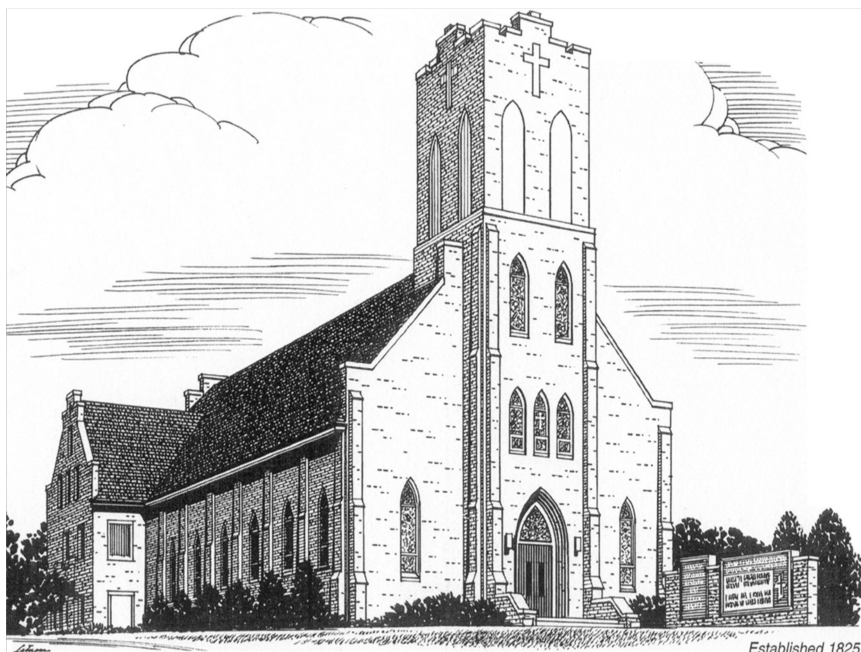


THE SUNDAY SPIRIT

**Bicentennial Celebration Sunday
Tenth Sunday after Trinity
August 24, 2025**



ST. PETER'S
LUTHERAN CHURCH

✠ CONOVER, NC ✠

TODAY'S WORSHIP

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 first-time 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.

A special welcome to Rev. Dr. Lawrence Rast as our guest preacher today. Rev. Rast serves as a professor of American Christianity and American Lutheranism at Concordia Theological Seminary, Fort Wayne, Indiana.

A Special welcome to Rev. Morgan Lane as our guest organist today. Rev. Lane is the Associate Pastor at Bethel Lutheran in Claremont, NC.

Holy Communion Today

Today we celebrate the Lord's Supper, where the risen Christ is truly present in, with, and under the bread and wine, offering His body and blood for the forgiveness of sins. We welcome to commune all baptized Christians who:

- Believe in Jesus Christ as their only Lord and Savior
- Trust they receive Christ's body and blood in, with, and under the bread and the wine for the forgiveness of sins
- Acknowledge their sinfulness and desire to live a new life in Christ

As this Sacrament is a public confession of our shared faith, we ask visitors to speak with a pastor or an elder before communing. This ensures all who commune receive this gift as a blessing rather than to their harm (1 Corinthians 11:27-29). We are happy to answer any questions you might have about the Lord's Supper.

Pastor Frank, Pastor Eric, and the Board of Elders

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

Today's radio broadcast is given to the glory of God and in honor of my wife, Donna's birthday (Aug. 24) by Craig Lackey (Listen on WAIZ 630 AM or 105.9 FM during our 8:15 am service)

The altar flowers today are given to the glory of God in gratitude for His blessings to St. Peter's over 200 years.

