

# The Saint Peter Leader

**October**  
**2011**

**7-9**

**Stephen Minister  
Training Retreat**

Granby, Colorado

**8**

**RTLCL Grace Race**

9:00 a.m. at Sloan's  
Lake in Denver

**10 & 22**

**The Saint Peter  
Stitchers**

Oct. 10 at 7:00 p.m.  
Fellowship Hall

Oct. 22 at 10:00 a.m.  
Covenant Hall

**15**

**Women of the  
ELCA Gathering**

Shepherd of the  
Mountains  
Estes Park, CO

**27**

**Women of StPLC  
Meeting**

6:30 p.m. Piccolo  
Restaurant in Denver

**30**

**Trunk-or-Treat**

12:00 p.m. Covenant  
Hall / StPLC Parking Lot

**A Newsletter of Saint Peter Lutheran Church  
Greenwood Village, Colorado**

## **5<sup>th</sup> Annual Grace Race**

**October 8<sup>th</sup> at Sloan's Lake in Denver**

Rainbow Trail Lutheran Camp is hosting its 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Grace Race to benefit world hunger on Saturday, October 8<sup>th</sup> with a 9:00 a.m. start. All proceeds and donations will be given to ELCA World Hunger. This is a 5K run/walk around beautiful Sloan's Lake in south Denver. There will be food and refreshments for all participants following the race.

The goal is to raise enough money to send a check for over \$10,000 to ELCA World Hunger. So bring your friends, family and neighbors and come and join us for a great morning in the park for a great cause. The entry fee is \$30 before October 1<sup>st</sup> and \$35 after that date. You can register online at the RTLCL website at [www.rainbowtrail.org/the\\_grace\\_race/](http://www.rainbowtrail.org/the_grace_race/).

## **"Head to Heart" Catechism Ministries**

The 2011 – 2012 Catechism Year is underway, and we're off to a strong start. Sunday evening workshops, Friday Night Blasts, Servant Events, Rainbow Trail weeks – each of these provide the opportunity to grow closer to God and to each other, as we learn, worship, serve and play together.

This month's schedule includes Sunday Evening Workshops on October 2<sup>nd</sup> ("Trouble, Trouble, Trouble") and on the 16<sup>th</sup> ("Heretic's Trial") beginning at 6:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Our Leadership Team will huddle on October 9<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. in the Mohrhaus' home.

Catechism is a three-year course of study for youth entering their teenage years, and leads to welcoming them into adult membership in our church. We welcome any young people grades 6-8 to enroll in this program. If you are interested, please call the church office for additional information.

## Next Community Blood Drive

Our next Community Blood Drive will be on Saturday, November 12<sup>th</sup> at Cherry Creek Presbyterian Church from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. You can sign-up online at [blooddrives.bonfils.org](http://blooddrives.bonfils.org), the site code is E026 or contact Gayle Romceovich at 303 741-0020.



## November 2011 Newsletter Deadline

The deadline for the November Newsletter is Monday, Oct. 17<sup>th</sup>. Please email your article to Nadine at [nnakatani@StPLC.org](mailto:nnakatani@StPLC.org)



## 2011-2012 CBS

Community Bible Study each Monday evening from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. at Colorado Community Church. We will be studying the Book of Acts for the entire 2011/2012 session. If you have questions, contact Deb Roth.

## Come & Pray...

That beautiful maze of a Labyrinth has been sitting barely noticed in our courtyard since last fall. Recently I used it for the second time. It was 7:15 a.m. and if there was street noise, I didn't hear it. People around were respectful of my journey. It is an open space of solitude. It took me about 15 minutes at the pace I walked. I was passed, quietly, by another 'pray-er'. I felt senses of heaviness, joy, sadness and uplifted spirit as I walked the path. I was able to leisurely pray and ponder those I love, concerns I have and even to ask God's help for me! There just isn't enough time for this intense personal outpouring during the bidding prayer on Sunday morning - where if I don't write down the names/situations of those most on my mind, I don't get them all in... After my incredible walk, I quietly left to face the hectic day ahead - armored with strength from having taken that beautiful 15-minute journey! Before a meeting, after a meeting, even if the church is locked, please, come and pray...

Ron Leighton arrives each Wednesday at 6:00 a.m. and opens up the Worship Center and Labyrinth for all who would like to get a prayerful jump-start on their day - you can even enjoy a cup of coffee. Otherwise, you can use the Labyrinth and Worship Center any weekday during regular church office hours.

