ST. PETER MACOMB

KEYNOTES

LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL

Our Mission is to Glorify God by making and growing disciples of Jesus Christ

June 2021

As is with most mornings, I was up before sunrise. I sat at our kitchen table as the sun danced across the sky announcing the start of another day. Between spoonsful of cream of wheat, I watched the sky turn from a gray to bright blue. The sunshine streamed into the door wall window and brightened the whole room. However, my mind was on the start of another day and all the work that needed to be done. There seemed to be little time to accomplish anything!

The sunshine that played across the tile floor changed my thoughts. It was so much lighter earlier in the morning that I was reminded that it really is spring! With that in mind, I smiled thinking winter was gone and summer is on its way. Hallelujah! Wait! Where did the time go! It was just winter with freezing temperatures and a mountain of worries.

I remembered all of the reservations I had in late December, about all the changes going on at St. Peter and how to handle them. Now, alone in the bright morning light of spring, my problems were nowhere to be found. I realized that I really had little to do with solving any of them. They dissolved like the gray sky that had turned bright blue.

It was because of all of the people God has put in my life that the past five months have turned out as well as they have. Starting with the helpmate God has blessed me with, Cherrie, all of the staff, volunteers and members at St. Peter, who have guided, helped, listened, encouraged, and prayed, have made a big difference in how these months have turned out. I have been extremely blessed by all of you. So much so, that words fail me! Hard to imagine I know!!

All I can share with you is Numbers 6:24-26:

24 "The Lord bless you and keep you; 25 the Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you; 26 the Lord turn his face toward you and give you peace."

Thank you for the blessing you are to me. Be blessed my friends!



God bless you, Pastor Mark Arendell

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Worship

Worship Services

Traditional:

Saturday - 6:00 p.m. Sunday - 8 & 9:30 a.m.

Modern:

Sunday - 11:00 a.m.

Sunday 9:30 & 11 a.m. livestreams available at StPeterMacomb.com

STUDENT MINISTRIES

Save the Date:

Vacation Bible School
August 2-5

Register your child: Click Here

Register to volunteer: Click Here

Any questions please contact: Jason von der Lage <u>ivonderlage@splcs.net</u> (810) 252-6054 (cell)



Robert's Music Spotlight

This month I wanted to share with you a song called "The Blessing" by Elevation Worship. You may have heard the word "Benediction" and wondered what it actually means. At its most basic level, it simply means a blessing. At the end of worship, you may have heard the words, "The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make His face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; the Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace. (Numbers 6:24-26) This June we will be walking through this text piece by piece and breaking down the concepts of what it really means. When Elevation Worship wrote this song, they used this text. We will be using this song throughout our series and I hope this helps bring new meaning for you when you hear the benediction.

Robert W. Costa

Dir. Of Modern Worship

Jr. High (7th & 8th Grade)	Sr. High (9th-12th Grade)	Young Adults (College +)
Wednesdays at His Rock 6-7 p.m.	Sundays at His Rock 4-5:30 p.m.	Wednesdays at His Rock 7:15 p.m.

Service

Hope for the
Hungry
Food Pantry

Blessings continue for Hope for the Hungry! Macomb Charitable Foundation hosted a food drive for several area church food pantries and we were one of them. An entire truck load of food was loaded up and taken to the pantry to be sorted and put away. The New Haven apartment complex monthly food drops are going well, with 12 apartments now participating.

Unloading dates:
June 2 & 16 - 9:45-10:30 a.m.
Distribution dates:
June 3 - 4:30-7:00 p.m.
June 17 - 11:30 a.m.-2:00 p.m.



Meijer Simply Give program continues until July 3.

If you buy a \$10 card until July 3, Meijer's at 23 Mile & Gratiot matches that amount, making it \$20.

However, **on June 19 only**, your \$10 donation will become \$30. **THANK YOU ST. PETER FAMILIES FOR SUPPORTING THIS PROGRAM!**

If you are not already on the pantry email list, please contact me at karenwiegand@gmail.com and I will add you on. Please contact me via email or text to sign up to volunteer. We will need volunteers to unload more orders, but dates are not available at this time.

