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WEEKNIGHT LENTEN SERVICES will once again be together with the Christ in the Country Co-op (Schroeder, Arneckeville, Coletoville) There will be no in person worship at any of the congregations. For the safety of all, Pastor Paul, Vicar Kara and Pastor Anne will record the services and post them online on Wednesdays during Lent so they can be watched anytime (like we did in Advent). The theme this year is *Words of Life from the Cross*.

Ash Wednesday, February 17—*Pardoning Words*
Communion, but no imposition of ashes.

February 24 *Words of Promise*

March 3 *Compassionate Words*

March *Faithful Words*

March 17 *Suffering Words*

March 24 *Dying Words*



Maundy Thursday and Good Friday services will also be online. Watch for details on those in the April newsletter.

Coming Events

- **March 7**
Commitment Sunday
- **March 14**
Youth Movie Night
- **March 28**
Palm Sunday
- **April 4**
EASTER Sunday



On January 10, Cynthia and Ashley from Golden Crescent Habitat for Humanity gratefully received a check for the \$9,964.50 raised at our 2020 Oktoberfest



Church Council Highlights of the January 17, 2021 Meeting:

- * All worship services in January and February will be inside because of unpredictable weather. Outside worship resumes Palm Sunday, March 28.
- * There will be one Easter Sunday Service at the Gathering Place at 9:00 am.
- * It was approved to begin gathering information for renovations for the picnic area as a special project to be completed with special offerings. All members will be given a chance to give input and make donations. Terrell Wiggins and Debbie Foster will co-chair the committee.
- * Pastor Anne's vacation weeks for 2021 were approved: April 6-14, June 8-15, August 10-17, October 12-19, December 28-Jan. 4.
- * A motion to purchase more powerful speakers for the Gathering Place was approved, with expenses not to exceed \$500. The original speakers will be returned and that amount credited towards these.
- * Special offerings were approved. For Easter the recipient will be the Food Bank of the Golden Crescent. For Easter the recipient will be the ELCA Good Gifts' Global Barnyard.
- * It was approved for the youth to collect a "Noisy Offering" the last Sunday of each month to raise money to go out beyond this congregation.
- * Elected Linda Koehler President, Brenda Bade Vice President and Debbie Foster Secretary
- * Council liaisons appointed to Committees: Brenda Bade to Outreach Committee, Lindsey Youngblood and Leslie Wunsch to Christian Education, Paul Post to Property, Regina Calhoun to Safety/Security, David Bowman to Stewardship/Finance
- * The Annual Meeting Part 2 will be on February 14, 2021 following the worship service



40 CANS/ CASH FOR 40 DAYS. As usual, we will be collecting donations for the food pantry as part of our Lenten discipline. Each member of the congregation is encouraged to bring either a non-perishable food item or at least \$1 per day for each of the 40 days of Lent, that starts on February 17 (the pantry can buy in bulk from the food bank, so the monetary donations go further). Place marked monetary donations in the offering plate. It's only a little for each person, but together we can really make a difference in the life of people in need.

A FIRST COMMUNION CLASS will be offered on Saturday, February 20, at 9:00 am. This class is geared towards anyone 1st grade or older who wishes to share in this sacrament, and each student is required to bring at least one parent with them to the class. After the class, the parent decides whether their student is ready to participate or not. Please let Pastor Anne know if you will be attending by February 17, so that enough materials are available.



STEWARDSHIP



COMMITMENT SUNDAY is planned for March 7, 2021, with special messages in the announcements and on Facebook about stewardship of our Time, our Talents, and our Treasure. A pre-packaged *Stewardship Stew* will be available after Sunday School that day (take with your, or stay and eat) to celebrate our commitments to God for all the blessings he has

Our semi-annual congregational meeting is scheduled For Sunday, February 14, following the worship service. We will meet at Das Versamin Platz (the Gathering Place). **meeting**
The annual reports will be available to pick up on February 7th. Please bring them with you to the meeting.

THANK YOU! Jerry and I want to express to you our heartfelt thanks for the generous Christmas gift you gave us in the form of purchasing animals for the Global Barnyard. So many people will be touched and served by these donations! Your love was spread to us and to others as well! Thank you for honoring us in this way.
Pastor Anne and Jerry

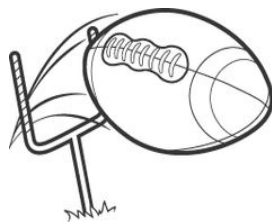


SUPER BOWL SUNDAY SCHOOL

Sunday School is back in session.

Starting February 7th, we will host a Sunday School class once a month following church service.

What better way to KICK this off? Super Bowl Sunday! Join us on God's Team and score BIG in growing your faith. Each family will need to provide their own snacks and drinks.



What a blessing I have been given to be able to serve as St. Peter's church secretary for a little over 23 years. It has been a learning experience that has given me many cherished memories and dear caring friends that I will forever hold in my heart.

