ONE IN CHRIST CHRONICLE

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May 2015

Food for thought: *Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing? Look at the birds of the air; they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? ... [I]n deed your heavenly Father knows that you need all of things. But strive first for the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well. So do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will bring worries of its own. Today's trouble is enough for today.* - Matt 6: 25, 26 & 32b-34

We are entering into a season of busyness. Winter is slowly fading and the activities of spring and summer are filling our calendars. This is a busy time of year and we all can get caught up and distracted in balancing our schedules, so much so that we forget to be present in the real time of the events that we have been looking forward to once they arrive.

In this scripture selection of Jesus' Sermon on the Mount, Jesus is encouraging us to not worry about all the little things. God's got our back. God is watching over our day to day needs, so that we might then be free to attend to the spiritual needs of others. Jesus assures us that God will provide, but we have to be willing to step aside and allow God to do God's work in our lives. If we are constantly over planning or over analyzing our lives, where does God have room to work?

In this busy season of gardening, mowing, weddings, little league, vacations and family reunions, let us not forget to leave room for God to work and guide us. Let us let God take care of some things, so that we may be able to be more fully present at these events with family and friends, which hopefully will feed our spirits as well.

Hospitality- I heard on the news, the other day, that our children are missing out on learning basic social skills in non-verbal communication due to our excessive use of devices. We spend so much time looking down at our phones and tablets that we forget to look people in the eye during face to face conversations. The children don't get enough practice in the skill of looking someone in the eye when being addressed or when addressing someone. We, as the adults, need to pay special close attention to how we model and encourage this behavior of good communication skills and just basic good manners.

It seems that we can get too caught up in what is coming next that we forget to live in the moment. We say "Hello, how are you?" as we are passing by someone, asking the question, but not sticking around for the response. As we continue to work on our congregational goal of hospitality, I encourage us all to try to live more fully in the moment. Let us be mindful of our manners and look each other in the eye during the sharing of the peace and actually stop to listen to someone tell about their upcoming day or past week after worship has ended.

I know I am guilty of trying to fit too much into each day. So, on Sunday, I know that I have to "schedule" time for greeting everyone and catching up after worship. Now, I know this is partially because I am the pastor, but it is also just good hospitality practices for anyone in attendance. As faith communities, each of is a contributor to the hospitality of the church.

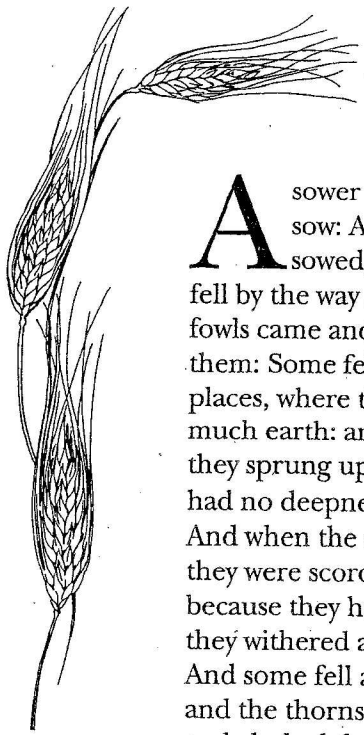
Let us be good models for our children, our guests and one another by looking each other in the eye and taking the time to greet each other as we imagine Christ would greet us.

Come to the Castle- This event is held at Wartburg Seminary in Dubuque. It is a day for congregation members and pastors to come and study the Bible. Laity are led in a Bible Study with senior students or members of faculty. Clergy gather in another room and study the lectionary texts for the upcoming liturgical season. The next Come to the Castle date is Friday, May 8th. I would like to register our group by April 30th, so if you are interested in attending this event, please let me know a.s.a.p. The cost is $20/ person or $50/ group of five; lunch is included.

FRB Garden- Our garden has been started! Cold weather crops have been planted and now we are waiting for the weather to warm-up so that we can plant the rest. I will be sending out letters for harvesters and sellers soon, so that I can get started on creating those schedules. Blessing of seeds and soil Sunday is tentatively scheduled for May 3rd. Weather permitting, we will gather at the garden site following 10:15 worship for the blessing. Then, return to the church for a light lunch and back out to the garden for planting the rest of the seeds and plants. So, bring your gardening clothes, gloves, and hoes on Sunday, May 3rd, to help get our garden started.

