

THE SUNDAY SPIRIT

All Saints' Sunday
November 2, 2025



ST. PETER'S
LUTHERAN CHURCH
✠ CONOVER, NC ✠

TODAY'S WORSHIP

All Saints' Day

Saints Are Blessed in the Eternal Presence of Christ

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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.

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 following 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 the Saturday Morning Men's Bible Study Group

PRAYERS

Church Members in Need of prayer Carol Abbott, Carol Alley, Terry Bolick, Rosella Bollinger, Sherry Bumgarner, Keilee Cox, David Duncan, Betty Eckard, Earlene Fulbright, Janet Good, Mary Ruth Hefner, Dale Johnson, Malla Killian, Judy Little, Barb Nordyke, Seth Paschal, Cheryl Pennell, Alan Pruitt, Amy Rucker, Mike Sheahen, Mickey Stewart, Teresa Taylor, 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, 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

Greens at Viewmont: Reva Reinhardt

Kingston Manor: Barbara White

Catawba Valley Living: Alberta Winebarger

Trinity Village: Margaret Laws, Donald Bowman

Friends Needing Prayer

- Debbie Hefner (wife of Randy Hefner)
- Judy Sherrill (cousin of Debbie Adams)
- Doris Linebarger (friend of Debbie Adams)
- Kim Johnson (friend of Debbie Adams)
- Sandra S. Gantt (friend of Debbie Adams)
- Darrell Bolton (father of Misty Bolton Deal)
- Doris Bolton (stepmother of Misty Bolton Deal)
- Pat Caldwell Kirby (friend of Judy Dellinger)

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

Birthdays This Week Dwight Reese (11/2); Marla Early (11/3); Steve Rector (11/3); Marshall Wray (11/3); Lauren Little (11/4); Beth Lail (11/6); Tina Watts (11/6); Mary Ann Winebarger (11/7)

Anniversaries This Week Michael & Deborah Sheahen (11/2); Billy & Kathleen Houston (11/6)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Church Worker Appreciation Month Please join the LWML as we recognize the dedicated Pastors and Staff at St. Peter's during this time of appreciation. Baskets will be placed at the front of the church from October 19 - November 2 for your cards and notes of love and thanks. We are continually blessed by the ongoing devotion of these servants of Christ. We thank God for their presence among us!

Thanksgiving Community Meal On Thanksgiving Day, November 27, the Mission Team will once again be preparing a Thanksgiving meal for homebound members and people in need in the St. Peter's community. They need your help in providing plain pound cakes (no icing), and turkeys to fix. (Turkeys need to be brought by the church no later than Wednesday, November 19.) Please submit a name(s) of someone you know who would like a meal. Sign up sheets are in the narthex and in the hallway at the back of the church, please sign up by Sunday, November 16. (or you may call the church office with names) All meals are to be picked up (*no delivery available*) in the Spirit Center between 10:30-11:30 am on Thanksgiving morning. Please see Catherine Huffman, Tonya Darden, or a mission team member for questions.

Festival of the Tables - November 15 Doors open at 5 pm with the event beginning at 5:30 pm. Cost of tickets is \$20 per person with entertainment by "Anointed by Grace." The meal will be: chicken, roasted potatoes, green beans, corn, slaw, rolls and dessert. If a table hostess has not contacted you about attending, and you would like to come, please contact Audrey Hauss.

Council Elections If you would like to be considered for a position on church council in 2026 (*positions available will be announced soon*), please contact David Sigmon or Nancy in the church office to add your name to the list.

Feed the 5000 Food Drive The Feed the 5000 Food Drive was started in 2009 at St. Peters to collect food for use at Eastern Catawba Cooperative Christian Ministries. The idea for the food drive was inspired by Jesus' miracle of feeding 5000 with five small loaves of bread and two fish. This year's food drive will run from Sunday October 26 through Sunday November 16. Non-perishable food donations may be brought to the church and left in the baskets at the entrance or back hallway. Boy Scout Troop 341 sponsored by the church will sort and box the food for delivery in conjunction with Scouting for Food. Scouting for Food is a two-Saturday effort, November 15 and 22, to collect food from the community to help support Ashure Ministry (formerly ECCCM). Thanks for considering helping with this worthwhile project to help families in our area. Monetary donations may be made payable to the church with memo food drive to help purchase food.

Attention Veterans We would like for you to bring any photos, memorabilia, uniforms, etc. that you would like to be displayed for our Veterans Day Celebration on Sunday, November 9 to the church office by Thursday, November 6. If you have any questions, please contact Carolyn Paschal.

Advent Meals We are looking for 3 groups or families to volunteer to provide one of the meals on November 30, December 7 and December 21. The meals will be served from 5:30-6:30 pm and the Advent Service will follow at 7:00 pm. If you would be willing to help, please contact Betty Goble by Sunday, November 16.

