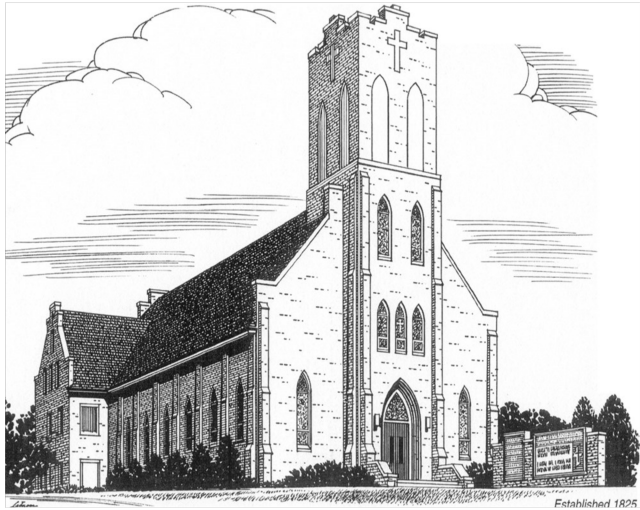


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ST. PETER'S LUTHERAN CHURCH
6175 St. Peter's Church Road
Conover, North Carolina
September 3, 2023
Thirteenth Sunday in Pentecost

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As We Gather. . . .we see God and His love in Jesus Christ actively defeating evil at the cross. By His resurrection from death's grave, Jesus crushes evil and guarantees that it has no power over those who trust in Him. Remaining in Christ's love, we respond to the evil in our world with the goodness of forgiveness and self-sacrificing love. The Apostle Paul gives

us an overwhelming list of 30 encouragements to overcome evil. However, they can be slimmed down to just two: encouragement through self-sacrificial love and encouragement to overcome evil with good. And through these two major encouragements. . . .We are being pointed to Jesus. And through Jesus, we allow our good and gracious God to respond evil and overcome it in our loving Savior.

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

Holy Communion Today - 8:15 AM and 10:45 AM Services

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 Eric and the Board of Elders

Today's 8:15 am Radio Service Broadcast is given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Dwight Lafone on the 10th anniversary of him entering Heaven's gates by the Lafone and Rucker families. 2 Timothy 4:7-8

The altar flowers are given in loving memory of Steven Sigmon by Jan Sigmon in thankfulness for the 51 years of marriage we were given beginning, September 1, 1968. Our Time together was a true blessing!

Next Sunday - September 10 - Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Sermon: Pastor Eric (*Sermon series on Forgiveness begins*)

Ezekiel 33:7-9; Romans 13:1-10; Matthew 18:1-20; Psalm 32:1-7

8:15 AM Contemporary Worship w/Gold Star Award for Kalissa Killian

9:30 AM Sunday School & Bible Classes

10:45 AM Service of the Word, DS Setting V



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Children & Youth 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

***Couples Wednesday Evening Bible Study** will **NOT** meet this week. The Bible Study will resume on **Tuesday, September 12 at 6:30 pm.** They are doing Season 2 of “The Chosen.” *(*Note day change next week*)*

***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. Starting on September 10, our new study will take a look at the “Life of Moses” and his leadership qualities that we can apply to our lives as well.

***Thursday Night Bible Study** will resume again on **September 14.**

***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.”

***Confirmation Class**, Christianity 101, for students in the seventh grade and above will be held on **Wednesday evenings, 7:00 PM beginning September 13th** taught by Pastor Eric. Students will study the Scriptures and Luther’s Small Catechism. Please sign up with Pastor Eric or Nancy in the church office.

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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, Clayton Milstead, Grace Pruitt, Jeanette Reese, Reva Reinhardt, Bonnie Sigmon, Terry Sigmon, Dorothy Sigmon, Perry 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, 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)
- ◇ 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)
- ◇ Joyce Smith*(friend of Michael & Angela Martin)
- ◇ Jan Hunt*(cousin of Pastor Eric)

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



Christian Sympathy

- ◇ The Family of Roger Whisnant (son-in-law of Judy Little)
- ◇ The Family of Michael Rockette (friend of Wilson Sigmon & Kevin Sigmon)

Birthdays This Week of Active Members Robin Little (9/3); Heidi Jones (9/4); Peter Rothenberger (9/4); Rob Rucker (9/4); Myron Bowman (9/6); Gracie Bolick (9/7); Pam Medlin (9/8); Cloie Everett (9/10); Pauline Eckard (9/10); Aniston Schwandt (9/10); Larry Adams (9/12); Ladonna Bolton (9/12); Beulah Price (9/12); Leslie Rothenberger (9/12)

September Over 80 Birthdays: The LWML has given a donation to the Quilters in honor of the following birthdays: Gracie Bolick (9/7); Pauline Eckard (9/10); Beulah Price (9/12).

Anniversaries This Week Greg & Judy Eckard (9/3); Brandon & Kelsey Broome (9/3); Keith & Renae Randall (9/4); Marshall & Nancy Wray (9/8); John & Heidi Jones (9/10); Donald & Sandra Gantt (9/11)



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!

Golden Agers Group The Golden Agers Group will meet on **Tuesday, September 19 at 10 am.** A presentation by the Western Piedmont Council on Aging: Project CARE/Dementia Awareness by Karen Phoenix will be given. Lunch immediately following at El Paso Mexican Restaurant in Conover. Please consider joining this wonderful group for fellowship, learning and fun! For more details, see Kim Kaylor.

Crocheting & Looming Class All are welcome to join us on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of each month (**Sept. 12 & Sept. 26**) and be part of this amazing group. For more information, contact Donna Sipe (828-256-3299).

Thank You Notes

- ◆ I would like to say a HUGE thank you to the Crocheters & Looming Class, Mickey Stewart, Reva Reinhardt, and Marlene Pennell for making the “Back to School Bash” at the fairgrounds a great success! We were able to give away over 200 toboggans and 300 scarves to area families! - Donna Sipe

Memorials

**Given to the Music Program Fund in loving memory of Bob Bowman's birthday (Sept. 8) by his family ; in loving memory of Bob Bowman by Bunker Hill High School Class of 1958*

**Given to the General Fund in loving memory of Bob Bowman by Emmett & Clara Jane Wike ; in loving memory of Bob Bowman by Jeffrey & Rita Joines; in loving memory of Everette Mathews by Gene & Harolene Setzer*

**Given to the Senior Youth Fund in loving memory of Everette Mathews by Tim Mathews*

Honorariums

**Given to the Building Fund to the Glory of God and for thanks for 67 wonderful years together on September 8 by Marshall & Nancy Wray*

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.

SERMON NOTES
“30 Encouragements Boiled Down to TWO”
Romans 12:9-21

*Abhor; Hold fast; Love; Outdo; Do not be slothful; Be fervent;
Serve; Rejoice; Be patient; Be constant; Contribute; Bless those
who persecute; Bless; Do not curse; Rejoice; Weep; Live in
harmony; Do not be haughty; Associate; Never; Repay no one
evil; Give thought; Live; Never avenge; Leave it; Feed him; Give
him; Do not be overcome; Overcome evil*

I. THE ENCOURAGEMENT OF SELF-SACRIFICING LOVE
(vs. 9-13)

**II. THE ENCOURAGEMENT TO OVERCOME EVIL WITH
GOOD** *(vs. 14.21)*

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