



November 24, 2024

Last Sunday of the Church Year

St. Peter's Ev. Lutheran Church

403 West Bridge Street, Brownstown, IN

The Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod

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St. Peter's Evangelical Lutheran Church, LCMS

403 West Bridge Street, Brownstown Indiana 47220

Sunday Worship 8:00 AM & 10:30 AM

Sunday School and Adult Bible Class 9:15 AM

Scan QR Code for online services



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St. Peter's Child Care Ministry

812-358-7034

Lutheran Central School (Preschool 3 & 4 - Grade 8)

812-358-2512

HIS LOVE – OUR RESPONSE

Sunday, November 17: 277 General: \$10,796.29 Special Gifts: \$339.00 Capital: \$115.00

SERVING US THIS WEEK

Pastor: Rev. Ryan Schneider

Organist: Lori Tabor

8:00 AM Elders: Clint Sterling -- Chad VanLiew -- Lucas Spencer

10:30 AM Elders: Ed Stuckwisch -- Todd Harrison -- Josh Teulker

8:00 AM Acolyte: Lauren Campbell

10:30 AM Acolytes: Morgan Wessel & Lily Wessel

Thanksgiving Eve (November 27) Acolyte: Colt Burcham

Altar Flowers are placed in honor of the baptisms of Laken Reynolds and her daughter Jolene King, by their family.

AT EITHER DOOR

- 1) Portal of Prayers – Fall issue (October, November, December)
- 2) My Devotions – Winter issue (December, January, February)

† SUNDAY MORNING ADULT BIBLE STUDY †

The Lord's Prayer. Are you seeking a deeper understanding of prayer and your relationship with God? Join us as we explore the profound teaching of Jesus through "The Lord's Prayer." This engaging study will delve into the significance of each phrase, unpack the meaning behind "Our Father who art in heaven," and enhance your prayer life. Don't miss this opportunity to grow in faith and deepen your connection with our Heavenly Father! All are welcome—bring a friend!

Today at 9:20 AM!

EXTRA PUMPKINS

There are pumpkins left over from the Soup Supper, if you would like to have a few more pumpkins, please do so. The pumpkins are located at the rear doors of the church. Last Sunday.

LEFTOVERS FROM THE COUNTRY STORE IN THE CHURCH OFFICE

The items left: a picture of Jesus, 2 wreaths, 2 neck wraps, a picture frame, a rocking horse clock (please leave a free will donation for these items in the can).

Also, there is a TV that can be taken with a free will donation.

NEW COMMUNION WARE

If you would like to make a donation to purchase a new Communion Set to help celebrate your 125th Anniversary, please make a donation to the Altar Guild, by marking your offering envelope or place in a plain envelope marked “Altar Guild”. Estimated replacement cost is \$1,500.00- \$2,000.00.

2018 ST. PETER’S COOKBOOKS are available in the church office for \$5 each.

Please place your money in the can.

ST. PETER’S RESOURCE CENTER

Located in the church office: There is a variety of cards for you to purchase, there are now Thanksgiving and Christmas cards. There is also a variety of Christmas books.

ADULT INFORMATION CLASS

On Saturday, December 7, 2024 from 9:30 AM – 3:30 PM. Please call the church office to register for this one-day class to become a member of St. Peter’s Lutheran Church.

Lunch will be provided.

MATCHING GIFT OPPORTUNITY FOR CONCORDIA COUNSELING

An anonymous donor has pledged up to \$ 50,000 for a dollar-to-dollar match to all contributions to Concordia Counseling now through December 15, 2024. Donations can be mailed to Concordia Counseling at PO Box 704, Seymour, IN 47274 or online at concordiacounseling.org.

CONCORDIA COUNSELING

Concordia Counseling, a Lutheran Outreach Ministry, was established on September 10, 2023, by resolution of the Lutheran Mission Federation of Jackson County to provide counseling care that is Biblically sound, clinically effective, and financially affordable as an outreach of the LCMS congregations in Southern Indiana. Our Opening Service on Sunday, August 25, 2024, celebrated the official launch of this outreach ministry, including the installation and commissioning of three full-time staff members. Our licensed mental health therapists are dually trained to offer Christ-centered and evidence-based care. If you want to schedule an appointment or learn more about our counseling services, please call (812) 671-8704 or appointments@concordiacounseling.org.

