

St Peter Lutheran Church Tidings September 2022



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 2022 What a Great Week!!

VBS was held Aug. 1-5 for our Sunday School kids. Four faith-driven and gifted EWALU counselors filled mornings with worship and bible studies, arts and crafts, and activity time and games. Afternoons found our Education Ministry Team planning a peanut butter and jelly fund drive, enjoying a walk for ice cream, painting scripture stones, playing water games, and decorating cupcake that were eaten by all. Each day ended with another EWALU worship time. Thank you to everyone who made this week a wonderful God focused experience. We had 35 attendees; And want to recognize the hours of organizing that Amy Oltmann and her tribe of volunteers, put into this event!



Generosity Tower

The VBS students collected a tower of peanut butter and jelly to donate to Oran Food Bank.

Mandy Gesme photos

Worship & Music Server

Sunday worship - 9:00 am

** Volunteers needed – please sign-up online or contact the office*

	September 4 Sunday 9:00 am	September 11 Sunday 9:00 am	September 18 Sunday 9:00 am	September 25 Sunday 9:00 am
Organist	Sheryl Moeller	Sheryl Moeller	Amy Lockhart	Amy Lockhart
Acolytes				
Communion Assistant	Sue Buss	Sue Buss		
Scripture Reader	Jim Moeller	Sue Buss	Kara Bartels	
Multimedia				
Sound System	Steve DeVries	Philip Michels	Roger Donaldson	Larry Oltrogge
Video taping				
Altar Guild	Connie Lobeck, Judy Gleason, Diann Curtis, Janice Gienau, Carol Moon			
Usher/Greeters	Butch Milius, Marcia Ott			
Please find a replacement if you are unable to serve at the time you are scheduled. Your ministry is vital and we give thanks for your willingness to serve.				

To Our at Home Viewers

We are now livestreaming our services. You will be able to join us at 9:00 am on Sunday mornings and view our worship live. It will also be saved for viewing later if that works better for you. Thank you to Todd and Philip for making this possible!



From the Church Office

Check out the online church calendar. The link is on the opening page of our website - www.stpeterdenver.org. Under "Most Popular" click on calendar; you will be able to see the activities scheduled for the year. If you would like to add something to the calendar please contact the office. 319-984-5648 **Bulletin Deadline:** Thursdays 10:00 am **Newsletter Deadline:** 4:00 pm on the 3rd Friday of each month.

AA/Alanon

AA/Alanon Step Class: Tuesday nights at 7 pm in lower level (second & fifth Tuesdays of the month)

Meeting: Tuesday nights at 7 pm in the lower level (first & fourth Tuesdays - round table format)

Open Meeting: 3rd Tuesday of each month. Anyone who has an interest in or questions about the disease of alcoholism or anyone who fears that a loved one may be dealing with alcoholism is welcome to attend the monthly open meeting.

Prayer Shawl Ministry

The Prayer Shawl Ministry meets on the 1st Thursday, every other month at 1:00 pm.

Next meeting: Thursday, October 6.

If you know of someone who is in need of a Prayer Shawl, please take one from the closet in the Friendship Room. Please make sure you fill out a form (located next to the new shawls).

Mission & Community

Cedar Valley Hospice



Honor Loved Ones by Dedicating a Butterfly!
Mark your calendar for this year's Cedar Valley Hospice Release & Remember event. Join staff, volunteers, families and friends of Cedar Valley Hospice to celebrate someone you love on Sunday, September 11 from 1-3 pm. For each memorial or honorary gift of \$25, commemorative butterfly will be released. Donors will receive a keepsake certificate.

When: 1-3 pm Sunday, September 11

Where: RiverLoop Amphitheatre, downtown Waterloo

What: Family-friendly activities, live music, a picnic lunch and butterfly release

Cost: Free to attend!



Ewalu Camp & Retreat Center's 35th Annual

Fall Festival & Quilt Auction

Saturday, Sept. 24

at Ewalu, 3 miles west of Strawberry Point

Free admission & family fun. Join us for live music, hayrides, food & fellowship!

EVENT SCHEDULE

9 a.m. Quilt Review, Country Store Opens, & Live Music with Briggs Family Band
11 a.m. Devotional Service
12 p.m. Freewill Lunch
1 p.m. Live Auction Bidding Begins



Briggs Family Band



Scan code with phone for details

Online Auction: Sept. 19-25

<https://charityauction.bid/EwaluQuiltAuction>

More than 100 quilts & items auctioned live on Sept. 24, plus much more online! Take part either way ... or both!