Peace & Blessings,

Pr. Hillary



A sower went forth to sow: And when he sowed, some seeds fell by the way side, and the fowls came and devoured them: Some fell upon stony places, where they had not much earth: and forthwith they sprung up, because they had no deepness of earth: And when the sun was up, they were scorched; and because they had no root, they withered away.
And some fell among thorns; and the thorns sprung up, and choked them:
But other fell into good ground, and brought forth fruit, some an hundredfold, some sixtyfold, some thirtyfold.
Who hath ears to hear, let him hear.

Matthew 13:3-9

May

THOSE INVOLVED IN WORSHIP:

Greeters:
May 3 – Idayne Bernhard
10 – Bev McCollough
17 – Idayne Bernhard
24 – Dianne Uriell
31 – Sue Kuenzel

Hymn Selector: Sue Kuenzel

Reader: Larry Meyer

Ushers: Roger Fischer
Gerald Frye
Dave Lamker

Acolytes:
May 3 – Neal Christianson
10 – Pauline Rieck
17 – Dave Lamker
24 – NaDyne Meyer
31 – Harlan Backhaus

Communion Assistants:
May 3 – Dave Lamker
17 – Don Backhaus
24 – NaDyne Meyer
31 – Janet Johnson

Glasses: Georgi Kaiser Pauline Rieck
Donna Zittergruen

Flowers & Altar: Pauline Rieck

Council Devotions: Pastor Hillary

Stewardship Minute Reader:
May 3 – NaDyne Meyer
10 – Samantha Johnson
17 – Georgi Kaiser
24 – Jane Thein
31 – Jim Wilker

Deliver Food to Food Shelf:
Gerald & Marilyn Frye

Baptismal Birthday Treats: Gwen Gunderson

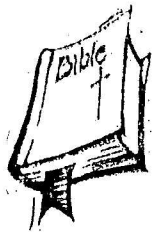
ORGANIZATIONS ACTIVITIES:

Men's Fellowship – May 18, 7:30 p.m.
Host & Devotions: John Lenth

Men's Bible Study
Tuesday mornings, 8:30 a.m., @ St. Paul

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

Thursday evenings, 8:00 p.m.
1st Thursday – Karl Johnson's home
2nd Thursday – Jeff Meyer's home
3rd Thursday – Ron Kaiser's home
4th Thursday – Walter Moellering's home
5th Thursday – Ric Brown's home



WELCA
Saturday, May 2 – **LWR Ingathering**, Decorah, 8-10:30 a.m.

Sunday, May 3 – **Reception for High School Seniors**, 9:30 a.m.

Thursday, May 14, **Ascension Day Service** @ Ceres Church, 5:30 p.m.

Monday, May 18 - **Bingo** @ Tower Living Center, 1:30 p.m.

Thursday, May 21, **Sew Day,** 9:00 a.m.

Friday, May 22, **Bingo** at Elkader Care Center, 2:00 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
May 31 - Last Sunday of Sunday School until September

CHOIR – Sunday mornings after worship

OUTREACH CORNER

ELCA Presiding Bishop's 2015 Easter Message

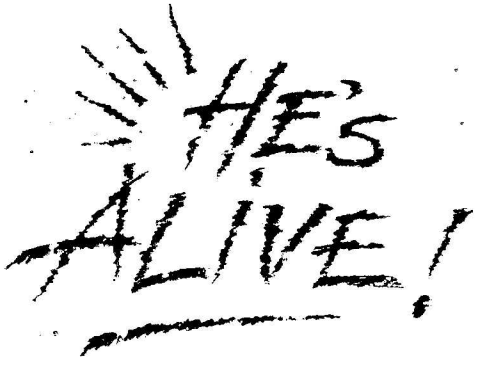
Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

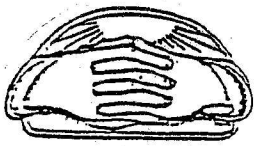
The Gospel of Mark ends abruptly. The women came to the tomb to care for the body of their friend and Lord. They expected death. Seeing the stone rolled away, they entered the tomb; they entered into death. They didn't find Jesus. Instead, they saw a young man, who told them not to be amazed, that Jesus had risen. This same stranger told them to tell the disciples and then head to Galilee. Is it any wonder that terror and amazement seized them?

