

**St. Peter's Evangelical
Lutheran Church
Hilltown, PA**

June 2022



The Fishnet



I wish all of you the Blessings of June as we anticipate brighter skies, warmer temperatures, family gatherings, weddings and graduations, opportunities for travel and recreation, the first displays of our spring gardening and landscaping efforts, and much more!

The first Sunday of the month, June 5, is Pentecost, when we celebrate the coming of the promised Holy Spirit and the birth of the church. The story is found in Acts 2:1-21. Because the liturgical color of the day is red, we invite you to wear something red to worship.

Our first outdoor worship service of the season takes place on Sunday, June 19. The starting time for this worship service (along with the other outdoor worship services on July 3, August 7, and September 4) is 10:00 a.m. Following worship on June 19 is our Father's Day Picnic. Look for more information in this newsletter and in the bulletin announcements.

The safety of our worshipers is our primary concern.

Although masks are not required, the use of masks during Services is strongly recommended.

In addition to "in-person" worship, Services are viewable live each Sunday morning on St. Peter's Facebook page and on St. Peter's Lutheran Church, Hilltown, PA YouTube page after the Service.

Our worship services on June 5, 12, and 26 will start at 9:00 a.m. However, on the recommendation of the Worship and Music Committee and with the approval of the Congregation Council, our worship services on the Sundays in July, August, and September (that is, July 3 through September 25) will start at 10:00 a.m. This is designed as an experiment to see if this time change will bring more people to worship. The Congregation Council and the Worship and Music Committee will evaluate the response and make a decision about worship starting times beyond September. Please note this change.

I am deeply awed by the generosity of the people of St. Peter's for contributions to Ukrainian relief efforts. The congregation gave a total of \$6,700 (\$5,000 from the Memorial Fund and \$1,700 from additional contributions). I thank all who contributed so generously.

On a personal note, I am pleased to mention that I began service initially as your bridge pastor on June 18 four years ago. Where has the time gone? I thank you for the opportunity to serve as your pastor, both as a bridge and under call. You have blessed my life in so many wonderful ways. I look forward to the continuation of our journey together. God bless you all!

Pastor Raymond Miller +

Geranium orders

Sunday, May 29th is the last day for Pentecost geranium orders. Toward the end of this newsletter is the order form.

Upcoming Dates

June 5 – Pentecost Sunday – please wear red

June 16 – Outdoor Service and Picnic

July 3 – Service time changes to 10AM during July, August and September

First Aid - CPR Class

A first aid-CPR class is available mid to late June. The date is to be determined based on the amount of attendees. It is a class offered by the American Heart Association by a PQAS certified instructor and is \$55/per person. It will include pediatric - adult First Aid, CPR and Airway Obstruction.

Must sign up in advance with Donna Blackburn, 215-527-3433 or donnablackburn16@gmail.com.

Outdoor Service and Picnic Celebration

Join us Sunday, June 19 for the first outdoor Service of summer. The Service will begin at 10:00 am and be held in the pavilion.

The Service will be followed at 11:00am by a picnic in the pavilion.

We will celebrate all fathers for Father's Day. You are invited to bring anyone you want to honor on Father's Day – all are welcome: Your dad, a father-in-law, your son and his family, your son-in-law and his family, an uncle, a brother, etc. or attend in memory of your father or father figure. Each Dad will get a swag bag to take home him.

We will also be celebrating with the kids that attended confirmation classes under the leadership of Ken Shanks. Enjoy catching up with the kids who are now young adults and learn what journeys life has led them on.

There are two sign-ups on the bulletin board in the Narthex. One is for attendance and one is to share a picnic side dish. We will be grilling hot dogs and hamburgers.

Come out for a fun day of food, lawn games, and possibility meeting someone new! Please bring a lawn chair, if you are able.

4-H Planting at St. Peter's

Special thanks to the two 4-H groups that beautified the front of St. Peter's.

