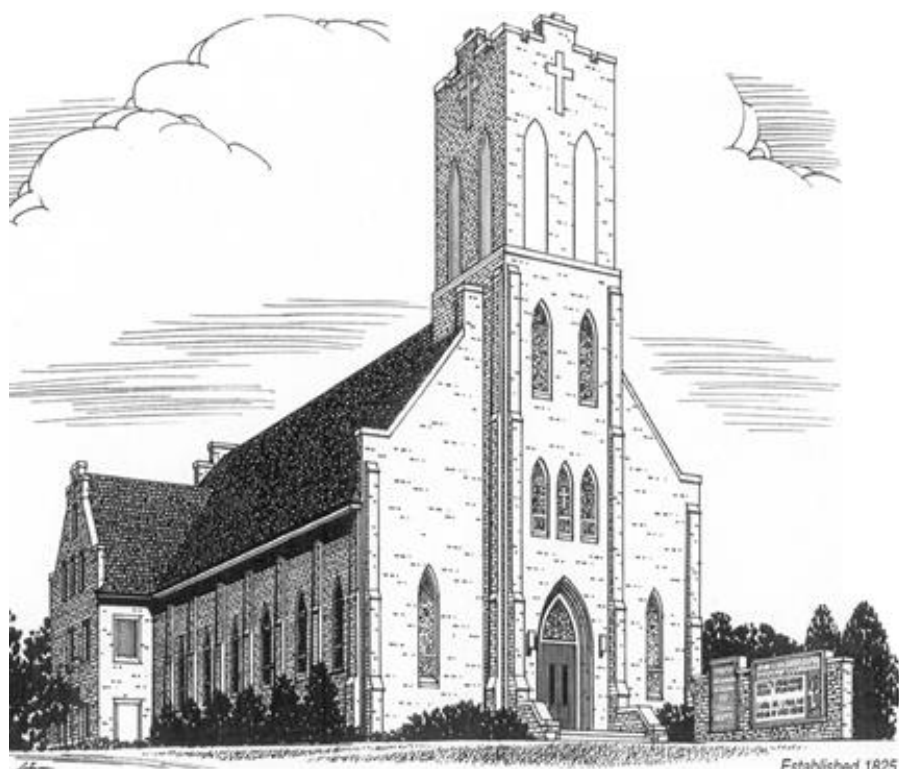


# THE SUNDAY SPIRIT

October 18, 2026

Twenty-First Sunday after Pentecost



**ST. PETER'S**  
LUTHERAN CHURCH

✚ CONOVER, NC ✚

**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.

**Today's radio broadcast** is given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Jason Beck and Paul Dellinger by Annissa Beck (*Listen on WAIZ 630 AM or 105.9 FM during our 8:15 am service*)

**Our Voters Meeting** will be held immediately after the 8:15 am worship service today, in the church sanctuary, starting at 9:30 am

### **Holy Communion Today - 8:15 AM & 10:45 AM Services**

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 Elder*

## SUNDAY SCHOOL

**\*Ages 2-5** - Room #1 Education Building- Brenda Fulbright & Alice Layne

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

**\*3rd-5th Grades** - Grover Herman Room Education Building - Terry Sigmon

**\*Middle & High Schoolers (6-12th Grades)** - Room #4 Education Building - John Adams

**\*No adult classes due to the Voters Meeting**

## CURRENT ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Our Community Trunk-or-Treat Event** will be held on **Saturday, October 31 starting at 6 pm.** Invite your friends and family to fun event! Prizes will be given for the best decorated trunk! **We also need candy (NO NUTS PLEASE), stickers and/or small prizes for this event! Boxes are in the hallway outside the church office.** Please contact Ashton Sigmon or the church office if you can volunteer and/or decorate your vehicle trunk.

**Council Elections** If you would like to be considered for a position on church council in 2027, please contact Alex Scott Fulbright or Nancy in the church office to add your name to the list. Positions open for 2027 are: 3 building trustees; 3 elders; council president, council secretary, council treasurer, financial secretary, assistant financial secretary, Sunday School superintendent; assistant Sunday School superintendent; Missions chair, Youth & Organizations chair, Stewardship chair, Administration chair, Christian Education chair, Evangelism chair, Finance chair, Program & Music chair, and Service & Worship chair.

