

SERMON NOTES

“Stay with Us” Luke 24:13-35

I. He is with us in the Scriptures - John 8:31

They said to each other, "Did not our hearts burn within us while he talked to us on the road, while he opened to us the Scriptures?" vs 32

II. He is with us in Christian Fellowship - Matthew 18:20

While they were talking and discussing together, Jesus himself drew near and went with them. Vs 15

III. He is with us in Breaking of Bread - Acts 2:42

Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he was known to them in the breaking of the bread. Vs 35

IV. He is with us in Hospitality and Service - Matthew 25:40

They urged him strongly, saying, "Stay with us, for it is toward evening and the day is now far spent." So he went in to stay with them. Vs 29

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

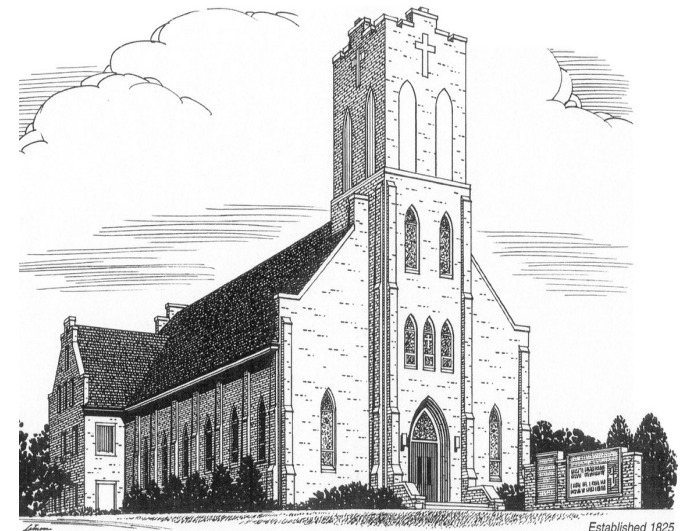
The 8:15 am service can be viewed and enjoyed on a large screen in the **Spirit Center** where masks are required and social distancing is maintained.

The Sunday Spirit

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ST. PETER'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

6175 St. Peter's Church Road

Conover, North Carolina

April 23, 2023

Third Sunday of Easter

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As We Gather The one who died for us is alive again! Jesus, our resurrected Lord, desires to be with us. While we cannot see Him yet with our eyes (*we will in the coming resurrection*), He is with us as we learn about Him and His will for us in the Scriptures, as we gather with other Christ-followers, as we break

bread in Holy Communion and as we offer hospitality and service in His name. With the Emmaus disciples, may we urge Jesus strongly to “**Stay with us,**” and live with him in humility, obedience and faith.

+ 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 after the services 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.

Today’s 8:15 am Radio Service Broadcast is sponsored by Gary & Pat Smith in celebration of their 52nd wedding anniversary (April 18).

Today’s altar flowers are given in loving memory of my husband and our dad, Ted Dallas Spencer, who is spending his 26th year in Heaven. Given by Anna Carol Spencer, Laura Hall, Erin Sigmon, Kaylor Spencer and our families.



Next Sunday– April 30 - Good Shepherd Sunday

“Our Living Good Shepherd” Psalm 23, John 10
Scriptures Acts 2:42-47; 1 Peter 2:19-25; John 10:1-10;
 Psalm 23

8:15 AM Contemporary Worship
10:45 AM Service of the Word, DS Setting III

Special Music for our April 30 Worship Services Special Music will be provided at our 8:15 am worship service by Savannah Couch and Carolyn Paschal and at our 10:45 am worship service by our Praise Team! You will not want to miss this crossover music Sunday!!!

ACTIVITIES FOR THE COMING WEEK

- Sun. (23) 8:15 am Contemporary Service w/Holy Communion
 9:30 am Sunday School (Youth only - No Adult Classes)
 9:30 am Voters Congregational Meeting
 10:45 am Liturgical Service w/Holy Communion
- Mon. (24) 8:30 am Quilters
 6:15 pm Girl Scouts
- Tues. (25) 6:30 pm Cub Scouts
 6:30 pm BASIC Band Practice
 6:30 pm Crocheting & Looming Class
 7:00 pm **New Members Class**
 7:00 pm Boy Scouts
- Weds. (26) 6:30 pm Small Group Bible Study for Couples
 6:30 pm Choir Practice
 7:00 pm Confirmation Class
- Thurs. (27) 10:00 am Small Group Bible Study
 6:30 pm Small Group Bible study
 7:00 pm Elders
- Fri. (28) 10:00 am Small Group Bible Study
- Sat. (29) 7:30 am Men’s Small Group Bible Study
- Sun. (30) 8:15 am Contemporary Service
 9:30 am Sunday School & Bible Classes
 10:45 am Liturgical Service
 3:00 pm LWML Foothills Zone Rally at Salem Lutheran Church
 5:00 pm Youth Outing (*Grades 6-12*)

Last Week

April 16, 2023 - 8:15 am service - 143 10:45 am service - 74 4:30 pm service - 19
 Sunday School Adults 63 Youth 14

Offerings

General Fund - \$17,905.00; Blessing Box \$160.00; Senior Youth - \$692.00; Domestic Missions - \$ 50.00; Autism Group - \$30.00; Building Fund - \$510.00

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 Janice Sigmon 10:45 am Robin Little
 Readers: 8:15 am Danny Goforth 10:45 am Scott Medlin

Lutheran Women's Missionary League (LWML) Foothills Zone Rally All ladies are invited to the Foothills Zone Rally that will be held on Sunday, April 30 at 3:00 pm at Salem Lutheran Church, 4005 NC Highway 16 North, Taylorsville. The theme for this rally is "Out of sight but not out of mind" from Mark 14:13. For more information, contact Jan Sigmon at 828-256-6512.

