

The Saint Peter Weekly

A Foretaste of the Feast

A lot of watching is going on at the sabbath meal in today's text. The Pharisees are watching Jesus closely. Jesus in turn is watching them closely—watching them jockey for places at the table, watching who was included and who was kept out.

He then gives the group an etiquette lesson. Take the lowest place, Jesus says, so you won't be embarrassed. He sounds a little like a mom telling her kids how to behave: "Don't invite yourself to dinner—wait to be asked." What are we to make of this mannerly Jesus, who has not been particularly concerned with manners in the past?

When Jesus gets to the point of his parable, it starts to make more sense: "All who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted" (Luke 14:11). Clearly Jesus isn't just talking about how to behave at a party; he's talking about life, and about God's promise to lift up the humble and the downtrodden.

Jesus' point in his lecture to the guests and his advice to the host is not ultimately about choosing a humble seat or making a humble guest list—it's about turning power and control over to God rather than taking matters into your own hands. Let yourself be repaid and rewarded by God. Whether you are looking for political favors, social recognition, or just a return invitation, trust that God can and will bless you, and pay that blessing forward by throwing open the doors to your home, your church, and your heart.

By including all those we normally exclude, we both share and receive ourselves a foretaste of the feast to come, a feast at which, whether we play host or guest, we will all be God's guests.

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Announcements & Upcoming Events

EXTERIOR MAKEOVER UPDATE:

- The playground equipment installation is underway.
- Construction of walls, walkways and stairs in front (north) of existing building and courtyard continues.
- Landscaping around the Labyrinth area has begun.
- Storage building construction continues.

If you have any questions or input, please contact a member of the Project Oversight Team: Lee Dehmlow, Steve Haigh, Bill Hunter or Rhonda Sinnema.

**THE FOURTEENTH
SUNDAY AFTER
PENTECOST
AUGUST 29, 2010**

**SUMMER WORSHIP
SCHEDULE:**

**1ST SERVICE: 8:00 A.M.
2ND SERVICE: 10:00 A.M.**

**FIRST LESSON
PROVERBS 25:6-7**

**PSALM
PSALM 112**

**SECOND LESSON
HEBREWS 13:1-8, 15-16**

**GOSPEL LESSON
SAINT LUKE 14:1, 7-14**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

**O GOD, YOU RESIST THOSE
WHO ARE PROUD AND GIVE
GRACE TO THOSE WHO ARE
HUMBLE. GIVE US THE
HUMILITY OF YOUR SON, THAT
WE MAY EMBODY THE
GENEROSITY OF JESUS
CHRIST, OUR SAVIOR AND
LORD. AMEN.**

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WELCOME TO ALL WHO WORSHIP WITH US: Thank you for joining us today at Saint Peter. We hope you felt welcomed among us, and will consider joining us again soon. If you are a new guest with us, we would like to "mug you" -- we'd like to give you one of our Saint Peter coffee mugs, along with a brochure that tells you a bit about our church and its ministries. If you are comfortable doing so, please identify yourself at the end of worship when the Pastor invites you to do so. Otherwise, feel free to stop by the Welcome Center in the entry area, and pick up your mug there.

If you are interested in Saint Peter, you'll find a good deal of information about Saint Peter located on our web site at www.StPLC.org. And please feel free to give us a call in the church office at 303 770-9300 if there is anything else you'd like to know. Thanks again for worshipping with us this morning.

NEXT NEW MEMBER SERIES – AUGUST 23 & 30, SEPTEMBER 13 & 20: It is NOT too late...If you would like to make Saint Peter your official church home or if you are simply interested in learning a bit more about Saint Peter and the Lutheran Church, we'd love to have you attend this series. Please give us a call in the church office and let us know you are interested.

HELP WANTED: We are in need of acolytes and lectors to assist during early service starting in September. If you can help, please contact Mary Ann Steiner at mrstei1@msn.com or 303 290-0841, or you may contact the church office. Thanks to all of you who help with this important part of our worship service.

