



St Peter's Lutheran Church

Worship Hours

Saturday Evenings at 5:00p / 1st & 3rd Saturdays of the month.

Sunday Morning Worship at 10:00am

Website: www.stpetersloganville.org email: stpeters@wicw.net

Church Office: 727-3721 Parsonage: 727-2226

Office hours: Ann – Wednesday 5:00-7:00pm & Fridays 9:00-11:00 am

Sue - 608-415-3910

Pastor Donald Glanzer, Jr

Contact information: Cell phone: (608)516-8989 dwglanzer@gmail.com

Pastor Don's schedule

- Monday - off
- Tuesday– 9:00a– 5:00 pm
- Wednesday – 9:00a-5:00pm
- Thursday – 9:00a-5:00p m
- Friday – 9:00a – 5:00 pm
- Saturday – 9:00a 5:00 pm
- Sunday – 11:00a – 5:00 pm

Best to call to make an appt. or to make sure you connect with him if you are stopping by. He may be making visits.

Meetings in April

Prayer Shawl - every Monday @ 7pm

Bible Study- Wednesday @ 9am

Women's Bible Study April 3@ 1:30p April 16 @ 7p

WELCA mtg. April 5 @ 7pm

Parish Ed meeting April 8th after service

Men's Cub mtg. April 15 following service

Quilting: April 10 & 24 @ 9am & 6pm

Council Meeting –April 19 @ 6pm

Usher Schedule

USHERING SCHEDULE APRIL 2018

Please mark your calendars accordingly. Ushers should be there 15 minutes prior to the start of the service to assist with bulletins, etc.

April 1	Kyle Crary	Justin Holman	Eric Leis	Dean Baumgarten
April 8	Dave Schlieckau	Don Thies	Jeff Henke	Dean Repka
April 15	Ryan Suemnicht	Ron Kruse	TJ Pierce	David Stienmetz
April 22	Darin Gease	Danny Meyer	Zach Simacek	Kelly Damaschke
April 29	Jamie Hooker	Glenn Schulte	John Brandt	Mike Hahn

Mission of the Month is: Boys & Girls Club

Please use the white envelopes located in the pews for your donation.

Policy regarding church cancellation:

Once the decision is made, the church will list is on the answering machine, the church website, & if possible the WNFM/WRDB radio station
However when in doubt call a council member.



News Letter Items

April 20th



APRIL ANNOUNCEMENTS/EVENTS

Easter Sunday, Easter April 1st - Breakfast served 8:30 – 9:45a
Services - **Sunrise 7:30 am** - YOUTH Service w/ Communion
10:00 am - Traditional Service w/ Communion

Easter Breakfast April 1st



Coffee Cakes and other Baked Items needed

Please help to provide the baked items, rolls & coffee cakes for the youth's Easter Breakfast.

You may bring them already on Saturday evening to the church. Call the church first / 727-3721



St. Peter's will be hosting a Blood Drive, Saturday, April 14, 7:30 to 11:30. There will be a sign-up sheet in the back of the church or donors can reserve a time on-line at <http://www.bcw.edu/>

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Lutheran United Assisting after Disasters (LUAD) will be hosting a training session **April 14, 2018 at St Peter's from 12pm - 2pm.** LUAD is a ministry of the South-Central Synod of Wisconsin with an established objective to assist disaster survivors through initial states of disaster recover.

LUAD's mission is to help disaster survivors bridge the gap between the emergency of disaster and the long-term recovery by rendering the necessary services, items, supplies, assistance, and the social emotional, and spiritual support to help them return as quickly as possible to safety carry out the business of family/individuals. Any questions you may contact Dale Meyer at 608-434-5432 or dcable@gmail.com

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First Communion Class for our Fifth-Grade Youth will be April 15th following the service. A letter will be sent out to all fifth-grade students and their parents. If you do not receive a letter please let Sue know. Fifth grade communion will be April 29th.

BUGLE CALL April 2018

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ! Grace and Peace to you from God the Father; From our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ; In, with, and through the Holy Spirit. AMEN.

On Easter Sunday we will hear the clarion call: "HE is Risen!" To which we will all respond, "HE is risen, indeed!" So the question erupts, "Now what?"

