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Upcoming Events:

Lent begins February 22
with Ash Wednesday



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ST. PETER'S presents

"THE CHRISTMAS ALPHABET"

It's almost time! Yes, it's almost time for our Annual Children's Christmas Program here at St. Peter's. The program is titled "The Christmas Alphabet." It will be held on December 4th at 9:00am right here at the church! We invite you to come and listen to the children as they share the various words and songs that celebrate the birth of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.



THE CHRISTMAS EVE candlelight worship will be at 5:30 pm on Saturday, December 24. Join us in the sanctuary for this service

of communion, carols and candlelight as we celebrate the birth of Jesus. If you find it easier to stay in your vehicle, the speakers will be outside and candles and communion will be provided for you.

CHRISTMAS DAY worship is offered this year on Sunday, December 25, at **10:00 am** (note the time change for *this Sunday only*). A service of carols, communion and devotion as we celebrate our newborn king.



St. Peter's mission: To grow together as a Christian community in faith, worship and service.

St. Peter's Staff

The Rev. Anne Kolmeier
Pastor

Dorothy Bowman
Organist and Choir Director

Lisa Rock
Office Administrator

Jerry Kolmeier
Custodian

Congregation Council :

David Bowman
President
(term ends 12/31/23)

Regina Calhoun
Safety/Security liaison
(term ends 12/31/22)

Billy Dornburg
Vice-President
Stewardship/Finance liaison
(term ends 12/31/24)

Debbie Foster
Worship/Music liaison
(term ends 12/31/22)

Gerald Griffith
Outreach liaison
(term ends 12/31/24)

Paul Post
Property liaison
(term ends 12/31/22)

Wendi Yendrey
Christian Education and Youth
Ministry liaison
(term ends 12/31/24)

Lindsey Youngblood
Secretary,
Christian Education and Youth
Ministry liaison
(term ends 12/31/23)

The Rev. Anne Kolmeier
Pastor (ex-officio)

WELCOME to our new office administrator, Lisa Rock. Lisa lives in Cuero, and is a member of the Trailhead Cowboy Church in Goliad. She comes to us with 20+ years working in business administration, with a background in motion pictures and television, in addition to running five construction companies. She grew up with horses, goats, chickens and cows in Malibu Canyon, which is why she loves living in a small town and working at a country church.

Because Lisa is not a member here, she won't be much help yet on questions about the church. and because we are just one of her clients, she will not have regular office hours.

We are not giving out her private phone number, but if you need to make reservations for the hall, add something to the calendar, put something in the bulletin or something else office related, leave a message on the church voice mail, or send an email to stpetersander@gmail.com

St. Peter's Women of the ELCA will be hosting their annual Christmas Party and Meal on Sunday, December 4 at 5pm. All St. Peter's members are invited to attend. A Mexican meal will be served family style with everyone bringing food. A food sign-up sheet is on the table in the narthex for meat dishes, sides, desserts, etc. There will also be games and gift exchange via Bingo, so each person participating is asked to bring a wrapped \$15 gift that would be appropriate for either a man or a woman. We hope you will join us in sharing this festive time of food, fellowship and fun!



PASTOR ANNE AND JERRY will be on vacation December 27-January 3. Should a pastoral emergency arise in that time, David Bowman can help you contact a pastor.

Thank You!

THANK YOU to all who helped to make Oktoberfest 2022 a success! Thanks to your generosity and hard work, \$14,830.20 was raised to give to Food Bank of the Golden Crescent that's more than 1800 meals!



The ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING, Part I will be on Sunday, December 4 after the worship service. On the agenda are election of church council for 2023, voting on the budget for 2023, and discussion of the plans to expand the Gathering Place. All confirmed members have a voice and a vote, so help plan the future of our congregation!