We still need boxes, printer paper sized only, please. They can be dropped off in front of the pantry building any time, but then shoot me a text so I know to bring them into the building. Also if you are

interested in donation pickups, order pickups, building cleanup, food drives or anything else for the pantry, let me know.

All praise, honor and glory to our risen Lord and Savior!

Karen Foust Hope for the Hungry (586) 491-0652

<u>karenwiegand@gmail.com</u> <u>hopeforthehungrypantry.org</u>



Luke Project 52 Clinic- Donations of sample size or regular size bottles of shampoo, conditioner, lotions, soap, deodorant, dental floss, toothpaste, etc. are being accepted for Luke Project 52 Clinic. Please deposit them into the appropriate drawer in the church coat room. If you have any questions, please contact Joyce Schwark (586) 524-9328



ENJOY PLANTING FLOWERS? The

Green Thumb Group will be planting flowers outside of church on Monday, June 7 at 9:00 am. If you would like to help, please contact Vickie (586) 749-3325. We would like to sincerely thank **Hessell's Greenhouse** for donating the beautiful flowers.



The Green Thumb weeding group is looking for a few volunteers to help weed around the church and school this summer. The schedule is from May to October. You would be responsible for weeding once a month. It takes about two hours each time, which you do at your own schedule. Great for volunteer hours as a family. If interested, please contact Bob Kogelmann at (586) 781-6637.

WOMEN'S MINISTRY has not been able to serve funeral luncheons to our church family for the past year due to COVID. However, we would like to resume this ministry in the near future. Our luncheons may not look the same as they once did, but be assured, they will be prepared and served with all the love and support for the members of St. Peter just as we have in the past. We are putting together a team to organize these luncheons. If you feel that you would like to serve in this way, please contact Vickie Wangelin (586) 749-3325. You do not need to be a member of our Women's Ministry – new faces are always welcome. We would also like to take this opportunity to thank two of our outgoing Funeral Co-chairs: Pat Ball and Corrine Schraffenberger. These two ladies have given so much of their time and talents over the past several years and we sincerely thank them for their service. Your presence in the kitchen will be missed!

IN CASE OF EMERGENCY

Just a reminder that St. Peter has emergency equipment available for immediate response to injuries or illnesses. Please note the locations of equipment, so that anyone can assist in responding.

- * Wheelchairs are located at the stairway areas of both ends of the sanctuary.
- * A first aid station containing dressing materials, blood pressure equipment, a blanket, and water is located in the center coat room behind the sanctuary.
- * AEDs are located in the center coat room, the east end of the crossroads, outside the gym, and at His Rock.
- * If it is necessary to call 911, be sure to give them the location on our campus. Door numbers are located on the inside and outside of each door.
- * If you are an immediate witness to an emergency event, please leave your name and phone number with a church official, so that we can follow up as necessary.

We consider the safety of everyone participating in worship and events at St. Peter to be paramount. Thank you for your part in making this happen.

Your Parish Health Team - Paula, Anita, and Jennifer

Lutheran World Relief - Donations are being taken for BABY CARE KITS for Lutheran World Relief. They are in need of lightweight cotton t-shirts, long or short-sleeve gowns or sleepers, receiving blankets or crocheted or knitted blankets made with lightweight yarn, cloth diapers, jackets, sweaters, or sweatshirts with or without hoods; socks, hand towels, bath-size bars of soap in original wrapper, diaper pins or large safety pins. Gowns, rompers and top/pant sets can be substituted for sleepers. Please deposit them in the LWR tub in the church coat room. If you have any questions, please contact Joyce Schwark, St. Peter LWML Rep. at (586) 524-9328. Thank you!



We need your help to provide meals to the Homeless in Macomb County through

MCREST. Our church is responsible for all the meals for 30 homeless women and children the week of June 13-20, 2021.