And that really is a question worth pondering, isn't it? Since it is true that Christ died on the Cross on Good Friday, 'now what?' does it mean that Christ has risen on Easter Sunday?

In that most Holy of events, almost two thousand years ago, Christ died and then rose again in order that all who believe will have life eternal. And that also is true. We have the scriptural witness of prophesy and the accounts of the eye witnesses to Christ's triumph over the grave to tell us so. But after all that, what difference does it make?

Of course we have the result of the great cloud of witnesses carrying on the tenets of the Faith, and all of the disciples over the years who have testified to Christ and to what God has done in their lives. And there are several billion people in this world who call themselves Christians, who have all been inspired by the gifts of the Holy Spirit to believe this great mystery. But all in all, what difference does it make?

What difference does it make for ME and what difference does it make for YOU that Christ died and rose again? How does this truly undeserved and ultimate gift of Grace affect all of us who inhabit this great Creation that God has given and continues to give us all? How are our individual lives changed, and made different by God's Son being obedient to the Father in the ignominy of the Cross? How are our collective lives changed, and made different by what God has done for us in Christ? This God who so loved the world that God sent His Son? How daily, weekly, or as a standard matter of practice do we hold dear and cling to the God that we love with our whole heart, soul, strength and mind? How are our lives made different, in a transcending and numinous way, that we love and care for our neighbor who is in need just because that defines who and what (and most importantly, WHOSE) we are (and to whom we belong!)?

The last book of the Protestant Old Testament (Hebrew Bible) is the Book of Malachi, which may or may not be something we read from time to time. Chapter 3, verses 16 through 18 read as follows: "Then those who revered the Lord spoke with one another. The Lord took note and listened, and a book of remembrance was written before Him of those who revered the Lord and thought on His name. They shall be mine, says the Lord of Hosts, my special possession on the day when I act, and I will spare them as parents spare their children who serve them. Then once more you shall see the **Difference** between the righteous and the wicked, between one who serves God and one who does not serve Him." (Emphasis mine)

So, the question remains. What differences can I point to in my (your) life that have been worked in me (you) that demonstrate God's love for me (you) and point to the gracious and undeserved workings of the Holy Spirit in my (your) life? And these may or may not be difficult to point to, for the ways of loving and serving God are not the world's ways...

As a matter of fact, perhaps some people will hear that clarion call this Easter, "HE is Risen," and may respond sardonically, "April Fools!"

On the face of it, we may deem it inappropriate or incongruous for Easter Sunday to land on April Fool's Day. But ponder these words from the Apostle Paul in the First Chapter of his First Letter to the Corinthians:

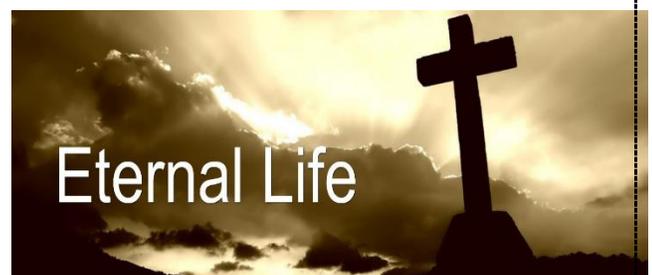
Paul writes, "For the message about the Cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. For it is written, 'I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart.' Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, God decided, through the foolishness of our proclamation, to save those who believe." (Paul can write a mouthful, can't he?)

Wisdom? To believe in the world's ways, the UNreal life? Or Foolishness. To believe in the way of the Cross, the REAL life. In worldly wisdom, to live one's eternal life in the absence of God? Or to live one's eternal life in the presence of God's love in the 'foolishness' of the Cross?

This Easter, my prayer is for the "foolishness" to be on us all.

God's peace to all.

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April WELCA News:

Once again there are many opportunities in April to serve at St. Peter's:

April 5th, General Business meeting 7 PM (Peace Circle)

April 7th, Active Shooter Training at 10:00 to noon.

April 14th, LUAD Training (disaster recovery) Noon – 2:00

April 15th, Pop-up Sisterhood 12 min. event immediately after church for all women.

