

**SAINT PETER LUTHERAN CHURCH (LCMS)
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**9:00 A.M. Sundays: Alternating with Traditional &
Contemporary Services (Communion at all Services)
10:15-11:00 A.M. Sunday School; 10:30-11:00 A.M. Adult Bible Class**

6:30 P.M. Wednesdays: Lenten Midweek Service

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FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT

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- TODAY:** 10:15-11:00 Sunday School
10:30-11:00 Adult Bible Class
11:00 Elders' Meeting
- MONDAY:** 7:00-8:00 Breakfast Bible Conversations @ Machine Shed
9:00-12:00 Quilters (& April 17) (*Not on April 24*)
- TUESDAY:** 10:00-11:00 Bible Class
6:30-8:00 Adult Choir
7:00 Prayer Shawl Ministry
- WEDNESDAY:** 5:00-6:15 Lenten Supper
6:30-7:00 Lenten Midweek Service
- THURSDAY:** 6:30 Praise Team Practice
- NEXT SUNDAY:** 9:00 Palm Sunday Contemporary Service with Communion
10:15-11:00 Sunday School
10:30-11:00 Adult Bible Class
11:00 Pre-K - 4th Graders' Craft

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 in memory of Al Craig by Linda Craig and his family. (His birth date was April 12th.)

BULLETINS THIS MORNING are also sponsored in memory of Al Craig by Linda Craig and his family.

BIBLE STUDY: “REVELATION” following the service today: Revelation 18 – “The Collapse, Fall, and Judgment of the World”.

BASICS OF FAITH” BIBLE STUDY this Monday 7:00 a.m. (@ the Machine Shed, Lake Elmo) and Tuesday 10:00 a.m. (@ the church): Lesson 25 – “Accountable to God”.

SERMON TOPIC & TEXT FOR THIS WEDNESDAY’S LENTEN MIDWEEK SERVICE, 6:30 P.M.: “Neglect: Locked Out in Death’s Night” (Revelation 3:7-13).

SERMON TOPIC & TEXT FOR PALM SUNDAY 9:00 A.M.: “For Joy” (Philippians 2:1-11)

VOLUNTEERS FOR THIS WEDNESDAY’S MIDWEEK LENTEN SERVICE, 6:30 P.M.: USHERS: Jerry Clare, Elder; Steve Polinske; Virgil Polinske; Sue Clare; Ken Veith; ACOLYTE: Charlie Veith; READER: (Open); GREETERS: (Open).

VOLUNTEERS FOR NEXT SUNDAY’S SERVICE, 9:00 A.M.: COFFEE HOSTS: Don & Donna Kosen; USHERS: Jerry Clare, Elder; Steve Polinske; Virgil Polinske; Sue Clare; Ken Veith; ACOLYTE: Emma Schatt; READER: Carol Nelson; GREETERS: Clyde & Julie Erickson.

LENTEN SUPPER BEFORE THE LENTEN SERVICE will be served in the Parish Hall Wednesday, April 5th, 5:00 p.m.-6:15 p.m. All groups are serving. Callers are asked to have 5 workers and 5 pans of bars. A donation of \$5.00 per person is the suggested price to meet expenses. Any excess money will be used towards the Kitchen Fund. Questions, call Sharon Wellner.

OUR MISSION-OF-THE-MONTH FOR APRIL is Trinity First Lutheran School, Minneapolis, MN. 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. **We will also be collecting School Supplies**; for example, Clorox wipes, colored pencils, construction paper, etc. There is a basket by the poster in the narthex.

SECOND HARVEST HEARTLAND - We will work a shift at Second Harvest Heartland on Friday, April 14th, from 1:30-3:30 p.m. Sign up on the sheet on the kiosk. If you have any questions about volunteering, please contact Cheryl Schmidt.

BOARD OF EDUCATION will meet on April 10th at **6:00 p.m.** (not 6:30 p.m.).

CHURCH COUNCIL WILL MEET on Monday, April 24th, 6:30 p.m. (not on April 17th as indicated in the April Newsletter).

Craft & Treat for Pre-K through 4th grade – Sunday, April 9th, (Palm Sunday) after Sunday School, there will be a craft & a special treat in the Parish Hall for Pre-K through 4th grade youth. Hope to see you there.

EASTER GARDEN – TODAY IS THE LAST DAY for you to fill out an envelope and return to the church office or offering plate for the EASTER GARDEN for our sanctuary. Flowers can be given in honor or in memory of someone. Envelopes for a freewill donation are provided on the counter in the narthex for this purpose. Checks should be made payable to St. Peter Lutheran Church. It is the intent to use some of this money to provide flowers to our shut-ins before Easter. The display at church will be up through the April 30th service. Flowers can be taken home after the service that day. Any questions can be directed to Judy Hansen.

Mark your calendar for **EASTER DECORATING** of our sanctuary for the resurrection of our Lord on Saturday, April 15th, 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. Many hands and fellowship of others will make the task enjoyable. Any questions, call Judy Hansen.

VBS 2017: June 19th-23rd – Get ready for VBS June 19th to June 23rd from 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Registration is now up online. **The web site is VBSMATE.COM/STPETERAFTON**. Our theme this year is “Mighty Fortress”! We will be discovering how our mighty God is our fortress and strength at all times! If you or someone you know is interested in helping out as a teacher or as a snack/craft helper, talk with Tony Engen.

7th through 12th grade Mission Trip – Sunday, June 11th, through Wednesday, June 14th, all 7th through 12th grade youth are invited to join us for the Rochester Servant Event! For four days we will be serving, worshipping, and having a spectacularly, awesome time alongside tons of other churches and kids from the LCMS Minnesota South District in Rochester, MN. **THIS TRIP IS TOTALLY FREE FOR ALL ST. PETER YOUTH; THIS INCLUDES ROOM AND BOARD!!!** We do need 2 or 3 adult volunteers who would be willing to drive a car full of kids and stay in Rochester for the duration of the event to be chaperones. Room and board will also be covered for chaperones along with mileage reimbursement. Students and chaperones will need to sign up on the sheet in the narthex and also fill out registration forms and medical release/detail forms. Forms can be obtained at rochesterservantevent.wordpress.com/registration. **The sign-up deadline is Sunday April 30th**. For more information, go to rochesterservantevent.wordpress.com or speak with Tony Engen.

TUBMAN CENTER “DIAPER DRIVE”! Join the Tubman Center throughout the month of April for their annual “Diaper Drive”! Help with a gift of diapers, bottles, wipes and other infant, baby or toddler items. Place them in the basket in the hallway by the office by May 1st. Any questions, call Joan Jordan.