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## Discipleship News

Now that we have had the month of September to get back into our fall routines, we hope that Adult Forum has been one of those activities with which you have become reacquainted! Here is a look at our schedule in October and beyond:

- October 2<sup>nd</sup> - Lonnie will be visiting us from Fetal Hope, to teach us more about this special ministry.
- October 9<sup>th</sup> - We will be learning about Covenant Cupboard and how it works from Karyl Meyer, and helping to put together Christmas stockings for the children of Covenant Cupboard families.
- October 16<sup>th</sup> - Del Hooker will be sharing his experience with prison ministry.
- October 23<sup>rd</sup> - The Dehmlow family will be showing us how they are "Living the Gospel" through supporting youth.
- October 30<sup>th</sup> - Back by popular demand, Jennene Herbert will be on hand to guide us through some life coaching.

We look forward to seeing you at 9:40 a.m. on Sunday mornings, and as always, please let us know if you have any ideas for topics and/or speakers for Adult Forum.

The season of Advent begins on November 27<sup>th</sup>, and planning for our Advent Devotional will begin soon, so look for our table in the Narthex, where you can sign up to share what a specific biblical passage means to you.

Blessings from the Discipleship Team,

Bruce Stokes, Kristen Raleigh, Chuck Baker, and Hayden Behnke

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From the Pastor

## Thanks For Your Welcome!

Greetings, everyone,

I'm truly touched by the warm hospitality I've received here in just a short amount of time. It speaks volumes about your good culture of hospitality at Saint Peter. I'm glad to have this opportunity to walk a part of the Christian journey with you this fall, while Pastor Dave is on sabbatical. Though it might be tempting to feel a bit

anxious about Pastor Dave's time away, so far I sense that we're all doing well and pitching in to be the church together. Thankfully, I've been able to resist any personal worries or false expectations about filling a Pastor Dave mold. While I'm only here for a while, and part time at that, I hope I'll be able to offer you a ministry that helps to nourish the shared life of discipleship at Saint Peter.

I've enjoyed meeting you over the past several weeks. For those I haven't met, here's a brief summary of Pastor Dan:

My most recent call was as Interim Pastor at Lutheran Campus Ministry at CU-Boulder.

From 2004-2010 I was Pastor at Valley Lutheran Church, in North Metro Denver near 72<sup>nd</sup> and Pecos, an inner-city sort of neighborhood next door to the suburbs. Valley ended 53 years of ministry when it closed in 2010.

My first call took me from Austin, Texas, my home for 20+ years, to Superior, Nebraska, a small, rural farming community in the south central part of the state.

Before finally responding to God's call to ordained ministry, I had worked as a video director/producer at the Austin Independent School District's Cable TV Department. My undergrad degree was in Radio-TV-Film at U.T. Austin.

I was fortunate to attend the Lutheran Seminary Program in Austin, where I had the opportunity to learn and grow alongside Episcopalians, Presbyterians and Methodists, while also learning a bit about doing ministry in Latino cultures.

I married my amazing wife, Kelly, on April 29, the same day that Prince William and Kate got hitched. Our marriage ceremony was much less formal! It's my second marriage, and I'm happy to report that we each seem to have found the partner we had wondered if we would ever find. Between us, we have 3 daughters: Liz, Lindsey and Amanda. Liz is a sophomore at CSU, Lindsey is studying to be an R.N., and Amanda is a teacher at a special-needs school in Denver.

Finally, I think we're all blessed to be part of a very interesting and exciting time in the history of the Church. In the midst of tremendous changes that can sometimes seem overwhelming, God is revealing the Way of Christ to us much like God revealed the Way to the earliest disciples. Sometimes the Way is shocking and exciting; sometimes it's challenging; sometimes it's as ordinary as a small seed, or a silent walk in the labyrinth. It's good to be with you in this time.

Blessings,

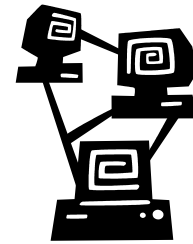
Pastor Dan Hays, Interim Pastor

### "One Little Word" Weekly Internet Devotions

Pastor Dave sends out a devotional message every Tuesday evening, entitled "One Little Word" (from Martin Luther's Hymn, "A Mighty Fortress"), which is based on one of the lessons appointed for the coming Sunday, and is intended to help readers prepare themselves for Sunday worship.

