



St. Peter's September KEY

"God Is Still Speaking"

Rev. Mark Milligan, Pastor and Teacher



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In the Life of Our Congregation ... *from the Pastor*

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

I greet you in the name of the Living God, the Risen Christ, and the Sustaining Spirit.

It hardly seems possible, but another summer has come and gone. The schools are again full of eager young minds striving to learn and grow. The baseball season draws to a close with the hope that it will end with a World Series for our favorite team, the _____. Thirty-one football teams around the country begin their futile quest for a Super Bowl trophy that we all know is destined to be the property of the Chicago Bears.

At St. Peter's UCC the Chancel Choir has already begun their practices, so that soon they will be sharing their special gifts with us during our times of worship. The Sunday School teachers have been pouring over the materials they will use to help those who want to grow in their faith. The office has been a buzz preparing for the many events planned to give glory to the name of God. Another great Rally Day Picnic will signal the beginning of a new church year; one alive with the promises of new opportunities for ministry and evangelism.

This is always an exciting time in the life of our church, the unofficial beginning of the church year. It is a time when limitless opportunities for service and ministry lie before us as we discern where God's Holy Spirit is leading us. It is a time when we renew our faith as we boldly begin new journeys down roads whose paths we have never before traveled. It is a time when we rekindle our passion and love for God as we seek that mission where we can best use our gifts and resources to serve God and God's creation.

I pray for God's blessing for us as a church and as individuals as we enter this new church year. I pray that we might have the strength and courage to live the faith we profess. I pray that we might act boldly and decisively so that by our actions people might come to know the one true God, Creator, Redeemer, Sustainer.

Blessings and Peace,

Pastor Mark.



Hello all from the Youth & Family Committee we hope you had a great summer and are ready for fall with our Sunday School Kick off and Church picnic on September 8, 2019. We are very excited, Ms. Cathy and Ms. Jennifer have a fun day planned for the kids and we will be continuing the celebration with the church picnic immediately after church service downstairs in the Fellowship Room. Our committee will supply burgers, hot dogs, brats, buns, and all the condiments but all the sides will be potluck. So sign up in the coming weeks and bring your favorite dish!

Other dates to save Oct 5th for bonfire, Oct 26th Trunk or Treats.



Serving God By Serving Others

If you have any suggestions for events or projects please mention to a committee member. Or come join us at our next meeting September 9th at 6pm in the Friendship room

Admit One

*St. Peter's Presents a Concert by:
Matthew Lipman
To Benefit the Suburban Youth Symphony
Orchestra*

*With Special Guest Artist
Lisa Kristina - Piano*

*Saturday, September 7, 2019
7:30 pm*

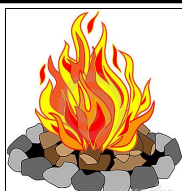
*~ Free Will Offering ~
Proceeds will benefit SYSO and Robin
Lipman Scholarship Fund*

Admit One

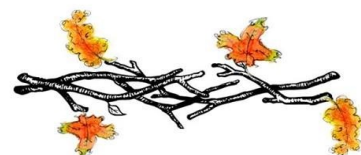
JOIN US FOR FOOD, FUN, & FELLOWSHIP
AS WE KICK OFF THE START
OF THE NEW CHURCH & SUNDAY
SCHOOL YEAR



IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING
WORSHIP SERVICE,
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 8



10/5/19
Bonfire
Stay tuned for more info!!!



I can smell AUTUMN dancing
in the breeze.
The sweet chill of PUMPKIN
and
crisp sunburnt LEAVES.



A Message from Your Church Council President, Darrell Stephen

What's one constant in life? Change! Things are always changing. I'd like to bring everyone up to speed on the proposed construction on the property across from the church on Ash Street. The property just to the west of St. Peter's at the end of Ash Street has been sold. The existing house will be torn down and 3 new homes will be built on that property. The Village of Frankfort has informed us that construction could begin at any time on these homes.

