

St. Peter Lutheran Church
2nd Sunday of Christmas
 January 2, 2022
 Service of Holy Communion

HOSPITAL VISITS

If you are in the hospital and want the pastor to visit, please call the pastor at 419-602-9405. Thank you.

BATTISTE FAMILY CONCERT

The Battiste Family invites you to join us for a concert of song on Sunday, January 9th at 2:30 in the sanctuary. The concert will include a combination of sacred and secular music - solos, duets, and ensemble. This may be the last time all five of us are together in the area and we look forward to sharing the gift of music one more time. This concert will be live streamed on St. Peter Lutheran's Facebook page. We will be accompanied by Tiina Ruffing.

OUTREACH NEWS

MITTEN, SCARF, AND HAT TREE

The Concerns Committee is collecting mittens, gloves, hats and scarves through January 5. Look for the "tree" in the Narthex. Items can be clipped to the tree. These items will be donated to local charities.

FUND FOR NEW MISSION PROJECTS

See a need/outreach opportunity in your neighborhood? Consider applying for a Fund for New Mission Project grant. You can apply for up to \$100 for a one-time mission and \$250 to start a new outreach ministry/program. Remember—the goal is for you to be directly involved in the mission work. Forms are on the table in the narthex.

Newsletter articles are due by 9 am on Wednesdays. Please contact the office to schedule any activities.

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Worship Schedule

Saturday 5:30 pm
 Sunday 8:00 am
 10:30 am
 9:15 am
 Sunday school
September – May

The 10:30 service is broadcast on WLKR 95.3 FM (wlkr.northcoastnow.com) and on Facebook Live).

Prelude

GATHERING

Confession & Forgiveness
 Gathering Song #283
 Greeting
 Christmas Litany
 Prayer of the Day

WORD

Children's Message
 Readings Jeremiah 31:7-14
 Psalm 147:12-20
 Second Reading Ephesians 1:3-14
 Gospel John 1:1-18
 Sermon
 Hymn of the Day #514
 Nicene Creed
 Prayers of Intercession
 Peace & Announcements

MEAL

Offering Song #681
 Offering Prayer
 Great Thanksgiving
 Eucharistic Prayer & Lord's Prayer
 Distribution of Communion
 Communion Songs (Sunday) #510, 295
 Table Blessing
 Prayer after Communion

SENDING

Benediction
 Sending Song #287
 Dismissal

Postlude

SUNDAY-January 2: 2nd Sunday of Christmas

8:00 am Holy Communion
 9:15 am No Sunday School
 10:30 am Holy Communion. FB Live, WLKR 95.3
 1:00 pm NA-Fellowship Hall
 3-5:00 pm Pack 208-Fellowship Hall

MONDAY-January 3

9-3:00 pm CDNS Large Motor-FH
 6:00 pm CDNS Executive Board-Rm 206
 6:00 pm Evangelism Committee-Rm 204
 6:30 pm Troop 208-Fellowship Hall
 7:00 pm NA-Rm. 104

TUESDAY-January 4

7:00 pm Endowment Trust Com.-Rm 206
 7:30 pm Choir-Balcony

WEDNESDAY-January 5

9-3:00 pm CDNS Chapel Time-Chapel

THURSDAY-January 6: Epiphany

6:00 pm Girl Scouts-RM 104
 6:00 pm CDNS Board-Rm 206
 7:00 pm Church Committees-FH
 7:30 pm Church Com/Property Com-Rm 206

FRIDAY-January 7

7:00 pm NA-Fellowship Hall

SATURDAY- January 8

8:00 am Men's Bible Study-Narthex
 9:00 am Walk & Talk-Sofios Park
 10:00 am Prayer Shawl Ministry-Rm 206
 5:30 pm Holy Communion-Sanctuary

SUNDAY-January 9: Epiphany

8:00 am Holy Communion
 9:15 am Sunday School
 10:30 am Holy Communion. FB Live, WLKR 95.3
 1:00 pm NA-Fellowship Hall
 2:30 pm Battiste Family Concert-Sanctuary
 4-6:00 pm Confirmation-Fellowship Hall

THIS WEEK'S WORSHIP NOTES

TODAY'S WORSHIP

Today is the 2nd Sunday of Christmas. Christmas lasts 12 days. It is the span between the birth of Christ and the coming of the Magi, the three wise men. It begins on December 25 (Christmas) and runs through January 6 (Epiphany). Today's service is on Facebook and on WLKR 95.3.

TODAY'S BULLETIN

The bulletin for today's service is available on the St. Peter webpage (stpeter-elca.org). Click on Worship at the top, then Bulletin, then the date.

ALTAR FLOWERS

This weekend's altar flowers are given to the glory of God by Dale Schnetzer in loving memory of Betsey Schnetzer and Louise Snyder in remembrance of their January 1 birthdays.

The 2022 flower calendar is up on the bulletin board in the narthex. You may sign up by calling Kathy or writing your name on the chart. This year the price is \$40.00. You may pick the flowers up before noon on Sundays or on Monday during office hours.

UPCOMING WORSHIP

WORSHIP IN JANUARY

January 6—Epiphany, commemorating the visit of the Magi

January 8-9—Baptism of Our Lord

CHURCH NEWS & UPCOMING EVENTS

WALK & TALK RESUMES

After a December hiatus, the Walk and Talk ministry will resume at 9 am on Saturday, January 8 at 9 am at Sofios Park. We meet at the shelter. Join us as we get some exercise and talk about life and faith issues. All are welcome. Bring a friend.

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

The Prayer Shawl ministry group will meet on Saturday, January 8 at 10 am. All knitters and crocheters are welcome! If you would like to know more, speak with the pastor.

SUNDAY SCHOOL RESUMES

Sunday school for all ages resumes on January 9 at 9:15. Please join us!

ANNUAL REPORTS DUE

If you chair a committee or are head of a ministry, please send your 2021 Annual Report to the church office by January 10. Thank you.

ANNUAL MEETING/LUNCH

Prior to the Annual Meeting on January 23, the Fellowship Committee will provide lunch, following the 10:30 worship. This is NOT a potluck: the committee will prepare all the food. A freewill offering will be taken to defray the costs.

PROPOSED BY-LAW CHANGE

The St. Peter Church Council is proposing a change to our By-laws on which we will vote at the Annual Meeting on January 23. The proposed By-law change pertains to establishing a congregational meeting in November or December to approve the budget for the following year and to elect Church Council members. This change would allow the new budget to be approved before it goes into effect and allow the Council to make committee assignments and elect officers earlier. Per the constitution, a copy of the proposed By-law change is available on the table in the narthex. If you have questions, you can speak with any Council member.

ENDOWMENT FUND SUGGESTIONS

The St. Peter Council invites you to make suggestions for recipients of our 2022 Endowment Trust Fund distributions. In keeping with the language of the purpose of the Endowment Fund, recipient organizations should be faith-based. Forms are on the table in the narthex and are due by January 10. Final decisions are made by the congregation at the Annual Meeting in January.

CHAIR AEROBICS

Chair Aerobics will start Monday, January 3 at 11:30 am-12:30 pm in room 206, for free! Anyone is welcome to join us, come and bring a friend. We will meet Mondays and Wednesdays. Becky Parcher and Kathy Thompson will be leading the classes. Both have a BS in Physical Education and Health. We will spend time getting our heart rates up, stretching and doing some body toning. "Or do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you, which you have from God, and that you are not your own? For you were bought with a price; therefore glorify God in your body." 1 Corinthians 6:19-20

INTERESTED IN JOINING ST. PETER?

Talk with Pastor Ann if you would like to join St. Peter or learn more about our congregation.