

PALM SUNDAY

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TODAY:	10:15-11:00 Sunday School 10:30-11:00 Adult Bible Class 11:00 Pre-K – 4 th Graders' Craft
MONDAY:	7:00-8:00 Breakfast Bible Conversations @ Machine Shed
TUESDAY:	10:00-11:00 Bible Class 6:30-8:00 Adult Choir
THURSDAY:	7:00 Maundy Thursday Service with Communion
FRIDAY:	12:00 Good Friday Service 1:30-3:30 Work @ Second Harvest Heartland 7:00 Good Friday Traditional Tenebrae Service
SATURDAY:	9:00-12:00 Decorate for Easter
NEXT SUNDAY:	6:30 Easter Sunrise Traditional Service with Communion 7:45-8:45 Easter Breakfast 9:00 Easter Contemporary Service with Communion

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 Del Hansen by his family. (He went to his heavenly home on April 4, 2015.)

BULLETINS THIS MORNING are sponsored by Lorraine Hansen in memory of Del Hansen.

BIBLE STUDY: "REVELATION" following the service today: Revelation 19, "The Triumph of the Redeemed."

"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 26, "Believe and Be Baptized".

SERMON TOPIC & TEXT FOR MAUNDY THURSDAY SERVICE, 7:00 P.M.: "Complacency - Death by Indifference" (Revelation 3:14-22).

GOOD FRIDAY SERVICES, 12:00 Noon: A service of Scripture/Song on this solemn day; **and 7:00 P.M.:** A Tenebrae Service of Darkness.

SERMON THEME, TOPIC & TEXT FOR NEXT SUNDAY'S EASTER SERVICES 6:30 A.M. AND 9:00 A.M.: THEME: The Crown of Life; SERMON: "Come, Take Your Crown" (Revelation 2:8-11).

VOLUNTEERS FOR MAUNDY THURSDAY SERVICE, 7:00 P.M.: USHERS: Jerry Clare, Elder; Steve Polinske; Virgil Polinske; Sue Clare; Ken Veith; ACOLYTE: Malachi Oberdeck; READER: (Open); GREETERS: (Open).

VOLUNTEERS FOR GOOD FRIDAY TRADITIONAL TENEBRAE SERVICE, 7:00 P.M.: USHERS: Jerry Clare, Elder; Steve Polinske; Virgil Polinske; Sue Clare; Ken Veith; ACOLYTE: Gabriella Richert; READER: (Open); GREETER: Donna Kosen.

VOLUNTEERS FOR EASTER SUNDAY SERVICES, 6:30 A.M. AND 9:00 A.M.: USHERS: Jerry Clare, Elder; Steve Polinske; Virgil Polinske; Sue Clare; Ken Veith; **6:30 A.M.:** ACOLYTE: Izaak Schmidt; READER: (Open); GREETER: Donna Kosen. **9:00 A.M.:** ACOLYTE: Ryan Bernath; READER: Dale Busacker; GREETERS: (Open).

Craft & Treat for Pre-K through 4th grade – TODAY, right after Sunday School, there will be a craft and a special treat in the Parish Hall for all Pre-K through 4th grade youth. We hope to see you there!

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.

GET READY FOR VBS starting June 19 - June 23 from 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Registration is now up online. **The web site is VBSMATE.COM/STPETER AFTON**. 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.

“FAITH IN ACTION”! SUNDAY, APRIL 23RD, IS OUTREACH SUNDAY! Please join us as we raise awareness and focus on the many opportunities and ways we are reaching out here at St. Peter! An Outreach brochure will be handed out as a reference to our programs.

ST. PETER POLOS AND T-SHIRTS ON SALE TODAY!! The Outreach Committee is excited to offer these shirts at cost (\$14-\$30) and look forward to seeing everyone wearing them this summer! Please visit the display, check out sizes and colors, and fill out an order form! Any questions ask Linda Craig or Laura Nelson.

EASTER BREAKFAST, SUNDAY, APRIL 16TH! Easter is right around the corner, which means it is time again for our annual Easter breakfast! There is a sign-up sheet in the narthex to sign up for donations of food or to volunteer to work. **MORE YOUTH & ADULT VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED!!** Also, remember to invite family and friends to join us for the Easter Breakfast next Sunday (7:45-8:45 a.m.), after the 6:30 a.m. Easter Traditional Service or before the 9:00 a.m. Easter Contemporary Service.

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

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.

OUR MISSION-OF-THE-MONTH FOR APRIL is Trinity First Lutheran School, Minneapolis, MN. Mission envelopes are in your offering envelope boxes, in the pews, and on the Mission Board. **We will also be collecting School Supplies for Trinity First Lutheran School**; for example, Clorox wipes, colored pencils, construction paper, etc. There is a basket by the poster in the narthex.

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.

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