

March 2025

# Saint Peter's News



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## **COUNCIL 2025**

Council President- Dr. Alan King

Council Vice-President- Linda Lambirth

Treasurer- Ken Kluttz

Council Secretary- Kathy Lentz

Outreach- Glenda Vickers

Indoor Property-Larry Nesbitt

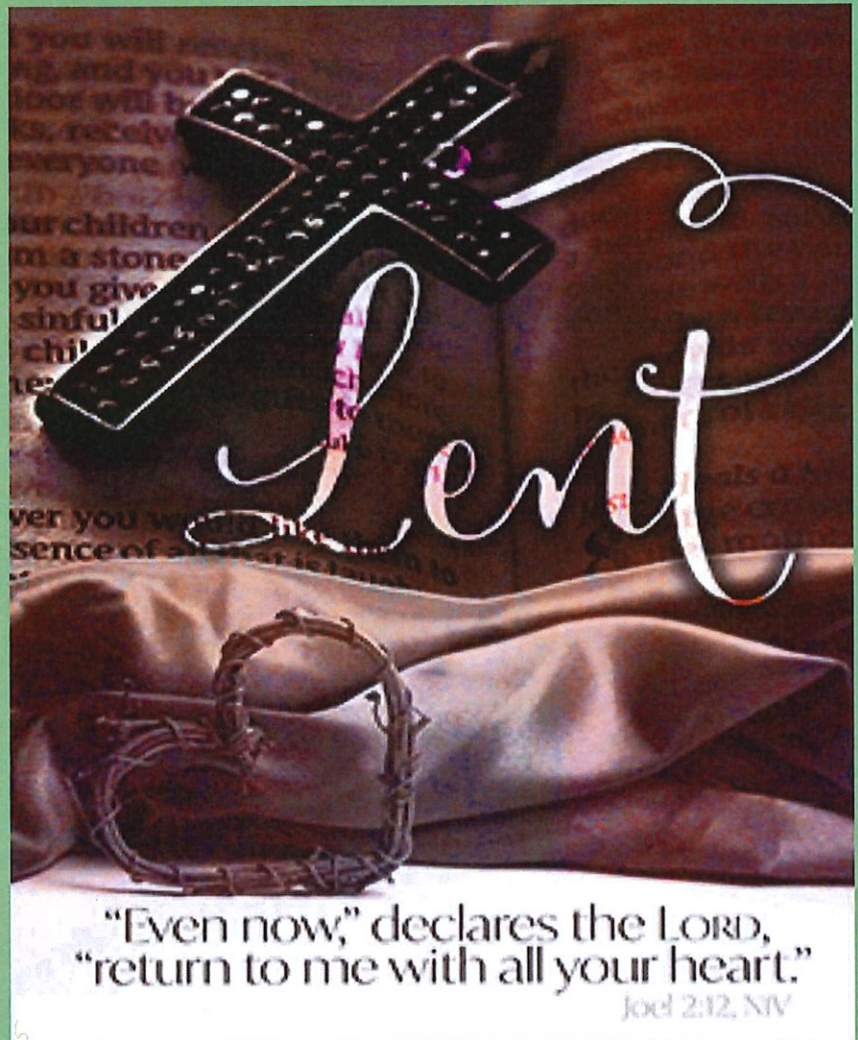
Outdoor Property- Frank King

Christian Education- Ellen Troutman

Cemetery- Jerry Sides

Youth- Jan McCulloh

Care for Congregation- Mysti Harris Dean



## Nursing Home Members and Homebound

Junior Lyerly-1435 Sides Rd. Salisbury, NC 28146

Sue Misenheimer-Trinity Oaks (306-A) 728 Klumac Rd. Salisbury, NC 28144

Judy Peeler- Trinity Oaks (#231C) 728 Klumac Rd. Salisbury, NC 28144

Marcia Ritchie-1226 Stonewyck Dr. Salisbury, NC 28146

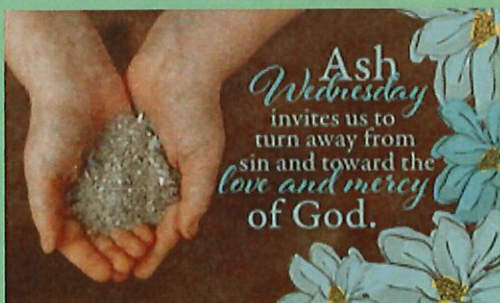
Marlene Shue-6325 Hwy. 152 East, Rockwell, NC 28138

Brenda H. Trexler-Brookdale Senior Living (Room # 28)  
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Lynn DeBerry- 3665 St. Peter's Church Rd. Salisbury, NC 28146

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***From the Pastor's Desk:***

***"You are dust and to dust you shall return."***

***Last night was Ash Wednesday. As I marked twenty-four foreheads, I repeated the same phrase..."You are dust and to dust you shall return." I used to be afraid of death. I used to wonder if my life was lived in vain. Have I done all the right things? Said all the right prayers? But as I listened to Bishop Tim's sermon to rostered leaders during one of four Chrism Masses, he helped me realize I have been thinking about the wrong things and asking the wrong questions!!***

***In baptism, we die to self and are raised to new life...a new life in Jesus Christ...the one and only person who has defeated death. And in rising to a new life in Christ, we are now free to live...live the life we have been called to live.***

***During Lent, our Sunday worship services will explore the theme God on the Move. God incarnate in Jesus did not stay in one place for long. His earthly ministry was one of moving from one place and encounter to the next. He also moved through every part of the human experience, encountering everything from temptation, to joy, to suffering, and even death. This series help us reclaim the movement of Jesus' ministry from temptation to condemnation, through his teaching and miracles and finally through the story of his death and resurrection. As we encounter the life and ministry of Jesus, we cannot stay the same. Our lives should be changed. We ourselves are moved to grow and change as followers and imitators of the gospel.***

***Lent provides us the opportunity to delve deeper into our own self-examination and take time to sit with the God who has moved in our own lives. Now that we are free to live the life we were created to live in and through the baptismal waters, we can ponder how we are never alone. God has been and is still on the move in our own lives. God walks with us as we walk our own Lenten journey of self-discovery and self-reflection of what it means to be a child of God. And God walks with us every step as we travel the road to Easter!***

***"We are dust and to dust we shall return." Now let's freely live as people of God.***

***Lenten Blessings!***

***Pastor Sue Lynn***





## **Importance of Almsgiving and Acts of Service During Lent**

During the season of Lent in the Lutheran Church, the importance of almsgiving and acts of service is emphasized as a way to grow in faith and deepen one's relationship with God. Almsgiving, which is the act of giving to those in need, is seen as a crucial part of Lenten observance. It is a way to show love and compassion to others, following Jesus' example of selflessness and generosity.

