

## **IN TOUCH** with St. Peter's . . . Sharing Our Ministry with You

**December 9 & 10, 2017**

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### ***THIS WEEK AT ST. PETER'S:***

Sunday, December 10, 8:00 and 10:45, worship, (Baptism Confirmation project presentations) SPY Cookie walk, 9:30, St. Peter's, SS and Adult Bible Class, 10:45 Baptism of Ashlie Cleaver, 1:00 SPY basketball game.

Monday, December 11, 5:30 Outreach, LWG 1 class, 6:30-8:30 Lower Level.

Tuesday, December 12, 10:00-11:30, Tuesday Bible Class, 7:30 Missions.

Wednesday, December 13, NOON and 7:00 Advent 3, 6:00 Connect/Confirmation, 7:30 Preschool Committee. Connect Hasty Building service at 6:00 and will sing at 7:00 Advent.

Thursday, December 14, Noon Kiwanis, 6:30 Luther Class, LL

Friday, December 15, Pastor's Day off, 5:30 Clark/Feldhaus Rehearsal.

Saturday, December 16, 2:30 Clark/Feldhaus wedding 5:30 Saturday Worship with Communion. HH4U ornaments.

"Baptized in your name most holy.....I claim a place most holy." The LORD bless Ashlie Cleaver as she is brought into the Kingdom of God through the gift of Baptism today.

**United in Holy Matrimony; Andrew Clark and Molly Feldhaus, this Saturday, December 16 at 2:30.**

**"For this reason a man will leave his father and mother and be united to his wife."**

\*\*\*\*Blessings to our 8<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup> grade confirmations students as they present their Baptism projects at both services; Makayla Fleming, Cameron Smith, and Aiden Farmer.

### **CHRISTMAS LOVE AND GIFTS FOR OTHERS: How you can serve/give during this 'Holy' time;**

- 1. Helping Hands Offering, Worship Service Dec. 17 for Christmas gift baskets.**
- 2. Christmas Gifts by Kyrie, take a tag, bring back wrapped age appropriate gifts by 12/10.**
- 3. Military Donations, box in the narthex, see specific gift list in the newsletter.**
- 4. Hearts and Hope for Uganda, 12/16-12/17 Christmas ornaments donations.**
- 5. Christmas Poinsettias, watch the lower bulletin board to adorn our church.**

### **UP COMING EVENTS:**

**\*\*SPY Cookie Walk today, December 10, between services.**

**\*\*Weekday 'Advent' Services continue this Wednesday, December 13 at Noon and 7:00.**

**\*\*St. Peter's Children's Christmas program next Sunday, 12/17 during the 10:45 service.**

**\*\*SPY Basketball plays today at Grace Church in Morton at 1:00.**

2017 Advent Worship: "Together in Advent." As we prepare ourselves to exchange and receive gifts, this Advent we will focus on giving rather than receiving through these Advent worships;

Advent Wednesday worship services are at Noon and 7:00 and usually last 30 minutes.

\*\*Wednesday, December 13, "Share Joy," Zephaniah 3:14-20

YOU ARE INVITED to the Camp CILCA Annual Banquet from 5pm-8 on January 28, 2018 at the fellowship hall of Our Savior's Lutheran Church in Springfield. The evening includes musical entertainment, dinner, and guest presenter Rev. Dr. Joel Heck who will speak about the importance of Creation for Christian faith and life. Tickets are \$40 and can be purchased from the camp office at 217-415-2311 or [camp@cilca.org](mailto:camp@cilca.org). Child care will also be available for \$5. (Pastor Mews and Dave Belvery are attending)

**KYRIE will be assembling Christmas baskets in December. If you know of anyone or a family in need of a Christmas basket this year, please notify Pastor Mews or the church office by December 10<sup>th</sup>. Thank you.**



Time to order your Christmas Poinsettia. \$13.00 each, red only, from Beck's you can give payments to Joy Williams. Please bring gloves, mittens & scarves to decorate the tree. Let's keep someone warm this winter. Thanks Joy.

