



Dear friends in Christ,

I am writing this in between a week at Stony Lake Camp, and the ELCA Youth Gathering. I am grateful again for the ministry of Stony Lake Camp. Counselors and staff are gifted and well-trained. The setting is beautiful. There are so many opportunities to learn and have fun with youth from across the state (and beyond). As a pastor, it is a joy to see youth discover new things about their faith.

Thank you for your commitment to Stony Lake Camp through prayer, financial giving, and participation in camp. If you have a son or daughter who has never been to camp, and is in 1st through 12th grades, I encourage you to consider camp next summer.

By the time you read this, we will back from Houston. Thanks to your generosity, we met our fundraising goal of \$13,500. Thank you for supporting our youth! Stay tuned for an opportunity to hear our youth share their experiences.

Finally, a word about worship later this summer. Every three years, we hear gospel readings from John 6, which is often called "The Bread of Life Discourse." This chapter of John begins with a story about Jesus feeding the 5,000. It continues with Jesus calling himself "the bread of life," and explaining what that means.

These passages are rich in meaning. They invite us to think about our deepest hungers, and how Jesus alone can satisfy those hungers. They also invite us to think about the sacrament of Holy Communion. I hope that you will be nourished by these readings, starting on July 29.

Peace be with you,
Pastor Ken

THE POWER OF PRAYER

Prayer Gatherings

Pastor Ken will be offering three opportunities to gather together for prayer. No need to sign up ahead of time. Just come as you are. Rain site for outdoor prayer gatherings will be St. Peter's.

July 25 at 10:00 am – Nature Prayer (meet at Grieg Park, weather permitting)

August 1 at 6:30 pm – Coloring Prayer (St. Peter's, fellowship hall)

August 15 at 10:00 am – Centering Prayer (meet at Palmer Park, weather permitting)



On Sunday, August 19, congregations of the Bluewater Conference will be gathering for an afternoon of worship and fellowship at the pavilion at Columbus County Park. Tentative plans include a potluck picnic followed by Holden Evening Prayer. Watch for more details later this summer. This is an opportunity to gather to worship and grow in our fellowship in the Bluewater Conference, using the combined talents/gifts of our congregations.

Vacation Bible School

July 9-11, 2018

6:00pm -8:30pm

We're planning an exciting VBS adventure at St. Peter's. "Ocean Commotion" VBS is for everyone between the ages of 4 up to 5th grade. (Children under age 4 are welcome but will need to be accompanied by a parent.) We welcome kids to "Ocean Commotion" where they will learn how to trust, obey, and stand for God with exciting lessons from the life of Noah and the Flood. There will be cool crafts, fun games, and yummy snacks. For more information or to register, visit the church office or call Tamara Howes at 810-278-0995.



Worship Assistants



Worship Team

In August we will be scheduling worship assistants for the next year. The schedule will run from September 2018 through August 2019. Names will be taken from last year's list. If you have special requests for days or months that you do not want to be scheduled, or if you want to be added or removed from the list, please inform the office by August 15. Snowbirds, let us know which months you will be gone. Thank you to all our volunteers for your faithful service. Many thanks to ALL of our members who silently assist at church to keep it clean, organized, and prepared for worship.

Attic Angels

The Attic Angels committee has begun the annual clothing drive. Clothing can be brought to the church basement and placed on the tables. All items must be clean and in wearable condition. The clothing will be distributed to both Lutheran Social Services (Samaritas) and Kids in Distress.



The Attic and Bake Sale was held on May 17 and 18. It was very successful due to all those who generously donated items for the Attic sale and/or Bake sale. The profits totaled \$2,853. These profits will be distributed to several charities yet to be determined. A huge thank you to all the committee members and volunteers who worked so faithfully and diligently to make this project possible.

God's blessings, Jennifer

Memorials

Given in memory of Don Dease by Karen Boden



Given in memory of Richard Schlegel by Mary Alice Schlegel

IN NEED OF PRAYER

Dennis Rocker, Mary Forys, Janice Convis, Guy MacIntosh, Sue Kasemeyer, Dick Guyott, Paul & Ruth Reyelts, Delores Cook, Vi Dunn, Will Tanner, Clyde Moore, Louis Eisen, Loretta Lukasak, Suzanne Morris, Elizabeth MacDonald, Sharon Ann Wheeler, Patty Armstrong, Adeline Harsch, Pat Greenwood, Marlene Eisen, Don Schroeder, Patricia Jones, Marc Dease, Stacey Yax, Ruth Morris, Bernie Nummer.

(Please call or email the office at stpeterelca@sbcglobal.net to update information.)