Acts of service, on the other hand, involve actively serving others in various ways. This can include volunteering at a local shelter, helping out at a food bank, or even reaching out to a neighbor in need. Such acts not only benefit the recipient but also allow individuals to experience the joy and fulfillment that comes from helping others.

During Lent, many Lutheran churches organize specific initiatives to encourage almsgiving and acts of service. They may collect donations for organizations that support the less fortunate, or they may offer opportunities for congregants to volunteer their time and skills. This communal effort fosters a sense of unity and shared responsibility among believers.

Engaging in almsgiving and acts of service during Lent not only benefits others but also helps individuals grow spiritually. It allows them to become more aware of the needs around them and encourages them to live out their faith in practical ways. By being instruments of God's love and compassion, believers are able to experience transformation and draw closer to their Creator.



# ~WORSHIP ASSISTANTS~

Just as the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve.

Matthew 20:28

## Lector

2- Linda Lambirth  
9- Joy King  
16- Ellen Troutman  
23- Jan McCulloh  
30-

## Assistant Minister

2- Jan McCulloh  
9- Mark Shue  
16- Marty Puckett  
23- Sierra Pressley  
30- Jan McCulloh

## Communion Preparers

1st Sunday: Lorrie Olive  
2nd Sunday: Jan McCulloh  
3rd Sunday: Sierra Pressley  
4th Sunday: Linda Lambirth

**Power Point:** Brian White

**Live Stream:** Nathan Pressley

## Council Members Assisting with Holy Communion

January: Jan McCulloh & Frank King  
February: Alan King & Ellen Troutman  
March: Linda Lambirth & Ellen Troutman  
April: Glenda Vickers & Mysti Harris-Dean  
May: Jerry Sides & Larry Nesbitt  
June: Ken Kluttz & Mark Shue  
July: Kathy Lentz & Alan King  
August: Frank King & Larry Nesbitt  
September: Linda Lambirth & Jan McCulloh  
October: Glenda Vickers & Mysti Harris-Dean  
November: Jerry Sides & Ken Kluttz  
December: Kathy Lentz & Mark Shue

## Sound System

3/2- William Barger  
3/9- Daryle Olive  
3/16- Duncan White  
3/23- William Barger  
3/0- Daryle Olive

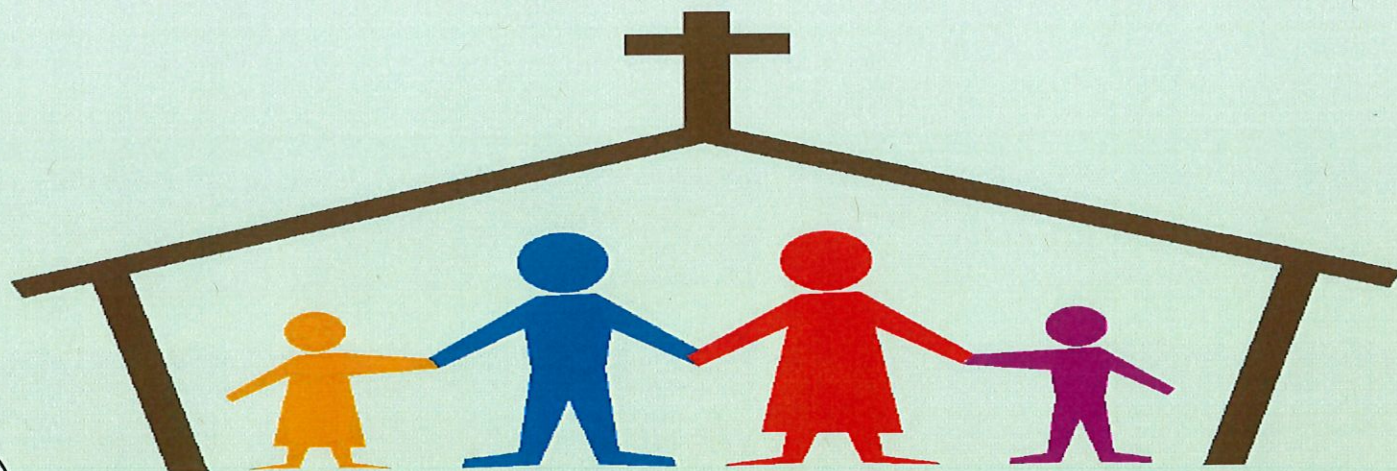
## Ushers

Linda & Bobby Lambirth, Steve & Ellen Troutman  
Linda Lambirth, Ellen Troutman, Marty & Carson Puckett  
Linda Lambirth, Ellen Troutman, Debbie Hill, Ernie Cooper  
Linda Lambirth, Ellen Troutman, Joseph & David Najarian  
Linda Lambirth, Ellen Troutman, Steve & Ellen Troutman

## Money counters

1st Sunday- Ken & Joyce Kluttz  
2nd Sunday- Jamie Lyerly & Debbie Hill  
3rd Sunday- Ken & Joyce Kluttz  
4th Sunday- Jamie & Haley  
5th Sunday- Jamie & Jill Lyerly

If you feel called to help with one of these ministries, your support would be appreciated. Please







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# Thoughts and Prayers



*(If there is anyone listed on our prayer list, that needs to be removed, please call the church office. Thank you! 704-279-5054)*

**Disciples at St. Peter's:**

Marlene Shue, Nancy Monroe, John Trexler, Guy & Betty Puckett, Jim & Phyllis Cornelison, Jerry & Carolyn Sides, Ernie & Linda Cooper, Phil & Carol Boyette, Brenda H. Trexler, Lynn DeBerry, Jean Holshouser (Trinity Oaks), Phyllis Trexler, Marcia Ritchie, Sue Misenheimer, the family and friends of Nancy Blackwelder and Loy Dean "Stoney" Morgan.

