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Thanksgiving Eve devotional service recorded and posted online
- November 29**
Pastor Anne's 35th ordination anniversary celebration
- December 13**
Christmas Program; Annual meeting—part 1, following worship



ALL SAINTS' SUNDAY is

November 1, 2020, and our worship will celebrate that God, through his grace, has made us all saints. This year, although we will not be processing out to the cemetery, we will still end the service taking time to remember all the saints who have gone before us in victory.

Veterans to be honored at Nov. 8 worship service

Veterans will be recognized during the Drive In Worship service on Sunday, November 8. Join us as we give thanks to these men and women for their service to our country and the efforts to keep us all safe.

Preview of 2021 budget to be held on November 8

THE STEWARDSHIP/FINANCE COMMITTEE will be presenting the proposed 2021 budget to members after the Drive In Worship service on SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2020. Please take an extra few minutes to stay and see what's presented and get your questions answered before we vote on the budget at the December 13 annual meeting. *Note: no "Budget Barbecue" this year because of COVID.*

Online Sunday School to continue in November

St. Peter's online Sunday School classes will be posted for November 1 and November 15.

Thank you to Harley Jarzombek and Sandra Post (and grandkids) for doing the video lessons in October.



THANKSGIVING EVE WORSHIP will not be held this year, due to the COVID pandemic. Instead, Pastor will record a video devotional service that will be posted on Thanksgiving Eve, November 25. Please watch with your family and join in giving thanks to God for his many blessings even in the midst of this troubling year.

Celebration of Pastor Anne's 35th ordination anniversary set for Nov. 29

Pastor Anne Kolmeier was ordained in November 1985, so this year is the 35th anniversary of her ordination. St. Peter's will celebrate with her by sharing cross cookies that are being designed in her honor by Ashley Post. Each cookie will be individually wrapped for you to pick up as you leave the sanctuary. Please remember to mark your calendars for November 29, 2020, to help us celebrate this event. There will be a basket for cards, for all who wish to bring one.



St. Peter's to collect toys and clothing for Silver Santa

The Goliad Sheriff's Dept. drive to provide toys and clothing for children in need, will once again be the recipient of toys and clothing collected by St. Peter's. We will be collecting through the month of November. Sheriff and Mrs. Brumby will be here on December 6 to pick them up. Put your donations of new toys and children's clothing in the box in the narthex, or leave them in the fellowship hall marked "Silver Santa."



St. Peter's mission is to grow as a Christian community in faith, worship and service.

Notice of Congregational Meeting to be held December 13

The annual congregational meeting Part 1 will be held on Sunday, December 13, 2020. On the agenda are the approval of the budget (see other article about presentation) and the election of church council members for 2021 (2 spaces open). On the nominating committee are Linda Koehler, Ashford Taylor, Trey Wimberly and Megan Tislow. If you would be interested in serving in this way, please contact one of them by November 29.

Church Council Highlights of the October 18, 2020 meeting

- Approved purchase of a sound system for the Gathering Place for \$299.95.
- Approved the proposed 2021 budget to be presented Nov. 8 and voted on at the annual meeting.
- Approved an Outreach Committee Fundraiser (to be determined) to provide school supplies for Goliad Elementary. Voted to give \$500 from local benevolence to that cause.
- Voted to match the Sheriff's Dept. donation of \$375 to a family in Goliad who have four special needs children, with the money coming from local benevolence.
- A new phone carrier was approved for the church phone which will cost \$15 per month.
- Approved giving \$1000 out of local benevolence to the Goliad Sheriff Department's Silver Santa program.
- Accepted Kathy Albrecht's retirement effective January 1, 2021.
- Approved Sandra Post's offer to serve as volunteer church secretary, with the church paying her mileage.

The next meeting will be November 15 after worship.

Gifts to be given for Christmas Eve service

For the Christmas Eve service this year, members and friends will have the opportunity to give gifts in memory of or in honor of family members and friends. In addition to poinsettias that will be used to beautify the Gathering Place during worship on Christmas Eve, there will also be an opportunity to give a gift that will be sent to Lutheran Disaster Relief to help them in aiding victims of USA disasters. The cost for either gift is \$15. Checks should be made payable to St. Peter's. Please return the form that is attached to this newsletter or available from the church office with your check in the offering plate or to the office by Sunday, December 6.