**St. Peter's Community
Education Fund
2018 Recipients**

Matthew Benson (sponsored by Janice Benson-Peters): studying business at University of Michigan: Ross School of Business

Ian Boden (member): studying religion/pre-seminary at Capital University

Kaylee Downing (sponsored by Norene Stoecker): studying biology at Cornerstone University

Bradley Eisen (sponsored by Richard & Theresa Eisen, Carl & Marlene Eisen): studying electrical engineering at Grand Valley State University

John Fields II (member): studying nursing at St. Clair Community College

Megan Victoria Lambrecht (member): studying arts and humanities at Michigan State University

Erika Lindsay (member): studying communication sciences & disorders and Spanish at Bowling Green State University

Ben Miller (member): studying neuroscience (graduate level) at Michigan State University

Christian Miller (member): studying business at Walsh College

Luke Miller (member): studying business at Saginaw Valley State

Kyle Zoeplitz (sponsored by Marilyn Tackaberry): studying business/accounting at Oakland University

I would like to express my thanks to Pastor Ken and all my church family for the cards, well wishes and prayers on my behalf. I was diagnosed with lymphoma cancer on Christmas. This year I have been sick every month. Carl has been my care giver along with Dick, Theresa and friends. I started chemo in January, February, and March. My fall down the basement steps led me to have two shoulder replacement surgeries. I am getting daily infusions for 6-8 weeks with a strong antibiotic for a bacterial infection. Your prayers and cards have meant a lot to me and have helped keep me positive. God bless you all!

Marlene Eisen



Dear St. Peter's Scholarship Committee,

Thank you for the scholarship. I am honored to be selected as one of the recipients. The scholarship will help tremendously with my college expenses. I am looking forward to starting my college education at the University of Michigan in the fall.

Sincerely, Matt Benson

Dear St. Peter's Congregation,

I want to thank the entire congregation for the generous scholarship that I received to help me pay for my schooling. The love and support I receive from not only my family, but the church community is amazing. I want to especially thank my parents, Richard and Theresa, and my grandparents, Carl and Marlene, who have not only helped me fund my schooling, but more importantly helped encourage and push me to be the best student I can be. I am in the last year of a five year electrical engineering program at Grand Valley State University in Grand Rapids, Michigan. Not only do I take classes to receive my degree, but I am also a part of a co-op program which delegates three semesters to working full time. I work for an auto parts supplier called Ventura which molds and assembles taillights for the big three. Through the experience I am receiving both in the classroom and in the workforce, I look forward to what's to come. Lastly, I want to thank God for helping me get through the rigorous classes that I am taking and for always being there when my family and I are in need.

God Bless, Brad Eisen

Thank you so much for the scholarship! St Peter's was a very big part of my childhood growing up.

Sincerely, Luke Miller

Dear St. Peter's Church Scholarship Committee,

Thank you for awarding me your Community Education Fund Scholarship. I will be using the funds to further my education at Oakland University this fall. Thank you for allowing me to further my education so that I can continue to give back to our community.

Sincerely, Kyle Zoeplitz

July Birthdays

7/1 Johanne Bodany
 7/1 Jere Diebold
 7/2 Chase Jones
 7/3 Craig Raymond
 7/4 Constance Felstow
 7/4 Charles Tackaberry
 7/6 Delores Recor
 7/6 Graham Vogel
 7/7 Edward Thueme
 7/8 Gwen Anderson
 7/8 Anna Fisher
 7/9 Donald Snyder
 7/11 John Decator
 7/12 Muriel Silvas
 7/13 Pastor Ken
 7/14 Sandra Shafran
 7/16 Chloe Furtah
 7/20 Janet Allington
 7/20 Jon Jones
 7/22 Carol Vogel
 7/23 Kirsten Farver
 7/24 Renee Evans
 7/25 Elizabeth Gizowski
 7/25 Patricia Yax
 7/29 William Mau
 7/30 Colin Eifert
 7/30 Pamela Lindsay

Happy Birthday!



84 years

84 years

87 years

August Birthdays

8/6 Dorothy Penzien
 8/7 Judy Fox
 8/7 John MacDonald
 8/11 Case VanSingel
 8/12 Jana Donaldson
 8/23 Andrea Paul
 8/25 Jason Furtah
 8/25 Mary Elyn Snyder
 8/26 Robbie Beier
 8/26 Betty MacIntosh 90 years
 8/27 Fred Duemling
 8/31 Lauren Maier
 8/31 David Vogel



