

**SAINT PETER LUTHERAN CHURCH (LCMS)
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**9:00 A.M. Sundays: Alternating with Traditional &
Contemporary Services (Communion - all Services)
10:15-11:00 A.M. Sunday School; 10:30-11:00 A.M. Adult Bible Class
6:30 P.M. Wednesdays: Devotional Service with Communion**

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EASTER SUNDAY

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TODAY: 7:45-8:45 Easter Breakfast
MONDAY: 9:00-12:00 Quilters
TUESDAY: 7:00 Prayer Shawl Ministry
WEDNESDAY: 6:30-7:00 Devotional Service
with Communion
7:00-8:00 Weekday/Confirmation Classes
THURSDAY: 6:30 Praise Team Practice
NEXT SUNDAY: 9:00 Contemporary Service
with Communion
10:15-11:00 Sunday School
10:30-11:00 Bible Class
11:00 Elders' Meeting

6:30 A.M.: ORGANIST: Alicia Walton **ACOLYTE:** Malachi Oberdeck **READER:** Joan Riemer **9:00 A.M.: ACOLYTE:** Logan Knight **READER:** Dale Busacker

BIRTHDAYS: TUES: Laura Bauer, Matthew Walton WED: Tony Engen, Melissa Oberdeck THURS: Roxanne Steffen FRI: Bruce Cronk, Viola LeMay, Madeline Nelson, Ronald Schiltgen

BAPTISMAL DATES: TODAY: Nancy Bernath, Jason Hunt, Helen Thielfoldt WED: Nancy Gauthier THURS: Lee Freitag

ATTENDANCE LAST SUNDAY: 9:00 A.M.: 95.

PRAYER PAGE – OUR MINISTRY OF PRAYER

April 1, 2018 (*Added this week)

Family of Rosemary St. George, sister of Cheryl Richert, who passed away on Friday*
Family of Mary Anderson, neighbor of Hundertmarks, who passed away recently*

Janice Goebel, sister of Phyllis Richert, foot surgery April 6th*
Barbie Erickson, friend of the Swanson family, cancer*
Loretta Freitag, sister of Faye Freitag-Schiell, cancer*
Jamie Grenier, husband of Cyndi Grenier, health & healing after heart procedure*

Patrick Love, grandson of Kathy Bauer, for strength & spiritual guidance

Angie Graves, family friend of Jay & Autumn Zahn, recovering from open heart surgery (She needs a heart transplant to survive long term and is on the waiting list. Pray for complete recovery and long life.)

Derek Nelson, recovering at home after being struck by a car
Madeline Nelson, prayers for emotional and spiritual strength for her
Loren Richert, recovering from a stroke
Deb Zwickert, friend of Gayle Schneider, for relief of pain & healing after surgery
Kathy Hatanpaa, cousin of Lois Fritsche, A.L.S.
Cole Wegner, son of Jenny Veith's cousin, Cystic Fibrosis
Jeff Riemenschneider, brother of Autumn Zahn, Parkinson's
Kellen Giddings, friend of Maverick Schiltgen, recovery from a brain tumor
Grace Hedtke, Melissa Oberdeck's Godchild, bone tumor

Hubert Schiell, for healing from knee surgery
Breck Fewer, son of Joe & Lindsey Fewer, recovering from heart surgery
LaDonna Freitag, daughter of Faye Freitag-Schiell, for health & healing
Laurel Bonine, for health and healing
Holly Bonine, for health and healing
Melissa Oberdeck, for health & healing
Jessica Polinske, for health and healing

Beth Larson, daughter-in-law of Ron & Joanne Larson, health & healing (brain tumor)
Alicia Cleveland, daughter of Betty Richert, Muscular Dystrophy & Leukemia
Karen Carter, niece of Cheryl Richert, kidney cancer
John Schmidt, treatment for cancer
Greg Rubenstein, husband of Marlys Albrecht, good health & healing (cancer free)
Carl Benning (requested by Alicia Benning), cancer
Nancy Wesley, friend of Gayle Schneider, treatment for recurrence of cancer
Mike Morley, friend of Bruce Albrecht, continued good health after cancer treatment
Anita Bruch, lymphoma cancer
Darlene O'Malley, grandmother of Angie Engen, Cancer
Richard Miller, Viola Miller's grandson, treatment for Non-Hodgkin's Lymphoma
Maureen Busacker, sister-in-law of Dale & Janel Busacker, cancer
Teresa Kopps, spiritual blessings and successful treatment of Stage 4 cancer
Tim Sachi, friend of Steve & Sharon Wellner, cancer
Don Goodwin, son-in-law of Stan Simkins, cancer
Jerry Mueller, son of Evie Mueller, health & healing (cancer free at this time)
Jason Bauer, nephew of Kathy Bauer, cancer
Sue Dickey, friend of Kathy Bauer, cancer
Marilyn Stalhiem, aunt of Linda Veith, cancer

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 directed. To request a prayer for our "Prayer Chain" that you would like us to send out via E-mail, call the church office. If anyone would like to be added to this list, call the church office with your E-mail.

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.

VOLUNTEERS FOR NEXT SUNDAY'S SERVICE:
COFFEE HOSTS: Donna & Don Kosen; USHERS: Rick Bauer, Elder; Travis Swanson; Don Kosen; Donna Kosen; Dawn Plunkett; ACOLYTE: Lillian Pryce; READER: Sue Clare; GREETER: Lorraine Hansen.

SPRING CONGREGATIONAL VOTERS' MEETING will be held on Sunday, April 22nd, at 10:30 a.m. Mark this date on your calendar and plan to attend. (No Bible Class that day.) **COMMITTEE REPORTS** are due in the church office by April 9th.

