

The Voice



St. Peter Care Teams

St. Peter wants to ensure that we care for our family in Christ while Pastor Mark is on Renewal Leave. To that end, a committee has been working on developing care teams that will attend to those who are in hospitals or care facilities; homebound; needing communion outside of worship times; or just in need of a call, card, or prayer.

There is room for everyone on these care teams, and you are welcome to help in the ways that are most comfortable to you. Contact the church office to sign up, and you will receive a form to fill out that will help us know how you'd like to serve.

If you are someone who would benefit from a care team visit, please contact the church office.

Gathered to Grow— Sent to Serve

Every week, we end worship by saying, "Gathered to Grow! Sent to Serve!" Pastor Mark's Renewal Leave grants us a unique opportunity to grow together and be the church, serving our congregation and our community.

This time can be one of growth and service in many ways, and the church needs YOU! We need volunteers as communion assistants, Assisting Ministers, hosts, readers, Creation Station leaders, etc, to help services run smoothly for our congregation and our guest pastors.

This is a great time to try some new ways to serve at St. Peter as we minister to each other and live our calling to serve!

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Summer Worship Schedule

*Thank you for joining us
for worship!*

Sunday summer worship is at
9:00 a.m. May 29—September 4.

Sunday School will resume Sep-
tember 11, 2022

Wednesday evening worship at
6:30 p.m. will resume on Septem-
ber 7.



Prayer Ministry Team June 26

Once a month, we meet in person
to pray together for those who
have requested prayers through
the prayer chain or other re-
quests. It is a chance to spend
time in prayer, get updates, and
send notes to those the group
prays for. You don't have to be
comfortable praying aloud to par-
ticipate! **Join us after worship at
about 10:00 a.m.**

St. Peter Summer Hours



Summer **worship** will be at 9:00 a.m. May 29 - September 4.

The **church office** summer hours will be 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Monday -
Thursday and by appointment.

Faith Formation Director Jill Capps will have the following office hours:

Sunday - 8:30am-10:30am
Monday - 9:00-12:00pm
Tuesday - 12:00pm-3:00pm
Wednesday - 9:00-12:00pm
Thursday - By Appointment
Friday & Saturday - Off

Pastor Mark will return from Renewal Leave August 21.

Coming Up at St. Peter:

Register for Vacation Bible School 2022 Food Truck Party: On a Roll with God!

St. Peter Lutheran invites children ages 4 through those entering 5th grade to
a Food Truck Party – where we will be on a roll with God at Vacation Bible
School! This party includes exciting new music, science, crafts, games, and Bi-
ble stories that will help children turn to God for all they need and join God in
providing for the needs of others! The party runs from June 26-30 from 6:00-
8:00 p.m. Register at: <https://www.myvbs.org/stpetergrimes> or by following
the links on our website.

VBS takes lots of volunteers! Register to volunteer on the link above!



Pastoral Acts

Lane Michael Prohaska, son of Allison and Josh Prohaska, was born on March 26, 2022, in Des Moines, IA. Lane was baptized at St. Peter Lutheran Church on May 8, 2022. Connor Dooley and Jacob Prohaska are Lane's baptism sponsors.

William Matthew Karamanlis, son of Matthew and Megan Karamanlis, was born on March 16, 2022 in Des Moines, IA. William was baptized on May 22, 2022 at St. Peter Lutheran Church. Amelia Karamanlis and Zachary Karamanlis are William's baptism sponsors.



Anna Sophia Heeren was born on January 2, 2007 in Cherokee, Iowa. She passed away on May 7, 2022, in Grimes, Iowa. Her funeral service was held at St. Peter Lutheran Church on May 13, 2022. Interment was at Evergreen Cemetery in Jewell, Iowa.

WELCA Ladies Social June 17

Ladies! Join your WELCA friends for this summer's Ladies Social: Taco Night! The WELCA board will provide food; just bring your own drink and a lawn chair. We hope to see you on Friday, June 17th at 6:30 p.m. at the Dooley's. Come enjoy some fun and fellowship! Contact the church office or a WELCA Board member for the address.



Men's Group Meets the 1st Sunday of the Month

The Men's Group meets once a month on the first Sunday of the month. Join us June 5 at 7:00 p.m. at the church, with hopes of some future meetings taking place in outdoor settings in addition to the church. Come for fellowship and a brief devotion. Come as you are. You are not required to bring anything. Contact Bradley Fasse with any questions or concerns. @Facebook: St. Peter Lutheran Men's Group @bradleyfasse@gmail.com @515-971-2397

Need a Little Fellowship, Faith, and Conversation? Join us monthly for Moms Group!

