

St Peter Lutheran Church Tidings

October 2019

Pastor Dawn Pederson
Projecting Christ to All Generations

"I thank my God every time I remember you, constantly praying with joy in every one of my prayers for all of you, because of your sharing in the gospel from the first day until now. I am confident of this, that the one who began a good work among you will bring it to completion by the day of Jesus Christ. It is right for me to think this way about all of you, because you hold me in your heart (or because I hold you in my heart), for all of you share in God's grace with me."

Philippians 1:3-7c

The Apostle Paul wrote these words to the church at Philippi. He often began his letters to the various churches in this way. We begin this month's newsletter to all of you (the church here at St. Peter) with Paul's words because they are fitting for us.

It is clear that Paul deeply cared for the church at Philippi and they deeply cared for him. We feel the same way about all of you. It is right for us to feel this way about all of you. You hold us in your hearts, and we hold all of you in our hearts. Your thoughts, prayers, hugs, kind words, and many caring acts have blessed and encouraged us from the very beginning, but especially in the weeks leading up to Steve's back surgeries and the weeks since. As you remember us in your prayers so too, we remember you in our prayers and give thanks to God for all of you.

A few have asked, "Do you like it here in Denver?" Do we like it? Isn't it obvious? From the very first day, back in March, we have been blessed and we continue to be blessed to be here and to share in the gospel with you. I feel this every week as I stand in the Friendship Room with the acolytes ready to enter worship. I felt it the Sunday I worshiped with you while Steve was still hospitalized in Rochester. Worshiping and feasting at our Lord's table with you renewed my strength that day, renews my strength every week.

October is "Pastor Appreciation Month." We'd like to officially declare this October to be "Congregation Appreciation Month" here at St. Peter. Tusen takk is the most common way to say "thank you" in Norwegian. It literally means, "a thousand(s) of thanks." Tusen takk! We thank God every time we remember you!

Steve and Pastor Dawn



Worship & Music Server

Sunday worship - 9:00 am

We still need volunteers for October - Please call the office or go to our website to sign up

	October 6 Cowboy Church Sunday 9:00 am	October 13 Sunday 9:00 am	October 20 Sunday 9:00 am	October 27 Sunday 9:00 am
Communion Assistants	NA	Kim Lamb	Pat Leonhart	Kim Lamb
Scripture Readers	Cowboy Church	Jim Moeller	Gene Leonhart	Sheryl Moeller
Acolytes	NA	TBD & Kenny Lamb	Abry Meyer & Jarett Clayton	Tyanna Teetzen & Kenny Lamb
Multimedia	NA	TBD	TBD	TBD
Organist	Cowboy Church	Sheryl Moeller	Amy Lockhart	Amy Lockhart
Sound System	Alton Midthus	Larry Oltrogge	Alton Midthus	Roger Donaldson
Confirmation Parent Volunteer	Wednesday, October 9 8th -Staci Mueller 7th -Lisa Michels	Wednesday, October 16 8th -Joe Teetzen 7th -Charles Nuss	Wednesday, October 23 8th -Tanya Hasse 7th -Neal Thurm	Wednesday, October 30 8th -Eve Pautsch 7th -TBD
Altar Guild	Connie Lobeck, Judy Gleason, Diann Curtis, Carol Moon			
Usher/Greeters	Jeff & Karen Schumacher and TBD			
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.				

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.

Bulletin Deadline: Thursdays 10:00 am and the **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.

Mission & Community

Luncheon

Women of St Peter will be serving as hostess for Bremwood Auxiliary on Friday, October 18. There will be a salad luncheon at 1:00 pm. Since we are hostess we will need to prepare sandwiches ahead of the meal. We welcome anyone to join in serving at this event. Please call Joyce Miller 984-5021 or the church office. Thank you for your service to this caring facility in our area.

All Saints Sunday

All Saints Sunday, November 3, the church's traditional time to remember those who have died in the past year and those born into our faith community. We celebrate and remember their lives and how we are knit together with them in the victory of Jesus' resurrection. We will remember those from St Peter and if you'd like to submit a name of a loved one lost within the last year, please do so before October 30.



Sign Up to Bring Cookies

We have a link on our website that you can access to fill in a time slot that works for you <http://www.stpeterdenver.org/volunteer.html> or contact the office and let Roxane know. Thank you to all of the people that faithfully help out with this ministry!

If you have any questions about making/serving coffee -you may contact Jan Gienau 984-5851.

October 6 – 1) Cowboy Church
2) Cowboy Church
3) Stewardship Board

Coffee maker- Stewardship Board

October 13– 1) Jan Gienau
2) Jan Gienau
3) Jan Gienau

Coffee maker- Jan Gienau

October 20 – 1) Peyton Mueller
2) Jarett Clayton
3) the church

Coffee maker- TBD

October 27 – 1) Kimberly Austin
2) Kimberly Austin
3) Kimberly Austin

Coffee maker- TBD

Please check online or call the office for the latest updates to donations/volunteers.



