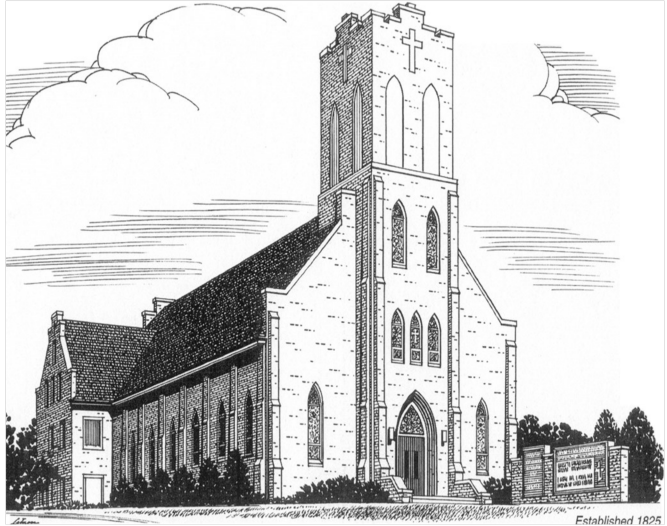


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ST. PETER'S LUTHERAN CHURCH
6175 St. Peter's Church Road
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April 16, 2023
Second Sunday of Easter

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**THE
SECOND
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As We Gather today we hear Jesus says to us, “peace be with you.” We hear these words, and we have peace. And it’s not just generic peace, simple mere rest and quiet....but true peace, His peace. We have Jesus Himself. He appears to us just as He appeared to those disciples on Easter Sunday, and the next Sunday, and everyday after that. Do we know what shall happen tomorrow or beyond? No. Do we still have doubts?

Yes. Because of Jesus, we turn our doubts into faith. We don’t know what tomorrow will bring, but because of our faith in Jesus, all fear that we have about the future can be eliminated. We know that Christ was crucified, that He rose from the dead, and that He is reigning from the throne of heaven. And we know that He will come in glory to bring us into the fullness of His kingdom forever. We have Christ. Our fears turn to peace His peace.

+ Share +

Welcome to St. Peter’s! We welcome our **guests** and ask you to fill out the “Welcome Guest” card in the pew rack, place it in the offering plate and take home a “welcome” bag. We invite members and friends to fill in the red attendance pew pads. We are so glad you came!

Need Prayer? Those desiring personal prayer will find an elder stationed in the prayer room during Holy Communion today. The prayer room is located in the hallway to the left of the altar area. You can also leave a prayer request in the prayer box that is on the door.

Holy Communion Today - 8:15 AM & 10:45 AM & 4:30 PM

Since our church feels a Biblically founded stewardship regarding the Lord’s Supper, we ask that you prayerfully consider these truths. **Baptized Christians** who have been instructed in the Lord’s Supper and share the faith in Christ we proclaim are welcome to receive the Lord’s Supper.

- + *I know that I am a sinner in thought, word and deed and from my heart I repent (turn from) all my sins against God and other people, intending to change and correct my sinful life.*
- + *I believe that Jesus Christ is my only Lord and Savior from sin through His death and resurrection for me.*
- + *I believe that the Risen Christ is present in the Sacrament and that with the bread and wine (fruit of the vine), I receive His true Body and Blood. I believe that these gifts are “given and shed for me for the forgiveness of my sins.” -Pastors Kevin and Eric and the Board*

Today's 8:15 am Radio Service Broadcast is sponsored by Darrell & Eunice Reiter in celebration of their 25th wedding anniversary on April 18.

Today's altar flowers are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Brad Rector by his sister, Pam Medlin and her family.

Next Sunday– April 23 - Third Sunday of Easter

Scriptures: Acts 2:14a, 36-41; 1 Peter 1:17-25; Luke 24:13-35; Psalm 116:1-14

8:15 AM Contemporary Worship w/kid's talk

10:45 AM Service of the Word, DS Setting III w/kid's talk

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Children Sunday School Classes Today