**All Saints' Sunday - November 1** We will remember our family and friends that have entered the Church Triumphant since last All Saints' Sunday (November 2, 2025) For our special tribute, we request that families submit pictures of those who have died to Nancy in the church office at [secretary@stpetesconover.org](mailto:secretary@stpetesconover.org) or bring them by the church office. Pictures submitted by email need to be in a jpeg format. **Please submit all photos by Tuesday, October 20.**

**Donations needed** The Senior Youth are collecting paper egg crates and clear 2-liter soda bottles for a project. There is a basket in the back hallway of the sanctuary for you to put these items in. They will be collected through Friday, October 23.

**Festival of the Tables** Forms with all the information to host a table and forms to attend are in the narthex and outside the church office. See Audrey Hauss if you have any questions. The event will be held on Saturday, November 7 at 11:00 am. (Hosts are still needed)

**Volunteers Needed** to work at Samaritan's Purse Operation Christmas Child processing centers. Dates for St. Peter's are Tuesday, November 24 from 2-6 pm in Charlotte and Wednesday, December 16 from 5-10 pm in Boone. We need seven volunteers for each location. Please contact Betty Goble as soon as possible if you would like to volunteer.

**Sunshine Group News** If you would like to join us to bring in the New Year with a little "Elvis" as Stephen Freeman brings it to the Wolfhart House in Wytheville, VA, please let Betty Goble know by Tuesday, October 20. The show is December 31 with dinner before the show. Dinner is at 7:30 pm and the show starts at 9 am. Cost is approximately \$85.

**Gift Cards for Christmas** If you are giving gift cards for Christmas please consider purchasing them from the LWML. Order forms are located in the hallway at the back of the church sanctuary. Please give your orders to Sherry Yount. All profits from the gift card sales go for on-going needs for the Spirit Center and Parish Hall.

**Bethel Lutheran Church's Pot Pie Sale** Bethel Lutheran will be having their annual Pot Pie Sale on Saturday, October 24 starting at 12 Noon until sold out. All orders are take out and cost is \$15 per plate. Bethel Lutheran is located at 5759 Bolick Road, Claremont NC 28610.

## **Pastors and Church Staff Appreciation Month**

**October 18 – November 1, 2026**

To: Pastor Frank & Pastor Eric

Thank you – for the countless times you have stretched out your hands in service to others in times of need.

Thank you – for the early Sunday mornings and many hours in preparation for your great sermons.

Thank you – for the thousands of prayers you have prayed for your congregation and others.

Thank you – for the time spent out of church to aid those who needed help or needed a friend.

Thank you – for not judging people and always embracing everyone with open arms.

Please join the LWML as we say “Thank you” to our pastors and our amazing church staff during the month of October. Baskets will be placed in the church foyer from October 18 – November 1 for you to include your cards, gifts or whatever you choose to give . Let’s show our thankfulness for God’s gift of dedicated pastors and staff who give their lives in service to Him and St. Peter’s congregation.

*Matthew 25 : 21 – His master replied, “Well done, good and faithful servant! You have been faithful with a few things. I will put you in charge of many things. Come and share your master’s happiness.*

**Right Now Media** Did you know that St. Peter’s had a subscription to Right Now Media? It’s the world’s largest streaming service for Biblical content and you can access all of this through St. Peter’s account. Several of our Sunday School classes and Bible study groups use Right Now Media for guided Bible studies. There is also a kids section where you do not have to worry about screening content before your children watch anything. To active your subscription, reach out by email to Kim Gantt at [pchefkimgantt@gmail.com](mailto:pchefkimgantt@gmail.com) to get set up. You can download the Right Now Media app and watch from your phone anytime, anywhere.

## MEMORIALS & HONORARIUMS

- **Given to the LWML Mites** in honor of Teagan LeighAnn Sigmon who will celebrate her second birthday on October 25 by Grandma Jeannette Gantt
- **Given to the Building Center Audio/Visual Fund** by the LWML.  
(The donation came from the LWML Scrip Fund which accumulates a percentage of sales from gift cards.)