August Anniversaries

8/3 Marlene & Carl Eisen 61 years
 8/3 Renee & Tim Evans 33 years
 8/5 Sara & Ryan Lyle 12 years
 8/11 Sandra & James Shafran 45 years
 8/11 David & JoAnn Uppleger 46 years
 8/16 Patricia & Edward Yax 43 years
 8/19 Ron & Gale Meiselbaugh 46 years
 8/19 Sabra & Mike Morenko 46 years
 8/19 Christine & David Tackaberry 29 years
 8/22 Carol & Delbert Vogel 49 years
 8/22 Amy & Gary Wiegand 18 years

July Anniversaries

7/11 Karen & John Johnson 48 years
 7/12 Elizabeth & Ralph Gizowski 32 years
 7/17 Ann & Gary Eisen 7 years
 7/26 Robin & Scott Bell 21 years
 7/29 Janice & Richard Golder 63 years



The next newsletter will be published in late August. The deadline for the September newsletter is August 15.

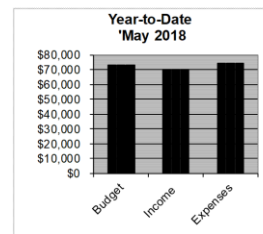
OUR CHURCH'S FINANCIAL SUMMARY

St. Peters Financial Summary

	Month Ending 5/31/18		Income Over (Under) Budget
	Actual for Month	Budgeted for Month	
General Fund Income	\$ 14,488.00	\$ 14,663.00	(175.00)
General Fund Expenses	(15,229.52)	(14,663.00)	
Increase (Decrease) Cash	(741.52)	0.00	

Cash Balances as of 5/31/18

General Fund	\$ 68,250.18
Designated	\$ 37,979.53
Sunday School	\$ 3,052.09





Serving in July and August, Sunday 9:30 am

2018	Greeter	Ushers	Scripture Reader	Communion Assist.	Projectionist
July 1	Joanne Niederhauser	Sue Daniels Chuck Butler	Chris Jebrael	Marty Green	Nancy Green
July 8	Mary Beaudua	Sue Daniels Chuck Butler	Mary Alice Schlegel		Mike Morenko
July 15	Johanne Bodany	Marty Green Jerry Hall	Tim Evans	Mike Morenko	Carter Stevens
July 22	Karen Boden	Marty Green Jerry Hall	Norene Stoecker		Mike Morenko
July 29	Jon Jones	Chris Jebrael Mike Morenko	Mary Alice Schlegel		Kathy Nummer
August 5	Margaret Danneels	Chris Jebrael Mike Morenko	Katy Emerich	Nancy Green	Marty Green
August 12	Norene Stoecker	Sue Daniels Chuck Butler	Dawn Lambrecht	Need volunteer	Janet Allington
August 19	Sabra Morenko	Marty Green Ron Meiselbaugh	Kathy Nummer	Katy Emerich	Mike Morenko
August 26	Robin Bell	Marty Green Ron Meiselbaugh	Mark Fisher	Need volunteer	Chris Jebrael

July 7	Norene Stoecker Janet Allington
July 14	Chris Ritter Janet Allington
July 21	Chris Ritter Janet Allington
July 28	Norene Stoecker Janet Allington
August 4	Chris Ritter Janet Allington
August 11	Norene Stoecker Janet Allington
August 18	Norene Stoecker Janet Allington
August 25	Chris Ritter Janet Allington

Saturday, 5 pm

Altar Guild:

July-Janice Benson & Nancy Black

August-Jennifer MacDonald & Sabra Morenko



July

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesd	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 Worship, Communion 9:30 am	2	3	4  Independence Day	5	6 Pastor's day off	7 Worship, Communion 5 pm
8 Worship, 9:30 am	9 VBS 6 pm	10 VBS 6 pm	11 VBS 6 pm	12	13 Pastor's day off	14 Worship, Communion 5 pm
15 Worship, Communion 9:30 am	16 Mallard's Landing 11 am	17	18	19	20 Pastor's day off	21 Worship, Communion 5 pm Bridge Builders camp
22 Worship, 9:30 am	23	24	25 Prayer at Grieg Park 10 am	26	27 Pastor's day off	28 Worship, Communion 5 pm
29 Worship, 9:30 am	30	31				

AUGUST

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesda	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 Coloring Prayer 6:30 pm	2	3 Pastor's day off	4 Worship, Communion 5 pm
5 Worship, Communion 9:30 am	6 Mallard's Landing 11 am	7	8	9	10 Pastor's day off	11 Worship, Communion 5 pm
12 Worship, 9:30 am	13	14 Council Meeting 7 pm	15 Centering Prayer at Palmer Park 10 am	16	17 Pastor's day off	18 Worship, Communion 5 pm
19 Worship, Communion 9:30 am Conference Picnic	20 Mallard's Landing 11 am	21	22	23	24 Pastor's day off	25 Worship, Communion 5 pm
26 Worship, 9:30 am Youth at Tamara's 11 am	27	28	29	30	31 Pastor's day off	



