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All Saints

- Pastor Sorenson

The month of November begins with All Saints' Day. Every year November 1st is set aside to remember and give thanks to God for all the saints who have gone before us in the faith and now rest in the Lord until the day of resurrection.

This is always an emotional day and an emotional Sunday when we commemorate the day as well. Memories of loved ones who died in the past year or who died many years ago come flooding back. There's certainly a sadness that accompanies this day as we miss those we love being physically here with us.

But this day isn't emotional just because of the sadness we may feel. It's also emotional because of the joy which this day brings forth. For on this day, we are reminded once again that death is not the end. Rather, those we love who have departed this life in the one, true faith will rise again to life immortal. We will be with them again physically, surrounding the throne of the Lamb, worshiping and praising Him with an endless voice.

This reality is ultimately where our attention is drawn on All Saints' Day. The fact that we who are in Christ will be physically raised again to eternal life. And this, only because we have been made righteous by the blood of Christ who died and rose again to redeem us from sin and death.

This is why it's most appropriate for us to use the term "saints," not only for those who have departed this life, but also for those in the one, true faith who are still living on this earth. For a "saint" isn't a person who lived a better life than everyone else or who has done great miracles or who must be perfect and holy all the time.

Rather, a "saint" is literally "a holy one." And we know how we are made holy. It's not by our actions or by how we live this life. Instead, it's only by Christ Himself. He is the One who makes us holy, by forgiving us our sins and by clothing us with His perfect righteousness and holiness.

So yes, our loved ones who've died in the faith are saints. And so are we. For we are all clothed in Christ's righteousness by virtue of our baptism. We are all holy because He has taken away our sin. We are all saved and given eternal life in our resurrected bodies because Christ has defeated our death and assured us our resurrection even as He rose from the tomb on Easter morning, never to die again.

Being a saint, then, isn't a task to live up to or a burden to carry. Being a saint is a gift from God. A gift that comes with comfort and eternal promises. A gift which makes us all alive, even if death appears to separate us from some of our fellow saints.

This All Saints' Day, then, as the emotions wash over you, as the sadness stings and the memories come flooding back, be comforted with this promise of Christ. Your loved ones who've died in the faith are saints, just like you. And all saints, with us or parted from us, are alive in Christ and will be joined together once more when He returns to raise us all from the dead to live with Him forever as His holy ones who've been washed clean by His blood.

"Oh, blest communion, fellowship divine! We feebly struggle, they in glory shine; Yet all are one in Thee, for all are Thine. Alleluia! Alleluia!" (LSB 677 – For All the Saints, stanza 4)

WORSHIP & BIBLE STUDY INFORMATION

Worship Service Update: For each service, the radio transmitter will still be used and the sermon and readings will be posted on the website.

Bible Studies In-Person:

- **Sundays:** We are studying the minor prophets Sunday mornings after worship. This month we will study the prophets Micah and Nahum
- **Wednesday Night Bible Study:** We will continue meeting on Wednesdays at 6:30 PM as we study 1 & 2 Peter.
- **Book of Concord Study:** Second Sunday of the month, November 13th, beginning at 5:00 PM. We will continue our study of the Formula of Concord and we will have a pitch-in dinner following the study.

Online Bible Study: Resources, including full Bible studies and devotional videos are available on our church Youtube page (<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCzA1mStTKU8Sb0ia1OjDrPg>).

Sermons and Devotional Resources:

- Weekly sermons will be posted on our church website (<http://www.stpeterwaymansville.com>) on the sermon page under the "At St. Peter" tab. (Direct link to that page -http://www.stpeterwaymansville.org/?page_id=417)
- You can also find helpful resources for your home devotions on the "Devotional Resources" page under the "Resources" tab (http://www.stpeterwaymansville.org/?page_id=489). Now is a great time to begin, continue, and strengthen a home devotional pattern by yourself and with your family.
- Portals of Prayer are available in the Narthex. You can drop by and pick one up or contact Pastor or the church office to have one delivered.

Lord's Supper: If you would like to receive the Lord's Supper during this time, please contact Pastor Sorenson via call, text, or email. His phone number is 812-371-1151 and his email is pastoresorenson@gmail.com. He would be happy to meet you at the church for this purpose or to bring it to your home, making sure at all times to take the necessary safety precautions.

May these resources assist you as you continue to hear the Word of God and cry out to Him in prayer.

