



# St. Peter's Evangelical Lutheran Church

Growing Disciples for Jesus

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Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 16, 2018

**WELCOME!** We rejoice to have you join our prayer today. If you are a visitor, sign our guest book in the narthex and let the pastor know so that he may greet you. Know that you are always welcome among us! Large print worship resources are available. Speak to an usher if they might assist you and inform an usher if you would like to receive communion in the pew.

**IN OUR PRAYERS:** We encourage you to name loved ones aloud during appropriate times at prayers. Please call the church office to request names to be listed in the bulletin. Names are listed for two weeks, and may be continued by your request.

Prayers for Healing are requested for (members in bold type): **Wally Allison**, Julie Becker (Wally's daughter), **Maria Berdat**, **Ludmela Bode**, **Arlene Bottone**, Gabby Cava, **John Crean**, **Erna Cusick**, **Michael Daddura**, Elisabeth Dorovich (Hannelore Born's friend), Gary Fornuto (the Lind's friend), **Jeanne Fry**, **Steve Gilmore**, Joe Guttridge, **Laurie Haddock**, **Harold Haug**, Karen Janhsen (Karen Lasdin's sister-in-law), **Kaethe Koepl**, **Phillip Kraese**, Lia Nielsen (daughter-in-law of Pat and Ron Nielsen), Kirk Niemann (Argie Loizides' friend), **Evelyn Petrasek**, George Rey (Debbie Gerken's great-uncle), **Miguel Roman**, Ronald Rossbach (Franklin's brother), **Eleanor Scherff**, Jeanne Smith, **Mary Sporre**, Jane Strub (Kathy Abdis' friend), **Joanne Taglino**

✠ Family and friends of **Ellen Janhsen**

**SUNDAY CHURCH SCHOOL** classes meet each week for children age 3 through grade 6. Shared gathering for students (and parents) is at 9:30 AM in the chapel before children go to individual classes.



**ADULT BIBLE STUDY** groups gather on Wednesday at 11:00 AM & 7:30 PM. Each week is an informal discussion of the next Sunday's lectionary (the lessons read at worship). Come when you can to prepare to receive God's Word with advance reflection and greater understanding.

**This Week's Readings...** Monday: Psalm 119:169-176, 1Kings 13:1-10, Romans 3:9-20; Tuesday: Psalm 119:169-176, 1Kings 13:11-25, Colossians 3:1-11; Wednesday: Psalm 119:169-176, Isaiah 10:12-20, John 7:25-36; Thursday: Psalm 54, Judges 6:1-10, 1Corinthians 2:1-5; Friday: Psalm 54, 1Kings 22:24-40, Romans 11:25-32; Saturday: Psalm 54, 2Kings 17:5-18, Matthew 23:29-39. Next Sunday's readings and psalm for the **EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**: Jeremiah 11:18-20 or Wisdom 1:16—2:1, 12-22, Psalm 54, James 3:13—4:3, 7-8a, Mark 9:30-37.

**DIAKONIA** is our synod's educational ministry to and with lay leaders. Weekly classes over two years provide a foundation for formation in God's Word and service in the church. Two sites are offered for classes beginning this fall – Thursday nights at Abiding Presence in Fort Salonga and Saturday mornings at Ascension, Deer Park. Speak to Pastor Nelson if you have questions or interest.



**FIFTH SUNDAY FELLOWSHIP BRUNCH!** Join us **September 30<sup>th</sup>** after worship in the lower auditorium as we officially welcome the members of

Nueva Esperanza, who have been invited to share a time of fellowship with us. A delicious brunch will be served. Everyone is welcome to bring their favorite brunch dish to share!

**CHOIRS ARE REHEARSING:** Welcome back!



**Family Choir** rehearses - Thursdays at 7PM.

**Jubilate Choir** rehearses - Sundays, at 8:45AM.

**Adult Bells** begin rehearsals on Mon, Sept 17<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 PM.

New singers or ringers are always welcome.



**SEPTEMBER MISSION:** We are collecting jars of peanut butter and jelly. Please place your donations in the baskets and boxes in the narthex or outside the chapel.

**OCTOBER MISSION CHALLENGE:** Each month we collect designated food items which are donated to local food pantries. This October we have a unique opportunity to **double** our donation to The Helping Hand Rescue Mission. If we collect any 500 non-perishable food items during the month of October for the Rescue Mission, Thrivent Financial will match our efforts with a \$500 cash donation to the Rescue Mission. Are you up for the challenge? If you can donate just 2 items a week during the month of October, we can reach, and even surpass, our goal. Thank you. If you have any questions, please contact Jane Maresco

**MISSION TRIP PLANNING MEETING** Come to the Lower Auditorium on Sunday September 16, 2018 @ 11:30am and learn about a mission trip being planned for the summer of 2019 to Puerto Rico. Hear about our partner Praying Pelicans who we have worked with on 4 previous international mission trips, and hear from seasoned team members who have been on previous trips. Learn about going on a life-changing, faith-filled, amazing adventure to help others and have fun while doing it! Any questions please contact Karen Maresco at [kmaresco@mac.com](mailto:kmaresco@mac.com)

**SYNOD TOWN HALL MEETING** – Nassau & Suffolk lay members will gather at St. Paul's Lutheran Church, 120 Vernon Valley Road, East Northport from 3 – 5 PM on September 23<sup>rd</sup> for a Town Hall Meeting to offer their input about what leadership gifts are needed as we discern the election of a new bishop.

