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FOR YOUR CALENDARS:

ASH WEDNESDAY IS FEBRUARY 14, 2024. We will join with our Christ in the Country brothers and sisters for traditional Ash Wednesday worship with communion and the imposition of ashes. This year the service (no meal) is at 7:00 p.m. at St. Luke's Lutheran in Schroeder. Please join us as the Lenten season begins.



*The
Season
of
Lent*



WEEKNIGHT LENTEN SERVICES

continue with Christ in the Country throughout the month of February and March. Each service begins at 7:00 p.m., and is preceded by a fellowship meal at 6:00 p.m., provided by the host church. The theme this year is "On the

Way" as we accompany Jesus on his way to the Cross.

Feb. 14 Ash Wednesday St. Luke's, Schroeder
Condemnation on the Way

Feb. 21 Zion, Arneckeville
Coronation on the Way

Feb. 28 Martin Luther, Coletoville
Determination on the Way

March 6 St. Peter's, Ander
Confrontation on the Way

March 13 Martin Luther, Coletoville
Destination on the Way

March 20 St. Luke's, Schroeder
Humiliation on the Way

EQUIPPING THE SAINTS, sponsored by the Bluebonnet Conference, is back for its 40th year! This year's event is Saturday, February 3, at St. Mark's in Cuero. Info on the workshops being offered (something for all interests!) and registration forms are on the table in the narthex.

Registration is free, but they need to know by January 31 how many are coming. Please consider attending – it's a great time for fellowship, learning, and getting to know other Lutherans in the area!

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

Who do I Contact?

The Rev. Anne Kolmeier
Pastor

Dorothy Bowman
Organist and Choir Director

Jerry Kolmeier
Custodian

Congregation Council :

Kenneth Brand
Property liaison
(term ends 12/31/2026)

Sarah Brandes
Secretary
Christian Education liaison
(term ends 12/31/2026)

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

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

Pat McDonald
Safety/Security liaison
(term ends 12/31/25)

Sandra Post
President
Worship/Music Liaison
(term ends 12/31/25))

Terrell Wiggins
Safety/Security liaison
Property liaison
(term ends 12/31/25)

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



CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

The **ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING**, Part 2, is scheduled for Sunday, February 11, following the worship service. On the agenda is the approval of the recipient for Oktoberfest funds, and review of annual reports. The annual reports will be available to pick up on February 4. Please read them ahead of time and bring them with you to the meeting.

2024 YEARBOOKS

were sent out in January in PDF form to all with



an email address. There

are also printed copies available for those who want them. Please check YOUR information now and let us know of any corrections.

AN ADDRESS CORRECTION:

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Our Christian sympathies are extended to Jackie Gardiner, her children, and the entire Jank family on the sudden death of Jackie's husband, Tom Gardiner on January 22. Memorial services were still being planned at the time of the printing of this newsletter, but please keep the family in your prayers.

Sympathies also to Beverly Martin, Brenda Foil and family on the death of their brother, Tony Haschke in January. The funeral was January 10 in Port Lavaca .

May God comfort and strengthen these families with his promises and his presence in their time of loss.

ADULT BIBLE STUDY meets on February 7 to finish our study of The Parables of Jesus using Luke 12:16-32 *God Knows What you Need*. This will be our last study until after Easter, so join us for study, discussion and fellowship.



Bible Study



WOMEN OF THE ELCA Bible study is February 1, 2024, at 10:00 a.m. We will continue our study of God and Nature from the Gather Magazine. Copies of the study are available in Linda Dornburg's folder the Sunday before if you plan on coming and want to read ahead.

WELCA GENERAL MEETING follows the Bible Study at 11:00 a.m. Join us as we finalize plans for the March 2 Conference Gathering and plan our ministries and activities for 2024.

FEBRUARY QUILTING DAY is Wednesday, February 21. If you can tie a knot, pin, sew, tear or talk, you are invited to join us (men and women) for fun and fellowship as we make quilts for Lutheran World Relief. Stone soup will be made and shared for lunch, if you want to bring something to put in it or to go with it.



COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS, January 21, 2024

- Approved Pastor's vacation days for 2024: April 2-9, July 9-16, September 10-24, December 26-January 2.
- Camp Workdays will be May 3-5, 2024 at Camp Chrysalis.
- The congregation will be asked to approve Goliad County Food Banks (Fannin, Berclair, Goliad) as the recipients of Oktoberfest 2024 funds raised.
- April 28, 2024 has been set as the date for worship/dedication and meal to dedicate the renovated Gathering Place.
- It was agreed to donate \$2,000 of local benevolence to the Wallek Family of Goliad who lost their home to a fire.
- 100 more plastic candle holders have been ordered for Christmas Eve worship.
- The memorial committee's request to spend up to \$3,000 from memorials on additional white tables and chairs to match existing ones was approved.