150th ANNIVERSARY FOLLOW-UP

Cookbook: The 150th Anniversary Cookbooks are here! They are available for \$20 each. Proceeds will benefit the 150th anniversary celebration events and the general fund. Grab one for yourself, your family, and your friends! They also make great birthday and Christmas gifts!

Cat's Meow: Cat's Meow cutouts of the church to celebrate the 150th anniversary are available for \$20 each. You can pick one up on Sunday mornings or during the week.

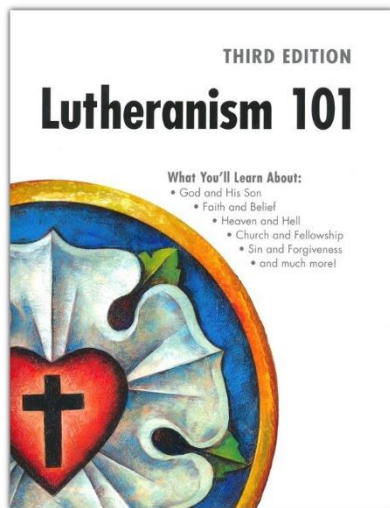
IN OUR PRAYERS

Throughout the year, this space will be used to encourage you to keep your brothers and sisters in Christ here at St. Peter in your prayers. As you pray for them, you may even ask them how you can pray for them. Families will be listed in alphabetical order throughout the year. During this month, you are encouraged to pray for:

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| • Doris Trimpe | • Vicki Trimpe | • Mike & Verna Vandercar |
| • Kevin Trimpe | • Paul & Kathy Trotta | • Mark, Melessa, Sydney, & Trevor Wiesehan |
| • Phil & Margie Trimpe | • Justin & Bradley Turner | |
| • Matthew Trimpe | • Eric & Brenda Turner | |

GENERAL INFORMATION

Amazon Smile: St. Peter is now on Amazon Smile! Amazon Smile is a donation platform for different organizations. When you go onto Amazon Smile (smile.amazon.com), you can order items that are on Amazon just like normal and .05% of your purchase will be matched by Amazon and donated to the church! Just make sure to select our church as the donation, and they do the rest! If anyone has any questions, please contact the office at waymansvillestpeter@yahoo.com or at (812)390-5980 (Camden)



Book of the Month: The Book of the Month will be available in the Parish Hall library for you to look through and read. You may take the book home to read as well, but we ask that you please do not hold onto it for too long so other people can enjoy it as well. The November Book of the Month is *Lutheranism 101* by Scot A. Kinnaman (general editor). Here is an excerpt from the book: “To be a confessional Lutheran is to be one who honors the Word of God. That Word makes it clear that it is God’s desire for His Church to be in agreement about doctrine and to be of one mind, living at peace with one another. It is for that reason that we so treasure the precious confession of Christian truth that we have in the Book of Concord. For confessional Lutherans, there is no other collection of documents or statements or books that so clearly, accurately, and comfortingly present the teachings of God’s Word and reveals the biblical Gospel as does our Book of Concord. Hand in hand with our commitment to pure teaching and confession of the faith is, and always must be, our equally strong commitment to reaching out boldly with the Gospel and speaking God’s truth to the world. That is what ‘confession’ of the faith is all about.

Indeed, ‘since we have the same spirit of faith according to what has been written, ‘I believed, and so I spoke,’ we also believe, and so we also speak’ (2 Corinthians 4:13). This is what it means to be a Lutheran.”

2023 Calendar Planning: What are some activities, events, long-range plans, outreach opportunities, fundraising events, etc. you would like to see here at St. Peter in 2023 and beyond? Mark your calendars for Thursday, November 10th at 5:30 PM to help plan a tentative calendar for the upcoming year and share any ideas you have. This will be a great opportunity for us to come together as a church and prepare for another fantastic year at St. Peter!

Greening the Church: This year we are planning to change things up a little. We will need a couple people to come on Saturday, November 26th at 9:00 AM to set-up the Christmas tree. Then on Sunday, November 27th after church we will ask our whole church family to stay and help us decorate. We will learn about the story of the Chrismons. Each of you will receive a booklet explaining each Chrismon that will decorate our tree. After the tree is decorated, we will put all of our other decorations up. Refreshments will be served. Come and join us. Thank you for supporting your church. – Verna Vandercar

College Outreach and Care: As a new school year begins, we will continue our college outreach and care program for our college students. If you are going to college (or know a member who is going to college), please let Pastor Sorenson know so he can add you to the list.

