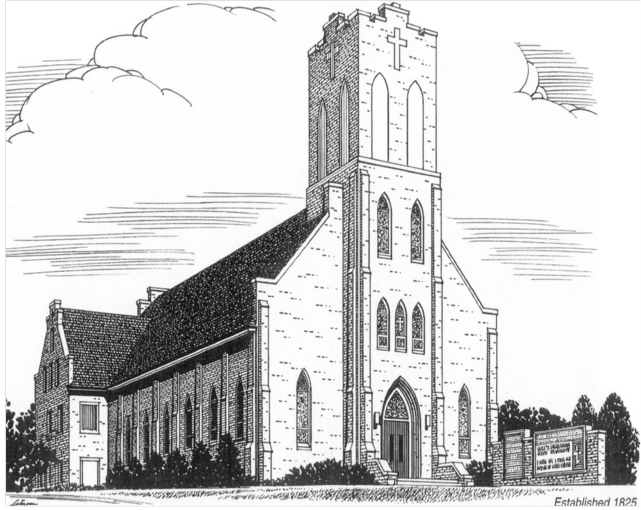


The Sunday Spirit

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ST. PETER'S LUTHERAN CHURCH
6175 St. Peter's Church Road
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January 21, 2024
Third Sunday after Epiphany

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As We Gather.....we witness in our Old Testament Reading the meaning of God and his commands for obeying his call. When someone calls us on our phones, do we always answer? In our present day, to protect ourselves from those pesky SPAM calls, we hesitate and allow our calls to go to voicemail to wait and see what the message is and who it's from and at times wait to respond depending on what WE feel is the level of importance. How about when God calls? We hear in today's readings of the response of Jonah, who was reluctant to follow God's call. He went to Nineveh begrudgingly, but through him God would issue a call for the Ninevites to repentance. Like Jonah, in Baptism, God has called us on His spiritual phone, to follow Him in a life of sacrifice, humility, and yes.....even death, in order to follow him. And through his calling, He promises that through us, others will also be called to a new life with him. A soul saving life! So it is important to OBEY HIS CALL!

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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!

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, 10:45AM & 4:30 PM 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 radio broadcast is given to the glory of God and in honor of Landon Griffin's birthday (Jan 23); Gavin Griffin's birthday (Jan 25) and Gaige Griffin's birthday (Feb 5) by Charles & Sherry Bumgarner (*Broadcast is on WAIZ Radio - 630 AM and 105.9 FM*)

Next Sunday - January 28, 2024 - 4th Sunday after Epiphany

Proclaimer: Vicar Daniel Brummet (current vicar at St. Stephens Lutheran)

Readings: Deuteronomy 18:15-20; 1 Corinthians 8:1-13; Mark 1:21-28;

Psalms 111

Children's Bulletins are available in the narthex and by both side entrance doors.

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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

* **No Adult Classes this week due to the Voters Meeting in the Sanctuary at 9:30 am**

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 Wednesday Evening Bible Study** will meet again on **Wednesday, January 31 at 6:30 pm** at the home of John & Heidi Jones. 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.”

+ Serve +

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



New Baby Congratulations of Danny & Emily Schwandt on their birth of this son, Grayson Everette born, January 17, 2024, weighing 9 lbs, 3 oz. He joins big sister, Aniston. Congratulations to the Schwandt family on their beautiful new blessing!



Friends Needing Prayer

- ◇ Gibson Darden****(brother of Russ Darden)
- ◇ John McCordy****(friend of St. Peter’s)
- ◇ 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)*
 - ◇ *Dana Isenhour*(cousin of Jan Sigmon)*
- (Names will be listed for one month and can be renewed upon request)

Christian Sympathy

- ◇ *The Family of Frances Davis Bolton (mother of Danny Bolton)*
- ◇ *The Family of Bobby Mise (father of Jeannie Deal)*
- ◇ *The Family of Naomi Scott (mother-in-law of Jeff Winebarger)*
- ◇ *The Family of Jewel Deal Long (aunt of Catherine Huffman, Wayne Huffman and Selena Gurganiouis)*

Birthdays This Week of Active Members Amy Sigmon (1/21); Christian Sigmon (1/21); Mary Sigmon (1/21); Lisa Brittain (1/22); Johnny Lytton (1/22); Billy Houston (1/23); Landon Griffin (1/23); Gavin Griffin (1/25); Mark Killian (1/25); Richard Sigmon (1/25); Ashlyn Isenhour (1/27); Louise Eckard (1/27); Jayden Smith (1/27)

Anniversaries This Week Barry & Carolyn Matthews (1/24)

The Crocheting & Looming Class will meet **Tuesday, January 23 at 6:30 pm** in the Spirit Center.