We are on the other side of the first Easter. We have grown used to the story of the resurrection. The good news brings hope and comfort. It brings freedom and joy. But I don't think it causes terror and amazement. Maybe we are missing something. The Greek word for amazement, "ekstasis," means "change of place." And that is what has happened to us and all of creation because of the resurrection. Before Easter, we stood in a place of sin and death. After Easter, we stand in a place of forgiveness and life. Everything has changed. We are not the same. The world is not the same. The deadly, but familiar, way of the world can no longer be counted on. This new reality of forgiveness, life and salvation is and should be unsettling. Terror and amazement indeed!

The world is turned upside down. It might look the same, but we are standing in a different place. Christ is risen. We are risen. Alleluia!

Blessed Easter,
The Rev. Elizabeth A. Eaton
ELCA Presiding Bishop





REMEMBER IN PRAYER...

Presiding Bishop of the ELCA, Elizabeth Eaton;
Northeastern Iowa Synod Bishop, Steven Ullestad;
St. Peter & Peace Congregations & Councils
Pastor Hillary, John, Taggart & Benjamin Kite

Pray for:
the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Namibia (ELCIN),
the Evangelical Lutheran Church in the Republic of Namibia (ELCRN),
and the German Evangelical Lutheran Church in Namibia

This month's **Prayer Calendar** includes:

St. Peter:
Brent & Cheryl Carlson & family
Jay, Ethan, Ellie & Emilie Christianson
Jerry Christianson
Steve, Janet & Neal Christianson
Kevin, Nancy & Elizabeth Clefisch

Peace:
Jeremiah Berns & Kate Kessler
Kaitlyn Kuehl-Berns, Lily, Kale, Kason

BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION

You are invited to a birthday celebration for Dorothy Zittergruen on Sunday, May 24, beginning at 11:30 a.m., at St. Peter. Come and have lunch and visit with Dorothy.
Dorothy says "Thank you" for all the calls, visits, cards, letters and support she has received since she moved to Des Moines. It is greatly appreciated!

WITH SYMPATHY

Our prayers and sympathy to the family and friends of Corrine Roys. Corrine passed away on April 9. Her funeral was April 13 at St. Paul's, Volga.

Our prayers and sympathy to the family and friends of Marcy Lenth. Marcy's funeral was April 11, at St. Peter Lutheran Church in Prairie du Chien.

May God's promise of eternal life give you strength and comfort at this time of sorrow.

St. Peter Lutheran Church Council Meeting
April 13, 2015

The regular monthly meeting of the St. Peter Church Council was called to order by President Jane Thein at 7:35 pm on April 13, 2015. Present were Dave Lamker, Kurt Kuenzel, Georgi Kaiser, Samantha Johnson, NaDyne Meyer and Pastor Hillary Burns-Kite. Jane led devotions from d365.org.

The secretary's minutes were presented as printed. Discussion was held concerning Thrivent Choice Dollars on #3 under Old Business. It should read "funds" instead of "$249.00". Kurt made a motion to approve the minutes as amended. Dave seconded. Motion carried.

The financial report was presented as printed. Kurt made a motion to approve the report as printed. NaDyne seconded. Motion carried.

REPORTS:

Pastor:
* vacation days April 6, 14-17.
* she and Jim Wilker went to EWALU annual meeting – shared REINS program and pool renovation – clean-up days May 1 & 2 – Jim will be going
* did Corrine Roys' funeral in Volga

Mutual Ministry:
*meeting May 4th

Ministry and Outreach:
* TLC Sundays April 26th for Health Kits and June 14th for Faith Discipleship Center
* May 3rd – Blessings of seeds and garden – lunch after
* June 27th – Kernels game

Worship & Christian Education:
*April 19th – special music by Adam and Jessica Penn – NaDyne made a motion to pay their mileage. Kurt seconded. Motion carried
*VBS – July 13-17 – program by EWALU staff – we will provide program for 4 & 5 year olds – story teller Jack Pearson will be there on Monday