### Last Week

#### Worship Service Attendance

9:30 am 169 (one service only – Homecoming)

#### Offerings

(Needed in General Fund weekly to meet budget \$12,829.50)

General Fund – \$5,948

#### Dedicated Fund Offerings

Feed the 5000 - \$250 ; Building Fund - \$562

#### Year to date (thru September 30)

Income \$392,757.41 less expenses \$408,741.12 = \$15,983.71 (negative)

\*Budget-to-date is a monthly average. Income and expenses are seasonal  
so totals may run ahead or behind\*

## CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE COMING WEEK

|            |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
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| Sun.( 18)  | <p>8:15 am Contemporary Service</p> <p><b>9:30 am Voters Meeting – in Sanctuary</b></p> <p>9:30 am Sunday School – <i>Youth Only due to Voters Meeting</i></p> <p>10:45 am Traditional Service</p> <p><b>12:00 pm New Member lunch and learn with congregational leaders</b></p> <p><b>4:30 pm Homebound/Workers Communion Service</b></p> |
| Mon. (19)  | <p>8:30 am Quilters</p> <p>9:00 am C3 Movement Class – <i>in Spirit Center</i></p> <p>6:00 pm Handbells</p> <p>6:15 am Girl Scouts</p> <p>6:30 pm Praise Band Practice</p>                                                                                                                                                                 |
| Tues. (20) | <p><b>10:00 am Golden Agers – Program from the Lions Club - in Parish Hall</b></p> <p>4:30 pm Centro Latino Tutoring – <i>in Education Building</i></p> <p><b>6:30 pm Mission Team Meeting – in Multi-Purpose Room</b></p> <p>7:00 pm Boy Scouts</p>                                                                                       |
| Weds. (21) | <p>9:00 am Staff Meeting</p> <p>9:00am C3 Movement Class – <i>in Spirit Center</i></p> <p><b>6:00 pm Confirmation</b></p> <p>6:30 pm Men's Basketball League – <i>in Spirit Center</i></p> <p>6:30 pm Bible Journaling with Kim Kaylor, Leader – <i>in Parish Hall</i></p> <p>6:30 pm Adult Choir</p>                                      |
| Thurs.(22) | <p>10:00 am Thursday Morning Bible Study with Kim Kaylor, leader<br/>– <i>in Parish Hall</i></p> <p>11:45 am Lyle Creek Lunch Buddies</p> <p>4:30 pm Centro Latino Tutoring – <i>in Education Building</i></p> <p>6:30 pm Thursday Night Bible Study with Terry Sigmon, Leader<br/>– <i>In multi-purpose room</i></p>                      |
| Fri. (23)  | <p>9:00 am C3 Movement Class – <i>in Spirit Center</i></p> <p>10:00 am Friday Morning Bible Study with Pastor Eric, Leader<br/>– <i>in Parish Hall</i></p>                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| Sat. (24)  | <p>7:30 am Men's Bible Study – <i>in Multi-purpose Room</i></p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |

**Bold = activities that do not happen on a weekly basis**

## SERMON NOTES

### *"The Lord's Supper: The New Testament in His Blood"*

(Given and Shed for You Series)

Exodus 12:1–14

1. What was it that made the blood of the lamb a means of God's salvation?
2. How does the Passover help you see Jesus as the true Lamb who delivers you from death?
3. When you come to the Lord's Supper, are you tempted to look inward at the strength of your faith rather than to Christ's promise?
4. What does Jesus give you in the bread and wine, and in what does that give you confidence?

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### Today's Servants

**Altar Guild:** Sandra Jenkins, Barbara Nordyke

**Praise Band:** Drew Stiles, leader; Bradley Abernathy, Emily Allen, Thom Bumgarner, 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:** Al Layne

**Greeters:** 8:15 am Eunice Reiter 10:45 am Joy Eckard

**Readers:** 8:15 am Pam Medlin 10:45 am David Icenhour

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

**Communion Set-Up:** Betty Goble, Cheryl Pennell

**Acolyte:** Sawyer Frank