

**WEEKLY PARISH PUBLISHER**  
**February 10 – February 17, 2019**

**ST. PETER LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
**NORWALK, OHIO**

**THIS WEEK'S WORSHIP NOTES**

**THE FLOWERS**

The altar flowers are given to the glory of God by Ed and Kathy McClendon in honor of their 48<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary on February 13<sup>th</sup>. Happy Anniversary!!

**IN OUR PRAYERS**

In our prayers today we remember Trinity Lutheran Seminary in Columbus, their faculty, staff, and students, and their president Kathryn Kleinhaus.

**UPCOMING WORSHIP**

**GIDEONS IN WORSHIP**

A representative of Gideons International will be with us in worship on February 23-24. A special offering will be taken for the ministry of this group. Please contribute as you are able.

**ASH WEDNESDAY**

Ash Wednesday is March 6. There will be three opportunities for Imposition of Ashes and Holy Communion: a brief service at 7 am; noon; and 7 pm. Pastor Ann encourages you to begin thinking about a Lenten discipline—perhaps something to do with reading Scripture.

**2019 YEAR OF SCRIPTURE**

Northwestern Ohio Bishop Daniel Beaudoin has designated 2019 as the Year of Scripture. He is encouraging all members of our synod to join together in a Read Through the Bible in a Year initiative. Our memory verse is Psalm 119:105 *"Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path."*

**OUTREACH NEWS**

**RANDOM ACTS OF KINDNESS MONTH**

"Kindness is choosing love over hate, light over darkness, compassion over judgement." During the month of February, the Concerns committee is inviting you to participate in performing acts of random kindness. Each week we will list several acts of kindness and we will invite you to check out the display in the Gathering Space for inspiration, a list of ideas, and resources. Today's ideas are acts of kindness where you don't know the receiver

1. Leave change on a vending machine, gumball machine, or washer at a laundromat
2. Pay the bill for the person behind you in a drive-thru
3. Pay for someone's morning coffee behind you in line
4. Donate items to the Blessing Box, Food Bank or the Humane Society
5. Leave notes of encouragement or kindness rocks for strangers to find.

Let's make this world a little better by spreading kindness throughout our community!

**LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF**

Once again, we are in need of hand towels, bars of soap, and baby socks for our baby kits. Please place the items in the basket by the elevator. Thank you for all your support!

**CHURCH NEWS**

**FELLOWSHIP BREAKFAST TODAY**

Join us in the narthex for a continental breakfast and conversation following both Sunday worship services.

**2019 CHURCH COUNCIL MEMBERS**

Please welcome our 2019 Church Council:

David Deehr – President  
Nick Wenzel – Vice President  
Melissa Carpenter – Financial Secretary  
Amy Parcher – Treasurer  
Amanda Hass – Secretary

Scott Smith, John Bauer, Eric Yetter, Tim Willer, Lauren Yeagle, Nicole Skinn, Renee Zubler, Ed Wagner and Paul Hiszem.

**THANK YOU**

The Boy Scouts would like to thank everyone who came out and made their pancake breakfast success. Your thoughtfulness and generosity are greatly appreciated!

**READ THROUGH THE BIBLE**

It's not too late to join us in reading through the Bible. Pick up a schedule on the table by the office or get a copy off the synod website: [nwos-elca.church](http://nwos-elca.church). Simply start with today--no requirement to "catch up." Or find another Bible reading program at [biblegateway.com](http://biblegateway.com). Many study Bibles also have reading plans included. Delve into Scripture and see how the Holy Spirit might speak to you.

**STEWARDSHIP**

The book of Acts is filled with stories of the members of the early church who were highly invested in their community, both physically and spiritually. The leaders of that time, being filled with the Holy Spirit, distributed freely given resources to those in need as necessary. (Acts 2:44-47) These narratives (book of Acts) remind us there is a way of being a community (church family) that can result in sharing our lives and livelihoods with gladness and generous hearts, being fulfilled in return. How has the Holy Spirit filled your heart? Are you able to care for others with your tithes and physical help to your community (St. Pete)?