God's Work. Our Hands. St Peter Lutheran Church 2019



October Birthdays & Anniversaries

1 Donna J Wolter	15 Allison Swanson Ryan & Kayla Tucker
2 Roxane Franzen Cody Robinson	16 Roger Thurm
3 Nancy Lamos Ryan Tucker Dave & Wendy Mohlis	17 Gavin & Kelley Carman Eve Pautsch
4 Burton Diercks	18 Maci Leonhart
6 Floyd Liddle	19 Neal Thurm
7 Doris Blankenship Marilyn Huber	20 Roger & Donna Donaldson
8 Zoey Elsamiller Sandra Greenley	21 David Leisinger Steve & Audrey DeVries
9 Carol Ackerman Brad Becker Krisanne Wirtjes	22 Kurt Gleason
10 Vera Collins Gary Westendorf Doug & Janice Miller	23 Millie Corell Thomas Place Scott Rothmeyer
11 Alexis Gehrke Troy & Jessica McIlravy	24 Richard Ackerman Gabe Lahmann Leana Place Harold Wille
12 Donna Kittle Jessica McIlravy Bethany Sadler Joel Teetzen	25 Becky Dierks Samuel Schumacher
14 Hunter Ackerman Wesley Gielau Joel Wolter Larry Stumme	26 Jan Hartmann Joanne Milius Mark & Lynn Gielau
	27 Michael Place
	29 Sam Lockhart
	30 Brian & Angie Meyer Brady Schmauss
	31 Carol Liddle Paul Meier



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

Cowboy Church

The Double J Wranglers will lead our worship service on Sunday, October 6, 9:00 am. The worship includes both well-known and unique Western songs of faith. Attire is casual, with Western attire optional. Please join us in welcoming the wranglers.



His Hands Food Pantry

His Hands Food Pantry is in need of your help. We need volunteers on Monday at approximately 1:15 in the afternoon for about an hour when our truck comes in. We also need help Tuesdays from 5-8 p.m. and Friday mornings from 9-noon. On these days we need help checking in our clients, weighing and recording their food and carrying out their groceries. If you only want to work once a month or once every several months that would be fine. Any time will help us. Mary Burgart-563-920-3857 or Roger Burgart -563-920-8522. *St Peter's last donation totaled 80 lbs -9/24 thank you Midthus' for delivering the goods!*

Give Me Thirty

It's October and a new school year has started. The past three years, the Board of Mission and Denver's Elementary principals have worked together in implementing a mentoring program. It's been a special way to share God's love with a child. Once this school year gets underway, we hope to reestablish the mentoring program. Please prayerfully consider spending thirty minutes a week with a child.....it can change his/her life and your life, too. Contact Pat Leonhart (984-6082) or Roxane in the church office (984-5648) if you're interested in participating or if you'd like additional information.



Community & Mission News

EWALU Fall Volunteer Work Days

You are invited: Saturday, October 19 Volunteers are needed at EWALU for a variety of service projects around camp. The day starts at 9:00 A.M. Meals provided. Please RSVP to camp@ewalu.org or call 563-933-4700. Thank you for your support of Camp Ewalu!

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 bag 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 by the end of October. 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!



Farmer's Market

Check out the Farmer's Market on Thursdays, 4-6 pm, located at 241 S State St (North side of the parking lot at Denver Construction) Fresh produce, baked goods, craft items. For information contact Mandy Gesme 319-504-5527.

Helping Hands Clothes Closet

Located at 2029 Viking Ave. Sumner, provides free gently used clothes to lower income & homeless families and individuals and those affected by disaster. A ministry of St John, Sumner & St Peter, Oran. They offer women, men, and children clothing, shoes, coats, bedding & towels. Hours: Tuesdays 9-11 am, Wednesdays 6:30-7:30 pm, and the 1st Saturday of each month, 9-11 am. If you have any questions email or call Carolyn Mohlis, 319-279-3247 or Carolyn.mohlis@gmail.com.

Quilt Tying

We will be tying quilts on Mondays, 9:00 am - 3:00 pm, and on Tuesdays 9:00 am - Noon. Everyone is welcome, come when you can leave when you must.

WELCA Board Meeting

Next meeting: October 13, at 10:15 am

Gather Bible Study -Next Meeting:

Tuesday, October 8, at 1:00 pm

Serving Committee for October

Julie Sawyer	Sarah Beckel	Vera Collins
Elaine Dove	Sue Flory	Marcia Joerger
Linda Krueger	Jaime Leonhart	Roberta Merrill
Angie Sadler	Mary Thurm	Kim Austin
Loretta Canfield	Lindsey Corell	

Prayer Shawl Ministry

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

Next meeting: Thursday, November 7. 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).