**Friends of St. Peter's Family:**

Chris Eller (friend of Pat Kluttz), Gary Lyerly, Jerry (Marcia Ritchie's brother), Annette McKinney, Pat Ridenhour, Vicki Brawley (Cancer, friend of Joy King), Ruth Small (cancer, Debbie Hill's Aunt), and Susan Loflin, Lisa Roseman (Leukemia), Sheila Baringer (Cancer) and Emil Isbanioly (Leslie Puckett's nephew)



2-Brandon boyd  
5-Daniel Porter  
7-Nora Malek  
10- Mark McCulloh, Brian White  
11-Haley Harris  
16-Carol Boyette, Caley Malek  
18-Keith Holshouser, Jo Early  
20-Pat Kluttz  
21-Marty Puckett, Jodi Trexler  
23-Brandon Honeycutt  
24-Allison Cornelison, Marshall Ames  
26-Kim Cozart  
28-Jill Lyerly, Katelyn McDaniel  
29-Joy King  
31-Drew King, Tanner Nance



1-M/M Junior Lyerly  
3-M/M Ken Early  
8-M/M Warren Ratliff  
18-M/M Brian White



Daniel Troutman, Emma Blackwell,  
Bryan Smart, Carley Bodan



# MEMORIAL GIFTS

- ♦ In Memory of those that have passed in 2024 by: **Alfred and Rickie Price**
- ♦ Memorial Fund (pew cushions) by: **Mary H. Trexler and Jennifer McDaniel**
- ♦ In Memory of Nancy Blackwelder (1/24/25) by: **Frank & Barbara King and Bobby & Linda**
- ♦ In Memory of Loy "Stoney" Morgan (2/8/25) by: **Frank & Barbara King and Charles and Brenda Everson**



The Port-a-Pit fundraiser was a huge success! Approximately \$2700 was raised and will be split between youth and the general fund. Many thanks to Jan McCulloh for organizing this event and for all who supported her!



## Preschool News

Dear Preschool Church Family,

We are fast approaching spring. We are very excited for winter to be over and for warmer weather. This month we will continue to work on our letter names, fun theme weeks, and have lots of play time. We welcome all our new families from Wittenberg Lutheran Preschool. Our spring break will be March 10th-14th. Thank you for all of your support and prayers!

St. Peter's Preschool Staff



## St. Peter's Giving and attendance

Total given for February 2025: \$10,336.09

Monthly requirement: \$16,002.92

Deficit for February 2024: \$5,666.83



### Rowan Helping Ministries & Outreach Ministries:



We served 13 clients and had 1861bs. of food donated. March pantry dates are March 8th and 15th from 9:00am to 10:30am. If you would like to help with this ministry contact Debbie Hill or sign up in the Narthex. Thank you for those who help to distribute the food on these Saturdays.

Food Pantry Needs are: soup, crackers, peanut butter, food storage bags, dish soap, laundry detergent, spaghetti sauce, taco kits, dry milk, fruit juice, canned fruit, breakfast foods and canned meat. These items can be placed in the Narthex.

### Souper Bowl Turnout



We had 30 people stay and enjoy soup and fellowship after worship, February 9th. We collected 98lbs of food for the pantry and \$90.

### Meals on Wheels



Meals on Wheels provides meals for those who cannot prepare meals for themselves. It is also a ministry that our church volunteers with delivering meals. All you need transportation, a willing heart, warm smile and a kind word. Please contact George Lentz if you would like to help with this ministry.

### The Lutheran Men in Mission



The Lutheran Men in Mission meets the third Sunday of each month at 8:00 am. All men are welcome to join this ministry. The Lutheran Men invited the men of St. James Lutheran February 16th for breakfast. They will be hosting the upcoming RHM meal for Jeannie's kitchen. They will be serving spaghetti, salad, fruit cups and bread.

### Altar Flowers



If you would like to place flowers on the altar in memory or in honor of a loved one, there is a calendar, by the church office to sign up. Please contact Lorrie Olive for additional questions and to get the vases for the altar.

### New Bible Study



A new Bible study has started. It is based on the book Women of the Bible Speak by Shannon Bream.

### Mission Trip



Anyone interested in the mission trip to help Western NC, July 6-11th please contact the church office by March 14th. There is a \$100 nonrefundable deposit required.





**SHROVE  
TUESDAY**

Mark your calendar for our annual Shrove Tuesday pancake dinner. The Lutheran Men will be sponsoring this event on March 4th in the fellowship hall.



Our Lenten Season will begin with Ash Wednesday on March 5th. Dinner will be served from 5:15-6:15pm in the fellowship hall, followed by worship at 6:30.