PASTOR ANNE will be on vacation November 10-17, returning to the office on November 18. If a pastoral emergency arises in that time, please call either Linda Koehler (361-645-4819) or Kathy Albrecht (361-645-2922) and they will help you get in contact with a pastor.

2020 Christmas program to be presented Dec. 13

St. Peter's Family Christmas, this year's Christmas Program, will be on December 13, 2020 during the worship service. Because of the pandemic, we need your help more than ever this year, and sooner than ever as well! Instead of a production with rehearsals, this year's program will be a video featuring the families of St. Peter's (of all kinds). Sing a Christmas song, read a Christmas story, share a special Christmas tradition your family has, or all of the above. Video them (remember to turn your device sideways/landscape to eliminate bars on the side), then send the video to Wendi Yendrey at wyendrey@gmail.com to put together into one video.

We need all the videos turned in to Wendi by NOVEMBER 30, so she has time to edit and format. If you have any questions about how best to send it to her, contact her at wyendrey@gmail.com or 979-450-4299.

Thank you from Cross Trails Ministry

October 6, 2020

Dear Members of St. Peter's,

On behalf of Cross Trails Ministry, I would like to thank you for the generous gifts of \$105.74 dated September 28, 2020. Many of the programs and opportunities that Cross Trails Ministry offers would not be possible without generous gifts such as yours.

Your gift to the annual fund will help to provide financial stability and ongoing support to the overall ministry. It will be used to supplement the fees paid by all campers and retreaters to keep our programs affordable, provide financial aid for those who need it, and help us to keep the day to day ministry of our camps and retreats going as we serve thousands each year!

We are truly grateful for your prayers, support and partnership. Thank you once again for your generous gift!
Yours in Christ,
Deanna Christensen
Executive Director

November 2020

Daylight Savings Time Ends on Nov. 1!
Remember to set your clocks back
1 hour Saturday night.



Sunday, Nov. 1, 2020

9am Worship in the Sanctuary
10am Confirmation Class
Sunday School On-Line

Wednesday, Nov. 4, 2020

9am LWR Quilting

Thursday, Nov. 5, 2020

6:30pm Worship and Music meeting

Sunday, Nov. 8, 2020

9am Drive in Worship, at The
Gathering Place, followed by
Budget Presentation
10am Confirmation Class

Tuesday, Nov. 10, 2020 —

Tuesday, Nov. 17, 2020

Pastor Anne on Vacation

Tuesday, Nov. 10, 2020

2pm Women of the ELCA Bible study,
followed by WELCA meeting

Sunday, Nov. 15, 2020

9am Thankoffering Drive in Worship,
at The Gathering Place, no communion
Youth Group activity, at The Gathering
Place
10:30am Church Council meeting
Sunday School On-Line

Monday, Nov. 16, 2020

Turn in all Newsletter articles to the
office

Wednesday, Nov. 18, 2020

9am LWR Quilting

Sunday, Nov. 22, 2020

9am Drive in Worship at The
Gathering Place

Wednesday, Nov. 25, 2020

Thanksgiving Eve — Devotional
on-line

Thursday, Nov. 26, 2020

Thanksgiving Day — office closed

Sunday, Nov. 29, 2020

9am Worship in the Sanctuary

Monday, Nov. 30, 2020

Deadline for Christmas Video

St. Peter's Calendar

Save the Dates and Reminders

Sunday, Dec. 6, 2020

Turn in Christmas Eve gift forms
for ordering Poinsettias or giving to
Lutheran Disaster Relief

T-Shirt Design Contest

The Youth Group of St. Peter's is having a contest for a new t-shirt design! Many have outgrown the "Ketchup with Jesus" shirt and we are looking for new ideas. Youth and adults are invited to submit designs digitally to lesliescott26@hotmail.com by Sunday, November 22nd. Youth will then vote on a final design. We can't wait to see the creative ideas you come up with!



CHRISTMAS EVE CANDLELIGHT WORSHIP

will look quite different this year, so that as many as possible can join us for the celebration safely. Plans are still in the works, but initial plans are for the service to be at 5:30pm at the Gathering Place, doing Drive In Worship. Instead of lighting candles, there will be luminaries, white lights and more as we remember the birth of "The Light of the World." Keep watching newsletters and Facebook for more information as plans evolve.