St Peter Prayer Shawl Ministry,

I am writing to thank everyone and to Nancy of the Prayer Shawl Ministry for the beautiful shawl knitted for my late husband Michael Field. Words cannot express my gratitude for your kindness and devotion to the families of loved ones who are passing on from this world, into the arms of Jesus. My husband passed away April 11, in the Palliative Care unit of University of Iowa Hospitals. The beautiful shawl was given to us in ICU just prior to Michael being transferred to Palliative Care, where he died two days later, with the shawl covering him. This provided comfort to my two daughters and I in his last days on this earth. Michael was a man of strength, courage, and he had a deep love for his family. I am sending a donation as a thank you for being such a caring and devoted Ministry. Blessings to all of you.

Resources Available

A reminder we have copies of *Christ in Our Home* on the table outside the office. Everyone is welcome to the quarterly devotional resource that encourages readers to live out their faith daily. Each reflective reading is accompanied by a scripture reference and prayer for the day. Large print copies are available.

Faith Formation

Sunday School Rally Day & God's Work, Our Hands
Thank you to all for your participation!



Sunday School

Sunday School follows worship at 10:15 am.
Registration is available online www.stpeterdenver.org.
Contact Todd Foelske with any questions
tfoelske@gmail.com.

Confirmation

Classes meet on Wednesdays.
8th Grade is at 6:30 pm
7th Grade is at 7:45 pm
Contact Pastor Dawn with any questions
(pastor@stpeterdenver.org or 641-529-6592)

Womensfest

Everyone is invited to the Ecumenical Bible Study led by Pastor Craig Henderson on Tuesdays at Willow Winds Assisted Living, from 7:30-8:30am

Mensfest

Everyone is invited to the Ecumenical Bible Study held on Thursdays, 7:00 am, at AllyCatz.

Caregivers Class

Powerful Tools for Caregivers class will be offered for all family caregivers of elderly and individuals with disabilities.

***Bremer County:** This 6 week course will be offered for six consecutive Tuesdays starting on October 1 from 12:30 pm – 2:00 pm at Waverly Public Library (1500 W Bremer Avenue).

***Butler County:** This 6 week course will be offered for six consecutive Thursdays starting on October 3 from 12:30 pm – 2:00 pm at Butler County ISU Extension and Outreach Office (320 N Main St. Allison).

***\$30 fee includes Caregiver Helpbook** and snacks. For more information or to register, please contact Cindy Thompson with Iowa State University Extension and Outreach at [641-229-6655](tel:641-229-6655).

Adult Enrichment at EWALU: October 17, 9:00 am - 1:00 pm We're excited to welcome Mary French as our Adult Enrichment Day speaker this fall. Adults, come and spend the morning at Camp Ewalu and hear about Mary's exciting work as an architect for the US embassy in Iraq. Enjoy a morning of coffee and fellowship at Ewalu's beautiful main site. Come at 9:00 a.m. for coffee and rolls in the Creation Center chapel. Mary will start her presentation shortly after. A free-will lunch will be served at 12:00 p.m. in Cedar Lodge

About the Speaker

Mary grew up in northeast Iowa on a farm near Riceville. She graduated from Iowa State with a degree in architecture. After several years working in traditional architectural offices in Iowa City and Denver, Colorado, she moved to Rockville to work for Marriott International. In 1999 Mary took a position at the US State Department overseeing the design of new and renovation projects at embassies in Africa and East Asia.

When Congress appropriated funds to construct a new embassy compound in Iraq, Mary was asked to oversee the design and construction. She spent the next two years in Baghdad managing the contractor as 26 buildings were constructed. The project was completed on time and on budget.

In 2009 Mary moved to the United Arab Emirates to work for a UAE company managing the design of buildings to support the government's campaign to promote the tourist industry. In 2015 she retired to Waverly where she is active on the Planning and Zoning Commission, community meals and the Eisenach Village residents' council.

To sign up: call Diane at (563) 933-4700 or email office@ewalu.org

Bread for the Day 2020: We will be taking orders again for *Bread for the Day*, which is a daily-use devotional resource filled with rich treasures. Please let the office know if you'd like a copy. Each copy is \$10, payable when you pick up the book. Due Oct20.



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2019 MINISTRY BOARDS

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: Amy Lockhart, Eve Pautsch, Jim Jurgenson, Sue Buss, Gavin Carman, Todd Foelske, Gene Leonhart, Mary Stevens, LaVonne Westendorf

Executive Board: Jim Jurgenson, Eve Pautsch, Amy Lockhart, Gene Leonhart

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