NOW IS THE TIME TO SIGN UP! Our program this year will be the same as last year. COVID requires these women and children stay housed in a hotel for their protection. We will be assembling meals in our Fellowship Hall and delivering them each day.

DON'T WAIT- go to St. Peter MCREST Sign Up Genius by clicking here and following the instructions.

Any thoughts, questions or concerns can be sent to either: Rhonda Fiebelkorn (rhondaf85@hotmail.com) or: Michele Jones (blueskye@tir.com).

Thank you in advance for any and everything you are led to help with as we plan for our week of service to the homeless. May God continue to richly bless you and your family as we walk together in serving those in Macomb County who are less fortunate than we are.

In His service,

Michele Jones, Rhonda Fiebelkorn, Dave Bratkowski St. Peter Outreach Board

ST. PETER COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION:

This scholarship has been established to give financial assistance to young men and women of our congregation who are preparing to enter into the work of our Lord. To be eligible for this aid, the applicant must be a communicant member of St. Peter Lutheran Church and a full-time student in one of our LCMS colleges or seminaries. The student must be in a pastoral, deaconess, lay ministry, parochial teacher or director of Christian education program. If you are eligible for this aid, applications are in the church office. The deadline for applying is June 15, 2021.

We continue to collect magazines for the Advantage Living Center in Armada. The collection box is in the coat room. Our elderly friends there sincerely appreciate the magazines.

Memorial Offerings

In loving memory of George Clark, a contribution has been given to: Building and Grounds by Wayne & Marie Niemann, Bill and Merlene Thompson, Church Ministry by Lorraine Bock, Anthony Ellwood, Bruce and Evelyn Haley, Neal and Paula Hoegemeyer, Ron and Beth Kling, Thomas Krawczyk, Ralph and Evelyn Marcath, Milton and Evelyn Miller, Bill and Deborah Rang, Skip and Diane Robertson, Dennis and Paula Schramm, Eleanor Shoobridge, Barry and Vickie Wangelin, Bill and Dianne Wetzel **Moving Forward** by Stuart and Mary Arends, Ron and Judy Arthurton, Duane and Ruthann Bettcher, Rod Bock, Donna Eplett, Don and Gloria Koch, Joyce Kraatz, Stan and Marion Krakowski, Kathy Krause, Jim Moschel & family, Diane Penzien, Shelly Penzien, Lorraine Rosso, Frieda Schluessler, May Schramm, Jim Schwark, Jerry and Janet Stange, David and Jacalyn Wangelin, Wilma Wangelin, Charles and Grace Wolf

In loving memory of Jill

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Missions by Audrey Bardy, David and Jeanette Donnellon, Dr. Gary Fusciardi, William and Lucy McLaughlin, Ronald and Barbara Pokley, Andrew and Dorothea Predoehl, Michael and Cathy Richter, Marilyn and Ron Rutz, Roy and Joyce Schwark,

Moving Forward by Jim Schwark, Mark and Linda Schwark

In loving memory of Gerald Kaatz, a contribution has been given to:
The Giving Tree by Kathleen Reinhardt

In loving memory of Larry Keinath, a contribution has been given to:

Church Ministry by Roy and
Joyce Schwark

In loving memory of Jackie Kukuk, a contribution has been given to:

Church Ministry by Jeffrey and Susan Grunewald, Ron and Beth Kling, Tim Koch, William and Kathryn McCarty, Calvin and Cheryl Lostutter

Moving Forward by Ed and Linda Dunklau, Diane Penzien

In loving memory of Joseph Manzella, a contribution has been given to:

Moving Forward by Duane and Ruthann Bettcher. Ed and Linda Dunklau

In loving memory of Grace Mavis, a contribution has been given to:

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Joyce Schwark

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In loving memory of Virginia Millar, a contribution has been given to:

Church Ministry by David and
Darla Bratkowski

In loving memory of Herman Salinger, a contribution has been given to:

