

# The Saint Peter Weekly

## Following in the Wilderness

Wouldn't it be great if baptism came with an insurance policy concerning things like disease, unemployment, temptation, and more? If Jesus' experience is any indication, this is clearly not the case. No sooner is Jesus baptized than he finds himself in the wilderness being tempted by the devil.

In a small way this parallels the lives of God's faithful people. No sooner do you wake up in the wilderness of this life than you find yourself facing temptations. Why not fudge those numbers on the tax returns? Who really drives the speed limit? Why not do what you want if no one gets hurt?

But when we view the world through the lens of faith, life becomes more complicated, not less. We have to consider not just what is good for me, but what is good for my neighbor. Some of those neighbors live on the other side of the street, and many more live on the other side of the globe.

Through those temptations, Jesus is consistent. He will not choose the easy path to avoid difficulty and suffering. Instead, he will follow the way of faithfulness to God, even when it complicates life and leads to the cross.

In the midst of our own wilderness journeys we can trust in Jesus. Like Jesus, we have been claimed by God in the waters of baptism. Following Jesus, we know he has gone before us, no matter where our journey takes us. Jesus knows what it means to be tempted. Jesus knows what it means to suffer. Just like us. God's promise to us is not an easy, problem-free life. What God promises is even better: bread for the wilderness and wine for the journey, reminders of the love of Jesus every step along the way.

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## Announcements & Upcoming Events

**MID-WEEK SOUP SUPPER & LENT WORSHIP:** Wednesday evenings during Lent (February 24 – March 24), join us for Soup Supper at 6:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall and then at 7:00 p.m. we will be holding Lent worship services that come from the Community of Taizé near Cluny, France.

**NEW MEMBER CLASSES, MONDAY EVENINGS, FEB. 22 – MARCH 15:** If you are interested in making Saint Peter Lutheran Church your church home, or if you are simply interested in learning a bit more about Saint Peter and the Lutheran Church, we invite you to attend a series of New Member Classes which are scheduled on four Monday evenings (February 22 and March 1, 8, and 15) from 7:30 to 9:00 p.m. Please give us a call in the church office and let us know you are interested.

**CHURCH CLEAN-UP DAY, MARCH 6<sup>TH</sup>:** Come one, come all – the more, the merrier! Help get our church ready for Easter. We will start at 9:00 a.m. on Saturday, March 6<sup>th</sup>.

**THE FIRST SUNDAY  
IN LENT  
FEBRUARY 21, 2010**

FIRST LESSON  
**DEUTERONOMY 26:1-11**

PSALM  
**91:1-2, 9-16**

SECOND LESSON  
**ROMANS 10:8B-13**

GOSPEL LESSON  
**ST. LUKE 4:1-13**

PRAYER OF THE DAY  
**O LORD GOD, YOU LED YOUR  
PEOPLE THROUGH THE  
WILDERNESS AND BROUGHT  
THEM TO THE PROMISED LAND.  
GUIDE US NOW, SO THAT,  
FOLLOWING YOUR SON,  
WE MAY WALK SAFELY  
THROUGH THE WILDERNESS OF  
THIS WORLD TOWARD THE LIFE  
YOU ALONE CAN GIVE,  
THROUGH JESUS CHRIST, OUR  
SAVIOR AND LORD, WHO LIVES  
AND REIGNS WITH YOU AND  
THE HOLY SPIRIT, ONE GOD,  
NOW AND FOREVER. 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](http://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.

**CAUTION YOUTH OF THE DAY** are Alan Buser and David Dehmlow.

**ADULT FORUM:** This week Ron Leighton will continue leading a four week study (February 7, 14, 21 & 28) on "Christian Spirituality". On March 7<sup>th</sup> the Community Service Team will facilitate a look at poverty awareness. Join us each Sunday at 9:40 a.m. in the Narthex.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL "DIAPER DRIVE":** As a service project our Sunday School students are having a "Diaper Drive" to benefit Champa House. There will be a collection box in the Narthex through February 28<sup>th</sup>. Thanks everyone!

