

# St. Peter's Post 10/1/24

St. Peter's Lutheran Church




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## From the Pastor:

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“The LORD makes wars cease  
to the ends of the earth.  
He breaks the bow and shatters the spear;  
he burns the shields with fire.  
He says, ‘Be still, and know that I am God;  
I will be exalted among the nations,  
I will be exalted in the earth.’” Psalm 46:9-10

Right now, I’m sitting in my hotel room in Chicago. It’s not downtown Chicago. This hotel is on some kind of strange island or isthmus with highways on parallel sides of it, but there’s still nowhere near the commotion that I assume would be audible if the ELCA Churchwide offices and the hotel it uses were actually downtown. Maybe Charlie could tell me if I’m right or wrong about that. Either way, it’s just me and the HVAC system for noise, and right now, I’m not talking to myself, at least not out loud. Nevertheless, this very nice room, for which I am very grateful, only fulfills the quiet part of the phrase “peace and quiet.”

Maybe for you, a nice hotel room by yourself would be the most peaceful thing you could imagine this side of heaven. Not me, I never trust the carpets in a hotel room, so I can’t ever truly be at peace. Also, this room isn’t really mine. On the other hand, I don’t own any of the places I find peace, so that can’t be it. I think it’s because there are other places where I am better able to be still and know God.

My peace places include the church building, especially the nave (except right now), the beach, the woods, and fishing spots. None of them are perfect. Sometimes, it can be too windy or chilly to be still at the beach. If you’re not sure, ask just about anyone from the congregation who went to the beach this year. Others have their potential pitfalls too, often weather-related since my backups to the nave are generally outside. Despite their imperfections, as the waves come lapping in or as the wind rustles the leaves, I can feel myself breath more deeply and evenly. I feel lighter. Funny how such a weighty thing as peace can so easily lift my spirit.

You might ask why I am better able to be still surrounded by trees than a temperature controlled room with indoor plumbing. That’s a good question. Perhaps it’s the degrees of separation from God’s own handiwork. To be sure, God is here with me in my room in Chicago, and God’s fingerprints can be found all over this place. However, the furniture and design are more secondhand, transfers those fingerprints, rather than the direct image that Creation itself offers us. From hills to dales, from seashore to riverbank, I can almost put my hand in the very handprint of God. That quiets me, stills the most strident sound storming within me, like remembering that singing the *Sanctus* joins my voice with that of the angels at the very throne of God.

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Our God makes wars to cease. I look forward to the day when that means Russians and Ukrainians, Israelis and Palestinians, and all other people can live in peace as neighbors instead of enemies. For now, I am grateful that God can and does make the war that rages within me to cease. What war? The same that fights for supremacy in all of us - thirst for power clamoring to be heard, retribution shouting to take control, and a thousand other raucous voices fighting God and each other for control of my heart, as all the while the discordant whispers of despair try to rule.

God's strength of love defeats them all. If not, I would gradually grow to accept the din of battle raging in my soul as status quo. Perhaps it would be. It shouldn't be. No, instead, each time that the glow of God's peace breaks through the storm clouds yet again, I am reminded that I wasn't made to live that way. I was made to be lighter. I was made for peace. You are too. Breathe it in. Breathe it out.

Jesus needed those times, too, and I'm glad. Otherwise, every time I realized that I need the peace of quiet stillness, I would feel like I was wasting God's time or shirking my duties. Jesus gives us permission and the blueprint. He goes up the mountain himself or with a few of his most trusted companions and prays. I think it's safe to say in those moments of stillness, he knows again God in him and him in God, and his well of peace is refreshed. Jesus doesn't stay up or out, but finds his way back to people and his ministry among them, like us back to the lives we continue to lead but reminded that these lives are God-given mission fields for maximizing the praise of God.

Communal worship is a place of praise and peace, knowing God and being known by God. It is a treasure that shouldn't be taken for granted. In addition, I pray that you have or find other places where you can be still and know God as well. May God who makes wars to cease quiet the clashing cacophony inside you until *the still*, small Voice can be heard saying, "Be at peace; I love you."



On Sunday, August 1st our worship services moved outdoors so the painting project in the nave could begin. Services continue to be offered online in addition to in person in the picnic shelter until the painting project is complete, hopefully we will be back indoors for worship by the time you are reading this newsletter!