THE STEWARDSHIP TEAM NEEDS YOUR HELP! Friends of Saint Peter Lutheran Church: We witness and experience acts of stewardship on a daily basis at home, work and in our communities. As a team, one of our goals is to create a clear understanding of stewardship by sharing these examples with you. We would like to get your feedback by completing a quick on-line survey. Please visit <http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/DY3C89J> to complete this brief questionnaire. Your participation is appreciated.

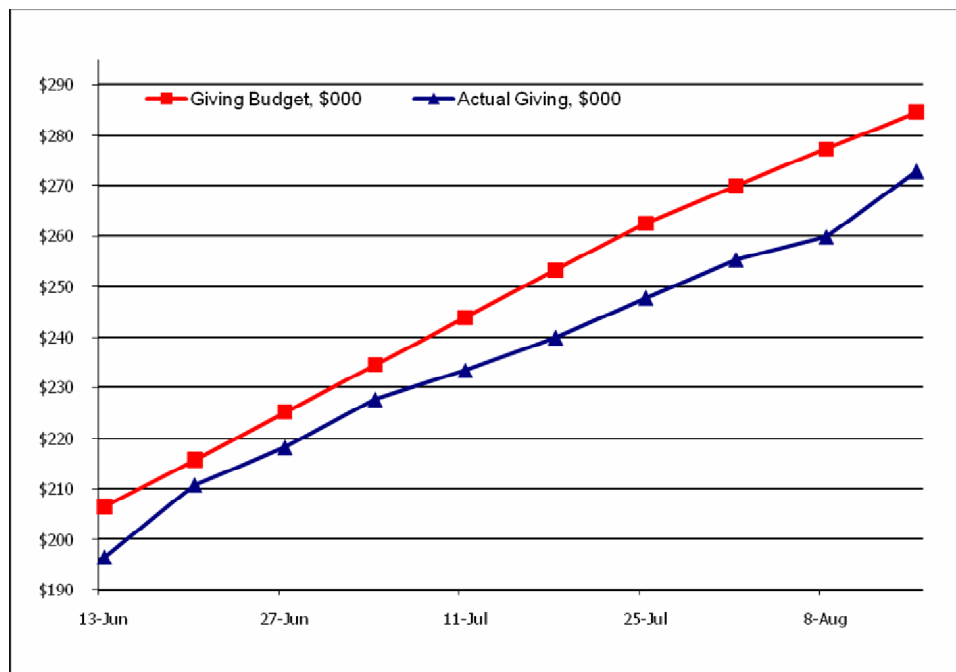
SIGN-UP TO BE A FELLOWSHIP HOST: You can sign-up individually, as a family or with a friend – it's a great opportunity to show our members and guests they are "Welcomed into God's Love." Please look over your 2010/2011 calendar and sign-up early, there is a sign-up sheet on the kitchen counter or you can contact Jeaneane Engel at JESE@aol.com. Thanks!

REGULAR WORSHIP SCHEDULE RESUMES SEPTEMBER 12TH: Our regular worship schedule will resume on Sunday, September 12th as follows: 1st Service at 8:30 a.m., Youth & Adult Education at 9:40 a.m. and 2nd Service at 10:45 a.m.

"THE BIBLE IN 90 DAYS" WILL BEGIN ON SEPTEMBER 13TH: Join us as we read the Bible cover-to-cover in 90 days. There is an information table in the Narthex or you can speak with Bruce or Sharon Stokes.

SUNDAY SCHOOL GUIDES & LEADERS NEEDED: A few guides and station leaders are needed to work with ages 2 through 5th grade and also the middle school class. To get involved with Sunday School, please contact Laura Guthals at 303 220-8682 or guthals@msn.com.

STPLC 2010 CUMULATIVE WEEKLY GIVING:



PRAYER CONCERNS (*NEW THIS WEEK)