Thrivent Action Teams: If you have any Thrivent policies or products, you are eligible for two action teams a year. An action team includes \$250 seed money and may be used for a fundraiser, an educational event, or a service activity. As a church, we have used action teams for the fish fry, the youth golf scramble, Bible studies, etc. If you are interested in using your action teams for events at church or anywhere else, you can look for more information and help signing up on the Thrivent website or by speaking to Pastor.

Usher & Communion Sign-Up Sheets: The 2022 & 2023 sign-up sheets are up now on the bulletin board in the Parish Hall. We are always looking for additional people interested in filling these roles. Please feel free to sign up even if you have never before helped in these ways. Someone will be happy to show you the ropes.

Music Group: The music group is meeting again on the second and fourth Thursdays of each month at 6:00 PM. Come on out with any instrument you may have to learn, play along, and have fun! (No experience or expertise necessary.) We are also in need of singers who can sing along while we play.

Altar Flowers: If you would like to sponsor altar flowers, there is a sign-up sheet in the hallway between Pastor’s office and the church office. The cost to sponsor the flowers is \$20, and the payment can be put in the offering plate or in the mail rack outside the church office door. The flowers are yours for the taking after the worship service. Please contact Sue Anne Lee at (812) 717-0167 if you have any questions.

Communion Assistance: We are looking for people who may be interested in setting up and/or cleaning up communion. No need to worry about the linens, as those will be taken care of for you. If you are interested in learning more, please speak with Lynette or Pastor.

YOUTH GROUP & YOUTH CLASSES

Youth Group: The youth group will meet on Sunday, November 20th, for our youth night. We will have a meal, time to study God's Word, and a fun activity. Feel free to bring a friend! If you would like to be added to the text group to receive youth group notifications, please let Pastor know.

Sunday School: We have a class for little kids (approximately ages 3 through 2nd grade taught by myself), a class for older kids (approximately 3rd grade through high school taught by Kevin Schultz). There is also adult Bible class with Pastor Sorenson. We would like to have a third teacher to fill the gap between the two classes. Please consider this as these children are so eager to learn about the word of God. – Michelle Schultz

Activity Bags: I have placed bags in the back of the church for your little ones replacing the old smaller bags. I will try to add to them or replace things in them every few weeks so the children can continue to enjoy them. – Michelle Schultz

Toaster Request: If you have an unused/extra toaster, consider donating it to the church. Sunday School often has snacks that would benefit from a toaster. Thank you!

EVENTS

Game Night: Game Night will be on Friday, December 2nd beginning at 6:00 PM. All ages are welcome and bring a friend too! Our theme for that month will be soup night. Feel free to bring a dish to share, your favorite games, or a deck of cards. Mark your calendars and invite your friends and family to come along as well!

Trunk or Treat: Our second annual All Hallows' Eve Trunk or Treat will be on Sunday, October 30th from 4:00-5:30 PM. Dress up, decorate your trunk, and have a fun afternoon with friends, family, and our community! If possible, please let Pastor know if you intend on having a trunk that day. If you would like to participate by handing out treats, come to the church parking lot shortly before 4:00 PM.

Fish Fry: THANK YOU to all who helped at the Fish Fry. There were lots of people eating in and still lots of people driving through. Everyone, customers and helpers alike, had a great time. A special thank you for all the help provided by the youth. We couldn't have done it without you. The final count is not available yet but with approx. \$3300 collected, \$750 donated, expenses of \$1900 and \$1900 for the new fryer we will break even. A note of recognition to Debbie for doing all the information gathering and sorting through the options for a new fryer and Silgas for getting all the hookups ready at no cost to the church. THANK YOU EVERYONE. God has blessed this Church with lots of talent. – Barb Minor

LCMS COMMUNITY NEWS & EVENTS

Trinity High School Musical: It's the most wonderful time of year – Trinity's musical! Mark your calendars for November 11 and 12 at 7 pm and November 13 at 3 pm to catch a performance of *White Christmas*, the classic Irving Berlin musical! Tickets go on sale Monday, October 24 at a cost of \$10. Contact the TLHS school office to purchase. We're dreaming of a White Christmas and we hope you're dreaming of our show!

Trinity High School Veterans Day Program: Trinity Lutheran High School will host its annual Veterans Day Program on Friday, November 11th at 10:00 am in the gymnasium. This event is open to the public including veterans, their families, and friends. A reception for veterans will be hosted by the student council after the program.

