

**THIS WEEK'S WORSHIP NOTES**

**IN OUR PRAYERS**

In our prayers today we remember St. John Lutheran Church in Union Corners and their pastor Stacy Lauer.

**THE FLOWERS**

The altar flowers are given in by Cathe Ritz in loving memory of her parents John and Grace Lower.

**UPCOMING WORSHIP**

**LENT THEME**

Our theme for Lent 2020 is **Change**. Midweek worship services and Sunday gospels will focus on the ways that lives change and how God is present and active in those changes – whether such changes are joyful or painful.

**LENT MIDWEEK WORSHIP**

Lent midweek worship continues this week on Wednesday, March 11 at noon and 7 pm. Services will be held in the Fellowship Hall, using a "dinner church" format. "Dinner Church" is a casual form of worship that incorporates worship, eating, and table conversations. This week's theme is **Change of Circumstances**.

**LENT LUNCH/SNACK VOLUNTEERS**

Thanks to everyone who signed up to provide food for our Lenten Wednesday worship services. Lunches are covered for the rest of the season, but we still need snack providers for March 18 and April 1. Please sign up if you can help.

**EASTER LILIES**

Order your Easter lilies now, using the insert. Or make a donation to a food charity in lieu of flowers. Orders and payments are due by March 30.

**YOUTH GROUP**

**YOUTH WORSHIP LEADERS**

During the Month of March, the Middle School and High School youth groups will be filling the worship leaders' roles during the 8 am and 10:30 am church services. Youth: there is a sign-up sheet on the youth bulletin board, and you can see Nick Wenzel if you have any questions. This is our turn to give back to our church, so please make sure you sign up.

**RUMMAGE SALE**

As Spring is approaching, it is that time of year to do a little spring cleaning. Of course, that means having a place to take all of your stuff. The Youth Group would love to help you out with that. On April 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup>, the Youth Group will be holding a Spring Rummage Sale. We are looking for all kinds of items from clothes to furniture to household items to tools. Please no outdated electronics or fabric covered furniture. Items can be put on the stage in the Fellowship Hall starting Sunday, March 29. If you have any questions, please contact Nick Wenzel (937) 422-8317

**WOMEN'S NEWS**

**WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY**

We will meet on Thursday March 26 at 6:30 pm at Vickie Hemenway's. Vickie's address is 191 W. Main St, Norwalk. We will continue the bible study from the February edition of the Gather magazine. Copies of the study are on the Women's table. All are welcome.

**WOMEN'S SPRING GATHERING**

Mark your calendar, the Eastern Conference of the Women's of the ELCA will have their Spring Gathering April 25 at St. John Lutheran Church in Fremont. The theme for the day is "Just Love". More information is coming.

**SOUP AND SILENT AUCTION**

This year's Soup Lunch is March 22 from 11:00-1:00 pm. The Women of St. Peter are hosting. The proceeds will be used for Quilt batting, LWR kits, and other women's projects. We are still in need of volunteers to help with set-up on Saturday, March 21 10:00-12:00 and Sunday (various shifts). Donations to the Silent Auction would be greatly appreciated. Look for sign-up sheets in the Gathering Space by the Women's table.

The menu will include All you can eat homemade soup, assorted breads, cake buffet, and drink. Tickets will be \$5.00, children under 5 are free. Tickets will be on sale March 14 & 15 after services and at the door. Please contact Vickie Hemenway 419-663-4011 for any questions.

**CHURCH NEWS**

**MARCH IS YOUTH MONTH**

The Church Council has approved March to be "Youth Month," when we are inviting congregation members to make special donations to the youth ministry of our church. "Youth Month" is in lieu of multiple fund-raisers that we have often done in the past. Your donations to the youth will be used for a variety of activities, including the annual Lakeside trip and next year's ELCA Youth Gathering in Minneapolis. THANK YOU for your generous support to our youth! Be sure to mark your donation "Youth."

**2020 CHURCH DIRECTORY**

The 2020 Church Directory is now available! Copies are on the table in the narthex. If you had a photo taken, a directory is reserved for you and marked with your name. Extra copies are available on a first come, first serve basis. The Directory Team would like to thank everyone who participated in photos and submitted information for the new directory. We also would like to thank Darrell Moll for providing photography services!

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

**FIRST COMMUNION CLASS**

A class for first communicants will be held on Saturday, April 18 at 9am. First communion will be celebrated on Sunday April 19 at both services. All 4<sup>th</sup> graders should plan to attend, as well as any older children who are not yet communing. Please contact the church office to register for class.