Gift Cards for Christmas If you are giving gift cards for Christmas please consider purchasing them from the LWML. The deadline is Sunday, December 7. Order forms are located in the hallway at the back of the church sanctuary. Please give your orders to Sherry Yount (828-310-4405). All profits from the gift card sales go for on-going needs for the Spirit Center.

Stewardship Note

Dear St. Peter's Family,

As we journey together in faith, I want to take a moment to reflect on the importance of our shared mission, and the vital role that each one of you plays in the life of our church and community.

It is through your generous contributions of your time and money that we are able to provide for the needs of our congregation, support outreach programs, maintain our facilities, and ensure that our ministries continue to thrive. Every dollar you give is an investment in God's work here on earth. It is through our collective efforts of giving and serving God that we are able to move forward in faith. Acts 20:35 says, *"I have shown you in every way, by laboring like this, that you must support the weak. And remember the words of the Lord Jesus, that He said, 'It is more blessed to give than to receive.'"*

The Bible teaches that giving is not just about fulfilling a duty, but about a heart that desires to support God's work, bless others, and invest in eternal rewards. Whether through tithes, offerings, or giving of your time, believers are called to give joyfully and sacrificially.

I want to personally thank each of you for your past contributions and the sacrifices you have made to ensure our church remains a beacon of hope in the community. May God continue to bless you abundantly as you seek to follow Him with ALL your heart, soul, and mind.

In Christ's love,

Beth Lail

Stewardship Chair

Last Week - October 26, 2025

Worship Services Attendance

9:30 am 211

Sunday School

No Sunday School due one service

Offerings

General Fund \$6764.30

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

Kids in Christ - \$50 ; Radio Broadcasts - \$400; 200th Anniversary - \$6; Building Fund - \$840;

Building Fund - Audio/Visual - \$50

CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE COMING WEEK

Sun. (2)	All Saints Sunday 8:15 am Contemporary Service with Holy Communion 9:30 am Sunday School & Bible Classes 10:45 am Traditional Service with Holy Communion 12:00 pm Handbells 1:00 pm Evangelism Team Meeting 2:00 pm Pot Pie Volunteer Meeting 2:00 pm Christmas Program Practice (All ages except Pre-K) 4:30 pm Griefshare Support Group 6:00 pm Senior Youth Meeting (Grades 6-12)
Mon. (3)	8:30 am Quilters 6:15 pm Girl Scouts 6:30 pm Praise Band Practice
Tues. (4)	9:00 am Winkel Pastors Group 9:00 am Volunteers arrive to clean pot pie house & wash pots 10:00 am Miriam Circle 2:30 pm Staff Meeting 6:30 pm Lydia Circle 6:30 pm Ruth Circle 7:00 pm Naomi Circle 7:00 pm Boy Scouts
Wed. (5)	9:00 am Volunteers arrive to wash pots, pressure cookers & clean 6:30 pm Adult Choir 6:30 pm Basketball League
Thurs. (6)	9:00 am Volunteer arrive to cook & pic chickens 11:45 am Lyle Creek Lunch Buddies 6:00 pm Autism Support Group - in Spirit Center 6:30 pm Bible Study with Terry Sigmon - <i>in multi-purpose room</i>
Sat. (8)	7:30 am Men's Small Group Bible Study - <i>in multi-purpose room</i> 8:00 am Volunteers arrive to start dough & pots 1:00 pm Pot Pie Meal Sale begins - take out only
Sun. (9)	8:15 am Contemporary Service 9:30 am Sunday School & Bible Classes 10:45 am Traditional Service 12:00 pm Handbells 1:00 pm Christmas Program Practice (All ages except Pre-K) 4:30 pm Griefshare Support Group 6:00 pm 200th Anniversary "Honoring Those Who Serve" Veteran's Day Celebration

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

SERMON NOTES

“The Victory Speech of Jesus Christ” Matthew 5:1-12

- I. The Blessing of Victory is Announced

- II. The Blessing of Victory is Shared

- III. The Blessing of Victory Endures Through the Cross

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Today's Servants

Altar Guild: Brenda Hallman, Robin Little

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 Paschal, 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: 8:15 am Danny Schwandt 10:45 am Trudy Huffman

Prayer Room : 8:15 am Scott Medlin 10:45 am John Thomas

Greeters: 8:15 am Joy Lail 10:45 am Joy Eckard

Ushers: Open

St Peter's Lutheran Church Invites You to Join us



VETERANS DAY

Celebration



We invite all veterans to be honored on Veterans Day
in the Spirit Center of St. Peter's Lutheran Church

