

St Peter Lutheran Church Tidings

September 2019

Pastor Dawn Pederson

Projecting Christ to All Generations

*"Let the favor of the Lord our God be upon us, and prosper the work of our hands –
O prosper the work of our hands!" Psalm 90:17*

Every week at the close of worship the children of St. Peter dismiss the congregation with these words, "Go in peace and serve the Lord." God's peace goes with us into our daily lives helping us to do God's work with our hands.

Since 2013, thousands of ELCA congregations have participated in God's Work Our Hands Sunday, a dedicated day of service. This event provides another opportunity for us to be "church together" and "church for the sake of the world." As we roll up our sleeves and work side by side, we celebrate Christ who unites us as one and frees us to serve and love our neighbors. We have many neighbors through Christ. In the words of a hymn, "Neighbors are wealthy and poor, varied in color and race, neighbors are nearby and far away."

This year we will combine God's Work Our Hands Sunday with Sunday School Rally Day on Sunday, September 15. It will be an event for all ages, the whole congregation. After a fun worship in which we sing many Sunday School songs, bless backpacks and school staff, and gift Bibles to children in pre-kindergarten, kindergarten and third grade we will serve and love our neighbors by rolling bandages and assembling hospice kits for Global Health Ministries. We will serve and love our neighbors by tying fleece blankets and assembling school kits for Lutheran World Relief. We will learn more about Global Health Ministries and Lutheran World Relief, sister organizations serving God's people around the world. We will work together to create a mobile for Pentecost Sunday next spring.

Oh, what fun we will have – children, youth, teenagers, and adults doing God's work with our hands! How blessed we are to do this work together. God blesses us to be a blessing. Doing God's work with our hands is fun and brings us joy. God multiplies our joy when our neighbors receive the fruits of our labor with great joy and celebration. How awesome it is to visualize someone in the world covered with a fleece blanket we have tied, a child growing his or her education aided by the contents of a school kit we have assembled, a person suffering with HIV or cancer comforted by the contents of a hospice kit we have assembled, a person's wounds kept clean so they can heal wrapped in the bandages we have rolled. God will most certainly prosper the work of our hands in ways far beyond anything we can imagine.

We send more than blankets, kits, and bandages. We send the love of Christ and affirmation of dignity wrapped, rolled, and tied into each one. It is my sincere hope that in serving our neighbors we will also grow our relationship with one another, perhaps meet and get to know a nearby neighbor.

So, mark your calendar for a day full of worship, fun, and service.

Your Partner in Ministry,
Pastor Dawn

Join us for

"God's work. Our hands."

A dedicated day of
service in our community.



Rally Day



Sunday
School
St Peter

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15



Worship & Music Server

Sunday worship - 9:00 am

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

	September 1 Sunday 9:00 am	September 8 Sunday 9:00 am	September 15 Sunday 9:00 am	September 22 Sunday 9:00 am	September 29 Sunday 9:00 am
Communion Assistants	TBD	Kim Lamb	Pat Leonhart	Pat Leonhart	Kelley Carman
Scripture Readers	Sheryl or Jim Moeller	Sheryl Moeller	Gene Leonhart	Joyce Miller	TBD
Acolytes	Justice Gienau & Keaton Rothmeyer	Jarett Clayton & Kenny Lamb	Abry Meyer & Grant Pautsch	Carson Haase & TBD	Jarett Clayton & Tyanna Teetzen
Multimedia	Jack Mixdorf	Peyton Mueller	TBD	TBD	TBD
Organist	Sheila Mixdorf	Amy Lockhart	Sheryl Moeller	Amy Lockhart	Sheryl Moeller
Sound System	Roger Donaldson	Steve DeVries	Larry Oltrogge	Alton Midthus	Roger Donaldson
Altar Guild	Shirley Thurm, Mary Thurm, Marilyn Mueller, Phyllis Plaster				
Usher/Greeters	Butch Milius 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.



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.

Mission & Community



Pie Sale

WELCA will be sponsoring a whole pie and baked goods sale in conjunction with Denver City Wide Garage Sales on September 14 at 710 E Fayette St, north of the cemetery, from 8:30 am – 2:00 pm or until goods are gone. Anyone is welcome to provide pies or baked goods; you may bring them to this site on September 14 or leave in the church basement. Proceeds will go to WELCA's Christmas projects.

Flood Bucket Update

Through items donated and monetary donations through Noisy Offering we were able to assemble 7 Flood Buckets. These buckets will be stored at Grace Lutheran Church in Tripoli until they are needed to assist flood victims in Northeastern Iowa.