Youth & Family Life Ministry
St. Peter's Church Council Report
June 5, 2018

Our Faith Matters, Rise & Shine:

Our Middle and High school youth Bible Study class time will pick up again September, 9 on Rally Day. Our classes are all about where God is working in our lives. Our youth feel very comfortable sharing and learning together as we read and break down the gospel each Sunday. They share their highs and lows as we listen to others. The youth of St. Peter's and the friends they bring are very important to us, as we are filled with the Holy Spirit and the love of God. Come and Rise and Shine with us at worship on Saturday night at 5:00pm / Sundays at 9:30am this summer.

Youth group J.A.M.

Youth Group J.A.M (Jesus and Me) Youth Group will meet Sunday, August 26, 11:30am – 1:00pm at Tamara's house for a B.B.Q. We will have games and bonfire, and s'mores too. Mark it on your calendars. All youth, friends, and their families are welcome.

Summer Camp 2018

Summer camp, June 17-22, 2018. Please keep these youth in your prayers as they attend camp, some for the first time: Reese Lyle, Xavier and Josiah Schoen. They will experience fun, faith and fellowship with others in Bible study, crafts, songs around the campfire, and worship time, making memories to last a life time. God is working with us and through us.

Youth and Family Activities & Outreach:

ELCA Youth Gathering to Texas June 26 – July, 2018

Thanks to the Yax family for hosting a successful golf outing. Our Texas youth and their families were there to help. We had a great turn out. God was truly there as we enjoyed perfect weather. Thanks to Thrivent Action dollars and many donations, we had great raffle baskets. Our 50/50 winner was \$177. This was our last fundraiser and we raised \$2,356 and surpassed our goal of \$13,500. We cannot thank you enough for your support and prayers.

Community churches will come together for V.B.S., which happens on July 9, 10, &11. Our program is "Ocean Commotion" Diving into Noah's Flood. All youth & parents' spiritual gifts are welcome.

Tamara Howes
Youth and Family Life Ministry

St. Peter's Lutheran Church
Church Council Meeting Minutes (Draft to be
approved by Council)
June 5, 2018

Opening: The meeting opened at 7:02p.m.

Council members: Pastor Ken Staib, Katy Emerich (President), Gary Houle (Vice President), Carol Vogel (Treasurer), Cindy Houle (Secretary), Tamara Howes, Del Vogel, Alan Emerich*, Gwen Anderson, Kris McDonald, Karen Boden, Keri Stevens, Gary Eisen*, Jane Miller. (Those absent from the meeting are marked with an *).

Devotions: Karen Boden

Review of Minutes of March Council Meeting: The minutes from May 1, 2018 were reviewed. Motion to accept the minutes was made by Gary Houle and seconded by Gwen Anderson. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: Carol Vogel shared the Treasurer's report for May 2018. General Fund income for May was \$14,488.00. Expenses for May were \$14,663. Motion to accept the Treasurer's report was made by Gwen Anderson and seconded by Karen Boden. Motion carried.

Pastor's Report: Report as submitted.

Director of Youth and Family Ministries Report: Report as submitted.

Suggestion box: Question about consolidating memorial allocations by Chris Ritter. Suggestion for carpet cleaning throughout the church by Julian Sullivan.

Old Business: Time and Talent survey will go out in the fall. Ongoing security discussion. Gary and Cindy Houle, Gwen Anderson to attend church safety workshop presented by Southeast Michigan Synod. ELCA on June 16.

New Business:

Committee Reports:

Fellowship Outreach: Jane Miller, discussion on combining with other local churches to provide necessary food.

Worship: Gary and Cindy Houle, no report.

Parish Education: Keri Stevens and Chris McDonald, Sunday School breakfast raised \$880.00.

Stewardship: Alan Emerich, absent and Karen Boden, no report

Property: Del Vogel and Gary Eisen. no report

Youth and Family Ministries: report as submitted.

Next meeting: No July meeting. Next meeting, August 14, 2018.

Closing: Kris McDonald motioned. Del Vogel seconded. Meeting adjourned 7:51 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Cindy Houle



St. Peter's Light

July/August 2018

Welcoming all to know and love Jesus.

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Renee Evans Secretary	Home: 810-329-7423 Cell: 810-824-2171	stpeterelca@sbc global.net	Tues. - Thurs. 9 am –12 pm

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Saturday 5:00 p.m.

Sunday 9:30 a.m.

Communion:

Every Saturday

1st and 3rd Sunday

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