**CDNS REGISTRATION**

It is that time of year. Christian Day Nursery School Enrollment for the 2019-2020 school year is now open for all families. Enrollment forms are available at the CDNS office and on our website.

## YOUTH GROUP NEWS

If your youth is planning on attending either Lakeside or National Youth Gathering, please sign up at the Youth Board. Thank you!

## MONTHLY REPORTS

You will find all the year-to-date monthly reports in the narthex. This will include committees, council, CDNS and financial reports.

## HOSPITAL VISITS

If you or a loved one are in the hospital and want the pastor to visit you, call the church office or the pastor's cell phone (419-602-9405). Please do not rely on the hospital to notify her.

## ONE CALL TEXT ALERTS

Our One Call Alert system has an option to send you a text message for notifications. First, you must have your cell phone listed as a contact number in our One Call list. To initiate the text option, send a text with the word "ALERT" to 22300. Once you do this, you will receive text alerts. If you have any questions or need to add your cell phone, contact the church office.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### CDNS CHILI COOKOFF

The annual CDNS Chili Cookoff fundraiser is scheduled for Sunday, March 3 at noon. More information will be forthcoming, but mark your calendars now.

### MEN'S SPRING RETREAT

MEN! Set your calendars to April 13, 2019 for our inaugural Men's Day at St. Pete. We are planning on a day's worth of information, prayer and Christian brotherhood for all who attend. We will have informative sessions on men's medical issues, how to protect yourself and loved ones (*presented by the Norwalk Police Dept.*), bible study and an in depth look at your relationship with the Triune God plus food, laughs and just a good time. So that we can plan on food and snacks, we will need to have a head count. If you think you would attend please contact Ed Wagner (419.541.8570) or Dave Deehr (419.681.4467) so we can plan accordingly.

## CALENDAR

### SUNDAY – FEBRUARY 10

**\*Fellowship Continental Breakfast\* (after each service)**

8:00 a.m. Holy Communion – Sanctuary  
9:15 a.m. Sunday School  
10:30 a.m. Holy Communion - Sanctuary  
1:00 p.m. N.A. – Youth Room  
4:00 p.m. Confirmation Class – Fellowship Hall

### MONDAY – FEBRUARY 11

6:30 p.m. Boy Scouts – Fellowship Hall  
7:00 p.m. Executive Committee – Room 206  
7:00 p.m. N.A. – Youth Room

### TUESDAY – FEBRUARY 12

6:00 p.m. Cub Scouts – Fellowship Hall  
6:15 p.m. Bells – Room 206  
7:30 p.m. Senior Choir – Balcony

### WEDNESDAY – FEBRUARY 13

### THURSDAY – FEBRUARY 14

7:00 p.m. Church Council – Room 206

### FRIDAY – FEBRUARY 15

4:30 p.m. Daisy Troop – Fellowship Hall  
7:00 p.m. N.A. – Youth Room

### SATURDAY – FEBRUARY 16

5:30 p.m. Holy Communion - Chapel

### NEXT SUNDAY – FEBRUARY 17

**\*Name Tag Sunday\***

8:00 a.m. Holy Communion – Sanctuary  
9:15 a.m. Sunday School  
10:30 a.m. Holy Communion - Sanctuary  
1:00 p.m. N.A. – Youth Room  
6:30 p.m. Boy Scouts Committee – Room 206

*Announcements are due by noon on Wednesday.  
Room assignments are made by Pastor Ann and Marty*

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#### Worship Schedule

Saturday 5:30 p.m.  
Sunday 8:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.

The 10:30 Sunday Service is always broadcast live on WLKR 95.3 or livestream at [wlkr.northcoastnow.com](http://wlkr.northcoastnow.com)