## Thank You's & Softball Picnic



Many thanks to Ryan & Melissa Bonicky for hosting the annual softball picnic. A special feature this year included an official St. Peter's Sports Hall of Fame. Recognized this year were Lynette Wingard represented by Luann Brosius (sister) and Rege Rengers represented by Zach Rengers (son). Lynette was the first to sponsor the Apostles. Rege was one of the biggest fans of the Apostles coaching at times, and giving advice when he found it necessary as well. Rege always had a smile on his face and a joy in his heart for all things sports related.



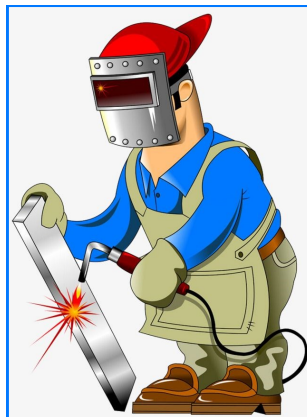
Special recognition awards were given with Frank receiving the award for coach of the year (pictured left). Many laughs were had as players were good sports about their certificates. Thank you to everyone who supported the Apostles this year!



A special thank you from  
Rev. Ryan Fitch  
of Lutherlyn, for supporting  
their *Building for the Future*.  
Campaign.

St. Peter's was able to  
provide a gift of \$2,334.00  
to help them with their  
camping ministry.

A special thank you to Kurt Wearing for repairing the railing leading into the entrance of the nave from the lower parking lot. The railing rusted and needed to be fixed. **THANK YOU** Kurt for this much needed repair work!



## Rally Day



On the chilly Sunday morning of September 8th many came to our annual Rally Day Sunday School celebration. The morning began in the picnic shelter followed by a craft on the 3rd floor. A special thank you to everyone who volunteered to help make the first day back so special. Sunday school is for all ages and you are invited to join in the fun at 9 am every Sunday!

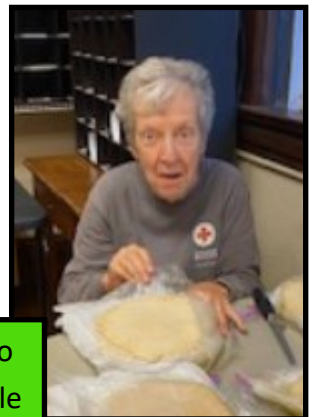
# APPLE DUMPLING TIME

It all began Aug. 31st with the first step... making the pastry shells for the dumplings.



## The Apple Dumpling Gang

Then the apple dumpling gang moved on to assembly the following weekend, making 1,256 delicious dumplings to be baked & sold.



On Saturday, September 7th many gathered together to assemble all those apple dumplings to be baked for apple fest 2024. Many thanks to all who helped!



# APPLE BUTTER FUN



Another week later and more apples to be shepherded into a sweeter form.



First on Friday is the chopping, softening, and straining...



Finally, sweet success on Saturday after lots of super stirring. Nearly 70 gallons of apple butter were jarred!



## All for the Love of Kids



Many thanks to everyone who donated time, funds, and treasures to make our Rummage Sale a huge success. We were able to raise over \$2,400 for Manna Night and Campers!



Many thanks to Patti Newton, WELCA Outreach Ministry Leader, for all of her hard work to collect things for our After School Program this year. We were blessed to receive MANY donations both monetary and craft supplies, paper products, craft supplies and more!



### What is Manna Night?

On Wednesday evenings from 5:30-7:15 children in grades K-6 are invited to participate in this wonderful ministry. Adult volunteers help to make this possible! Children are served a meal, do service projects, hear a Bible story, play a game, do crafts, and more!