If you are interested in receiving these weekly devotional messages, please send him a note to that effect to

Isherpe@StPLC.org  
or check them out at  
www.OneLittleWord.org



### Women of the ELCA Rocky Mountain Synod Fall Gathering October 15, 2011

The gathering will be held at Shepherd of the Mountain in Estes Park. Registration begins at 8:30 a.m. The registration fee is \$50.

For more information talk to Rhonda Sinnema or email Karleen Cotton, Registrar at karleenpayr@aol.com or you can call her at 719 331-4724.



# Walk to Defeat ALS®

Saturday, October 8<sup>th</sup> at Denver City Park

Dear Saint Peter Family & Friends,

You probably know that Saint Peter member Gordon Von Stroh has not had an easy fight against Lou Gehrig's Disease. Diagnosed in May (but living with the symptoms for almost 3 years now), he is becoming more dependent on others for many aspects of his daily care. Despite all that ALS has taken from him, he has managed to keep his sense of humor and displays an unbelievable ability to turn lemons into lemonade. He has taught us all something about perseverance and determination.

On Saturday, October 8, 2011 at Denver City Park, the Von Stroh family is joining hundreds of walkers for The ALS Association's Walk to Defeat ALS®, and we need your support to make our efforts really matter!

Registration is at 9:00 a.m. and the walk begins at 10:00 a.m. To register online go to [www.alscolorado.org](http://www.alscolorado.org). If you'd like to be there, please join team "Gordon's Go-Getters". We'd love to see you there! Gordon will do the race with his GoGo electric scooter.

ALS, also known as Lou Gehrig's disease, is a deadly illness with no known cause or cure. It affects the motor neurons in a person's brain and spinal cord. When the motor neurons die, the muscles waste away. Gradually, a person is robbed of the ability to walk, speak, eat, and eventually breathe.

All the while, the mind remains sharp and aware of the total paralysis that is quickly setting in. Upon diagnosis, doctors generally give ALS patients only two to five years to live.

And that's why we're walking – for those who can't. Our efforts will help The ALS Association fund research to find the cause and cure of Lou Gehrig's Disease, as well as support services for people affected by it.

For example, the Rocky Mountain ALS chapter has already helped us with support groups, an ALS symposium, and they have lent us a travel wheelchair and an electric scooter, free of charge for as long as we need it.

By making a one-time, tax-deductible donation, you can truly make a difference in the fight against ALS. Just visit our online team fundraising website at [www.alscolorado.org](http://www.alscolorado.org) to make a donation. Our team is "Gordon's Go-Getters," and our fundraising goal is \$3000. We hope you'll help us reach it.

Any amount you feel comfortable giving is deeply appreciated. Every dime makes a difference! With your support, we can make a positive impact today in the lives of those, like Gordon, living with Lou Gehrig's Disease.

Sincerely,

The Von Stroh family

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## Ministry Team Leaders

### *Acolytes/Lectors*

Lynda Koenig

### *Adult Education*

Discipleship Team

### *Altar Guild*

Jan McGaw

### *"CAUTION" High*

#### *School Youth*

Karen Dehmlow

### *Community Blood*

#### *Drive*

Gayle Romcevich

### *Covenant Cupboard*

Walt Meyer

### *Counters*

Jo Natale

### *DESIGN Team*

Verna Leighton

### *Fellowship Hour*

Jeaneane Engel

### *Five Habits of*

#### *Discipleship*

Ed Hardey

### *Gathering Place Card*

#### *Project*

Ann Remme

### *Habitat for Humanity*

Vicky Simpson

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# Covenant Cupboard Christmas Stockings & Toy Drive

Thanks to all who have offered to make Christmas Stockings for the children of families served by Covenant Cupboard. We have 107 finished stockings, with 243 to be completed by November 1<sup>st</sup>. They are all beautiful and each set of stockings is slightly different, reflecting the stitcher's creativity.



The annual Covenant Cupboard toy drive aims to have a gift up to \$10.00 in value for each of these same 350 children age 12 and under. Please buy a gift or two if possible and bring them to the church. A box will be available in the Narthex by mid October for you to place these toys. The generosity of Saint Peter members has always helped make this project a great success and brought joy to many children at Christmas.