Merry Christmas



St. Peter's Lutheran Church Treasurer's Report

10/31/2022

Checking Account Report

	Monthly	Year-To-Date
Beginning Balance	\$ 110,554.38	\$ 119,937.08
Income	\$ 36,302.59	\$ 199,011.20
Expenses	\$ 22,507.24	\$ 194,598.55
Ending Balance	\$ 124,349.73	\$ 124,349.73

THE NOISY OFFERING for October was \$158.13, given to Berclair Ministries to purchase blankets. The November Noisy Offering on November 27 will go the ELCA Good Gifts/Water fund for wells, filters, etc for those who have no access to clean water. The December Noisy Offering offering will go to the Fannin Food Pantry.

Christmas Caroling to our shut-in members and friends will be on Sunday, December 11. We will leave right after worship to carol at the nursing home, eat lunch at Whataburger, then go caroling around town and then in the country. You may speak to Gerald Griffith if you need further details. The Women's group is assisting St. Peter's Outreach by organizing and packing the 15 "Christmas Goodie Bags" that will be given to people that the carolers go to visit. Everyone is invited to bring goodies, such as cookies, individually wrapped candy or sandwich crackers, or fruit (oranges, apples, pears) for the bags. Please have items in the church kitchen before worship on December 11, so the bags can be packed.



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JOY
NOEL
ANGEL
JESUS
PEACE HOPE
WISEMEN
CHRISTMAS
BELIEVE FAITH
PRINCE OF PEACE
THANK YOU



Holy
night
the stars are
brightly
Shining

Oktoberfest Activities 2022



SUNDAY
SCHOOL
Grow in Christ

*Holy
night
the stars are
brightly
Shining*

Chrismon Creating





December 1 Laura Rogers
 December 6 Brian Willms
 December 7 Delbert McCullough
 December 16 Fritz Sturm
 December 17 Barrett Irwin
 December 18 Kora Brandes
 December 18 Paisley Post
 December 20 Allison Ball
 December 23 Brynnley Bates
 December 24 Brent Dornburg
 December 25 Wanda Schendel
 December 26 Wylie Tislow
 December 26 Vickie Wimberly
 December 27 Ryan Klinkerman
 December 27 Tracer Schendel
 December 28 Luke Taylor
 December 29 Tuffy Dornburg



December 9 Leo and Greta Henke
 December 10 Ray and Kathy Albrecht
 December 10 Tyler and Megan Tislow
 December 19 Brent and Terri Lynn
 Dornburg
 December 20 Vickie and W.A. Wimberly
 December 23 Paul and Leota Romine





Family and friends—

Verena Albrecht -

Kathy Albrecht's
Mother-in-law

Dwane & Gaye Bruns—

brother of Deanna
Wacker

Terra Brand -Terrell

Wiggins' niece

Pauladeen Calhoun - mother

of Mike Calhoun

Kim Curlee - friend of

Klinkerman's

Joyce Foster - grandmother

of Shelby Foster

Ainsley Garza - cousin of

Arlene DeForest and
Eva Nell Griffith

***Barry Geary**-church family
member (homebound)

***Bob Gerhardt**-church family
member

Floyd Gift- friend of Sandy
Sanders

Rebecca Graves - , friend of

Alvin and Arlene
DeForest

Olga Gutierrez -friend of

Ruby Jank

Dale Henderson -Margaret

Luker's dad.

Donna Justice - friend of
community

Terry Karnei -brother of
Glenn Karnei

Melita Keith - friend of
Margaret Luker

Joe & Maureen Ladeairus -
parents of Regina
Calhoun

Kristen Lambright—friend of
Shelby Foster

Dorothy Lude-Glenn Karnei's
aunt

Jo Nell Martin - friend of
Debbie Foster

Roy Miller—friend of Fran
Harding

Randy Moore—friend of John
Helwig

***Tom & Marilyn Morris**-
church family members

Mary Poppert - sister of Ina
DeForest and Alvin
DeForest

Marcos Rezendez—friend of
Amy Wilburn

James Rung - son of
Greta Henke's
friend

Sara -

Jay Swan -Linda
Koehler's cousin

Jay Thigpen - friend of
Brandes family

Victor Vargas - nephew
of Alyssa and Luke
Abrameit

***Mike Wilburn**-church
family member

Randy Willms—friend of
Morelands

Buddy and Mary Nell

Young - friends of the
community



JUNE ADDICKES BETHKE, a long time member of St. Peter's (and our next door neighbor!) passed away on October 30, 2022. Her funeral service was here at St. Peter's, with burial in our cemetery, on November 3. June will always be remembered for her love, her laugh, and her willingness to help. May God comfort and strengthen her family in their time of loss.

