



ST. PETER'S EVANGELICAL UCC

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ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL 9:30 AM WORSHIP SERVICE 10:30 AM

PASTOR BRITTANY SCARINGELLO

Greeting St. Peter's Family!

I hope that February treated you well! We are in full swing with Lent. We are having church services twice a week in which I am able to lead. Our Wednesday services are alternating between our sanctuary and the Methodist church. I hope you are able to attend or watch online.

As we are looking toward Easter in a few short weeks, let us consider how we can travel with Jesus on this journey to the cross, to the tomb, and eventually out of the tomb again. Don't forget you can still join us in person or via zoom for our Bible Study on Job! After we finish this one, we will dive into our next Bible study which will be chosen at our next meeting.

If you are having troubles or are in need of pastoral care, please call, email, text or catch me at church. I would love to schedule a private time to talk and pray! I'm so happy to call St. Peter's home and look forward to Easter together!

Blessings,

Pastor Brittany



Lenten Sundays —Sermon Topics and Scripture Reader Schedule:

February 25th Romans 4:13-25 "Traveling with Faith and Laws" David Hampton reading

March 3rd John 2:13-22 "Traveling with Conviction" Chris Rauch reading

March 10th John 3:14-21 "Traveling with Love" Herman Steinmann Reading

March 17th John 12: 20-33 "Traveling With Jesus" Denise Hampton reading

March 24th (Palm Sunday) Mark 11:1-11 "Traveling With Praise" David Rauch reading

March 31st (Easter) Mark 16:1-8 "Traveling to the Empty Tomb" Sherry Coker reading

March Scriptures

Third Sunday in Lent--March 3, 2024

Exodus 20:1-17
 Psalm 19
 1 Corinthians 1:18-25
 John 2:13-22

Fourth Sunday in Lent--March 10, 2024

Numbers 21:4-9
 Psalm 107:1-3, 17-22
 Ephesians 2:1-10
 John 3:14-21

Fifth Sunday in Lent--March 17, 2024

Jeremiah 31:31-34
 Psalm 51:1-12 or Psalm 119:9-16
 Hebrews 5:5-10
 John 12:20-33

Sixth Sunday in Lent-- March 24, 2024 (Palm Sunday)

Isaiah 50:4-9a
 Psalm 31:9-16
 Philippians 2:5-11
 Mark 14:1-15:47 or Mark 15:1-39, (40-47)

Maundy Thursday--March 28, 2024

Exodus 12:1-4, (5-10), 11-14
 Psalm 116:1-2, 12-19
 1 Corinthians 11:23-26
 John 13:1-17, 31b-35

Good Friday--March 29, 2024

Isaiah 52:13-53:12
 Psalm 22
 Hebrews 10:16-25 or Hebrews 4:14-16; 5:7-10
 John 18:1-19:42

Resurrection of the Lord--March 31, 2024--Easter Day

Acts 10:34-43 or Isaiah 25:6-9
 Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24
 1 Corinthians 15:1-11 or Acts 10:34-43
 John 20:1-18 or Mark 16:1-8

Liturgical color for Lent is purple.



Mid-Week Lenten Services: (7:00 p.m.)

- February 28, 2024 St. Peter's Church
- March 6, 2024 Billings UMC
- March 13, 2024 St. Peter's Church
- March 20, 2024 Billings UMC

Maundy Thursday (7:00 p.m.)

- March 28, 2024 Christian Church

Easter Sunrise Service:

- March 31, 2024 St. Peter's Church




Confirmation Class

Meet with Pastor Brittany

March 17, 2024

6:00 pm



St. Joseph Catholic Church

March 1st, and March 15th from 5-7PM



Bible Study will meet on March 25 at 6:00 p.m. (Zoom or in person at the Fellowship Hall).



The Ladies Friendship Guild meeting was called to order by President, Diane Zell, with 6 members in attendance. Treasurer, Charlene Rumley, reported a bank balance of \$4,011.61 as of 2/1/24. She sent several Sympathy, Get Well & Thinking About You cards since November's meeting (Dec. meeting canceled due to Judy Rauch's funeral & Jan. meeting canceled due to weather). St. Peter's Church Board Guild Representative, Denise Hampton, gave the Church Board report.

Under Old Business Diane Zell thanked everyone for helping with the funeral meal for Judy Rauch. She then read thank you letters from the Emmaus Home, the Convoy of Hope, & Every Child's Hope for the donations made to them from the Friendship Guild. She also read the Rauch Family's note thanking the Friendship Guild for the wonderful funeral meal.

There was no New Business to report. Charlene Rumley gave the topic on behalf of Cindy Wagemann from Guideposts' "His Mysterious Ways" titled, "More Than Coincidence" & a short reading re: Ash Wednesday."

