



the CROSSWORD

Volume 21 Number 3

March 2026

The Stewardship campaign for 2026 is *Love Generously*, based on Corinthians 16:14, "Let all that you do, be done in love." Our campaign began on February 15 with distribution of hearts and commitment cards. On February 22, we heard a temple talk on stewardship, and on March 1 we will have another heart event.

March 8 will be commitment Sunday with worship and sermon based on Stewardship. Commitment cards are due back on March 8. Following events scheduled on that Sunday, there will be a meal prepared by the Stewardship and Finance committee and other volunteers. You may sign up to bring either garlic bread, cornbread or a dessert to go along with the meal. We hope all will stay for the activities and meal. As you prayerfully ponder your commitments for 2026, remember that all our gifts, talents, time and treasures, help to enable and empower our members at St. Peter's to carry on God's work of sharing our faith and helping those in need. *St. Peter's mission: To grow together as a Christian community in faith, worship and service.*

Lenten Gatherings Reminder:

| | | |
|-------------|---------------------|----------------|
| 3-4 | Arneckeville | Meals |
| 3-11 | Schroeder | 6:00pm |
| 3-18 | Coletoville | Service |
| 3-25 | Ander | 7:00pm |

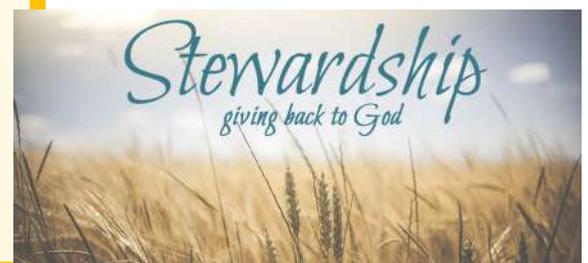


The 2026 Bluebonnet Conference meeting will be held March 1 at Zion Lutheran Church in Arneckeville. Registration begins at 2:00pm with the meeting at 2:30pm. Voting members are the Conference Council, rostered persons, SAM's and 6 voting members from each congregation. This is our time to conduct business for the year, enjoy good food and fellowship.

Sherry Sanders

Vice-President

Bluebonnet Conference



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

St. Peter's Staff

Rev. Paul Kirchner
Interim Pastor

Dorothy Bowman
Organist and Choir Director

Congregation Council :
(*Executive Committee)

***Linda Koehler**

President 12/28

***Jon Adickes**

Vice-President/Security 12/28

***Debbie Foster**

Secretary/Worship & Music
12/27

Kenneth Brand

Property 12/26

Sarah Brandes

Christian Education 12/26

Terri Lynn Dornburg

Christian Education 12/28

Cody Foil

Stewardship/Finance 12/27

Jarrett Yendrey

Outreach 12/27

Wyatt Ball

Youth Representative

Annual Easter Egg Hunt:

Sunday, April 5, 2026, following the Worship service we will have an Easter Egg hunt for our youth.

WE NEED:

***lots and lots of confetti eggs**

***candy to fill plastic eggs**



WE DO NOT NEED PLASTIC EGGS

***snacks**

***prizes**



7:00am Easter sunrise service at the Gathering Place.

**Breakfast following sunrise.
(Sign-up sheet on table in narthex)**

9:00am festival worship in the sanctuary.

EASTER EGG HUNT!



Continuing Lenten services of Maundy Thursday and Good Friday will be here in Ander. You don't want to miss these special services designed by Pastor Paul. NO MEAL and services begin at 7:00pm.



During Lent this year, we will again observe the Lenten discipline of giving one dollar a day to the food bank of Goliad. This practice began several years ago with the donation of 40 cans for 40 days, but due to the ease of donations and the better use of dollars by the food bank, was changed to dollars.

Of course, you can give as much as you desire, and with the current need of food so that all can be fed, whatever you can spare will be greatly appreciated. We remain in partnership with the Goliad Food Bank as we work to feed all in Goliad County. You may put your donation in envelopes found on the table in the narthex marked, "40 DAYS" and place in the offering.



Lutheran World Relief — Care kit items are being collected in the box in the narthex. Dark colored bath-size towels and soap are the most needed items at this time. When floods, fires, or other disasters strike, LWR is there to give comfort and aid both in the United States and in other countries. Offering someone a personal care kit is a wonderful way of showing our Christian love and care. Monetary donations are always accepted. Place in offering and mark "LWR care kits".



Confirmation group meets every 2nd Sunday of the month. When we meet we sing, we learn, we play games and we eat. Come join us on Sunday, February 8th after worship. The meal on the 8th will be provided by the Stewardship and Finance committee for commitment Sunday. Remember that the entire congregation are mentors to these students, so give them some encouragement.





Thank you!



St. Peter's Lutheran Church,
Thank you so much for your financial donation to Cross Trails Ministry. We could not support this ministry without your help. God's love shines brightly through churches like you.

Blessings, Calea Wirtley
On behalf of CTM board of directors

Thank you for your generous donations of \$515 and \$6,900. We sincerely appreciate your financial support that enables us to help people in need in Goliad county.