In addition, Pastor Ann invites parents to consider if their 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, or 3<sup>rd</sup> grader might be ready to receive communion. Holy Communion, after all, is a gift from God (like baptism) and is taken in faith. Jesus commends the faith of children as a model for adults. Scripture tells us that God can act on our hearts at any age. Therefore, if parents feel that their child is ready to receive communion, they are also welcomed to send that child to the First Communion class on April 18. If parents have questions about "readiness," please talk with Pastor Ann. PLEASE contact the church office to register for the class so that we have sufficient materials for all.

## FELLOWSHIP

*Take me out to the ballgame!* We will be going to an Indian's game on Friday, July 31<sup>st</sup>. Cleveland Indians vs. Chicago White Sox. The game starts at 7:10 pm and tickets are \$35.00 each. The seats are in section 558 between home plate and third base and will be close to the elevator. It is also Fireworks and dollar dog night! A sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board.

## UPCOMING COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Anyone is welcome to join our Standing Committees. Just come to the next meeting!

March 23 @ 6:30 pm: Evangelism

April 2 @ 7:00 pm: Concerns, Evangelism

Finance, & worship/Music

April 2 @ 7:30 pm: Stewardship, Parish Ed & Property

April 13 @ 6:30 pm: The women of St. Peter

## SCHEDULING

Remember that if you schedule a meeting or event at the church, check with Jennifer to get it on the calendar and get a room assignment.

## LIVING LUTHERAN MAGAZINE

The most recent edition of Living Lutheran is available on the table in the narthex. Pick up your copy before they are all gone! Also available in the narthex are copies of the Christ in Our Home, Portals of Prayer, and The Lutheran Message.

## 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). Do not rely on the hospital to notify her.

## PASTOR ANN'S BLOG

Check out Pastor Ann's blog on St. Peter's website: <https://www.stpeter-elca.org>. You can sign up to follow the blog and new articles will be delivered to your email as soon as they are posted.

## MONTHLY REPORTS

You will find all the year-to-date monthly reports in a binder on the table in the narthex.

## PARKING & CHECK-IN DURING SCHOOL HOURS

For your safety and the safety of our children attending CDNS we ask that if you are coming into the church during school hours (9am-3pm) you check in with the office and tell them where you will be in the building. We need to know who and where any visitors are in the building so they may be notified in case of an emergency.

We also are asking anyone coming to church to park in the parking lot, not under the portico. CDNS needs a "safe zone" in times of an emergency and vehicles parked under the portico block their egress to the safe zones established by our safety plan. Thank you for your cooperation in these matters.

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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) and Facebook Live.

## CALENDAR

### SUNDAY – March 15

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  
2:00 p.m. Kathy Smith 4H group – Fellowship Hall  
6:30 p.m. Boy Scout Committee – RM 206

### MONDAY – March 16

4:00 p.m. Staff meeting – RM 206  
6:30 p.m. Boy Scouts – Fellowship Hall  
7:00 p.m. N.A. – Youth Room  
7:30 p.m. Dart Ball – Home

### TUESDAY – March 17

6:15 p.m. Bell Choir – RM 206  
6:30 p.m. Cub Scouts – Fellowship Hall  
7:30 p.m. Senior Choir - Balcony

### WEDNESDAY – March 18

9:00 a.m. Christian Service Day – Fellowship Hall  
12:00 p.m. Lent Service  
7:00 p.m. Lent Service

### THURSDAY – March 19

6:00 p.m. Girl Scouts – RM 206

### FRIDAY – March 20

4:30 p.m. Daisy Troop – RM 206  
5:30 p.m. NA- Fellowship Hall

### SATURDAY – March 21

12:00 p.m. Church Women set-up – Fellowship Hall  
5:30 p.m. Holy Communion – Chapel

### SUNDAY – March 22

8:00 a.m. Holy Communion – Sanctuary  
9:15 a.m. Sunday School  
10:30 a.m. Holy Communion – Sanctuary  
10:30 a.m. Jr. Choir singing  
11:30 a.m. Homebound & Homecooked meals  
11:30 a.m. Soup fundraiser & Silent Auction – Fellowship Hall  
1:00 p.m. N.A. – Youth Room  
2:00 p.m. Northside Country kids 4h – RM 206 & 204  
4:00 p.m. Confirmation Class- fellowship hall