Praying for:	Relationship:	Prayer Concern:
*Kathy Smith	Co-worker of Fred Sinnema	Struggling with cancer.
*Bob Ward	Childhood Friend of Ron Leighton	Suffering from depression.
*Jan MacNutt & Family	Childhood Friend of Ron Leighton	In the last stage of Alzheimer's disease; pray for comfort.
*Donna Burman & Several College Friends	Saint Peter Member & Friends of Saint Peter	Pray for wisdom in confronting another friend's drinking problem.
*Wendy Maunu	Friend of Donna Burman	Recently diagnosed with breast cancer.
*Family & Friends of Tracy Kirby	Neighbor of the Koenig Family	Completed his baptismal journey & leaves behind his wife, Michelle & their 6 month old daughter, Madison.
*Karen Bressler	Friend of Saint Peter	Continuing health issues.
*Dee Vellinga	Former Saint Peter Member	Continuing to be treated for cancer & treatment is very difficult; Dee appreciates our prayers.
Pastor Penni Walsh & Family	Pastor of St. John's Lutheran Church in Thornton	Her son David suffered a heart attack and died on 8/11; he was 38 years old.
Pastor Jim Lundeen	Served Saint Peter when Pastor Dave was on sabbatical	Had a pacemaker implanted on 8/16.
Darlene Renevier	Saint Peter Member	Recovering at home after a brief hospitalization.
Jo Natale	Saint Peter Member	Recovering from a bike accident.
Guy Denney	Uncle of Kay Gerhart	Hospitalized with serious injuries from a car accident.
Ices Jade Lambie	Daughter of Ken Clair's nephew Derek & his wife Natasha	Prayers of joy & thanksgiving for the birth of Ices on Aug 12.
John Metzger	Son of Kay Metzger	Will undergo a heart ablation procedure.
Marjorie Lazarus	Mother of Jon Lazarus; co-worker of Lori Williams	Battling stage 4 lung cancer that has spread to her ribs and hip bone.
Terry Reaume	Brother of Karen Shopmier	Receiving chemotherapy treatment for cancer; pray for comfort & healing.
Mark Glaser	Saint Peter Member	Mark is making great progress recovering from a motorcycle accident; he has moved to a physical therapy rehab. facility.
Ron Woszczak	Brother of Verna Leighton	Diagnosed with a brain tumor & undergoing further testing.
Brody Frampton	6 yr. old grandson of Dave & Marty Frampton	Recovering at home from recurrence of bacterial infection.
Melissa Jones	Friend of Michelle Manring	Treatment for cancer unsuccessful; awaiting further treatment options.
Mark Townsend	Fraternity brother of Steve Haigh	Undergoing chemotherapy for a rare appendix cancer; pray for strength & healing.
Justin Miller & Family	Payton Waggoner's young friend	Prayers of thanksgiving as Justin is now cancer free.
David Maassen	Brother of Rhonda Sinnema	Was put on blood thinners & is recovering at home; should be able to go back to work soon.
Kelly Vanlandingham	Brother of Shelly Waggoner	Prayer of thanksgiving for Kelly who recently began rehab.
Larry Renevier	Saint Peter Member	Health issues related to diabetes.
Jerry Grasmick	Saint Peter Member	Health issues related to cancer.
Griffin Bohan & Family	5 year old friend of the Herbert Family	Recovering from second surgery that didn't provide much relief; the brain tumor has grown & he is losing use of his right side. Parents want to continue with experimental treatment in hopes that it will break apart the tumor.
Rick Manning	Friend of Walt & Karyl Meyer	Health issues & treatment for a brain tumor.
Brian Dougherty	Friend of Tom & Karen Shopmier	Continued prayers for his journey in the US Navy.
Frank Arsenault & Family	Friend of Jackie Skiles	Receiving chemotherapy treatment for Leukemia.
Emily Wilson	Young Niece of Janet & Alan Okerman	Prayers of thanksgiving, she is now cancer free.
Bret Maassen	Brother of Rhonda Sinnema	Diagnosed with liver disease; has been put on the liver transplant list.
Emrie Rose Renevier	Infant Great-granddaughter of Larry & Darlene Renevier	Having small seizures & is undergoing tests to find cause.
Michele Littell	Sister-in-law of Rich & Jessica Littell	Health issues related to skin cancer.
Kyle Renevier	Grandson of Larry & Darlene Renevier	Undergoing treatment for Hodgkin's-Lymphoma.
Bud Ploetz	Uncle of Karyl Meyer	Health issues related to a brain tumor.
Brian Mohrhaus	Saint Peter Member	Prayers of support as he struggles with personal issues.