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## To All Women of Saint Peter

**Next Gathering, Thursday, October 27<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m.**



Join us for our next gathering on Thursday, October 27<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m. at Piccolo restaurant, located at 3563 S. Monaco Parkway. We will enjoy a buffet dinner including salad, pizza, spaghetti, a soft drink, gratuity and tax – all for \$12.95 per person (we will be collecting \$12.95 from everyone that evening). During this gathering we will choose Secret Prayer Sisters, decide on a name for our group, and chat about

upcoming events to include a book club, November craft, game night, outdoor activities, ideas in the works for February and May, and whatever else might come up! Please RSVP by Monday, October 24<sup>th</sup> for dinner at Piccolo, to Kristen Raleigh at 303 364-3738 or Lori Williams at 720 529-3224. Please help us launch this exciting new ministry!!!

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## The Saint Peter Stitches

Now that the weather's turning to fall and winter will soon be upon us, the Saint Peter Stitches have gotten busy again, working up shawls, blankets and other items.

Have you been curious about our ministry, but aren't sure if you have what it takes? Come anyway! Whether you've never knit or crocheted before, or have some experience but don't remember how, we'd love to have you stop on by! Just bring a pair of knitting needles or a crochet hook (and some yarn!), and we'll gladly show you how (or refresh your memory!). We have experienced knitters and crocheters in the group who are always willing to help out an enthusiastic learner.

We meet twice a month on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday and 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday. In October, our Monday meeting is on October 10<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m., and our Saturday meeting is on October 22<sup>nd</sup> at 10:00 a.m. Both will be in the Fellowship area. Have questions? Contact Kristen Raleigh at 303 364-3738 or Christina Von Stroh at [cvonstroh@gmail.com](mailto:cvonstroh@gmail.com).



## Ministry Team Leaders

**Holly Heights**  
Open Position

**Host Families**  
Marshall Roth

**Saint Peter Stitches**  
Carmen Faaiu  
Kristen Raleigh

**Property Team**  
Steve Haigh

**Sellan Lutheran Hospital Team**  
Carol Mayer

**Servant Events**  
Laura Guthals

**Sharing Our Suppers (S.O.S.)**  
Annie Harnett

**Stephen Lay Caring Ministry**  
Lynn Sherpe  
Bruce Stokes  
Sharon Stokes

**Sunday School**  
Laura Guthals

**Tech Team**  
Steve Flessner  
Rick Brydum

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## Covenant Cupboard Food Pantry

An Arapahoe County  
designated food agency  
located at:

### Presbyterian Church of the Covenant

5400 S. Yosemite St.  
Greenwood Village  
303 779-5400

### Volunteer Ministry Opportunities

#### Pick up Produce

Various times during the  
week:

Call Walt Meyer  
303 740-6989

#### Pack Produce

Friday's  
9:00 to 11:00 a.m.

#### Help with Distribution

Fridays

1:00 to 4:00 p.m.

Many thanks to all who  
have donated items to  
Covenant Cupboard Food  
Pantry. They continue to  
welcome your donations  
and are always looking  
for more volunteers;  
especially drivers as well  
as children's books.



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## Journeying Through Grief

Stephen Ministry equips lay people to provide confidential, one-to-one Christian care to individuals in our congregation and community who are experiencing difficulties in their lives.

One of the valleys many of us go through is the death of a loved one. The Saint Peter Stephen Ministry Team reaches out to those persons or families that are grieving by sending them a set of books at four crucial times during the first year after a loss.

Book 1: *A Time to Grieve* is designed to be sent three weeks after the death of a loved one, so it arrives just before the one-month anniversary of the loss – right around the time when the casserole dishes have been returned, the phone calls and visits have tapered off, and the painful reality of the loss is setting in.

Book 2: *Experiencing Grief* is designed to be sent three months after the death of a loved one – right around the time when many others begin telling the grieving person to "cheer up" and "get over it," because they mistakenly think grief should only last a few months.

Book 3: *Finding Hope and Healing* is designed to be sent six months after the death of a loved one – right around the time when the person is wondering, "Why don't I feel better yet? Is it normal to still feel sad? Doesn't anybody understand how I feel?"

Book 4: *Rebuilding and Remembering* is designed to be sent eleven months after the death of a loved one – right around the time when the grieving person is feeling anxious about the approaching anniversary of the death, wondering if anyone else even remembers.

The *Journeying through Grief* books are written by Kenneth C. Haugk, Founder and Executive Director of Stephen Ministries.

