

**ST. PETER LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
**SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**  
**Service of Holy Communion/**  
**The Rite of Affirmation of Baptism**  
**May 4-5, 2024**

**Prelude**

**GATHERING**

Thanksgiving for Baptism  
 Gathering Song #383  
 Greeting  
 Litany for Easter (Sat)  
 Hymn of Praise (8:00) p. 140-141  
 Prayer of the Day

**WORD**

Children's Message (Sun)  
 First Reading Acts 10:44-48  
 Psalm Psalm 98  
 Second Reading 1 John 5:1-6  
 Gospel Acclamation (Sun) p.142  
 Gospel Reading John 15:9-17  
 Sermon (Sat/8:00) Pastor Ann Marshall  
 Testimonies (10:30)  
 Concluding Remarks Pastor Ann Marshall  
 Hymn of the Day #805  
 Rite of Affirmation of Baptism (10:30)  
 Nicene Creed (Sat./8:00)  
 Prayers of Intercession  
 Peace & Announcements

**MEAL**

Offering Song #481  
 Offering Prayer  
 Great Thanksgiving  
 Eucharistic Prayer (Sat/8:00)  
 Words of Institution (10:30)  
 Lord's Prayer  
 Lamb of God, Communion Hymns (Sun)  
 p. 146, #838, #595

Table Blessing  
 Prayer after Communion

**SENDING**

Benediction  
 Sending Song #449  
 Dismissal

**Postlude**

**CALENDAR FOR MAY 5-12, 2024**

**SUNDAY-May 5- 6th Sunday of Easter/Rite of Affirmation of Baptism**

8:00 am Holy Communion-Sanctuary  
 9:15 am Sunday School-FH  
 10:30 am Holy Communion & The Rite of Affirmation of Baptism-Sanctuary  
 12:00 pm Staff Support-Rm 206  
 1:00 pm NA-Fellowship Hall

**MONDAY-May 6**

11:30 am Chair Aerobics-Fellowship Hall  
 7:00 pm 4-H Pet Pals-Fellowship Hall  
 7:00 pm BSA Troop 208-Barn/Fellowship Hall  
 7:00 pm Executive Committee-Rm 206

**TUESDAY-May 7**

6:00 pm Cub Scout Pack 208-Rm 104 & FH  
 6:15 pm Bell Choir Practice-Rm 206  
 7:30 pm Senior Choir Practice-Balcony

**WEDNESDAY-May 8**

11:30 am Chair Aerobics-Fellowship Hall

**THURSDAY- May 9**

9:30 am Women's Daytime Bible Study-Rm 206  
 7:00 pm Church Council-Rm 206

**FRIDAY-May 10**

7:00 pm NA-Fellowship Hall

**SATURDAY-May 11-7th Sunday of Easter**

8:00 am Men's Bible Study-Narthex  
 Noon-4:00 pm Whitman Party-Kit & FH  
 5:30 pm Holy Communion-Sanctuary

**SUNDAY-May 12-7th Sunday of Easter**

8:00 am Holy Communion-Sanctuary  
 9:15 am Sunday School-Fellowship Hall  
 10:30 am Holy Communion-Sanctuary  
 1:00 pm NA-Fellowship Hall

**Our Mission:** Making Christ known by loving and serving others  
**Our Vision:** A community where faith is formed and all people are loved,  
cared for, and valued as children of God  
**Our Core Values:** Teaching, Learning, & Sharing Jesus:  
Children, Youth, Families; Quality Worship; Sharing Our Resources

## **THIS WEEK'S WORSHIP NOTES**

### **TODAY'S WORSHIP NOTES**

This weekend is the Sixth Sunday of Easter. We will have The Rite of Affirmation of Baptism with our confirmands at the 10:30 service. Holy Communion will be given at all three services. The 10:30 service is broadcast on WLKR and Facebook.

### **TODAY'S BULLETIN**

Today's bulletin is available on the St. Peter webpage ([stpeter-elca.org](http://stpeter-elca.org)). Click on Worship at the top, then Scriptures, then the bulletin and script dates.

### **IN OUR PRAYERS**

This weekend, we pray for our confirmands who will confirm their faith in the Rite of Affirmation of Baptism on Sunday at the 10:30 service. Hudson Bauer, Viola Culler, Abecka Ruggles, and Addison Yetter will share their testimonies and affirm their desire to continue as disciples of Jesus Christ.

### **ALTAR FLOWERS**

This week's radio and altar flowers are given by Marc and Betsy Ruggles in honor of daughter Abecka's confirmation. The 2024 flower calendar is on the bulletin board in the narthex. Please sign up on the date you would like and designate the occasion. The price is \$40.00. Flowers may be picked up before noon on Sundays or on Monday during office hours.

### **ALTAR GUILD**

This month's Altar Guild servants are Cindy Hooker and Lee Ann Wetzel.

