Announcements

Weekly Schedule:

Wed. 12/25: Christmas Divine Service @ 9:00 AM

Birthdays & Anniversaries:

12/22: Cheryl Yearsley 12/26: David Losey

Prayer list:

Teresa Lucas Debbie Schroer Kyra Groves Ron Cox Kathe Borgman Stephanie Hildebrandt Haylana Pifer Mindy Cronwall Luella Holle Thomas Turner Mary Pifer Vaden Hanley Julia Baxter Cole Benton Laura Moorman John Dobrinski Chris Heilers Don Acton Steve Wieneke Cathy Tays Wilma Wieneke Ervin Newkirk Deborah Trimpe

Stewardship:

Weekly Budget: \$3152 12/15 Synodical Fund: \$0 12/15 Offerings: \$2034 12/15 Building Fund: \$200

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Vanco: A new, online offering method is now available. You can find more information by scanning the QR code in the bulletin or by going to https://secure.myvanco.com/L-ZMRA.



Poinsettias:

Given in memory of:

Thornton & Verna Acton – by Curt, Jenni, Rayleigh, & Abe Acton Alvin & Betty Hoene – by Curt, Jenni, Rayleigh, & Abe Acton Kevin Jeffries – by Camden Jeffries Barb & Jim Kemerly – by Nikki Finke Abe & Becky Marshall – by Curt, Jenni, Rayleigh, & Abe Acton Robert & Laura Pekar – by Camden Jeffries Carla Strasser – by Judy Strasser Kristie Wessel – by Jenni Acton

Given in honor of:

Charles Acton & family – by Allen Acton The Bible Study group – by Mike & Verna Vandercar

The Saints of St. Peter Evangelical Lutheran Church – by the Sorenson family

Given by: Judy Hoene Communion Statement - The Lord's Supper is celebrated at this congregation in the confession and glad confidence that, as He says, our Lord gives into our mouths not only bread and wine but His very body and blood to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with Him and with one another. Our Lord invites to His table those who trust His words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as He forgives and loves us, that they may show forth His death until He comes. Because those who eat and drink our Lord's body and blood unworthily do so to their great harm and because Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar, any who are not yet instructed, in doubt, or who hold a confession differing from that of this congregation and The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, and yet desire to receive the Sacrament, are kindly asked first to speak with the pastor. In addition to this being our practice, we do not want our visitors to violate their own conscience or the public confession of faith that is made through their home Church membership. Those not receiving communion are invited to come forward with arms crossed to receive a blessing from the pastor. We thank you for respecting our practice. For further study, see Matt. 5:23f.; 10:32f.; 18:15-35; 26:26-29; 1 Cor. 11:17-34.

Psalm 98:1-4; antiphon: Isaiah 9:6 Introit

P For to us a child is born, to us a son is given; and the government shall be upon his shoulder, and his name shall be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.

- **C** Oh sing to the LORD a new song, for he has done marvelous things! His right hand and his holy arm have worked salvation for him.
- **P** The LORD has made known his salvation; he has revealed his righteousness in the sight of the nations.
- He has remembered his steadfast love and faithfulness to the house of Israel. All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.
- **P** Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth; break forth into joyous song and sing praises!
- **C** Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.
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Collect of the Day

P Almighty God, grant that the birth of Your only-begotten Son in the flesh may set us free from the bondage of sin; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Gradual Isaiah 9:6: Psalm 98:1a

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O Jesus Christ, Thy Manger Is

Upcoming Acolytes:

12/29: Abe Acton 12/31: John Nye 1/5: Noah Nye 1/12: Abe Acton

Below you will find a model you can use for your personal or family devotions that focuses you on the readings from the previous Sunday, while also preparing you for what you will hear the following Sunday. In modeling your devotions this way, you and your family can stay united to the church year and reinforce what you hear, sing, and pray every Sunday.

Mon. 12/23: <u>Read the Old Testament lesson</u>: Micah 5:2-5a – The One born in Bethlehem would be the Shepherd of Israel and their peace.

Sing the Hymn of the Day: LSB 357 – O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

<u>Pray the Collect of the Day</u>: Stir up Your power, O Lord, and come and help us by Your might, that the sins which weigh us down may be quickly lifted by Your grace and mercy; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Tues. 12/24: Read the Epistle lesson: Hebrews 10:5-10 – Christ came in a human body in order to do the will of God by offering Himself as the perfect sacrifice so we would be sanctified.

Sing the Hymn of the Day: LSB 357 – O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

Pray the Collect of the Day: (see 12/23)

Wed. 12/25: Read the Gospel lesson: Luke 1:39-45 (46-56) – John the Baptist leapt in the womb at the presence of God, who was in the womb of Mary.

Sing the Hymn of the Day: LSB 357 – O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

Pray the Collect of the Day: (see 12/23)

Thur. 12/26: Read the Old Testament lesson: Exodus 13:1-3a, 11-15 – Israel was called to consecrate their firstborn as a foreshadowing of Christ, the firstborn of Mary, who would bring us all out of slavery to sin.

Sing the Hymn of the Day: LSB 389 – Let All Together Praise Our God

<u>Pray the Collect of the Day</u>: O God, our Maker and Redeemer, You wonderfully created us and in the incarnation of Your Son yet more wondrously restored our human nature. Grant that we may ever be alive in Him who made Himself to be like us; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Fri. 12/27: Read the Epistle lesson: Colossians 3:12-17 – Do everything in the name of God as the love and peace of

Christ now dwell within us forever.

Sing the Hymn of the Day: LSB 389 – Let All Together Praise Our God

Pray the Collect of the Day: (see 12/26)

Sat. 12/28: Read the Gospel lesson: Luke 2:22-40 – Even as an infant, Christ was coming to bring salvation to His

people. His birth brings peace and joy to all who believe.

Sing the Hymn of the Day: LSB 389 – Let All Together Praise Our God

Pray the Collect of the Day: (see 12/26)

St. Peter Evangelical Lutheran Church The Nativity of Our Lord Pastor Erik Sorenson



December 25, 2024

MEMBERS AND GUESTS:

We will celebrate Holy Communion during our worship service this morning.

If you are partaking of the Lord's Supper, <u>please read and fill out one</u> <u>of the registration cards</u> on the back of the pew. You may place it in the offering plate or hand it to the usher.