## Lenten Events and Service Dates

- ♦ **March 4th: Shrove Tuesday: Pancake Dinner** sponsored by the Lutheran Men in the fellowship hall.
- ♦ **March 5th: Ash Wednesday Service 6:30** (Dinner sponsored by the Youth: Sandwiches/Chips 5-6:15).
- ♦ **March 12th: 1 Lenten Service 6:30** (Dinner sponsored by Worship Committee: Potato/Salad Bar 5-6:15).
- ♦ **March 19th: 2nd Lenten Service 6:30** (Dinner sponsored by Joy King & Kathy Lentz: Spaghetti/ Salad/ Bread 5-6:15)
- ♦ **March 26th: 3rd Lenten Service 6:30** (Dinner sponsored by the Women of the Church)
- ♦ **April 2nd: 4th Lenten Service 6:30** (Dinner: Still open)
- ♦ **April 9th: 5th Lenten Service 6:30** (Dinner Sponsored by Lutheran Men: salad/soup & sandwiches 5-6:15)
- ♦ **April 14th: Palm Sunday Service 10:30**
- ♦ **April 17th: Maundy Thursday Service 6:30** (Dinner Sponsored by Catherine Ward: lasagna, salad, and bread)
- ♦ **April 18th: Good Friday Service 6:30**
- ♦ **April 20th: Easter Day Service 8:00 am** (followed by breakfast in fellowship hall)



# Historical Roots of Lent in Lutheran Tradition

Lutherans around the world observe the solemn season of Lent, a period of 40 days leading up to Easter. During this time, believers reflect on Jesus Christ's sacrifice and prepare their hearts for the joyous celebration of his resurrection. Understanding the historical roots of Lent in the Lutheran tradition allows us to appreciate the significance and practices associated with this sacred season.

1. **Origins in the Ancient Church:** Lent originated in the early centuries of the Christian Church as a time for new converts to prepare for baptism. It soon became a season of spiritual renewal for all believers. The word "Lent" itself is derived from the Anglo-Saxon word "lencten," meaning spring, symbolizing the spiritual rebirth and growth that takes place during this time.
2. **Length of the Lenten Season:** Just as Jesus spent 40 days in the wilderness, Lent spans a period of 40 days, excluding Sundays. This number holds deep biblical significance, representing trials, testing, and purification. It serves as a reminder of the Israelites' 40 years in the desert and Jesus' 40 days of fasting and temptation.
3. **Fasting and Abstinence:** Fasting and abstinence are central practices during Lent. Lutherans traditionally observe fasting on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday, while abstaining from meat on Fridays throughout the season. These practices serve as a reminder to turn our focus away from worldly distractions and towards God, fostering spiritual discipline and self-reflection.
4. **Prayer and Devotion:** Lent is a time for heightened prayer and devotion, providing an opportunity to draw closer to God and seek His guidance in our lives. Many Lutherans participate in daily devotions, meditation, and attending special prayer services. The use of prayer beads, such as the Rosary, can also be a helpful tool in focused meditation and contemplation.
5. **Almsgiving and Service:** Lent encourages believers to act as Christ's hands and feet by engaging in acts of charity and service to others. Lutherans embrace this tradition by dedicating themselves to helping those in need through fundraisers, volunteering, or donating to charitable causes. This expression of love and compassion embodies the teachings of Jesus and fosters a spirit of humility and servant-heartedness.

By understanding the historical roots of Lent in the Lutheran tradition, we gain a deeper appreciation for its purpose and practices. This season serves as a time of reflection, repentance, and spiritual growth, as we prepare our hearts to celebrate the resurrection of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. May Lent be a transformative journey for all who partake in its observance, drawing us closer to God and strengthening our faith.



## What is Shrove Tuesday?

1) Shrove Tuesday is a Christian festival celebrated in many countries across the globe. It falls on the Tuesday before the beginning of Lent – a period of around six weeks leading up to Easter. During Lent, Christians give up luxuries to remember when Jesus went into the desert for 40 days to fast and pray.

2) The exact date of Shrove Tuesday changes from year to year. But one thing stays the same — it's always 47 days before Easter Sunday. And yes, you guessed it, it's always on a Tuesday!

3) The name comes from the old word 'shriving', which means to listen to someone's sins and forgive them. In [Anglo-Saxon England](#), Christians would go to church on Shrove Tuesday to confess their sins and clean their soul. In other words, they would be 'shriven'.

4) In the United Kingdom, [Ireland](#), [Australia](#) and [Canada](#), Shrove Tuesday has another name... Pancake Day! Traditionally during Lent, Christians would give up rich, tasty foods such as butter, eggs, sugar and fat (some Christians continue to do so, in fact). Shrove Tuesday was the last chance to eat them – and what better way to do so than with a delicious pancake!

5) In other countries, Shrove Tuesday has different names. In [Germany](#), for example, it's called 'Fastnacht' (meaning 'Eve of the Fast') and in Iceland it's called 'Sprengidagur' (meaning 'Bursting Day'). In [France](#) and some other parts of the world, the festival is called 'Mardi Gras', from the French phrase meaning 'Fat Tuesday'.

### Let's make pancakes!



bowl



whisk



pancake mix



milk



egg



spatula

1

Pour 2 cups of pancake mix, 1 cup of milk, and 2 eggs into bowl.

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2

Mix all ingredients together.

☐

3

Scoop 1/4 cup of mix and put onto pan. Cook for 1 minute.

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4

When you see bubbles, flip your pancake using the spatula.

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5

Wait 30 seconds. When done, use your spatula to take off pancake. Put on plate.

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6

Let cool down. Add syrup. Eat!