Olivia & Mason	Young Students of Mary Pratt's	Health issues related to Leukemia.
Annette Mohrhaus	Mother of Dave Mohrhaus	Health issues related to Parkinson's disease.
Karen Shopmier	Saint Peter Member	Health issues related to Crohn's disease.
Holly Pederson	Shelly Hunter's sister	Health issues related to cancer.

CALENDAR

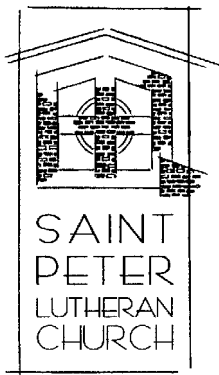
<p>August 29 8:00 a.m. Communion Service (Outdoors - Weather Permitting) 10:00 a.m. Communion Service (WC)</p> <p>August 30 7:30 p.m. New Member Class (FH)</p> <p>September 1 6:30 p.m. Executive Team Meeting (FH) 7:30 p.m. Jubilate Choir Rehearsal (WC)</p> <p>September 2 6:30 a.m. Men's ChristCare Group (Panera Bread) 6:40 p.m. Alleluia Bells Rehearsal (WC) 8:00 p.m. Worship Band Rehearsal (WC)</p> <p>September 3 Summer Schedule/Office Closed 4:00 p.m. Heather Eby Wedding Rehearsal (WC)</p> <p>September 4 9:00 a.m. Next Opportunity Group (FH) 11:30 a.m. Al-Anon Meeting (FH) 4:00 p.m. Heather Eby Wedding</p>	<p>September 5 8:00 a.m. Communion Service (Outdoors - Weather Permitting) 10:00 a.m. Communion Service (WC)</p> <p>September 6 Labor Day / Church Office Closed</p> <p>September 8 7:30 p.m. Jubilate Choir Rehearsal (WC)</p> <p>September 9 6:40 p.m. Alleluia Bells Rehearsal (WC) 8:00 p.m. Worship Band Rehearsal (WC)</p> <p>September 11 11:30 a.m. Al-Anon Meeting (FH)</p>
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THIS WEEK'S WORSHIP SERVANTS (AUGUST 29TH)

	First Service (8:00 a.m.)	Second Service (10:00 a.m.)
Assisting Minister:	Andy Nakatani	Steve Howie
Lector:	Jo Kurowski	Kristen Raleigh
Acolytes:	--	Jonathan Dehmlow & Kayla Faaiu
Worship Coordinator:	Susan Greene	Karen Dehmlow
Leadership Team Rep.:	Ken Gerhart	Rhonda Sinnema
Altar Guild:	Valerie Watkins	Linda Rejvani
Hosts:	Mach & Pequette	Kleberger & Roth
Counters:	Janet Weinz & Steve Flessner	Rhonda Sinnema & Mike DiLisa
Flowers:	Open	Open
Fellowship Host:	--	--

NEXT WEEK'S WORSHIP SERVANTS (SEPTEMBER 5TH)

	First Service (8:00 a.m.)	Second Service (10:00 a.m.)
Assisting Minister:	Lee Dehmlow	Kristen Raleigh
Lector:	Kyle Pequette	Bruce Guthals
Acolytes:	--	Philip & Stephanie Guthals
Worship Coordinator:	Lynn Sherpe	Karen Dehmlow
Leadership Team Rep.:	Mark Hinsey	Bruce Guthals
Altar Guild:	Diane Reimer	Ann Remme
Hosts:	Roth	Ammon & Behnke
Counters:	Linda O'Bryan & Jo Kurowski	Irwin Faaiu & Jolaine Natale
Flowers:	Open	Open
Fellowship Host:	--	--



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SUNDAY MORNING SCHEDULE

September – May

8:30 a.m. Traditional Communion Service

9:40 a.m. Youth & Adult Education

10:45 a.m. Contemporary Communion Service

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June – August

8:00 a.m. Outdoors Communion Service

10:00 a.m. Indoors Communion Service

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Our Mission Statement

We Are Welcomed into God's Love
just as we are

We Are Sent into God's World
to be a reflection of Christ's love

Therefore, since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ... God proves love for us in that while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us. [Romans 5: 1, 8]

Jesus said, "Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

[St. Matthew 28: 19-20]