As soon as construction begins, the village will be grinding off the lines for the perpendicular parking that now exists on Ash Street. Two of the three home's driveways will be off Ash Street, necessitating this change in parking. The perpendicular parking on Ash Street WILL NOT return, even after construction has concluded. The plan is to have parallel parking on both sides of this section of Ash Street, just like most streets in town, where available. There will also be a "hammerhead" turnaround at the end of Ash Street. This "hammerhead" will be wide enough to allow a snowplow to properly perform snow removal maneuvers. Once construction begins, please make sure you do not park on Ash Street.

This parking change will affect the drop-off & pick-up for our school students. We will be having both St. Peter's preschool and Montessori school using the East door off the parking lot for drop-offs & pick-ups. Both schools time schedules have been slightly modified to help ease the congestion. The busy times in the parking lot for drop-offs should be 8:20-9:20 and for pick-ups should be 11:10-12:10. We understand that there may be some confusion with this new process, but, hopefully, after a few days, everyone will get into the new routine.

Several St. Peter's members have already met our 'new neighbors' and look forward to the development of that relationship. If you have any questions, please feel free to call the church office (815-469-2220) or me (815-469-4509).

Yours in Christ,
Darrell

Note: One correction is needed. Not everything changes.

"Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever." —Hebrews 13:8

--Darrell



WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP BOOK CLUB SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 15TH AFTER WORSHIP IN THE FRIENDSHIP ROOM

This summer, many ladies chose to spend a few precious moments reading a book entitled *Joshua: A Parable for Today* by Joseph Girzone.

We will be meeting after worship on Sunday September 15th to have a thoughtful & lively discussion around this book. Grab something to eat & drink at "Coffee And..." and head to the Friendship Room.

We hope everyone who read the book enjoyed it and we look forward to seeing you there on Sunday September 15th!



"It's Time...."

I know that late August is the time for thoughts and energies to be focused on Fall fest and school, but please consider joining our choir as well, even for a season.

We will be hosting the Frankfort Ecumenical Thanksgiving Service Sunday, Nov. 24 at 7:00 and would love to add extra voices for that service. We have room for you in any of our 4 sections-high or low men and high or low ladies. You do not need to be able to read music because we have great section leaders and a cd to help. We can even work something out if you have a Wed. evening conflict.

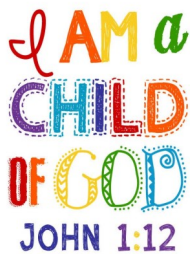
We start our 7:00-8:30 Wed. rehearsals on Sept. 4 in preparation for singing on the 2nd and 4th Sundays.

Please consider giving us a try. We know you will have a good time praising God in song and will be a part of a very meaningful ministry.

If you have any questions, see a choir member or contact Shirley Drobnak, Director @ 708-704-6906.



EVER WONDER WHAT GOES ON IN THE CHURCH NURSERY DURING SERVICE?



You can find out---volunteer! Ask the many people who have participated and they will tell you about the joy they get from spending an hour with God's littlest children.

It's said that it takes a village to raise a child. So come be a part of St. Peter's nursery 'village'! If you can donate one Sunday helping these little ones grow in Christ, please contact Rachael Muenchow (cell/text: 815-685-2470), Jennifer Stephen (cell/text: 815-545-4369) or the church office.

SUNDAY SCHOOL HELPERS NEEDED!!!



The Christian Education Department is looking for adult helpers & substitute teachers. If you could help even one Sunday per school year, please contact the church office or Cathy Dutro, Christian Education Director, at 815-469-3788 or cathleendutro@gmail.com.

Proverbs 22:6: "Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from it."





As a safety precaution, all exterior doors, EXCEPT FOR THE SANCTUARY doors will be locked at 9:45 am on Sunday's.

Regular Office Hours Resume:

M-F, 9:00 am - 1:00 pm

SHEPHERD'S TABLE

On the 5th Monday or Thursday of the month, St. Peter's cooks and serves lunch at Shepherd's Table, Joliet. We invite our congregation and friends to join us in this humbling service to our community.

2019 dates: Monday, 9/30
 Thursday, 10/31
 Monday, 12/30

Contact Sylvia Tewes or Marcia Steward.



Please join us and feel free to bring a friend:

Golf Outing Green Garden Country Club

Sunday, September 29, 2019

\$20.00 golf 9 holes w/cart

\$20.00 for burger/hot dog buffet (if we have enough people)

Thus \$40.00 for golf and dinner, and \$20 for those who just want to socialize and dine.

