The Sunday Spirit



ST. PETER'S LUTHERAN CHURCH 6175 St. Peter's Church Road Conover, North Carolina February 25, 2024 Second Sunday In Lent

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As We Gather.....we look at the struggles we have in life, and we can still rejoice. Why? Paul's words remind us of several reasons. First, because of Jesus, we can boast in the glory of God because we have been justified by faith. In other words faith in Jesus holds on to God's verdict that he declares us not guilty and so we have peace with God because our sins are forgiven. Secondly, even in our trails and sufferings, we can still boast in the glory of God, even when our lives feel chaotic, because we have peace with God through

Jesus being justified by faith. No matter what we are going through, because of Jesus, we can go to him with any problem and know that he will richly give you the best answer. We have a sure hope of living in the glory of God. Our sufferings only make us more eager in that hope. God keeps on pouring out his love for us as he gives us his Holy Spirit through Baptism, through his Word, and through the Lord's Supper. How wonderful is it to be reconciled in Christ!. And the hope we have carries no disappointment.

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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 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 honor of my daughter, Erin Spencer Sigmon's birthday (Feb. 28) by Anna Carol Spencer (*Broadcast is on WAIZ Radio - 630 AM and 105.9 FM*)

Next Sunday - March 3 Proclaimer: Pastor Eric Exodus 20:1-17; 1 Corinthians 1:18-31; John 2:13-25; Psalm 19

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

Lenten Meal and Services Join us this evening for a meal in the Spirit Center at **6 pm** followed by our Lenten Service in the sanctuary at **7 pm**.

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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 "Angels: Standing Guard" with Christal Sigmon
- *Sanctuary Class "Varieties of Belief" with Pastor Eric.

Mid Week Small Groups

- *"HeARTS in the Margin" Monday Evening Bible Study meets on Monday at 6:30 pm in the Spirit Center with Kim Kaylor as leader.
- *Couples Wednesday Evening Bible Study will meet Wednesday, Feb 28 at 6:30 pm at the home of Oz & Brenda Hefner. They are doing the "Chosen" series.
- *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, Polly Bowman, Aidan Cox, Betty Eckard, Brenda Eckard, Judy Eckard, Jimmy Goble, Joyce Hollar, Sandra Jenkins, Malla Killian, Doris Lail, Norma Lancaster, Windy Pruitt, Teresa Taylor, Dot Winebarger, Mary Ann Winebarger, Marshall Wray

Pray for Our Homebound Members

<u>Those at Home</u>: Rosella Bollinger, Polly Bowman, Tina Bowman, Jean Hoke, Annette Holler, Kathleen Houston, Lorene Huffman, Doris Lail, 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

<u>Trinity Ridge:</u> Pat L. Sigmon <u>Brookdale:</u> Blanche Hefner <u>Kingston Manor:</u> Barbara White

Rock Barn Living: Alberta Winebarger The Greens on Tate Blvd: Brenda Eckard

<u>Trinity Village:</u> Dot Winebarger

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)
- ♦ Todd Davis***(son of Jean Davis & brother of Carol Alley)
- ♦ Bob Grundy***(cousin of Carolyn Paschal)
- ♦ Pamela Summers**(friend of Carolyn Paschal)
- ♦ Stephanie Otto**(daughter of Ronnie Starnes)
- ♦ Bob Foringer**(friend of Nancy Bruce)
- ♦ Stephen Eckard**(brother of Patricia Pritchard & Richard Eckard)
- ♦ Angelo Cruz*(friend of Richard & Brenda Hallman)

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

Christian Sympathy

- ♦ Family of Charlotte Nordling (mother of Kirsten Birder)
- ♦ Family of Donald Travis (brother of Nora Haynes)

Birthdays This Week of Active Members Amy McClain (2/26); Vickie Dagenhart (2/28); Erin Sigmon (2/28); Kelsey Broome (3/1); Blanche Hefner (3/1); Derrick Lail (3/1)



The Senior Youth (grades 6-12) will meet next TODAY at 2:30 pm to go bowling at Pin Station and grab some ice cream. They will leave the church at 3 pm. Come join the fun and bring a friend!

Sunday Lunch Bunch We will meet for lunch at Captain's Galley **TODAY** at 1pm.

Important Volunteer Meeting - If you plan to help with the Easter Eggstravaganza, the Spring Fling, Vendor Market and/or Vacation Bible School, please plan to attend an important informational meeting on Wednesday, February 28 at 5:30 pm in the Education Building. For more information, contact Ashton Sigmon (828-244-8904).