Property:
*Donald contacted Carnes about microphone buzz – they suggested that the grounding screw may be loose – was tightened
* hand rails on back stairway were tightened
*light switch by choir door was replaced
*Ron Thein will check into the parsonage light issue
*Kurt made a motion to replace the upstairs vacuum cleaner. Dave seconded. Motion carried.
* Jason will start working on the church yard

Stewardship:
*will be going over Memorial policy

OLD BUSINESS:
*NaDyne presented the changes to the organist and education policies that the Worship & Christian Education committee has made. Discussion was held. NaDyne will type up all changes to present next meeting.
*Handicap Access Committee – Jane will contact members
*Samantha presented options for posters for the congregational goals. Discussion was held. She will make final copies.

NEW BUSINESS:
*LaVon Meyers has moved to Dubuque – Samantha Johnson has volunteered to be the janitor starting May 1st. Kurt made a motion to hire Samantha at $8.00 on hour. Dave seconded. Motion carried. Samantha abstained. Ron and Jane will clean bathrooms and NaDyne will vacuum until she starts.
*Larry and NaDyne will be Synod Assembly delegates
*Council signed up for Stewardship minutes for May
*Dave made a motion for the basement to be used May 14th for potluck following Ascension Day Service. Georgi seconded. Motion carried.
*Dave made a motion for the basement to be used May 24th for birthday party for Dorothy Zittergruen. Kurt seconded. Motion carried.
*Jane brought up the suggestion of an annual church cleaning day

Correspondence:
*thank you received from synod office for gift for Darrel Gerrietts' retirement – went to "Fund for Leaders"
*thank you received from ELCA World Hunger program for Christmas offering
*Thrivent has a grant program - Ministry and Outreach will look into
*letter from Church Mutual on Terrorism Coverage. Dave made a motion not to pursue. Kurt seconded. Motion carried.
*informational letter on Mission Investment Fund

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

Next meeting – May 11, 2015

NaDyne Meyer
Council Secretary

LOOKING AHEAD

LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF INGATHERING

Saturday, May 2 – 8:00 a.m. to 10:30 p.m.
Parking lot of Olson's Explosives, Decorah

If you would be willing to deliver the quilts and personal care kits, please talk with Janet Johnson.

HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS RECEPTION

Join us for a reception to honor our High School Seniors on Sunday, May 3, 9:30 a.m. at St. Peter. We have 4 High School Seniors this year – Ethan Christianson, Alicia Otto, Kylee Puelz and Blake Rodenberg.

Congratulations and Best Wishes to all High School and College Graduates!

PLANTING THE CHURCH GARDEN

We planted the early vegetables on Saturday, April 18. Thank you to Pam & Steve Stahr, of the Elkader Greenhouse,for donating the plants. Thank you to Jim & Joan Wilker, Dave Lamker, Ron Kaiser, Kayleen Backhaus, Neal Christianson and Karl & Janet Johnson for helping plant. Thank you to Jason Johnson for tilling the garden. The rest of the garden will be planted in May.

LUTHERAN HOME 75TH ANNIVERSARY

Strawberry Point Lutheran Home is celebrating their 75th Anniversary in May and we are looking for formals/mother of the bride dresses for a formal event. So if anyone spring cleaning wants to donate their old formal wear, it would be a wonderful way to give back to the community. All sizes are appreciated. Any questions contact Cathy Mills at 563-933-6037 or email cmills@splh.org. Thanks everyone!

CAMP EWALU VOLUNTEER WORK WEEKEND

Friday-Saturday, May 1-2

Summer camp is just around the corner, and there's plenty to do to prepare Ewalu for the summer. Join us for Volunteer Work Weekend and enjoy:

- Free overnight lodging, food and snacks
- Good fellowship with friends, old and new
- Great work projects for all ages and abilities

This event runs Friday afternoon through Saturday at 8:00 p.m. There will be one evening meal on Friday and three meals on Saturday, with a few snacks throughout the day.

Come for the whole weekend, or even just a few hours! All are welcome and everyone's help is appreciated

Please RSVP by April 27, so we can arrange lodging, meals and projects.