Trinity Lutheran High School SGO: Tax credit scholarships, better known as "SGO Scholarships", are awarded by Scholarship Granting Organizations to qualifying families to help them pay for the non-public school of their choice. Donations to fund SGO scholarships feature a 50% state tax credit for the donor. Trinity families benefit from donations made to the Lutheran SGO in our name. Donations can be made in the form of cash, check, credit or debit card, marketable securities(including stocks and bonds), real estate, farming commodities (gifts of livestock or grain), qualified retirement plans, or any item where value can be easily determined. If you would like to learn more about SGOs or would like to make a donation, contact Erin Brooks at 812-524-8547 or ebrooks@trinitycougars.org.

Sauers Supper: St. John Sauers Congregational Supper will be Sunday, November 6 from 4-7 PM. This is drive thru only with a free will donation. The menu has changed. It will be: pork burgers, barbeque, baked beans, hashbrown casserole, and assorted pies.

FROM THE OFFICE

Contact Information: As the situation around us continues to change daily, we would like to be able to contact everyone in a quick and timely manner. If you could please contact Camden or Pastor to update your contact information, especially phone number and email, that would help us tremendously and be greatly appreciated. Keep an eye on the church Facebook page for the most up-to-date information. Thank you!

Church Constitution: If you would like to sign the church constitution, please contact Camden.

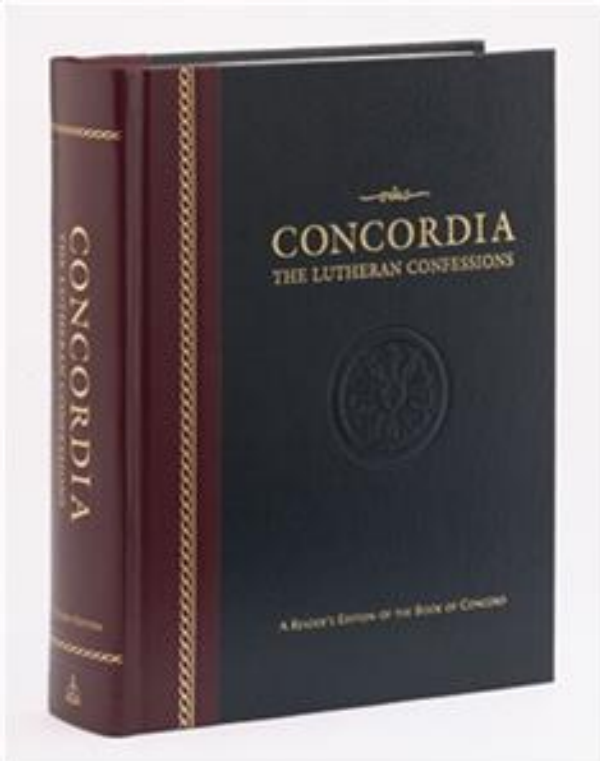
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Book of Concord Corner

“To the position of fatherhood and motherhood God has given special distinction above all positions that are beneath it: He does not simply command us to love our parents, but to honor them. Regarding our brothers, sisters, and neighbors in general, He commands nothing more than that we love them (Matthew 22:39; 1 John 3:14). In this way He separates and distinguishes father and mother from all other persons upon earth and places them at His side. For it is a far higher thing to honor someone than to love someone, because honor includes not only love, but also modesty, humility, and submission to a majesty hidden in them. Honor requires not only that parents be addressed kindly and with reverence, but also that, both in heart and with the body, we demonstrate that we value them very highly, and that, next to God, we regard them as the very highest. For someone we honor from the heart we must also truly regard as high and great. We must, therefore, impress this truth upon the young (Deuteronomy 6:7) that they should think of their parents as standing in God’s place. They should remember that however lowly, poor, frail, and strange their parents may be, nevertheless, they are the father and the mother give to them by God. Parents are not to be deprived of their honor because of their conduct or their failings. Therefore, we are not to consider who they are or how they may be, but the will of God, who has created and ordained parenthood.” (Martin Luther, *Large Catechism* I, 105-108)



Advent and Christmas Services

Advent is a season when the Church prepares for the coming (or advent) of Jesus Christ. This preparation is done by gathering together to hear the Word of God, repent of our sins, and receive the body and blood of Christ in the Lord's Supper.

Throughout this season, God reveals to us the three advents of Christ. First, He came in the flesh by His birth in Bethlehem. Second, He comes to us here and now in His Word and in His Sacraments. Third, He will come again on the last day to raise us from the dead.