Please call Wendy in the Office to sign up BY September 22.

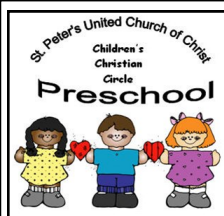
We must give the Golf Club our numbers in advance.

We are once again collecting for Mahalia Jackson Elementary, the school that T-Kay Nagy is the Principal of. Their "needs" list is as follows:

Backpacks, crayons, markers, pencils and more pencils, headphones, Kleenex, primary paper, scissors, folders, and spiral notebooks.

Monetary donations are also welcome! Please put them in the offering plate with a note specifying "Mahalia Jackson".

Thank you so much.



St. Peter's Preschool is almost underway! Our Parent Orientation, Meet the Teacher and First Day of Class will all take place after Labor Day. We have been working on getting our rooms ready for fun and learning! The two's will be enjoying the Suzy Q room, the 3's have a Super Hero theme, one four year old class will be going 'under the sea' and the other four year old class will be in the 'wild west'.

This year we invested in new ride on toys for the outside-- our little ones will love the cozy coupes, trikes, and scooters to ride on!

We are looking forward to a great school year with all 84 children we will welcome!



Sunday, September 8th During Sunday School
 We start off with a welcome back Kick-off full of food, fun, & games---followed by the whole church potluck! We hope to see you there!

3 year olds - 3rd Grade- Cathy Dutro

Here is a little overview of what we do in the 3 year old - 3rd grade Sunday school class: We meet upstairs beginning at 9:30. We begin with 15-20 minutes of devotions during which we sing songs, take an offering, share our joys and concerns, and close with the Lord's prayer. We then hear the bible story and create a craft to take home as a reminder of what we learned.

4th-8th Graders- Jennifer Stephen

I am very excited about this Sunday school year. I have two recent confirmands, Nate Gaines & Evan Sparenberg, who will be assisting me with class.

In my class, I try to make learning fun as we grow closer to Christ and learn more about God's unfailing love. Feel free to sit in on a class at any time!!

What we'll be studying in September, 2019

September 15

Luke 15:1-10

September 22

3-3rd Grade

1 Timothy 2:1-7

4th-8th Grade

Luke 14:25-33

September 29

1 Timothy 6:6-19



Two Quilting Classes Offered for Fall 2019
We're Back!!!!

New quilting classes are now available to anyone interested in learning to sew and producing your own unique quilt, table runner, tree skirt, wall hanging, etc. Match your home décor, or get creative with your favorite themes. There is no charge for classes, but each student must purchase their own fabrics and tools. We hope you will join us, and bring a friend! Sign-up sheets are posted on the classroom door, just inside the parking lot entrance. All are welcome!

Beginner Basics I & II

* Please make an appointment to clean and troubleshoot your machine. Old and/or simple machines are welcome! If you don't own a machine, please contact me. No supplies/tools are needed for the first class.

Intermediates I & II

* For accomplished quilters and those who have completed Basics I & II.

Classes will begin on Mondays (Basics) and Thursdays (Intermediates) beginning September 12th for 10 weeks, ending before Thanksgiving and excluding Halloween.

For more information, please contact Kathy Milligan at 815-685-5957.





Hello, Ladies!!



Wishing you could sneak away for a relaxing time in the mountains?

We've got the perfect plan!

Cozy Mountain Lodge is a relaxing mountain lodge themed retreat the women of our church are doing together. It includes worship, Bible study, and time for laughter as well as time for quiet reflection.

Our retreat will be held in the Friendship Room on two Sunday afternoons—**October 6th & 20th from 1:00 – 4:00 PM**, and the cost is only \$5 per person! This covers individual retreat supplies, fun and refreshing activities, and snacks.

Call the church office (815-469-2220), Jennifer Stephen (815-545-4369-cell; 815-469-4509-home) or Cathy Dutro (815-469-3788) for more information, or stop by our table at the church each Sunday in August to learn more and register.

Take time to relax, to make new friends, to worship, and to draw closer to God.

We hope you'll join us at Cozy Mountain Lodge.