Questions? Call 563-933-4700
camp@ewalu.org

CAMP HERTKO HOLLOW

Iowa's camp for kids with diabetes

Reasons to send your child to Camp Hertko Hollow:

- Teaches and encourages successful diabetes management skills and independence.
- Provides an environment catered to the camper's lifestyle allowing growth and support in their struggles.
- Campers gain a better understanding of carbohydrate calculation, insulin application, and health dietary decisions.
- Campers receive education on how to properly manage blood sugar levels.
- Campers develop friendships with fellow diabetic children, creating a network of peers to provide encouragement throughout their lives.

All children deserve a positive camping experience, and Hertko Hollow provides professional medical staff to ensure that diabetic campers are no exception. Call 515-471-8547 for more information.

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 finally got our doorknob bags. Linda Wright and JoAnn Creery hung notices (thanks to Pastor Hillary) on the doors of Clayton homes with an invitation to all Holy Week events and the Clayton Easter egg hunt. Hope those seeds planted will grow.

The Easter egg hunt, done so well by Linda Wright, was a big success. We had 42 darling children. We had a great turn out of adults and older children to watch the fun, also.

Good Friday and Easter services were well attended. We had a wonderful Easter morning breakfast done by Vicki Spiker and Lola Meyer. Thank you. Thanks to all who brought flowers for the church – Carson & Elaine Stocks, Vicki & Jim Spiker, Steven Schultz family, and Janice Krugger.

In support of the community we attended St. Peter's men's breakfast and the Firemen's breakfast at the community center instead of breakfast at Peace.

Marys & Marthas met on April 16, with Elaine Stocks as hostess. We met at the church at 5 p.m. We planned our May dinner out at the Barn at 5 p.m. Elaine served a lovely dinner, such a treat. Her two daughters and grandson also came and helped. It's always great to see them. Twelve attended.

We will be making health kits for missions. We decided on 10. We will put them together at the June meeting. Vicki Spiker will be hosting the June meeting. Details to be published later.

We are needing help for Benders stand. We have 2 times in May and one in June. This is our fund raiser for the year so sign up at church or call Linda Wriight.

Bless you all,
JoAnn Creery
ELC of Peace, Clayton

Happy Birthday!

May 3 – June Werger
4 – Greg Kamienski
16 – Linda Wright

UPCOMING EVENTS:

May 7 – Council meeting, 4 p.m.
May 8 & May 9 – Work at Benders
May 22 & May 23 – Work at Benders

Church duties: Carson & Elaine Stocks
Terry Ertz Lola Meyer

Coffee Hour:
Vicki Spiker
Firemen's Brunch
Linda Wright
Elaine & Carson Stocks, Terry Ertz

PEACE COUNCIL MINUTES

Peace Church Council met on April 9, 2015, at 4 p.m. Present were Vicki Spiker, Linda Wright, Darryll Noble, JoAnn Creery and Pastor Hillary Burns-Kite.

Secretary's report read. Motion to approve by JoAnn, second by Darryll, all ayes, carried.

Treasurer's report read. Motion to approve by JoAnn, second by Linda, all ayes, carried.

Business:
-Still checking on a 72" round table.
-April 19 – guest musicians.
-Will have second communion service on April 12.
-Saturday evening service in park July 11, 5 p.m.
-Discussed First Communion policies. ELCA policy states child needs to be baptized and instructed in Holy Communion – no age limits. Discussed that if parents and pastor feel child is ready to receive communion their decision will be accepted.
-Benders stand – Three dates this year – May 8,9, May 22, 23, June 12,13.
-Associate members – Pastor will compose letter and send to those interested.

Pastor's Report:
-Vacation days April 14-17, June 5-8

Next meeting May 7, 2015, at 4:00 p.m.
No further business meeting closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Vicki L. Spiker, Secretary

Faith grows when it is nurtured

Sometimes, in the middle of the night, cable channels show movies from a previous era. The other night I caught a replay of the movie "The Rose."

I will let you and other critics determine how timeless the movie is. However, I believe that the theme song, written by Amanda McBroom, just may communicate eternal truths.

Some say love, it is a river that drowns the tender reed

Some say love, it is a razor that leaves your soul to bleed

Some say love, it is a hunger an endless aching need

I say love, it is a flower and you, its only seed

When I was in high school I had a coach who enjoyed talking about his faith. He said that becoming a Christian was like a bee sting.

