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HOLY WEEK SERVICES

PALM SUNDAY, April 2 – worship at 9:00 am. We begin the service outside, then process in with Palms before remembering how quickly the crowd turned from Hosanna! to Crucify Him!

MAUNDY THURSDAY, April 6 – Seder Meal/ Communion at Martin Luther, Coletoville, 6:00 pm. More details elsewhere in the newsletter.

GOOD FRIDAY, April 7 – worship at Zion, Arnecke-ville at 7:00 pm.

EASTER SUNDAY, April 9, 2023

EASTER SUNRISE SERVICE is at 7:00 am. Because the Gathering Place is a construction zone, the service will take place in the open area of the cemetery, just inside the side gate. This devotional service will last about ½ hour, and if you cannot stand for that long, please bring your own chair. Join us in this devotional start to Easter Sunday worship as we celebrate the rising of the sOn with the rising of the sUn!

EASTER BREAKFAST follows the Sunrise Service in the fellowship hall at 7:45 am. This year's breakfast will be POTLUCK – so bring your favorite breakfast casseroles, make pancakes or eggs here, or whatever you can think of to share for breakfast.

St. Peter's mission: To grow together as a Christian community in faith, worship and service.



MAUNDY THURSDAY SEDER MEAL

This Lent, on Maundy Thursday, we will go back in time and into our roots as children of God. We will remember how God freed the Israelites from slavery and freed them from Egypt to lead them into the promised land. We will remember their full dependence on God for all He did for them and for all He gave them. We will celebrate the Passover Meal recognizing and respecting the tradition of the Israelites and their celebration of thanks, adoration and remembrance in word and in food. And we will see how this points to the Christian Lord's supper that Christ celebrated with the Disciples on Maundy Thursday. This service will take us from the Jewish tradition of the Passover to the Christian tradition of Maundy Thursday of the last supper. Join us on this amazing night where all four of our church families – Zion, Arneckeville, St. Luke's Schroeder and St. Peter's Ander gather at Martin Luther, Coletoville for this wonderful celebration of remembrance, thanks and praise of God and of Christ Jesus. For more information, refer to the link in the email sent out on March 5, or see the handout available in the narthex. **There is a signup sheet in the narthex if you are planning to attend. Please sign up by April 1 so we know how many to prepare for.**

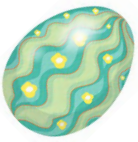
St. Peter's is responsible for providing the fruit salad and the haroset. We will need donations of apples, pears, bananas, canned pineapple tidbits, crushed pecans, raisins. Pastor Anne also needs someone to help her make all this on Wednesday, April 5. If you can help with ingredients or chopping, please contact her.





Happy Easter







APRIL 16 IS FAVORITE HYMN SUNDAY. Members have submitted their favorite hymns, and will be telling us why those are their favorites. Some of them are "golden oldies", some of them are newer, but all a joy to sing as we continue our Easter celebration!

EASTER SUNDAY SCHOOL happens in the fellowship hall after Festival Worship on Easter Sunday. We will hear the Easter story, do a special craft, and maybe play a game or two. Then we will go out and those 5th grade and younger will hunt for Easter Eggs around the property. (Older youth will hide the eggs during the lesson) We need filler for the goodie bags. Please put donations of candy, coins, small toys, and trinkets in the boxes on the desk in the fellowship hall by April 2nd. Cascarones are also requested.

St. Peter's Staff

The Rev. Anne Kolmeier
Pastor

Dorothy Bowman
Organist and Choir Director

Lisa Rock
Church Administrator

Jerry Kolmeier
Custodian

Congregation Council:

David Bowman
President
(term ends 12/31/23)

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(term ends 12/31/24)

Gerald Griffith
Outreach liaison
(term ends 12/31/24)

Pat McDonald
Safety/Security liaison
(term ends 12/31/25)

Sandra Post
Worship/Music liaison
(term ends 12/31/25)

Terrell Wiggins
Property liaison
(term ends 12/31/25)

Wendi Yendrey
Christian Education and Youth Ministry liaison
(term ends 12/31/24)

Lindsey Youngblood
Secretary
Christian Education and Youth Ministry liaison
(term ends 12/31/23)

The Rev. Anne Kolmeier
Pastor (ex-officio)



Church council met on March 19. Highlights of that meeting:

* Outreach is looking into the possibility that our God's Work Our Hands project this year may be building more benches for Crosstrails. They need about 200 more, and we could build them here and have them pick them up when they come for Oktoberfest.
* A laptop has been purchased for church member use, so that the church secretary is the only one with access to the current church computer. Jackie Gardiner is the administrator of the laptop accounts, and everyone who will need access will be given their own password to get into it and save what they need. Anyone needing access to church files, or to print from your own flash drive, is to contact Jackie to set up your account, and let her know what files you need off of the desktop computer.
* Construction update: The kitchen cabinets have been measured for and lumber purchased and they will soon be in progress. Appliances and kitchen countertops and sinks will be selected soon
* The AC units for the sanctuary have both had new capacitors installed in them
* Safety and Security reminds everyone to be conscious of locking outside doors and turning lights off if they are the last one out of the building.
* A fire drill needs to be planned for the near future
* After removing birds' nests, the bell is not working. Terrell will look into it.
* Still no word from the company who is contracted to paint the bell tower.
* Thanks to Aldon Bade for clearing and spraying the cemetery
* So far, pledges committed to the ministry fund are down 27% from last year, at $94,360 (17 giving units)
* Total giving so far towards the $300,000 cost of Gathering Place construction is $93,683.00, which includes payment towards pledges as well as other offerings.

Our turn to work at the Goliad Outreach Food Pantry is WEDNESDAY, APRIL 5th. We gather at the pantry at 9:00a.m. and pack the bags in preparation for their distribution later in the week. We need at least 10 people to help, so if you are willing/able to come, let Gerald Griffith know.







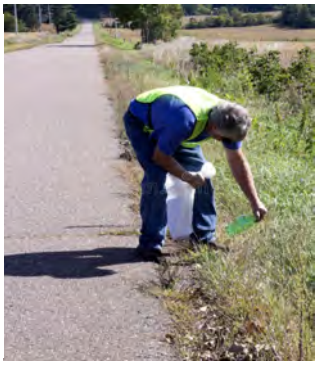
Gathering Place Update: The concrete is poured and ready to build on! One picture shows the new footprint, the other shows the raised slab for the new kitchen building. As you are probably aware by now, two pecan trees were chopped down to make room for the new construction. The trunks will be aged and turned into lumber to make projects for Oktoberfest, but the limbs are too small. If you want pecan limbs for barbecue pits, fireplaces, or whatever, just take them off the pile by the Gathering Place.







Texas Department of Transportation



The Annual **TEXAS TRASH-OFF** is Saturday, **April 1st**. This is when TxDOT asks all of those who have adopted stretches of Texas roadways, to clean on the same day in an effort to Clean up Texas. We will gather at the church at **8:00am** to clean our stretch of FM 1961. Bags and vests will be provided, but bring your own gloves and wear appropriate footwear for long (possible wet) grass and weeds.





March 10-12 was our 53rd annual **CAMP WORK WEEKEND**, this year at Ebert Ranch. Together we built a new Arts and Crafts building and cut and put together 100 benches for outdoor seat-



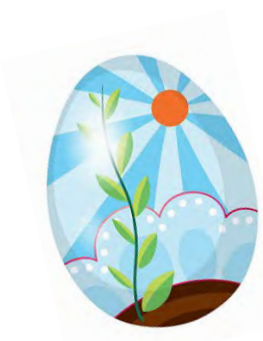




$40 FOR 40 DAYS continues through Easter Sunday. Each member is asked to give $1 to Water to Thrive for every day in Lent to help provide wells for clean water in Africa. Envelopes are on the cross table in the narthex.

Checking Account Report as of 2-28-2023

	Monthly	Year-To-Date
Beginning Balance	$ 125,248.18	$ 156,253.14
Income	$ 35,815.40	$ 71,884.82
Expenses	$ 70,115.39	$ 137,189.77
Ending Balance	$ 90,948.19	$ 90,948.19





APRIL

BIRTHDAYS

APRIL

4-03 Ronda Irwin
4-04 Mike Calhoun
4-05 Kashlynn Tislow
4-05 Trey Wimberly
4-06 Sarah Brandes
4-06 Weston Wimberly
4-07 Garrison Jarzombek
4-08 Payge Brown
4-08 Nathan Irwin
4-09 Jimmie Martin
4-09 Sonny Wiggins
4-11 Harper May
4-12 Archer May
4-12 Trace Wunsch
4-20 Gary Moreland
4-21 Logan Youngblood
4-23 Leslie Wunsch
4-24 Linda Koehler
4-25 Terri Dornburg
4-20 Jess Odem
4-28 Kaylynn Wilburn

If any listings of birthdays or anniversaries are incorrect, or if a listing is missing, please contact the church office at stpetersander@gmail.com.

ANNIVERSARIES

APRIL

4-8-1972 Eva Nell & Gerald Griffith
4-9-2005 Lori & Jason Collins
4-19-1997 Beverly & Jim Martin
4-27-2002 Kellye & Brad Burk





PASTOR ANNE AND JERRY will be on vacation April 10-18. Should a pastoral emergency arise in that time, David Bowman (361-649-6340) can help you to contact a pastor.

