	Orphan Grain Train
Tuesday	1:30 PM	Bible Study @ Concordia Hall
Wednesday	2:00 PM	Advent Service
	4:00 PM	Confirmation Class
	5:30 PM	Bells
	6:30 PM	Sr Youth
	7:00 PM	Choir
Thursday	12:00 PM	Ladies Aid
Friday	2:30 PM	Confirmation Class
	6:00 PM	Living Windows
Saturday	5:00 PM	BLENDED SERVICE H.C.
Sunday	8:00 AM	DIVINE SERVICE H.C.
	9:15 AM	Family Education
	10:30 AM	BLENDED SERVICE H.C.
	7:00 PM	Adult Instruction

HOSPITALIZED THIS PAST WEEK Baraboo – Ken Wrezenski

HOSPITAL VISITS If you or your family member have been hospitalized and would like a visit from the Pastor, please contact the church office at 524-4512 or call Pastor's cell at 393-0374. We do not always receive a call when someone has been hospitalized, and Pastor Crolius or Pastor Anderson would be happy to come for a visit.

ADVENT SERVICES will be held Wednesday, December 2, at 2:00 p.m. and continue each Wednesday thru December 20. What a wonderful way to prepare for the coming of our Lord. Services will air on the Reedsburg Access Channel at 1:00 p.m. on Thursdays.

ADVENT DEVOTIONS are available on the tables in the narthex and are printed in booklet form and large print. Please pick up a copy and enjoy the devotions throughout the Advent Season.

2018 BULLETIN & FLOWER SPONSORS If you would like to sponsor the bulletin (cost \$60.00) or flowers on the altar, please sign up on the charts located in the narthex.

2018 RADIO/VIDEO BROADCAST SPONSORS If you would like to sponsor a radio (\$110.00) or a video broadcast (\$35.00), please call the office at 524-4512, ext. 1.

LWML (Lutheran Women in Mission) is collecting hygiene items to be given to the Head Start families throughout our Reedsburg School District. We appreciate any donation that you can make. Items that are useful are: Deodorant, Shampoo, Body Wash, Hand Lotion, Shaving Cream, Toothpaste, Toothbrushes, Combs

Thank you for assisting in this mission to our local families. All items are much appreciated by them. There is a receptacle in the entrance of the church for your donation.

ORPHAN GRAIN TRAIN packing is scheduled again, thanks to many wonderful donations. We will be packing on Tuesday, December 5th, beginning at 8:30 a.m. in the school gym. Coffee break at mid-morning and ending with a potluck at noon. Thanks to all who volunteer.

NEW MEMBER WELCOME will be held between services on Sunday, December 3rd, in Concordia Hall. Please join us as we welcome the newest members to St. Peter's Church.

Roger Tessororf	Don Pfaff	Lucas Sobeck
Christopher Brown	Jay Neises	Mathew Nolden
Tom & Linda Grams	Jean Goodell	



Ministry in Motion are examples of students and staff putting their faith into "motion."

A few weeks ago, one of our Daycare staff members passed away unexpectedly. Not knowing how some kids would take it, I wrote a letter to parents informing them and asking them to tell their kids at home. As one of our moms was telling her girls, our 3-year-old (also in our PreK 3) said to her mom "It's OK, Mom, she's with God and Jesus".

A small boy at the St. Peter's Daycare was concerned when a friend of his had gotten off the bus to walk to the library and appeared to be crying. He told the day care worker he prayed for his friend and asked that they call the library to make sure he was ok.

IF YOU ARE NEED of a couple hours of house cleaning, cooking or other chores? Please speak to Pastor Crolius after the service or call him at 524-4512, ext. 2.



YOUTH NEWS...

Sr Youth – December 6th 6:30-8:30 pm

Jr Youth - December 13th 6:00-8:00 pm

Jan 5-7th: SR YOUTH WINTER RETREAT

The Sr Youth Winter Retreat will take place on January 5-7, at Silver Birch Ranch in White Lake, WI. Activities will include power tubing, zip-line, ice skating, broomball, XC skiing, and horseback riding! The cost of this event is \$125. This cost covers your food while at Silver Birch, all of these activities, and a T-shirt. That is an awesome deal!! A \$50 deposit can be made before December 15th and all final payments need to be paid in full by December 31st.

If there any questions about any of these events, please contact me anytime at [608-477-1159](tel:608-477-1159) or by email at jenniferanderson@saintpetersls.com

† **1 Corinthians 1:9** "God is faithful, by whom you were called into the fellowship of His Son, Jesus Christ our Lord." This Faithfulness of God is our great comfort. He has made promises to us and He will keep them. He is kind and loving toward us and will not break faith with us. This gives us the confidence to step out in faith, to leave fear behind. So when it comes to following the Lord's commandments for our daily lives: we know His will is best for us because our God is faithful.

Witness: Definitions of the word "faith" by an 8th grade Confirmation Class:

- "Trusting in God's plan when my plans are shattered."
- "Trusting in God to lift me up when I am down."
- "When I have no answer to my problems, I wait on God to give me an answer."
- "Stop worrying, leave the future to God because He is already there."