

THE SUNDAY SPIRIT

The Day of Pentecost
June 8, 2025



ST. PETER'S

LUTHERAN CHURCH

✠ CONOVER, NC ✠

TODAY'S WORSHIP

The Day of Pentecost

The Holy Spirit Gives Peace

Following the flood, Noah's descendants failed to spread out and fill the earth as God had spoken. Rather, they exalted themselves; with *"one language and the same words"* (Gen. 11:1) they spoke proudly and arrogantly. The Lord humbled them by confusing *"the language of all the earth,"* dividing and dispersing the people (Gen. 11:9). That dispersal was reversed on Pentecost Day (the fiftieth day of Easter), when God caused the one Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ to be preached in a multitude of languages. *"At this sound the multitude came together"* (Acts 2:6), for the preaching of Christ is the primary work of the Holy Spirit, whereby He gathers people from all nations into one Church. The Holy Spirit teaches and brings to our remembrance the words of Jesus, which are the words of the Father who sent Him. These words bestow forgiveness and peace to those who keep and hold on to them in love for Jesus. *"Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your hearts be troubled, neither let them be afraid."* (John 14:27).

Welcome to St. Peter's! We are glad you are here! We ask everyone to fill out an "attendance card" and place it in the offering plate later in the service. We welcome our guests and visitors and request that you fill out the back side of the attendance card as well. Guests and visitors please take a "welcome" bag from our table out front.

Need Prayer? Those desiring personal prayer will find an elder stationed in the prayer room following the services today. You may also leave prayer requests there for them to pray over.

Today's radio broadcast is given to the glory of God in honor of two of their Thursday night small group's birthdays, Russ Darden(6/5) & Terry Sigmon (6/12), and Terry & Donna Sigmon's anniversary (6/4) and for God to continue to bless their small Bible study group by the Thursday Night Small Group Bible study.

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

SUNDAY SCHOOL

***Babies - Kindergarten** - Room #1 Education Building- Brenda Fulbright
Alice Layne

***K-2nd Grade** - Room #8 Education Building - Emily Schwandt

***3rd - 6th Grades** - Room #7 Education Building - Terry Sigmon

***Middle & High Schoolers** - Room #4 Education Building - John Adams

***Adults of All Ages** - Education Building, Room #2 “The book of Joshua”
by John McCarthy with Kim Gantt & Kevin Gantt

***Ladies Sunday School Class** - Grover Herman Room Education
Building, with Beth Lail. They are studying “Great Stories of the Bible.”

***Adults - Multi-Purpose Room Class** - They are studying “The Cross”
with Christal Sigmon

***Pastor’s Class - Parish Hall - Genesis Bible Study** “Calling of Abram”
with Pastor Eric and Pastor Frank

PRAYERS

Church Members in Need of prayer Fate Adams, Terry Bolick, Johnny Bryant, Sherry Bumgarner, Betty Eckard, Gary Eckard, Judy Eckard, Janet Good, Mary Ruth Hefner, Darrell Little, Seth Paschal, Mike Pritchard, Alan Pruitt, Dorothy Sigmon, Libby Sigmon, Ernest Starnes, V. Lynn Starnes, Mickey Stewart, Tommy Stewart, John van Horne, Dorothy Willis and Marshall Wray

Pray for Our Homebound Members

Those at Home: Rosella Bollinger, Polly Bowman, Shirley Dellinger, Joe Eckard, Annette Hollar, Kathleen Houston, Bobby Little, Hazel Moser, Seth Paschal, Jeanette Reese, Reva Reinhardt, Bonnie Sigmon, Eugene Sigmon, Richard Sigmon, Ernest & Carol Starnes, Mickey Stewart, John Van Horne, Mary Ann Winebarger

Abernathy Center: Gracie Bolick, Gwendolyn Allen

Brookdale: Blanche Hefner

Kingston Manor: Barbara White

Rock Barn Living: Alberta Winebarger

Trinity Village: Margaret Laws, Donald Bowman

Friends Needing Prayer

Ronnie Sigmon (brother-in-law of Johnny & Sandra Bryant)

Carolyn Reitzel (friend of Ron & Brenda Hefner)

Gene Setzer (friend of Kim Kaylor)

Dave Abernathy (father of Brad Abernathy)

Melinda Revis (cousin of Audrey Hauss)

Anne Schenk (sister-in-law of Nancy Bruce)

Kathy Whaley (friend of Nancy Bruce)

Carrie (niece of Scott Medlin)