## Events & Birthdays:



### Sundays in October

9 am Sunday School  
 10:15 Worship  
 11:30 Fellowship  
 12:00 Bell Choir

### Wednesdays in October

5:30 pm Manna Night  
 7 pm Cantata Choir  
 8 pm Senior Choir

### Thursdays in October

9 am Quilting  
 7 pm Bible Study

### Friday, October 4

10 am 500 Club

### Saturday, October 12

4:00 pm Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser

### Sunday, October 13

11:45 am Food Pack Up

### Wednesday, October 16

12:00 Lunch Bunch Outing

### Saturday, October 26

5:30 pm PumpkinFest

### Monday, October 28

2 - 7 pm Blood Drive



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|--------------------|-----------------------|
| 2 David Fulghum    | 21 Perry Brosius      |
| 3 Jason Plank      | 21 Jimmy Hendricks    |
| 3 Leah Plank       | 22 Lucius Merrison    |
| 4 Melissa Bonicky  | 24 Jay Thomas         |
| 4 Jocelyn Thomas   | 25 Paul Volz          |
| 4 Christine Johns  | 25 Holly Lingenfelter |
| 10 Dan Vicheck     | 26 Michael Fulghum    |
| 11 David McKinnis  | 27 Seth Price         |
| 14 Josie Guerriero | 29 Meera Lindgren     |
| 16 Chloe Rengers   | 30 Mark Brosius       |
| 17 Tom Ayres       | 30 Linda Middleton    |
| 18 Zach Rengers    | 31 Calvin Jason       |
| 20 Donna Daugherty | 31 Kate Norris        |



**Harvest Home** – We encourage you to bring a nonperishable food item with you to worship Sunday, Oct. 13<sup>th</sup> as we celebrate harvest home and sharing with those who are in need. Special offering envelopes for Harvest Home will support the Food Cupboard. After our fellowship time, you're invited to help carry donated items downstairs and stay to pack up bags and boxes of food for our neighbors.

### 500 Card Club

Will meet this month on **Friday, October 4th at 12 pm.**

Everyone is invited and encouraged to attend - no experience needed! If you would like to learn to play you are welcome to join in the fun. It's a pot luck event so bring whatever you would like to share.



Join your church family and friends for the monthly Lutheran lunch outing **Wednesday, October 16th at 12 pm.** This month's restaurant is **the Log Cabin Inn.** Anyone is welcome to attend, please let Pastor Johns know how many will be joining from your party so he can pass the information along to RSVP for the growing group! Stay tuned each month for the lunch date so you don't miss out on an afternoon of fun and fellowship.





# St. Peter's Upcoming Events & Fundraisers

**Raise A Fork For A Good Cause**



St. Peter's Lutheran Church  
202 Van Buren St. Evans City (724) 538-5810

## SPAGHETTI DINNER FUNDRAISER

Enjoy spaghetti, meatballs, sausage, salad, garlic bread and dessert to help support the Bartley Family. Their son Aiden was only 11 years old when he lost his battle to a rare form of adult pancreatic cancer.



**Oct. 12 4:00-7pm**

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## Turkey Dinner

Save the date for our annual Turkey Dinner. It will be on Saturday, November 16<sup>th</sup>. Dine in or take out!



Transform a life and your own

## St. Peters Lutheran Church Evans City Blood Drive

Monday, October 28  
2:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.



Fellowship Hall  
202 Van Buren Street  
Evans City, PA 16033

To schedule an appointment to donate:

- Go to [vitalant.org](http://vitalant.org) and search with Account Code 10055124 or by zip code.
- Call 1-877-25VITAL
- Or scan code for a list of all available times



APPOINTMENTS RECOMMENDED

For more information or to schedule a donation, call 412.209.7000 or visit us at [vitalant.org](http://vitalant.org)  
Find us @vitalant:   



After only 8 years of marriage, Corey lost his beloved wife Elisa to metastatic melanoma. Elisa had courageously battled the disease since 2021, undergoing grueling medical treatments. Throughout her fight, Elisa never wavered in her determination to be loving wife, and devoted mom and auntie. In a devastating turn of events, the melanoma metastasized to her bone marrow. Elisa needed over 35 units of blood and platelets.

Her brokenhearted family wants to honor Elisa's precious memory by encouraging the community to donate blood in her memory. "Without the generous blood donors, Elisa would not have been able to thrive as much as she did," Corey said. "The gift of blood and platelets goes a long way to help patients stay stable."



**PUMPKIN CRAFT FOR ADULTS**

**CARNIVAL FOR KIDS**

ST. PETER'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

# PUMPKIN FEST

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 26**  
**5:00 - 8:30 PM**

**PICK A PUMPKIN & GARVE IT!**

Hot Dogs, Chips, & Hot Chocolate

Pumpkin Ice Cream & Bake Sale

202 Van Buren St. Evans City

**SPOOKY HOUSE**

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**Anniversary Dinner** – Our dinner will be held at Lutherlyn on Sunday, October 6<sup>th</sup>. You may start arriving at 3:00 if you are interested in seeing the space; programming will begin at 4:00; dinner will be served at 5:00 pm. All are welcome and wanted!