Church Doors Closed & Locked After your team or event meeting, please make sure that all the church doors are pulled shut and locked before you leave! If you have any questions, please reach out to Matt Witherspoon, Harry Fulbright, Russ Darden, Wayne Huffman or Heath Sigmon on the Building Trustee Team.

Memorials

- ◆ Given to the LWML in loving memory of all the Saints who have gone home to meet Jesus in the last year at St. Peter's, along with my family members - Charlotte Johnson, David Reames, Ronald Sigmon, Donnie Reames and Bill Sigmon by Lorene Huffman
- ◆ Given to the Blessing Box in loving memory of Herman Griffin, Jr. by The Quilters
- ◆ Given to the Quilters in loving memory of Herman Griffin, Jr. by Richard & Brenda Hallman
- ◆ Given to the Helping Hands Fund in loving memory of Vi Roth, Floy Starnes & Susie Reitzel by Delmar & Betty Eckard

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CONGREGATIONAL
MEETING

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A Quarterly Congregational Voters Meeting will be held at **9:30 am today** in the sanctuary. Voters meeting booklets are in the narthex. Adult Sunday School Classes will resume on April 30.

Children Sunday School Classes Today 9:30 – 10:30 AM

- ***Preschool-Kindergarten** - Room #2 Education Bldg - Brenda Fulbright & Emily Schwandt
- ***1st - 3rd Grades** - Room #9 Education Bldg - Terry Sigmon
- ***4th - 6th Grades** - Room #8 Education Bldg - Ashton Sigmon
- ***Middle & High Schoolers** - Room #4 Education Bldg - John Adams

Mid Week Small Groups

- ◆ **A New Member's Class** will begin **this Tuesday, April 25th, 7:00 PM** in the Multi-Purpose Room (outside the church offices). Anyone and everyone is invited to join the class!
- ◆ **Wednesday Evening Couples Small Group** meets at **6:30 pm** in the Spirit Center.
- ◆ **Thursday Morning Small Group Bible Study** meets in **10:00 am** in the Spirit Center.
- ◆ **Thursday Evening Small Group Bible Study** meets at **6:30 pm** at the home of Shirley Dellinger.
- ◆ **Friday Morning Small Group Bible Study** meets at **10:00 am** in the Spirit Center.
- ◆ **Men's Small Group Bible Study** meets at **7:30 am** in the multi-purpose room.



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Brass Players Needed We are looking for musicians for our **May 28 Pentecost Service** and the **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.

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).

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

Church Members in Need of Prayer Terry Bolick, Aidan Cox, Vickie Dagenhart, Betty Eckard, Judy Eckard, Catherine Fox, Donald Gantt, Judy Gantt, Audrey Hauss, Sandra Jenkins, Howard McCray, Seth Paschal, Terry Sigmon, John Van Horne.



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, Ruby Matthews, Hazel Moser, Seth Paschal, Reva Reinhardt, Deborah Rufty, Eugene Sigmon, Richard Sigmon, George Smith, Carol Starnes, Georgia Walker, Mary Ann Winebarger

Trinity Ridge: Pat L. Sigmon Brookdale: Blanche Hefner
Kingston Manor: Barbara White Conover Rehab: Alberta Winebarger

Prayers for Expectant Mothers

Maureen and Rodney Price—Due Date, May 13, 2023
Christin and Chris Sigmon—Due Date, July 15, 2023
Whitney and Ryan Terry—Due Date, July 22, 2023

Friends Needing Prayer

- ◇ Susan Carlton***(*daughter of Dina Coffey*)
 - ◇ Larry Herman****(*brother-in-law of Betty Goble*)
 - ◇ 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*)
 - ◇ Jane Turbeville*(*aunt of Teresa Graudin*)
 - ◇ Mike King*(*brother of Sandra Bryant & Brenda Dellinger*)
- (Names will be listed for one month and can be renewed upon request)

Birthdays This Week of Active Glenn Shell (4/26); Chris Sherbino (4/27); Angela Honeycutt (4/28)

Anniversaries This Week Michael & Malla Killian (4/25); Clayton & Debbie Milstead (4/26); Larry & Debbie Adams (4/27); Brian & Kim Caldwell (4/27)

Thank You Notes

- ◆ A special thank you to Craig Lackey for coming to visit me each month and giving me communion. I greatly appreciate it! - Lorene Huffman
- ◆ Thanks to all of my friends and church family for the prayers, cards and phone calls during my recent surgery and recovery. May God bless all of you! - Darrell Reiter



New Website - We are currently in the process of updating our website - stpetersconover.org. A special thanks to Kevin Sigmon and Shelley Dellinger for their help in getting our new website up and running! Please note that the "members page" on the website is not active yet.

Graduation Sunday - On May 21 we will honor our graduates at both our 8:15 am and 10:45 am worship services. If you are graduating or have a family member graduating from **high school or college**, please send your/their information and a photo to Nancy in the church office at secretary@stpetersconover.org. **Deadline to turn information into the office is Friday, May 12.**