Michelle Shoup (friend of Dixie Ingram)

Pat Rosenstein (sister of Bob Marlowe)

John Hallman (son of Richard & Brenda Hallman)

Patti Oliver (cousin of Deborah Rufty)

Ashley McComb (daughter of Seth & Carolyn Paschal)

Robert Kanipe (friend of David & Grayston Sigmon)

Jim Totty (father of Bill Totty)

(*names are listed for 4 weeks and can be renewed by calling the office*)

Expectant Mothers

Ashlyn Martin - due Sept. 13 (daughter-in-law of Mike & Angie Martin)

Katelynn Ruff - due Oct. 27 (granddaughter of Nelson & Selena Gurganious)

Birthdays This Week Jenni Killian (6/8); Charlie Reinhardt (6/8); Bradley Gantt (6/9); Barry Matthews (6/9); Kenny Ballard (6/11); Charles Bowman (6/11); Bonnie Sigmon (6/11); Tony W. Sigmon (6/11); Terry Sigmon (6/12)

Anniversaries This Week Phil & Joy Houston (6/12); Thom & Staci Bumgarner (6/13)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Celebrating our Fathers Sunday, June 15 is a special day to honor fathers, grandfathers, and special men in our lives across the world. In celebration of these men and all the ways they impacted your life with love and encouragement, you are invited to bring a small 4x6 or 5x7 framed photo to be placed in the church windows. You may bring them to the church before June 15 or that day. (Please remember to collect your treasured photo at the end of the service as you leave.)

200th Anniversary Celebration - Parking Lot Service On Sunday, June 22 at our 8:15 am service ONLY, we will be bringing back our parking lot worship service. Please feel free to bring a lawn chair, blanket, or stay in your car as we worship outdoors that morning. The 10:45 am service will still be in the church sanctuary as normal.

The youth car wash and bake sale originally scheduled for June 14 has been **postponed** until a later date. Watch your bulletin for new information coming soon!

Our Kid's Kamp theme is "Making a Difference" It is our goal to introduce kids to organizations that help the less fortunate and teach them how they can contribute to the needs of others. We need your help in collecting items that the kids will donate to various charities. We are collecting the following items: canned goods, old eye glasses, new kids' jackets and coats, gently used toys and books. We will have baskets located in the hallway outside the church offices, the Spirit Center and the Parish Hall. We will collect items through June 22. *The kids will be collecting these items to donate to: Hospice, The Lions Club, Ashure Ministry, Ebenezer Christian Children's Home and The Corner Table.*

VBS Items Needed Our Vacation Bible School will be held this year, **July 27 - July 31**. Our theme this year is "Egypt: Joseph's journey from prison to palace." If you have any Egyptian themed items at your house (palm trees, etc.) that we can borrow, please let Ashton Sigmon or Laura Frank know.

Child protection training and background checks are required for all volunteers that helping with either Kids Kamp or Vacation Bible School. (Anyone 18 and over) If you have not done either of these and plan to help this summer, please contact Nancy in the church office for the necessary paperwork.

Online Giving Did you know that you can give your offerings on line? You can sign up through our website **stpetersconover.org** and click on "Online Giving". You can give through bank draft, debit or credit card. You can do a one time offering or set up for weekly, monthly etc.

Family Softball & Kickball Game Day

Dust off your ball gloves, grab the kids (or the grandkids) and come relive the golden age of competitive church softball leagues! In celebration of St. Peter's 200th anniversary, we are inviting our sister churches to join us for a fun evening of fellowship, laughter and hopefully no serious injuries. (We're kidding!) The kids will be invited to play a game of kickball followed by a friendly game of softball for the adults--for bragging rights only! Spectators are asked to bring a lawn chair and not razz the players too much! We'll have food trucks on hand--Thee Stuffed Waffles, Pooter Pop & Cocina Tres Hermanos.

Join us on Sunday, June 29th from 4-7 p.m. at St. Peter's Ball Field!!!



