

St. Peter's Church, West Penn

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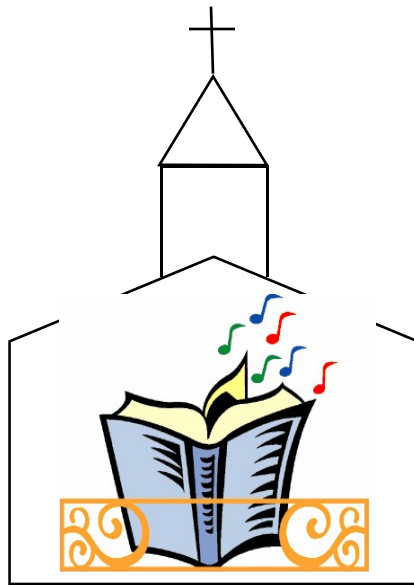
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where worship and service don't stop with the final hymn.

St. Peter's Church, West Penn Mission Statement

"St. Peter's Church, West Penn is committed to providing a family atmosphere for people of all ages. We are a people who sincerely care about each other and the community. We strive to be one people, bonded by Christ's love. We look to the future for the continued vitality that we share today. Through worship, preaching, fellowship, and servanthood, may we reach out to all people as a witness to the living God."

W. A. S. P. News



The first meeting of the new year will be held on **Tuesday, January 16th** at 7:00 PM. Worship will be led by Diane Butkus. Nancy Neff and Diana Schaeffer will be in charge of refreshments.

WASP usually meets in the fellowship hall the third Tuesday of every month, unless a special event is planned. All women are invited to join them.

2023 PORK & SAUERKRAUT SUPPER/BAKE SALE UPDATE

Our Pork & Sauerkraut dinner / Bake Sale this year a huge success! We served 275 dinners and 118 of those were take-outs. The total profit for the dinner and bake sale was \$3882.10.

This annual event by the Sunday School would not be possible without all the people that help make it a success. To everyone who donated money or items for the meal, the bake sale, helped Friday & Saturday, worked in the kitchens, helped serve, sold tickets, worked the bake sale, cleaned up or just came out to enjoy a meal & bake sale, THANK YOU! THANK YOU! THANK YOU!

And mark your calendars for **November 9th, 2024**, for next year's Pork & Sauerkraut Dinner/Bake Sale!

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

Our Annual Congregational Meeting will be held on **Sunday, February 4th** following worship services for the purpose of accepting the 2023 Annual Report and adopting the 2024 budget. All committee and organizational reports are due in the office **by Sunday, January 21st**.

Please plan on attending this important meeting.

NEWSLETTER SPONSORS NEEDED

The cost of mailing our newsletter has risen due to postage increases. If you'd like to help defray the costs, a single sponsor is now \$140.00 or 2 sponsors at \$70.00 each. Thank you for your consideration.

The children of St. Peter's Sunday School will present their Christmas Program *on Sunday, January 7th during our worship service* Please plan to attend and support the youth of our Church.



Looking forward to seeing you!



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Wonderful Winter
By: Barbara Nametko



Winter has arrived and Preschool is extremely excited for the cold weather and especially, snow! We will be bringing some of that wintry weather inside by cutting out and creating our very own snowmen, practicing our names with some name snowmen and lots of snowflakes!

The letters L, M, N, and O will be our focus letters along with the number 6, the color's blue and white and the shape of rectangles.

During January we will be talking about the chilly weather and different things we wear to stay warm. When it is too cold to go outside, preschool likes to stay warm by dancing and singing some of our favorite songs! We love to wave to Ms. Elaine as we march past her office! Sometimes we even stop and sing a song or two for her!



Thank you always to the church for your kind words and continued support! Preschool hopes to warm you up this winter with our crafts outside our room and our pictures on Facebook!



L

M

Stay warm!

N

O



Joyous Noise Offering

PEOPLE HELPING PEOPLE TO MAKE CHRIST'S LOVE KNOWN

The Joyous Noise recipient for the month of November totaled \$118.51 and was designated to Operation Christmas Child. Operation Christmas Child is a ministry project run by Samaritan's Purse. Since 1993, God has used Samaritan's Purse to deliver over 200 million Operation Christmas Child shoebox gifts to children in need and disciple 50 million of these boys and girls.

The Joyous Noise recipient for the month of December totaled \$265.85 and was designated for PA Wounded Warrior. Pennsylvania Wounded Warriors, Inc. was founded on one major goal - to help over 1200 veterans and families each year with over \$1,500,000 in assistance. They provide emergency financial assistance to veterans to help pay for housing, utilities, transportation, medical and other expenses. They pay directly to landlords, vendors and creditors. Pennsylvania's veterans have served their nation in every conflict. Many of these men and women are recovering physically, mentally or emotionally at a military hospital, Veteran's Administration medical facility or with their families at home – and are in need of financial support. Through generous donations, they are able to assist our Pennsylvania veterans.

The Joyous Noise offering for the month of January has yet to be determined.