THE CHURCH OFFICE NEEDS YOUR HELP

With the celebration of our church’s 125th Anniversary, the office is still looking for a picture of confirmation years of 2007 -- 2019. **Questions, please contact Jo at the church office.**

WOULD YOU LIKE TO GIVE TO THE BEAUTIFICATION PROJECT

St. Peter's Prayer Garden is currently being refitted. All the old overgrown shrubs, pathways, damaged structures and statues have been removed. Following the new concrete, mulch and new plants will be placed. This project has been funded by members of St. Peter's, but you are invited to contribute to the project too. If you would like to donate, please make out your check to *St. Peter's Ev. Lutheran Church*, with *Prayer Garden* in the memo.

ST. PETER'S DAYCARE WISHLIST

The daycare is in need of supplies if you are willing to donate. The QR code will take you to the Daycare's Amazon Wishlist, where you can order the supplies directly. Thank you for your tremendous help!



SUNDAY SCHOOL HELPER NEEDED

The Board of Christian Ed. is in need of a helper to assist on Sunday mornings with Children's Sunday School. Depending on the Sunday, some classes are heavily attended - Praise God! - which means the teachers may need an extra hand in assisting the needs of the children. The helper would not be assigned to a particular class, but would be helping any given class as they have need for that Sunday. Contact Amanda Hanner. Thank You!

BIDS FOR JANITORIAL CLEANING AT CHURCH

Bids are being taken for cleaning the church. Deadline for returning the **sealed bid** is Monday, December 2nd in the church office by 4:00 PM. Questions contact a trustee (a list is at either door) or Brad Nolan at 812-569-1886 or e-mail brad@electric.info

Help the Lutheran Mission Federation Put Religious Children's Christmas Programs back on Television! Christmas Programs by "The Lutheran Hour"

Tentative Schedule Subject to change:

WBKI 58 or 34 – December 7 at 6:00 PM	Christmas Is
WAVE 3 NBC affiliate – December 15 at 12:30PM	The Little Shepherd
WDRB 41 Fox affiliate – December 22 at 6:30 PM	Red Boots for Christmas
WHAS 11 ABC affiliate – December 24 at 9:00 AM	The Stable Boy's Christmas

Contact Information: Ronald Rieckers - President, Lutheran Mission Fed. rjrieckers@live.com
Brandon Hunsley - Treasurer, Lutheran Mission Fed. bhunsley@jcbank.com - 812-524-4411

Send Donations to: Lutheran Mission Federation -- Brandon Hunsley Trust Dept.
P.O. Box 1001 -- Seymour, IN 47274-1001

SPECIAL VOTERS' MEETING

On Wednesday, November 27, 2024 this meeting will be held after the Thanksgiving Eve Worship Service at around 8 PM to vote on the following two agenda items:

- 1: To approve the position of Dean of Students for Lutheran Central School.**
- 2: To approve the Lease Agreement with Lutheran Central School on the new playground.**

CHURCH BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS/NEWS

For the week of Sunday, Nov. 24. Announcements to the office by Monday, November 25.

NEED YOUR HELP

The Church Office is updating the records. If you have moved, changed or cancelled phone numbers (landline or cell), emails, or personal family situations recently, please call the office or fill out one of the forms at either door. Please return the form to the church office. Thank You.

NEW CHURCH DIRECTORY

Coming on January 15, 16, 17, 18, 2025 the church will be having pictures taken for a new directory. Please keep watching the Sunday bulletin for updates. You will be registering on line for your appointment or someone will be available to help you with your appointment.

A pictorial directory is a powerful tool in our church to help each of us know each other better. Our last directory is now out-dated and it is time for a new one. Please make an appointment to have your picture taken at the church office or by clicking the link of the church's Facebook page or by using your smartphone. Your participation will help the church and yourself. Every family photographed for the directory will receive a copy of the directory and an 8x10 portrait at no cost. You will also have the opportunity to purchase additional portraits at the time of photography. So please, sign-up starting on Sunday, December 1st.