Stewardship

Once again, time for a few words from the Stewardship Board. We will start this new school year with a pot luck and pool party, with our board providing decorations and activities for the pool party. This might be in the past tense by the time this newsletter reaches you! We do have some new plans for fall, however: we will be focusing on environmental stewardship matters. As we have said before, we wish to put some distance between references to stewardship and calls for financing assistance. Stewardship encompasses many things, one of which is paying attention to our natural resources. One idea is to involve the Sunday School classes in some park (or other venues such as Sunset Home) clean-up and/ or planting projects. We have plans to distribute some attractive small fabric shopping bags at some events. Another thought is to continue our connection with House of Hope; we thought of encouraging some recycling there and helping set something up if they are interested. Within our own church we should be thinking responsibly about this, and we having possible outside speakers about more widespread environmental problems. These things are tentative for now, and we welcome any additional suggestions.

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.

September 1 – 1) Kimberly Austin
2) Kimberly Austin
3) Kimberly Austin

Coffee maker- TBD

September 8 – 1) Sheryl Moeller
2) Sheryl Moeller
3) Sheryl Moeller

Coffee maker- Jan Gienau

September 15 – 1) Kelley Carman
2) Kelley Carman
3) Kelley Carman

Coffee maker- Jan Gienau

September 22 – 1) Joyce Miller
2) Joyce Miller
3) Joyce Miller

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September 29 – 1) Joe Teetzen
2) the church
3) the church

Coffee maker- TBD

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

Redeemer, Waverly, announces two forums

Topics: New social statement, other churchwide actions

When: 9:15 – 10:15 a.m., Sunday, Sept 22

Where: Redeemer Lutheran Church, 2001 W. Bremer Ave.

Presenter: Dr. Kristen Wendland, Wartburg College

Topic: ELCA congregations as "sanctuaries"

When: 9:15 – 10:15 a.m., Sunday, Sept 29

Where: Redeemer Lutheran Church

Presenter: Dr. Paul Edison-Swift, Decorah, coordinator for Northeastern Iowa Synod Network accompanying migrant minors with protection, advocacy, representation, and opportunities



September Birthdays & Anniversaries

Community & Mission News

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Christopher Herman
Gene & Pat Leonhart
Ella Gustafson

2

Alexandra Place
Brent & Kris Steege

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Benjamin Foelske
Marcia Joerger
Mallory Steege

4

Steve DeVries
Marian Murley
Emmett Nuehring
Emily Ruby
Cheryl Sharp
Ron & Marlys Krueger

5

Hether Gustafson
Bode McIlravy
Judy Milius
Jace Williams

6

Jeff Joerger
Sam Joerger

7

Brian DeVries
Jay Patterson
Rick & Sharon Robinson

8

Abry Meyer
Brian Meyer
Jeff & Kim Williams

9

Jacob Lyons
Grace Upshaw
Kevin & Holly Smith

10

Lincoln Roethler

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Kerry Thies
Wesley & Barbara Gielau

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Ryan Maitland

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Jayden Wolter

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Gene Leonhart
Abbi Robinson
Steve & Angie Sadler

15

Kiara Michels

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Sandra Sue Eick
LuAnn Emerson
Robert Foelske
Kayla Wilson

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Jason Brinkman
Peggy Smith
Michael & Leana Place

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Amber Leisinger

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Rev Dawn & Steve Pederson
Keaton Rothmeyer
Tony & Trudi Schimmels
Paige Sickles

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Alex Krabbenhoft

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Julie Smith
Spencer Vauthier
Margaret Weikert
Michael & Judy Vauthier

22

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

23

Margaret Liddle
Mary Thurm

26

Nancy Dryer
Chalee Gienau
Michael McInroy
Rev Dawn Pederson

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Harold & Marilyn Wentz

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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*

Helping Hands Clothing Closet

Helping Hands Clothing Closet had 189 client visits during July and our volunteers gave 43.7 hours of their time. We do have a good supply of clothing on hand but could use boys and girls clothes (sizes 4 to 16) and men's jeans. These are quickly taken up. We will also be needing children's winter coats and boots in gently used condition or new soon. Thank you to our volunteers for all that they do and to those who have given us donations.

Thank You

Dear St Peter Lutheran Church, Thank you very much for your gift of snacks and goodies for the Summer Staff to EWALU. It is a blessing to the camp to receive such gifts. We are grateful for your generosity and for your interest in enhancing the ministry of EWALU. Yours in Christ, Clark Baldwin, Executive Director



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 by the end of September. 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!

Blood Drive Volunteers

On Friday, September 6th, St. Peter will be volunteering at the Life Serve Blood Draw at the Community Center from 12:30-4:30 pm. We will need one person to serve beverages and sweet treats during one of two shifts: 12:30-2:30 pm or 2:30-4:30 pm. Donated cookies, bars, or cupcakes would be appreciated. Please contact Pat Leonhart at 984-6082 if you can volunteer your time or you could share baked goods with the Blood Draw. Thank you.

Danke

Thanks to all those who enjoyed music and bought hot dogs at the Concert in the Park on Friday, July 26th. The free will offering totaled more than \$175. The proceeds were given to the Denver Sunset Home.