Each year, millions of Americans face the reality of living with a mental health condition. Mental illness affects everyone directly or indirectly through family, friends, or coworkers. Since 1990, Congress established the first full week of October as Mental Illness Awareness Week (MIAW). To shine a light to those impacted by mental illness, please join us as we . . .

## “Walk and Talk” about Mental Illness

Sponsored by:  
St. John’s United Church of Christ  
501 East Main Street  
Evans City, PA 16033

**Date: Saturday, October 5, 2024**  
**Time: 10:00 am**

The walk route begins in the upper parking lot of the St. John’s, proceeds down thru town, left at the Magistrates office, past the library to begin the return to the church.

A short time of reflection, prayer and fellowship will be observed upon our return to the church. Representatives from **NAMI Butler** will be present to share resources and information about their many mental health programs as well as answer questions.



We hope you will join us as we shine a light on **Mental Health for All.**

*To ensure we have enough refreshments, please use the QR code to register.*



### Community Worship

A special thank you to everyone who attended or helped in any way to make the Evans City Community Worship held on Sept. 22<sup>nd</sup> a success.

It is a special witness to the One Body of Christ when we can all come together to sing, praise, and worship our Lord.



## Join Us for the return of Trivia Night

Friday, October 11

Snacks Provided/BYOB

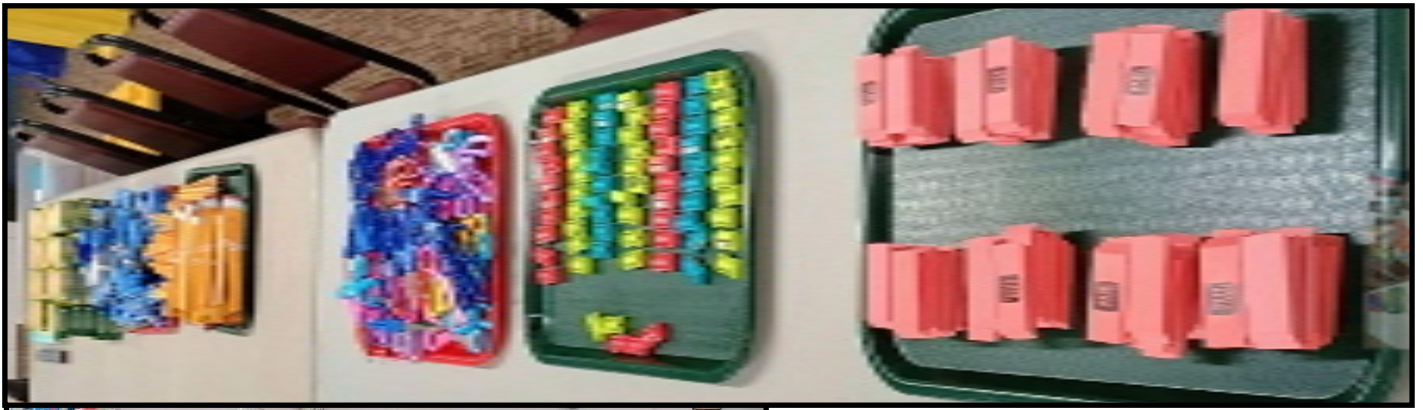
Trivia Begins  
**6:30**



Thank you to everyone who donated items for Cookie Kits for those in need during the month of September.

St. Peter’s volunteers help pack food for the Evans City Community Food Cupboard the second Sunday of each month. Join in the fun after worship on October 13th and help those in need in our community.

## Women of the ELCA



The women of the ELCA are extremely grateful for the many donations that made the 2024 school kits possible. The plan to make 175 kits to honor our church's anniversary was a huge success! Thank you to everyone who donated items for the kits, for helping to make the bags that everything went in, and for all of the help with assembly!