WELCA Bible study and meeting to be held November 10

The next Women of the ELCA regular monthly meeting will be held on Tuesday, November 10, in the parish hall. Please wear your face mask. At 2 p.m., Linda Dornburg will lead Bible study from the November Gather magazine. Copies of the Bible study are available in the church office. The monthly meeting will be held at 2:30, following the Bible study. Please plan to join us!

St. Peter's LWR kits and quilts ready to ship

On November 9, our Lutheran World Relief kits and quilts will be taken to Marion, TX for shipment from there to the LWR warehouse. We had an amazing year. One hundred boxes weighing 2,043 pounds (that's more than a ton!) with 304 quilts, 108 Personal Care Kits, 217 School Kits, 72 Baby Care Kits and 4 Sewing Kits. Thank you for your generosity towards helping those in need!

Annual Thankoffering Service to be held Nov. 15

The annual Women of the ELCA Thankoffering service will be held on Sunday, November 15, at 9 a.m. This year's service will be "Drive In Worship" at the Gathering Place and there will be no communion for this Sunday's service. Sherry Sanders will be presenting the message for the worship service. In addition to our regular offering, a special offering will be collected to support the ministries of churchwide WELCA. We hope to see everyone at this special Thankoffering service.

Fabric masks sent to Lutheran World Relief

Jackie Gardiner reported that St. Peter's has sent in the last of the masks in response to the LWR challenge – 225 total, plus 25 to the Native American Mission. The LWR challenge wrapped up October 1, but LWR will continue to accept donations of masks as well.

St. Peter's members volunteer at Goliad County Outreach

On October 14, ten of St. Peter's members volunteered at the Goliad County Outreach Food Pantry. They loaded 150 bags with food for distribution, and boxes with fresh fruit and vegetables. Thanks for helping with this critical ministry!



Thank you from Goliad County Outreach —

Thank you for sending a delightful group to Goliad County Outreach to help bag groceries (on October 14). This gave some of our volunteers a break. Your help was so appreciated. Without folks like you, our organization would not survive. You are welcome any time. Sincerely, Tony Kouba, President.

Gerald Griffith, Aldon Bade, Brenda Bade, Pastor Anne Kolmeier, Kathy Albrecht, Sandra Post, Jerry Kolmeier, Eva Nell Griffith, Beverly Martin, and Deanna Wacker, packed 150 bags and boxes of food for distribution to residents of Goliad County.

THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU! — For all your help and donations toward this year's successful Oktoberfest, held on October 25. We raised more than \$9,000, all of which goes to Habitat for Humanity—Goliad Build. We continue to accept donations and the final amount will be reported when available.



Maely Brandes, Krayleigh Irwin, and Mallory Luker sold delicious baked goods.



Items for the live auction, donated by members and friends of St. Peter's, highlighted the evening activities.



Head cooks, Randy Koehler and Nathan Irwin, kept a close eye as the sausage cooked.



St. Peter's kitchen crew, Dorothy Bowman, Jamie Friedrichs, Beverly Martin, and Jill Wiggins, prepared side dishes and plates to go.



**God's work.
Our hands.**

THANK YOU NOTES —

9/27/2020

St. Peter Outreach Committee and members —

Season's may change but our gratitude for your support over the years remains the same. Please let your youth know we are very proud of them.

Pat Wright

Fannin United Methodist Church Food Pantry

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Thank you for your donation of \$600 to the Goliad County Outreach! "Jump for Hunger" by the youth is such a great idea for fund raising for feeding the hungry. We truly thank you and appreciate your thoughtfulness.

Sincerely,

Tony Kouba, President



Julie Franke, Allison Ball, Wyatt Ball, Olivia Ball, Marleigh Luker, Mallory Luker and Maely Brandes delivered plates to the cars.