***NOTE DATE CHANGE *** **Wreath Clean Up Day** will be held in the church cemetery on **Saturday, January 27 starting at 11 am**. All ages are invited to help with this project.

Sunday Lunch Bunch - They will meet for lunch on **Sunday, January 28** at the Box Car Grille in Claremont **at 1 pm**. If you would like to join the group, please let Betty Goble (828-308-4251) know by Wednesday, January 24 so she can make reservations.

The 200th Anniversary Team will meet **Sunday, January 28 at 4 pm** in the multi-purpose room of the church. Anyone interested in helping with this planning event is welcome to attend.

Contribution Statements for 2023 The statements are located in the back hallway outside the church offices. Please note that if you did NOT contribute more than \$250 last year a statement was not generated . (IRS Guidelines - Publication 1771) Also, if you have not picked up your offering envelopes for this year, they are also in the back hallway. Questions, please see Vickie Miller.



Girl Scout Cookies The Girl Scout Troop here at St. Peter's is once again selling cookies! Cookies are \$5.00 per box. The assortment available are: thin mints, caramel delights, peanut butter patties, peanut butter sandwich, adventurefuls, shortbread (trefoils), and toast yay. The troops goal is to sell 700 boxes each. Call or text Malla Killian (828-638-8615) with you order. Thank you for supporting the Girl Scouts!

Pastor Eric will be attending the SED Disaster Relief Conference in South Carolina , January 25-27, and then taking some much needed time off the following week. Please contact Nancy in the church office for any congregational needs. Vicar Daniel Brummet (current vicar at St. Stephens Lutheran) will be our guest preacher next Sunday, January 28.

Memorials

- ***Given to the Quilters*** in loving memory of *Floyd Gantt, Jr.*, whose 90th birthday would have been January 23 and in memory of his passing into eternity on January 25, 2020 by *Jeannette Gantt & family*; given in loving memory of *Pauline Eckard* by *St. Peter's Mult-Purpose Sunday School Class*
- ***Given to the LWML Food Fund*** in loving memory of *Donald Gantt* by *Gracie Bolick*

- ***The Estate of Pauline Eckard*** has graciously left money to *St. Peter's Lutheran Church* which will be divided up between the *Domestic Missions, the Quilters and the Sunday School Funds.*

ACTIVITIES FOR THE COMING WEEK

- Sun. (21) 8:15 am Contemporary Worship Service w/Holy Communion
 9:30 am Voters Meeting
 9:30 am Sunday School & Bible Classes w/Holy Communion
 10:45 am Liturgical Worship Service
 4:30 pm Homebound/Workers Communion Service
- Mon. (22) 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. (23) 6:30 pm Crocheting & Looming Class
 6:30 pm Cub Scouts
 7:00 pm Boy Scouts
- Weds. (24) 6:30 pm Basketball League
 6:30 pm Choir Practice
 7:00 pm Confirmation Class
- Thurs. (25) 10:00 am Small Group Bible Study
 6:30 pm Thursday Night Bible Study
- Sat. (27) 7:30 am Men's Small Group Bible Study
 11:00 am Wreath Clean Up Day in Cemetery
- Sun. (28) 8:15 am Contemporary Worship Service
 9:30 am Sunday School & Bible Classes
 10:45 am Liturgical Worship Service
 1:00 pm Lunch bunch - *meet at Box Car Grille in Claremont*
 2:00 pm Senior Youth leave for "Winter Jam 24"
 4:00 pm 200th Anniversary Team Meeting

Last Week

Worship Services Attendance

January 14, 2024

8:15 am Service - 153 10:45 am Service - 62

Sunday Sunday

Adults - 53 Youth - 19

Offerings

General Fund - \$8,903.00; Radio Sponsorships - \$900.00; Boy Scouts - \$25.00; Domestic Missions - \$290.00; Building Fund - \$1,018.00

General Fund Amount Needed Weekly - \$10,745.00

SERMON NOTES

SERMON NOTES “Obeying the Call of God” Jonah 3:1-5,10

I. Answer the call the first time (v. 1)

II. Worldly Sacrifice, Humility, and even Death....all to OBEY!

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Today's Servants

Altar Guild: Jeannette Gantt, Susan Gantt

Greeter: 8:15 am Joy Lail 10:45 am Karen Hoyle

Readers: 8:15 am Mike Pritchard 10:45 am Richard Hallman

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