Sincerely, Wilfred Korth,
President, Goliad County Outreach

Thank you for your gift of \$750 to The ELCA World Hunger. Through your gracious gifts, you make God's love real.

**With gratitude, Daniel Rift
Director, Congregational Generosity**



St. Peter's Checking Account 01-31-26

| | <u>Monthly</u> | <u>Year-to-date</u> |
|--------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| Beginning balance | \$133,562.06 | \$133,562.06 |
| Income | 12,567.76 | 12,567.76 |
| Expenses | 26,252.72 | 26,252.72 |
| Ending balance | 119,877.10 | 119,877.10 |

Please pray



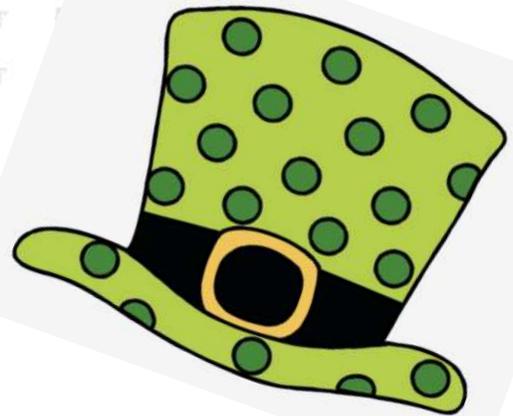
For rain.

Remember we will have a meal on March 8 after Sunday School and Confirmation. Please plan to bring your favorite dessert or some yummy cornbread or garlic bread to share.

let all that you do be done in



1 corinthians 16:14





MARCH

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

- March 1 Sheldon May
- March 1 Hunner Parma
- March 2 Mac Odem
- March 4 Maely Brandes
- March 11 Jackie Gardiner
- March 12 Jerrell Wiggins
- March 13 Karen Klinkerman

- March 19 Kirk Klinkerman
- March 19 Megan Lovett
- March 22 Landon Burke
- March 25 Allison Gerhardt
- March 29 Gunner Brandes
- March 29 Allen Jank
- March 30 Regina Calhoun
- March 31 Annie Schwin
- March 31 Shelby Taylor



Janet and Martin
Garcia
3-3-2016

Happy Anniversary

Joyce Baecker—friend of community
Terra Brand - Terrell Wiggins' niece
Casey Brown - friend of the Tislows
Joyce Foster - grandmother of Shelby Foster
Ainsley Garza - friend of the DeForests
***Barry Geary**-church family member (homebound)
Richard Gisler— father of Vickie Wimberly
Rebecca Graves - friend of Alvin & Arlene DeForest
***Linnea Griffith** - assoc. members
Kohen Hattenbach - niece of Tyler and Megan Tislow
Dale Henderson - Margaret Luker's dad
Sandra Hoff - former member
Patsy Hudson - Brenda Bade's niece-
Terry Karnei - brother of Glenn Karnei
Allen & Ruby Jank-church family members



Jo Nell Martin - friend of Debbie Foster & the community
Glen Miller - Brenda Bade's brother-in-law
Mike Moseley - Margaret Luker's cousin
Robert & Donna Parkinson - Wendi Yendrey's father
Pauline Pollard - Karie Wimberly's grandmother
Keith Poppert - brother-in-law of Ina & Alvin
Sara - niece of Eva Griffith
Danny Salazar
Kenneth Sanders - Sandy's Brother
Annie Schwin—church family member

Stephanie Sturm - granddaughter of Geraldine
Rose Trevino—friend of Jamie Friedrichs
Dusty Tullos - cousin of Margaret Luker
Victor Vargas - nephew of Alyssa (Luke Abrameit's wife)
Jordan Wise - friend of the Wimberlys
Buddy Young - friend of the community
***Family of Zander York**- Church family member



REMEMBER TO CONTACT

Linda Koehler by email stpetesander@gmail.com, or by texting or calling her at 361-645-4819 with St. Peter's prayer list updates, the person's current needs, or when they can be removed from the list.



St. Peter's Lutheran Church
1545 E. FM 1961
Goliad, TX 77963-3414

Phone: 361-645-2922
E-mail: stpetersander@gmail.com

Rev. Paul Kirchner
Interim Pastor
Phone: 361-433-3639

March Ministry Leaders

Altar Guild:
Jamie Friedrichs

Offering Counters:
David Bowman
Terrell Wiggins



Ushers:

3-1-26 Glenn Karnei/Terrell Wiggins
3-8-26 Glenn Karnei/Paul Post
3-15-26 Aldon Bade/Nelson Jacob
3-22-26 Alvin DeForest/Nelson Jacob
3-29-26 Paul Post/Logan Youngblood

Greeters:

| | |
|---------------------|-----------------------------|
| 3-1-26 OPEN | 3-22-26 OPEN |
| 3-8-26 Sandra Post | 3-29-26 Karolynn Youngblood |
| 3-15-26 Brenda Bade | |