Moving Forward by Donna Dillard, Ruth Klein, The Salinger family, The Sikorski family, Barbara Turchanik

In loving memory of Brenda Schwark, a contribution has been given to Buildings and Grounds by Bill and Merlene Thompson

Church Ministry by Lorraine Bock, Rachelle Fowler, Ardell Hauss, Neal and Paula Hoegemeyer, Michael and Nancy Kepsel, Ruth Klein, Jon Krawcyk, Paul Kreger, Milt and Evelyn Miller, Laurie Pasternak, Paul Penzien, Shelly Penzien, Skip and Diane Robertson, Dennis and Paula Schramm, Wayne and Jennifer Segal, Wayne Smith, Pauline Turner, Eric Wilds, Terry and Jeanette Yonka, Don and Diane Zienert

The Giving Tree by Kathleen Reinhardt

Moving Forward by Duane and Ruthann Bettcher, Rod Bock, Earle and Gayle Brooks, Greg and Jan Davis, Walter and Dolores Elliott, Carol Harm, Don and Gloria Koch, Joyce Kraatz, Stan and Marion Krakowski, Paul and Kris Misch, Jim Moschel & family, Diane Penzien, Michael and Brenda Pinskey, Kathy Rachow, Lorraine Rosso, Alane Rowley, Ron and Marilyn Rutz, Frieda Schluessler, Jim Schwark, Mark and Linda Schwark, Alicia, lan, Dustin, Justin, Katie, Mandy, Matt, Skylar, Roy and Joyce Schwark, Jerry and Janet Stange, Beatrice Stark, David and Jacalyn Wangelin, Charles and Grace Wolf, Women's Ministry by Paul and Karen Bowers, Earl and Karen Heldt, Wayne and Marie Niemann, Shelly Penzien, Rev. and Mrs. Walter Schmidt, Robert and Corrine Schraffenberger, Barry and Vickie Wangelin, Wilma Wangelin, Bill and Dianne Wetzel

In loving memory of Bill Schwark, a
contribution has been given to:
Church Ministry by Neal and Paula
Hoegemeyer, Stan and Marion Krakowski,
Paul Kreger, Lee and Donna Lambert,
Wayne Smith, Wilma Wangelin, Bill and
Dianne Wetzel, Don and Diane Zienert
Buildings and Grounds Earl and Karen
Heldt, Wayne and Marie Niemann, Bill and
Merlene Thompson
Giving Tree by Kathleen Reinhardt
Moving Forward by Rod Bock, Carol
Harm, Joyce Kraatz, Ralph and Evelyn

Marcath, Paul and Kris Misch, Lorraine Rosso, Frieda Schluessler, Jim Schwark, Mark and Linda Schwark, Alicia, Ian, Dustin, Justin, Katie, Mandy, Matt, Skylar, Roy and Joyce Schwark, Jerry and Janet Stange

In loving memory of Donald and Eileen
Stark, a contribution has been given to:

Moving Forward by Jerry and
Donna Jackson

In loving memory of Beatrice Ullrich, a contribution has been given to:

Church Ministry by Ardell Hauss, Roy and Joyce Schwark

In loving memory of Bill Williford, a contribution has been given to:

Church Ministry by Ross and Sharon Baumann

Thank Offerings

In honor of their 52nd Wedding
Anniversary, a contribution has been given to:

Moving Forward by Jerry and Janet Stange

For blessings received, a contribution has been given to:

DID YOU KNOW that you can remember a special occasion or loved one by purchasing flowers for the front of church? Maybe it's a birthday, anniversary, baptism, wedding, or just a special day to honor someone.

Please sign up in the Church Office. It's easy to do and it will be noted in the weekly bulletin. The cost is \$25. Checks made payable to: St. Peter Women's Ministry.

Questions? Please call the Church Office.



Connection



Women In The Word Wednesday Bible Study

Our Bible Study will recess for summer.