**COME...**

**W/ELCA FALL GATHERING**  
**Saturday October 26, 2024**

**St. Peter's Lutheran Church**  
 202 Van Buren Street  
 Evans City, PA 16033  
 9:30-12:00  
 Breakfast  
 Devotion  
 SIP and Paint  
 COST- \$20.00

*Romans 15:32- Go that I may come to you with Joy,  
 By God's will, and in your company be refreshed.*

*"Bee Strong in the Lord"*

*Clusters 1 & 2*  
*Fall Cluster Gathering*



*When: October 12, 2024*  
*Where: Rehoboth Lutheran Church*  
 2800 Conway Wallrose Rd, Baden PA 15005  
*Time: 9:00 am Breakfast: 9:30 am*  
*Cost: \$5.00*  
*Bible Study: Pastor Susan Irons*  
*Scripture: Proverbs 16:24*  
*"Pleasant words are like a honeycomb, sweetness to the soul and health to the body".*  
*Program: Beaver Valley Area Beekeepers*

*Reservations to Norma by Oct 6<sup>th</sup>*  
 724-622-3854 or [normagil@comcast.net](mailto:normagil@comcast.net)

*Looking forward to seeing our Sisters in Christ !*

Please contact Teresa O'Malley for more details.

## Financial Facts

### August 2024 Contributions:

Fund Description	Amount
204 W.E.L.C.A.	350.00
206 Madagascar	150.00
208 Lutheran Campus Ministries	20.00
213 Synod Benevolence	989.60
242 EDCO Park	10.00
400 Current Fund Income	12,823.40
401 Music Fund Income	60.00
402 Memorial Fund Income	100.00
405 Flower Income	80.00
407 Priority Project Income	120.00
410 Campership Income	10.00
413 Applefest	200.00
440 Softball Team Income	500.00
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>15,413.00</b>



### Our Monthly Benevolent Cause for October

Our Monthly Benevolent Cause will support Lutheran Service Society. If you would like to support this cause, please mark the Other line on your contribution envelope.

### 2024 Contributions to Date

Fund Description	Amount
202 American Cancer Society	12.00
204 W.E.L.C.A.	350.00
206 Madagascar	1,240.87
208 Lutheran Campus Ministries	20.00
211 Meals on Wheels	110.00
212 Food Cupboard	3,039.31
213 Synod Benevolence	9,450.45
215 ELCA Lutheran World Relief	25.00
217 ELCA Lutherlyn Prospect	2,394.00
228 Seminary	56.00
234 Sherri Ifft - Missionary	180.00
240 Evans City Library	88.00
241 Evans City Fire Department	136.00
242 EDCO Park	410.50
244 ALS of Western PA	2,074.69
280 Window Coverings	7,276.00
297 Cub Scout Pack 399	1,185.11
299 Pastor's Disc. Fund	20.00
400 Current Fund Income	104,796.63
401 Music Fund Income	869.00
402 Memorial Fund Income	2,630.00
405 Flower Income	2,454.00
406 Youth Fund Income	588.80
407 Priority Project Income	11,550.60
408 After School Program Income	11,979.00
410 Campership Income	3,954.50
412 Manna Night	30.00
413 Applefest	200.00
440 Softball Team Income	1,100.00
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>168,220.46</b>

### A Financial Update – To keep everyone

informed about our current financial situation, the reconciled treasurers report of our current fund **as of the end of August 2024** is as follows:

- Current Fund \$10,782.69
- Memorial Fund \$8,794.74
- Youth Fund \$9,758.97
- Manna Fund \$4,292.73
- Priority Project Fund \$7,192.18
- After School Program \$7,800.89

Many thanks to those who continue to give to these funds which give us the ability to serve Christ and others.



## Thoughts & Prayers

Cole Barkley  
Troy Barkley  
John, Summer, Timothy Barron & Family  
Ricky Benson  
Dave Brockhoff  
*(open heart surgery – Robin VanDyke)*  
Tom Broeren  
Jane Brown  
Kay Burr  
Lisa Burr  
Reid Caldwell (ALS)  
Jane Carruth (Colon Cancer - B.Barkley)  
Luke Clawson  
Michael Clawson  
Roberta Domhoff  
David English (Lung Cancer)  
Diane Fair  
Mary, Glenn, and David Fulghum  
Lori Goodwin  
Joan Gump  
Patty Grubbs  
Bill Head  
Annastyn Hogan  
Stephanie Hogan  
Ella Jason  
Greg John  
Carol Kerr  
Val Kurth (Breast Cancer)  
Todd Manuel (blood cancer)

