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St. Peter Evangelical Lutheran Church  
From the Pastor

**February 2025**

Greetings in the Name of the Lord!

It is the beginning of the new year, and we have some exciting opportunities to help you grow in your faith.

1) In our adult Bible class, we are beginning a new series taking a closer look at unexplained phenomena such as miracles, near death experiences, demons and angels.

2) Lent is just around the corner, and our Lenten Midweek Series is based on the Arma Christi - different items associated with the Passion of Christ - such as silver coins, the crown of thorns, the dice the soldiers used to cast lots for Christ's seamless garment. Ash Wednesday marks the beginning of Lent on March 5. (Check out the full schedule in the newsletter and bulletins, and mark your calendars now!)

I pray these learning opportunities are beneficial to your faith and help you grow in your knowledge of God's Word.

*Pastor Lorenz*

ARMA CHRISTI (or, "Instruments of the Passion") are objects associated with the suffering and death of Jesus Christ. Using these images in art allowed individuals to reflect upon specific aspects of Christ's suffering and death.

While there are a core number of frequently depicted objects, artists could use any combination of the Passion instruments in their art. Lenten Services: Wednesdays, 7:00 pm (unless otherwise noted)

March 5 (Ash Wednesday) - "Silver Coins"

March 12 - "Scarlet Robe & Scepter"

March 19 - "Crown of Thorns"

March 26 - "The Cross"

April 2 - "Hammer & Nails"

April 9- "The Dice"

April 17 (Maundy Thursday, 7:00 pm) - "The Chalice"

April 18 (Good Friday, 12:15pm & 7pm) - "The Lance"

April 19 (Easter Vigil, 5:00pm)

# News and Notes of St. Peter



## ***Congregational Christian Care***

Please pray for, phone, visit, and or send a card or note to the following members that are recovering or home bound.

**Canterbury Nursing & Rehab Center** – Dan Schmalzried

**Envive Health Care** – Cindy Smith, Paul Stohlmann

**Heritage Point of Warren** – Pat Cluver

**Lutheran Life Village (Pine Valley)** – John Bischoff

**Meadows of Coventry** – Julie Hardy, Linda Wolfe

**The Village @ Pine Valley** – Barba Eickhoff

**Tipton Place** – Rolland Hoch

**Waters of Huntington** – Ruth Guy; Ruth Moon; Sandy Stonebraker; Kay Whitesell

**Home** – Asa Elett; Bradley Heideman; Brenda Kline; Michael Scher

**Prayer List:** Jay Beekman; Georgianna Bischoff; Brian Bowers (brother of Cheryl Canvin); Penelope Brown; Robin Burnau (cancer, nephew of Shirley Burnau); Shirley & Eugene Daigle; Asa Elett; Maddox Haney (cancer, friend of Dewayne & Sharon Anderson); Sandra Hauenstein (mother of Erich Hauenstein); Rolland Hoch; Linda Morgan (friend of Diane Campbell & Holly Cuttriss); Mark Richardson (cancer, nephew of Lowell Richardson); and Dianne & Michael Scher. Please call the church office to let us know the status of the people on the Prayer list.

If you are homebound or temporarily homebound and would like to receive communion because you are unable to come to church, please contact the church office and ask to be placed on pastor's visitation list.

## ***Voters***

Monday, February 17  
7:00 PM

Lower Level of Education Building

## ***Thrivent Grants***

During the year of 2024 St. Peter used 27 grants from Thrivent members of the congregation for a total of \$6,750. Grants were used to fund youth events, church fellowship activities, diaper store, quilters activities and congregational education.

If you are a Thrivent member and have not used your Grants, please let us know that you are available to do this. Each grant is up to \$250 and 2 are available per person per year.

## *St. Peter Organizations*

**Dorcas Circle:** Will NOT meet the months of, February and March. We will resume in April.

**Family Night:** Join us for a "Tree of Life". We will meet Friday, February 28<sup>th</sup> from 5:30 -7:30 pm. Dinner is provided along with family activities and Devotions. All ages are welcome! Bring your family and friends for a great time of fellowship.

**LWML:** The next meeting will be April 24, 2025 at 7pm. We will have a Bible Study. Mites will be collected in church on the 4<sup>th</sup> weekend of each month. For February the dates are February 22 & 23..

**LYF:** Will be doing a concession stand

February 8                      February 14

February 22                    March 1

March 8                        March 15

during the YMCA basketball games on Saturdays.

We are also making Subs to help you celebrate the Super Bowl on Sunday, February 9<sup>th</sup>. Use the order form available in the Sunday bulletin or available in the church office or Narthex of the church.

**Men's Club:** The next meeting will be on Saturday, February 1 at 10 AM in the lower level of the education building.

### ***Monthly Tuesday Morning Bible***

**Class:** Continues the study on "I Married You" by Walter Trobisch. February 4<sup>th</sup> at 10:30 a.m. School Library.

**Quilters:** We are back full-time meeting on Wednesdays at 9:00 a.m. in the lower level of the education building. May God continue to bless us and the work of our hands and hearts.

**SPARKS (St. Peter Association of Retired Keenagers):** Winner of the January drawing was Holly Cuttriss. We will meet on Wednesday, February 12<sup>th</sup> at noon at Pizza Hut.

**Tape Ministry:** If you are homebound or in a nursing home and would like to receive the weekly video recording of the service on a tablet (no internet needed) or a printed copy of the sermon, please contact the church office at 260.356.6528 to make arrangements.