April 21st, Baraboo Conference meeting at Zion, Rock Springs. Registration starts at 8:30 and concludes with lunch at noon. Cost is \$7. The speaker will be from the **Boys and Girls club of Reedsburg**. In Kind items needed are art and school supplies, games, tissues and first aid items. Please see sign-up sheet on Hybrid Table. **Box will be in Narthex for in-kind items.**

April 21st, Sit and Sew from 9 – 2.

April 29th, Community Choir Concert (free) at **CAL Center 2:00**. Donations to School Lunch Fund. **Executive Board** planning meeting will be a 9 AM on Sunday **May 6th**. **Hand-Made Cards available for \$2 in Narthex.**

Quilting Ministry meets every second and fourth Tuesday from 9 to 3 PM. There is also quilting every fourth Tuesday night from 6 to 8 PM. If you can tie a knot, please come. Our goal is to complete up to 400 quilts before Sept. Quilts are donated locally as needed, and some sent to LWR.

The Yarn Craft Ministry They meet every Monday evening at 7 PM. Please come!

Looking for gently used T-Shirts or polo shirts to make diapers for Baby Care Kits. Any color or print. Please leave in brown totes under hybrid tables.

Gather Bible Studies meet the first Tuesday at 1:30 PM, and third Monday at 7 PM. Please come!

Lenten serving: Thank you to everyone that donated sandwiches and bars for snacks during Lent.

Please check your Program Book for monthly duties and events. We need someone for **communion prep** for the month of **May**.

Webpage for the Trumpeter newsletter is welcatrumpeter@gmail.com. Webpage for WELCA resources including CAFÉ and kit info is www.womenoftheelca.org Extra copies of the Gather Bible Study magazines are available on the desk in Narthex.

“Fill my soul, refresh my spirit, and strengthen me for the work of your kingdom, O God. In Jesus’ name. Amen.” Christ in Our Home.”

Marjorie Schmidt
WELCA Co-chairperson

FAITH NIGHT

Faith Night is going great and is well attendant. There is only seven weeks left to go before our summer break. This year has really gone by fast.

We had a sledding party Wednesday, March 7th, the youth had a blast as well as the adults. Lorinda made hot chocolate to warm us after being out in the cold. It was a great time for all.

April is a busy month for our youth. Easter Sunday at the Sunrise service the Cat Class will be performing a skit "Can't See the Forrest for the Trees"

Fifth Grade Communion letters will be sent out. Communion class will be April 15th, following worship. If you have any questions or you did not receive a letter you can contact Pastor Don at 608-516-8989. Fifth Grade Communion will be celebrated at worship on Sunday April 29th.

There will be a Parish Ed Meeting Sunday April 8th, following the church service. We will be discussing Mother's Day, confirmation, VBS, and our Mission (Occu Paws) field day.

Save the dates July 15-19 for this year's Vacation Bible School. Sugar Creek will be leading this year's VBS. This will be an exciting time for our youth and anyone else who would like to be a part of it. All are welcome. We will be looking for volunteers to assist Sugar Creek's staff and to help with kitchen duties. Please contact Heidi Kruse or myself if you are interested. Look for more information as we get closer to the dates.

As always a huge thanks to all who continue to help with Faith Night, your support is greatly appreciated.

Sue Wobschall
Faith Night Leader



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Youth (grades 7-12th) are invited to the Good Friday Sleep over, please contact Karen Judd or Heidi Kruse for more information

The play during Sunrise service this year is entitled; "Can't See the Forrest for the Trees" (Based on the Gospel Easter Accounts). We would like to invite everyone to Easter Breakfast April 1st, Confirmation youth and Youth going to Youth Gathering will be serving it. Menu – Scrambled eggs w/Ham, breakfast desserts, yogurt, coffee & OJ. Hope to see you there.



Coming July 15th – 19th, **Sugar Creek** will be leading this year's Vacation Bible School. The theme is; "The Water of Life"

All are welcome to come and join in the fun!

Please note the time change. Previously we have had VBS in the evening. This year it will be 9am – 3pm. There will be adult supervision available for early drop off and pickups after 3pm.

Any questions feel free to contact Sue Wobschall at 608-415-3910.

More information to come as we get closer to the date.