POINSETTIAS FOR OUR CHANCEL

If you would like to place a poinsettia in the church chancel (altar area) during this coming Advent/Christmas season, you are welcome to purchase one or more and bring them to church. If you would like to place a notice in the Sunday bulletin (dedication to or in memory of a loved one, etc.), please write your announcement out and place it in the drop box on the church office door. Bring the flowers to the church anytime after Nov. 27.

ST. PETER'S 2024 ANNUAL REPORT

Committees and Boards are reminded to have an annual report to the church office by January 16, 2025. These reports record events that happen throughout the year. Thank You.

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PRACTICES

There will be a Christmas practice for St. Peter's students in Kindergarten and Grades 1 - 8 on Sunday, December 8 and December 15 from 9:15 – 10:15 AM. They will be meeting in the church sanctuary. All students will be expected to attend. The Pre-School Sunday School class will continue to meet downstairs in the classroom during this same time frame. Thank you for your help.

ELDER REMINDER NOTICE

Member List for each Elder *****DUE DECEMBER 11th*****: Elders were reminded to contact members and submit updates to those in their elder area to the office, this information will be used for the new church directory.

ST. PETER'S CARD MINISTRY

Thank you to the following ladies who have sent cards out for our Card Ministry this year: Arlene Ayers, Shirley Stuckwisch, Brenda Darlage, Sharon Pottschmidt, Amanda Hanner, Cathy Stuckwisch, Becky Hackman, Kathy Cunningham, Carol Blackwell, and Linda Melloncamp. Thank you, ladies, for your service to the church.

Looking for 12 volunteers to do one month of Card Ministry in 2025. Each volunteer serves one month to send cards to our sick, shut-ins, and special birthdays and anniversaries. Supplies are provided. If you would like to do this (or have any questions), please call Joyce Stuckwisch at 812-525-7138. Thank you in advance.

RAISE RIGHT ORDER

One more chance before Christmas! RaiseRight orders are due Thursday, December 5th. RaiseRight is an opportunity to support Lutheran Central by purchasing gift cards at cost to use on everyday purchases or as gifts. By purchasing them through the RaiseRight program, LC gets a percentage of each purchase that we then use for student activities and equipment. We will ensure all orders are delivered upon arrival. Thank you to all those who ordered in November which raised \$276.97 for student activities at Lutheran Central. Order forms can be found in each church or you may contact your church representative:

Trinity: Andrea McKinley

St. Paul's: Kasey Wischmeier

St. Peter's: Andrea Pendleton & Jessica Kellermeier

Thank you for your support!

CALENDAR FOR THIS WEEK of November 24, 2024

Today: Sunday (November 24)

- + 8:00 AM Worship Service
- + 9:15 AM Sunday School and Adult Bible Classes
- + 10:30 AM Worship Service with Holy Communion

Wednesday (November 27)

- + 7:00 PM Thanksgiving Eve Worship Service
- + 8:00 PM Special Voters' Meeting

Thursday and Friday: Church Offices closed

HAVE A BLESSED THANKSGIVING !!!

A LOOK AHEAD

Next Sunday (December 1)

- + 8:00 AM Worship Service
- + 9:15 AM Sunday School and Adult Bible Classes
- + 10:30 AM Worship Service with Holy Communion
- + 1:00 PM Decorate the church for the holidays

Wednesday (December 4)

- + 6:00 PM Board of Christian Education meeting

Saturday (December 7)

- + 9:30 AM – 3:00 PM Adult Information Class

THIS WEEK WE PRAY FOR

Our Members:

Carolyn Ira, health concerns*

Bill Elmer, recovering from surgery**

Peggy Hehman, health concerns****

Craig Darlage, cancer****

Lois Sommers, sister of Leon (Becky) Hackman, cancer***

Todd Stark*

Those With Special Needs:

Megan Christopher, burn unit in Indianapolis**

Treasa Ray, mother-in-law of Tessa (Brad) Ray, recovering from a broken hip**

Chuck Smith, brother of Sherry (Darin) Rorig, prayers for healing****

Blake Hackman***

Larry Courtney, brother-in-law of Becky/Leon Hackman and Kathy/David Cunningham, cancer****

