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## **HOLY WEEK SERVICES:**

**PALM SUNDAY**, March 24 – worship at 9:00 am.

We begin the service outside, then process in with Palms before remembering how quickly the crowd turned from Hosanna! to Crucify Him!



**MAUNDY THURSDAY**, March 28, 7 p.m. – Communion Service at Zion Lutheran in Arneckeville

**GOOD FRIDAY**, March 29 – Tenebrae worship at St. Peter's, Ander at 7:00 pm.

**EASTER SUNDAY**, March 31

**EASTER SUNRISE SERVICE** is at 7:00 am. At the Gathering Place. Join us in this devotional start to Easter Sunday worship as we celebrate the rising of the Son with the rising of the sun!

**EASTER BREAKFAST** follows the Sunrise Service in the fellowship hall at 7:45 am. This year's breakfast will be **POTLUCK** – so bring your favorite breakfast casseroles, make pancakes or eggs here, or whatever you can think of to share for breakfast.

**EASTER FESTIVAL WORSHIP** is at 9:00 am with special music and communion as we continue our celebration of Christ's resurrection day.

The season of Lent began with Ash Wednesday on February 14. We continue our weeknight services with the Christ in the Country Co-op every Wednesday. The theme this year is On the Way. The remaining services are:

**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

Each worship service begins at 7:00, and is preceded by a fellowship meal at 6:00 provided by the host congregation for those who wish to come.

**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)

Once again we are doing **\$40 for 40 days**, where each individual member is asked to give \$1 a day for each of the 40 days of Lent. The recipient this year will be the Goliad Outreach Food Pantry, so members are encouraged to give this much, or even more, in the special envelopes that will be available beginning February 18 (the First Sunday in Lent). Just think, if each member gave \$40 we'd be able to give the Food Pantry almost \$8,000!!



### Gathering Place Loan Update:

As we begin our monthly payments on the loan, we currently have 6 months' worth of mortgage payments in the bank. Anytime we go \$5,000 over that amount, it will be added to the payment for the month.

**COMMIT**  
TO GOD'S WORK

The annual Stewardship Campaign began February 18, with **COMMITMENT SUNDAY** being March 10, 2024 - complete with the annual Stewardship Stew!

**THE THEME** this year is *The Secret to Stewardship:*  
**Faith and Reason**  
**Logic vs. God's work**  
**Start with your Heart**  
**Thankful for the Opportunity**

The COMMITMENT CARDS will be available throughout the campaign and this year will offer an opportunity to commit not only our treasure, but also a percentage of our time and a chance to offer up our talents for God's use.

**EASTER SUNDAY SCHOOL** happens in the fellowship hall after Festival Worship on Easter Sunday. We will hear the Easter story, do a special craft, and maybe play a game or two. Then we will go out and those 5th grade and younger will hunt for Easter Eggs around the property. (Older youth will hide the eggs during the lesson) We need filler for the goodie bags. Please put donations of candy, coins, small toys, and trinkets in the boxes on the table in the fellowship hall by April 2nd. Cascarones are also requested.



**GROUP SUNDAY SCHOOL IS BACK!** We hope to meet monthly for Bible story, crafts and games in the fellowship hall for youth of all ages. So far, lessons have been planned for Sunday, **March 3** and Sunday **April 7**. Plan now to join us - older youth are invited to help. If you need more information, contact Sarah Brandes or Wendi Yendrey .



**WELCA BIBLE STUDY** is on Thursday, March 7, at 10:00 am, as we continue our study of the God in Nature from the Gather Magazine. Copies of the study will be available the Sunday before in Linda Dornburg's folder.

**WELCA GENERAL MEETING** begins at 11:00 am to plan our ministries for 2024 and review the Conference Gathering.

**THE BLUEBONNET CONFERENCE WELCA** will meet for their Spring Gathering here at St. Peter's on Saturday, March 2. Registration deadline was February 15, but if you want to help provide items for the continental breakfast, sign up on the sheet in the narthex. We are also collecting food items for the food pantry as part of the physical offering for the assembly.

