

**THIS WEEK'S WORSHIP NOTES**

**THE FLOWERS**

The flowers in the chancel are given to the glory of God by John and Holly Bauer in honor of their 15<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary, on July 5<sup>th</sup>.

**IN OUR PRAYERS**

In our prayers today, we remember St. John Lutheran Church at Union Corners and their pastor Stacy Lauer-Scovanner.

**ASK THE PASTOR SERMON SERIES**

Last week our topic was being more involved in church. Upcoming topics will focus on Abraham, Judges, and miracles. A complete list of the summer series topics is posted on the bulletin board.

**STEWARDSHIP MINUTE**

Last week we affirmed the fact that God owns everything and we occupy the highest place in created order. We now look to humanity as the steward of God's creation. We have no ownership, we are the highest of God's creation, and we have been given the great responsibility for the care of His possessions for the benefit of all creation and our fellow human beings. Understanding this, that all we have belongs to God and we are his stewards, then our faith will influence how and what we do with that entrusted to us. No longer will we think "how much will I give back to God" but we will start thinking "am I doing enough with God's possessions?"

**FROM BISHOP BEAUDOIN**

Our Year of Prayer memory verse is Philippians 4:6 *"Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God.* For more resources on the Year of Prayer, go to [www.nwos-elca.church](http://www.nwos-elca.church).

**OUTREACH NEWS**

**MEALS ON WHEELS**

Make a difference!! Meals on Wheels is looking for volunteers who would be willing to deliver meals to seniors and those in need, in Norwalk. The individuals who receive the meals are grateful that someone is willing to deliver, what might be the only hot meal they eat all day. Please help us to care for those in our community. Do you have an hour to spare to help others?? If you or a group are interested or would like more information please contact Chris at 419-668-6244 ext. 29.

**CHRISTMAS IN JULY**

St. Peter will once again participate in the Community Action Commission's "Christmas in July" program that provides school clothes and supplies for local children. Beginning this weekend, a Christmas tree decorated with gift tags will be in the narthex. Each tag will include a child's name, age, size, and clothing item. To participate, select tags from the tree and purchase the requested item. Gifts should be returned to church and placed under the tree by Sunday, July 29. In addition to the tags, please use the sign-up sheet on the bulletin board. See the newsletter insert for more details. Thank you for supporting this project and helping local families prepare for a new school year.

**CHURCH NEWS**

**GROWING IN FAITH/YEAR OF PRAYER**

The Liturgical Arts Team hopes that you are taking note of the changing, growing nature of the art and decorations in our narthex, sanctuary, and chapel. To incorporate Bishop Beaudoin's designation of 2018 as the Year of Prayer, we are creating a "growing" tree of prayer in the narthex. Please choose a leaf from the table in the narthex and on it, write a prayer of thanksgiving, a spiritual insight you have received, a prayer concern or request, or a comment on where you have seen God at work in the world. Place the leaf in the basket and we will start "growing" our prayer tree.

**PASTOR ANN'S BLOG**

Missing those insightful (!) pastor articles from the old monthly Parish Post? You can fix that by checking out Pastor Ann's blog at: [www.pastorannmarshall.wordpress.com](http://www.pastorannmarshall.wordpress.com) or click on the link found on the St. Peter webpage under "News." Sign up to follow the blog, and new articles will be delivered to your email as soon as they are posted.

**10:30 USHERS**

We are in desperate need of ushers for the 10:30 service. Even if you can only help for a week or two, please sign your name (with the dates available) on the sign-up sheet on the bulletin board in the narthex. THANKS!

**YOUTH DIRECTOR SOUGHT**

Our longtime Youth Director, Vickie Hemenway, is stepping down from the position that she has held for 11 years. The Council has appointed a Search Team and we are currently accepting applications for the position. As a demonstration to our continuing commitment to our youth, we are seeking a half-time Youth Director who will have increased responsibilities. We are also seeking someone who has some prior experience with organized youth activities and/or specialized education in youth ministry. If you are

interested in the position or know someone who is, please contact the church office.

### GLOBAL FARM CHALLENGE

The Youth Group would like to thank everyone who donated to the Global Farm Challenge. Through your kindness and generosity, they were able to collect \$1061 to take to the Houston Youth Gathering in addition to their \$1000 offering.

### UPCOMING EVENTS

#### 4<sup>TH</sup> OF JULY PARADE

Join in walking in the 4th of July Parade. We will let you know where and when to meet when we know. ALSO, we would appreciate donations of NON-MELTY candy for the parade. Place it in the tote in the narthex. Thanks!

#### LIFE TREE CAFE

The Lifetree Café will be held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of the month from June through August, from 7:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. behind the Zion Lutheran Church in Huron. The next scheduled event is July 9. More information is available on the table in the narthex. Everyone is welcome to attend.

#### 90<sup>TH</sup> BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION

The family of Dorothy Brooks invites the members of St. Peter to join them in celebrating Dorothy's 90<sup>th</sup> birthday. An open house is being held on Saturday, July 21 from 3 – 6 p.m. at Memorial Lake Park Clubhouse at the Norwalk Reservoir and all are invited.

#### SUNSET CRUISE

The Fellowship Committee invites you to join us for a Sunset Bay Cruise aboard the Goodtime I on Thursday, August 16. The family-friendly cruise boards at the Jackson Street Pier at 6:45 p.m. and returns at 9:00 p.m. While on board, enjoy light entertainment. Pizza and beverages will be available for purchase. Tickets are \$9.25 for adults and \$5.25 for children 5-15. Children 5 and under are free. Please sign up on the bulletin board no later than July 29.

### CALENDAR

#### SUNDAY – JULY 1

8:00 a.m. Holy Communion – Sanctuary  
10:30 a.m. Holy Communion – Sanctuary  
1:00 p.m. N.A. – Youth Room

#### MONDAY – JULY 2

7:00 p.m. N.A. – Youth Room

#### TUESDAY – JULY 3

6:00 p.m. Youth Grant Making – Fellowship Hall

#### WEDNESDAY – JULY 4

*\*4<sup>th</sup> of July Parade\**

#### THURSDAY – JULY 5

6:00 p.m. Youth Grant Making – Fellowship Hall  
7:30 p.m. Finance & Property Committees – 206

#### FRIDAY – JULY 6

7:00 p.m. N.A. – Youth Room

#### SATURDAY – JULY 7

5:30 p.m. Service of The Word – Chapel

#### NEXT SUNDAY – JULY 8

8:00 a.m. Holy Communion – Sanctuary  
10:30 a.m. Holy Communion – Sanctuary  
1:00 p.m. N.A. – Youth Room  
4:00 p.m. Northside 4H – Fellowship Hall

*Announcements are due by noon on Wednesday.  
Room assignments are made by Marty and Pastor Ann.*

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#### Worship Schedule

Saturday 5:30 p.m.  
Sunday 8:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.