



IN TOUCH with St. Peter's . . . Sharing Our Ministry with You
January 27 & 28, 2018

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THIS WEEK AT ST. PETER'S:

Sunday, January 28, 8:00 and 10:45 worship, 9:30 SS and adult Bible Class, 1:00 St. Peter's Annual Basketball Tournament here.

Monday, January 29, 6:30-8:30, New, Life with God 1

Tuesday, January 30, 10:00-11:30 Bible Class.

Wednesday, January 31, 6:00-7:30, Connect/Confirmation, 7:30 Conf. Parents' Meeting.

Thursday, February 1, NOON Kiwanis, 6:00 New Financial Peace University, ABC room, 6:30 Law and Gospel Class Lower Level (LL)

Friday, February 2, Pastor's day off.

Saturday, February 3, 5:30 Saturday Worship with Communion.

WELCOME TO ALL WHO ARE WORSHIPPING WITH US DURING OUR 2018 ST. PETER'S BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT! We're glad you're here with us in The House of the Lord!

PENNIES FOR LIFE: This will be the last week we collect 1 penny for each year of age you are after each worship service in the plastic "Pennies for Life" jar.

*****TOWN HALL MEETINGS: "We are the body of Christ!" Coming soon, we need your input, during the months of February and March, we would like to meet with all members Confirmation Age and older and hear about your desires for our ministry and future growth. WATCH FOR FURTHER INFO!***

2017 Contribution Statement\$ are available in alphabetical order on the table in the lower narthex. They are directly near the offering envelopes there.

UP COMING EVENTS:

*****Today, SPY Basketball Championship games, here, beginning at 1:00.***

*****February Newsletters have been sent out and extra copies located in the lower narthex.***

*****Ash Wednesday Communion and impositions of ashes, Wed. February 14, noon and 7:00.***

*****Ash Wednesday/Valentines' Day Italian dinner, Wednesday, February 14 from 5:30-7:00 to Support Hearts/Hope for Uganda and Shelby Catton's going there this summer.***

*****TOWN HALL MEETINGS throughout February and March, Watch for information.***

MARK YOUR CALENDARS: New Easter Worship Schedule:

6:30, Sunrise Communion Service.

8:45, Traditional Easter Service.

11:00, Informal Easter Service with praise band.

JANUARY SERMONS: January sermons highlight the joyous news that the Savior came for all. During this month the church recognizes the Epiphany, the Baptism of our Lord, our Lord being Transfigured showing Himself to be divine and The Septuagesima signaling that an early call to repentance as Easter is less than 70 days away.

Sunday, January 28, Septuagesima, Matthew 20:1-16, "Early Warning System."

What if you could be debt-free with an emergency fund of 3-6 months of expenses saved, all while investing for retirement and planning for your family's future? Sound impossible? It's not! With Dave Ramsey's class Financial Peace University, you CAN take control of your money. If you're interested in learning more about the class please call the church office or visit the Dave Ramsey website, because we're offering it at St. Peter's just for you starting February 1st at 6:00pm.

The Preschool Committee is happy to announce that:

'Applications are now being taken for children turning 4 years old on or before September 1st, 2018 for the new St. Peter's Preschool opening in September 2018. If you are interested in enrolling your child/children please email stpeterspreschool.epil@gmail.com'

Applications are also being taken for a Director/Teacher and Assistant Teacher.

We have had 2 volunteer's to help Lynne Sopher with baptismal banners. Thank you Karen Visocky & Carol Swem.

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 3rd grade to the 8th grade and are interested, call the Church office or Pastor Mews.*
2. **Connect/Conf. parents' meeting, Wed., January 31 at 7:30 in the Lower Level.**

The staff and children of Connect traveled over to the The General Wayne A. Downing Home for Veterans in Peoria on Wednesday, January 17th, to deliver donated items for the veterans who live there. We took over a whole truck load of the requested items. They treated us to a tour and information on how the home operates. This service project was extremely rewarding for the children and staff, and we look forward to a continued relationship with this group.

MATURING DISCIPLES:

****WINTER ADULT BIBLE STUDIES:**

SUNDAY A.M., This Sunday, 1/28, Bible Study over **The Book of Acts.** We meet 9:30-10:30 in The LOWER LEVEL, Today, Acts, chapter 9. ALL are welcome!

****TUESDAY MORNING BIBLE CLASS:** Continues on January 30, Classes gather in the lower level from 10:00-11:30, with its study over "**The Book of Isaiah.**" This week chapter 55.

****THURSDAY NIGHT "IN DEPTH" BIBLE STUDY:** CFW. Walther's "**Law and Gospel,**" a book which clearly illuminates the Scripture. All are welcome and you need to bring nothing.

++NEW WINTER "Luther's Small Catechism" LIFE WITH GOD 1, (LWG 1) has begun with 10 members, the class is now closed and gathers on Mondays, from 6:30-8:30, we will be using The 2018 New Luther's Small Catechism. We gather in the Lower Level. LL.

++NEW FINANCIAL PEACE UNIVERSITY begins on Thursday, February 1, contact the church office for registration information.

YOUTH AND FAMILY:

3. **Connect/Conf. parents' meeting, Wed., January 31 at 7:30 in the Lower Level.**
4. **Connect/Conf. students will be going to Lutheran Hillside Village on 2/7.**

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

1. **Remember to bring in your aluminum cans for recycling.**
2. **LOVE PACKAGES: Missions is collecting used Bibles and used Christian materials to send to Love packages. A box is located in the narthex to collect these items.**
3. **Mark your calendar; Valentines'/Ash Wednesday Meal, 5:30-7:00.**

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 Morris, Lori Gunther, Pat Quitschau, Tracy Turner Tom Magnusson's sister, Mike Sutton, Tom Magarity Pat Magarity's brother, Dave brother of Julie Parlier, Tony Walker father of Ashley Walker, Sharon Libolt, Richard & Judy Kaps, Michelle Gard, Kayleigh Lopez, Cindy Parrot daughter of Bonny Parrott breast cancer, Ron Swords, Marj Dodson knee replacement, Jean Brown friend of Fern Hudson.

Pray and remember those homebound, hospitalized/having surgery/testing this week; Hip replacement- Sharon Libolt, knee replacement at home, Millie Brooksbank at Pekin Manor, Marj Dodson, at home recovering from knee replacement., Cindy Parrott, cancer testing at OSF.

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 Third Week of January

SERVICE	2018	2017
Saturday	42	17
8:00	60	70
10:45	73	79
Total	175	166