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MINISTRY ASSISTANTS FOR DECEMBER



ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

- St. Peter's annual congregational meeting part 1 will be held immediately after worship on Sunday, December 7, 2025. Please make every effort to attend and make your voice heard, as we will be electing 3 new council members, financial officers and convention delegates.
- All confirmed members are eligible to vote.

December Activities Planned:

December 3 (Wednesday) Advent service at Schroeder St. Luke's; meal 6pm, worship 7pm

December 6 (Saturday) Christmas Caroling Meet at nursing home at 11:00am

December 7 (Sunday) 5:30pm - Women's sponsored Christmas Party; bring a side dish or dessert to go with Italian theme.

December 10 (Wednesday) Advent service St. Peter's Meal 6pm, worship 7pm (see Beverly for food sign-up)

December 14 (Sunday) Wrapping of Gifts for Angel Tree

December 17 (Wednesday) Advent service Martin Luther Coletoville-Meal 6pm, worship 7pm

December 21 (Sunday) 9am worship

December 24 (Wednesday) 5:50pm—Christmas Eve Family Service

December 28 (Sunday) 9am worship



St. Peter's mission: To grow together as a Christian community in faith, worship and service.

St. Peter's Staff

Rev. Paul Kirchner
Interim Pastor

Dorothy Bowman
Organist and Choir Director

Congregation Council :
(*Executive Committee)

***Sandra Post**

President

***Terrell Wiggins**

Vice-President/Security

***Debbie Foster**

Secretary/Worship & Music

Kenneth Brand

Property

Sarah Brandes

Christian Education

Cody Foil

Stewardship/Finance

Pat McDonald

Gathering Place coordinator

Jarrett Yendrey

Outreach

Wyatt Ball

Youth Representative



Making a joyful noise during the sending hymn on contemporary Sundays.



Lighting First Advent candle on First Sunday in Advent 11-30-25, by the Tislow Family.



Every LAST Sunday of the month, we collect a NOISY offering which goes to a designated entity chosen by our youth.

Packing commodities for our local Goliad County food banks involves everyone!



Youth messages from Pastor Paul are always meaningful—especially when there's candy involved!



Christmas



A time for giving and of great joy,
as we celebrate the birth of a little baby boy.



One who was born in Bethlehem, so very long ago,
a gift from God, for all the world to know.

An angel proclaimed His birth to shepherds in a field,
they found the baby in a manger: a promise was fulfilled.
A promise made by God



that a Savior would come into the world,

To save us all from sin, the child of a virgin girl



The child became a man, the greatest who ever lived.

He lived a perfect, sinless life, and to us new life He gives.

He was born to die, He paid the price for our sins.

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth,



Peace and goodwill toward men.

Luke 2:10-11

And the angel said unto them, Fear not: for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy,
which shall be to all people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour,
which is Christ the Lord.



Thank you, St. Peter's Lutheran Church for your generous gift of \$79.56 to ministries of the ELCA through ELCA Good Gifts. With gratitude,

Rachel Wind
Executive for Development



Dear St. Peter's Lutheran Church,
Thank you for your gift of 41,575.00 to ELCA World Hunger. Thank you for your generous gifts.
With Gratitude,
Daniel Rift
Director, Congregational Generosity



St. Peter's celebrated Thankoffering Sunday, November 23, 2025, which initially started years ago celebrating bold women throughout the church. Carol Semper, treasurer/vice president of the Bluebonnet conference gave the sermon.

What a perfect Sunday to celebrate bold women because the State Champion Goliad Tigerette volleyball team, along with coaches Jess Odem and Lindsey Youngblood were introduced and celebrated. After the service, the team took photos and everyone enjoyed cake in the Tigerette's honor. Special thanks to





Happy Anniversary



December 9, 2006 Leo & Greta Henke

December 10, 1971 Ray & Kathy Albrecht

December 10, 2016 Tyler & Megan Tislow

December 19, 1992 Brent & Terri Lynn Dornburg

December 20, 2008 W.A. & Vickie Wimberly

December



HAPPY BIRTHDAY
JESUS AND...



12-1 Laura Rogers	12-25 JESUS
12-6 Brian Willms	12-25 Wanda Schendel
12-7 Delbert McCullough	12-26 Wylie Tislow
12-17 Barrett Irwin	12-26 Vickie Wimberly
12-18 Kora Brandes	12-27 Ryan Klinkerman
12-20 Allison Ball	12-27 Tracer Schendel
12-23 Brynnley Bates	12-28 Luke Taylor
12-24 Brent Dornburg	12-29 Tuffy Dornburg

Joyce Baecker—friend of community
Terra Brand - Terrell Wiggins' niece
Casey Brown - friend of the Tislows
Joyce Foster - grandmother of Shelby Foster
Ainsley Garza - friend of the DeForests
***Barry Geary**-church family member (homebound)
Richard Gisler—father of Vickie Wimberly
Rebecca Graves - friend of Alvin & Arlene DeForest
***Eric & Linnea Griffith** - assoc. members
Kohen Hattenbach - niece of Tyler and Megan Tislow
Dale Henderson - Margaret Luker's dad
Sandra Hoff - former member
Patsy Hudson - Brenda Bade's niece
Family of Kurt Jacob-Janet Garcia's brother
Terry Karnei - brother of Glenn Karnei
Allen & Ruby Jank-church family members



Maureen Ladeairus – mother of Regina Calhoun
Jo Nell Martin - friend of Debbie Foster & the community
Glen Miller - Brenda Bade's brother-in-law
Mike Moseley - Margaret Luker's cousin
Robert Parkinson - Wendi Yendrey's father
Christ Paulsgrove - friend of the community
Pauline Pollard - Karie Wimberly's grandmother
Keith Poppert - brother-in-law of Ina & Alvin
Sara - niece of Eva Griffith
Danny Salazar
Kenneth Sanders - Sandy's Brother

Stephanie Sturm - granddaughter of Geraldine
Rose Trevino—friend of Jamie Friedrichs
Dusty Tullos - cousin of Margaret Luker
Victor Vargas - nephew of Alyssa (Luke Abrameit's wife)
Jordan Wise - friend of the Wimberlys
Buddy Young - friend of the community

REMEMBER TO CONTACT
 Sandra Post by email stpetesander@gmail.com, or by texting or calling her at 361-649-5127 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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December Ministry Leaders



Altar Guild:
Sandra Post



Ushers:
12-7 Jarrett, Addison
12-14 Jarrett, Addison
12-21 Jarrett, Addison
12-24 Kenneth, Clayton, Gerald, Paul
12-28 Aldon Bade, Cody Foil

Offering Counters:
Brenda Bade
Ina DeForest

Greeters:
12-7 Wendi, Ainsley
12-14 Wendi, Ainsley
12-21 Wendi, Ainsley

12-24 Yendrey family
12-28 Yendrey family