The assembly will include

A small reception, recognition of local veterans, special music, presentation by
Amanda Truett from Quilts of Valor and keynote address will be given by the
Catawba County Veterans Office

SUNDAY, NOV 9 2025, AT 5 PM



6175 St Peters Church Rd, Conover, NC

A tasty tradition since 1938

**\$15 per
plate**



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THE GREAT POT PIE COMEBACK

St. Peter's Lutheran Church-Conover, NC

****Take-Out Plates Only!****

**Saturday,
Nov. 8, 2025**

**Pick-up begins
at 1:00 pm
until it's gone!**

Take-Out Plates Include:

Huge serving of Pot Pie
Coleslaw & Pickles
Cranberry Sauce
Slice of Pound Cake

YOUTH ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Senior Youth (Grades 6-12)** will meet **today at 6 pm** in the Youth Room. Join us for devotions and fellowship! Bring a friend!
- **Kids in Christ (Grades K-6)** will meet on **Sunday, November 23 at 2:00 pm** in the Spirit Center for an afternoon of crafts, devotions, and a service project. Bring a friend!
- **Youth Fundraiser - Rake and Run** The youth will be raking yards on Saturday, November 15 beginning at 9 am. Get your name in early as they are only doing the first 6 yards that sign-up. Contact Kim Kaylor for questions.

Christmas Program Practice Schedule

- Sunday, November 2 - 2:00 pm - All ages except Pre-K
- Sunday, November 9 - 1:00 pm - All ages except Pre-K
- Sunday, November 16 - 1:00 pm - All ages except Pre-K
- Sunday, November 23 - no practice
- Sunday, November 30 - 2:00 pm - All ages
- Sunday, December 7 - 1:00 pm - All groups with music
- Sunday, December 14 - 2:00 pm - Just main speakers & soloists
- Saturday, December 20 - 12 noon - Dress rehearsal all ages & pizza lunch will be served
- Sunday, December 21 - 9:00 am - Meet in Spirit Center to get ready for program
- Sunday, December 21 - 9:30 am - Program "*The Night Before Jesus*"

MEMORIALS & HONORARIUMS

- **Given to the Building Fund** in loving memory of Dalthard "Jim" Sigmon's birthday (Oct. 25) and Hazel Lail Sigmon's birthday (Nov. 7) by Doris Sigmon & Family
- **Given to the Feed the 5000** in loving memory of Todd Starnes by Sandra Gantt

WE NEED YOUR HELP FOR POT PIE WEEK!

🍰 Pound Cake 🍰
Donations Needed!
(We need 40 total!)

Sunday, 11/2 @ 2 PM
Pot Pie Workers meeting
Optional to attend!

Tuesday-11/4 @ 9 AM
Clean Pot Pie House
Wash pans & utensils
We especially need men on this day!

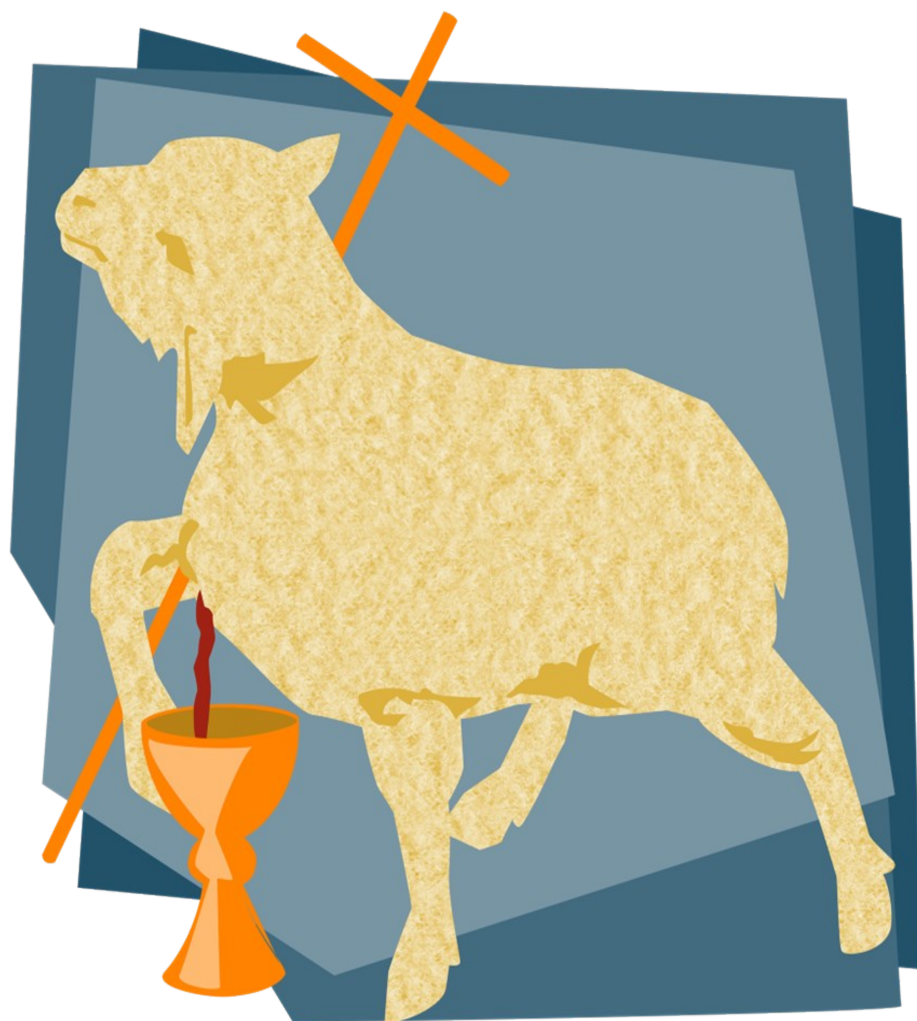
Wednesday-11/5 @ 9 AM
Wash pots
Clean pressure cookers
Ready Pot Pie House
Clean out refrigerators