Last Week - June 1, 2025

Worship Services Attendance

8:15 am 171 10:45 64

Sunday School Attendance

Adults 63 Youth 18

Offerings

General Fund - \$13,046.85 Sunday School - \$58.50

***In order to meet the budget for 2025 that was approved by the congregation,
our weekly General Fund offerings must average \$11,184.22***

Dedicated Fund Offerings

Senior Youth Gathering - \$300.00; 200th Anniversary - \$40.00; Building Fund - \$1,755.00;

Backpack Ministry - \$25.00; Audio-Visual Fund - \$25.00

CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE COMING WEEK

Sun. (8)	<i>The Day of Pentecost</i> 8:15 am Contemporary Service 9:15 am Second Sunday Social 9:45 am Sunday School & Bible Classes 10:45 am Traditional Service 12:15 pm Handbells rehearsal
Mon. (9)	8:30 am Quilters 6:30 pm Praise Band Practice <i>Pastor Eric's day off</i>
Tues. (10)	2:30 pm Staff Meeting 6:00 pm Crocheting & Looming Class 6:30 pm Lydia Circle 7:00 pm Boy Scouts
Wed. (11)	6:30 pm Adult Choir 6:30 pm Basketball League 6:30 pm "We are One in Christ" Back to School Bash Meeting <i>- in Education Building</i>
Thurs. (12)	10:00 am LWML Monthly Meeting - in Spirit Center 6:00 pm Autism Support Group - in Spirit Center 6:30 pm Small Group Bible Study - at Terry & Donna Sigmon's home
Fri. (13)	10:00 am Bible Study - <i>"The Chosen" - Season 4</i> <i>with Pastor Eric in Parish Hall</i>
Sat. (14)	7:30 am Men's Small Group Bible Study 10:00 am - 2:00 pm Youth Carwash & Bake Sale
Sun. (15)	<i>Holy Trinity Sunday</i> 8:15 am Contemporary Service with Holy Communion 9:30 am Sunday School & Bible Classes with Holy Communion 10:45 am Traditional Service 12:00 pm Handbells rehearsal 4:30 pm Homebound/Workers Communion Service

***Bold = activities that don't happen on a typical week**

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 Frank or Pastor Eric

SERMON NOTES

"From Promise to Presence: The Holy Spirit as Our Helper"

John 14:23–31

1. How confident do you feel when faced with unfamiliar situations?
2. What does it mean to you that Jesus promised to send a Helper?
3. In what ways does the Holy Spirit give you peace?
4. How does knowing that the Holy Spirit is with you shape your walk of faith?

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Today's Servants

Altar Guild: Annissa Beck, Pam Medlin

Praise Band: (8:15 am service) Drew Stiles, Bradley Abernathy, Jeff Winebarger, Oz Hefner, Tom Delgreco,

Danny Bolton, Emily Allen, Susan Gantt, Brenda Hefner, Emma Spencer, Kim Rector, Olivia Owens,

Brian Morrow, Chris Powell, Melody Frank, Emily Sherbino

Organist: (10:45 am service) Carolyn Paschal

Office: Bob Marlowe

Readers: 8:15 am Kaylor Spencer 10:45 am Carmen Lander

Prayer Room: 8:15 am Kevin Gantt 10:45 am Richard Hallman

Greeters: 8:15 am Mary Deese 10:45 am Donna Sipe

Ushers: 8:15 am Open 10:45 am Danny sipe, Donna Sipe

ADDITIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

We Are One in Christ - School Supply Collection St. Peter's has joyfully committed to providing 1,300 spiral notebooks (700 wide-ruled, 600 college-ruled) and 1,000 composition notebooks for the **"We Are One in Christ" back-to-school event at the Hickory Fairgrounds on August 2nd**. We are also helping with the cost of backpacks and pencil cases. While we gladly welcome notebook donations, financial contributions would allow us to purchase supplies in bulk at better prices. Any amount helps—please mark your donations "We Are One in Christ Supplies." *Boxes for contributions are located in the back hallway of the main church building near the restrooms.*

We're also seeking volunteers to lead fun games and activities for the children during the event. If you'd like to help run activities like ring toss, cornhole, or ball games—or if you have other game ideas—we'd love to hear from you! To contribute or volunteer, please contact Marla Early, Evangelism Chair, or Pastor Frank.

SUNSHINE GROUP OUTINGS

The Depot at Cody Creek - The group is planning a trip The Depot at Cody Creek Restaurant in Dobson, NC on **Saturday, June 21**. They will leave the church at 3 pm and stop for frozen treat on the way home. Contact Betty Goble by Tuesday, June 10 so she can make reservations.