**SERVING AT WORSHIP THIS WEEK...**

Saturday: Nancy Barker, assisting minister

Sunday: Doreen Buckman, assisting minister

Karen Maresco and Ashley Marciszyn, lectors

Ryan Davis and Luke Davis, acolytes

*Next week...*

Saturday: Steve Haddock, assisting minister

Sunday: Chris Carlson, assisting minister

Mike Jensen and Cathy Meuser, lectors

Anthony Carino and Victoria Befumo, acolytes

**SOMETHING SWEET!** At 12NOON, on the **LAST** Wednesday (notice day change!) of every month, we will come together for fellowship and “Something Sweet!” **Wednesday, September 26th**, our next gathering in the Lower Auditorium, is a wonderful opportunity to take time to pause, to connect and to build friendships and relationships with brothers and sisters in Christ of all ages! Simply come! All are welcome.



**BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS** In commemoration of St. Francis of Assisi, the patron saint of animals, we will host a Blessing of the Animals on the church grounds on Sunday, October 7 at 2pm. Pets must be leashed or crated. Please join us...all are welcome!

**FROM THE TREASURER:**

Offering Envelopes Last Week (9/9/18)	Since 7/1/18
Amount received	\$5,860      \$54,425
Amount needed weekly	\$4,749      \$56,987
Over (Under)	\$1,111      (\$2,542)

We count on your **REGULAR OFFERINGS**...Help us keep our “balanced budget” balanced, by making sure that your pledge or planned giving to the church is up to date.

For those of you who are interested, St. Peter’s offers an **ELECTRONIC GIVING OPTION** for making donations on a scheduled, automated basis. It’s convenient for you and provides much-needed financial consistency for the church. Contact the parish office (423-1013) for more information or to enroll in this program.

**LAST WEEK’S NUMBERS...** On Saturday, we were 15 at 5:30 PM worship and on Sunday we were 94 at 10:00 AM worship.

Mark your calendar **BLOOD DRIVE** at Gloria Dei – Tuesday, October 9<sup>th</sup>.



Our next **SENIOR LUNCHEON** is Saturday, Oct. 13th: We cordially invite guests 60 and older to our monthly Senior Luncheon. Join us for a delicious homemade meal, served buffet style, on the second Saturday of each month. We meet in the Lower Auditorium beginning at 12noon. Bring a friend; all are welcome for great food and fellowship. Please call Hannelore Born at 631-757-1487 to RSVP.

**LOOKING AHEAD** - Shop those summer sales now for small toys, school supplies, flip flops, tee-shirts, toiletry items, etc. for **OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD**. Over the past 25 years, Samaritan’s Purse has delivered more than 157 million gift-filled shoe boxes to boys and girls around the world in Jesus’ Name. The gifts allow churches to share the Gospel in areas they might not otherwise access, transforming entire families and communities. Many children also participate in a 12-lesson follow-up discipleship program – “The Greatest Journey” – where they learn to follow Christ and share Him with others.

Prepare a completed box yourself or one together with a friend; you can make this a family project or maybe your Sunday School Class, Choir, or Bible Study group would like to prepare a box. If not, you can donate individual items and the Confirmation classes will assemble boxes. All donations must be put in the Narthex by Sunday, November 11<sup>th</sup>. Brochures/directions are available in the Narthex and Central Corridor bulletin board; boxes are also available for your use. Thank you and God bless!

**NURSERY PRESCHOOL:** Classes have begun. For more information, please contact the Nursery/Preschool office at 631-423-9523.

Do you **FACEBOOK?** St. Peter’s has a page too! Like us and join “Members of St. Peter’s Lutheran Church, Huntington Station, NY” page.

To check out the latest information for the **METROPOLITAN NEW YORK SYNOD**, please check out their website at: [mnys.org](http://mnys.org).

Our congregation’s **EXTRA MISSION SUPPORT** for last year was designated to the ELCA Suicide Prevention Ministry. Check it out at [Suicidepreventionministry.org](http://Suicidepreventionministry.org). The local Suffolk Crisis Hot Line is 631-751-7500.

**HEALING PRAYER:** Those seeking the healing of body, mind or spirit (for oneself or for a loved one) are encouraged to make regular use of this ministry that includes the laying on of hands, prayer and anointing. It is offered on any Sunday (or Saturday) after worship to anyone who requests it of the pastor.

**PASTOR NELSON** (who answers to “Pastor Frank” as well) generally has office hours 9:00 AM to Noon weekdays when he can be reached through the Church Office. His home phone # is (631) 470-4642; his cell # is (516) 841-8423; and his email address is [prflnelson@aol.com](mailto:prflnelson@aol.com). Do not hesitate to be in touch if there are pastoral needs.



This Week at St. Peter's

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 16**

Jubilate Choir Rehearsal	8:45 AM
Sunday School	9:30 AM
Holy Communion (in sanctuary)	10:00 AM
9 <sup>th</sup> grade Confirmation Meeting	11:30 AM
Mission Trip Planning Meeting	11:30AM

**MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 17**

Yoga	6:30 PM
Handbells Rehearsal	7:30 PM

**TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 18**

Council	7:00 PM
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**WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 19**

Adult Bible Study	11:00 AM
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**THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 20**

Family Choir Rehearsal	7:00 PM
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**FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 21**

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 22**

Holy Communion (in chapel)	5:30 PM
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Courtesy of  
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