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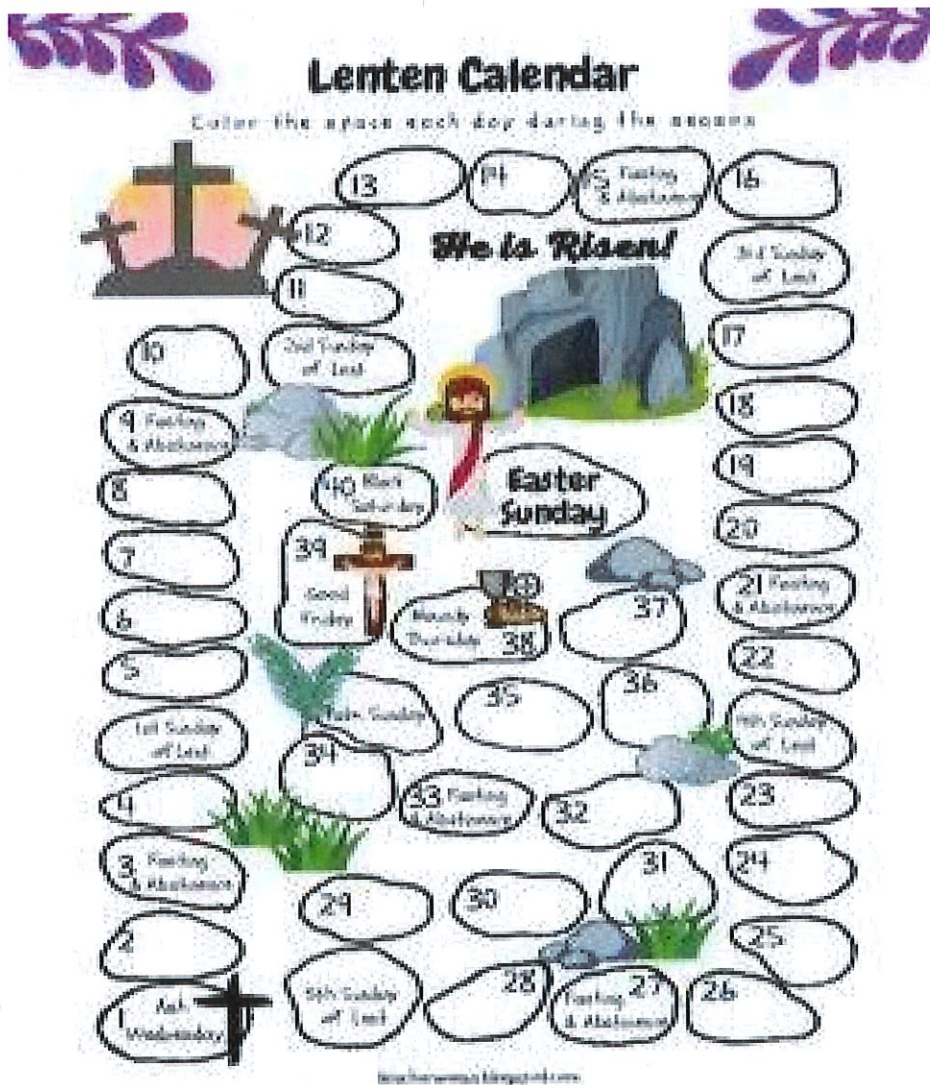


# What is Ash Wednesday?



Ash Wednesday, in the Christian church, is the first day of Lent, occurring 6 1/2 weeks before Easter (between February 4 and March 11, depending on the date of Easter). In the early Christian church, the length of the Lenten celebration varied, but eventually it began 6 weeks (42 days) before Easter. This provided only 36 days of fast (excluding Sundays). In the 7th century, 4 days were added before the first Sunday in Lent in order to establish 40 fasting days, in imitation of Jesus Christ's fast in the desert.

It was the practice in Rome, Italy, for penitents to begin their period of public penance on the first day of Lent. They were sprinkled with ashes, dressed in sackcloth, and obliged to remain apart until they were reconciled with the Christian community on Maundy Thursday, the Thursday before Easter. When these practices fell into disuse (8th–10th century), the beginning of the penitential season of Lent was symbolized by placing ashes on the heads of the entire congregation. In the modern Roman Catholic church, on Ash Wednesday the worshiper receives a cross marked on the forehead with the ashes obtained by burning the palms used on the previous year's Palm Sunday. Worship services are also held on Ash Wednesday in the Anglican, Lutheran, and some other Protestant churches. Eastern Orthodox churches begin Lent on a Monday and therefore do not observe Ash Wednesday.







# WOMEN IN MINISTRY

- ♦ There is a new list of groups to prepare and serve food during special events including funerals. The list has now been consolidated to two groups. A copy is posted in the Narthex and in this newsletter.
- ♦ We will be having a women's fellowship May 3rd for ladies of all ages. More information will be coming. Please make sure to mark your calendar. We would love to see you there.



**Josh Hastings:** Josh currently works at Mean Mug on W. Innes Street. Visit and let him make a cup of Java for you.

**Ian Shue:** Ian attends Catawba College and performs with the Catawba singers. They typically have 4 performances a year including the Christmas Cantata. Come out to one and hear him sing.

**Maggie Ridenhour:** Congratulations to Maggie for being inducted into the National Honor Society at East Rowan.

**Sawyer Kluttz:** Sawyer is on the golf team at East Rowan. Support him by going to one of his golf matches.

**Savanna Kluttz:** Savanna just finished basketball and is now playing soccer and softball. Come out and watch one of her games.

**Mady Ames:** Congratulations to Mady Ames for getting accepted into the Early Nursing program at school!



Please let Jan McCulloh or Pastor Sue Lynn know if you have an upcoming high school or college graduate that we can celebrate this year.

Children are a gift from the Lord. They are a reward for him. Psalms 127:3



# BIBLE READING PLAN:

## *From Death to Life*

During Lent, Christians observe 40 days of confession, prayer and renewal. Just as our Savior fasted and faced temptation in the desert for 40 days, we use this season to grow our faith and prepare to minister.

Use this Bible Reading Plan to follow Jesus to the cross and then rejoice at his empty tomb on Easter. Travel through Scripture to reflect on who Jesus is and what he lovingly endured to give us life.