REMEMBER TO CONTACT

Pastor Anne by
email:

revsplca@gmail.com,

or by texting or
calling her at

361-676-4799,

with St. Peter's pray-
er list updates, the

person's current

needs, or when they

can be removed

from the list.



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December Ministry Leaders



Fellowship Committee:
Kathy Albrecht
Beverly Martin

Altar Guild:
Arlene DeForest
Linda Koehler

Offering Counters:
Brenda Bade
Ina DeForest

Flowers for the altar:
Dec. 4
Dec. 11 Martin
Dec. 18 Kora B.
Dec. 25 Poinsettias

Greeter:
Dec. 4 Jamie Friedrichs
Dec 11 Sherry Sanders
Dec 18 Linda Koehler
Dec 25

Ushers:
Dec 4 Kenneth Brand, Terrell Wiggins
Dec 11 Gayle Baecker, Marilyn Moreland
Dec 18 Kade Irwin, Glenn Karnei
Dec 24 Trey Wimberly, Walker Wimberly
Dec 25 David Bowman, Alvin DeForest



December 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2	3
4 Worship 9 am CHRISTAS PROGRAM WELCA Christmas 5 pm	5 Pastor's Sabbath Day	6	7 Fellowship Meal 6pm Advent Worship 7 pm ARNECKEVILLE	8 Dr. Pericope Study In Victoria 10 am	9	10
11 Worship 9 am Conf. Class 10:15 am Caroling 10:15am	12	13	14 Fellowship Meal 6pm Advent Worship 7 pm ANDER	15	16	17 6:00pm Council Christmas Party
18 Worship 9 am	19 Pastor's Sabbath Day	20	21 Fellowship Meal 6pm Advent Worship 7 pm COLETOVILLE	22	23	24
	Pastor's Sabbath Day					Christmas Eve Candle light Worship 5:30 pm
25CHRISTMAS DAY Worship 10 am	26	27	28	29	30	31
Pastor's Sabbath Day			Pastor Vacation			

2022 ADVENT AND CHRISTMAS AT ST. PETER'S

Sunday, November 27 – 1st Sunday of Advent

Worship 9:00 am

Gospel: Matthew 24:36-44

The sudden coming of the Son of Man

Wednesday, November 30 – Joint Advent Worship at St. Luke's, Schroeder

Fellowship Meal 6:00 pm Worship 7:00 pm

Stay Awake

Sunday, December 4 – 2nd Sunday of Advent

Worship 9:00 am Sunday School Christmas Program

Annual Congregational Meeting after Worship

WELCA Christmas 5:30 pm

Wednesday, December 7 – Joint Advent Worship at Zion, Arneckeville

Fellowship Meal 6:00 pm Worship 7:00 pm

Much Love, Hope Sent

Sunday, December 11 – 3rd Sunday of Advent

Worship 9:00 am

Christmas Caroling 10:15

Gospel: Matthew 11:2-11

The forerunner of Christ

Wednesday, December 14 – Joint Advent Worship at St. Peter's, Ander

Fellowship Meal 6:00 pm Worship 7:00 pm

Have Your ID Ready

Sunday, December 18 – 4th Sunday in Advent

Worship 9:00 am

Gospel: Matthew 1:18-25

A God near at hand

Saturday, December 24th – Christmas Eve

Candlelight Service with Communion 5:30 pm

Gospel: Luke 2:1-20

"Unto you is born this day a Savior, which is Christ the Lord"

Sunday, December 25th – Christmas Day

Christmas Carols, Devotion and Communion **10:00 am**

Sunday, January 1 – 1st Sunday of Christmas

Christmas Lessons and Carols 9:00 am