PRAYERS

Church Members in Need of prayer Carol Abbott, Carol Alley, Terry Bolick, David Duncan, Betty Eckard, Janet Good, Mary Ruth Hefner, Sandra Jenkins, Bill Jones, Carter Link, Angela Martin, Seth Paschal, Alan Pruitt, Kim Rector, David Sigmon, Mickey Stewart, and Marshall Wray

Pray for Our Homebound Members

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

Abernathy Center: Gracie Bolick, Gwendolyn Allen

Brookdale: Blanche Hefner

Kingston Manor: Barbara White

Catawba Valley Living: Alberta Winebarger

Trinity Village: Margaret Laws, Donald Bowman

Friends Needing Prayer

- Debbie Hefner (wife of Randy Hefner)
- Tommy & Ann McDonald (cousins of Sherry Bumgarner)
- Charlie Speaks (friend of Sherry Bumgarner)
- Madison White (granddaughter of Carol Alley)
- Tommy London (father of former member)
- Carolyn Reitzel (friend of Ron & Brenda Hefner)
- Possum & Phyllis Mathews (friends of Bob & Gaye Marlowe)
- Todd Starnes (son of Ernest & Carol Starnes)
- James Lofton (brother-in-law of Ruby Matthews)
- Judy Sherrill (cousin of Debbie Adams)
- Mike Brittain (cousin of Debbie Adams)
- Sarah Brummet (wife of Pastor Daniel Brummet , former vicar at St. Stephens LCMS)
- Scott Rudisill (friend of Nancy Bruce)

*(*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 Mikeal Early (8/24); Donna Lackey (8/24); Reece Bolton (8/25); Harry Fulbright (8/27); Linda Goforth (8/27); Kate Witherspoon (8/27); Robert Walton (8/27); Drew Stiles (8/27); Wilson Sigmon (8/28); Harold Starnes (8/28); Robert Hoyle (8/30); Melissa Sigmon (8/30)

Anniversaries This Week Charles & Amy Bowman (8/24); Charles & Sherry Bowman (8/28)

CURRENT ANNOUNCEMENTS

All committee chair are requested to begin their budget requests for fiscal year 2026. If we start early we can allocate the funds that will best serve the congregation. If you have any questions, please call David Sigmon: 828-381-1883.

Sunshine Group Outing The group is planning a trip to see “Pride and Prejudice” at The Green Room Theatre in Newton on Friday, October 10. If you would like to attend, please let Betty Goble (828-308-4251) know by Friday, September 5 so she can reserve tickets.

St. Peter’s Camp Linn Haven Family (Aug. 29-Sept. 1) We currently have 2 cabins left, and they can be yours. Contact Eric Sigmon (828-244-1055) if you want to reserve one of them for the weekend. If you would like to join us for church on Sunday followed by lunch, or come up for a meal or two on Saturday, please contact Teirsa Lane (828-320-2840) so she can plan the meals.

Feed the Athletes

This fall we will providing the pregame meal for the Bunker Hill football team on Friday, September 26 and for the St. Stephens football team on Friday, October 3. We will be feeding approximately 60 people per meal. Volunteers are needed to help serve the meals as well as provide desserts. (desserts requested are brownies, cookies with no icing, and pound cakes.) Monetary donations will also be accepted to help offset the cost of purchasing the food for the meal. (please write on memo line "Feed the Athletes." Please see Pastor Eric or call the church office if you would like to volunteer or need more information.

Festival of The Tables

Festival of the Tables will be November 15, 2025 at 5:30 in the Spirit Center, with fellowship, dinner, entertainment, and a raffle. If you are willing to host a table (this is someone willing to decorate a table and provide table settings for 8 people). Please let Audrey Hauss, Theresa Cook or Brenda (Oz) Hefner know by Sunday, September 28th if you would like to be a table host. Cost is \$20 per person to attend and proceeds go to The Corner Table and St. Peter's Mission Team.

MEMORIALS & HONORARIUMS

- ***Given to the Evangelism Fund*** by Mikeal & Marla Early to the glory of God and in honor of their 50th wedding anniversary (Aug. 16) and in honor of Mikeal's birthday (Aug. 24)
- ***Given to the Evangelism Fund*** in honor of Mikeal & Marla Early and Jerry & Sandy Eckard for all their leadership during disaster relief by Nancy Bruce
- ***Given to the Crocheting & Looming Class*** in honor of Reva Reinhardt by James & Polly Hancock
- ***Given to the Quilters*** in loving memory of Libby Sigmon by Barbara Phillips
- ***Given to the General Fund*** in loving memory of Darrell Little by Bethany United Church of Christ