As such, the Church uses this season to prepare for all three advents of Christ, celebrating the first, experiencing the second, and longing for the third. May this Advent and Christmas season be a blessed time of preparation for all of us here at St. Peter as we join together to delight in the Christ Child who comes to us now and will come again!

The Midweek Services – The Apostles' Creed

Wednesday, November 30, 7:00 PM – First Article – Father

Wednesday, December 7, 7:00 PM – Second Article – Son

Wednesday, December 14, 7:00 PM – Third Article – Holy Spirit

The Christmas Services

Saturday, December 24, 7:00 PM – Children's Christmas Program

Saturday, December 24, 11:00 PM – Christmas Eve Candlelight

Sunday, December 25, 9:00 AM – Christmas Divine Service



FISH FRY REPORT 2022

Fish Fry, October 16th, 2022 4pm-7pm, Dine in or Carry Out

Expenses:

Fish: White fish, midgrade, 2/4oz. \$47.73 for 10lb box, purchased 250lbs	\$1193.25
*Need to use two whole pieces per sandwich	
Buns: 300 Klosterman through DQ on 3 rd street.	\$55.00
*Need 330/340 buns	
Breading: Marion Kay, 2 boxes	\$111.00
Oil: Sam's Club, 3 25-gallon Containers	\$127.44
Hot Dog buns and buns: 48 each	\$33.93
Mac & Cheese: Milk, Cheese, Sour Cream, Macaroni.	\$111.40
*300 Containers with lids	
Chips: Sam's Club, 300 Small Package, with chips	\$138.47
Drinks: Youth Group Donation	\$0
Pies: Congregation Donations, Need three more cherry	\$0
Pie Containers: GFS	\$57.04
Condiments: Mustard-IHOP, Tarter Sauce-Culvers, will need more	\$0
Sandwich Wraps & Carry Out Bags-Arby's, saved from last year	\$0
Paper Towels: From 2021	\$0
Cleaner for Fryer	\$19.24
TOTAL	\$1,846.77
FISH FRYER BOUGHT	\$1,946.45
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$3,793.22
DONATIONS: (Acree Cattle farm, Thrivent)	\$750
FINAL EXPENSES	\$3,043.22
COLLECTED FROM FISH FRY, (plus \$120 from fish sold)	\$3,432.10
NET INCOME	\$388.88

Note: Still have some fish left over, \$40 each.

St. Peter Lutheran Church Calendar

November 2022

Ushers: Curt Acton

Acolytes:

November 6 – Rayleigh Acton

November 13 – Trevor Acree

Communion Set-up & Clean-up:

November 20 – Rayleigh Acton

November 23 – Trevor Acree

11/6, 13, 20, 23, 27 – open

November 27 – Rayleigh Acton

November 30 – Trevor Acree

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Upcoming Events: 12/2: Game Night		1 7:00 PM – Handbell practice	2 6:30 PM – Wednesday Night Bible Study	3 10 AM – Elders meeting	4	5
6 <i>All Saints' Day (Observed)</i> 9:00 AM – Divine Service 10:15 AM – Pastor's Bible Study & Sunday School 11:30 AM – Youth Catechesis	7	8 9 AM – 2 PM - Pastor @ Circuit meeting 7:00 PM – Handbell practice	9 6:30 PM – Wednesday Night Bible Study	10 5:30 PM – Calendar Planning meeting 6 PM – Music Group 7 PM – Board meeting	11	12
13 <i>23rd Sunday after Pentecost</i> 9:00 AM – Divine Service 10:15 AM – Pastor's Bible Study & Sunday School 11:30 AM – Youth Catechesis 5:00 PM – Book of Concord Study	14	15 7:00 PM – Handbell practice	16 6:30 PM – Wednesday Night Bible Study	17	18	19
20 <i>Last Sunday of the Church Year</i> 9:00 AM – Divine Service 10:15 AM – Pastor's Bible Study & Sunday School 11:30 AM – Youth Catechesis 5:00 PM – Youth Group	21	22 7:00 PM – Handbell practice	23 7:00 PM – Thanksgiving Eve Divine Service	24 <i>Thanksgiving Day</i>	25	26 9 AM – Set-up Christmas tree
27 <i>1st Sunday in Advent</i> 9:00 AM – Divine Service 10:15 AM – Church greening & Chrismon lesson 11:30 AM – Youth Catechesis	28	29 7:00 PM – Handbell practice	30 6:00 PM – Advent dinner 7:00 PM – Advent Midweek service			