Diane Marburger  
Joe Marburger  
Joseph Marburger  
Rick Marburger  
Jane Mashuda  
Diamond McCracken  
Matt Morris  
Mark Phillips  
Erin Price  
Bill Puryear (cancer)  
Barb Rader  
Lori Rasp  
Dylan Rast  
Rick Reifenstein  
Audrey Smith  
Judy Smith  
*(breathing issues – from: Teresa O'Malley)*  
Carrie Sphar (cancer – from: Cheryl Thomas)  
Jane Taylor  
Cathy VanDyke  
*(Robin Van Dyke's Sister-In-Law)*  
Liam Wahl (infant in need of heart transplant)  
Glen Walker  
Mary Watson  
Bob Wearing  
Garrie Wearing  
John & Kay Yuengert (submitted by K. Ferrari)



### PRAYERS FOR OUR HOMEBOUND

*Please contact the church office as soon as possible  
to request additions or changes.*

Gini Rinkus

Norma Iman    Lucille Wingard

### INTERCESSIONS FOR CONSOLATION IN GRIEF

*Members and friends who have entered the  
Church Triumphant in the previous 3 months:*

The family of Kim Morris  
The family of Butch Zattiero  
The family of Ruth Mullenax  
The family of Brian Kenney  
The family of Carol Green  
The family of Helen Barto

*pray*

## St Peter's Lutheran Church Unapproved Council Minutes (9-12-24)

**Present:** Staci Bettencourt, Marlene Domhoff, Dan Erin (Zoom), Patti Flach, Casey Guerriero, Pastor Johns, Ted Lindgren III (Zoom), Adam Price, Rita Reifenstein, Linda Schmidt, Jane Taylor (Zoom), Corey Walker

**Absent:** Rob Burr **Reception of Visitors:** None

President Adam Price called the meeting to order at 7:10 PM. Pastor shared a story about a visit to a former church member and provided a Dedication to the Dying and a reading of one of the family's favorite scriptures from Phillipians focusing on peace. He led us in a discussion that was followed by prayers.

**Minutes:** Minutes from the August 26th meeting were read and approved as amended. Corey motioned to accept the minutes and it was seconded by Staci. Motion carried,

**Pastor's Report:** A written report was submitted and discussion followed. Once again, it was a busy month with a funeral, Madagascar planning, and many meetings. Exciting news is that there are two planned marriages for next October.

**Treasurer's Report and Financial Secretary's Reports:** Written reports were submitted for September. Each was reviewed prior to discussion. At this time, the Pastor's discretionary fund is low. Marlene motioned to accept, and it was seconded by Patti. Motion approved.

**Financial:** No written report was submitted. A meeting is being planned for later this month.

**Fellowship:** A written report was submitted. The always enjoyable wine and cheese event at the Raupp's was held on August 23rd. Our 175th Anniversary celebration dinner at Camp Lutherlyn is scheduled for October 6th. Thanks to donations, the cost has been reduced to \$10.00 and those under five years of age are free. Sign up. reservation sheets are available. The spaghetti dinner, fundraiser, Senior Project is planned for Saturday, October 12th. Plans are continuing for the annual September Rummage Sale and Apple Fest that will occur on the 20th and 21st during the Community Pumpkinfest. Many volunteers have been helping prepare for both the apple dumplings (1,256 were made!) and the apple butter. The turkey dinner is planned for November 16th. Nine tickets are still available for the Lancaster trip to see the play about Daniel.

**Learning Ministry/Youth:** A written report was provided. A meeting was held on September 2nd. Rally Day was an altogether occasion on September 8th. Ted Lindgren (senior) will be taking over the Adult Sunday School class. Manna Night began on Wednesday, August 28th. Thanks to Dan Vичeck for bringing the tanker and doing the program on his own as the Evans City Firemen and the ambulance were needed for an emergency that evening. Volunteers are still needed for this year. The tentative Christmas program date is December 22nd.

**Memorial:** No written report was provided.

**Mutual Ministry:** No written report was provided. The Pastoral Review committee met with Pastor to review and discuss the questionnaires that were returned, as well as Pastor's own form. The committee made him promise not to use this information in a search for another position (although we did not get this in writing!).

## Minutes (continued)

**Property:** A written report was submitted. A congregational meeting was held on Sunday, September 1st following church to discuss and approve the bid for repairing the cracks in the nave and painting this area. Separate minutes for this meeting were submitted. Work has already begun, and our Sunday services have been outdoors as a result.

In addition, there's a leak in the roof at the Church Parsonage. Bids have been received for repairing and/or replacing the roof. The committee recommended that Hostetler Construction replace the roofs with ones of metal on the house and garage for \$7,800. Corey seconded this motion. The motion for the bid was approved. Funding is available, but it would deplete the Priority Project. A loan is also possible from the Synod.

