

# WEEKLY PARISH PUBLISHER

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# ST. PETER LUTHERAN CHURCH

NORWALK OHIO

## THIS WEEK'S WORSHIP NOTES

### TODAY'S WORSHIP

This is the 14<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost, also known as "ordinary time" because there are no major festivals during the season. The focus of this time is growing in our faith. Both services today will offer Holy Communion.

### TODAY'S SERVICE SCRIPTS

Scripts for both services are available on the St. Peter webpage (stpeter-elca.org). Click on Worship at the top, then Bulletin, then September 6. Make sure you pick the correct service.

### IN OUR PRAYERS

In our prayers today we remember Grace Lutheran Church in Castalia and their pastor Katie Suggitt.

### ALTAR FLOWERS

Today's altar flowers are given to the glory of God by Darlene & Leonard Jenka in celebration of their 48<sup>th</sup> anniversary. Thanks for God's many blessings.

For those who have signed up for future altar flowers, the cost is now \$40. You may pick the flowers up before noon on Sundays or on Monday during office hours.

## UPCOMING WORSHIP

### 9 am WORSHIP IN SEPTEMBER

For the next few weeks, the 9 am service will continue to be outside. Please bring a lawn chair and dress appropriately for the weather or you may stay in your car. In case of bad weather, we will move into the sanctuary, where masks will be required. If we move the service inside, we will post that information by 8 am on our Facebook page and via One Call.

### 10:30 am WORSHIP IN SEPTEMBER

The 10:30 am service will continue to be broadcast on WLKR 93.5 and on Facebook Live. Since it will be a Service of Holy Communion, you are welcome to prepare your own bread and wine at home.

## CHURCH NEWS & UPCOMING EVENTS

### OFFICE CLOSED

The church office is closed on Monday, September 7.

### UPDATED GUIDELINES

At the August Council meeting, guidelines for worship and building use were updated. You can read the latest information on our webpage: stpeter-elca.org.

### SUNDAY SCHOOL

Sunday school will be online from September 13-October 18. You may go to the church website or on Facebook. NEXT SUNDAY, September 13 we will have a Covid-19 Safe Activity for the children outside, from 9:45-10:15 am, weather permitting!

### BIRTHDAY CARD SHOWER

Mildred Woodruff turns 99 on September 14. Please join us in showering her with a parade of birthday cards. Address: 66 Norwood, Gaymont-Rm. 17B, Norwalk, OH 44857. You can also send a message card to Mildred from Gaymont's website (Gaymontcare.com) under the Activities tab.

### MEETINGS AT CHURCH

We are welcoming more groups to begin meeting at the church. Available spaces include the Fellowship Hall, Room 206 (library), and the narthex. Masks should be worn and physical distancing should be practiced. Groups are responsible for cleaning the tables and chairs when finished. Cleaning supplies are available for St. Peter groups to use. Contact Kathy to check on the status of the library or fellowship hall.

### PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

The Prayer Shawl Ministry meets this Saturday, September 12 at 10 am in the narthex. All knitters and crocheters are welcome.

### EVER WANTED TO LEARN MORE ABOUT "THE FAITH?"

This may be your chance. The Northwestern Ohio Synod is again offering the *Diakonia* program, beginning in September. *Diakonia* is an educational program specifically designed for laity and taught by our local ELCA pastors and deacons. This year, you can take classes in person or online. More information is available in the narthex. Drop by to pick up a flier or call the office to talk with Kathy, who is a graduate of the *Diakonia* program.

### THANK YOU FOR YOUR FAITHFULNESS

You are an awesome church! Thanks to your committed giving, our 2020 year-to-date income is only slightly below that of 2019. With our Payroll Protection grant and your continued faithfulness, we should end the year in good financial shape. THANK YOU!

## OFFICE HOURS/MASKS

The church office is open Monday-Thursday, 8:30 am – 3:30 pm. THANK YOU to everyone for wearing a mask when you come. This helps keep the staff (and you) safe as we continue to navigate this pandemic.

## PASTORAL VISITS

Pastor Ann is still “on call” for emergencies, so if you or a loved one are in the hospital and want the pastor to call or visit (hospital visits only), call the church office or the pastor’s cell phone (419-602-9405). She can also do phone and virtual visits as needed.

## OUTREACH NEWS

### OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

It's not too early to start thinking about packing shoeboxes for this year's Operation Christmas Child. Now is the best time to purchase school supplies for your shoeboxes. Crayons can be found for 25 cents. Colored pencils, regular pencils, sharpeners, and erasers for around 50 cents. Notebooks for 25 cents. These items plus rulers, solar calculators, markers, pencil pouches and other school supplies are great to include in a shoebox. Now is the time to purchase these items while they are very reasonably priced. Remember, no liquids or anything with military symbols are allowed in the shoeboxes. Any questions, contact Vickie Hemenway 419-663-4011.

## BLESSING BOX

We continue to give thanks for your contributions to the Blessing Box, which has seen extremely heavy use this summer. Here are suggested items to place in the box: canned and boxed foods, personal care items, cleaning items, toilet paper, and baby and feminine hygiene products. Please do not give opened containers of food, repackaged food, toys, or clothing. Thank you!

## MEALS ON WHEELS

Elizabeth Young, from the Enrichment Centers for Huron County, Norwalk office, is looking for volunteers who would be willing to deliver meals to seniors and those in need, within the city of Norwalk. The individuals who receive the meals are truly grateful to those who give of their time, so that they may receive what might be the only hot meal they eat all day. Please help us to care for those in our community. Contact Elizabeth at 419-668-6245 ext. 21.

## CALENDAR

### SUNDAY – September 6

9:00 am Holy Communion-Outside  
10:30 am Holy Communion – On-line  
1:00 pm NA – Fellowship Hall

### MONDAY—September 7

7:00 pm NA-Fellowship Hall

### TUESDAY– September 8

7:00 pm Executive Committee-Rm 206

### WEDNESDAY- September 9

8:30 am First Day of Preschool-CDNS

### THURSDAY— September 10

7:00 pm Church Council-Fellowship Hall

### FRIDAY— September 11

7:00 pm NA – Fellowship Hall

### SATURDAY- September 12

8:00 am Men’s Bible Study-Narthex  
10:00 am Prayer Shawl Ministry-Narthex

### SUNDAY— September 13

9:00 am Holy Communion-Outside  
10:30 am Holy Communion-On line  
1:00 am NA – Fellowship Hall  
3-5:30 pm When Pigs Fly-Bd Party-Shelter/FH  
4-6 pm Confirmation Class-FH/Rm 206

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### Worship Schedule

~~Saturday 5:30 pm~~  
Sunday 9:00 am Holy Communion-Outside  
10:30 am online & on radio only

*The 10:30 service is always broadcast on WLKR 95.3 FM and on Facebook Live.*