THE EVANGEL

Weekly Newsletter

Announcements at SPLCS

Spring 2021 S'crafting "to-go"

All crafters welcome: quilting, cards, scrapbooking, knitting, sewing, painting, weaving, etc. We will once again meet virtually. Set aside time for yourself or make plans to gather with a group of friends. In addition to a crafting kit, there will be a meal option with pickup, games, challenges, vendors, auction items, and prizes. New to the Spring 2021 S'crafting "to go," two Zoom sessions for socializing and sharing. Registration is now open for the April 10, 2021 S'crafters event. Mail in your registration by March 16 for a goodie bag. Pick-up a registration form on the school bulletin board.

S'crafter Volunteers Needed!

The S'crafters events are a successful fundraiser biannually for St Peter Lutheran School. We are looking for 2 volunteers to transition into the organizational roles of this event. If you are interested in serving in this way, please contact Jacki Madden, jackimadden07@gmail.com or Heidi Winkelmann, khwinks@hotmail.com.

Pennies for Patients

Together Saint Peter Lutheran School and Little Lambs donated \$913.96 to The Leukemia and Lymphoma Society. Throughout the month of February they enjoyed special activities and money was collected each Friday. Ms. Yotter's class raised the most money. The Lincoln Bobble-head stays in that classroom and they were treated to donuts and juice. THANK YOU to all who donated to this very worthwhile cause

Easter Plants

Easter Plants are available for order! Please see the form in the narthex or stop by the office - Orders due by March 22.

LWMS Spring Rally 2021

Come to our spring rally and hear Tingting Schwartz share her story. We will hear of her interaction with Friends Network (https://www.friendsnet.org/), her journey to Martin Luther College and what it's like to be a first generation immigrant in New Ulm, MN. It is on April 17, 2021 in Zion of Winthrop, MN. Contact the office for a registration form: office@saintpeterlutheran.org or 931-1866.

Miss Yotter Received a Call

On March 16th, Michelle Yotter received a call to teach grades 3-4 at Trinity Lutheran School in Kiel, Wisconsin. Please keep her in your prayers!

One unique thing about our WELS synod of schools and churches we are affiliated with is that a teacher can receive a call from another WELS school that feels they may be a good fit in their school context or to fill a teaching vacancy their school has. When a teacher receives a call, they can choose to remain where they are currently teaching or accept the call to go to the new school.

Typically teachers take a few weeks to pray, think things over, look over the information about the new call provided by the school, talk with their families, and hear the thoughts of other staff members, church families, and school families before coming to a decision. Miss Yotter will be doing all of these things during the next few weeks.

When a teacher is pondering a new call, they love to hear from both school families and church families If anyone would be willing to reach out to her to offer her a short note of some encouragement and your thoughts on her work here at Saint Peter Lutheran School, she would certainly appreciate that! Miss Yotter can be reached by email at: myotter@saintpeterlutheran.org

Food Shelf

Throughout April 11, St. Peter Coop and local businesses will be collecting non-perishable items for the Food Shelf. SPLS has bins available outside the office and a jar for monetary collections. Thank you to all who donate!

Men of Truth

The 5th Men of Truth conference, Band of Brothers, will be held April 10 at St. Paul's Lutheran Church, New Ulm, 8 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. (in-person & livestreaming). Five featured speakers led by Keynote Speaker Mark Jeske will explore topics of 1) Get a Brother. You're Not Alone., 2) Be a Brother. Don't Go Alone., and 3) Know Your Sisters. Listen. Treat Women Well. Lunch-on-your-own time will be 11:45 a.m. - 1 p.m. For more information & to register for the event, go to menoftruth.org. Take advantage of an early registration discount! (We will be following current health guidelines at time of the event).

Saturday, March 27, 2021 Curbside pickup 10 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. St. Peter Lutheran Church



Your children are invited to a curbside event where they will be handed items that celebrate Jesus' forgiveness through His death and resurrection.

Easter Story books, Easter craft projects and snacks will be given to each child. Children ages 3-10 are invited to accompany their parents/guardians to a curbside pickup in front of the main entrance to Saint Peter Lutheran Church & School in the 400 block of South 5th Street across from Gorman Park. If you have any questions, please contact the church office at 931-1866.

First come, first served.