Thank you for the retirement recognition during the Sunday worship and the very thoughtful gifts of the Bible with highlighted passages from members and friends, prayer shawl and 2021 calendar with special messages. Thank you to everyone for the cards, cookies and well wishes for my retirement.

Thank you to Pastor Anne for the time that we shared working in the office and in the ministry of St. Peter's. And thank you to Sandra for her willingness to serve as St. Peter's new office administrator.

I continue to pray for God's blessings on St. Peter's as we grow as a Christian community in faith, worship and service.

Kathy Albrecht



QUILTING for LWR

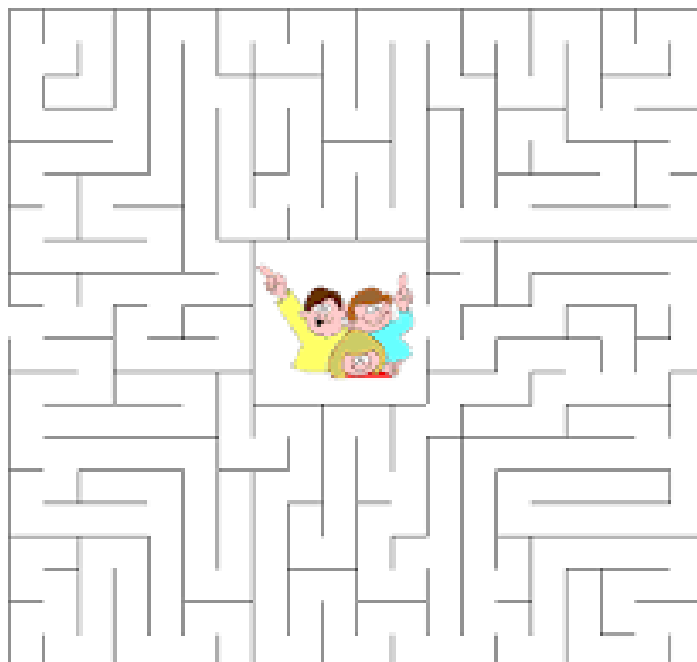
Continues on February 3 and 17. It's been a small group throughout the pandemic, and we set up more tables to stay socially distanced while we're masked. It is, as usual, a good time doing something for others, and we invite anyone who feels comfortable to come and help!



Bible Word Search Puzzle

Y N N J D R E H P E H S K S T
 N J E E M M C E S K A L B A V
 T G V S R L N I D B Z E S L Q
 K X A U K E E P O R G B I V U
 B T E S D D L M E E A E N A E
 O R H E O I I T L Z B Z S T T
 N A E G F N T P B E R E C I N
 S P H V A N S K A N I J P O E
 L F A T O K E U R E E W R N M
 E X I B O R P W A B L M I C H
 G O B O E U P T P E X A E E C
 N O B F S L Y H E M V D S X R
 A Y H P O S O L I H P A T W A
 Q G A N G E L M H O A R A H P
 E L E I K E Z E P R O P H E T

ABEL	PARCHMENT
ABOMINATION	PESTILENCE
ADAM	PHARAOH
ANGEL	PHILOSOPHY
ANGELS	PRIEST
BOOKS	PROPHET
EBENEZER	PROVERBS
EDEN	SALVATION
EZEKIEL	SHEPHERD
GABRIEL	SINS
GOD	
HEAVEN	
JESUS	
JEZEBEL	
PARABLE	



LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF donations are *always* accepted with appreciation, so that we can get kits made and ready to ship. In addition to sheets, blankets, mattress pads and fabric and thread, we are in special need of **Ivory Soap, baby jackets and blankets, bath towels and bar soap.** A box is available in the narthex for these items, or just leave them in the fellowship hall to be put away.

Happy Valentine's Day

Happy Birthday!

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS:

2-01 Cody Foil
 2-02 Troy Geary
 2-02 Grace Griffith
 2-02 Nicholas Smith
 2-02 Amy Wilburn
 2-04 Brooklyn Odem
 2-08 Jessica Griffith
 2-08 Jerry Kolmeier
 2-08 Wendi Yendrey
 2-09 Parker Post
 2-09 Paul Romine
 2-11 David Bowman
 2-12 Colin Burke
 2-12 Lyle Schendel
 2-13 Barry Geary
 2-16 Mike Abrameit
 2-24 Krayleigh Irwin
 2-28 Ainsley Yendrey
 2-29 Zaynee Parma

Sign-up to provide altar flowers in 2021

The 2021 calendar for providing flowers for the altar is posted on the bulletin board in the parish hall.

If the flowers given for a particular Sunday are given in memory or in honor of particular persons, please inform the church office if you wish this information to be included in the bulletin for that Sunday.



OUR WOMEN OF THE ELCA meets on
 February 9, 2021.

Bible study is at 2:00 pm, and will be the February Bible Study in the Gather magazine (copies will be available) as we continue our study of angels.