Saint Peter Lutheran Church has been a Stephen Ministry Congregation since 1992. We invite you to learn more about this ministry by talking to one of our Stephen Leaders [Lynn Sherpe, Bruce Stokes or Sharon Stokes – contact information on page 7], Pastor Dave or any of our Stephen Ministers. You may also visit our website at [www.stplc.org/ministries](http://www.stplc.org/ministries) to view a video presentation about Stephen Ministry at Saint Peter.

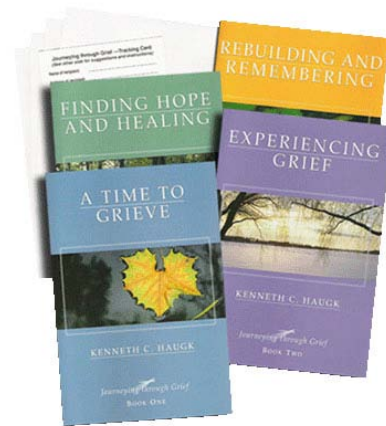
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## Stephen Minister Training Scheduled

### Beginning October 2, 2011

Would you like to be part of a ministry that makes a real difference in others' lives when they need it most – and in your own? Consider becoming a Stephen Minister!

We will be hosting the 50 hour Stephen Ministry training beginning on October 2, 2011. Completion of the training is expected by mid-March 2012. If you would like to learn more about how to become a Stephen Minister; talk with one of our Stephen Leaders (see page 7 sidebar for contact information).





## From the President of the Congregation

### Why Do We Go?

Once upon a time, at a church not so far away, I remember a particular church council meeting where the topic of conversation was centered on what type of shoes a teenager should wear when serving as an acolyte, and subsequently then serving communion. Should they be allowed to wear tennis shoes? What about sandals? Why not enforce a "shoe" dress code requiring at the very least top-siders (leather boat shoes)? And why stop there...some kids' jeans were sort of ratty on the bottom so why not enforce a "pants" dress code and require dress pants, or at the very least Dockers? I remember being aghast that we were even discussing the shoes and pants of a teenager. After listening for as long as I could, I remember saying to the group that it shouldn't matter what the teenagers were wearing on their feet, or how worn the hem of their jeans might be; it was most important to focus on the fact that they were willing to serve their congregation and their Lord. Much more important was the fact that they were actually at worship, were engaged in the service, and maybe, just maybe, they would be touched in some way by the Holy Spirit.

How many of us look around at our fellow brothers and sisters and wonder why in the world they chose to wear those jeans, or that shirt (especially to church!), and wow – she/he should really get that next pedicure very soon! How many of us start watching the clock when the Children's Message seems to run a little longer than normal, or heaven forbid, the Sermon itself seems long-winded...how in the world will the service conclude at the end of its one-hour allotted time slot? What if the service runs over just a bit? And what is too long – 5, 10, 12 extra minutes? How many announcements can there possibly be?

Why do we go? I hope and pray we go because we have a deep personal faith and our gathering together to worship, to hear God's word and to receive the sacrament of Holy Communion feeds our souls. I hope and pray we go in order to share our faith with our children. I hope and pray we go to enrich our own faith journey and to draw closer to Christ.

I hope we are so drawn to God's word that we listen intently to the Sermon, not wondering how long it will last. I hope that we realize that any time our children gather at the feet of the pastor they are being blessed by his/her presence; and while they may or may not truly understand the deeper meaning of the message, they are learning that yet one more adult cares about their souls and loves them just as they are! I hope we pay close attention during the announcements so we are each aware of the wonderful work being done by our ministry teams. I hope we prayerfully consider how to become involved!

I hope we go to feed our souls, to care for one another, and to praise God for his wondrous gifts (and not necessarily in that order). We spend 1/168<sup>th</sup> of our week together in worship; I hope we are making the most of it!

Oh, and don't forget...Jesus most likely wore sandals. His feet, more often than not, may have been dusty. The hem of his robe was most likely dirty and possibly tattered as well. And He preached, to those faithful who gathered at his feet and across the fields, for hours on end...sometimes for days.

We are saved by grace...and thank goodness for that! In our worn out tennis shoes and tattered jeans we are just the kind of people in need of a grace-filled Savior!