**Worship and Music:** A written report was submitted. Rally Day was held September 8th. The community church service will be held on September 22nd by the Fire Hall. The Senior Choir has already begun rehearsing, and Cantata choir practice will begin on October 2nd. This will be presented on December 21st at Passavant Health Center and on December 22nd at our church service. Harvest Home will be celebrated on October 13th. The Madagascar representatives will each be given time at the October 6th church service. The winter service will begin on October 13th.

**Anniversary:** October 6th will be the final event for our Anniversary year. Due to donations, ten dollars will be the fee charged for the dinner at Lutherlyn. Children under five will be free. Adult volunteers for directing parking and delivering individuals to the Lutherlyn dining hall for our dinner are needed to provide extra assistance. Pastor Bev Banyay continues to work on the church's history. It has gone to the printers. Cookbooks and ornaments are continuing to be on sale. Directory photographs were taken this week.

### **Unfinished Business:**

Outreach Committee: No report

Refugee/Resettlement Project: No report

Church Constitution: No report

Lillyville Cemetery: No new information has been received since our request.

Madagascar Visitors: On Sunday, September 29th, visitors from Madagascar will be present. Meal time on Saturday, the 5th, may be needed.

### **New Business/Miscellaneous:**

**Nominating Committee:** A discussion on those eligible for a second term (Ted, Casey, Marlene and Rob) and willing to serve again needs to be determined. Pastor will arrange a meeting.

The next meeting is scheduled for October 8, 2024.

**Adjournment and Prayer:** The meeting was adjourned at 8:31 PM. Adam moved to adjourn and Staci seconded it. Motion carried. The meeting concluded with the Lord's Prayer.

**Respectfully Submitted, Patti Flach,  
Council Secretary**

## Worship News and Volunteers

Date	10/06/2024	10/13/2024	10/20/2024	10/27/2024
<b>Acolytes</b>	Luke Zoelle	Mark Zoelle	Gus Mossor	Alyssa Mossor
<b>Altar Flowers</b>	Staci & Michael Bettencourt	Casey & Daniel Guerriero	Talea Merrison	Karen Ferrari
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Janice Marburger	Janice Marburger	Janice Marburger	Janice Marburger
<b>Asst. Minister</b>	Visiting Ministers	Robin VanDyke	Ted Lindgren II	Glenn Fulghum
<b>Bell Ringer</b>	Joe Ludwik	Wes Schmidt	Jason Plank	Adam Price
<b>Communion Ministers</b>	Teresa O'Malley	Ted Lindgren II	Debbie Merrison	Robin VanDyke
<b>Eternal Candle</b>	Debbie & Jim Merrison	Debbie & Jim Merrison	Debbie & Jim Merrison	Debbie & Jim Merrison
<b>Greeters</b>	Debbie & Jim Merrison	Pat Painter & Becky Riddle	Jane Taylor & Margaret Clawson	Karen Ferrari & Eilene Budisky
<b>Lector</b>	Visiting Ministers	Marsha Reedy	Becky Rengers	Cheryl Thomas
<b>Nursery</b>	Marge Lindgren	Pat Capella	Linda Schmidt	Beverly Barkley
<b>Offering Counters</b>	Cheryl Thomas & Patti Flach	Cheryl Thomas & Patti Flach	Cheryl Thomas & Patti Flach	Cheryl Thomas & Patti Flach
<b>Tech Support</b>	Adam Price	Heidi Beahm	Adam Price	Heidi Beahm
<b>Ushers</b>	Joe Ludwik & Dan Erin	Dean Zinkhann & Rob Burr	Cindy & Tom Ayers	Dan & Casey Guerriero

Every Sunday morning we have the opportunity to welcome others here at church. Just about everyone will find themselves on the list of greeters, unless we are told otherwise. If you would prefer not to serve as a greeter, or you are scheduled for a day on which you cannot serve, please let Adam know so he can adjust the schedule.

Greeters should arrive no later than 20 minutes before worship time. One person should stand near the main doors in the back of the nave and one should stand near the entrance to the nave from Luther Hall. Greeters should hand out the bulletins to those people arriving and have a friendly greeting. Greeters also should assist any visitors who arrive. Greeters should remain in place until the bell rings.