**QUILTING DAY** for Lutheran World Relief quilts is **Wednesday, March 20**.

We begin laying out, tacking and sewing at 9:00 am, then break at noon for Stone Soup. All are welcome to help with the quilting (if you can tie a knot you can help!) and all who come are welcome to bring items to put in the soup or to go with it.



### Lutheran World Relief – Focus for Spring

**WELCA is asking for donations** of bath towels and bar soap for LWR personal car kits this spring.

Bath towels should be 20" to 27" wide, by 40" to 52" long – darker colors are preferred and a thinner towel is good, as it dries faster in rough conditions. Any regular size bar soap is acceptable – but not small complimentary bars from hotels. Please pick up one or two items to help us help those in need.



### Address Correction from the February Newsletter:

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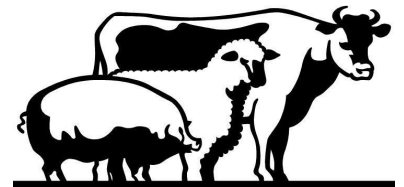


**EASTER FLOWERS** for the altar area will once again be a variety of colored plants. Cost has not yet been determined, but watch your March bulletins for ordering information! Contact Sandra Post for more information.



**SPRING AHEAD MARCH 10 !** Daylight saving time is the practice of advancing clocks during warmer months so that **darkness** falls at a later clock time. Make sure to set your clocks **AHEAD** an hour on March 9 before going to bed, so you make it March 10 activities at the right time!

**MARCH 14-16 is the GOLIAD COUNTY FAIR.** Most of our youth have animals, crafts, photos, and/or baked goods they are entering. Please support them with your prayers, encouraging words, and attendance at the fair if you can! Pastor Anne will not be in the office as much those days as she spends time at the fair supporting our youth.



### Checking Account Report as of 12-31-2023

	Monthly	Year-To-Date
Beginning Balance	\$ 146,150.94	\$ 146,150.94
Income	\$ 18,741.00	\$ 18,741.00
Expenses	\$ 81,943.51	\$ 81,943.51
Ending Balance	\$ 82,948.43	\$ 82,948.43



*From a St. Peter's Angel Tree family:*

Your church was such a blessing to our family at Christmas. My husband and I never imagined having to care for our seven grandchildren at our ages. With increased prices of just everyday living going up, it has been a struggle at times. Your kind hearts are so appreciated and my grandchildren had a wonderful Christmas due to your generosity. May God bless each and everyone of you.

Our family wants to thank everyone for their kind words and prayers after Tom's passing. Special thanks to all who brought food and helped with the meal after the memorial service – it was a comfort to be able to talk with Tom's family and friends, sharing stories and remembrances. We are so fortunate to be part of such a loving church family.

– Jackie, Evan, Kam and Lexi

THANK YOU!

Dear people of St. Peter's, Thank you so much for your generous support of my internship and call. A special thanks to all who supported me at the service of welcome. Thank you all.

- Vicar Margaret

**Church council** met on February 18. Highlights of that meeting:

- Worship and Music Committee is planning the dedication service and activities at the Gathering Place April 28. They will be setting up other committees to help.
- New faucets have been installed in the kitchen. Bathroom faucets have been purchased, and will be installed soon
- Property Committee is in the process of updating the policy and procedures for the columbarium and the rental of the Gathering Place
- There will be a workday to re-stripe the handicap parking area and to clean the mud daubers out of the breaker box.



**LOTS OF NOISE!** The Noisy offering of \$132.78 in January went to ELCA Good Gifts/Vegetable Gardening.

The February 25 noisy offering will go to the Ander/Weser VFD.

The March 31 noisy offering will go to ELCA Good Gifts/Refugee Assistance.