ST. PETER'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

CRUISE-IN DINER & MOVIE



SATURDAY, SEPT. 13TH, 2025

START AT 5.00 PM | 6175 ST. PETER'S CHURCH RD; CONOVER

**Join us for an evening of classic cars,
nostalgic drive-in diner food and a
kid-friendly movie under the stars!**



Questions about bringing your classic car?
Call Mike Pritchard (828) 244-1676



Last Week - August 17, 2025

Worship Services Attendance

8:15 am 168 10:45 am 65 4:30 pm 13

Sunday School Attendance

Adults 58 Youth 14

Offerings

General Fund - \$7,127.16; Sunday School - \$89.00

***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

Crocheting & Looming - \$25; Senior Youth - \$45; Radio Sponsor - \$100; Quilters - \$100;
Building Fund - \$460; Building Fund - Audio/Visual \$88

CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE COMING WEEK

Sun. (24)	200th Anniversary Celebration Sunday 8:15 am History presentation by Rev. Dr. Lawrence Rast - <i>in sanctuary</i> 9:30 am 200th Anniversary Celebration Worship Service - Rev. Dr. Lawrence Rast, guest preacher 11:00 am History walk of St. Peter's - in Parish Hall 11:45 am Covered dish lunch - in Spirit Center 4:30 pm GriefShare Support Group - <i>in multi-purpose room</i>
Mon. (25)	8:30 am Quilters 6:30 pm Praise Band Practice
Tues. (26)	2:30 pm Staff Meeting 7:00 pm Boy Scouts
Wed. (27)	6:00 pm Elders 6:30 pm Adult Choir 6:30 pm Basketball league
Thurs. (28)	10:00 am Thursday Morning Bible Study with Kim Kaylor - <i>in Parish Hall</i>
Sat. (30)	7:30 am Men's Small Group Bible Study - <i>in multi-purpose room</i>
Sun. (31)	8:15 am Contemporary Service 9:30 am Fifth Sunday Social - in Spirit Center 9:45 am Sunday School & Bible Classes (*No Youth Sunday School) 10:45 am Traditional Service 4:30 pm GriefShare Support Group - <i>in multi-purpose room</i>

**St. Peter's Weekend at Camp Linn Haven - Friday, August 29
- Monday, September 1**

***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

Special Thanks

- To Staci Bumgarner for her work as chairperson of the 200th Anniversary Planning team
- To the 200th Anniversary Planning Team members and all who assisted them: Carol Alley, Nancy Bruce, Thom Bumgarner, Jean Davis, Harry Fulbright, Carolyn Paschal, Kim Rector, Dwight Reese, Shirley Shell, Emily Sherbino, Jan Sigmon, Karen Smith, Pastor Del Roth, Pastor Eric Hauss, Pastor Peter Frank, and many others.
- To Libby Sigmon and Diane Gantt for making the 200th anniversary quilt (on display in the Spirit Center)
- To Judy Eckard for making the 200th anniversary banner
- To Wayne Huffman for mounting the new altar cross
- To the Sunshine Group for helping set up for this event

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Today's Servants

Altar Guild: Jeannie Deal, Julie Robinson

Praise Band: Drew Stiles, leader; Bradley Abernathy, Emily Allen, Thom Bumgarner, Tom Delgreco, Melody Frank, Susan Gantt, Brenda Hefner, Oz Hefner, Olivia Owens, Kim Rector, Emily Sherbino, Emma Spencer, Jeff Winebarger

Adult Choir: Charles Bumgarner, Sherry Bumgarner, Greg Eckard, Judy Eckard, Trudy Huffman, Carmen Lander, Scott Medlin, Carolyn Pascal, Emily Sherbino, Jan Sigmon, Drew Stiles, John Thomas.

Handbells: Betty Goble, Alice Layne, Carolyn Paschal, Cheryl Pennell, Cheryl Sigmon, Drew Stiles, Bill Totty.

Organist: Carolyn Paschal

Office: Bob Marlowe

Readers: 9:30 am (one service only) Pastor Frank & Pastor Eric

Prayer Room 9:30 am Scott Medlin

Greeters: 9:30 am Donna Sipe

Ushers: 9:30 am Danny Sipe, Donna Sipe