On January 21, Vicar Margaret assisted in worship for the first time here at St. Peter's.

Welcome, Vicar Margaret!



WELCOME to the St. Peter's Family. Janet Garcia joined the St. Peter's family on January 21. Born and raised in this area, Janet was baptized here, but changed congregations as she grew up and started a family. Our regular 3rd Sunday musician, she works doing duct work for Victoria Air. We're glad to make you "official," Janet! Welcome to St. Peter's!

Janet's address:
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Vicar Margaret Jackson was installed as the seminary intern serving and learning with St. Peter's and the Christ in the Country parishes (Schroeder, Ander, Arneckeville, Coletoville) on Jan. 21 in a special service at St. Luke's, Schroeder in which Pastor Anne and Pastor Kara presided.



♥ **HAPPY**
Valentine's
DAY ♥

Checking Account Report as of 12-31-2023

	Monthly	Year-To-Date
Beginning Balance	\$ 102,102.20	\$ 156,253.14
Income	\$ 72,300.71	\$ 385,576.02
Expenses	\$ 28,251.97	\$ 395,678.22
Ending Balance	\$ 146,150.94	\$ 146,150.94



What a joy it was to have Pastor Anne and all the carolers come to my home on Sunday. The time was short but each moment of song and laughter brought moments to cherish. Thank you for the beautiful poinsettia and the bag of goodies.

Thank you for bringing such joy with your singing of the beautiful hymns. I wish all of you a very Merry Christmas and may the New Year bring you and your loved ones good health, peace, and times of fun and laughter.

Sincerely,

Annie Schwin

Thank you so much for your donation of \$500.00 to Fannin Methodist Food Pantry, which is completely funded and operated by volunteers and donations. Your donation is used to purchase food from the Food Bank of the Golden Crescent and to pay for the processing of beef, venison, chicken and turkeys that are donated to us. We are able to purchase 160 meals with \$20 from the Food Bank, which helps us feed more people for the month. In December 2023, we served 71 families, and average serving 170 individuals each month from the Fannin, Schroeder Berclair, Ander and Cologne communities. Your donations allow us to continue to feed and serve God's people. God's blessings to you and yours.

— Donna Brandes, Administrator

Holy Cow! I received St Peters card (and gift) today!!! Brought tears to my face! I am blown away... That meets my deductible and then some for this year. I can't believe it! I don't know what to say but Thank You All and I sure hope I can pay it back or forward one day .. I definitely want to come and say Thank You to everyone one Sunday soon! Y'all are so incredible and generous! Love Yall!

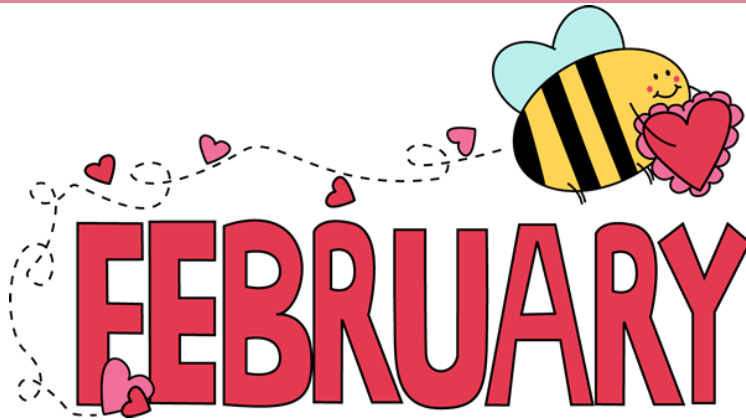
— Vestal Odem



THE NOISY OFFERING received in December totaled \$78.55 for the Goliad Rotary Club.

The January 28 noisy offering will go the ELCA Good Gifts/ Community Gardens.

The February 25 noisy offering will go to Habitat for Humanity/Goliad Build.



Birthdays

February 1	Cody Foil	February 9	Parker Post
February 2	Ray Schneider	February 9	Paul Romine
February 2	Grace Griffith	February 11	David Bowman
February 2	Troy Geary	February 12	Colin Burke
February 2	Nick Smith	February 12	Lyle Schendel
February 2	Amy Wilburn	February 13	Barry Geary
February 4	Brooklyn Odem	February 24	Krayleigh Irwin
February 8	Jessica Griffith	February 28	Ainsley Yendrey
February 8	Jerry Kolmeier	February 29	Zaynee Parma
February 8	Wendi Yendrey		



Adam and Danielle Egg
2/15/13

Jenny and Sunny Wiggins
2/21/09

Deborah and Ronnie Willms
2/27/93



IN OUR Thoughts and Prayers



Deran Abernathy - friend of Margaret Luker

David Blevins - Cousin of Alvin & Ina DeForest

Terra Brand - Terrell Wiggins' niece

Mike Buckert - friend of Debbie Foster

Joyce Foster - grandmother of Shelby Foster

Ainsley Garza - friend of the DeForests

***Barry Geary**-church family member ([homebound](#))

***Allison Gerhardt** - church family member

***Bob Gerhardt** - church family member

Rebecca Graves - infant great niece of Joyce Franklin, friend of Alvin & Arlene DeForest

Olga Guttierrez - friend of Ruby Jank

Joe Haschke - brother of Beverly Martin and Brenda Foil

Kohen Hattenbach - niece of Tyler and Megan Tislow

Dale Henderson - Margaret Luker's dad.

