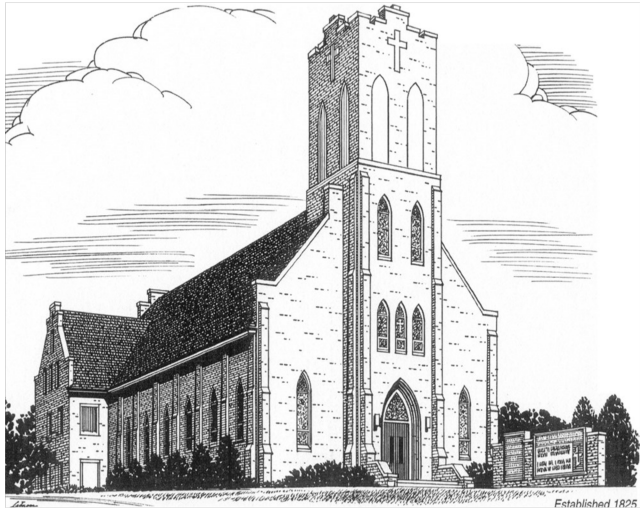


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ST. PETER'S LUTHERAN CHURCH
6175 St. Peter's Church Road
Conover, North Carolina
August 27, 2023
Twelfth Sunday in Pentecost

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As We Gather..... We acknowledge that Jesus as the Christ is central to our confession of faith as individual Christians and vital in our worship as the gathered people of God. Jesus asked Peter; ***“Who do you say that I AM?”*** In our lives today, Jesus is asking us the same question. And like Simon Peter, our answer is that; ***“Jesus is the Christ, the Son of the living God.”*** And believing boldly in that answer, we are blessed in knowing that Jesus, the Christ, is not only God in person in human form but that He is God for us. He is our rock...He is our salvation! And as we grow in faith through the Holy Spirit, we then are able to share in the Gospel light and bring others to stand on the firm foundation of God’s glorious salvation plan. ***“On Christ the solid rock I stand, all other ground is sinking sand!”***

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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 following the services today. The prayer room is located in the hallway to the left of the altar area.



Sunday School Rally Day Join us in the Spirit Center **today at 9:30 am** for snacks, drinks and a chance to meet all of our Sunday School teachers! We can’t wait for you to hear about our classes as we get ready to dive into God’s word this fall!

Today’s 8:15 am Radio Service Broadcast is given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of our parents wedding anniversary (68th anniversary on August 27), and also in loving memory of Jim & Lou Rector’s wedding anniversary (68th anniversary on August 27) by Jeff Winebarger & Julie Robinson

The altar flowers are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Charlie & Martha Hawn Hallman by Richard & Brenda Hallman.

The flowers on the side of the communion rail are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of her parents, Jim & Lou Rector, who's 68th anniversary would have been today, and also in loving memory of Pam's brother, Brad Rector, who went to heaven on September 2, 2022 by Pam & Scott Medlin.

Next Sunday - September 3 - Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Sermon: Pastor Eric

Jeremiah 15:15-21; Romans 12:9-21; Matthew 16:21-28; Psalm 26

8:15 AM Contemporary Worship w/Holy Communion

9:30 AM Sunday School & Bible Classes

10:45 AM Service of the Word, DS Setting IV w/Holy Communion



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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

Adult Sunday School Classes Today

- ***Ladies Class** - “**God’s Psychiatry, The Healing of Mind and Soul**” by Charles Allen with Beth Lail, Education Building, Grover Herman Room
- ***Adults of All Ages** - “**More to Your Story**” by Max Lucado with Kim Gantt & Kevin Gantt, Education Building
- ***Multi-Purpose Room Class** - “**The Sermon on the Mount**” with Christal Sigmon
- ***Sanctuary Class** - with Pastor Eric studying the “**Gospel of John**”.

Mid Week Small Groups

***A Grief Share Class** meets on **Mondays at 6:30 pm** in the multi-purpose room. This support group for those grieving the death of a loved one includes excellent instructions from professional grief counselors. Contact Sandra Jenkins (828-638-5224) for more information

***Couples Wednesday Evening Bible Study** meets at **6:30 pm** in the youth room (3rd floor of sanctuary building). They are in Season 2 of “The Chosen”.

***Thursday Morning Bible Study** meets at **10 am in the Spirit Center** with Kim Kaylor as the leader. They are studying “My Heart-Christ’s home” by Robert Boy Munger.

***Friday Morning Bible Study** meets at **10 am in the Spirit Center** with Pastor Eric as the leader. They are studying the series “The Chosen.”

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Church Members in Need of Prayer Terry Bolick, Aidan Cox, Betty Eckard, Gary Eckard, Darrell Freeman, Alice Freeman, Harry Fulbright, Judy Gantt, Jimmy Goble, Grace Pruitt, Jeanette Reese, Reva Reinhardt, Bonnie Sigmon, Terry Sigmon, Gary Smith.

Pray for Our Homebound Members

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

Trinity Ridge: Pat L. Sigmon, Reva Reinhardt

Brookdale: Blanche Hefner

Kingston Manor: Barbara White

Conover Rehab: Alberta Winebarger

Greens in Viewmont: Gary Eckard

Prayers for Expectant Mothers

Emily Ann & Garrett Pfeifer - Due Date, November 11, 2023

Friends Needing Prayer

- ◇ *Gibson Darden****(*brother of Russ Darden*))
- ◇ *Brenda Goble**(*sister-in-law of Jimmy Goble*)
- ◇ *Eddie Allen*****(*friend of St. Peter’s Lutheran*)
- ◇ *Tommy London*****(*father of Windy Pruitt*)



- ◇ Colson Arndt ***(*friend of Sherry Bumgarner's family*)
 - ◇ Blake Fraley***(*friend of Mike & Patricia Pritchard's family*)
 - ◇ Dawn Good*(*friend of Chris & Cathy Powell*)
 - ◇ Cindy Killian*(*friend of Sherry Bumgarner*)
- (Names will be listed for one month and can be renewed upon request)

Christian Sympathy

- ◇ *Family of Randy Travis (friend of Sherry Bumgarner)*

Christian Sympathy - Everette Mathews We grieve the death of our dear member, Everette Carl Mathews. Everette died on Sunday, August 20 and his service was held Saturday, August 26 here at St. Peter's followed by interment in our cemetery. We mourn for Everette with the sure and certain hope in the Resurrection and Life Eternal that has been promised to us in Jesus. Please keep his sons, Gary and Tim and their families in your prayers in the days ahead.