> *"This is the miracle of faith. If I seek life, I will need to give mine away."*

You are stung with saving faith and after that everything changes. I kept waiting for the sting that never came.

Then I heard another presenter describe the faith as a blooming flower and I thought that I could understand that. The seed is planted. It is nurtured, watered and grows. That is what I know.

It's the heart, afraid of breaking that never learns to dance

It's the dream, afraid of waking that never takes the chance

It's the one who won't be taken who cannot seem to give

And the soul, afraid of dying that never learns to live

This is the miracle of faith. If I seek life, I will need to give mine away.

When the night has been too lonely and the road has been too long

And you think that love is only for the lucky and the strong

Just remember in the winter far beneath the winter snow

Lies the seed that with the sun's love, in the spring becomes the rose

Spring is here.

— Steven L. Ullestad
Bishop, Northeastern Iowa Synod

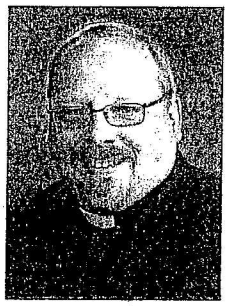
Welcome to New Assistant to the Bishop

Pastor Stephen Brackett has accepted the call to serve as an assistant to the Bishop for the Northeastern Iowa Synod. He fills the staff position left by Pastor Darrel Gerrietts who retired after 18 years of service at the synod office. Brackett begins his new role on March 1. His primary areas of responsibilities include representing the bishop in the call process and serving in ministries for leadership development, support and training for rostered leaders.

Brackett earned his Master of Divinity degree from Wartburg Theological Seminary and served as pastor for St. Paul, Postville, from 2005 to 2015. During that time Brackett had an active role in nurturing partnerships and ministries to serve the broader community, such as the community food pantry, Helping Services for Northeast Iowa and Barnabas Uplift certified nurse aide training.

Brackett has served on the Northeastern Iowa Synod Council and as chair of the synod's First Call Theological Education Committee. In addition, he is a certified trainer for both the Safeguarding God's Children and Safeguarding God's People safe ministry courses.

Prior to entering seminary, Brackett served as a program director, then as a quality improvement coordinator for Hillcrest Family Services in Cedar Rapids and Dubuque for 11 years. He earned his Bachelor of Arts degree in psychology from Coe College in Cedar Rapids and his Master of Science degree in rehabilitation counseling from Boston University, Boston. Brackett and his wife, Susan, are the parents of three children.



Steve Brackett

"I am looking forward to working more closely with the synod staff and serving the wider church in this new call," Brackett said.

SHEPHERD OF THE HILLS CONFERENCE
MINISTRY NEWSLETTER

MAY 2015

Shepherd of the Hills Conference of the ELCA will celebrate Ascension Day, Thursday, May 14, 2015, with **ONE** worship service at 5:30 pm. The service will be held at the Historic Ceres Pioneer Rock Church between Garnavillo and Guttenberg on Highway 52. Homilist will be Assistant to the Bishop Pastor Stephen P. Brackett. Serving as Liturgist will be Pastor Scott Roser, Emanuel Lutheran, Strawberry Point. Everyone is invited to a fellowship potluck following the service at St. Peter Lutheran Church, Garnavillo. Special offering will go towards the Historic Ceres Pioneer Rock Church Fund.

The Pre-Assembly workshop for Shepherd of the Hills Conference will be held Wednesday, May 27, 2015, at Bethany Lutheran, Elkader, 7:30 pm. Every voting member to the Synod Assembly should attend and bring your Assembly booklet for the orientation.

Check out the extensive resources on www.neiasynod.org , including newsletters for Women; Children, Youth & Family Ministry; Living Faith at Home; & U-Tube videos. There are also links to ELCA resources, such as:
*Stewardship: Giving: Growing Joyful Stewards in your Congregation
*Global/Ecumenical: Cleansed Gathered Sent

Thank You to the Thrivent Financial members for directing their Thrivent Choice Dollars to Shepherd of the Hills Ministry. We will be able to help individuals & families in our community from our Crisis Fund because of your generosity from these Choice Dollars grant funds. Thanks again & God Bless!!

