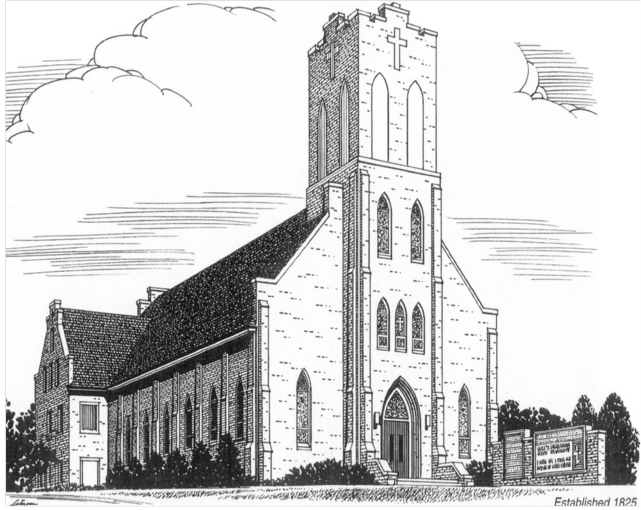


The Sunday Spirit

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ST. PETER'S LUTHERAN CHURCH
6175 St. Peter's Church Road
Conover, North Carolina
January 14, 2024
Second Sunday after Epiphany

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**JESUS
is
CALLING**

As We Gather.....We see in the Old Testament and Gospel readings the calling of God in the private moments of our lives. Because of our sinful nature and our love for the things of this world, we sometimes confuse God's calling with other voices, as both Samuel and Nathaniel came to experience. Again, the example set by Samuel and Nathaniel offer us good advice, in helping us to discern what is truly the voice of God....that he is calling. God's caller ID shows

up in our hearts, and we need to stay in his Word to recognize it. God calls disciples in every age to carry forth his word of redemption, and he still calls out to us in the darkened night of our world. It is the voice of God, inviting us to come and embrace his love and forgiveness, that can enable us to lead a more meaningful life amidst the competing voices of our world, as we come to experience his presence in our lives. Yes....Christ is calling!

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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 from our table out front. We invite members and friends to fill in the red attendance pew pads. We are so glad you came!

Second Sunday Social Join us at **9:15 am today** following our early worship service for fellowship and light refreshments.

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.



Today's radio broadcast is given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of their mother's - Sue Milstead and Pat Laws - by Clayton & Debbie Milstead

Next Sunday - January 21, 2024 - 23rd Sunday after Epiphany

Holy Communion Services - 8:15 am ; 10:45 am and 4:30 pm

Proclaimer: Pastor Eric

Readings: Jonah 3:1-5:10; 1 Corinthians 7:29-31; Mark 1:14-20; Psalm 62

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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 - “The Gifts of Christmas”** by Shelia Walsh with Beth Lail, Education Building, Grover Herman Room
- ***Adults of All Ages - “The Book of Romans”** with Kim Gantt & Kevin Gantt, Education Building, Room #1
- ***Multi-Purpose Room Class - “The Twelve Disciples”** with Christal Sigmon
- ***Sanctuary Class** - with Pastor Eric studying “The Gospel of John.”



Mid Week Small Groups

- ***“HeARTS in the Margin” Monday Evening Bible Study** meets at **6:30 pm** in the Spirit Center. Please join us for this unique and creative way to study God’s word and have it “stick” forever in our hearts and minds!
- ***Couples Tuesday Evening Bible Study** will meet at the **Home of Oz & Brenda Hefner at 6:30 pm**. They are doing “The Chosen” Bible Study, Season 3.
- ***Thursday Morning Bible Study** meets at **10 am in the Spirit Center** with Kim Kaylor as leader. They are studying “Daniel” and his leadership qualities that we can apply to our lives as well.
- ***Thursday Night Bible Study** will meet at **6:30 pm at the home of Shirley Dellinger** with Tonya Darden and Christal Sigmon as leaders. They are currently doing a study in Romans with JD Greer from Right Now Media.

