

# ONE IN CHRIST CHRONICLE

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### Pastor Hillary Burns-Kite

**Food for thought:** *Restore us again, O God of our salvation, and put away your indignation toward us. Will you not revive us again, so that your people may rejoice in you? Show us your steadfast love, O Lord, and grant us your salvation. Surely his salvation is at hand for those who fear him, that his glory may dwell in our land. Steadfast love and faithfulness will meet; righteousness and peace will kiss each other.* - Psalm 85: 4, 6 & 7, 9 & 10

We are entering into the time of "now and not yet"; the season of Advent. This is a time of year in which it can be a real struggle to "renounce the powers of this world that rebel against God" (ELW, 229).

The stores, television, newspapers, and family are telling it is time to hurry and scurry around buying food and gifts to celebrate each for the holidays. Meanwhile, the scriptures are telling us to slow down and take a close look at our relationship with God. This is the time of year when we are reminded of how much God cares for God's creation.

Now, is the time to slow down and prepare our hearts to receive God's greatest gift of love; Jesus Christ. Let us not forget, Christmas when we celebrate the birth of God Incarnate. So, don't forget a gift and treat for Him too.

**Alternative Gifting-** For all those loved ones on your list who have everything or who are just simply difficult to buy for, consider not getting them anything, but rather giving a gift to someone else who really needs one, in their name. You could do so by making a donation to their favorite charitable organization or by giving a gift through Heifer International, [www.heifer.org](http://www.heifer.org), or ELCA Good Gifts, [www.elca.org/goodgifts](http://www.elca.org/goodgifts). Your loved one, the recipients of the gift and God will all thank you.

**Advent-** Anyone is welcome to help decorate St. Peter's sanctuary for the holiday season. We will be doing so on Tuesday, Nov. 25<sup>th</sup>, at 6:30 pm. This year, the worship committee plans to continue using the living Advent wreath theme. For something a little different this year, each week in Advent a verse or phrase from the scripture readings will be hung from the garland surrounding the worship space. The purpose of this symbolic action is to help us to remember that we are called to live in the Word every day. These verses may give us something to focus on and ponder for the week.

**"Babette's Feast"**- This movie can be considered a commentary on the Psalm reading for Dec. 7<sup>th</sup>; Psalm 85. Following the 10:15 worship on this Sunday, "Babette's Feast" will be shown in the basement for anyone interested in viewing this wonderful adaptation of the Psalm for the day. Feel free to bring a beverage, snacks or your favorite comfy lawn chair.

**Simply Giving-** This is an easy, reliable way to ensure that your intended offering is being given to the church each week, even in your absence. Simply Giving is an automatic deposit program designed for giving to not for profit organizations. One can choose the amount they want directly deposited from their personal account to the church account each week. It could be your full intended weekly amount or the minimum intended weekly amount, so that you can still place something in the offering plate for the Sundays you are present. This is something Pr. Mark Anderson has been advocating for congregations to look into and he says those who have tried it, have had a good response and success in maintaining their budget. It is not a mandatory program for all members, but a personal choice. To learn more about this program you can go to [www.simplygivingbythriventcu.com](http://www.simplygivingbythriventcu.com).

**FRB Garden-** Popcorn is ready! You may purchase bags of popping corn at St. Peter on Sunday or at the Holiday Bazaar at the Community Center on Dec. 6<sup>th</sup>. Don't forget, there is also quite a bit of squash still from this year's harvest. The squash is being stored in the back of the basement Sunday school room. Popcorn and squash make great holiday treats.

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Peace & Blessings,

Pastor Hillary

# December

## THOSE INVOLVED IN WORSHIP:

### Greeters:

December 7 – Joyce Schoulte  
14 – Sue Kuenzel  
21 – Gerald & Marilyn Frye  
28 – Bev McCollough

Hymn Selector: Joyce Schoulte

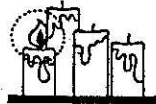
Reader: Joyce Schoulte



Ushers: Gerald Frye  
Andrew Johnson  
Dave Lamker

### Acolytes:

Dec. 7 – Pauline Rieck  
14 – Joyce Schoulte  
21 – Dave Lamker  
28 – NaDyne Meyer



### Communion Assistants:

Dec. 7 – Don Backhaus  
21 – John Kite  
24 – NaDyne Meyer  
25 – Janet Johnson  
28 – Georgi Kaiser