Thursday-11/6 @ 9 AM
Cook Chickens
Pick Chickens
Clean some more!

Saturday-11/8-Pot Pie Day!!
Lots of hands needed! Jobs for all ages!
Come learn a St. Peter's tradition!
Start Dough-8 AM
Workers eat when 1st pots come off the fire!

ADDITIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Wreaths Across America Ceremony - St. Peter's Lutheran Church
Saturday, December 13 at 11 AM - church cemetery - rain or shine
 Join us as honor and remember our veterans by placing wreaths on their graves. **Please submit all wreath orders by November 30.** (order forms in bulletin and the narthex) to a mission team member or the church office. Checks payable to "Wreaths Across America." The mission team has set a goal and are not accounting for any wreaths to be taken off-site. If you plan to take wreaths elsewhere, notify Shelley Dellinger as soon as possible so the Mission Team can adjust their numbers. Our goal is to cover every veteran's grave - and we need your help. Please consider donating or sponsoring a wreath today!

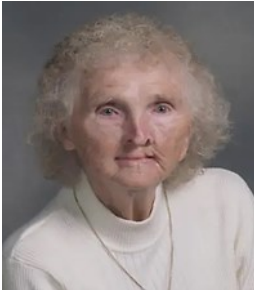


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**St. Peter's Members who have died in Christ since
last year's All Saint Sunday**



Dot Winebarger

8/20/1934 - 12/29/2024



Catherine Fox

3/30/1933 - 2/17/2025



Jean Hoke

6/13/1929 - 2/20/2025



Johnny Lytton

1/22/1939 - 3/21/2025



Janet Van Horne

3/13/1947 - 4/21/2025



Scott Houston

10/2/1956- 5/21/2025



Libby Sigmon

10/14/1938 - 6/11/2025



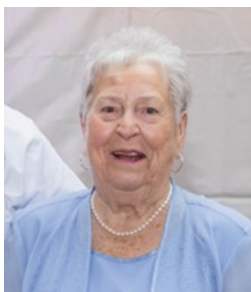
Steve Houston

9/23/1959 - 6/13/2025



Darrell Little

4/15/1938 - 7/22/2025



Mary Sigmon

1/21/1938 - 8/26/2025

**Family of St. Peter's Members who have died
since last year**



Ralph "Gene" Frank

8/9/1934 - 3/8/2025



Evelyn Gibbs

5/31/1932 - 11/7/2024



Johnnie Stiles

3/16/1943 - 3/27/2025

BAPTISMS

Carolyn M. Goble
12-29-2024

Declain Pineda-Fulbright
2-9-2025

Teagan Sigmon
2-9-2025

Mack Reinhardt
6-29-2025

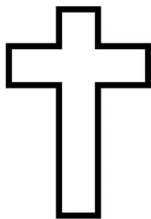


Ecclesiastes 3

A Time for Everything

For everything there is a season, and a time for every matter under heaven:

a time to be born, and a time to die;
a time to plant, and a time to pluck up what is planted;
a time to kill, and a time to heal;
a time to break down, and a time to build up;
a time to weep, and a time to laugh;
a time to mourn, and a time to dance;
a time to cast away stones, and a time to gather stones together;
a time to embrace, and a time to refrain from embracing;
a time to seek, and a time to lose;
a time to keep, and a time to cast away;
a time to tear, and a time to sew;
a time to keep silence, and a time to speak;
a time to love, and a time to hate;
a time for war, and a time for peace.



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