Scales N Tails (Reptile and Amphibian club) seeded several of the areas in the front entrance of the church and Horsin' Around (Horse club) planted some flowers (photos courtesy and property of Lorrienne DeLeo).

Thanks, too, to the parishioners who participated in the May 21st Spring clean-up. A great deal of mulch was put down and the front of the church looks great.

Canned and dry goods needed for FISH

The first Sunday of the month (June 5) is FISH Sunday at St. Peter's. Canned and dry goods donations may be placed in the receptacle under the mail boxes in the hallway.

Summer Service Times

From July 3 through September 25, the Sunday morning Service will begin at 10:00am. The time change is only the three months of July through September.

Worship

Worship is available to those who wish to attend "in person" and for those who worship from home, Services will continue to be livestreamed on the St. Peter's Facebook page on Sunday morning. Services are also available on the St. Peter's YouTube page.

The 9:00 am Sunday morning worship Service will continue through June. The summer schedule (July, August, and September) will change the Service time to 10:00 am.

Offering envelopes may be placed in the plate located in the narthex, mailed to the church office, or submitted electronically.

We invite you to join us in worship either by livestream or "in person." Our top priority has been and continues to be the safety of our members and all others who enter our building.

Pastor Raymond Miller



Passing Noted

In the sure and certain knowledge of the Resurrection to Eternal Life, St. Peter's notes the passing of William (Bill) Detweiler on May 10. A graveside Service was held in St. Peter's Union Cemetery on May 17, led by Pastor Miller.

Bill is survived by his wife of 72 years, Julia. They recently relocated to Weatherly, PA.

Bill was a long-time, active member of St. Peter's. He and Julia delivered flowers to the homebound, helped in the kitchen, and opened up the church building on Sundays until the past couple of years. He sewed squares for the quilting group and helped around the building whenever and in whatever capacity needed.

A veteran of World War II (he was a gunner instructor in the Army Air Force), Bill returned to Bucks County after the war years and worked at the Royal Pants Factory in Perkasio for more than 30 years.

He enjoyed working in his lawn or garden during spring, summer, and fall. The Parish Administrator misses looking across the church parking lot and seeing him working around the house.

Congregational Staff

- **Rev. Raymond Miller, Sr. Pastor** 215-822-9108
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 - **Sue Fellman Jacob, Parish Administrator** 215-822-9108
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 - **Norman Geist, Organist**
 - **Bill Gottshall, Worship Ensemble**
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St. Peter's Congregational Council

Rick Daubert, President (term ends: December 2023) 2nd Term

Diane Gall, Vice-President (term ends: December 2023) 2nd Term

Scott Fischer, Secretary (term ends: December 2022) 1st Term

Ken Shanks, Church Financial Officer

Lisa Bell (term ends: December 2024) 1st Term

Charles (Skip) Davenport (term ends December 2023) 1st Term

Patti Dowse (term ends: December 2022) 2nd Term

Joan Gerhart (term ends: December 2022) 2nd Term

Karin Rebnegger (term ends: December 2024) 1st Term

Judy Smith (term ends: December 2024) 1st Term



PRAYER CONCERNS

As of May 29, 2022

(* - new addition)

God's Protection and Safety:

On all who drive buses, trains & planes. For all the service men & women especially:

Petty Officer Second Class Abigail Gall, US Coast Guard, daughter of Diane & Chris Gall

1st LT. Walker Gall, US Air Force, son of Diane & Chris Gall

God's Healing:

Parishioners: *Sheryl Gladfelter, Joan Gerhart, Reed Jerasa, Janet Owens, Ethel Geist, Don Jerasa, Kim Jerasa, Eleanor Peitzman, Jim Lynch, Sharon Senigo, Mary Ettore, Sandie Driscoll.