MIDWEEK LENTEN WORSHIP AT ST. PETER LUTHERAN **WEDNESDAYS 4:30 & 6:30 P.M.**

The 2021 midweek Lenten service them will be Hands of the Passion. When we consider Jesus and the people around him in his Passion, we can't help but think of their hands—the hands that beat their breast, accepted money for betrayal, swung swords, pointed in accusation, beat and disavowed, praised, washed, were pierced, and offered eternal life. In short, we can't help but think about how we sinners have had the same sinful hands of those who surrounded Jesus in his Passion, and how Jesus our Savior has touched us with his hands of grace.

March 17 | Hands of Repentance | Pastor Phil Gieschen, St. Peter

March 24 | Hands of Self-Preservation | Pastor Jack Kelly

Other News

Minnesota Valley Lutheran

MVL Routes with Palmer Bus Service: Palmer Bus Service provides safe and reliable transportation for students. We are now hiring school bus drivers for MVL routes. Full-time and part-time positions available with paid training! Contact Site Manager Ray Vulcan at rayv@palmerbusservice.com to learn more.

MVL Booster Club Jeans & Dreams Auction: The MVL Booster Club has moved the date of its "Jeans & Dreams" Auction to August 21, in the hopes of having an in-person event at Turner Hall in New Ulm. The auction has already received some amazing seasonal donations; those items will be up for bid in a special online auction running March 20-27. Mark your calendars with these new dates and check Facebook or mvl.org for updates.

MVLHS Director of Mission Advancement Position Open: Minnesota Valley Lutheran High School seeks a WELS or ELS male to serve as Director of Mission Advancement. Interested individuals should contact MVL Principal, Dr. Tim Plath, for more information at 507-354-6851 or tplath@mvlhs.org.

Martin Luther College

.The Martin Luther College Choir will livestream a sacred concert titled "In Jesus' Name" on Sunday, March 28, 2021, at 3:00 pm. It will include selections featuring a variety of composers and musical styles. In addition to settings of psalms and hymns, the program will feature the masterwork Jesu, Meine Freude (Jesus, Priceless Treasure) by JS Bach and selected choruses from Felix Mendelssohn's Elijah. Please join us by livestream at mlc-wels.edu/choir-2021.

Volunteers Needed in St. Peter

I'm Dalton Kalina with Lutheran Social Service. I am the Community Development Manager for our LSS Meals program. We have an urgent need for Meals on Wheels volunteer drivers in the City of St. Peter, Monday through Friday. I am hoping you may be able to help promote our need for volunteers within the community! Details:

- 1. We have delivery routes that usually start at 11 a.m. and will take about 45 minutes to an hour long in St. Peter.
- We offer contact-less delivery (meaning you knock and leave the meal and then walk away to see if they pick up the meal).
- We have gloves and masks available for volunteers.

People interested in volunteering can contact our Site Coordinator in St. Peter, Howard at 507-469-8847. Please let me know if you know of anyone wanting to volunteer and feel free to contact Howard or I with any guestions.

UPCOMING EVENTS

SUNDAY, March 14

8 & 10:30 a.m. | Worship (10:30 a.m. Livestream) 9:15 a.m. | Adult Bible Study and Sunday School 6 p.m. | Women's Bible Study 6:30 p.m. | Confirmation Class

MONDAY, March 15 1 p.m. | Quilters

3:15 p.m. | Lutheran Pioneers

WEDNESDAY, March 17

10 a.m. | Midweek Bible Study 4:30 & 6:30 p.m. | Midweek worship (4:30 p.m. Livestream on Facebook)

FRIDAY, March 19 6 a.m. | Men's Bible Study

SATURDAY, March 20 SPLS Open House/Kindergarten Round-Up

SUNDAY, March 21

8 & 10:30 a.m. | Worship (10:30 a.m. Livestream) 9:15 a.m. | Adult Bible Study and Sunday School 6 p.m. | Women's Bible Study 6:30 p.m. | Confirmation Class

STEWARDSHIP

GENERAL FUND Needed \$12,622.90 Received 3/7 \$18,725.00 Total \$6,102.10 Needed YTD \$380,769.23 Received YTD \$354,135.65 Total (\$26,633.58)

BUILDING FUND Received 3/7 \$400.00

ATTENDANCE

March 7 @8 a.m. 52 @10:30 a.m. 52

Midweek | March 3 @4:30 p.m. @6:30 p.m. 25