God has been so good...Thank you to
Anne Westphal for leading our weekly group from
January-May. Thank you to May Schramm for
leading our group from September-November.
Thank you to Nancy and Mel Dodson for our Bible
Study in their barn from SeptemberNovember. Thank you to Paula Hoegemeyer for
taking our temperatures each week. Looking forward
to our return in September, when we will begin with
a new study. May God Bless You with a safe and
happy summer. Karen Gluski

For more Bible studies or small groups, check out our website stpetermacomb.com/ bible-studies.

Update! It's really going to happen! In September, we will prayerfully and hopefully resume GriefShare and will be adding two new ministries; DivorceCare and DC4K which is divorce care for kids. Watch the July and August Keynotes for details. GriefShare is currently available online and Stephen Ministers are ready to serve you immediately via telephone or in-person. Opportunities to serve in any of these ministries are an option, and Linda Dunklau can give you more details. Contact her at (586) 247-5329 if you are being led to reach out to our St. Peter family and the community in these areas.

LGBT Family and Friends Support Group:

Do you have a family member, loved one, or have an acquaintance with someone who is not engaging in a relationship by God's design? Do you struggle with how to interact with them, not wanting to judge others but to show God's love and just accept them where they are at? Then the Family and Friends of LGBT support group is for you! After our building reopens, we will meet tentatively on the third Thursday of each month at 7:30 p.m. in the Small Conference Room in the Administration Wing.

Upcoming Events:

St. Peter Macomb Annual Golf Outing

Friday, July 30 at 10 a.m.

For more information, please contact: Roxanne Thatcher (586) 615-5700 to reserve your spot or to sponsor a hole. Call Lisa Ventimiglio (586) 405-9272 to donate a prize.

Education



Now Accepting Applications!

For the 2021-2022 School Year

Preschool

Play-based early childhood curriculum in a loving Christian setting.

Class Offerings:

- Little Wonders (2 Year Old with Parent)
- Shining Stars (3 Year Old With Parent)
- 3 Year Old Classes
- 4 Year Old Classes
- KinderBridge (formerly Young Fives)





Non-Discrimination Policy: St. Peter Lutheran School believes that discrimination is contrary to the philosophy, nature, and mission of the school. Therefore, St. Peter does not and will not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national or ethnic origin in its admission policies or educational and other school administered programs.



Kindergarten-8th Grade

- **Christ-Centered Environment**
- **Academically Challenging**
- Gifted and Talented Education Program
- Small Class Size
- Technology Lab
- Media Center
- Resource Room
- Extra Curricular Activities
- **Athletics**
- Half Day, Full Day or Progressive Kindergarten options

St. Peter Lutheran School is accredited from the National Lutheran School Association (NLSA) and the Michigan **Association of Non-Public Schools** (MANS).



I am very eager to re-start our Sunday School classes this fall. I am praying for our prior staff to return to their assigned classes. However, life circumstances will revolve around some teachers return. Please contact the church office, or me, if you would be interested in teaching or being an assistant/helper in a Sunday School class.

Included in our Sunday School program is our "Special Needs Class". This is a class set up to teach and assist children that need more one on one care and attention in order for them to understand the love of Jesus and His Word. We are in need of helpers as well in this classroom. Please contact me, or Deb Lowry (586) 781-9296 Ext. 131, if you would be willing to help.

The blessings received by working in our Sunday School Ministry are infinite. Thank you in advance for your help and support.

May our loving Lord Jesus bless us, watch over us, keeping us well and from all harm and danger.

Yours in Christ,

Pat Losey, Sunday School Superintendent

(586) 786-0499

Keep your faith and the faith of your family growing!

Here are dozens of great devotions, ideas, Bibles and other resources. (Viewing Keynotes online? Click the links below, or visit the Sunday School page on our website.)

Ages: Baby - Toddler

Ages: 10-12

Ages: Preschool

Ages: 12-14

Ages: 5-8

Ages: 14-18

Ages: 8-10

Additional resources for adult devotions and online Bible studies are available on the Resources page of our website.