COMING EVENTS

April 25~Little Flock Cluster Spring Gathering, First Lutheran McGregor
April 29~Youth Concert in the Country with Rachel Kurtz, Osage
May 1-2~EWALU work weekend-Come when you can!
May 14 ~ Ascension of Our Lord
May 25 ~ Memorial Day/Closed
May 27 ~ Pre-Assembly workshop at Bethany Lutheran, Elkader
June 12-14~Northeastern Iowa Synod Assembly, Wartburg College, Waverly
June 14-17~WIYLDE (youth) at Wartburg College
June 19-20~Women of the ELCA Tri-Synodical Convention, Fort Dodge
Fourth Monday~Come for Supper at St. Peter Lutheran, Garnavillo
Looking ahead: Sept. 13: God's Work, Our Hands Sunday!

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Remember to like Shepherd of the Hills Ministries on Facebook
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May 2015

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 P.M. *Ewalu Clean-up Day*	**2** LWR Ingathering, Decorah *Ewalu Clean-up Day*
3 5th Sunday of Easter 8:30 Worship @ Peace *Holy Communion* 9:00 Sunday School 9:30 *Reception for HS Seniors* 10:15 Worship @ St. Peter *Holy Communion* *Blessing of Seeds & Soil*	**4** 9:30 Women's Bible study 7:00 Mutual Ministry	**5** 7:30 Ministry & Outreach	**6** 5:30 Midweek Worship 6:30 Yoga 7:00 Men's Bible study	**7** 4:00 Peace Council 7:30 Women's Bible Study 8:00 Men's Bible study	**8** *"Come to the Castle" at Wartburg Seminary 9:30 a.m. - 3:00 p..*	**9**
10 6th Sunday of Easter 8:30 Worship @ Peace 9:00 Sunday School 10:15 Worship @ St. Peter	**11** 9:30 Women's Bible Study 10:00 Guttenberg Care Center 7:30 St. Peter Council	**12**	**13** 2:00 Tower Living Center 5:30 Midweek worship 6:30 Yoga 7:00 Men's Bible Study	**14** 5:30 Ascension Service @ Ceres Potluck following @ St. Peter 8:00 Men's Bible study	**15**	**16**
17 7th Sunday of Easter 8:30 Worship @ Peace *Holy Communion* 9:00 Sunday School 10:15 Worship @ St. Peter *Holy Communion*	**18** 9:30 Women's Bible Study 1:30 Bingo/Tower LC 7:30 Men's Group 7:30 Stephen Ministry	**19** 1:30 Elkader Care Center	**20** *Newsletter deadline* 5:30 Midweek worship 6:30 Yoga 7:00 Men's Bible Study	**21** 9:00 Sew Day 7:30 Women's Bible Study 8:00 Men's Bible study	**22** 2:00 Elkader Care Center to play Bingo	**23**
24 Day of Pentecost 8:30 Worship @ Peace 9:00 Sunday School 10:15 Worship @ St. Peter *Holy Communion* 11:30 *Birthday open house for Dorothy Zittergruen* **31** Holy Trinity 8:30 Worship @ Peace 9:00 Last Sunday of S.S. 10:15 Worship @ St. Peter *Holy Communion*	**25** 9:30 Women's Bible study *Summer worship schedule begins June 7* *8:00 Worship @ Peace* *9:30 Worship/St. Peter*	**26**	**27** 5:30 Midweek worship 6:30 Yoga 7:00 Men's Bible Study 7:30 Worship/Education Committee	**28** 7:30 Women's Bible Study 8:00 Men's Bible study	**29**	**30**

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

May 1 - Steve Christianson
3 - June Werger
Korey Wilker
5 - David Backhaus
Lyndon Meyer
11- Tyler Carlson
13 - Kylee Puelz
17 - Kathy Reimer

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

May 18 - Larry Fritz
20 - Andy Reimer
24 - Jerry Backes
John Lenth
Bill Rodenberg
Dorothy Zittergruen
25 - Rick Backes
29 - Macie Rea Cole

Mission Statement

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

2015 Congregational Goals

Year-long stewardship emphasis
Help & encourage youth to attend activities
Focus on hospitality

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.