MEMORIALS & HONORARIUMS

- **Given to the General Fund** in loving memory of Scott Houston by The Race Club Friends
- **Given to the Senior Youth Fund** in loving memory of Scott Houston by Larry & Debbie Adams
- **Given to the Building Fund - Audio/Visual** in loving memory of Scott Houston by the Ruth Circle

YOUTH NEWS

- **Senior Youth Outing (Grades 6-12)** will meet **Sunday, June 22 at 1:30 pm** for an outing to the Hickory Crawdads Baseball game. Meet in the Parish Hall. All youth under age 18 must have a signed permission slip. Bring a friend to join the fun!
- **Final Parent Meeting for the National Youth Gathering** will be on **Sunday, June 29 at 3 pm** in the Spirit Center. All parents need to be in attendance. For more information, contact Kim Kaylor.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 2025

St. Peter's Lutheran Church Invites Families to our 2025 Vacation Bible
Egypt Joseph's Journey from Prison to Palace

Our 2025 Vacation Bible School called *Egypt: Joseph's Journey from Prison to Palace* will be hosted at St. Peter's every evening from **Sunday, July 27 to Thursday, July 31**. Families step back in time at Egypt, exploring the life of Joseph and learning the love of Jesus every step of the way.

Kids participate in a memorable Bible-times marketplace, sing catchy songs, play teamwork-building games, dig into Egyptian eats, visit Joseph in prison and then in his palace home, and collect reminders of God's Word. Plus, everyone learns to look for evidence of God all around them through something called God Sightings. Each day concludes with a time of upbeat worship that gets everyone involved.

Adults are welcome to volunteer (background checks are required) or they can attend Pastor Frank's Bible Study in the Sanctuary.

Vacation Bible School will begin with a meal at 5:00 and then activities will run from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. each day.

Register today! *Students and volunteers who register before Sunday, July 20th will receive a free t-shirt!* You can register online at <https://www.stpetersconover.org/ministries/vbs/> or complete the form in your bulletin.

**“Socks for Pop”
Senior Youth Father’s Day Fundraiser**



The Senior Youth are having a “Socks for Pop” fundraising campaign to help fund our National Youth Convention “Endure” 2025 Journey to New Orleans, LA. You can help us by purchasing a pair/pairs of “socks” . Each pair of socks will be rolled into a flower to honor our Lord on Father’s Day. Socks can given in honor or memory of a father, grandfather, uncle, sibling or special guy in your life as a way of saying...you are loved and remembered!

I would like to order # _____ pairs of socks. Cost \$5.00 per pair. Amount Enclosed \$ _____

Given by: _____

Phone # _____ Email: _____

Given in honor of: _____

Given in memory of: _____

All orders must be received by **Monday, June 9**. Make checks payable to “St. Peter’s Lutheran” and write “Father’s Day” in memo line. Please note **only** a name will be printed in the bulletin. All socks will be donated to ECCCM after Father’s Day. Thank you for your support!

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5:00-6:00 pm: Meal
6:00-8:00pm: VBS**

Volunteer/Adult Class Sign-Up

Name: _____ T-Shirt Size: _____
(t-shirts for volunteers only)

Address (Include both physical and mailing addresses if different):

Phone Number:

E-mail Address:

Special Needs/Allergies/Medical Information/Other:

Emergency Contact:

Name: _____
Phone: _____

I would like to participate: *(please check)*

- ☐ As a Volunteer
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(please select all that apply)

- ☐ Decorate/Set up for VBS
- ☐ Come early to prepare/set up for meal each night
- ☐ Bring desserts
- ☐ Bring fresh fruit and vegetables
- ☐ Station Leader (Crafts, Games, Bible Study & Snacks)
- ☐ Sound System/Music Video Aide
- ☐ Preschool Volunteer
- ☐ Group Leader/Assistant (rotates to different stations with a group)

Liability & Publicity Statement:

In the event that I need medical attention and my emergency contact cannot be reached, I authorize volunteers of St. Peter's Lutheran Church VBS to provide medical attention at my expense should I appear in need. For any injuries I sustain, I agree to hold harmless any and all staff or volunteers of St. Peter's Lutheran Church from any claim or lawsuit that may be brought at any time by me, my family, estate, or heirs arising from my participation in the Vacation Bible School. I also give St. Peter's Lutheran Church VBS permission to use my photograph publicly in any promotional VBS materials, including print and online.

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Ages: Toddlers - 6th Grade

Middle & High School Group

Youth/Child Sign-Up (please print)

Child's Full Name: _____

Parent/Guardian's Name: _____

Address (Include both physical and mailing addresses (if different):

Phone Number: _____

E-mail Address _____

Date of Birth: _____ Age: _____ Grade for Fall: _____

Home Church (if any): _____ Shirt Size: _____

(circle if youth or adult size)

How did you hear about our VBS? _____

Special Needs/Allergies/Medical Information/Other:



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