## **UPCOMING WORSHIP**

### **NEXT WEEKEND**

Next weekend is the Seventh Sunday of Easter. Jesus prays for his followers in John's gospel on the night before his death and always includes Jesus' desire that his followers will be one as he and the Father are one. Holy Communion will be given at all three services. The 10:30 service is broadcast on WLKR 95.3 and Facebook.

## **CHURCH NEWS & UPCOMING EVENTS**

### **PASTORAL VISITS**

If you are hospitalized or ill and want the pastor to visit you, please call her mobile phone at 419-602-9405.

## **YOUTH CHICKEN BBQ**

The Annual Chicken BBQ is on May 19. Tickets are on sale in the narthex for \$15. If you'd like to donate food items, see the display in the narthex.

## **YOUTH GRANTMAKING COUNCIL CAR WASH**

Come and support the Youth Grantmaking Council by having your car washed on Saturday, May 18, from 11-3:00 pm in the church parking lot. Cost is by donation.

## **CONFIRMATION TEACHER**

With Pastor Ann's impending retirement, we will need to find someone to take over the confirmation class in the fall. The pastor has curriculum, templates, PowerPoints, videos, and other materials that can be re-used. If you are interested or have questions, contact the pastor.

## **CELEBRATE THE SAVIOR AT VBS**

This year, Vacation Bible School week is July 8-12 from 9 am-12 pm. Our theme is "Celebrate the Savior." We will learn about Jesus' unending love and forgiveness. Ages 4 (with preschool experience) through 6th grade are welcome. Registration will open May 19. We hope to see you there! We are always looking for any amount of help during this fun week. Keep your eyes open for the sign-up board in the narthex. If you have questions, please contact the office.

## **YEAR OF REST**

Bishop Beaudoin (Bishop of the Northwestern Ohio Synod) has designated 2024 as the Year of Rest. You can find more information on the synod's website: [nwos-elca.org/year-of-rest](http://nwos-elca.org/year-of-rest), including a daily calendar with suggested practices for rest. Copies of the May Calendar of Rest are on the table near the church entrance.

## **BIBLE STUDIES**

The Women's Daytime Bible Study meets next on Thursday, May 9, at 9:30 am in Room 206. They are studying the women of the Bible. All women are welcome!

The Men's Bible Study meets this coming Saturday, May 11, at 8:00 am in the narthex. They are studying the book of Acts. All men are welcome!

The Evening Women's Bible study is at 307 E. Main St., Norwalk, on Wednesday, May 22, at 6:30. We will continue in Chapter 4 of our book "Discovering Hope in the Psalms."

Each person is to bring a side dish or dessert. This will be our last meeting until September. All women are welcome!

## **CHRISTIAN DAY NURSERY SCHOOL ENROLLMENT FOR THE 2024-2025**

It is time to enroll your preschoolers for next year. Registration forms are located on the table next to the office.

## **CHAIR AEROBICS on MONDAY & WEDNESDAY**

The free chair aerobics class will meet at 11:30 am only on Monday, May 6, and Wednesday, May 8, @ 11:30 am. The classes last about 45 minutes; all are welcome!

## **OUTREACH**

### **FUND FOR NEW MISSION PROJECTS**

See a need/outreach opportunity in your neighborhood? Consider applying for a Fund for New Mission Project grant. One can apply for up to \$100 for a one-time mission and \$250 to start a new outreach ministry/program. Remember—the goal is for one to be directly involved in the mission work. Forms are on the table in the narthex.

### **MAY-JUNE QUIET/NOISY BUCKET MONTH**

May 13-June 30, we will be having a quiet/noisy bucket collection for Camp Patmos. All proceeds will be donated to the Piggyback Foundation to send children to camp.

### **REPORT THROUGH APRIL 2024 MONTH END/YEAR TO DATE**

Total Income for Budgeted Expenses	\$127,735.26
Total Expenses for Budgeted Expenses	\$117,406.94
Income <b>above</b> Expenses	\$ 10,328.32

You are continuing to demonstrate your outstanding generosity for the missions of our Church. Our income for April reflects five Sunday deposits as well as the money collected over the Lenten/Easter weekend services. Your giving through the end of April is **greater** than our expenses by \$10,328.32.

### **ATTENDANCE FOR LAST WEEK**

36 (Sat), 54 (8:00), 90 (10:30) with 114 views on Facebook.

***Newsletter articles are due by 9 am on Wednesdays. Please contact the office to schedule any activities.***

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### **Online**

Website [stpeter-elca.org](http://stpeter-elca.org)  
Facebook [facebook.com/stpeternorwalk](https://facebook.com/stpeternorwalk)

### **Worship Schedule**

Saturday	5:30 pm
Sunday	8:00 am
	10:30 am
Sunday School	9:15 am
	September—May

*The 10:30 am service is broadcast on  
WLKR 95.3 & on Facebook*