Glasses: Georgi & Ron Kaiser  
Janet & Karl Johnson

Flowers & Altar: Sue Kuenzel  
Janet Johnson

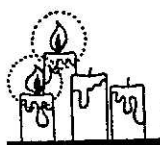
Council Devotions: Jane Thein

### Deliver Food to Food Shelf:

Bob Rodenberg

### Baptismal Birthday Treats:

Marilyn Frye



## ORGANIZATIONS ACTIVITIES:

Men's Fellowship – December 15, 7:30 p.m.  
Host & Devotions: Norm Gunderson

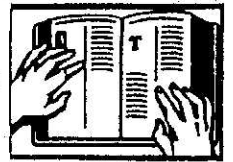
### Men's Bible Study

Tuesday mornings, 8:30 a.m., @ St. Paul

Wednesday evenings, 7:00 p.m. @ St. Peter  
1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of the month @ Peace, Clayton

Thursday evenings, 8:00 p.m.

1<sup>st</sup> Thursday – Karl Johnson's home  
2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday – Jeff Meyer's home  
3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday – Ron Kaiser's home  
4<sup>th</sup> Thursday – Walter Moellering's home  
5<sup>th</sup> Thursday – Ric Brown's home



### WELCA

Thursday, December 10, 7:30 p.m.  
**Bible study**

December 15 - **Bingo** @ Tower Living Center,  
1:30 p.m.

### Women's Bible Study:

Mondays – 9:30 a.m. @ church  
Thursdays – 7:30 p.m. @ the parsonage

SUNDAY SCHOOL – 9:00 a.m. Sunday  
mornings

### Sunday School Christmas Service

December 14, 10:15 a.m.

CHOIR – Sunday mornings after worship

### WANTED

Individuals to serve on council beginning January 2015. Joyce Schoulte and Andy Reimer will be going off the council. We need at least 2 people. To find out more about what is involved in serving on council, please talk with any member – Joyce Schoulte, Andy Reimer, Samantha Johnson, Dave Lamker, NaDyne Meyer, Jane Thein and Jim Wilker.

**VOLUNTEER TODAY!**

## OUTREACH CORNER

### WHY ADVENT?

#### **Advent is Repentance & Joy**

Each year Christians observe the season of Advent during the four weeks leading up to Christmas. Why?

Advent was originally observed by early Christians as a kind of "Lent" during the forty days before Christmas. Gradually, Advent developed its own character, retaining penitential dimension but emphasizing the joy-filled hope in the coming of the Lord.

#### **Advent is Righting Wrong**

The message of Advent is *Come back, Lord! Judge us and break the terrible hold that evil has on the world.* While we aren't exempt from his judgment, we aren't afraid, either. We believe we will survive it, because we are his redeemed people.

#### **Advent is Reclaiming Christmas**

Another reason to observe Advent might be to reclaim Christmas, which has become largely a secular and commercial celebration today.

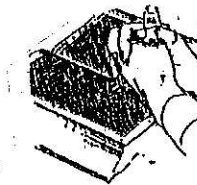
Today, observing Advent helps us carry out a genuinely Christian preparation for Christmas in our homes and in our churches. Advent's familiar sights and sounds stir in us a Christian readiness to receive our Savior. They sharpen our sense of the world's need for redemption and of the great mystery of God's becoming human for us.

#### **This Advent...**

- Prepare daily to receive our Lord who came in human form over 2000 years ago, who still comes to his people today (and, through us, to his world), and who will come at the end of time.
- Undertake spiritual activities in anticipation of Christmas, activities which, like exercise for our bodies, can clear our minds, cleanse our lives and strengthen our faith.
- Live distinctively as a witness to those who have lost their way, that, they too, can find peace and joy by receiving God's greatest gift, Jesus Christ.

**Emmanuel – God is with us!**

-Selection from Advent, written by King Schoenfeld, 1995  
Creative Communications for the Parish, St. Louis, Missouri,



### REMEMBER IN PRAYER...

Pray for:  
our Presiding Bishop of the ELCA, Elizabeth Eaton  
our Northeastern Iowa Synod Bishop, Steven Ullestad;  
Pastor Hillary, John, Taggart & Benjamin  
St. Peter & Peace Church Councils

This month's Prayer Calendar includes:

#### St. Peter:

Bob, Vickie, Dustin, Adam & Anthony Rodenberg  
Bill & Bev Rodenberg  
Jamie & Blake Rodenberg  
Janelle, Cliff & Halle Rodenberg, Wyatt & Gage  
Corrine Roys  
Amy, Allysa, Kyle & Lucas Sadewasser  
Denise & Steve Saunders & family  
Joyce & Roger Schoulte & family

#### Peace:

Amanda (Balk) Scott & family

### BAPTISM

On Sunday, November 16, we celebrated the baptism of Isabelle Mae Stickfort, daughter of Leah & Brad Crary, Granddaughter of Nancy Stickfort. Her sponsors are Evan and Angela Ventris.

### CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Evan & Julie Zittergruen on the birth of a son, Blake. Grandparents are Van & Donna Zittergruen.

Congratulations to Britt & Jared Fox on the birth of a daughter, Emma Claire, born November 10. Grandparents are Bev & Bill Rodenberg.



## POINSETTIAS

Would you like to share a poinsettia for Advent and Christmas? There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board in the narthex. Deadline to sign up is December 7. Cost is \$14, delivered to the church.

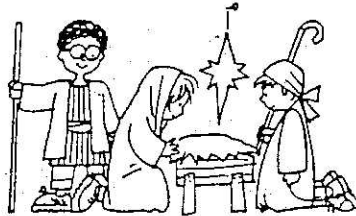


## Decorating the Church

Join us for decorating the church for Advent and Christmas - Tuesday, November 25, 6:30 p.m.

## Sunday School Christmas Service

December 14 - 10:15 a.m.  
Potluck dinner following



## Christmas Eve Candlelight Service

December 24

5:30 p.m. @ Peace  
7:30 p.m. @ St. Peter

## Christmas Day

December 25

9:00 a.m.

Combined Worship  
Service @ St. Peter  
Holy Communion



## TEN TIPS FOR A SIMPLER, MORE MEANINGFUL CHRISTMAS

1. Plan ahead. Instead of going on auto-pilot the day after Thanksgiving, hold a family meeting to decide what the group really wants to do and who's going to do what.
2. If you need a symbol of giving (in addition to Jesus and the Wise Ones), learn about St. Nicholas. Santa Claus has been completely take over by commerce.
3. Avoid debt. Refuse to be pressured by advertising to overspend.
4. Avoid stress. Give to yourself. Don't assume that things have to be the same as they've been.
5. Draw names rather than everyone giving something to everyone else in your giving circle. Set a ceiling for each recipient. Give children only one thing they really want, rather than so many gifts.
6. Give appropriate gifts. Get to know the recipient. Give what they need, not what you want to buy.
7. Give alternative gifts. Give 25% of what you spent last year to the truly needy. Buy crafts and clothing from developing countries at alternative gift markets. Give of yourself, not just "stuff" - a coupon book for future services or something baked, sewn, handmade, composed, etc.
8. Celebrate Advent for four weeks before Christmas.
9. Put the gifts under the tree shortly before opening them. Then take turns opening them, not all at once, so that each gift can be admired and each giver thanked.
10. Make changes slowly but persistently. Don't try to change everything and everybody all at once. The resistance may make you feel defeated and lonely.

St. Peter Lutheran Church Council Meeting  
November 10, 2014

The regular meeting of the St. Peter Church Council was called to order by President Joyce Schoulte at 7:30 pm on November 10, 2014. Present were Joyce, Andy Reimer, Dave Lanker, Jane Thein, Samantha Johnson, NaDyne Meyer, Pastor Hillary Burns-Kite and Georgi Kaiser. Dave led devotions based on the 10 lepers story from Luke and gratitude.

The secretary's report was presented as printed. Andy made a motion to accept the minutes as printed. Jane seconded. Motion carried.

The financial report was presented as printed. Jane made a motion to accept the report as printed. Andy seconded. Motion carried.

**Old Business:**

Jane sent the revised constitution and bylaws to the synod office. She received a letter from Linda Hudgins that the revisions are consistent with the required provision of the 2013 Model Constitution for Congregations of the ELCA. Andy made a motion to recommend the approval of the revisions at the January congregational meeting. Dave seconded. Motion carried.

**New Business:**

1. Pastor Hillary and Joyce had attended the Mission Support Meeting. There are 7 or 8 congregations in the conference without pastors. Dave made a motion for Pastor Hillary to look into the possibility sharing pulpit supply for communion services. Andy seconded. Motion carried.

2. Georgi and Andy presented the proposed 2015 budget. NaDyne made a motion to recommend the acceptance the proposed budget. Andy seconded. Motion carried.

3. At the Mission Support Meeting there was a question of what are the Mission Dreams of our congregation. Several ideas were discussed.

4. Andy made a motion to use the Greg Stickfort memorial money to purchase a small freezer. Dave seconded. Motion carried.