Warmly,
Women's Fellowship Planning Committee



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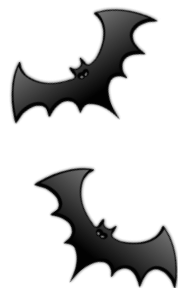
Don't miss this fun and free family event!
St. Peter's UCC Annual

Saturday October 26th
10am - 12pm

St. Peters Church Parking Lot
(if rain, we will be inside!)

Come for lots of fun ...
Face painting, games, prizes, trick or treating,
popcorn wagon, hot chocolate and more!

This event is open to the public so bring family and friends.
Sign-up sheet and Candy Donation Cauldron in the Fellowship Hall



In our prayers...

Adam Carlson, Steve Comstock, Margaret DeLaughter, Bryant Ebert, Kay Fredin, Alice Janssen, Delores Kratzenberg, Lindsay Johnson & Family, Gordon Nelson, Charlotte Pfuhl, Helen Rachford, Lois Schoen, John Schneider, Dianne Schultz, Renee Smith, Eleanore Stewart, Brogan Stillmann, Bruce Stone, Ed Tewes, Dick Trevarthan, Richard Walsh. Also, all service personnel, including: Kevin Rutolo, Capt. Carson Cleveland, Major Jodi Krippel, Major Steven Krippel, Private Minor, Mstr. Sgt. John Fowler. All anonymous needs and requests. Thank God for all answered prayers!

Back to School Blessings from
your prayer chain..

Please call the office, 815-469-2220
or
Delores, 815-469-5106 so we can lift those in need
up in prayer.



FOR SEPTEMBER MISSIONS &
MEMORIALS IS COLLECTING:

SOUP & CRACKERS



PASTOR MARK'S E-Mail:
Email: mmmrev@att.net



"LIKE" us on Facebook!!



Membership and Evangelism

At St. Peter's, we "mug" our visitors and guests!
The coffee mugs, new and improved, are back!

On Sundays, please help the ushers identify
guests and visitors who will, in turn, receive a mug
courtesy of St. Peter's.



CARDS AND NOTES OF ENCOURAGEMENT CAN BE SENT
TO LINDSAY JOHNSON AT THE FOLLOWING ADDRESS:

LINDSAY JOHNSON
Y20859
P.O. BOX 1000
LINCOLN, IL 62656

Vision statement of

St. Peter's United Church of Christ:

**To become an open, loving, and welcoming
community striving to reflect God's love for all
creation.**

September Responsibilities

USHERS: Becky Cleveland, Stacy Holland

COFFEE AND... Stewardship Committee

LITURGIST: 9/29 Paul Muenchow

Men's Fellowship Breakfast
Every 3rd Saturday of the month!!

LUMES
(new larger venue)
8:00 am

Come for good food,
lively conversation and
friendly fellowship!!!



OFFICE HOURS:

MONDAY - FRIDAY, 9AM - 1 PM

Back to School

Summer is over, fall is here.
Back to school for a brand new year!
Pack your things, on the bus you go.
Make new friends and say hello!



Birthday Greetings:

- 9/1 Michelle Cano
Jerry Warning
- 9/2 Ryan Comstock
Taylor Krusemark
- 9/3 Kay Eaton
Nicole Kurucar
- 9/4 Ryan Breakey
Amanda Stone
- 9/6 Rick Johnson
- 9/8 Tippi Graham
- 9/9 Beverly Carlson
Runi Fleck
- 9/10 Robert Lynch
- 9/15 Andrea Boldrey
- 9/17 Jessica Baker
David Delgau
- 9/18 David Bettenhausen
Larry Walsh
- 9/19 Karen DePorto
Cathy Jo Dolgner
Kevin Gustafson
Penne Scaletta
- 9/20 Kathryn Cummins
Soren Fleck
Nicole Hellriegel
- 9/21 David Dutro
- 9/22 Stephen Senesac
- 9/23 Gehrig Batson
- 9/25 Colette Gissler
Darlene Marasco
- 9/27 Nicole Eaton
James Holland
Chip Krusemark

Wedding Anniversaries:

- 9/1/1996 Alan & Laura Batson
- 9/2/2012 Keith & Kara Gustafson
- 9/3/1994 Robert & Susan Lynch
- 9/5/1959 Clarence & Beverly Carlson
- 9/7/1974 Robert & Dianne Schultz
- 9/10/1950 Dale & Delores Krohn
- 9/13/1975 Mark & Kathy Milligan
- 9/13/1986 Donald & Lisa Hellriegel
- 9/18/2009 Cade & Kathryn Cummins
- 9/21/1990 Ken & Kim Capps
- 9/23/1961 Milton & Leora Batson
- 9/26/1967 Terry & Patricia Schroeder

Don't forget to "give" and "get" at the same time!!!