St. Peter's Staff

The Rev. Anne Kolmeier
Pastor

Kathy Albrecht
Church Office Administrator

Dorothy Bowman
Organist and Choir
Director

Congregation Council

Brenda Bade
Vice-President and Co-Chair
of Christian Education
(term ends 12/31/21)

Regina Calhoun
Chair of Outreach
(term ends 12/31/22)

Linda Koehler
President
(term ends 12/31/21)

Debbie Foster
Secretary and
Chair of Worship and Music
(term ends 12/31/22)

Ashford Taylor
Chair of Safety
(term ends 12/31/20)

Paul Post
Chair of Property
(term ends 12/31/22)

Trey Wimberly
Chair of Stewardship
and Finance
(term ends 12/31/20)

Leslie Wunsch
Co-Chair of Christian
Education
(term ends 12/31/21)

The Rev. Anne Kolmeier
Pastor (ex-officio)



NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS:

11-01 Megan Tislow
11-01 Karie Wimberly
11-03 Addison Yendrey
11-04 Brady Taylor
11-05 Leighton Wunsch
11-07 Ronnie Willms
11-08 Wayne Albrecht
11-08 Kenneth Brand
11-08 Dalton Dornburg
11-09 Brenda Bade
11-09 Clayton Franke
11-10 Beverly Martin
11-11 Jenny Adickes
11-11 Cody Parma
11-12 Kaid Brand
11-20 Jaron Post
11-23 Julie Franke
11-27 Brayden Franke
11-30 Ashford Taylor



St. Peter's Ander



NOVEMBER ANNIVERSARIES:

11-07-59 Gayle & Harold Baecker
11-09-62 Dorothy & David Bowman
11-15-97 Jennifer & Jon Adickes
11-17-84 Rhonda & Jonathan Ideus
11-23-89 Regina & Mike Calhoun
11-27-76 Sandra & Paul Post

*If any listings of birthdays or
anniversaries are incorrect, or
if a listing is missing, please contact
the church office at 645-2922 or
stpetersander@gvec.com*

MEMBERSHIP ADDRESS UPDATES:

June Bethke
1015 Cliff Dr. #D229
Graham, Texas 76450-4115

Meghan and Scott Hale
P.O. Box 1109
Cuero, Texas 77954-1109



CONGRATULATIONS to
Scott and Meghan (Foil)
Hale, who were married in
Victoria on October 24,
2020. May God bless
them as they begin their
married life together and
for many years to come.

Worship Schedule

Sunday Worship: 9:00am

Holy Communion: every
Sunday service that is not
lay-led. (provide your own
communion elements during
COVID-19.)

St. Peter's Ministry Fund Update Through September 30, 2020

Ministry fund beginning balance, January 1, 2020	\$58,080.63
Offerings	\$148,099.71
Cost of ministries	\$142,156.54
Ministry fund ending balance, September 30, 2020	\$64,023.80

Note: St. Peter's Ministry Fund (previously known as the current fund and the general operating fund) includes all of St. Peter's regular, budgeted ministries, including ELCA Mission Support. It does not include designated gifts to the building fund, memorials, or other non-budgeted designated gifts.

**MEMBERS —**

June Bethke
Ina DeForest
Barry Geary
Tom and Marilyn Morris
Mike Wilburn

FRIENDS —

Troy Allen – friend of Pat McDonald
Mia Balko – friend of Karie Wimberly
E. J. Bammert – friend of community
Vergie Bitterly – sister of Deanna Wacker
Paula Calhoun – mother of Mike Calhoun
Kim Curlee – friend of Karen Klinkerman
David Dohmann – friend of Allison and Wesley Ball
Denise Engle – friend of Amy Wilburn
Greg Fore – friend of the Sturms
Joyce Foster – grandmother of Shelby Foster
Daniel Garcia – brother-in-law of Janet Garcia
Ainsley Garza – cousin of Arlene DeForest and Eva Nell Griffith
Harold Gleinser – friend of community and brother-in-law of the Bowmans
Rebecca Graves – infant great-niece of Joyce Franklin, friend of Alvin and Arlene DeForest
Dale Henderson – father of Margaret Luker
Betty Jacob – friend of June Bethke
Kenneth Jacob – friend of Glenn Karnei
Donna Justice – friend of community
Melita Keith – friend of Margaret Luker
Cullen Kickendahl – son of Clint and Sherry Kickendahl
Joe Ladeairus – father of Regina Calhoun
Melvin Luker – grand father of Ryan Luker
Jo Nell Martin – friend of Debbie Foster
Michael McLead – uncle of Nathan Irwin
Doris Moore – cousin of Fritz Sturm

