THE EVANGEL

Weekly Newsletter

Announcements at SPLCS

Special Voter's Meeting - March 7

The Church Council has called for a special voters meeting to gather at noon, TODAY, in the fellowship hall. The meeting's main item of business is to consider a proposal from the Education committee to equip the commons area of the building to be a temporary Kindergarten classroom while long-range plans are drawn up. We value everyone's thoughts and hope for a large turnout of our members.

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 <u>April 10, 2021</u> 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.

Ladies Aid

Ladies Aid will meet on <u>Thursday, March 11 at 1:30 p.m.</u> St. Peter Food Shelf workers will be our guest speakers. All ladies of our congregation are invited to come. Please bring your own treat. Coffee will be provided.

Easter Plants

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

Food Shelf

Throughout the month of March, 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 <u>April 10 at St. Paul's Lutheran Church, New Ulm, 8 a.m. -</u> <u>2:30 p.m.</u> (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 10 | Hands of Misguided Zeal | Pastor Tom Smith, Owatonna

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

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



Other News

Minnesota Valley Lutheran

<u>MVL Routes with Palmer Bus Service</u>: 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.

<u>MVL Assistant Golf Coach Needed:</u> MVL is looking for an assistant golf coach for this spring. A person who wants to share their love and knowledge of the game with young people. Practices and meets take place after school. For more information contact Craig Morgan at cmorgan@mvlhs.org or 507-276-7576.

<u>MVLHS Director of Mission Advancement Position Open:</u> 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

Martin Luther College is now accepting applications for one full-time Early Childhood Learning Center Assistant Teacher. A comprehensive description for this position can be found at mlc-wels.edu/hr. Interested individuals should apply online. Applications will be accepted through 12:00 pm (noon) on Tuesday, March 9, 2021. Additional information and details can be obtained by contacting the Martin Luther College Human Resources Office at 507-354-8221.

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.

- 2. We offer contact-less delivery (meaning you knock and leave the meal and then walk away to see if they pick up the meal).
- 3. 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 questions.

JLMLC Job Posting

Jesus Loves Me Learning Center in North Mankato is looking for classroom assistant teachers and aides who have enthusiasm and passion for children, patience and a sense of humor, good communication skills, and are flexible. Please pick up an application from the church office or the Jesus Loves Me office. You may also email me for an application at directorjlm@stpaulsnorthmankato.com or call me at 507-345-7707 or 507-508-2041.

UPCOMING EVENTS

<u>SUNDAY, March 7</u> 8 & 10:30 a.m. | Worship (10:30 a.m. Livestream) 9:15 a.m. | Adult Bible Study and Sunday School 12 p.m. | Special Voters Meeting 1 p.m. | Spanish Worship Service 6 & 8 p.m. | Women's Bible Study 6:30 p.m. | Confirmation Class

<u>MONDAY, March 8</u> 3:15 p.m. | Lutheran Pioneers

<u>TUESDAY, March 9</u> 6:30 p.m. | Church Council Meeting

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

THURSDAY, March 11 1:30 p.m. | Ladies Aid

<u>FRIDAY, March 12</u> 6 a.m. | Men's Bible Study

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 & 8 p.m. | Women's Bible Study 6:30 p.m. | Confirmation Class

STEWARDSHIP

GENERAL FUND Needed \$12,823.08 Received 2/28 \$16,226.00 Total \$3,402.93 Needed YTD \$370,192.31 Received YTD \$335,410.65 Total (\$34,781.66)

BUILDING FUND Received 2/28 \$600.00

ATTENDANCE

<u>February 28</u> @8 a.m. 56 @10:30 a.m. 84

<u>Midweek | February 24</u> @4:30 p.m. 65 @6:30 p.m. 37