Remember to Support St. Peter's with your
Amazon Smile Order!!!

<https://smile.amazon.com/ch/36-2924265>



COUNCIL MEETING MONDAY 9/16
KEY ARTICLES DUE MONDAY 9/23/19

FRANKFORT HISTORIC BUSINESS ALLIANCE (FHBA)

Please visit www.finditinfrankfort.com for more information.

Upcoming Events:

- 9/29 Wined-ing Through Historic Downtown Frankfort
- 10/24 Witches & Warlocks
- 10/26 Ghosts around the Green with Frankfort Police
Department's Trunk or Treat
- 11/8 Stores Holiday Open House
- 12/6 FAHS House Walk
- 12 7-8 Cookie Walk/Christkindl
- 12/13 Midnight Madness Shopping Event

www.stpetersfrankfort.org

S U N	M O N	T U E	W E D	T H U	F R I	S A T
1 Worship 9:30am Fall Fest Parking	2 Office Closed Labor Day Fall Fest Parking	3 Open Sew 6:30-9pm	4 Choir, 7pm	5	6	7 “Sew What” 9am Concert 7:30pm
8 Worship 9:30 am Communion Sunday School Kick-Off Pot Luck ...	9 Youth & Family 6pm M&M, 7pm	10 Open Sew 6:30-9pm Pastor Vacation	11 Choir, 7pm	12	13 “Sew What” 9am Council Reports Due A.M	14
15 Worship 9:30am Coffee And... Women’s Fellowship Book Club Meeting	16 Council Meeting, 7pm	17 Open Sew 6:30-9pm	18 Worship & Music Meeting, F/R, 10am Choir, 7pm	19 Osmus Memorial, 2pm	20	21 Men’s Fellowship Breakfast, 8am LUMES “Sew What” 9am
22 Worship 9:30am Coffee And...	23 KEY ARTICLES DUE	24 Open Sew 6:30-9pm	25 Choir, 7pm	26	27 Sew What” 9am	28
29 Worship 9:30am Coffee And... Golf Outing	30 Shepherd’s Table 8:15am				<div>Regular Office Hours Resume Monday - Friday, 9:00 am - 1:00 pm</div>	

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SEPTEMBER 2019



SUNDAYS— (Communion is celebrated the first Sunday of the month.)

9:30-10:30 am

Sunday School

9:30 am

Worship

10:30 am

“Coffee and...” First Sunday only during the Summer

WEEKLY

Tuesdays:

*Open Sew, 6:30 pm

Wednesdays:

Choir, 7 pm

* All sewing/quilting classes are held in room #213 off of the east parking lot

September at a glance:

9/1	8:00 am	Fall Fest Parking
9/2	8:00 am	Fall Fest Parking
	All Day	Labor Day, Office Closed
9/7	9:00 am	“Sew What”
	7:30 pm	Concert
9/8	10:30 am	Sunday School Kick-Off Picnic Potluck after Worship
9/9	6:00 pm	Youth & Family Ministry Meeting
	7:00 pm	Missions & Memorials Ministry Meeting
9/13	9:00 am	“Sew What”
	9:00 am	Council Reports DUE
9/15	10:30 am	Women’s Fellowship Book Club Meeting, Book of Joshua
9/16	7:00 pm	Council Meeting
9/18	10:00 am	Worship & Music Ministry Meeting, Friendship Room
9/21	8:00 am	Men’s Fellowship Breakfast, Lumes-Frankfort
	9:00 am	“Sew What”
9/23	9:00 am	KEY Articles DUE
9/27	9:00 am	“Sew What”
9/29	TBA	Golf Outing
9/30	8:15 am	Shepherd’s Table