**Reports:**

**Pastor:**

She will be on vacation November 13th, 14th and 24th.

**Mutual Ministry:**

They will meet next Tuesday and will discuss setting goals for the congregation, small group discussion questions and agenda for the January congregational meeting.

**Ministry and Outreach:**

About 50 people attended the Veterans' Day breakfast on November 8th. Movie and game days will be held in January, February and March. The committee will make up college boxes as there is only 1 college student.

**Worship/Christian Education:**

Everyone is invited to help decorate the church for Advent on Tuesday, November 25th at 6:30 pm. They could use more garland in the decorations. Thanksgiving Eve service will be held at St. Paul's at 7:30 pm November 26th. Pastor Hillary will be preaching.

**Property:**

The plaster in the altar area still needs to be repaired. The rain gutter by the bell tower drips between the roof and the gutter. Branches on the sidewalk by the parsonage need to be trimmed.

**Stewardship:**

Stewardship Sunday is November 23rd.

Samantha made a motion to adjourn. Andy seconded. Motion carried. Meeting ended with the Lord's Prayer.

Next meeting - December 8, 2014

NaDyne Meyer  
Council secretary



**Peace Mission Statement:** *With God in charge of our life and Jesus as our example, we will work to help all those in need. And, there will be peace within.*

**THIS & THAT AT PEACE**

We are getting ready for the holiday season. Again, thank you to all who made breakfasts -- Linda Wright, Elaine & Carson Stocks and Jo & Bob Creery.

Please say an extra prayer for Becky Spear who fell and broke her hip on top of her other health concerns. Our heart goes out to her. She is recovering at the Guttenberg Care Center and loves cards and visitors.

We are buying a new round table for our meetings so we can communicate better and include everyone.

The food bank is in desperate need. Thanks to all of your efforts we have lots of supplies. Thanks to Darryll Noble for all the deliveries.

Karilyn McArthur hosted Marys & Marthas on November 13 at Peace Church. Thanks for the delicious supper. Nine people attended. We voted to make donations to Womenade, Shepherd of the Hills Holiday Shop at St. Olaf, and Christmas gifts for Guttenberg Care Center residents.

**Our Christmas party and potluck is coming up on Thursday, December 11, at 11:30 a.m. Please bring a dish to share and a \$5 gift to exchange. Mark them for man or woman. All are welcome! Bring a friend.**

The next Marys & Marthas will be in March.

**Happy Thanksgiving!**

Blessings to All,  
JoAnn Creery  
ELC of Peace, Clayton

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY!**

- Dec. 6 - Skylahr Coburn
- 8 - Kim Kuehl
- 12 - Janice Krugger
- 15 - James Spiker
- 27 - Shane Schultz
- 29 - Clayton Schultz

**UPCOMING EVENTS:**

- Dec. 4 - Church Council, 4:00 p.m.
- 11 - Marys & Marthas Christmas party/potluck 11:30 a.m.
- 24 - Christmas Eve Candlelight Service 5:30 p.m. - Note time change!

**Church Duties:**

- Dec. 7 - Linda Wright
- 14 - Darryll Noble
- 21 - Kim Kuehl
- 24 - All
- 28 - Bob Creery

**Coffee Hour:**

- Bob & JoAnn Creery
- Linda Wright
- Elaine & Carson Stocks & Terry Ertz
- Hank & June Werger
- Janice Krugger

**PEACE COUNCIL MINUTES**

The Peace Church Council met on November 6, 2014, at 4:00 p.m. Those present were Pastor Hillary Burns-Kite, Vicki Spiker, Darryll Noble, Linda Wright, Bob Creery and Kim Kuehl.

Opening devotions by Kim.

Secretary's report read. Motion to approve by Bob, second by Kim, all ayes, carried.

Treasurer's report read. Motion to accept by Linda, second by Darryll, all ayes, carried.

**Business:**

-Sharing resources with churches without a Pastor, Pastor suggested that on the second Sunday of the month, if St. Paul's need a Pastor for their communion Sunday, that she could volunteer to help out.

-For Advent we will use a different song instead of "Light One Candle."

-Pastor will set up an account for Peace with Lutheran World Relief.

-Thank you read from Pastor Barbara Wills.

-Pastor will be on vacation November 13, 14, and November 24.

-Will change time of Christmas Eve service from 6:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.

Next meeting December 4, at 4:00 p.m.