9:30 – 10:30 AM



Sigmon

***Preschool-Kindergarten** - Room #2 Education Bldg -
Brenda Fulbright & Emily Schwandt

***1st - 3rd Grades** - Room #9 Education Bldg - Terry

***4th - 6th Grades** - Room #8 Education Bldg - Ashton Sigmon

***Middle & High Schoolers** - Room #4 Education Bldg - John Adams

Adult Sunday School Classes Today

9:30 – 10:30 AM

*** Sanctuary Class - Expository Teaching on Proverbs** with Pastor Eric

*** Parish Hall Class - "Growing Older & Wiser"** with David, Donna,
Richard and Scott.

*** Adults of All Ages - "The Story"** with Kim Gantt & Kevin Gantt,
Education Building, Room #1.

*** Ladies Class - "Are We Living in the Days of Noah"** with Beth Lail,
Education Building, Room #10.

*** Multi-Purpose Room Class - "The Story"** with Pastor Kevin.

*** Library Class - "The Story"** with Marla Early.

*** Wednesday Evening Couples Small Group** meets at **6:30 pm** in the
Spirit Center.

***A New Member's Class** is being scheduled from Tuesday, April 25th through June 13th. This class begins at **7:00 PM**. Please contact Pastor Kevin to express your interest.

+ Serve +

The Stephen Ministry Team will meet Thursday at **6:30 pm** in the multi-purpose room.



Brass Players Needed We are looking for musicians for our July 2nd Patriotic Service. If you or someone you know would like to participate, please contact Drew Stiles, praise band leader at 828-514-2065.

Living Kidney Donation Terry Bolick, a life long member of St. Peter's, is in need of a kidney. Kidney donation involves minimally invasive laparoscopic surgery and a few days in the hospital, returning to work within 4-6 weeks. A kidney is a gift of life to those like Terry with kidney failure. Information booklets are available in the church office or by contacting Atrium Health at 704-355-6649.

A Spring Fling Celebration will be hosted by St. Peter's youth & mission team on **Saturday, May 6** from 9 am to 2 pm. BBQ sandwiches and chicken pie will also be sold by the Mission Team as a fundraiser. Vendors applications are available outside the church office or in the narthex. Contact Ashton Sigmon (828-244-8904).

Church Members in Need of Prayer Terry Bolick, Aidan Cox, Vickie Dagenhart, Betty Eckard, Judy Eckard, Catherine Fox, Judy Gantt, Sandra Jenkins, Howard McCray, Seth Paschal, Darrell Reiter, Terry Sigmon, Whitney Terry.

Pray for Our Homebound Members

Those at Home: Bob Bowman, Vickie Dagenhart, Donald Gantt, Judy Gantt, Jean Hoke, Annette Holler, Lorene Huffman, Margaret Laws, Bobby Little, Gerald Matthews, Hazel Moser, Seth Paschal, Reva Reinhardt, Deborah Rufty, Eugene Sigmon, Richard Sigmon, George Smith, Carol Starnes, Georgia Walker, Mary Ann Winebarger

Trinity Village: Ruby Matthews

Trinity Ridge: Pat L. Sigmon

Brookdale: Blanche Hefner

Kingston Manor: Barbara White

Conover Rehab: Alberta Winebarger



Friends Needing Prayer

- ◇ Susan Carlton**(*daughter of Dina Coffey*)
- ◇ Glenn Sherrill****(*father of Debbie Thomas*)
- ◇ Larry Herman***(*brother-in-law of Betty Goble*)
- ◇ Marlys Cartwright****(*friend of St. Peter's*)
- ◇ Bob Grundy***(*cousin of Carolyn Paschal*)
- ◇ Jaxson Silas Pennington***(*grandson of Randy & Kim Pennington*)
- ◇ Molly Brooks***(*niece of Carmen Lander*)
- ◇ Mack Stafford***(*uncle of Greg Eckard*)
- ◇ David "Pete" Fulbright***(*friend of Pat & Mark Killian*)
- ◇ Jessica Carter***(*friend of Nancy Bruce*)
- ◇ Patsy McKinney**(*sister of Sandra Bryant & Brenda Dellinger*)
- ◇ Tracy Stanley** (*daughter of Seth and Carolyn Pascal*)
- ◇ Preston Killian* (*cousin of Aiden Cox*)

(Names will be listed for one month and can be renewed upon request)

Christian Sympathy

Family of Ted Sims (father of Rita Brittain, grandfather of David Brittain)

Birthdays This Week of Active Larry Eckard (4/16); Dixie Ingram (4/16); Linda Sigmon (4/16); Donald Killian (4/16); Adam Watts (4/16); Debbie Icenhour (4/17); Brenda Fulbright (4/18); Kaylor Spencer (4/18); Nathan Lewis (4/19); Christal Sigmon (4/19); David Sigmon (4/20); Harper Bowman (4/20); Chris Barnes (4/22); Shirley Dellinger (4/22); Sandra Gantt (4/22); Pastor Kevin Graudin (4/22)

