

THIRD SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

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- TODAY:** 10:15-11:00 Sunday School
10:30-11:00 Adult Bible Class
11:00 Sledding for all
@ Highland Park, Cottage Grove
- MONDAY:** 7:00-8:00 Breakfast Bible Conversations @
Machine Shed, Lake Elmo
6:30 Church Council Meeting
- TUESDAY:** 10:00-11:00 Bible Class
6:30-8:00 Adult Choir
7:00 Prayer Shawl Ministry
- WEDNESDAY:** 5:30-6:25 Weekday/Confirmation Classes
6:30 Devotional Service with Communion
- NEXT SUNDAY:** 9:00 Special Service with Communion
10:15-11:00 Sunday School
10:30-11:00 Adult Bible Class
2:00-5:00 Get-together for 5th-12th Graders
@ Wellners

If you would like to include the needs of a sick relative or friend in our weekly Prayer Page, call the church office at (651) 436-3357, or submit the request via E-mail: stpeter@stpeterafton.org by Wednesday afternoon. Prayer requests will be kept on our list for two months unless otherwise requested.

HEARING ASSISTANCE RADIOS are available in the narthex. Please see an usher. Turn to 97.8 or 98.0 for the best reception.

CUSHIONS ARE AVAILABLE IN THE NARTHEX. You may leave them in the pews after the worship service.

FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR THIS MORNING are placed to the glory of God on the occasion of John Schmidt's 70th birthday.

BIBLE STUDY: "REVELATION" following the service today: Revelation 11 – God protecting His people in the midst of the end times. Come, join in. Let's grow together.

BASICS OF FAITH" BIBLE STUDY this Monday and Tuesday: Lesson 16 - "Freedom to Obey" (What it means to obey God when motivated by His love.)

FOUNDATIONS will be held on Wednesday, with Weekday/Confirmation Classes 5:30-6:25 p.m.; Devotional Service with Communion 6:30-7:00 p.m.

THEME FOR THIS WEDNESDAY'S 6:30 P.M. SERVICE AND NEXT SUNDAY'S SERVICE, 9:00 A.M.: The Kingdom of God; our calling; walking humbly with your God. No sermon.

VOLUNTEERS FOR NEXT SUNDAY, 9:00 A.M.: COFFEE HOSTS: Ken & Linda Veith; USHERS: Grant Fritsche, Elder; Laura H. Fritsche; Steve Oehlke; Pete Lind; Ken Veith; ACOLYTE: Gabriella Richert; READER: Peggy Oehlke; GREETERS: (Open).

THE JANUARY MEETING OF THE CHURCH COUNCIL will be held this Monday, January 23rd, at 6:30 p.m.

ADULT CHOIR will resume this Tuesday, January 24th, 6:30-8:00 p.m. New voices are always welcome!

INSTALLATION AND RECEPTION FOR TONY ENGEN AS DIRECTOR OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION - Glory be to God! Tony Engen, who has served our congregation as Interim Director of Christian Education the past six months, has accepted the Call to join our staff as part-time D.C.E. His installation will take place during our 9:00 a.m. worship service on Sunday, February 12, 2017. We ask that all join in a celebratory brunch being provided immediately following the Education Hour. We rejoice that Tony is following the Call of God, showing a dedication and commitment to be in teamwork with the congregation of St. Peter in service to Christ.

TODAY FOLLOWING SUNDAY SCHOOL, WE WILL BE GOING SLEDDING!! Kids of all ages are invited to join us (even the grown up ones). You will need to provide your own transportation. We will be going to Highland Park, 6975 Idsen Avenue South, Cottage Grove.

NOTE DATE CHANGE!! Attention St. Peter Youth & Parents! On **Sunday, January 29th** from 2:00-5:00 p.m. the Wellners have once again graciously offered to host us for an evening of **BOOT HOCKEY**, hot cocoa, and general good times! **THIS IS FOR 5TH-12TH GRADERS & THEIR FAMILIES.** Chili, hot dogs, buns & beverages will be provided. BRING APPITIZERS, CHIPS OR DESSERT TO SHARE! You need to bring a helmet if you are going to play hockey. Sign-up sheet is on the kiosk. Hope to see you there!

ELDERS' MEETING will be held on Sunday, February 5th, at 11:00 a.m.

OUR MISSION-OF-THE-MONTH IN JANUARY & FEBRUARY is Szeged Lutheran Church in Hungary. See the Mission Board in the narthex for more information. Mission envelopes are in your offering envelope boxes, in the pews, and on the Mission Board.

2017 OFFERING ENVELOPES are now available on the counter in the narthex. Questions can be directed to Karen Stoltzmann, Financial Secretary.

OUR VALENTINE'S DINNER sponsored by the youth will be held on Saturday, February 18th, at 6:00 p.m. Look for more information in the February Newsletter.

Dear Friends at St. Peter,

Thank you so much for all of the care and kindness that you have shown our family over the past few months. We are grateful for the cards, for the offers to help with cleaning and transportation, for the meals, and especially for the prayers. It was comforting to know that we were remembered and that the Lord was hearing so many petitions for healing.

We loved the meals provided for us on chemo days. The boys always waited with excited anticipation to see what they would be having for dinner. (It was almost like Christmas.) Sometimes it was something new; sometimes it was something familiar. It was always delicious.

Your support and care has made the past few months much easier for our family.

With love and gratitude,
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