## *Birthdays*

<b>March 1</b>	Sheldon May	<b>March 22</b>	Landon Burke
<b>March 1</b>	Hunner Parma	<b>March 25</b>	Allison Gerhardt
<b>March 2</b>	Mac Odem	<b>March 26</b>	Jonathan Ideus
<b>March 4</b>	Maely Brandes	<b>March 29</b>	Gunner Brandes
<b>March 11</b>	Jackie Gardiner	<b>March 29</b>	Allen Jank
<b>March 12</b>	Terrell Wiggins	<b>March 30</b>	Regina Calhoun
<b>March 13</b>	Karen Klinkerman	<b>March 31</b>	Annie Schwin
<b>March 19</b>	Kirk Klinkerman	<b>March 31</b>	Shelby Taylor
<b>March 19</b>	Megan Lovett		



**Janet and Martin Garcia**  
**3-3-2016**

**Deran Abernathy** - friend of Margaret Luker

**David Blevins** - Cousin of Alvin & Ina DeForest

**Terra Brand** - Terrell Wiggins' niece

**Gay Bruns** - sister-in-law of Deanna Wacker

**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

**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

**Mike Jensen** - friend of Linda Koehler

**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

**Kenneth Sanders** - Sandy's Brother

**Sandy Sanders**—church family member

**Sara** - niece of Eva Griffith

**Craig Sturm** - nephew of Fritz Sturm

**Jay Thigpen** - friend of Brandes family

**Dusty Tullos** - cousin of Margaret Luker

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

**\*Mike Wilburn** - church family member

**Buddy & Mary Nell Young** friends of the community

## REMEMBER TO

### CONTACT

Pastor Anne by email: [revsplca@gmail.com](mailto: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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## MARCH MINISTERS OF WORSHIP

**Altar Guild:**  
Sherry Sanders

**Offering Counters:**  
Gary Moreland

**Flowers for the altar:**  
3-3 Barry Geary  
3-10 Gayle Baecker  
3-17  
3-24  
3-31 Easter Flowers

**Greeters:**  
3-3 Gayle Baecker  
3-10 Gayle Baecker  
3-17 Karolynn & Lindsey Youngblood  
3-24 Karolynn & Lindsey Youngblood  
3-31 Wendi Yendrey

**Ushers:**  
3-3 Gerald, Eva Nell, Tyler Griffith  
3-10 Gerald, Eva Nell, Tyler Griffith  
3-17 Gerald, Eva Nell, Tyler Griffith  
3-24 David Bowman, Kenneth Brand  
3-31 David Bowman, Kenneth Brand





# March 2024



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 Pr. Hours 8:30-4:00	2 WELCA Conf. Assembly 9-2
3 Worship 9 am Sunday School 10:15 am	4 Pastor's Sabbath	5 Pr. Hours 8:30-4:00	6 Meal 6 pm Worship 7 pm Ander Choir 7:45 Pr. Hours 12:30-8:30	7 Bible St. 10 am WELCA 11 am Pr. Hours 8:30-4:00	8 Pr. Hours 8:30-4:00	9 Pr. Hours 8:30-12:30
10 <b>COMMITMENT SUNDAY</b> Worship 9 am	11 Pastor's Sabbath	12 Pr. Hours 8:30-4:00	13 Meal 6 pm Worship 7 pm In Coletoville Pr. Hours 12:30-8:30	14 ————Golliad Pr. Hours 8:30-4:00	15 County Fair—— Pr. Hours 8:30-4:00	16 ———— Pr. Hours 8:30-12:30
17 Worship 9 am Council 10:15 a	18 Pastor's Sabbath	19 Pr. Hours 8:30-4:00	20 Quilting 9 am Meal 6 pm Worship 7 pm In Schroeder Pr. Hours 8:30-8:30	21 Pr. Deanery Schroeder 10 am Worship/Music 6:30	22 Pr. Hours 8:30-4:00	23 Pr. Hours 8:30-12:30
24 <b>PALM SUNDAY</b> Worship 9 am	25 Pastor's Sabbath	26 Pr. Hours 8:30-4:00	27 Pr. Hours 8:30-4:00	28 <b>MAUNDY THURSDAY</b> Worship 7 pm In Arneckeville	29 <b>GOOD FRI- DAY</b> Worship 7 pm In Ander	30 Pr. Hours 8:30-12:30
31 <b>EASTER</b> Worship 7 am Worship 9 am Sunday Sch.						

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RETURN  
to the  
LORD  
YOUR  
GOD