Homebound: **Barry Geary**, 1403 Gohmert Rd., Cuero, TX 77954, phone 361-275-5591

Charles Nixon – brother of Fritz & Geraldine Sturm's daughter-in-law
Carolyn Nunley – cousin of Alvin DeForest and Sis DeForest
Mary Poppert – sister of Ina DeForest and Alvin DeForest
Marcus Rezendez – friend of Amy Wilburn
George Robin – cousin of Linda Koehler
Susan Calhoun Rosello – cousin of Mike Calhoun
James Rung – five year old son of Greta Henke's friend
Stefani Soper – friend of Karen Klinkerman
Bonnie Staha – friend of Jamie Friedrichs
Family of Bobbi Stiles – great aunt of Shelby Foster
Zach Sturm – great grandson of Fritz and Geraldine Sturm
Jay Thigpen – friend of Carl and Sarah Brandes
Victor Vargas – four year old nephew of Alyssa, Luke Abrameit's wife
Rob Wall – son of Brenda Foil's friend, Roxy
Mary Nell Young – friend of Ruby and Allen Jank

THANK YOU FROM LUTHERHILL MINISTRIES

10/5/2020

Dear St. Peter's Lutheran Church,
 On behalf of Lutherhill Ministries and our community, thank you for your generosity and support. Your gift of \$52.79 helps lighten the weight of uncertainty we face as a ministry today and gives us hope for the future.

Lutherhill Ministries offers countless opportunities for faith transformation among holy spaces at Lutherhill Camp & Retreat Center in La Grange and Zion Retreat Center in Galveston. Your support is more important now more than ever to continue to show the love of Christ to all people of every generation. Thank you again for your gift to Lutherhill Ministries and for your willingness to partner with us in our mission.

Hope y'all are well! Thanks for y'all's continued support of Lutherhill. Peace,
 Matt Kindsvatter, Executive Director
 Lutherhill Ministries

REMEMBER TO CONTACT

Pastor Anne by email at revsplca@gmail.com, or by texting or calling her at 361-676-4799, with St. Peter's prayer list updates, the person's current needs, **or when they can be removed from the list.**

PASTOR ANNE has resumed regular office hours. She is in the office on Tuesday morning, Wednesday afternoons, and Saturday mornings. If you need to contact her at other times she is, of course, always available by phone or email, and available to schedule home visits (outside) as needed.

Email Prayer Chain information

An email prayer chain is available at St. Peter's. When there is a prayer need/request, simply contact the church office by phone or email and ask to have it included on the prayer chain. Make sure you have the person's permission to put them on the prayer chain before adding them.

How do you start receiving these prayer requests? Simply contact Pastor Anne or the church office and ask to be signed up on the list.



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November

FLOWERS

- 11-1 Koehler
- 11-8 Dorothy & David Bowman
- 11-15 open
- 11-22 Sandra & Paul Post
- 11-29 Pastor Anne's 35th ordination anniversary





Christmas Eve Service Gifts to St. Peter's



For the Christmas Eve service at St. Peter's this year, members and friends of the congregation will have the opportunity to give gifts in memory or in honor of family members and friends.

In addition to Poinsettias that will be used to beautify the Gathering Place during worship on Christmas Eve, there will also be an opportunity to give a gift that will be sent to Lutheran Disaster Relief to help them in aiding victims of USA disasters.

All gifts — both Poinsettias and Lutheran Disaster Relief — will be acknowledged in the Christmas Eve service bulletin. The cost for either gift is \$15 each. Checks should be made payable to St. Peter's Lutheran Church. All flowers for Christmas Eve should be ordered through the church. Please return this form with your check in the offering plate or to the church office no later than **Sunday, December 6.**

Name (of person giving gift): _____

_____ Lutheran Disaster Relief _____ Poinsettia _____ In Honor _____ In Memory

Name(s) of those being honored/memorialized _____

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St. Peter's
Youth Group
Project



Celebrate

The Holiday Season
with the Gift of Giving!

Join St. Peter's Youth Groups
in their Community Service
Project donating toys to the
Silver Santa Toy Drive.

We will be accepting new unwrapped toys
through the end of November.
Look for the donation box in the Narthex.