Thanks for serving!

*Adam Price, Chair of Worship Committee*

### Choirs

Christmas Cantata practices are just beginning. It's a great time to try out a short-term commitment to choir.

All are welcome to join us on Wednesdays at 7pm.

Bell Choir rehearsal takes place after worship. Grab a snack then ring for joy.





# Calendar

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
29	30	1 9am - Pr. Cluster -Zelle. 4pm - After School 7pm - Property Mtg.	2 9am - E.C. Ministerium 4pm - After School 5:30pm - Manna Night 7pm - Choir Practice	3 9am - Quilters Group 1pm - Mary Circle 4pm - After School 7pm - Bible Study	4 12pm - 500 Club & Lunch 4pm - After School	5
6 9am - Sunday School 10:15am - Worship 11:30am - Fellowship 12pm - Bell Choir 3pm - 175th Anniversary	7 4pm - After School 6:30pm - Fellowship 7pm - Boy Scouts	8 4pm - After School 7pm - Council Meeting	9 4pm - After School 5:30pm - Manna Night 7pm - Choir Practice	10 9am - Quilters Group 4pm - After School 7pm - Bible Study	11 4pm - After School	12 4pm - Spaghetti Dinner
13 <b>Harvest Home</b> 9am - Sunday School 10:15am - Worship 11:30am - Fellowship 11:45am - Pack Up Food 12pm - Bell Choir	14 4pm - After School 7pm - Anniversary 7pm - Boy Scouts	15 4pm - After School	16 12pm - Lunch Bunch 4pm - After School 5:30pm - Manna Night 7pm - Choir Practice	17 9am - Quilters Group 4pm - After School 7pm - Bible Study	18 4pm - After School	19 6:30pm - Game Night
20 9am - Sunday School 10:15am - Worship 11:30am - Fellowship 12pm - Bell Choir	21 4pm - After School 7pm - Boy Scouts 7pm - Sowers	22 4pm - After School 7pm - Dorcas Circle	23 4pm - After School 5:30pm - Manna Night 7pm - Choir Practice	24 9am - Quilters Group 4pm - After School 7pm - Bible Study	25 4pm - After School	26 9am - Luther Hall 5pm - Pumpkin Fest
27 <b>Reformation Sunday</b> 9am - Sunday School 10:15am - Worship 11:30am - Fellowship 12pm - Bell Choir	28 4pm - After School 7pm - Boy Scouts	29 4pm - After School	30 4pm - After School 5:30pm - Manna Night 7pm - Choir Practice	31 9am - Quilters Group 4pm - After School 7pm - Bible Study	1	2

## Worship Volunteers

Anyone, third grade and older interesting in learning how to acolyte or teens and adults interested in becoming lectors, assisting ministers, ushers, or bell ringers, please see Pastor and we'll schedule a training when it works for those interested.



Sunday, October 6th is the culminating celebration of our 175th anniversary. By God's good grace, we have received blessing upon blessing. This includes the visit of three Presidents from the Lutheran Church in Madagascar (FLM). They will join us during our Sunday School hour to tell us about life in Madagascar and what it is like to be a Lutheran Christian there. This is a unique and exciting opportunity for us. Additionally, as the person responsible for hosting and maintaining our synod's relationship with these brothers in Christ, how the congregation I serve turns out for Sunday School and worship will matter in the respect I will receive or not in that relationship. I already know you love me, as I hope you know I love you. They are just learning that, so please, by your presence beginning at 9am on 10/6, help me to show them. Thank you, dearly. +PBAJ

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Our Staff:

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Heidi Beahm,  
*After School Director*

Marlene Domhoff,  
*Organist / Music Director*

Joe Ludwik, *Sexton*

Kimberly Peaco  
Secretary

**Sundays:**

- Sunday School: 9 am
- Weekly Worship Services:  
10:15 am
- Fellowship after Worship
- The Sunday Bulletin Deadline is  
Wednesdays at 10 am
- Monthly Newsletter Deadline is the  
3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of each month
- Check Our Weekly Calendar of other events.

**Office Hours for Secretary:**

**M-F  
9 am—noon**

OCTOBER

*Newsletter*

Sponsored by Talea and Chris Merrison  
to honor the birthdays of  
our son – Lucius Aurelius - 10/22;  
my mother – Estrella Perez - 10/29;  
our nephew – Dominic Valentine - 10/29