ST. PETERS EVANGELICAL CEMETERY INC.—ANNUAL MEETING—January 28, 2024

The annual meeting of St. Peters Evangelical Cemetery Inc. was called to order at 12:00 pm by President David Thomas. The minutes of the last meeting and the treasurer's report were presented by Secretary/Treasurer Bobbi Rauch. Motion was made by Amber Tinsley, seconded by Sherry Coker, to approve both as read. Motion carried.

Bobbi Rauch announced that she will be stepping down as secretary/treasurer, effective immediately, due to personal reasons. President Thomas and the congregation thanked her for her service and dedication the past several years.

President Thomas opened up nominations for the 2024 Cemetery Board. A motion was made by Bobbi Rauch, Seconded by Gale Boswell to elect by acclamation David Thomas, President; Sam Schaumann; Vice President; and Mary Kastendieck, secretary/treasurer. Motion carried.

New business: President Thomas discussed the need for gravel for the cemetery driveway. Additionally, a work day will need to be scheduled later in the year to clean fence rows and address other maintenance items.

President Thomas announced that mowing bids are open for 2024. Bobbi Rauch noted that last year the cost was \$250 per mowing. President Thomas indicated that donations are welcome and needed to help pay for the cost of mowing this year.

Motion was made by Sherry Coker, seconded by Amber Tinsley, to adjourn. Motion carried.



The Community Easter Sunrise Service will be held at St. Peter's Church on March 31, 2024. Time will be announced.



Game Night
Saturday, March 2, 2024 at 4:00 pm
At the home of Alan/Pat Ware
Bring friend!

ST. PETER'S EVANGELICAL UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

FINANCIAL REPORT

JANUARY 2024

CASH ON HAND	JANUARY 1, 2024				\$ 61,998.64
RECEIPTS:	<u>Week 1</u>	<u>Week 2</u>	<u>Week 3</u>	<u>Week 4</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
Current Exp.	9,060.00		950.00	2,590.00	12,600.00
Loose	30.00				30.00
Paw Packs	100.00				100.00
TOTALS	<u>9,190.00</u>	-	<u>950.00</u>	<u>2,590.00</u>	12,730.00
RENTAL INCOME					700.00
INTEREST INCOME					<u>45.68</u>
TOTAL CASH ON HAND AND MONTHLY RECEIPTS					\$ 75,474.32

ST. PETER'S EVANGELICAL UCC
ACTUAL ANALYSIS
2024

	<u>ACTUAL RECEIPTS FOR CUR. EXPENSE</u>	<u>ACTUAL DISBURSE- MENTS FOR CUR. EXPENSE</u>
JANUARY	13,376	9,381
YTD	<u>13,376</u>	<u>9,381</u>
DIFFERENCE =		3,995

Special dates

- World Day of Prayer, *March 1, 2024*
- Daylight saving time begins, *March 10, 2024*
- First day of spring, *March 19, 2024*
- Holy Week, *March 24-31, 2024*
- Palm/Passion Sunday, *March 24, 2024*
- Maundy Thursday, *March 28, 2024*
- Good Friday, *March 29, 2024*
- Easter Sunday, *March 31, 2024*



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MARCH

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 5-7 pm Fish Fry at St. Joseph's	2 Game Night 4:00 pm At the Ware's
3 -9:30 Adult SS -10:30 Worship (Communion)	4	5	6 Lenten Service 7:00 UMC	7	8	9 10:00 am Friendship Guild
10 -9:30 Adult SS -10:30 Worship 	11 6:30 pm Church Board	12	13 Lenten Service 7:00 St. Peter's	14	15 5-7 pm Fish Fry at St. Joseph's	16
17 -9:30 Adult SS -10:30 Worship -6:00 pm Confirmation Class	18	19 	20 Lenten Service 7:00 UMC	21	22	23
24 Palm Sunday -9:30 Adult SS -10:30 Worship	25 -6:00 pm Book Study	26	27	28 Maundy Thursday 7:00 Christian Church	29	30
31 Easter!				-		



St. Peter's Annual Congregational Meeting Minutes-Sunday, January 28, 2024

The 143rd Annual St. Peter's Evangelical UCC Congregational Meeting was called to order by Sherry Coker at 11:20 am. The 2023 Annual Meeting Minutes were approved as read by Amber Tinsley. Sherry thanked Amber for her time this year as church board secretary. The 2023 Financial Report was presented by Danny Hutter. Danny summarized the report for the congregation. There were no questions from the members of the congregation and the report was approved as read. Sherry thanked Danny for his service as church board treasurer this past year.