### The Dry Desert

- Joel 2:1-2, 12-17 [Ash Wednesday]
- Genesis 3
- Psalm 63:1-8
- Matthew 4:1-11
- Sunday: Hebrews 4:14-16



### Hope on the Horizon

- Numbers 21:4-9
- 2 Samuel 7:1-16
- Job 19:23-27
- Isaiah 42:1-9
- Daniel 7:13-14
- Zechariah 9:9-17
- Sunday: Romans 8:22-30



### Our Sacrificial Lamb

- Genesis 22:1-18
- Exodus 12:1-17
- Psalm 23
- John 1:1-34
- John 10:1-18
- 1 Peter 1:18-23
- Sunday: Revelation 5



### Hatred & Persecution

- Psalm 22
- Jeremiah 20:7-13
- Matthew 24:1-31
- John 11:45-57
- John 15:18-25
- 2 Timothy 3:10-17
- Sunday: 2 Corinthians 4



### Hosannas for a King

- Psalm 24:7-10
- Jeremiah 23:5-6
- Matthew 21:1-11
- John 18:33-40
- John 19:1-16
- Hebrews 1:1-12
- Sunday: Revelation 7:9-17



### Journey to the Cross

- John 2:13-22
- Mark 14:1-11
- John 13:1-17
- Matthew 26:26-30
- Luke 22:39-46
- Mark 14:27-31, 66-72
- Palm Sunday: Ephesians 1:18-23



### Victory Through Christ

- Isaiah 53
- Matthew 26:47-56
- Mark 15:16-20
- John 6:47-58 [Maundy Thursday]
- Matthew 27:32-54 [Good Friday]
- Psalm 16:5-11 [Holy Saturday]
- Easter Sunday: Luke 24:1-8;
- 1 Corinthians 15:47-57

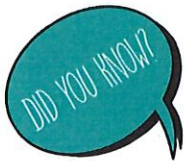
Note: Sundays, known as "mini-Easters," are excluded from Lent's 40 days. But this reading plan includes verses for each day from Ash Wednesday through Easter Sunday.





Lutheridge is turning 75 years old this year. And to celebrate, they are working to raise \$3.6 million to fund much needed upgrades to the facilities as well as paying down debt in order to benefit the camp's long-term viability. If you would like to donate to this campaign, please use the link provided:

<https://interland3.donorperfect.net/weblink/weblink.aspx?name=E5162&id=63>



Did you know there are two other ways to invest in the ministries of Saint Peter's other than physically placing something in the offering plate? The first one is signing up for electronic giving through ACH, which is an automatic bank draft that can be set up weekly, bi-monthly, or monthly. The second way is through using a link to Vanco. This secure link will allow a person to set-up a one-time donation or recurring donations directly to the General Fund. There is a service fee for this convenient way to give that is non tax-deductible. Regardless, how anyone chooses to give, we can't thank you all enough for continually supporting the work God has called us to do!!



# Lent

Calendar

first day of lent:

Do something  
**NICE**  
for a teacher  
or pastor.

Make a cross  
with things you  
find in  
nature.

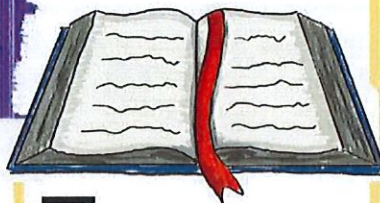
two

Read a Bible  
story or book.

3

Play your  
favorite game  
with someone.

four



5

Give  
someone  
a hug.



**NO**  
sweets  
today!

six

7

Learn an  
Easter song.



8

Make a  
cottonball  
lamb & think  
about how Jesus is  
the Lamb of God.



9

Give away something  
to someone.

Help  
someone  
today.

ten

Draw or  
decorate  
colorful  
Easter eggs.

11



Surprise someone  
with a **SPECIAL  
NOTE.**

12



13

Draw a  
picture  
with chalk  
outside.

14

Pray for  
someone.

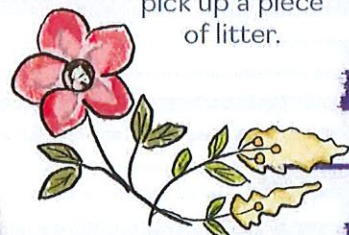


**GIVE  
SOMEONE A  
COMPLIMENT.**

15

16

Help with  
yardwork or  
pick up a piece of  
litter.



seventeen

Share a meal  
with someone.

Perform  
a random  
act of

18

**KINDNESS.**

Download  
Easter  
coloring  
pages, print  
and color.

19



twenty

Tell God what  
you are  
thankful for.



# LIST

reasons why  
you love Easter.

*twenty one*



22  
Draw or  
purchase  
an Easter  
Lily for a  
friend.

*twenty three*

Read John 13:1-17  
and wash  
someone's feet.

Have a palm  
parade around  
your home.

*twenty four*

## FORGIVE

someone for  
something they  
did to you.



25

Draw  
an  
Easter  
picture  
for your  
family.

29

*twenty six*

Talk to someone or  
think about why we  
celebrate Easter.

27

Read  
about  
Good  
Friday.

(John 19:16-37)

Go on a nature  
scavenger hunt &  
find things that  
remind you of Jesus.



28

Collect items  
in a basket  
that remind  
you of  
Easter.

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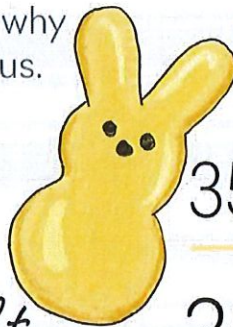


*thirty three*

Play a  
game in the dark  
with flashlights.

Tell someone why  
you love Jesus.

34



35

Play stack  
the Peeps.

(See who can  
stack the most  
Peeps in  
a minute.)

*thirty six*

**GIVE UP**

Something for  
the day.

Make  
an  
Easter  
card.

37

*thirty eight*

Hold the  
door open for  
someone.

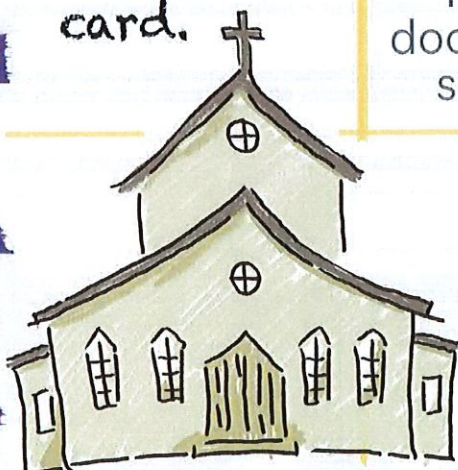
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Read about Jesus'  
resurrection.