Community & Mission News



Ewalu Camp & Retreat Center

Fall Festival & Quilt Auction

Saturday, September 21st



Join us for live music, hayrides, local food & fellowship!

9:00 a.m. Quilt Review & Country Store Opens
11:00 a.m. Devotional Service
12:00 p.m. Free-will Lunch
1:00 p.m. Quilt Auction Begins

Items in the Country Store
Hand-crafted items
Baked Goods
Odds-n-Ends for Quilters
Garden Produce

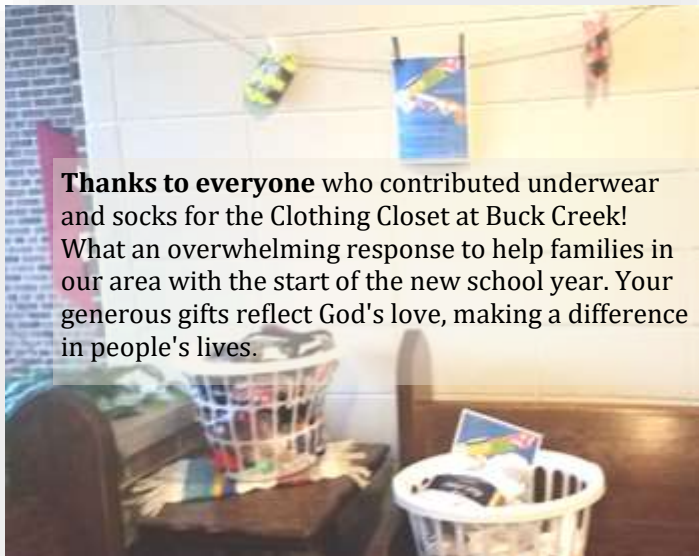
37776 Alpha Ave, Strawberry Point, IA 52076 | 563-933-4700 | www.ewalu.org

(The address is located on the west of Strawberry Point on Hwy 5)

Prayer Shawl Ministry

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

Next meeting: Thursday, September 5. 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).



Thanks to everyone who contributed underwear and socks for the Clothing Closet at Buck Creek! What an overwhelming response to help families in our area with the start of the new school year. Your generous gifts reflect God's love, making a difference in people's lives.

WELCA Board Meeting

Next meeting: September 8, at 10:15 am

Gather Bible Study -Next Meeting:

Tuesday, September 10, at 1:00 pm

Serving Committee for September

Carol Everding	Janice Gienau	Tanya Haase
Becky Miller	Sheryl Moeller	Abby Roethler
Karen Schumacher	Janell Stock	Lori Thurm
Terrie Thurm	Rachel Upshaw	Judy Vauthier
Krista Olson		



Back to School:

"Give instruction to the wise and they will become wiser still; teach the righteous and they will gain in learning" *Proverbs 9:9*

It is time again to gather school supplies for Lutheran World Relief school kits. Items needed: **70 sheet spiral notebooks**, 24 count Crayola brand crayons (not washable), **blunt end kindergarten scissors**, unsharpened pencils, ball point pens (not gel pens), 12" rulers (inches on one side and centimeters on the other), 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.

Quilt Tying Resumes

Beginning September 9; 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.

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.

Cowboy Church

Save the date, Sunday October 6, Cowboy Church is coming back to St Peter. Yee ha!

St Peter Lutheran Church,

Thank you so much for the socks and undies. Socks and underwear are a constant need but especially as our families get their children ready for school. Your continued support of Helping Hands Clothing Closet is very appreciated. *Helping Hands Clothing Closet*

Faith Formation



Service Learning Project

Because of your generosity....

*24 student uniform shirts and 10 pair of shorts were purchased.

*45 backpacks fully filled with supplies.

*3 large tubs of additional supplies given to school to use throughout the year.

THANK YOU for your support & generosity. It is much appreciated!
Sam Lockhart



Sunday School

Backpack Blessing & Rally Day for Sunday School kicks-off on Sunday, September 15. Please join us for worship and Sunday School following at 10:15 am.

Registration is available online www.stpeterdenver.org. Contact Todd Foelske with any questions tfoelske@gmail.com.

Confirmation

The confirmation orientation for all 7th & 8th grade students and parents will be held Wednesday, September 18 at 7:00 pm.

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 the Rite Spot.

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).

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

Join in on the Adventure with the Winnebago Council, Boy Scouts of America

Recruitment nights being hosted through out Northeast Iowa during the week of:

September, 8-14th

To Find a Cub Scout Pack near you call:

319.234.2867

jeanifer.stevenson@scouting.org

WINNEBAGO COUNCIL
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THE OUTDOORS
BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

September 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 9:00 am Worship	2 Labor Day Office Closed	3 7:30 am Womenfest 7:00 pm AA/Alanon	4	5 7:00 am Mensfest 10:00 am Bulletin Deadline 1:00 pm Prayer Shawl	6	7
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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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