Motion to adjourn by Bob, second by Kim, all ayes, carried. Closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Vicki L. Spiker

# **SHEPHERD OF THE HILLS CONFERENCE** **MINISTRY NEWSLETTER**

DECEMBER 2014

**REMEMBER:** Church Councils of Shepherd of the Hills Conference are reminded to complete the hand-outs from the meeting with Pastor Darrel Gerriets and return them to him ASAP. He will compile the results and plan the next meeting.

Shepherd of the Hills Ministry sponsored the 30<sup>th</sup> annual celebration of the All Saint's worship Service, Sunday, November 2, 2014, hosted by St. Mary's Catholic Church, McGregor. Deacon Pat Malanaphy of Trinity Cluster was the Liturgist. Pastor Jim Klosterboer delivered the Homily. A time of fellowship & refreshments followed the service. The offering of \$229.50 from the service went to support the Clayton County Food Shelf.

This year's 2014 Christmas Just 4 Kids Project will be setting up at Saint Olaf Auditorium December 15 & 16. The Give-away days for clients to shop will be December 17 & 18. Volunteers are needed for all 4 days. Come check us out one of those days, if not to volunteer but just to check out all the generous donations, it's truly AWESOME!!!

We extend our Sympathy and prayers to Bishop Steven L. Ullestad and family on the death of his Father Rev. Dr. Norman Ullestad. He is survived by his wife, Marilyn Ullestad, 2808 E. 16<sup>th</sup> St, Apt. 2, Des Moines, Ia. 50316-1888. "May the Peace of the Lord be with them".

**"REMEMBER THE REASON FOR THE SEASON".**

## **COMING EVENTS**

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November 27 & 28-Thanksgiving/Closed  
December 15 & 16-Set-up for Christmas Just 4 Kids Project  
December 17 & 18-Give-away for Christmas Just 4 Kids Project  
December 24, 2014 thru January 1, 2015- S.O.T.H. & C.C.F.S. closed for Holidays

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Remember to like Shepherd of the Hills Ministries on Facebook

Dear Sponsor:

With the colder weather settling in, our thoughts naturally turn to the holidays and Shepherd of the Hills Ministry is no exception. Once again we will sponsor the Christmas Just 4 Kids Project. This is a combined effort of the Department of Human Services, Community Action, HAWC Healthy Families, Early Head Start, Helping Services of NEIA, FADSS, Substance Abuse, Alternative Treatment Services, Tanager Place, VNA, and General Assistance offices, LSI, Pastors, Teachers, Doctors, all providing names of families in need of help, and Shepherd of the Hills Ministry, coordinating the gifts and distribution.

The St. Olaf Auditorium will be stocked with **NEW** donated gifts (toys, games, quilts, bath towels, pillows, pillowcases, PJ'S, etc...) from which the parents can select gifts for their children. Community organizations, churches, and individuals can donate new gifts or cash for this project. The cash will be used to purchase items found to be in short supply.

As in the past, we are asking for **NEW ITEMS ONLY**. The response from both the donors and the children who received gifts was overwhelming. You gave from your hearts and the families received both material things and a feeling of joy and delight in choosing things their children needed and wanted. We have a goal this year to provide new pajamas and a new pillow/pillowcase, hat, mittens, underwear, quilt, bath towel to every child with a referral for the Christmas Just 4 Kids. We have been blessed with friends of Backstitch, Home Economics classes & 4-H Clubs sewing new pillowcases for our clients, that's why we thought it would be nice to put a new pillow with the new pillowcase. We are especially in need of the teenage sizes which are many times adult sizes, also teenage gifts which can be difficult to find and expensive.

The shop will be located at the Auditorium on Main Street in St. Olaf. We ask you to bring your **NEW** items to the Auditorium on December 15 and 16, 2014 between the hours of 9 and 4. Any like new, clean items may be brought up to Shepherd of the Hills building and will be available for families in addition to the new Christmas gifts. This year's Give-Away for the Clients to shop for gifts will be December 17 and 18, 2014 from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

This is an important project that we gladly undertake. If you would like to volunteer your time for a set up or distribution day, please call Ruth at 783-2409. Without you there would be no Holiday Shop. Shepherd of the Hills Ministry is one of only a handful that provides a service of this kind.

We certainly appreciate all of your support and assistance in the past and look forward to working with you this Christmas season. Please contact us if you have any questions.