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

***Saturday Morning Men’s Bible Study** meets at **7:30 am.** They are studying “Deuteronomy.”

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Church Members in Need of Prayer Terry Bolick, Nancy Bostian, Charles Bumgarner, Aidan Cox, Mary Deese, Betty Eckard, Brenda Eckard, Gary Eckard, Judy Eckard, Jimmy Goble, Catherine Huffman, Joyce Hollar, Sandra Jenkins, Robbie Killian, Doris Lail, Scott Medlin, Seth Paschal, Windy Pruitt, Shirley Shell, Teresa Taylor, Bob Watts

Pray for Our Homebound Members

Those at Home: Rosella Bollinger, Jean Hoke, Annette Holler, Kathleen Houston, Lorene Huffman, Margaret Laws, Bobby Little, Gerald Matthews, Hazel Moser, Seth Paschal, Reva Reinhardt, Jeanette Reese, Eugene Sigmon, Richard Sigmon, Carol Starnes, Georgia Walker, Mary Ann Winebarger

Trinity Ridge: Pat L. Sigmon

Brookdale: Blanche Hefner

Kingston Manor: Barbara White

Rock Barn Living : Alberta Winebarger

The Greens on Tate Blvd: Brenda Eckard



Prayers for Expectant Mothers

- Emily & Danny Schwandt - Due Date, January 22, 2024

Friends Needing Prayer

- ◇ Gibson Darden***(brother of Russ Darden))
 - ◇ John McCordy***(friend of St. Peter’s)
 - ◇ Steve Stewart****(nephew of Oz Hefner)
 - ◇ Fay Spicer****(mother of Susan Gantt)
 - ◇ Ronnie Bowman**(brother of Alice Freeman & grandfather of Myron Bowman)
 - ◇ Bill Richardson**(friend of St. Peter’s)
 - ◇ Jeremiah Buff**(nephew of Darrell & Alice Freeman)
 - ◇ Rhyne Schenk**(brother-in-law of Nancy Bruce)
 - ◇ Roger Wyke**(friend of Sherry Bumgarner)
 - ◇ Glenn Sherrill**(father of Debbie Thomas)
 - ◇ Frances Davis Bolton*(mother of Danny Bolton)
- (Names will be listed for one month and can be renewed upon request)

Birthdays This Week of Active Members Brian Caldwell (1/15); Shannon Little (1/15); Sharon Hefner (1/16); Crystal Starnes (1/16); Shannon Cline (1/18); Mike Pritchard (1/18); Grace Pruitt (1/20); Amy Sigmon

Anniversaries This Week Dallas & Linda Ross (1/14); Harry & Brenda Fulbright (1/16); Rayford & Marlene Pennell (1/18); John & Debbie Thomas (1/19)

January Over 80 Birthdays: The LWML has given to Mites in honor of the following birthdays: Clara Jane Petrovich (1); Delores Wells (8); Nancy Wray (12); Joe Eckard (13); Grace Pruitt (20); Mary Sigmon (21)); Johnny Lytton (22); Billy Houston (23); and Fate Adams (31).



The Kids in Christ (Grades 1-6) will meet **TODAY** in the youth room (3rd floor of church building) at **12:30 pm** for devotions and then we will leave for our fun afternoon at Bo's Entertainment Center in Lenoir. Parents are encouraged to attend with their kids. No cost for our kids or parents to attend. We will return to the church by 5 pm. Please see Kim Kaylor if you have any questions.

The Golden Agers will meet on **Tuesday, January 16 at 9:45 am.** We will be traveling to the Catawba County Historical Society for a tour and then eat lunch at the Western Steer in Newton. All are welcome. For more information, contact Kim Kaylor (828-234-5945).

The Mission Team will meet on **Tuesday, January 16 at 6:30 pm.** If you are interested in being a part of this team, please come to our meeting or contact Kay Watts.



The Elders will meet on **Thursday, July 18 at 7:00 pm.**

Wreath Clean Up Day will be held in the church cemetery on **Saturday, January 20 starting at 11 am.** All agers are invited to help with this project.

Updated Church Directory Information Needed We will be printing an updated church directory the end of January, 2024. If your address, phone numbers and/or email addresses have changed, please contact Nancy in the church office.