Moms Group meets to offer friendship and support as we minister to one another, our children, and the community in grateful response to Christ's love. Join Moms Group at their monthly meetings the third Monday of the month at 7:30 p.m. in the church library. For more information, email: momsgroup@stpeterofgrimes.org.

Governor's Days Parade

Join St. Peter in the Governor's Days Parade on June 11! You can walk or ride on our float, and we will have candy and VBS information to hand out.

Please note: Governor's Days is moving to the Grimes Sports Complex, and the St. Peter parking lot will be used for overflow parking June 9-11.



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St. Peter Lutheran Church Office Hours

The Church Office is open
Mon.— Fri. 8:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

Jill Capps —
Faith Formation Director
Monday—Thursday
10:30 a.m.—1:30 p.m.
Appointments as necessary.
Jill's day off is Friday.

Pastor Mark Schlenker's day off
is Friday.

Youth Car Wash June 18

St. Peter's annual Youth Carwash Fundraiser will be June 18 from 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. Come and get your car washed, donate blood if you're able (see info below), and help the youth raise money for their summer mission trip the week of July 24-30! They will be going to western North Kentucky to serve those affected by tornados this past fall.

Blood Drive June 18

SAVE a life! It only takes 1 hour of your time Sign up for the St. Peter Life-Serve mobile blood drive. The mobile unit will be parked at St Peter on Saturday, June 18th from 9:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Spots are limited so please sign up ASAP! Use the QR code to link to the exact donation sign-up page! Here's some fun facts related to donating:

- One pint of blood, the most common donation, can save up to 3 lives!
- Someone needs blood every 2 seconds
- Healthy adults at least 16 years old and weigh at least 120 lbs can donate



Your donation with LifeServe will help save your neighbor, a friend, family member or a stranger in your own community! Only blood collected by LifeServe Blood Center is provided to YOUR LOCAL hospitals. After all, shouldn't your blood go to your hospital to save your neighbors?

ST. PETER LUTHERAN CHURCH BLOOD DRIVE

Bloodmobile
Saturday, June 18th
9:00am - 12:30pm
1001 S James St | Grimes

Scan the QR code to schedule your donation or contact Jason Hughes at 515-986-3077



APPOINTMENTS ARE REQUIRED



Text: LIFESERVE to 999-777 | Call: 800.287.4903
Visit: lifeservebloodcenter.org



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CONGRATULATIONS TO
ST. PETER'S 2022
GRADUATING SENIORS!

May God's presence in your life give you the
confidence and courage to live out your
dreams!

You are all in our prayers as you move
forward with your future plans!

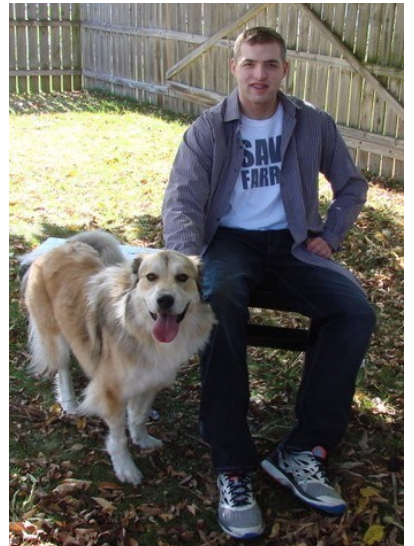
Not pictured: Carter Boley, Sam Caron, Madison Davis,
Kade Mauk, Kylie Mossberg, Brock Renshaw, Nathan
Smith, Taylor Voyna, and Taylor Wickman



Audrey Anderson plans to attend the University of Iowa and major in accounting in the fall. **Nate Augspurger** plans to attend the University of Iowa with a major in Business-Marketing.



Tyler Bailiff is attending Buena Vista University this fall. **Drew Bissell** plans to attend Iowa State University, majoring in Engineering. **Sarah Capps** will attend Drake University with a double major in Secondary Education (English) and Psychology.



Kyle Dirks plans to attend Kirkwood Community College and major in Business/Finance. **McKenna Dirks** plans to attend Iowa State University and major in Elementary Education. **Hyde Eddy** will be working at Fareway after graduation.



Huston Halverson will be continuing his education at Iowa Western Community College along with playing baseball. **Luke Herbsleb** will be attending Iowa State University majoring in computer science. **Ellie Jermier** will be continuing her education at Iowa State University, double majoring in Post-Secondary Education and History to become a High School Social Studies teacher. She also plans to get her coaching endorsement to hopefully someday coach high school soccer! **Amelia Johnston** will be attending Central College with a Mechanical Engineering major and Biology minor. She has also been accepted into the music department in both band (clarinet) and choir to continue expanding her love of music.