God's Healing:

Friends and family:

Jane Hastings (friend of Deb Detweiler), Jim Trucksess (nephew of Donna Blackburn), Sue McPherson (friend of Donna Blackburn), Cheri McFarland (niece of John Snyder), Ann Sellers (Pastor Miller's mother-in-law), Collins Gibson (great niece of Pastor Miller), Bill Gottshall (St. Peter's keyboard player), David Yarns (brother of Tammy Daubert), Kay Moyer (friend of Hope Garrett), Danni Tyrrel (great-niece of Kim Jerasa), Terri Lewis (cousin of Lori Lewis), Terri Jewett-Larkin (sister of Patti Dowse), Sutton family (friends of Donna Blackburn), Aidan Drakeley (Carol Barringer's grandson), Derek (grandson of Joan Johnson), Beverly Goheen (sister of Maureen Simpkins), Mary Clarke (friend of John Snyder), George Yarns (father of Tammy Daubert), Pat Daubert (sister of Rick Daubert).

God's Comfort & Peace:

For our homebound members: **Ted Fickert** (Dock Woods), **Joe Haenn** (Lutheran Community at Telford), **Esther Saylor and Tillie Murray** (Hidden Meadows on the Ridge), **Marv Rohrs**; and **Julie** (at home in Weatherly).

God's Grace for the Family & Friends who mourn the death of:

Bill Detweiler, Rich Rotelle (Deb Detweiler's brother-in-law), +Robert (Bob) Snider, Wasley Smakula (Julie Detweiler's brother), Dona Powell (sister of Diane Seward), Betty Gromer, Violette P. Gottshall (mother of Bill Gottshall), Stephen Poust, +Jean Gugger.

[+indicates a member of St. Peter's. Names will stay on the printed list for 1 year]

Pentecost Geranium Orders



Please consider making a donation to purchase geraniums for Pentecost. On the form below, please indicate who the donation is in honor/memory of and your name(s). Please plan to take the geranium(s) home with you following the service on June 5th or the following week, June 12th. Please return the forms to Sue in the church office no later than Sunday, May 29th. Thank you!

Name(s) _____

In memory / honor of _____

(circle one)

Number of geraniums _____ @ \$4.00 each

Total donation \$ _____



June 2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2	3	4
5 9 am Worship Service Day of Pentecost – Please wear red	6	7	8	9	10	11
12 9 am Worship Service	13	14	15	16 Newsletter input due	17	18
19 10 am Worship Service outside 11 am picnic	20 7pm – Council mtg	21	22	23 Newsletter mailed	24	25
26 9 am Worship Service	27	28	29	30		

Monthly Assisting Ministers Calendar – June 2022

Date	Time	Usher(s)	Acolyte	Crucifer	Scripture/ Prayer	Server	Altar Guild	Counters
May 29	9:00 am	S & E Rebnegger	D Texter	S Butterwick	P Abaza	Lou Bell	R Bixler & L Lombardo	J Smith & R Bixler
June 5 Pentecost	9:00 am	S & D Texter	J Seward	D Seward	J Smith	K Shanks	K Park & L Ertel	J Johnson & C Davenport
June 12	9:00 am	J Gerhart	S Fischer	P Dowse	L Tackett	P Tackett	P Dowse &: E Rebnegger	P Dowse & N Driscoll
June 19	9:00 am	S & E Rebnegger	L Lombardo	Lisa Bell	Lou Bell	P Abaza	P Abaza & E Rebnegger	J Smith & R Bixler
June 26	9:00 am	J & J Gerhart	L Groves	E Park	L Tackett	K Shanks	D & S Texter	D & S Texter
Jul 3	9:00 am	S & D Texter	J Seward	D Seward	J Smith	Lou Bell	R Bixler & L Lombardo	J Johnson & C Davenport

PLEASE NOTE:

- If you are unable to participate on your scheduled Sunday, please call one of the other individuals on the list and arrange to switch dates.
- Please send an email to (stpeterslc@comcast.net) or call the Church Office, Monday through Thursday (215-822-9108) to advise of the change before Wednesday of the Sunday scheduled.