200th Anniversary Team Meeting Plans for St. Peter's Bicentennial Celebration in 2025 are coming together! We would love your input! Look for a survey in next week's bulletin and share your ideas with us! Anyone is welcome to join us at our next planning meeting on **TODAY at 3:00 pm** in the Multi-Purpose Room in the church office area. Contact Staci Bumgarner (828-310-7777) if you have any questions about the 200th Anniversary Team

Child Protection & Abuse Training Saturday March 9
If you are a paid staff member or church volunteer providing your service to St. Peter's and in that capacity you work with the youth and/or children, then please make plans to attend this important training. The training will be held from 10 am to 1 pm in the Spirit Center. Lunch will be provided. One of the requirements



for our new insurance carrier was to update our protection policy and procedures. Training is required for all individuals (middle school age and older) individuals who work in any capacity with our young people. The training will be provided by the Catawba County Department of Social Services. Attendance will be taken per the requirement of our policy. Please make every effort to attend this training. If you cannot attend, an additional training will be scheduled in the near future. To insure that there are enough materials ordered, please sign up on the clipboards in the narthex and Spirit Center or contact Kim Kaylor (828-234-5945) by Friday, March 1. Copies of St. Peter's Protection Policy and Procedures are available in the church office if you'd like one.

CPR "Hands on Course" Training - Saturday March 9

A "Hands-on CPR Training" wlll be held from 8:30 am to 9:30 am in the Spirit Center. This CPR training is open to all members of the congregation. Please sign up on the clipboards marked "CPR Training" in the narthex and Spirit Center or contact Kim Kaylor (828-234-5945). Deadline to sign up is Friday, March 1 so materials can be ordered.

LWML Fundraiser The LWML will be having a fundraiser to cover the costs for Samaritan's Purse Shoebox shipping costs. Beginning Sunday, March 3, members will be taking orders for Rada knives. This fundraiser will remain open throughout this year. Payment will need to be made at the time of order. Please see a LWML member for a catalog.



Items needed for VBS Craft Project VBS planning has begun! We are in search of junk jewelry for one of our craft projects. We are looking for old costume jewelry you no longer wear or is broken; plus pins, watches, or rings that are bright or tarnished. All are appreciated! A donation box will be in the narthex.

Easter Eggstravaganza will be held on Saturday, March 30. We need nut-free candy, stickers, small prizes and plastic Easter Eggs. Bins to place these items in are located in the hallway outside the church offices and in the Spirit Center. If you can help, contact Ashton Sigmon (828-244-8904).

Last Week

Worship Services Attendance

Offerings

General Fund - \$16,478; Senior Youth - \$359; Building Bridges - \$1,500; Radio Sponsor -\$100 Autism Support - \$25; Domestic Missions -\$20; Building Fund - \$801 General Fund Amount Needed Weekly - \$10,745.00

ACTIVITIES FOR THE COMING WEEK

Sun. (25)	8:15 am Contemporary Worship Service 9:30 am Sunday School & Bible Classes 10:45 am Liturgical Worship Service 1:00 pm Sunday Lunch Bunch - meet at Captain's Galley\ 2:30 pm Senior Youth (6-12th graders) - Bowling at Pin Station 3:00 pm 200th Anniversary Team Meeting 6:00 pm Lenten Meal - sponsored by the Crocheting & Looming Group - Soup, sandwiches & desserts 7:00 pm Lenten Service - "The Beatitudes - The Promise of Comfort" - Guest Pastor Anton Lagoutine	
Mon. (26)	8:30 am Quilters 6:15 pm Girl Scouts 6:30 pm BASIC Band Practice	
Tues. (27)	2:30 pm Staff Meeting 6:30 pm Cub Scouts 6:30 pm Crocheting & Looming 7:00 pm Boy Scouts	
Weds. (28)	5:30 pm Volunteers Meeting for Easter Eggstravaganza, Spring Fling Vendor Event & VBS - meet in Education Bldg 6:30 pm Choir Practice 6:30 pm Basketball League 6:30 pm Couples Bible Study 7:00 pm Confirmation Class	
Thurs. (29)	6:30 pm Thursday Night Bible Study	
Fri. (1)	10:00 am Friday Morning Bible Study	
Sat. (2)	7:30 am Men's Small Group Bible Study	
Sun. (3)	8:15 am Contemporary Worship Service w/Holy Communion 9:30 am Sunday School & Bible Classes 10:45 am Liturgical Worship Service w/Holy Communion 6:00 pm Lenten Meal - sponsored by the Ladies Sunday School Class - Pintos, slaw, cornbread & corndogs 7:00 pm Lenten Service - "The Beatitudes - The Promise of Inheritance" - Pastor Eric Hauss	

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 "No Disappointment in Hope" Romans 5:1-5

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Today's Servants

Altar Guild: Debbie Adams & Trudy Huffman

Greeter: 8:15 am Vickie Miller 10:45 am Donna Sipe Readers: 8:15 am Danny Goforth 10:45 am Alex Scott Fulbright

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, Brian Morrow, Emma Spencer

Organist (10:45 am service) Carolyn Paschal, Organist