Senior Youth - SAVE THE DATE !!!
Sunday, January 28, 2024
Bojangles Coliseum, Charlotte NC
Show Starts: 5:00 pm

Winter Jam has announced the artists that will be featured on the 2024 tour: Crowder, Lecrae, Cain, Katy Nichole, Seventh Day Slumber, and Newsong

Price for the concert for youth is \$20.00; and other adults that want to attend with us the ticket price is \$39.99. Please let Eric Sigmon (828-244-1055) or Kim Kaylor (828-234-5945) if you wish to attend by **Monday, January 15**. We will leave the church at 2:00 pm and return home by 9:30 pm.

Memorials

- **Given to the LWML Food Fund** in loving memory of Donald Gantt by Gracie Bolick
- **Given to the Boy Scouts** in loving memory of Donald by Larry & Ruth Hefner; by Jeannette Gantt; by Jean Davis & Family; by Craig & Donna Lackey; by Bob & Kay Watts; by Patricia R. Sigmon; by Kenton & Paula Somers; by Fay Spicer
- **Given to the LWML** in loving memory of Donald Gantt by Randy & Toni Miller; by Patricia Sigmon
- **Given to the General Fund** in loving memory of Pauline Eckard by Lorene Huffman
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- **Given to the LWML Mites** in loving memory of Pauline Eckard by Sandra Gantt
- **Given to the LWML** in loving memory of Pauline Eckard by Patricia R. Sigmon
- **Given to the LWML** in loving memory of Gary Smith by Patricia R. Sigmon
- **Given to the Building Fund** in loving memory of Pauline Eckard and Donald Gantt by Jerry & Sandy Eckard

ACTIVITIES FOR THE COMING WEEK

- Sun. (14) 8:15 am Contemporary Worship Service
9:15 am Second Sunday Social
9:30 am Sunday School & Bible Classes
10:45 am Liturgical Worship Service
12:30 pm Kids in Christ (*Grades 1-6*) - Outing at Bo's in Lenoir
- Mon. (15) 8:30 am Quilters
6:15 pm Girl Scouts
6:30 pm BASIC Band Practice
6:30 PM HeARTS in the Margin Bible Study
- Tues. (16) 9:45 am Golden Agers Group
6:30 pm Cub Scouts
6:30 pm Mission Team Meeting
7:00 pm Boy Scouts
- Weds. (17) 6:30 pm Small Group Couples Bible Study
6:30 pm Basketball League
6:30 pm Choir Practice
7:00 pm Confirmation Class
- Thurs. (18) 10:00 am Small Group Bible Study
6:30 pm Thursday Night Bible Study
7:00 pm Elders
- Fri. (19) 10:00 am Small Group Bible Study
- Sat. (20) 7:30 am Men's Small Group Bible Study
11:00 am Wreath Clean Up Day in Cemetery
- Sun. (21) 8:15 am Contemporary Worship Service w/Holy Communion
9:30 am Sunday School & Bible Classes
9:30 am Voters Meeting
10:45 am Liturgical Worship Service w/Holy Communion
4:30 pm Homebound/Workers Communion Service

Last Week

Worship Services Attendance

January 7, 2024

8:15 am Service - 160 10:45 am Service - 63

Sunday Sunday

Adults - 58 Youth - 20

Offerings

General Fund - \$9,654.00; Boy Scouts - \$1,465.00; Radio Sponsors - \$400.00
LML - \$25.00; Autism Support Group - \$75.00; Building fund \$2,637.00

General Fund Amount Needed Weekly - \$10,745.00

SERMON NOTES

“Christ is Calling” John 1:43-51

I. The sacrificing gift of grace

II. There is no escaping God, but do we really want to

III. Recognizing God’s call

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Today’s Servants

Altar Guild: Jeannette Gantt, Susan Gantt

Greeter: 8:15 am Vickie Miller 10:45 am Christal Sigmon

Readers: 8:15 am 10:45 am

Praise Band (8:15 AM): Drew Stiles, Bradley Abernathy, Jeff Winebarger, Oz Hefner, Chris Powell, Tom Delgreco, Danny Bolton, Emily Allen, Susan Gantt, Brenda Hefner, Emma Spencer

Organist (10:45 am service) Carolyn Paschal