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**IN TOUCH** with St. Peter's . . . Sharing Our Ministry with You  
**January 6 & 7, 2018**

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

Sunday, January 7, 8:00 and 10:45 worship, 9:30 SS and adult Bible Class, 1:00 Spy Basketball at Grace, Morton.

Monday, January 8,

Tuesday, January 9, 10:00-11:30 Bible Class, Noon Pastor at Christ, Peoria Pastor's meeting, 6:00 Education and 7:30 Missions.

Wednesday, January 10, 5:00 Connect Leader's, 6:00 Connect/Confirmation, 6:30 Preschool.

Thursday, January 11, NOON Kiwanis, 6:30 Law and Gospel Class Lower Level (LL)

Friday, January 12, Pastor's day off.

Saturday, January 13, 5:30 Saturday Worship with Communion and Baptism of Kyler Munday.



***"BAPTIZED INTO YOUR NAME MOST HOLY!"*** Blessings to Maxton Lee Martin the son of Brady and Whitney Martin, as he will become a member of God's family at the 5:30 service.

Sponsors are; Jereme Martin & Jamie Blakeley.

The Altar flowers are from Brady & Whitney Martin in celebration of Maxton's baptism.

**UP COMING EVENTS:**

**\*\*JANUARY NEWSLETTERS ARE AVAILABLE through email or downstairs.**

**\*\*1/7, SPY Basketball, 1:00 at Grace, Morton**

**\*\*1/14, 9:20-10:00 2017 New Member Breakfast.**

**\*\*1/15, New Life with God begins over Luther's Small Catechism, 6:30-8:30.**

**\*\*1/26-1/28, St. Peter's Annual Basketball Tournament.**

**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 7, Baptism of the Lord, 1 Cor. 1:26-31, "Baptismal Boasting."**

**Sunday, January 14, 2<sup>ND</sup> Sunday after Epiphany, Ex. 33:12-23, "God's Will, A Covering of His Hands."**

**Sunday, January 21, Transfiguration, 2 Peter 1:16-21, "The Spirit is the Prophet's Power."**

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

\*\*As God's Word directs us, each communicant in examining themselves is to ask themselves these three questions:

\*Have I confessed and repented of my sins?

\*Do I believe that in this Sacrament, I'm actually receiving Christ's body and blood for the forgiveness of my sins? Will I, with the Lord's help, amend my sinful life?

\*ST. PETER'S IS CURRENTLY RECRUITING TECH people for our computer to assist with Saturday, P.M. worship and Sunday, 10:45 worship.

**PICK UP AND SIGN UP:**

1. SIGN UP FOR 2018 ALTAR FLOWERS, A NEW calendar has been placed up in the lower gallery.

2. **Offering Envelopes are in the front part of the Multi Purpose Room.**

3. **Winter January-March Portals of Prayer.**

***Lisa and I would like to thank everyone for you kind cards, gifts and words shared during the joyous season of Christmas. It's a joy to serve you as this past Advent them was "Together in Advent."***

If anyone has old Christmas cards, old buttons, or plastic ball shaped Christmas ornaments they want to get rid of, bag them up and bring them to church and put Lisa Mews name on it! Thanks.

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

**2018 Usher Schedules are available. They are on the table in the gallery.**

### **MATURING DISCIPLES:**

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

**SUNDAY A.M.,** This Sunday, 1/7, Bible Study over ***The Book of Acts.*** We meet 9:30-10:30 in The LOWER LEVEL, Today, Acts, chapter 7-8. ALL are welcome!

**\*\*TUESDAY MORNING BIBLE CLASS:** Classes resume, January 9, Classes gather in the lower level from 10:00-11:30, with its study over "The Book of Isaiah."

**\*\*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)** will begin on Monday, January 15 from 6:30-8:30, we will be using The New Luther's Small Catechism, NEW WINTER BLUE LIFE WITH GOD FORMS over the Small Catechism are ready!

### **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. We resume classes on Wednesday, January 10.*
2. *Leader's Meeting with meal, January 10 at 5:00 with a meal in the ABC room. .*
3. **Connect is gathering items for military ministry. There is a list/box in the Lower Narthex.**
4. **Connect/Conf. resume on January 10 at 6:00.**
5. **Leader's meeting on Wednesday, January 10 at 5:00 with a meal in the ABC room.**

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

1. **Remember to bring in your aluminum cans for recycling.**
2. **Thanks for your Christmas Tree ornament donations, over \$153 was raised to support Shelby Catton's trip there next summer in support of HH4U ministry.**

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, Lori Gunther, Pat Quitschau, Tracy Turner Tom Magnusson's sister, Marnie Dick, Mike Sutton, Helen Nelson, Teriann Shrum friend of Karen Visocky, Tom Magarity Pat Magarity's brother, Dave brother of Julie Parlier, Tony Walker father of Ashley Walker, Don Theobald, Sharon Libolt, Mark Hunt brother in law of Mary Hoffman, Elizabeth Ragland mother of Ruth Arms, Jennifer Nimmo, Richard & Judy Kaps, Jerry Curry father of Brad open heart surgery.

Pray and remember those homebound, hospitalized/having surgery/testing this week; Don Theobald now home, Wayne Morris at Hallmark in Pekin, Sharon Libolt recovering at home, Millie Brooksbank at Proctor.

### **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 Last Week of December**

SERVICE	2017	2016
Saturday	21	No Service
8:00	30	One Combined
10:45	27	Service – 58 Attd