Exercise Classes at St Peter

Join Roberta Robbins, on Sundays, 4:00 - 5:00 pm and Thursdays from 5:15-6:15 pm in the lower level of the church. *(NOTE the first 3 Sundays Sept. 11, 18 & 25 will be held outside at the Denver Community Center, then beginning in October at the church, Thursdays will be held in the church beginning September 15). There is no cost to participate in the Essentrics® class. Essentrics® is a dynamic, full-body workout suitable for all fitness levels that simultaneously combines stretching and strengthening while engaging all 650 muscles. This class will increase flexibility and mobility for a healthy, toned, and pain-free body. Bring your mat, a towel and a TheraBand if you have one. Please contact Roberta at 309-313-4399 with any questions.

Chemo Care Kits

The Mission Board is seeking volunteers to assemble Chemo Care Packages to be delivered to the Unity Point Community Cancer Center. You can easily assemble a care package: pick up a tote containing the list of items needed from the basket by the church office, fill the bag with those items, and return it to the church. These care packages will not only be practical, comforting, and entertaining, but will project Jesus to cancer patients in our community. Please consider participating in our project!

Cancer Care Packages suggested items

Please include all of these items:

Chap stick
Hard candy
Hand sanitizer
Small Kleenex packs
Small container of lotion
Fuzzy socks



Please include a couple of these items:

Magazines
Small pad of paper with pen
Puzzle books/word search books
Adult coloring book with colored pencils

Mensfest

The ecumenical Men's Bible Study is lead by Jim Moeller. We will gather weekly on Wednesday mornings in the lower level of the church at 7:30 am. Please join us!

Womenfest

The ecumenical Women's Bible Study is using the Gather Magazine outline. We will gather weekly on Tuesday mornings, in our St Peter Friendship Room at 7:30 am. See you there!

September Birthdays & Anniversaries

1

Christopher Herman
Gene & Pat Leonhart
Ella Gustafson

2

Lars Gesme
Alexandra Place
Brent & Kris Steege

3

Benjamin Foelske
Marcia Joerger
Mallory Steege

4

Steve DeVries
Marian Frey
Emmett Nuehring
Emily Ruby

5

Hether Gustafson
Bode McIlravy
Judy Milius
Jace Williams

6

Jeff Joerger
Sam Joerger

7

Brian DeVries
Rick & Sharon Robinson

8

Abry Meyer
Brian Meyer
Jeff & Kim Williams

9

Jacob Lyons
Grace Upshaw
Kevin & Holly Smith

10

Lincoln Roethler

11

Kerry Thies
Wesley & Barbara Gielau

12

Ryan Maitland

13

Jayden Wolter

14

Gene Leonhart
Abbi Robinson
Steve & Angie Sadler

15

Kiara Michels

16

LuAnn Emerson
Robert Foelske

17

Jason Brinkman
Peggy Smith
Michael & Leana Place

18

Amber Leisinger

19

Keaton Rothmeyer
Tony & Trudi Schimmels
Paige Sickles

20

Alex Krabbenhoft

21

Maris Drewelow
Julie Smith
Spencer Vauthier
Michael & Judy Vauthier

22

Kurt & Julie Gleason
Chad & Carol Liddle
Brady & Megan Schmauss
Ryan & Jennifer Wirtjes

23

Margaret Liddle
Mary Thurm

25

Bailey Nuss

26

Nancy Dryer
Chalee Gienau
Michael McInroy

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Margaret Empie
Paul Empie
Elizabeth Foelske

*We apologize if your birthday or anniversary are not listed or listed incorrectly. Please notify the office with additions or corrections.
Thank You*

Community & Mission News

LWR School Kits

School Days, School Days, it's time to think about and gather supplies for Lutheran World Relief School Kits.

Items needed:

- 70-80 sheet spiral notebooks (8x10.5"), wide or college rule, (no loose leaf paper)
- 16-24 count Crayola brand crayons (not washable)
- blunt end kindergarten scissors
- Black or blue ball point pens (not gel pens)
- 30 cm ruler (or inches on one side and centimeters on the other)
- Unsharpened #2 pencils
- small pencil sharpeners
- 2 1/2" eraser

There will be a laundry basket outside the office for collection. If you'd rather not shop, cash and checks are very welcome, Make out checks to St Peter WELCA with "LWR Kits" on the memo line. *Thank you.*



Quilting in September

Quilt tying has resumed. Please join us Mondays from 9:00 am -3:00 pm, and Tuesdays 9:00 am—Noon, in the lower level of the church. The quilters encourage anyone that is interested in tying or sewing quilts to join them. All are welcome.



Coffee from LWR and Guatemala

Every delicious cup helps transform poor communities. Farmers get a strong up-front price for their coffee beans and a portion of the profit. The coffee is located on the rolling cart in the Friendship Room. Checks or cash may be left in the coffee can on the cart near the coffee. Thank you.