Owen Pries will attend Wartburg College where he will study public relations and marketing, participate in cross country and track and field, and sing in a music ensemble. **Aidan Ramsey** will attend Drake University and major in marketing. **Max Reitano** will attend Central College to study kinesiology. He plans to play football and sing in the choir as well. **Gavin Rupp's** post high school plans are to attend the University of Iowa this fall.



Ainslea Schmidt is excited to attend Iowa State University in the fall. She is undecided on a major. **Colby Schwantes** will be attending Iowa State University in the fall. **Emma Smith's** plans after high school are to attend South Dakota State University and major in Nursing. **Lauren Wyllie** plans are to attend DMACC this fall and major in Nursing.

Volunteers Needed – Can You Help?

If you can help as a communion **preparer** and/or **communion assistant**, please contact Kaarin Fasse or Summer Heeren.

If you would like to help as **assisting minister**, please contact Emily Wells.

If you would like to be a **reader**, please contact Sue Dooley.

If you can help **host** by greeting worshippers and helping them find their worship materials, contact Roxanne Hauge.

If you can assist as a **worship teller**, please contact Andrew Newman.

If you can learn our **livestream audio/visual production**, contact Jill. You would be trained in the production process for our live-stream service.

If you can help with **Creation Station** during worship, contact Jill or go to this link: <https://signup.com/go/CwrXJph>.

The church office can put you in contact with these volunteer coordinators. Thanks for sharing your time and talents with St. Peter!

Grimes Storehouse – Community Food Pantry

The Grimes Storehouse is located at 112 NE Ewing St., Suite B, in Grimes. Grimes Storehouse hours are Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9:30-11:30 a.m. and every 1st & 2nd Tuesday from 5:30-7:00 p.m.

NON-PERISHABLE ITEMS

LISTED IN ORDER OF NEED:

Spaghetti Sauce
Spaghetti
Elbow Macaroni
Skillet Dinners/
Hamburger & Tuna
Helper
Mac-n- Cheese Individual Cups
Baked Beans
Boxes/Cups Instant
Pudding
Salad Dressing (Ranch & French)
Cereal
64 oz. Bottled Orange/Apple/Grape
Juice
Rice-a-Roni/Minute Rice
Rice & Pasta Side Dishes
Canned Pineapple
Ketchup, Mustard, Mayo/Miracle
Whip



PERSONAL AND HOUSEHOLD ITEMS –

LISTED IN ORDER OF NEED:

Laundry Soap (Small/Medium/Large)
Paper Towels
Toilet Paper
Dish Soap
Shampoo
Conditioner
Women's Deodorant
Liquid Body Wash
Kitchen Storage/Garbage
Bags
Disposable Razors
Body/Hand Lotion

Can you help meet the Food Pantry's Needs with a meal or care pack?

Meal:

- Spaghetti Sauce
- Spaghetti
- Canned pineapple

Sides & Snacks:

- Individual cups of Mac-n-cheese
- Baked Beans
- Boxes/cups of Instant Pudding

Care Pack #1:

- Laundry Detergent
- Dish Soap
- Liquid Body Wash

Care Pack #2

- Toilet Paper
- Paper Towels
- Kitchen Storage/Garbage Bags

From the Stewardship Committee—Jason Hughes, Andrew Newman, & Eric Soultz

April 2022

Income: \$31,205.87
Expense: \$25,883.21
Net Gain: \$5,322.66

YTD

Income: \$99,932.69
Expense: \$102,021.71
Net Loss: (\$2,089.02)

- General Fund—April 2022, expenses were less than monthly income, thus it finished with a gain of +\$5,322.66.
- General Fund Year to Date—April 2022, expenses were greater than income thus it finished with a loss of (\$2,089.02)

HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING – MAY 12, 2022

Pastor's Report:

- Anna Heeren's visitation and funeral were held at St. Peter. The burial was in Jewel, IA immediately following the funeral service.
- Confirmation Sunday is this Sunday. We will have 10 youth affirm their baptism during worship.
- Men's group went well again this month. Doubling attendance from the first month. Good to have this group gathering again.
- Care Team training went really well a couple weeks ago. Speaker did a great job, and we had decent numbers present. Should have a good team set for my Renewal leave.
- Bambi and I were co-hosts with a few other couples the Murder Mystery party from the WELCA auction last year. A number of St. Peter couples were there for the fun event.
- I enjoyed leading the devotion for the Youth Mission Trip meeting last month. Really good group of youth and adults are going on the trip again this year.
- Continued planning for the Renewal leave, which is less than two weeks away now. Both planning for my part, and making sure things are set at St. Peter for when I'm gone. As well as looking ahead to Fall planning.