Deloris Luckey, co-worker of Todd East, health concerns*****

Jeff Niewedde, brain injury and facial fractures and his ability to adapt more smoothly to sedation reduction in the coming days***

Celebrating Wedding Anniversaries This Week:

Buck & Jeanette Chastain – 45 years

Klayton & Jacquelyn Jasinski – 6 years

Craig & Kathy Fritz – 47 years

Scott & Terrisa Brown – 25 years

Tom & Linda Hallow – 53 years

Barry & Linda Melloncamp – 54 years

Celebrating Birthdays This Week:

November 25 – Shelby Combs, Dana Sterling, Nicole Warren

November 26 – Samuel Ayers, Seth Berry, Karen VonDielingen

November 27 – Paula Bonebright, Rex Meyer, Vickie Persinger

November 28 – Evan Shuler, Jack Wheeler, Linda Melloncamp

November 29 – Crystal Mager

November 30 – Morgan Wessel

We welcome into God's Kingdom through Holy Baptism:

Harrison Ray, son of Kurtis & Renee Woltersdorf on Saturday, November 23

Laken Reynolds and her daughter Jolene King at our Late Service, today.

2024 ADVENT/CHRISTMAS WORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Sunday, November 24 – 8:00 & 10:30 AM **Last Sunday of the Church Year**
Holy Communion – Late Service and Sunday School for all grades

Wednesday, November 27 -- Thanksgiving Eve Service – 7:00 PM

Sunday, December 1 – 8:00 & 10:30 AM **First Sunday in Advent**
Holy Communion – Late Service and Sunday School for all grades

Wednesday, December 4 -- 7:00 PM Midweek Advent 1
No Holy Communion

Sunday, December 8 – 8:00 & 10:30 AM **Second Sunday in Advent**
Holy Communion – Early Service and Sunday School for PreSchool and
Practice for Kindergarten through Grade 8 in church sanctuary

Wednesday, December 11 -- 7:00 PM Midweek Advent 2
No Holy Communion

Sunday, December 15 - 8:00 & 10:30 AM **Third Sunday in Advent**
Holy Communion – Early Service and Sunday School for PreSchool and
Practice for Kindergarten through Grade 8 in church sanctuary

Wednesday, December 18 -- 7:00 PM Children's Service/Advent 3
No Holy Communion

Sunday, December 22 10:00 AM **Fourth Sunday in Advent**
Holy Communion -Late Service and Sunday School for all grades

Tuesday, December 24 -- 7:00 PM Children's Service

Tuesday, December 24 -- 9:00 PM Candlelight Service
No Holy Communion

Wednesday, December 25 -- 10:00 AM Christmas Day
With Holy Communion

Sunday, December 29 -- 8:00 & 10:30 AM **First Sunday after Christmas**
No Holy Communion at either service & No Sunday School classes

Tuesday, December 31 -- 7:00 PM New Year's Eve Service
With Holy Communion

Sunday, January 5, 2025 -- 8:00 & 10:30 AM **Epiphany (observed)**
Holy Communion – Late Service & No Sunday School classes

Sunday, January 12, 2025 -- 8:00 & 10:30 AM **125th Anniversary Kickoff**
Holy Communion – Early Service & Sunday School classes begins

Our NEW Church Directory Won't Be Complete Without *You!*

- Each family photographed by Re:MEMBER and who view their proofs will receive a complimentary 8x10 and a copy of the directory.
- Specially priced portraits and frames
- Portraits available in Full Color, Black & White, and Sepia

Credit Cards Accepted



Re:MEMBER Church Directories

SIGN-UP DATES:

PHOTOGRAPHY DATES:

Sign-up dates starting,
Sunday, December 1st

January 15 (Wed.): 2:00 PM – 8:30 PM
 January 16 (Thur.): 2:00 PM – 8:30 PM
 January 17: (Friday): 2:00 PM – 8:30 PM
 January 18: (Sat.) 10:00 PM – 10:50 AM
 11:00 AM – 1:50 PM
 2:00 PM – 4:30 PM