All **NEW** Donations need to be at the St. Olaf Auditorium by December 15 & 16, 2014. To donate cash for these items, please make checks payable to Shepherd of the Hills Ministry PO Box 36 St. Olaf, IA. 52072. Any cash given will be used to purchase items not donated. **THANK YOU VERY MUCH!!!!**

#### **LAST YEARS HOTTEST ITEMS:**

Basketballs, Footballs, Soccer & Baseballs, Bats  
Family Board Games & Travel Games, Books & Puzzles, Kids Card Games (UNO,  
Rummy, Crazy Eights, Go Fish, Old Maid, Skipbo, Dominoes

#### **CLOTHING FOR AGES 0-18**

Socks & Underwear, Pajamas & Bath Robes  
Sweatshirts-hooded & Non-hooded, Sweat Pants  
Stocking caps, mittens & gloves, especially water-proof  
Coates & snow pants

#### **TEENAGE GIFTS**

Hand held Video Games & other Games, Tapes, CD's, & DVD's  
Inexpensive Radios, CD Players/Boom Box's, Clock radios, Bedroom Lamps  
Flash Lights, Small Tool Kits, Fishing Poles/Equipment, Golfing Supplies  
Portable 12 volt Air Compressors, Ball Air Pumps, Phone Cards  
Electric Shavers/Disposable Razors, Duffel Bags  
Jewelry & Hair Items, Curling & Straightening Irons, Blow Dryers  
Books & Personal Care Items, Stuffed Animals  
**GIFT CARDS**/Subway, Culvers, McDonalds, Movie theatre, iTunes

#### **OTHER ITEMS**

Towels & Washcloths. Blankets, quilts, pillows, sheet sets, sleeping bags



Our **BIG GOAL** this year is to have a new bath towel and new blanket for every child. We will need gifts for over 600 children. We'd really appreciate it if you would include batteries with anything that needs them. Cash donations are always appreciated.

**THANK YOU & GOD BLESS!**



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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	
	9:30 Women's Bible Study	7:30 Ministry & Outreach	5:30 Midweek Worship 7:00 Men's Bible Study @ Peace	4:00 Peace Council 7:30 Women's Bible Study 8:00 Men's Bible study		
<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>
2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Advent 8:30 Worship @ Peace Holy Communion 9:00 Sunday School 10:15 Worship @ St. Peter Holy Communion 2:00 Movie - "Babette's Feast"	9:30 Women's Bible Study 10:00 Guttenberg Care Center	7:30 St. Peter Council	2:00 Tower Living Center 5:30 Midweek Worship 7:00 Men's Bible Study	11:30 Marys & Marthas Christmas potluck 7:30 Women's Bible Study/WELCA 8:00 Men's Bible study		
<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>
3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Advent 8:30 Worship @ Peace "With One Voice" 9:00 Sunday School 10:15 Worship @ St. Peter. S.S. Christmas service Potluck following	9:30 Women's Bible Study 1:30 Bingo/Tower LC 7:30 Men's Group 7:30 Stephen Ministry	1:30 Elkader Care Center	5:30 Midweek Worship 7:00 Men's Bible Study	Newsletter deadline 7:30 Women's Bible Study 8:00 Men's Bible study		
<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>
4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Advent 8:30 Worship @ Peace Holy Communion 9:00 Sunday School 10:15 Worship @ St. Peter Holy Communion "The Feast of Life"	9:30 Women's Bible Study		Christmas Eve 5:30 Candlelight Service @ Peace 7:30 Candlelight Service @ St. Peter	Christmas Day 9:00 a.m. Worship @ St. Peter Holy Communion		
<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>			
1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday of Christmas 8:30 Worship @ Peace 9:00 Sunday School 10:15 Worship @ St. Peter Holy Communion	9:30 Women's Bible Study	7:30 Worship Committee	New Year's Eve			

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## HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

December 1 - Don Backhaus  
Roger Guyer  
2 - Paul Rieck  
Katherine Wilker  
4 - Neal Christianson  
Jamie Reimer  
8 - Rachel Hoth  
9 - Bob Bischoff



### Mission Statement

*As a loving, generous, and forgiving faith community, St. Peter Lutheran Church reaches out to all people, worshipping our Lord Jesus Christ in Word and Sacrament.*

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

December 10 - Allen Werges  
12 - Jerry Christianson  
Rachel Fritz  
Jessica Wilker  
19 - Elvin Johnson  
Dane Reade  
23 - Janelle Rodenberg  
30 - Ethan Christianson

### **Worship with us weekly!**

*Evangelical Lutheran Church of Peace - 8:30 a.m.*

*Sunday School - 9:00 a.m.*

*St. Peter Lutheran Church - 10:15 a.m.*