Faith Formation Report—Jill Capps

- No report

Youth Report

- Middle school Youth Group did not meet during the month of March due to us pausing our gathering (as usual) for the season of Lent.
- High school Youth Group met three times during the month of March. We held devotion nights on March 6th and 27th. We held a pizza night on Sunday, March 20th.
- We were able to hold our first Mission Trip meeting for our youth and chaperones on Sunday, March 27th. I am excited for the group to gather again and look forward to next 4 months of working with this group.
- In April, middle school Youth Group will resume again on April 20th. I look forward to getting the group back together after our break during Lent. High school Youth Group will meet each Sunday in April, except April 10th. On April 10th we will host our annual Spaghetti Dinner. In addition to the Spaghetti Dinner, we will also finish up Lent Suppers on April 6th and host our Easter Breakfast on Easter morning. Lastly, we will also hold a Mission Trip meeting for youth and chaperones on Sunday, April 24th.

Treasurer's Report: March financials were approved.

Stewardship :

- Blood drive set for June 18th. It will be during the Youth car wash fundraiser. Financial Peace paused until fall or next spring.

Building & Grounds

- Obtaining a HVAC quote.

Education:

- Meeting set to continue VBS planning with Katie. Carnival went well. Planning a float for the Governor's Day parade.

Evangelism:

- Planning underway for brunch. Working with Education to supply candy and water for the parade.

Worship & Music :

- Summer worship 9:00 from May 29th - September 4th

Old Business:

- Nominating Committee status
- Sabbatical planning - care team/congregation events
- Thank you Stephanie Picken for Care Team training.
- Small Miracles wrap-up

The 15th of each month is the deadline date for newsletter items to be submitted to the church office. Thanks!



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New Business:

- None discussed

Local Mission Donation: Heeren family for the Foundation

HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE WELCA MEETING - MAY 10, 2022

- The WELCA sponsored bonfire, scheduled to have been April 22, was postponed again due to rainy conditions. Carol will reach out to the Millers to see if there is a date in later July or in August which would work.
- The May baskets for our Mosaic friends were well-received. There were 4 baskets for each residence, so each resident received their own May basket. Confirmation will not be meeting over the summer, so WELCA will make plans for each month. June will be pizza. Allison Prohaska will reach out to find out what date works best for them. An ice cream party, in the backyard with games is the idea for July. Families would be encouraged to join. Most likely, we'll do both residences on the same night, so we would split up to have people in both places.
- The Murder Mystery party, held May 7 at Del and Cindy Gustafson's home, was attended by 30 people and everyone seemed to enjoy the event. There are two more mysteries in the kit, so we may want to offer this Silent Auction item again in the next year or two.
- WELCA purchased flowers which were handed out on Mother's Day. Some signage on the door will be planned next year to encourage all ladies to stop at the table to receive a flower. There were 36 flowers left. Sue delivered these to Kennybrook Village for ladies there to enjoy.
- The women's summer social will be in the Dooley's and Schlenker's backyard on Friday, June 17, starting at 6:30 pm. Vacation Bible School is June 26 to 30. Allison Prohaska will e-mail Katie Murano to see if WELCA can help with the celebration on the final night.
- Purchasing a dishwasher was discussed. It would have several benefits, including less impact on the environment by using fewer disposable products. It was decided to request this be an agenda item at our next congregational meeting. If the church family is in favor of having a dishwasher in the church kitchen, then WELCA funds will pay for it.
- General \$2,851.73
- Kitchen \$2,034.88
- Total \$4,886.61

Online Giving Opportunities

St. Peter offers online giving options through Thrivent's Simply Giving Program, which includes one-time giving and recurring donations through the following secure methods:

1. **Updated app:** Find and download the **Vanco Mobile Faith Engagement** app in the App Store or on Google Play for Android smartphones by searching "Vanco mobile". Choose search for a church near me or type in "St Peter Lutheran" and choose our address in Grimes, and follow the steps. **Please note: if you are currently using the Give+Church Mobile app, please switch to the Vanco Mobile app. Give+Church Mobile will no longer be available beginning in April.**
2. Go to St. Peter's website www.stpeterofgrimes.org and click on the yellow Online Giving link or scan the QR code printed here.
3. Set up bill pay through your bank to St. Peter Lutheran.
4. Please contact the church office to designate your donation between specific funds.

Contact the church office with questions. Thank you for sharing your resources to support the ministries of St. Peter!