Peace and Blessings,

Lori Williams, Congregation President

### Useful Links

Rocky Mountain Synod  
[rmselca.org/](http://rmselca.org/)

ELCA Disaster Response  
[www.elca.org/disaster/](http://www.elca.org/disaster/)

ELCA World Hunger  
[www.elca.org/disaster/](http://www.elca.org/disaster/)

LFS  
[www.lfsc.org/](http://www.lfsc.org/)

Rainbow Trail  
[rainbowtrail.org/](http://rainbowtrail.org/)

Selian Hospital  
[selianlh.habari.co.tz/](http://selianlh.habari.co.tz/)

ELCA  
[elca.org/](http://elca.org/)

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### StPLC is a Stephen Ministry Congregation

For more information about  
Stephen Ministry  
contact one of our Stephen  
Ministry Leaders:

**Lynn Sherpe**  
303 921-5355

**Bruce Stokes**  
303 912-2240

**Sharon Stokes**  
303 895-5579



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# Worship & Music

## Jubilate Choir Schedule

### Rehearsals:

Every Wednesday at  
7:30 p.m.

### Sundays in October:

Oct. 2 – 1<sup>st</sup> Service

Oct. 9 – 2<sup>nd</sup> Service

Oct. 16 – 1<sup>st</sup> Service

Oct. 23 – 2<sup>nd</sup> Service

Oct. 30 – 1<sup>st</sup> Service

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## Music Ministry Monday Schedule!!

### Alleluia Ringers!



### Rehearsal Schedule:

October 3

October 17

October 24

(No rehearsals on  
October 10 or 31)

All rehearsals are at  
5:30 p.m.

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### Children's Choir

Meets on Mondays at  
4:30 p.m.

October 3

October 17

October 24

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### Parent's Choir

Meets on Mondays  
during Children's Choir  
rehearsals

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## Festival Choir to offer Schubert's *Mass #2 in G* on November 20<sup>th</sup>

Make plans to worship at the 8:30 a.m. service on November 20<sup>th</sup> to celebrate Christ the King Sunday with the Festival Choir as we present Schubert's popular *Mass #2 in G*. The work will be spread throughout the service in place of our normal liturgical music and should prove to be a highlight to the end of our church year!

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## Join the Festival Choir

### It's Not Too Late to Sing in Schubert's *Mass #2 in G*

Plan to join us this fall as we prepare a large work for a special worship service on November 20<sup>th</sup>. This mass was written by Schubert in less than a week (March 2-7, 1815) but was not published until decades after his death. The piece is popular because of its relative simplicity, yet it has a truly devotional spirit that resonates well in worship today.



Featured with the choir will be soprano, tenor, and baritone soloists along with the Saint Peter String Quartet and organ.

We rehearse on Wednesdays from 7:30 to 8:00 p.m. until the November service. **We are looking for at least 30 singers to help round out the chorus this fall.** If you have sung with us or another choir before, this would be a great limited-term event to participate in. If you have never sung before, this would be a great time to get to know other folks in the choir and "get your feet wet" in choral singing. Contact Steve Howie if you are interested in joining this or any musical group.

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## "Trunk or Treat"

**October 30<sup>th</sup> at 12:00 noon**

Wear your Halloween costumes to church on Sunday, Oct. 30<sup>th</sup>, enjoy a light lunch in the Covenant Hall and then have some "Trunk-or-Treat" fun in the Saint Peter parking lot. There will be prizes for the best decorated trunks. All are welcome so invite your friends and neighbors. For more information, contact Karen Dehmlow.



# Ministries at StPLC



From the Minister of Music

## Fall Music Underway!

I am so excited to see all our music ministries back in full swing this fall! Participation in music ministry has been steadily increasing in past years and we anticipate growing again this fall with the addition of several new singers and ringers. The Children's Choir is considering dividing into two groups, one on Sunday afternoon and one on Monday afternoon so we can better accommodate our various families.

All this is wonderful to see, but I'm especially touched by the dedication of so many of our musicians who use music to minister to the congregation and each other. They truly understand that God has blessed each of us with talents and gifts and wants us to share his Word through the music we sing and play. Sometimes it is a congregation member that is touched; other times it is within the group that a spiritual experience happens. Each week we really do experience the power that was best laid out by Jesus in Matthew 18:20: "For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them". Music presents us with a pinnacle of God's presence among us. His Word, as found in the lyrics, is the foundation for that mountain top feeling.

And finally, it is by all of us coming together as a community to worship and share our common love of musical beauty that I think we can often see God's presence in our rehearsals, gatherings, work, play, and worship. This is what I experience each week with all of the groups I am blessed to work with and I hope that you feel that same love in your life as well. If not, I humbly invite you to join one of our groups so you can experience God more personally and completely in your life as well.