SECOND HARVEST HEARTLAND – We will work a shift on Friday, April 13th, 1:30-3:30 p.m. Sign up on the sheet on the kiosk. If you have questions, call Cheryl Schmidt

SPRING NEIGHBORHOOD SOCIAL: Thursday, April 26, at Noon! Bring a friend for lunch and music! We hope to see a lot of friends and neighbors and YOU! We have postcard invitations for you to send. Please RSVP by April 20 to (651) 436-3357 or stpeter@stpeterafton.org. If you need a ride, let us know. We will need help that day and there will be sign-up sheets for food donations. Questions? Call Linda Craig

ST. PETER WILL HOST THE RED CROSS BLOODMOBILE on Monday, April 30th, from 1:00-7:00 p.m. Please say "Yes!" when you are called to help with making this day run smoothly. Any questions, call Peggy Oehlke

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY MEETS EVERY OTHER TUESDAY AT 7:00 P.M. They will meet on April 3rd. Join us if you like to knit or crochet or would like to learn. If you have questions, call Gayle Schneider or Linda Craig

CHRISTIAN FRIENDS OF KOREA IS THE MISSION-OF-THE-MONTH FOR MARCH & APRIL. See the mission board in the narthex for more information. Continue to pray for North Korea, especially for local colleagues of CFK to be people of courage and integrity to make decisions that will be just and beneficial for the North Korean people. If you would like to support this Mission-of-the-Month, there are special Mission envelopes in your offering envelope box, in the pews, or on the Mission Board.

DO YOU HAVE A PRAYER CONCERN? Please contact Pastor Drews, Cheryl Richert, Gayle Schneider or any of the Elders with your request. We will send an e-mail for you so that we can pray for that individual's needs. There is power in prayer! If you would like to be a part of this Prayer Chain, provide Cheryl with your e-mail address.

ATTENTION 5TH-12TH GRADERS!! CATALYST is held the third Friday of the month! (Monthly Youth Night): On April 20th, from 6:30 p.m.-9:00 p.m. come join us for Catalyst. In Matthew 6:33 Jesus tells us to seek God's kingdom above all else. At Catalyst this is exactly what we will be doing! Come for a night of worship, prayer, games, music, and friendship. Snacks and refreshments will be provided. As always, please bring your friends!

RECEPTION FOR COLLEGE GRADUATES! The pursuit of higher education is cause for rejoicing and celebrating. On April 22nd we will honor all college graduates during our Coffee Hour. If you are or know of a college graduate of our St. Peter family, please let the church office know.

IMPORTANT DATES FOR 2018:

Vacation Bible School July 16-20 (Pre-K - 4th Grades)
WHAM Week August 6-10 (5th - 12th Grades)

MUSIC OF OUR LIVES! – Favorites of P & V (Pete & Virgil) - Join us on April 21st, 7:00 p.m., at the Parish Hall for an evening of music. We will be playing many of our favorite songs. There will be music everyone can appreciate. The selections for the night are an eclectic mix of styles. The songs were originally performed by groups ranging from Sons of the Pioneers to Johnny Cash to Gerry and the Pacemakers to Bread among others. No charge for the evening, but a free will offering will be taken to support Breast Cancer Research at the University of Minnesota. Checks should be made out to the **University of Minnesota Foundation**. In the memo section, add **Fund 11449** – Breast Cancer Research Fund.

ROCHESTER SERVANT EVENT - It is time to sign up for the **Rochester Servant Event** for this year! RSE will take place this year from **June 10th-13th** and is open to all of our **7th through 12th grade students**. The plan will be like last year where we will leave after church Sunday and return on Wednesday evening. There will be no cost for this event for our youth or their friends, as St. Peter will cover the funds from the youth mission account. Lodging and food will also be provided for the duration of the trip. I would ask that you **please register online for this event ASAP**. This will help both the organizers of the event in knowing how many service projects they can fulfill and also me in knowing how many cars I need to fill. Once you are registered, please send me an e-mail letting me know that your child/children is/are coming and if they are bringing friends. Friends should also register individually online. Here is a link for the registration site: **rochesterservantevent.wordpress.com**.

- Tony Engen, DCE

ELDERS' MEETING will be held on Sunday, April 8th,
11:00 a.m.

WEDNESDAY DEVOTIONAL SERVICES WITH COMMUNION begin again this Wednesday 6:30-7:00 p.m.; with **WEEKDAY/CONFIRMATION CLASSES** from 7:00-8:00 p.m.

A SPRING LWML LUNCHEON will be held at St. John Lutheran Church in Woodbury on Saturday, April 28th. Registration and social time 11:30 a.m.; lunch 12:00 Noon. *(Please wear your favorite apron or maybe an Apron that your Grandma has!)* Tickets are \$12.00 each.

THE YOUTH GROUP IS COLLECTING "ALUMINUM CANS" for a fundraiser. Please leave them by the garage door and let Tony Engen know when you bring them. Please just bring aluminum cans.

VALLEY ACCESS CABLE CHANNEL #18 will air our worship service on Fridays, 1:00 p.m. & 7:00 p.m.; and Saturdays, 1:00 A.M. & 6:00 A.M. **WE CAN ALSO PROVIDE DVD'S** for shut-ins if requested. They can be picked up by a family member or friend, or mailed. Call the church office.

TUESDAY ADULT BIBLE CLASSES will not be held this week. They will begin again next Tuesday, April 10th; 7:00-8:00 a.m. at the Machine Shed in Lake Elmo; and 10:00-11:00 a.m. at the church.