Anniversaries This Week William & Glenda Thornburg (4/16); Randy & Debbie Hefner (4/16); Michael & Angela Martin (4/17); Richard & Brenda Hallman (4/18); Darrell & Eunice Reiter (4/18); Terry & Shannon Little (4/20)

Thank You Notes

- ◆ Special thanks to all who helped with our Easter Eggstravagnza! The event was such a success, and we couldn't have done it without each of you! Thank you so much! - Ashton Sigmon
- ◆ Thanks to all who purchased BBQ fundraiser tickets and also made donations to the International Missions Team to support my upcoming Ghana trip and our Alaska mission team. I am so thankful for your generosity and support! - Pastor Eric
- ◆ I want to thank everyone for the phone calls, texts and cards of sympathy for the death of my sister, Jearldine Childers. Many thanks, Collene Lafone
- ◆ We appreciate Peter Rothenberger sharing his talent with us during our Easter services! Thank you Peter!

Graduation Information Please let us know if you have family members graduating from **high school or college**. Send graduation information and a picture to Nancy at secretary@stpetersconover.org. **Deadline to turn information into the church office is 5:00 pm, Wednesday, May 17.**



Memorials

- Given to the Blessing Box Fund in loving memory of Floy Starnes, Jim & Lou Rector and Vi Roth by Jerry & Sandy Eckard ; in loving memory of Herman Griffin, Jr. by the Quilters
- Given to the LWML Mites in loving memory of Toni Miller’s, mother, Ethel Robinson, by Jeannette Gantt ; in loving memory of Kathy Sigmon by the Miriam Circle
- Given to the Quilters in loving memory of Herman Griffin, Jr. by the Miriam Circle
- Given to the Domestic Missions Fund in loving memory of Ethel Robinson and Herman Griffin, Jr. by Craig & Donna Lackey

Today’s Servants

Altar Guild: Susan Gantt & Jeannette Gantt

Musicians (8:15 AM): Drew Stiles, Thom Bumgarner, Jeff Winebarger, Chris Erwin, Oz Hefner, Chris Powell.

Organist (10:45 am service): Carolyn Paschal

Greeters: 8:15 am Donna Sigmon 10:45 am Charles Bumgarner

Readers: 8:15 am Mike Pritchard 10:45 am Landon Griffin

ACTIVITIES FOR THE COMING WEEK

- Sun. (16) 8:15 am Contemporary Service w/Holy Communion
 9:30 am Sunday School & Bible Classes
 10:45 am Liturgical Service w/Holy Communion
 4:30 pm Homebound/Workers Communion Service
- Mon. (17) 8:30 am Quilters
 6:15 pm Girl Scouts
- Tues. (18) 6:30 pm Cub Scouts
 6:30 pm BASIC Band Practice
 7:00 pm Boy Scouts
- Weds. (19) 6:30 pm Small Group Bible Study for Couples
 6:30 pm Choir Practice
 7:00 pm Confirmation Class
- Thurs. (20) 10:00 am Small Group Bible Study
 6:30 pm Small Group Bible study
 6:30 pm Stephen Ministry Team
- Sat. (22) 7:30 am Men's Small Group Bible Study
- Sun. (23) 8:15 am Contemporary Service
 9:30 am Sunday School (for children & youth only)
 9:30 am Voters Congregational Meeting
 10:45 am Liturgical Service

Last Week

April 9, 2023 - 6:45 am Easter Sunrise Service - 135; 9:30 am Easter Festival - 217

Offerings

General Fund - \$8,887.00; International Missions \$ 20.00;

Backpack Ministry - \$40.00; Building Fund - \$730.00

General Fund Needed Weekly - \$10,467

If you know of a member of the congregation who is sick, hospitalized, or has special needs, please contact the church office at 828-256-2970 or Pastor Kevin or Pastor Eric.

SERMON NOTES
“The Resurrection – From Doubt to Faith, From Fear to Peace”
John 20:19-31

I. DOUBT -- FAITH

II. FEAR -- PEACE

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Safety Precaution

Due to security reasons, the church council has voted that all of the exterior doors will be locked during worship services except for the front doors of the sanctuary. The exterior doors will be unlocked before and between worship services.

COVID-19 Protocol

The 8:15 am service can be viewed and enjoyed on a large screen in **the Spirit Center** where masks are required and social distancing is maintained.