Spiritual Reflection for April 2018

Uncover New Growth

Winter is giving way to spring and with this change of seasons we welcome new growth. The flower beds await anxious hands willing to tend to their need for the removal of winter's debris. It can be awe inspiring to rake through the dead leaves and uncover the tender shoots of green working their way through the ground seeking light for new growth.

There are seasons in our lives that require us to clean out the debris that prevents new growth. In your own life are there areas of new growth waiting to be discovered? Is there debris in the form of heavy schedules, boredom, fatigue, or even becoming comfortable with life as it is that is piling up on the potential growth of your spirit. Life can become dull and unfulfilling when you do not take the time to tend to your spirit.

You likely know someone who refuses to change. They demand that their way has worked for years and it is good enough. In these people do you notice bitterness, judgment, or narrow mindedness? Are they hard to have a conversation with because they are always referring to the way things were? When you meet someone like this you can almost see their spirit smothering. It often makes me want to dig for that spark that desires to be uncovered. I am always sure it still exists under all those years of buildup and lack of spring cleaning of the mind and spirit.

Consider your routine. Perhaps you have been doing the same thing in the same way for years. It might seem harmless enough, but think about what good could come from changing the routine? You could meet new people! Make new friends! Think about how could they nurture your life. Meeting new people introduces you to new hobbies, new ways of thinking, and could perhaps even present you with a new purpose for living.

When I start to feel like I am going through the motions and am rarely straying from my routine I know I am headed for a bad place. This state of being is a danger sign for me. When I realize I am in this danger zone I need to learn something new, get out of my box and be inspired to grow. I also need someone to encourage me by helping me see the debris I am carrying around and tenderly supporting me while I allow a shoot of growth to sprout. Sometimes that new growth stays for only a season and other times it puts down deep roots capable of withstanding the storms of life. It is always good to grow.

Ask yourself as you watch the buds form on the branches, the bulbs send out their pale green shoots, and the flowers begin to bloom whether there is a seed inside of you that is longing to be exposed to the light. Take time to ask God if there is something new he wants you to experience, someone he wants you to meet, or something he has planned for your future that has not yet been uncovered.

Do not allow yourself to become a dead flower bed overcome with weeds that choke the life out of you and make you angry, bitter, and bored. Seek guidance from the Master Gardener and be open to the garden angels here with you that will help you tend to the life of your spirit encouraging you to uncover new growth.

Questions to ponder:

How do I know when my spirit is being smothered?

What does God want me to learn?

How will I keep my spirit open to new experiences?

May God's Peace Be Yours,

Tammy Koenecke, RN, BSN, MASL
Spiritual Care Coordinator, RAMC



Deep beneath the earth lies a seed awaiting new growth
Deep within my heart lies a seed awaiting new growth

Council News April 2018

The council is moving forward with the bell tower and clock repairs project. The congregational vote on March 18th was 74-yes votes, 3 no- votes. The clocks are being paid for by individuals in our congregation that wish to sponsor them. Thank you to all for your participation in the advisory survey. Our focus will be as a congregation to raise the \$20,000 portion of the bell tower repairs. Please check the narthex area for updates on our progress! This is a team effort.

Nancy Schuette returned from the LEAD workshops in Janesville with excitement and ideas. She has already been sharing with some of the W/ELCA ladies. Ann Krueger and Vicky Baumgarten attended LEAD and returned with enthusiasm for music in our congregation. Looking forward to seeing how they incorporate these experiences into worship.

Dale Meyer has arranged training sessions for our church security, and helping others in our communities when there is a disaster (see ALICE training & LUAD disaster training dates).

During the 2018 growing season Ruth Roecker will be taking care of lawn mowing, trimming, raking of leaves and small branch removal. Starting April 1st Vicky Baumgarten will be the interior janitor for the church. Vicky will be responsible for set up of the tables and chairs that may be needed for events using the basement fellowship hall, along with the janitorial duties.

Thank you to Mike Wobschall for his dedication. He has assured me that he will continue working in the beautiful flower garden that we all enjoy. His thoughts about gardens are that “they are stress relievers.”

I appreciate your opinions, ideas, and encourage you to contact me whenever you feel the need. Please pray for all your church leaders.

JOY,

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