Bremwood Auxiliary Salad Luncheon

Join us September 16, 1:00 pm Redeemer Lutheran Waverly IA. We will be having our traditional salad luncheon. The Auxiliary members are asked to bring one salad per two people attending. Congratulations on once again making our 2021 goal of \$10,000 to support LSI's Spiritual Life Program. This year's goal is \$10,000 to support CPR training that is required for certain programs within LSI. We are at 35 percent of our goal. Thank you for your continued support of this project. If you would like to make a donation you may send a check to the Auxiliary treasurer, Barb Witzel, 1253 Clark Dr, Cedar Falls, IA 50613, before December 31, 2022. Payable to the Bremwood Auxiliary and write "project" in the memo line. We look forward to seeing you September 16.
Sincerely, Joan Baumgartner

Community & Mission News

GIVE ME THIRTY

It's August, and it's time for school to start. The Board of Mission has organized a mentoring program for the past ten years with the Denver Elementary School. It's a special way to share God's love with a child. Once this school year begins, we hope to reestablish the mentoring program after a COVID break. Please prayerfully consider spending thirty minutes a week with a child.....it can change his/her life and your life, too. Contact Pat Leonhart (319-404-3490) or Roxane in the office (984-5648) if you're interested in participating or if you'd like additional information.



NUEVA VIDA'S VIRTUAL VOYAGE
(formerly the New Life School)
SEPTEMBER 15
6:30-8:00PM CDT
LIVE VIRTUAL EVENT
(learn more about their ministry in Guatemala; **REGISTER ON WEBSITE:** nuevavidaguatemala.org)

Helping Hands Clothing Closet

Thank you to Shirley Thurm for taking our latest donations to the Clothing Closet. During July Helping Hands Clothing Closet had 152 client visits and our volunteers gave 40 hours of documented time to the closet. It is time for the new school year and Helping Hands Clothing Closet is ready to help with your clothing needs.

Helping Hands Closet hours: 9:00 - 11:00 am Tuesday mornings, 6:30 - 7:30 pm Wednesday evenings, and 9:00 - 11:00 am the first Saturday of the month. Located at 2029 Viking Ave. Sumner, IA. *Carolyn Mohlis 319-279-3247 or carolyn.mohlis@gmail.com*

Undies Sundays

Perhaps you noticed the pajamas, socks, and underwear hanging on the clothesline and collected in the laundry basket outside the office. We are grateful for all the donations for "Undies Sundays". These new clothing items were delivered to Buck Creek Clothes Closet to be shared with children prior to the start of the new school year. Remember helping the poor is honoring God!



His Hands Oran Food Pantry

Serving families in the area that are experiencing food insecurity. Suggested donations: Pasta (spaghetti, macaroni, noodles, etc.) We will also take garden produce if you have extra. Open Tuesdays, 5:00-8:00 pm. And Friday, 9:00 am - noon. July statistics: 95 Households, 257 Individuals, 6,768 lbs of food distributed. Questions -319-638-4357 or Mary Burgart 563-920-3857. As always, we will take any thing to fill our shelves. We greatly appreciate your support.

NOISY OFFERING

The September and October Noisy Offerings will be shared with Momentum. Momentum provides eligible, unemployed and underemployed people with job and life skills training to secure and maintain viable employment. Each Momentum graduate completes a rigorous six week course that includes 100 hours of in-class instruction and 100 hours of volunteer work experience. In addition, graduates are placed into good paying jobs from a network of local employers with an average starting wage of \$15.72 per hour. The program includes life skills services, workforce readiness training, and job placement services. To get additional information go to onecitycv.org.

Faith Formation & Announcements



Dirty Feet Retreat

Faith, Friends & Epic Games


Jr. High Youth Ministry Event
Get charged up for Christ! Youth will be led by college-age camp counselors and experience the zip line, campfires, real-life chats, games, upbeat music, late-night snacks, and new friends at Camp Ewalu.

When
Sept. 30 to Oct. 2, 2022
Fri 8 p.m. - Sun 11 a.m.

Where
Camp Ewalu just outside Strawberry Point, Iowa

Who
Youth grades 6-9

2 Nights
Only \$90/youth
\$65/chaperone



Information
For more event details and to register, scan the QR code, visit www.Ewalu.org or call the camp office: 563-933-4700

Denver Sunset Home Raffle

The Denver Sunset Home Auxiliary is having a raffle to benefit the residents and the staff of the nursing home. There will be three snack baskets along with various gift certificates, donated by area businesses. Tickets may be purchased from any auxiliary member and there will be table set up at church after Sunday services to purchase tickets: 6 tickets for \$5 or 1 ticket for \$1. The baskets will be presented after the drawing on October 18th.



September 2022



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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Ministry Boards are a vital part of the congregational system. Lay members are currently needed for each of these boards to function as intended. Please consider where you might share your gifts in these important ministries of the congregation. If you would like to know more about a board please contact The Congregational President. Thank you!

Church Council: Jim Jurgenson, Todd Foelske, Mary Stevens, Marcia Joerger, Kim Lamb, Jan Gienau, Jackie Fober, Amy Oltmann, Jayson Gesme

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