Peace,

Steve Howie, Minister of Music

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## Children's Choir Survey

### Which day is better for you?

We are beginning our Children's Choir season on Monday, October 3 at 4:30 p.m. We know that a few families can't make that date, so we are asking all families with children who would like to participate to let us know if Sunday afternoon would be a good time to meet. This would likely be a second group and we would bring both sections together as one group when we sing on a Sunday. With enough interest we will add this Sunday afternoon rehearsal, so please contact Steve Howie at [showie@stplc.org](mailto:showie@stplc.org) if your child would like to participate on Sunday afternoons.

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## Jane MacQueen, Organist

Will play on Oct. 23 at the 8:30 a.m. Worship Service.

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## Holly Heights Worship

Saint Peter leads a simple worship service for the residents of Holly Heights Nursing Home. It takes place the third Sunday of each month at 9:30 a.m. Please contact Steve Howie if you are interested in being part of this ministry.

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## Sunday School Bible Lessons

### Oct. 2<sup>nd</sup>

Noah Builds the Ark

Genesis 6:5-22

We Can Obey God

### Oct. 9<sup>th</sup>

God Floods the Earth

Genesis 7:1-8:22;  
9:8-16

God Keeps His Promises

### Oct. 16<sup>th</sup>

People Build a Tower at Babel

Genesis 11:1-9

Let's Put God First

### Oct. 23<sup>rd</sup>

Abram Follows God's Direction

Genesis 12:1-8

We Can Follow God

### Oct. 30<sup>th</sup>

Lot and Abram Divide the Land

Genesis 13:1-18

Remember God's Golden Rule

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## WORSHIP SERVANTS FOR OCTOBER 2011

Date-Time	Assisting Minister	Lector	Acolytes	Altar Guild	Hosts	Counters	Fellowship Hour Hosts	Flowers	Leadership Rep
Oct. 2 8:30	Lee Dehmlow	Jo Kurowski	Gail & Maddie Harris	Karen Wiesjahn	Paul & Roth	Linda O'Bryan & Jo Kurowski	Okerman & Guthals	Open	Donna Burman
10:45	Kristen Raleigh	Bruce Guthals	Caley Dallman & Paige Nankey	Janet McGaw	Clair & Stokes	Irwin Faalu & Eric Herbert			Kristen Raleigh
Oct. 9 8:30	Andy Nakatani	Steve Haigh	Diane Marlowe	Mike Sherpe	Pequette & Kurowski	Dick Reimer & Janet Weinz	Hinsey	Open	Lori Williams
10:45	Michael Omohundro	Susan Howell	Brayden & Sydney Mech	Pam Haigh	Herhold & Guthals	Bruce Stokes & Cathy Bunch			Karen Dehmlow
Oct. 16 8:30	Terri Mohrhaus	Janet Okerman	Matt Okerman	Marilyn Diver & Janet McGaw	Okerman, Acree & Wiesjahn	Alan Okerman & Paul Engel	Dallman	Open	Angie Kleberger
10:45	Allison Summerton	Mary Pratt	Mackenzie & Morgan Ammon	Peg Burnette	Gerhart & Wegienka	Jo Natale & Heather Dahms			Bruce Guthals
Oct. 23 8:30	Steve Howie	Eric Miller	Gail & Maddie Harris	Tom & Karen Shopmier	Greene & Haigh	Janet McGaw & Dave Koenig	Wiesjahn	Open	Alan Okerman
10:45	Walt Meyer	Kristen Raleigh	Matthew & Lucas Bainbridge	Linda Rejvani	Roth & Kleberger	Andy Nakatani & Bruce Guthals			Bruce Stokes
Oct. 30 8:30	Andy Nakatani	Jo Kurowski	Jordan Dillard	Valerie Watkins	Dallman & Budinger	Lynn Sherpe & Janet Okerman	Open	Open	Lori Williams
10:45	Steve Howie	Bruce Guthals	Alan Beals & Gabby Strauss	Ann Remme	Stokes & Guthals	Rhonda Sinnema & Jo Natale			Brian DeBolt

**Please make sure you mark your calendars and notify the church office of any changes in the schedule by Wednesday of your scheduled week so we may get the correct names in the bulletin. Thanks!**