## *Paper Recycling*

Don't forget your paper recycling each week when you come to church! You get to help the environment and the church receives free money.



### *A Little Heavenly Humor*

A father was reading Bible stories to his young son. He read, "The man named Lot was warned to take his wife and flee out of the city, but his wife looked back and was turned to salt." His son asked, "What happened to the flea?"



## Happy 80 Plus FEBRUARY Birthday's

Day		Yrs.
4	Sandra Stonebraker	83
11	Pamela Wertenberger	81
19	Judith Turgeson	86



## 2025 Greeters

2025 GREETERS		
<b>March</b>	Saturday	Ted & Janet McElhaney
	Sunday	Erich & Amy Hauenstein
<b>April</b>	Saturday	Nora Roth
	Sunday	Andy & Rachael Ford
<b>May</b>	Saturday	Donna Dennis
	Sunday	Sue Holtz & Gabe
<b>June</b>	Saturday	Barbara Spreen
	Sunday	Teresa Pinkerton
<b>July</b>	Saturday	Diane Campbell
	Sunday	Mary Ringel
<b>August</b>	Saturday	Linda Hollowell & Shirley Burnau
	Sunday	Carmen Matheson
<b>September</b>	Saturday	Richard & Ellen Prange
	Sunday	Diana Mason, Sophia and Noah
<b>October</b>	Saturday	Jim & Nancy Bowland
	Sunday	Karen Smith
<b>November</b>	Saturday	Paul & Sue Kellam
	Sunday	Jeremiah, Ginger & Claudia Davis
<b>December</b>	Saturday	Dick & Rhonda Webb
	Sunday	Linda, Ian & Andrew Crider



## LYF Super Bowl Subs

Order your Sub from the LYF so you can enjoy the Super Bowl. Deadline is February 2<sup>nd</sup> to place your order with payment.

The Subs are:

Ham - \$5.00, Turkey - \$5.00 or Roast Beef - \$6.00  
Extra meat is \$1.00 extra.

Your choice of American, Provolone or Colby Jack Cheese.

Condiments of your choice: Lettuce, Pickles, Onions, Mustard, Mayo, Ketchup, Ranch.

A bag of Chips for \$.50

## Unity Sundays

### Schedule Tentively planned for 2025

February 2 – Soup & Dessert Cook-off

March 2 – Lasagna, Mac & Cheese

April 6 – Pie & Coffee

May 4 – Taco Bar

June 1 – Chicken

July 6 – Rolls, Breakfast casserole & Drinks

August 3 – Sandwiches, salad & Ice Cream

September 7 – Oktoberfest

October 5 – Potato Bar (LWML)

November 2 – Fish Fry

December 7 – Donuts, breakfast casserole & Drinks

# ST. PETER LUTHERAN CHURCH

## February 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						<b>1</b> 10:00 Men's Club 11:00 Church Property
<b>2</b> UNITY SUNDAY 9:00 Adult Bible Class 10:15 Divine Service w/communion 11:30 Soup Cook-off Noon Jr. Confirmation	<b>3</b> 9:15 Envive Devotions 10:15 Tipton Place Devotions 1:30 Heritage Devotions 6:30 Elders	<b>4</b> 10:30 Monthly Bible Class 11:00 Diaper Store 1:30 Envive Bible Study 5:00 Diaper Store	<b>5</b> 9:00 Quilting	<b>6</b> 11:00 HU Chapel Noon Bulletin Deadline	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b> 9:00 LYF Concessions 4:00 Adult Bible Class 5:00 Divine Service w/communion
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NOTES:

# SERVING THIS MONTH

**FEBRUARY 2025**

## ELDER

**SATURDAY:** RANDY PRANGE

**SUNDAY:** RICHARD SMITH

## GREETERS

**SATURDAY:** Tom & Deb Guhl

**SUNDAY:** Jim & Peggy Hoch

**ALTAR CARE:** Jill Dorsett

			<b>Saturday</b>	<b>Sunday</b>
Saturday, February 1	5:00 PM		NO SERVICE	
Sunday, February 2	10:15 AM	Communion Assistant		Jacob Franck
<b>Unity Sunday</b>		Communion Assistant		Nathaniel Hall
		Acolyte		Abby Lorenz
		Organist		Trentin Worsham
Saturday, February 8	5:00 PM	Communion Assistant	Chad Worsham	
		Communion Assistant	Jermiah Davis	
		Acolyte	Hannah Dorsett	
		Organist	Leigh Ann Jones	
Sunday, February 9	10:15 AM	Communion Assistant		Jacob Franck
		Communion Assistant		Nathaniel Hall
		Acolyte		Noah Mason
		Organist		Angie Brubaker
Saturday, February 15	5:00 PM	Communion Assistant	Ted McElhaney	
		Communion Assistant	Andrew Crider	
		Acolyte	Ted McElhaney	
		Organist	Drew Dorsett	
Sunday, February 16	10:15 AM	Communion Assistant		Jacob Franck
		Communion Assistant		Nathaniel Hall
		Acolyte		Noelle Lorenz
		Organist		Jeff Derr
Saturday, February 22	5:00 PM	Communion Assistant	Fred Lange	
		Communion Assistant	Richard Winkelman	
		Acolyte	Fred Lange	
		Organist	Hannah Dorsett	
Sunday, February 23	10:15 AM	Communion Assistant		Jacob Franck
		Communion Assistant		Nathaniel Hall
		Acolyte		Sophia Mason
		Organist		Angie Brubaker