(Matthew 28;  
Mark 16;  
Luke 24;  
John 20)



Attend an  
Easter service.





Follow this lenten calendar day to day and put aside the item that applies or add to your shopping list. All donations will be presented at the Palm Sunday service on April 5<sup>th</sup> and then donated to Community Care. If you wish, items may be placed on the table in the Narthex, throughout Lent. Get the whole family involved!

8 MARCH	9	10	11	12	13	14
1 bar of soap if you said a bad word last year	1 box of Jell-O if you said your prayers yesterday	1 can of tuna if you know what SCAW stands for - 3 cans if you don't!	1 pkg of cookies or mix if you have tickets to a special event	1 tin of soup if anyone in the family has 2 coats or more	1 box of kleenex if you had a cold last year	1 pkg of rice if you saw the dentist last year
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
1 pkg. of paper towels if you spilled last week	1 jar of Cheez Whiz if you have a computer in the house	1 tin of veggies if you shoveled snow or cleaned off your car this year	1 tin of meat if you played or watched sports last year	1 bag of flour if a family member has more than 2 pairs of shoes	1 jar of peanut butter for each fireplace in your home	1 can of pasta if you rented a video last year
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
1 tin of meat or tuna for each pet you have	1 pkg of baby cereal if you have fresh fruit in your fridge	1 box of Kraft Dinner if there are any unmade beds	1 box of hot or cold cereal if no grandparents live with your family	1 box of hot chocolate if you have air conditioning	1 can of soup if you had homemade soup last month	1 can of stew if you take vitamins
29	30	31	1 APRIL	2	3	4
1 can of spaghetti sauce if you had a vacation last year	1 jar of jam if a family member has been on a diet in the last year	1 can of fruit if you have a cell phone	1 jar of baby food if you have one or more T.V.'s	1 drinking box if a family member left food on their plate this month	1 tin of juice if anyone in the family takes special lessons	1 bag of carrots if you know our fund raising dinner date.



**5** Palm Sunday

**Thanks for participating!**

**Other Suggestions:**  
 cleaning supplies  
 toilet tissue  
 extra meat or stew  
 cake mix

**shampoo  
 toothbrushes  
 toothpaste  
 extra canned veggies**




# **Your Shopping List**





# March 2025

## St. Peter's Lutheran Church

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
PSLW: Pastor Sue Lynn White						1
2 9:30 am-Coffee Time/ Sunday School 10:30 am-Worship-PSLW Ground Hog's Day	3	4 Shrove Tuesday  Pancake Dinner	5  Ash Wednesday Service 6:30 Dinner: 5:15-6:15	6	7	8 RHM Food Pantry 9-10:30
9 8:00 am- Council Mtg. 9:30 am-Coffee Time/ Sunday School 10:30 am-Worship-PSLW DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME	10	11	12 Lenten Service	13	14	15 RHM Food Pantry 9-10:30
16 8:00 am- Lutheran Men 9:30 am-Coffee Time/ Sunday School 10:30 am-Worship- PSLW	17 	18	19 Lenten Service	20 Spring Begins	21	22
23/30 9:30 am-Coffee Time/ Sunday School 10:30 am- Worship-PSLW	24/31	25 Annunciation of the Lord	26 Lenten Service	27	28	29



## St Peters Lutheran Church Minutes

January 12, 2025

Members Present: Alan King, Larry Nesbitt, Ken Kluttz, Frank King, Ellen Troutman, Jan McCulloh, Linda Lambirth, Mark Shue

Members Absent: Kathy Lentz, Pastor Sue Lynn White, Mysti Dean, Glenda Vickers

Devotions: Alan King - Jimmy Carter's book on Faith and helping others

Breakfast: Jan McCulloh

Meeting Called to Order – Alan King

Approval Of Minutes/Agenda: Jerry approved, Frank seconded

Pastor's Report – Pastor Sue Notes in her report and Alan highlighted challenges during worship services without music. Mark Shue updated the council on Lucy's status. We will be needing music support for the foreseeable future. Council has received feedback and discussed in our meeting that there has been lots of positive feedback on sermons and Pastor's role in general, especially over the past few months. She is doing a great job. Installation of Council members will be on January 19, 2025.

Treasurer's Report – December was a great month financially. We took in over \$24,000 for the budget in December. The end of year/start of new year general budget balance was \$16,693.74. We spent approx. \$9,000 less than budget in 2024. Current memorial totals equal \$13,318.23. A group from the congregation including Jim Lyerly's family, Mary Trexler, Drew Cornelison, Ken Kluttz, Alan King, and Catherine Ward met with Jesse Webb (A Stitch Above Upholstery located on Oliver Rd) to look at material for new pew cushions. The material is a performance fiber that repels water and stains. Replacements will include new pew cushions/kneeling bench cushions/communion bench cushions. Total price will be \$11,000. This includes foam and fabric (\$5707.00), (\$1575) foam, labor (\$3600) a discount of (-\$391.74), and Tax (\$509.74). We have made a deposit \$5500 from memorial fund. Remaining amount due is \$5500. Memorials from Jim Lyerly, Ruth Lyerly, James Trexler, Undesignated, and a \$1000 gift from Mary Trexler will make up amount due. The congregation has previously approved pew cushion replacement as a capital expenditure and needed expense. Current estimate 6 weeks for completion (end of Feb).

### **Committee Reports**

Indoor/Outdoor Property – Larry, Frank, Alan, Ken, Steve, Brian, Alan brown, Alan Kader, David Najarian, Claude, William Barger. Lawn care contract is set through 2025 with no increase. Contract renewal date has been changed to end Dec 31 to align with calendar



year. Drew Cornelison <sup>suggested be put</sup> put a screen in front of the AC units on the sidewalk side. A homeless couple sleeping in their car asked to stay in the parking lot at the hut a couple nights early January. Some Food, water, and gas were provided. Couple were allowed to stay a couple days but asked to find a more permanent living situation for safety reasons.