**If you would be interested in serving in any of the above worship categories please contact:**

Assisting Minister	Steve Howie	Jeaneane Engel
Altar Guild	Jan McGaw	Marshall Roth
Counter	Jo Natale	Lynda Koenig
	Fellowship Hour Hosts	
	Host	
	Acolyte/Lector	

**We would welcome adults, couples and/or families to sign up to serve as Acolytes.**

# Saint Peter Lutheran Church - October 2011

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
2 8:30 AM Traditional Communion Service (WC) 9:40 AM Education Hour 10:45 AM Contemporary Communion Service (WC) 12:30 PM Stephen Minister Training (FH) 6:00 PM Catechism Workshop (FH)	3 6:30 PM Financial Peace Class (FH)	4	5 6:00 AM Meditation/Labyrinth Walk 11:30 AM Bible Study (Saint Andrews Village) 6:30 PM Executive Team (Office) 7:30 PM Jubilate Choir rehearsal (WC)	6 6:30 AM Men's Christcare Group (Panera Bread) 8:00 PM Worship Band Rehearsal (WC)	7 7:00 PM Overeaters Anonymous Meeting (FH)	1 9:00 AM Next Opportunity Group (Narthex) 11:30 AM Al-Anon Meeting (FH)
9 8:30 AM Traditional Communion Service (WC) 9:40 AM Education Hour 10:45 AM Contemporary Communion Service (WC) 1:30 PM Hugo & Matsuura - student piano recital 6:00 PM Catechism Leader Huddle (Mohrhaus' Home) <b>...SM Training Retreat</b>	10 6:30 PM Financial Peace Class (FH) 7:00 PM The Saint Peter Stitchers (CH)	11 10:00 AM Staff Meeting (FH)	12 6:00 AM Meditation/Labyrinth Walk 11:30 AM Prayer & Fellowship (FH) 12:00 PM Bible Study (FH) 7:30 PM Jubilate Choir rehearsal (WC)	13 8:00 PM Worship Band Rehearsal (WC)	14 <b>Stephen Minister Training Retreat...</b> 7:00 PM Overeaters Anonymous Meeting (FH)	8 9:00 AM RTLCL Grace Race (Sloan's Lake) 9:00 AM Walk to Defeat ALS (Denver City Park) 11:30 AM Al-Anon Meeting (FH)
16 8:30 AM Traditional Communion Service (WC) 9:30 AM Holy Heights Ministry (Holy Heights Nursing Home) 9:40 AM Education Hour 10:45 AM Contemporary Communion Service (WC) 6:00 PM Catechism Workshop (FH)	17 <b>November Newsletter Deadline</b> 6:30 PM Financial Peace Class (FH)	18 9:30 AM Worship Planning (Office) 6:30 PM Administrative Team (FH)	19 6:00 AM Meditation/Labyrinth Walk 11:30 AM Prayer & Fellowship (FH) 12:00 PM Bible Study (FH) 7:30 PM Jubilate Choir rehearsal (WC)	20 6:30 AM Men's Christcare Group (Panera Bread) 6:00 PM Cherry Creek Vista Board Mtg (FH) 8:00 PM Worship Band Rehearsal (WC)	21 7:00 PM Overeaters Anonymous Meeting (FH)	22 10:00 AM The Saint Peter Stitchers (FH) 11:30 AM Al-Anon Meeting (FH)
23 8:30 AM Traditional Communion Service (WC) 9:40 AM Education Hour 10:45 AM Contemporary Communion Service (WC) 12:30 PM Stephen Minister Training (FH)	24 6:30 PM Financial Peace Class (FH)	25 10:00 AM Staff Meeting (FH) 6:30 PM Mission Team (FH)	26 6:00 AM Meditation/Labyrinth Walk 11:30 AM Prayer & Fellowship (FH) 12:00 PM Bible Study (FH) 6:30 PM Stephen Minister Supervision (FH) 7:30 PM Jubilate Choir rehearsal (WC)	27 6:30 PM Women of SPPLC Meeting (Piccolo Restaurant in Denver) 8:00 PM Worship Band Rehearsal (WC)	28 7:00 PM Overeaters Anonymous Meeting (FH)	29 9:00 AM Next Opportunity Group (Narthex) 11:30 AM Al-Anon Meeting (FH)
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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

### Ministry Team

**David J. Risendal, Pastor**  
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#### **June – August**

8:00 a.m. Outdoor Communion Service  
10:00 a.m. Indoor Communion Service

### Officers of the Congregation

**Lori Williams, President**  
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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]