Birthdays This Week of Active Members Harry Fulbright (8/27); Linda Goforth (8/27); Kate Witherspoon (8/27); James Walton (8/27); Wilson Sigmon (8/28); Harold Starnes (8/28); Robert Hoyle (8/30); Melissa Sigmon (8/30); Treva Pope (8/31); Crystal Gantt (9/1); Selena Gurganious (9/1)

Anniversaries This Week Charles & Sherry Bumgarner (8/28); Larry & Brenda Eckard (9/1); Robert & Karen Hoyle (9/1)

Amber Pill Bottle Collection Elliott Gantt with our Boy Scout Troop 341 is collecting and cleaning amber pill bottles for reuse by the Cooperative Christian Ministries Pharmacy in Hickory. This is part of his Eagle Scout project. Please remove all labels from the bottles and place in the collection box located in the back hallway near the church offices. Thank you for your help!

Sunday Lunch Bunch is meeting at Boxcar Grille at **1 pm today** for fellowship and food!

Installation of Pastor Bob Stevens at Immanuel Lutheran Church The congregation is invited to the installation of Pastor Bob Stevens at Immanuel Lutheran Church, 2440 Emmanuel Church Road, Conover, NC **today at 4:00 pm** with a reception following.

200th Anniversary Committee Update Please come join us for our next meeting **today at 4 pm** in the Spirit Center. At our first meeting in July, we chose a guiding Bible verse, came up with a logo idea and a general outline of what we hope to accomplish. If you have memorabilia, pictures, historical items, please bring them to the meeting! Many hands lighten the load and we'd love to hear your ideas!

Social Group Outing Make plans to join us for the dinner theatre production of “On Golden Pond” on Friday, October 13 at the Hudson Uptown Building Venue. Cost is approximately \$37.00 per person plus fees. If you’d like to attend, please contact Betty Goble (828-308-4251) by **9 am on Monday, August 28.**



Friends & Family Sunday - September 24
Please mark your calendars and be in prayer for family & friends that you would like to invite to share the good fellowship and good news we have here at St. Peter’s. We will be highlighting the many groups and organizations that are active here at the church! Watch your bulletin for more information on this event.

Thank You Notes Thank you for all the prayers, phone calls, messages, cards and food for our family during Joyce’s hospital stay and death. We have been so blessed by your caring and love during this difficult time. God’s blessings, Fate Adams & Family

Memorials

*****Given to the LWML in loving memory of Joyce Adams by Darrell & Eunice Reiter***

****Given to the Music Program Fund in loving memory of Bob Bowman by the Ruth Circle of the LWML ; in loving memory of Bob Bowman by Gary, Libby & Parker Hart***

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.

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 Eric.

ACTIVITIES FOR THE COMING WEEK

- Sun. (27) 8:15 am Contemporary Service *w/Blessing of Backpacks*
 9:30 am Sunday School Rally Day Celebration - *in Spirit Ctr*
 10:45 am Liturgical Service
 1:00 pm Sunday Lunch Bunch - *at Boxcar Grille*
 4:00 pm 200th Anniversary Committee Meeting
 4:00 pm Installation of Pastor Stevens - *Immanuel Lutheran*
- Mon. (28) 8:30 pm Quilters
 6:15 am Girl Scouts
 6:30 pm BASIC Band Practice
 6:30 pm GriefShare Class
- Tues. (29) 6:30 pm Cub Scouts
 6:30 pm Crocheting & Looming Class
 7:00 pm Boy Scouts
- Weds. (30) 6:30 pm Basketball League
 6:30 pm Choir Practice
 6:30 pm Couples Bible Study
- Thurs. (31) 10:00 am Bible Study
- Fri. (1) 10:00 am Bible Study
- Sun. (3) 8:15 am Contemporary Service
 9:30 am Sunday School & Bible Classes
 10:45 am Liturgical Service

Last Week

August 20

8:15 am Worship Service - 143 10:45 am Worship Service - 69
 4:30 pm Worship Service - 19
 Sunday School - Adults 34 Youth 6
*(*called voters meeting during Sunday School)*

Today's Servants

Altar Guild: Patty Couch, Savannah Couch

Praise Band (8:15 AM): Drew Stiles, Thom Bumgarner, Jeff Winebarger, Chris Erwin, Oz Hefner, Chris Powell, Tom Delgreco, Emily Allen, Sarah Freeman, Susan Gantt, Brenda Hefner

Organist (10:45 am service): Carolyn Paschal

Readers: 8:15 am Kevin & Elliot Gantt 10:45 am Kim Kaylor

Greeters: 8:15 am Mary Deese 10:45 am Joy Eckard

SERMON NOTES
“Who Do You Say I AM”
Matthew 16:13-20

I. JESUS IS THE SON OF THE LIVING GOD (I AM)
(vs. 13-16)

II. CHRIST, THE SON OF THE LIVING GOD IS OUR SOLID,
ENDURING ROCK (vs. 17-18)

III. AND NOW FOR US? (vs. 19-20)

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