Christian Education/Youth – Jan McCulloh, Ellen Troutman, Pastor Sue Lynn, Lucy Shue, Lorrie Olive, Linda Lambirth, Sierra Pressley, Nate Pressley. Port a Pit fundraiser (see below); Events in Dec: Movie, Bowling, Journey through Bethlehem, Youth Bags, Lutheranism Sunday School Lessons, Women's Christmas Fellowship. Meeting in January to discuss spring events and Summer Mission trip, VBS, Mother daughter event,

Cemetery/Finance – Cemetery – Jerry Sides, Ken Kluttz, Vic Cozart, Alan King, Alan Boyd, William Barger; no deaths this year, Finance – Jill Lyerly, Jamie Lyerly, Jennifer Welch, Alan King, Ken Kluttz, Jerry Sides, Debbie Hill. Money Counters: Ken and Joyce Kluttz first Sunday, Jill and Jamie Lyerly second Sunday, Ken and Joyce Kluttz third Sunday, Jamie and Haley Lyerly fourth Sunday.

Care for Congregation/ Outreach – Jeannie's kitchen meal January 28, 2025

Worship and Music – Mark Shue, Lucy Shue, Ellen Troutman, Kim Cozart, Linda Lambirth, Sierra Pressley, Pastor Sue Lynn. Meeting in January for Ash Wednesday, Lent, Holy Week and Easter. Last year we tried different settings, wanted to try some new stuff. This year will be working to do other setting and would like suggestions for service.

### **Old Business**

Pew Cushions – see treasurer's report

### **New Business**

Preschool Update – good shape financially; large donation from grandparent made at the end of last year.

Port a Pit – Fundraiser scheduled for Friday February 21 Lunch (11-1) and Dinner (4-7). Jan handed 20 dinner tickets to each council member to sell. Lunch and Dinner tickets will be sold for this event. Tickets are \$13 for chicken half, slaw, beans, roll, and dessert. We will deliver lunch orders of 10 plates or more or they can pick up. Dinner will be dine in or pick up. Contract signed with Port A Pit and deposit has been made (\$200) for at least 440 chicken halves. Port a Pit will be on site for lunch. Proceeds will be split evenly between Youth Missions and General Budget. We are asking the congregation to help us by buying and selling tickets, help to pack plates, deliver lunch orders, and make slaw and desserts.



Committee Work - Alan suggested pairing up committee members to tackle items together, identify committee members, and recruit committee members. We spent 15-20 minutes with our counterparts to discuss committees during this meeting.

Indoor/Outdoor Property - Larry and Frank

Christian Ed/Youth - Jan and Ellen

Finance/Cemetery - Ken and Jerry

Worship and Music/VP - Linda and Mark

Outreach/Care For Congregation - Mysti and Glenda

President/Secretary - Alan and Kathy

2025 Meeting Dates – March 9<sup>th</sup>, May 11<sup>th</sup>, July 13<sup>th</sup> (second Sunday). We will evaluate in July the schedule for the rest of the year.

Meeting adjourned with Lord's Prayer

Respectfully submitted by Jan McCulloh



St Peters Lutheran Church

Balance Sheet

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GENERAL FUND 01, February 2025

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Current Year

**\*\* Unposted transactions have been included on this report \*\***

ASSETS

CHECKING ACCOUNTS

SOUTH STATE CHECKING

General Budget	\$6,137.28
Good Neighbor Fund	716.65
Maintenance	4,640.52
Special Projects	665.97
Sunday School	3,587.03
On Site Pantry Giving	2,978.99
Mission Trip	966.86
youth K5 - 12	4,883.33
Back Pack - Noisy Offerin	141.59
Church Endowment Fund	4,956.63

Subtotal Checking Accounts 29,674.85

SAVINGS/INVESTMENT ACCTS

Reserve Acct (2996)	10,137.59
Capital Improvements 3550	1,656.87
Memorial Fund (2988)	9,108.23
Truist Perpetual Cemete	47,632.77
Cemetery CD-5yr.	100,000.00
Perpetual Cemtry (3803)	2,227.36
Cemetery - MM (4192)	20,463.59
Music Savings Account	20,151.78
Scholarship - F&M # 2147	63,415.34
W.Trexler Scholarship	62.67

Subtotal Savings/investment Accts 274,856.20

OTHER ASSETS

Sales Tax receivable 694.72

TOTAL ASSETS \$305,225.77

LIABILITIES

CURRENT LIABILITIES

PAYROLL W/H PAYABLE

941 Taxes Payable \$968.99

NC W/H 199.00

Subtotal Payroll W/h Payable 1,167.99

TOTAL LIABILITIES 1,167.99

FUND BALANCE

Fund Balance \$304,057.78

TOTAL EQUITY 304,057.78

TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY \$305,225.77



## 2025 Contribution Calculator

Contributions - General Fund		Mo. Receipts	Mo. Budget Req.	YTD Giving	YTD Budget Req.	% Over/Under Budget
January 5th	\$2,300.00					
January 12th	\$1,871.00					
January 19th	\$4,195.00					
January 26th	\$1,630.00					
All Other	\$2,606.56			\$0.00		
Monthly Total		\$12,602.56	\$16,002.92	\$3,400.36	\$12,602.56	78.75%
				Mo. Surplus		
				Mo. Deficit		
February 2nd	\$2,180.00					
February 9th	\$1,200.00					
February 16th	\$1,499.00					
February 23rd.	\$1,860.00					
All Other	\$2,256.56					
BBQ Proceeds	\$1,340.53					
Monthly Total		\$10,336.09	\$16,002.92	\$5,666.83	\$22,938.65	71.67%
				Mo. Surplus		
				Mo. Deficit		