Bonnie Holland - friend of Linnea Griffith

Patsy Hudson - Brenda Bade's niece

Marjorie Ideus - mother of Sherry Sanders

Ray Jaynes - friend of Pat McDonald

Terry Karnei - brother of Glenn Karnei

Melita Keith - friend of Margaret Luker

Athalee Koehler - Randy Koehler's mother

Zac Koenig - friend of the Lukers

Joe & Maureen Ladeairus – parents of Regina Calhoun

Dorothy Lude - Glenn Karnei's aunt

Marvin Marcell - friend of the Lukers

Jo Nell Martin - friend of Debbie Foster & the community

Lanie Milliff – friend of the Posts

Randy Moore - friend of John Helwig

***Tom Morris** - church family member

Pauline Pollard - Karie Wimberly's grandmother

Mary & Keith Poppert - sister/brother-in-law of Ina & Alvin DeForest

Marcos Rezendez - friend of Amy Wilburn

James Rung - 10 year old son of Greta Henke's friend

Sara - niece of Eva Griffith

Pastor Craig Sturm - nephew of Fritz Sturm

Jay Thigpen - friend of Brandes family

Dusty Tullis - cousin of Margaret Luker

Victor Vargas - nephew of Alyssa (Luke Abrameit's wife)

***Mike Wilburn** - church family member

Bettye Williams - mother of Carrie DeForest

Buddy & Mary Nell Young friends of the community

Patsy Zandonatti - cousin of Beverly Martin and Brenda Foil

REMEMBER TO

CONTACT

Pastor Anne by email: 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.



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FEBRUARY MINISTERS OF WORSHIP

**Fellowship
Committee:**
Linda Dornburg
Valerie Albrecht

Altar Guild:
Eva Nell Griffith

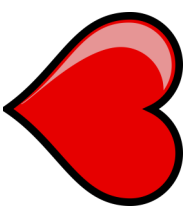
Offering Counters:
Billy Dornburg
Lindsey Youngblood

Flowers for the altar:
2-4
2-11
2-18
2-25

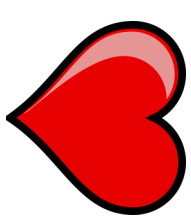


Greeters:
2-4 Jill Wiggins
2-11 Jill Wiggins
2-18 Sandra Post
2-25 Sandra Post

Ushers:
2-4 Paul Post, Terrell Wiggins
2-11 Paul Post, Terrell Wiggins
2-18 Jim & Beverly Martin
2-25 Jim & Beverly Martin



February 2024



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 Bible St. 10 am WELCA 11 am Pr. Hours 8:30-4	2 1st Communion Inst. 5 pm Pr. Hours 8:30-7:00	3 ETS in Cuero 9-4
4 Worship 9 am Group Sunday School 10:15 am	5 Pastor's Sabbath	6 Pr. Hours 8:30-4	7 Choir 6:30 pm Bib St. 7:30 mPr. Hours 12:30-8:30	8 Pr. Pericope Study 10 am	9 Pr. Hours 8:30-4	10 Pr. Hours 8:30-12:30
11 Worship 9 am Annual Mtg. II 10:15 am Conf. 10:30 am	12 Pastor's Sabbath	13 Pr. Hours 8:30-4	14 ASH WEDNESDAY Worship 7 pm In Schroeder Pr. Hours 12:30-8:30	15 Pr. Deanery HERE 10 am	16 Pr. Hours 8:30-4	17 Pr. Hours 8:30-12:30
18 Worship 9 am Council 10:15am	19 Pastor's Sabbath	20 Conference Planning 10 am Pr. Hours 8:30-4	21 Quilting 9 am Meal 6 pm Worship 7 pm In Arneckeville	22 Pr. Hours 8:30-4	23 Pr. Hours 8:30-4	24 Pr. Hours 8:30-12:30
25 Worship 9 am Conf. 10:30 am	26 Pastor's Sabbath	27 Pr. Hours 8:30-4	28 Meal 6 pm Worship 7pm In Coletoville Pr. Hours 12:30-8:30	29 Pr. Hours 8:30-4		