**The church will be placing an order for Study Bibles in December. They are \$40 if you would like to purchase one. Let the office know. Thanks**

Remember to call the church office to reserve the facility for parties, showers etc. Thank you.

**Men's Club will stop meeting for the winter. They will resume meeting in March of 2018.**

**\*\*WINTER ADULT BIBLE STUDIES:**

**SUNDAY A.M.,** This Sunday, 12/10, we continue our Bible Study over *The Book of Acts*. We meet 9:30-10:30 in The LOWER LEVEL--ALL are welcome!

**\*\*TUESDAY MORNING BIBLE CLASS:** Class this Tuesday, 12/12, Classes gather in the lower level from 10:00-11:30, with its study over "The Book of Isaiah." This week chapter 51.

**\*\*THURSDAY NIGHT "IN DEPTH" BIBLE STUDY:** "True Faith in the True God!" This class discusses Luther's theology of The Reformation in depth! This class gathers in the lower level. And we will meet this Thursday, December 14 at 6:30.

**++FALL LIFE WITH GOD 1, (LWG 1)** Continues to gather each Monday, this Monday, 12/11 bring your favorite snack to share. We gather in the Lower Level.

**YOUTH AND FAMILY:**

1. *Weekday School/Confirmation is now called "Connect," it gathers every Wednesday at 6:00. If you have a child from the 3<sup>rd</sup> grade to the 8<sup>th</sup> grade and are interested, call the Church office or Pastor Mews.*
2. **Connect is gathering items for military ministry. There is a list/box in the Lower Narthex.**
3. **Connect will be leading a service at the Hasty Building on 12/13, then singing at the Advent Service at 7:00.**

**MISSIONS/KYRIE "HEARTS AND HOPE FOR UGANDA (HH4U)**

1. **We are beginning to collect age specific "TOYS." Get a child tag on the poster in the lower narthex area.**
2. **Donations will be received for Christmas Tree ornaments for HH4U at next weekend's worship services.**
3. **Remember to bring in your aluminum cans for recycling.**

Please keep the church office updated with loved ones who are on the prayer list. They will stay on the list for 3 weeks unless we are notified otherwise. Thank you.

**KEEP THOSE HOSPITALIZED OR WITH IMMEDIATE MEDICAL NEEDS IN OUR PRAYERS:**

Judy Stromlund, Gloria Burton, Eldon Schoedel, Wayne & Shirley Morris, Ron Ragon testing, Lori Gunther, Pat Quitschau, Tracy Turner, Marnie Dick, Mike Sutton, Helen Nelson, Teriann Shrum friend of Karen Visocky, Tom Magarity Pat Magarity's brother, Mary Kuske sister of Sally Rajkowski, Nancy Noe, Dave brother of Julie Parlier, Tony Walker father of Ashley Walker, Mark Feldhaus, Elva Kowalski, Kristin Anderson and unborn baby girl-high risk pregnancy, Paul Foster's cousin, Mary Beth Terrant cancer testing & Paul Foster's Aunt, Dolly David recovering from a fall, Pam Nelson, Debbie Inman, Sharon Libolt.

Pray and remember those homebound, hospitalized/having surgery/testing this week; Pam Nelson, Hip replacement- OSF, Elva Kowalski; Proctor rehab- Pneumonia, Sharon Libolt, knee replacement-, Methodist, Debbie Inman knee surgery PCH, Blessings to the family of John Cunefare who unexpectedly was called to his eternal home on Monday, December 4.

*John Cunefare: Visitation, Tues. Dec. 12<sup>th</sup> 5-7 at Dieters. Funeral, Wed. Dec. 13<sup>th</sup> 10am at Dieters.*

**FOR THOSE IN THE MILITARY AND THOSE SERVING IN HARM'S WAY!**

Andrew Benedict, Jereme Martin, Brady Martin, Dalton Belcher (deployed), Jacob Brandt (deployed Japan), Joe & Jake Gunther, Michael Lewis, Roger & David Masters, Trent Barron, Doug and Delia Gardner, Lauren Tranchitella.

**Attendance and Comparison for the First Week of December**

SERVICE	2017	2016
Saturday	37	21
8:00	62	65
10:45	63	43