St. Peter Life Team

June Focus: Family

What makes a Christian family distinct from a non-Christian one? Is it the number of times we attend church each week, or are there any other differences?

A truly Christian home is a place where sinners live, but it is also a place where the members of that home admit the facts, understand the problems, know what to do about them, and as a result, grow by grace.

The Christian home is a place where sinful persons face problems of a sinful world. Yet, they face them together with God and His resources, which are all centered in Christ (Colossians 2:3). Sinners live in the Christian home, but the sinless Savior lives there too!

Nine Marks of a Christian Family

- A family that submits to the Bible as the final authority for all they believe and how they live. When this is true the following convictions become reality in the home: (2 Timothy 3:14-17, 2 Peter 1:3, Joshua 1:8, Matthew 4:4, and 1 Peter 2:2)
- A family that embraces and confesses Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior...where family members are trusting or being taught to trust in Jesus alone for salvation: (Acts 4:12, Romans 10:9-10, Luke 6:26, and 2 Corinthians 5:18-20)
- A family that loves God above all else even itself (Matthew 22:37-39, and John 14:15)
- A family that loves its neighbors as it naturally loves itself (Matthew 22:39, and Philippians 2:3)
- A family that lives out the Gospel...by practicing biblical confession (Psalm 51:1-4, and 1 John 1:8-10)...by granting forgiveness (Matthew 18:21-22, and Ephesians 4:32)...by dispensing grace to one another (Ephesians 4:29, and Colossians 4:6)
- A family whose Spirit-filled living creates an atmosphere where love and holiness grow. (1Peter 4:8, and Ephesians 4:24)
- A family that keeps membership and involvement in their local church a high priority...the priority of corporate worship (Hebrews 10:24-25) ...the priority of service/serving together as a family (Galatians 5:13)
- A family that understands and submits to God's authority structures and how each member is called to serve within them. Submission to God's authority is demonstrated by the family who cheerfully accepts their God-given role within the family (Colossians 3:19, Ephesians 6:4, Titus 2:3-5, Hebrews 13:17, and Ephesians 6:5-8, Colossians 3:22-24)
- A family that fears the Lord is blessed by Him (Psalm 128:1-4)

Dear Heavenly Father we thank you for your everlasting love. ... We pray that you would help us to be kind to one another, showing each other mercy, forgiveness and understanding. Help us to share the love you've so generously shared with us. As a **family** may we treat each other with compassion.

Please remember, the Baby Diaper Drive is happening now! You can drop off your diaper donations at Door #1 now until Father's Day -Sunday, June 20. Currently we need size 5 and 6 diapers the most. Thank you for your support!



Rev. Mark Arendell Interim Sr. Pastor



Rev. Craig Meyer Pastor Emeritus



Mr. Tim Leinberger Principal



Mrs. Sandra LaPerriere Assistant Principal



Mrs. Deborah Lowry Preschool Director



Mr. Robert W. Costa Director of Modern Worship and Communications



Mr. Jason von der Lage Director of Student Ministry



Ms. Diane Hernden Business Manager

ST. PETER'S VALUES

Our Mission Statement:

To glorify God by making and growing disciples of Jesus

Christ

Matthew 28:19-20

Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of age.

Articles for **July Keynotes** must be submitted <u>before 4 p.m. on June 15</u>. **Please submit all articles for consideration by email** to Allison Tebay - atebay@splcs.net. All submissions should include your contact information. Please submit articles without formatting in a Word document. Thank you!



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Worship Service Times:

Saturday 6:00 p.m. Traditional
Sunday 8:00 a.m. Traditional
Sunday 9:30 a.m. Traditional
Sunday 11:00 a.m. Modern
Monday 7:00 p.m. (POSTPONED)

Please visit **StPeterMacomb.com** to see other opportunities to worship through Sunday School, Bible studies, small groups and more!

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