The general meeting to discuss WELCA projects will begin at 2:30 pm.



Happy Anniversary

FEBRUARY ANNIVERSARIES:

2-15-13 Danielle & Adam Egg
 2-21-09 Jenny & Sonny Wiggins
 2-27-93 Deborah & Ronnie Willms

If any listings of birthdays or anniversaries are incorrect, or if a listing is missing, please contact the church office at 645-2922 or stpetersander@gmail.com.

St. Peter's Staff

The Rev. Anne Kolmeier
Pastor

Sandra Post
Church Office Administrator

Dorothy Bowman
Organist and Choir Director

Jerry Kolmeier
Custodian

Congregation Council

Brenda Bade
Vice-President and
Outreach Liaison
(term ends 12/31/21)

David Bowman
Stewardship and Finance
Liaison
(term ends 12/31/23)

Regina Calhoun
Safety and Security Liaison
(term ends 12/31/22)

Linda Koehler
President
(term ends 12/31/21)

Debbie Foster
Secretary and
Worship and Music Liaison
(term ends 12/31/22)

Paul Post
Property Liaison
(term ends 12/31/22)

Leslie Wunsch
Christian Education and
Youth Ministry Liaison
(term ends 12/31/21)

Lindsey Youngblood
Christian Education and
Youth Ministry Liaison
(term ends 12/31/23)

The Rev. Anne Kolmeier
Pastor (ex-officio)

Worship Schedule

Sunday Worship: 9:00am

Holy Communion: every Sunday service that is not lay-led. (provide your own communion elements during COVID-19.)

Sunday School in Motion



WE



ARE



THE CHURCH

**MEMBERS —**

June Bethke
Billy Dornburg
Barry Geary
Tom and Marilyn Morris
Mike Wilburn

FRIENDS —

Troy Allen – friend of Pat McDonald
Mia Balko – friend of Karie Wimberly
Vergie Bitterly – sister of Deanna Wacker
Paula Calhoun – mother of Mike Calhoun
Kim Curlee – friend of Karen Klinkerman
David Dohmann – friend of Allison and Wesley Ball
Denise Engle – friend of Amy Wilburn
Joyce Foster – grandmother of Shelby Foster
Ainsley Garza – cousin of Arlene DeForest and Eva Nell Griffith
Harold Gleinser – friend of the community and brother-in-law of the Bowmans
Rebecca Graves – infant great-niece of Joyce Franklin, friend of Alvin and Arlene DeForest
Dale Henderson – father of Margaret Luker
Gwen Honor – mother of Linnea Griffith
Betty Jacob – friend of June Bethke
Kenneth Jacob – friend of Glenn Karnei
Donna Justice – friend of community
Melita Keith – friend of Margaret Luker
Frances Kixmueller – sister of Geraldine Sturm
Joe Ladeairus – father of Regina Calhoun
Melvin Luker – grand father of Ryan Luker

Homebound: Barry Geary, 1403 Gohmert Rd., Cuero, TX 77954,

Jo Nell Martin – friend of Debbie Foster
Michael McLead – uncle of Nathan Irwin
Doris Moore – cousin of Fritz Sturm
Charles Nixon – brother of Fritz & Geraldine Sturm's daughter-in-law
Carolyn Nunley – cousin of Alvin DeForest and Sis DeForest
Mary Poppert – sister of Ina DeForest and Alvin DeForest
Marcus Rezendez – friend of Amy Wilburn
George Robin – cousin of Linda Koehler
James Rung – five year old son of Greta Henke's friend
Tom Searcy—brother of Geraldine, heart trouble, pneumonia
Stefani Soper – friend of Karen Klinkerman
Zach Sturm – great grandson of Fritz and Geraldine Sturm
Liz Swetih – mother-in-law of Garrett Friedrichs
Jim Teltschik – uncle of Karie Wimberly
Jay Thigpen – friend of Carl and Sarah Brandes
Victor Vargas – four year old nephew of Alyssa, Luke Abrameit's wife
Rob Wall – son of Brenda Foil's friend, Roxy
Mary Nell Young – friend of Ruby and

Email Prayer Chain information

An email prayer chain is available at St. Peter's. When there is a prayer need/request, simply contact the church office by phone or email and ask to have it included on the prayer chain. Make sure you have the person's permission to put them on the prayer chain before adding them.

How do you start receiving these prayer requests? Simply contact Pastor Anne or the church office and ask to be signed up on the list.



REMEMBER TO CONTACT

Pastor Anne by email at revsplca@gmail.com, or by texting or calling her at 361-676-4799, with St. Peter's prayer list updates, the person's current needs, or when they can be removed from the list.



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February

FLOWERS

- 2-7 open
- 2-14 open
- 2-21 open
- 2-28 Koehler



GREETERS

AND

USHERS

Please sign up to be an usher or greeter on the list posted on the parish hall bulletin board.

Ushers for February are:
Jim and Beverly Martin