POWER of PRAYER

Family and friends—

Verena Albrecht- Ray's Mother

Colby Baker– The Deforest's Nephew

Dwane & Gaye Bruns— brother and sister-in-law of Deanna Wacker

Terra Brand –Terrell Wiggins' niece

Pauladeen Calhoun - mother of Mike Calhoun

Joyce Foster – grandmother of Shelby Foster

Ainsley Garza – cousin of Arlene DeForest and Eva Nell Griffith

***Barry Geary**-church family member (homebound)

***Bob Gerhardt**-church family member

Floyd Gift– friend of Sandy Sanders

Rebecca Graves – friend of Alvin and Arlene DeForest

Olga Gutierrez –friend of Ruby Jank

Tony Haschke - Brother of Beverly Martin and Brenda Foil

Dale Henderson –Margaret Luker's dad.

Ray Jaynes - friend of Pat McDonald

Donna Justice – friend of community

Terry Karnei –brother of Glenn Karnei

Melita Keith – friend of Margaret Luker

Joe & Maureen Ladeairus - parents of Regina Calhoun

Kristen Lambright—friend of Shelby Torres

Loraine—friend of the Posts

Dorothy Lude-Glenn Karnei's aunt

Jo Nell Martin – friend of Debbie Foster

Glenn Miller - brother-in-law of Brenda Bade

Roy Miller—friend of Fran Harding

Randy Moore—friend of John Helwig

***Tom & Marilyn Morris**- church family members

Charles Nixon—daughter-in-law's brother of Fritz and Geraldine Sturm

Mary Poppert – sister of Ina DeForest and Alvin DeForest

Marcos Rezendez—friend of Amy Wilburn

James Rung – son of Greta Henke's friend

Kathy Rutherford—daughter-in-law of Mararet Rutherford

Sara— niece of Eva Griffith

Doug and Kate Schroeder Friends of the Balls

Jay Thigpen – friend of Brandes family



Pray WITHOUT CEASING

Victor Vargas – nephew of Alyssa and Luke Abrameit's wife

***Mike Wilburn**-church family member

Randy Willms—friend of Morelands

Buddy and Mary Nell Young - friends of the community

CONTACT

Remember to contact Pastor Anne by email: revsplca@gmail.com, or by texting or calling her at 361-676-4799, with St. Peter's prayer list updates, the person's current needs, **or when they can be *removed.***

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April Ministry Leaders

Altar Guild:

Apr. 2	Ina DeForest, Jamie Friedrichs
Apr. 9	Ina DeForest, Jamie Friedrichs
Apr. 16	Ina DeForest, Jamie Friedrichs
Apr. 23	Ina DeForest, Jamie Friedrichs
Apr. 30	Ina DeForest, Jamie Friedrichs

Greeter:

Apr. 2	G. Sturm, M. Moreland
Apr. 9	L. & K. Youngblood
Apr. 16	Harley Jarzombek
Apr. 23	Sarah Brandes
Apr. 30	Jamie Friedrichs

Fellowship Committee:

Lana Jarzombek
Shelby Taylor

Offering Counters:

Wesley Ball
Leslie Wunsch

Ushers:

Apr. 2	Garrison Jarzombek, Alvin Deforest
Apr. 9	Glen Karnei, Paul Post
Apr. 16	Wesley Ball, Allison Ball
Apr. 23	Jamie Friedrichs, Eva Nell Griffith
Apr. 30	Glenn Karnei, Karolynn Youngblood

April 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 Parish Hall Reserved 10am TxDOT 8am
2 PALM SUNDAY Worship 9 am	3 Pr. Sabbath Day	4	5 Food Pantry 9 am Choir 6:30 pm	6 MAUNDY THURSDAY Bible Study 10am WELCA 11AM Seder 6 pm In Coletoville	7 GOOD FRIDAY Worship 7 pm In Arneckeville	8
9 EASTER DAY Sunrise Worsh. 7am Breakfast 7:45am Festival Worship 9 am Sun School/Egg Hunt 10:30am	10 Pr. Sabbath Day	11 _____	12 ___Pastor ____	Vacation_____	14 _____	15 _____
16 Worship 9 am Council 10:15 am _____Pastor	17 Vacation_____	18 _____	19 LWR Quilting 9am	20 Pr. Deanery in Victoria 9:30am	21	22 Parish Hall Reserved
23 Worship 9 am Confirmation 10:15	24 Pr. Sabbath Day	25 Mutual Ministry 6:30pm	26 Choir 6:30 pm Bible Study 7:30 pm	27	28	29
30 Worship 9 am						