Checks should be made payable to St. Peter's Sunday School and may be mailed to the church office. If you know of an organization or individual that could benefit from St. Peter's Joyous Noise Offering, please contact Samantha Kistler or Nicole Hunsicker. Thank you for your support!

In case of inclement weather, please listen to WMGH/WLSH Radio Station, watch TV Channel 13 or the Channel 69 website (www.wfmz.com) for any change in the time or cancellation of St. Peter's Church worship schedule.

The article/information deadline is always the 2nd Tuesday of the month.

The deadline for the February issue of the "Cornerstone" is Tuesday, January 9, 2024.

ST. PETER'S | FUNDRAISING FOR BUILDING EXPENSES

The current account balance is \$22,000.00

Recognition:

The *Kitchen Krew* devoted numerous hours towards two apple dumpling fund raisers. 2,108 apple dumplings were made in October. 1,917 dumplings were made in November. The annual Thanksgiving filling fund raiser equaled 425 quarts sold. A huge thank you to everyone who purchased these items.

Thanks for all the hard work by so many! You are appreciated

Kitchen Krew News:

The *Kitchen Krew* is planning some future fundraisers~ the details have not been finalized yet..we will keep you posted!

For March we are planning to have a soup sale...date to be determined. Also, we are not sure of the kinds of soup that will be available at this time.

Hopefully, in April we will do another combined pizza sale and dip mixes....again...date to be determined.

2024 FLOWER/BULLETIN CHART

Please note that the 2024 chart will be posted on the bulletin board in the narthex. Make sure you have the Sundays you want by filling in the date(s) now. Altar flower Sponsors: \$30.00 per altar arrangement, Piano Bowl: \$30.00 and \$30.00 for an extra arrangement placed on the organ. Contact Susan Hunsicker or the Church Office to reserve your Sunday date. Bulletins can also be sponsored for \$15.00.



Offering Envelopes



2024 OFFERING ENVELOPES are available in the church parlor. And, if you can, while you're getting yours maybe you could deliver envelopes to those who might not be able to pick them up themselves ~ this helps us to keep down mailing costs. Thank you!

Say a Prayer for:

Loved Ones of
Harriet Hoffman
Loved Ones of
Eldora Snyder
Loved Ones of
Dawne (Sensinger) Ladeas
Loved Ones of
Dave Pollock
Loved Ones of
Bruce Kistler, Sr.
Brian Miller
Jeff Steigerwalt
Ben Fink
Hazel Arner
Anne Scott
Bonnie Miller
Kenneth Breiner
Ralph Fisher
Paul David
Jim Koons
Dan Myers
Matt Brickler
Warren Steigerwalt
Gayle Zanders
Rita Yarmell
Dr. Harry Berger
Wesly Whiting
Rose Marek
Tim Phillips
Kenny Breiner
Diane Serfass
Cassie Wolfe
Evor "Butch" Williams
Erlin Moyer
Teresa Fowler
Gregory Slivka
Mary Lou McGowan
Barbara Kershner
Rev. James Seifert
Rev. Russell & Corrine
Heintzelman
Kathy Hoppel

Mark Wolfe
Shawn Phillips
Leonard Miller
Helen Frey
Delores Coombe
Connie Heckman
Gail Thon
Patrick Pulanco
Bob Goerner
Bruce Miller
Rev. Russ Campbell
Chester Jones
Gary Steigerwalt
Dan McMullen
Loretta Beers
Teena Miller
David Schoch
Erin Coombe
Karen Lenhart
Billy James
Laurie Black
Darryl Moyer
Betty Breiner
Sherry Seip
Maggie Wehr
Nancy Domanski
Melinda Frey
Linda Agosti
Logan Pribila
Bruce Wolf
Lori Fairchild
Franklin Mackes
Thomas Miller
Mark Abrachinsky
Greg Blackall
Lana Kuehner
Zayden Mabey
John Kowlewski
Aiden Kreimendahl
Mike & Bernice Delp
Gino Lorady
Kim & Dave Carson
Louise Billman

Tony Masor
Sherry Walz
Darlene Kunkel
Erla Biasi
Carolyn Kunkle
Jillian Datchko
Russel Stull, Jr.
Donna Roderick
Jaden Leiby
Justin Klotz
Gene McCormik
William Shirar
Amy Meixsall
Jackson Delebar
Austin Klein
Melissa Drake
Lorna Hart
Carson Barron
Caroline Lantz
Nancy Barkus

**Those on
Our Visitation List:**

Buddy Arner, Jr.
Matt Brickler
Edith Coombe
Robert Coombe
Olga Faust
Lynn Gerber
Dorothy Miller
Larry Miller
Leonard Miller
Velma Schaeffer
Warren Steigerwalt
June Williams
Doris Wolfe

Our Missionaries:
Michael, Kay, Mikayla,
Leilani, & Michael Killar
Maude, Valera, Zarina,
Alexander, & Nicolas
Motovilov

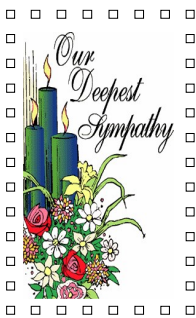
Our Military Overseas:

*Deployed to Israel: Tyler Resch
Deployed to Japan: John McGuire
Deployed to Africa: Jonathan and Michelle Liggitt*

Our Military Active Not Deployed:

*Patrick Donahue, II
Mark Habel
Dustin Hoppes
LeRoy E. Kromer II
Timothy Kromer
Ezekiel Kuneck
Sean Kurtz
Antonio Lorenzo
Dominic Lorenzo
Amanda Miller*

*Lisa Miller
Austin Resch
Trevor Schilling
Andy Snyder
Ryan Snyder
Chad Wehr
Mark West
Scott West
Michael Zeigenfuss*



Our sympathies go to the family and friends of
David Pollock
who passed into eternal life on
December 5, 2023

Eldora Snyder
who passed into eternal life on
December 6, 2023

Bruce Kistler, Sr.
who passed into eternal life on
December 5, 2023

Please remember these families in your prayers.

St. Peter's Church Family,

Thank you so much for the gift cards that were given to us at Thanksgiving. We all appreciate your thinking of us at this time.

Matt, Susie & Abby Brickler



*Dear People at St. Peter's Church,
Beverly and Alan Exner here. We wanted to thank you for the gift card for Walmart. You people are truly angels and really care.
Beverly & Alan Exner*

Daily Lectionary Readings for January 2024

Monday, January 1, 2024: Numbers 6:22-27; Psalm 8; Galatians 4:4-7
Tuesday, January 2, 2024: Psalm 148; Proverbs 1:1-7; James 3:13-18
Wednesday, January 3, 2024: Psalm 110; Proverbs 1:20-33; James 4:1-10
Thursday, January 4, 2024: Psalm 110; Proverbs 3:1-12; James 4:11-17
Friday, January 5, 2024: Psalm 110; Proverbs 22:1-9; Luke 6:27-31
Saturday, January 6, 2024: **Epiphany** -Isaiah 60:1-6; Psalm 72:1-7, 10-14; Ephesians 3:1-12
Sunday, January 7, 2024: **Baptism of the Lord**- Genesis 1:1-5; Psalm 29; Acts 19:1-7
Monday, January 8, 2024: Psalm 69:1-5, 30-36; Genesis 17:1-13; Romans 4:1-12
Tuesday, January 9, 2024: Psalm 69:1-5, 30-36; Exodus 30:22-38; Acts 22:2-16
Wednesday, January 10, 2024: Psalm 69:1-5, 30-36; Isaiah 41:14-20; John 1:29-34
Thursday, January 11, 2024: Psalm 139:1-6, 13-18; Judges 2:6-15; 2 Corinthians 10:1-11
Friday, January 12, 2024: Psalm 139:1-6, 13-18; Judges 2:16-23; Acts 13:16-25
Saturday, January 13, 2024: Psalm 139:1-6, 13-18; 1 Samuel 2:21-25; Matthew 25:1-13
Sunday, January 14, 2024: 1 Samuel 3:1-10, (11-20); Psalm 139:1-6, 13-18; John 1:43-51
Monday, January 15, 2024: Psalm 86; 1 Samuel 9:27-10:8; 2 Corinthians 6:14-7:1
Tuesday, January 16, 2024: Psalm 86; 1 Samuel 15:10-31; Acts 5:1-11
Wednesday, January 17, 2024: Psalm 86; Genesis 16:1-14; Luke 18:15-17
Thursday, January 18, 2024: Psalm 62:5-12; Jeremiah 19:1-15; Revelation 18:11-20
Friday, January 19, 2024: Psalm 62:5-12; Jeremiah 20:7-13; 2 Peter 3:1-7
Saturday, January 20, 2024: Psalm 62:5-12; Jeremiah 20:14-18; Luke 10:13-16
Sunday, January 21, 2024: Jonah 3:1-5, 10; Psalm 62:5-12; 1 Corinthians 7:29-31
Monday, January 22, 2024: Psalm 46; Genesis 12:1-9; 1 Corinthians 7:17-24
Tuesday, January 23, 2024: Psalm 46; Genesis 45:25-46:7; Acts 5:33-42
Wednesday, January 24, 2024: Psalm 46; Proverbs 8:1-21; Mark 3:13-19a
Thursday, January 25, 2024: Psalm 111; Deuteronomy 3:23-29; Romans 9:6-18
Friday, January 26, 2024: Psalm 111; Deuteronomy 12:28-32; Revelation 2:12-17
Saturday, January 27, 2024: Psalm 111; Deuteronomy 13:1-5; Matthew 8:28-9:1
Sunday, January 28, 2024: Deuteronomy 18:15-20; Psalm 111; 1 Corinthians 8:1-13
Monday, January 29, 2024: Psalm 35:1-10; Numbers 22:1-21; Acts 21:17-26
Tuesday, January 30, 2024: Psalm 35:1-10; Numbers 22:22-28; 1 Corinthians 7:32-40
Wednesday, January 31, 2024: Psalm 35:1-10; Jeremiah 29:1-14; Mark 5:1-20



*Blessed are those who read and hear the Word of God
and keep it.*

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