Audit Report: Fred Zell reported that all financial records for the church and the cemetery are in order with no discrepancies found. He expressed his thanks to Danny Hutter for his service. Sherry thanked the auditing committee for their work. Sherry also expressed a need to form a maintenance committee to help with repairs and maintenance for the church and rental properties.

Pastor's Report: Pastor Brittany reported some statistics including number of home and hospital visits, baptisms, funerals, regular services and special services. Sherry thanked Pastor Brittany for her efforts this year.

Organization Reports:

1. Ladies' Friendship Guild: Charlene Rumley reported that the Guild continues to support church members with gifts, flowers, and cards as needed. They served a funeral dinner for Judy Rauch, observed the guild anniversary dinner at the home of Pat Ware and gave a donation of \$170 in appreciation for Pat hosting the meal, sent a \$243 donation to the Emmaus Home at Thanksgiving, gave Norma Wagemann an angel when she was in the hospital, sent Convoy of Hope a \$100 check at Christmas, sent Paw Packs and Ministerial alliance each a \$75 check, and sent the Children's Home a check for \$350 at Christmas. The ladies guild did a lot of work in the kitchen and basement to clean and organize the church. They also still provide needed cleaning supplies and paper goods. They currently have a balance of \$4,011.61 as of January 1st.
2. Sunday School: David Rauch reported a balance of \$433.03 left over from the old sausage suppers.
3. Adult Sunday School: Chris Rauch reported a balance of \$2,087.67. These funds are used to buy study materials, Christmas Candy, and help with the youth group as needed. Denise Hampton encouraged others to come join the class with current attendance of around 10 members.
4. Youth Group Report: Activities are currently being restarted with hopes of more events in the future.
5. Board Report: Sherry thanked Pastor Brittany for how hard she works and how much she achieves in her part time hours. She encouraged all of the congregation members to think about the role of the pastor and what tasks might be able to be performed by us instead of in the pastor's limited time. She reminded us that we were a small but blessed church with many resources especially considering the size of our congregation.

Sherry thanked the members of this year's church board, particularly Amber Tinsley and David Rauch who are leaving the board, for their time and hard work. She also thanked all congregation members who contributed to the work of the church in any way.

Board Election: The board has the following positions available and makes the following recommendations:

1. Chris Rauch, Trustee (3-year term)
2. Mary Kay Kastendieck, Secretary
3. Danny Hutter, Treasurer
4. Denise Hampton, Ladies' Friendship Guild Representative

Motion was made for nominations to cease and elect the slate of officers by acclamation by Luella Thomas. Seconded by Diane Zell. Motion carried.

Amber Tinsley thanked Sherry Coker for her service as President of the church board.

Meeting adjourned.

MARCH

Birthdays

03/05 Cassie Staiger
03/07 Andrea Schultz
03/10 Kellen Bick
03/18 Samuel Faris
03/19 Pat Ware
03/21 David Hampton
03/26 Jaydn Dziwanowski
03/27 Jane Staiger

MARCH

Anniversaries

03/24 Andy/Cassie Staiger
03/25 Alan/Jennifer Williams



PRAYER list

Health & Wellness:

Larry Mathews, Steve Netzer, Jean Ann/Jenise Huffman, Aaron Sears (Denise Hampton request), Jeannette Wilson (Friend of Cindy Wagemann), Dwight Worstenholm (Chris Rauch's brother), Ann Staiger (Hearing), Shirley Snyder (Luella Thomas's Friend-cancer), Brandy Richter, Rebecca Davis, Mike Rauch, Mary Steinmann, Jennifer Williams, Alicia Verch, Jessie Verch, Mary Beyer, Jami Stocker, Norma Wagemann, Sonya Sears, Marcus Moore, Carol Forester, Bruce Baker, Larry Smallwood, Rex Tinsley, Debbie Custer, Juanita Stephenson, Tari Schaumann Smith, the Middle East, Ukraine, and all those dealing with illnesses.

In Sympathy: Family of Betty Ann Rauch-Grady; Family of John Boustead; Family of Dana Coble

Because Jesus Said So....

One intriguing person in the Passion account is the thief on the cross whom Jesus promised a same-day entrance to paradise (see Luke 23:43). Pastor and radio host Alistair Begg says he can't wait to meet that man and ask how everything unfolded. "You were cussing [Jesus] out with your friend," Begg says. "You've never been in a Bible study. You've never been baptized. You didn't know a thing about church membership, and yet you made it!"

In a sermon, Begg pictures an imaginary angel at the pearly gates, growing frustrated during the sinful thief's entrance interview. After receiving no clear answers from the thief about doctrines such as justification, the angel finally asks, "On what basis are you here?" The thief simply replies, "The man on the middle cross said I can come."



March 2024						
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24	25	26	27	28	29	30
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