**SIGN-UP FOR SOUP SUPPER:** As you know, Soup Suppers start next Wednesday, February 24<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. If you would like to bring a pot of soup to share, there is a sign-up sheet on the door of the Narthex.

**COVENANT CUPBOARD FOOD PANTRY:** CCFP has been serving over 100 families each week – Let's overflow the wagon with nonperishable food donations – they especially need: baby food, formula, diapers, and personal hygiene items such as shampoo, shaving cream, toothpaste and deodorant, and also books for young children. Thank you in advance for your continued donations and faithful support!

**WORSHIP SERVANT WORKSHOP, FEB. 28<sup>TH</sup> AT 12:00 NOON:** All Assisting Ministers, Acolytes, Altar Guild members, DESIGN Team members, Host Families, Fellowship Hosts, Lectors & Worship Coordinators are asked to attend a workshop after the second service on February 28<sup>th</sup>. Lunch will be provided. Please join us as we strengthen our approach to leading God's people in worship. Thank you for your willingness to serve!

**ANNUAL STPLC EASTER EGG HUNT:** Invite your friends and neighbors, everyone is welcome to join in the fun at our Annual Easter Egg Hunt right after second service on Sunday, March 28<sup>th</sup>.

**4<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL CAUTION EASTER PANCAKE BREAKFAST:** Again this year our very own CAUTION Youth Group will serve up **The Best Pancakes in Town!** The festivities will start at 7:00 a.m. and will go until 10:30 a.m. on Easter morning. There will be a free-will offering to raise funds for the summer mission trips.

**CHANGE OF ADDRESS?:** If you have had a change of address, phone number or email address, please contact the church office and help us keep the membership database current. Thanks!

**THE 2<sup>ND</sup> ANNUAL SELIAN LUTHERAN HOSPITAL 5K RUN/WALK** will take place on Saturday, June 5<sup>th</sup> beginning at 9:00 a.m. Anyone who is interested in helping to plan this event, please contact Carol Mayer at 303 470-1205 or email her at [carolmayerco@aol.com](mailto:carolmayerco@aol.com).

**PRAYER CONCERNS (\* NEW THIS WEEK)**

Praying for:	Relationship:	Prayer Concern:
Alice Danitschek	Mother of Kay Gerhart	Prayers of thanksgiving, all medical tests were negative.
Carl Helland	Grandfather of Jonathan Von Stroh	Hospitalized this past week.
Tori Simmons	Friend of Jerry Paul	Recovering from surgery to remove a benign tumor.
Family & Friends of Carolyn Greene	Mother of Alan Greene & Dottie Kerr	Completed her baptismal journey on 2/11.
Elaine Nassen	Friend of Don & Ruth McKinley	Back damaged after a bad fall & is hospitalized.
Family & Friends of Joe Williams	Neighbor of Ron & Verna Leighton	Completed his baptismal journey.
Tanner Williams	Saint Peter Member	Recovering from surgery on his right elbow.
Beth Carlson	Sister of Anne Harnett	Diagnosed with early stage skin cancer.
Pr. Julie & Randy McNitt	Julie serves at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church in Littleton & is Pastor Dave's friend	They are traveling to Miami to pick up their adopted son who is from Haiti.
Brian Dougherty	Friend of Tom & Karen Shopmier	Prayers for courage & safety as he enters the U.S. Navy SEAL program.

<b>Praying for:</b>	<b>Relationship:</b>	<b>Prayer Concern:</b>
Helen Mayfield	Mother of Karen Dehmlow	Recovering from surgery on 2/10 for a kinked intestine.
Family & Friends of Donna Schachel	Co-worker of Angie Kleberger	Died unexpectedly on 2/7 from a stroke.
Rebecca Hawkins	Sister of Madeleine Lee	Recovering from knee surgery.
Family & Friends of Michael Zartman	Son of Bob, a friend of Jerry Paul	Completed his baptismal journey on 2/7.
Marilyn Ahlbrand	Mother of Linda Keller	Recovering at home from open heart surgery.
Anne Cunico	Cousin of Kristen Raleigh	Receiving treatment for stage 3 breast cancer.
Teens & their Families	Friends of Saint Peter	Prayers for healthy life choices & teen suicide prevention.
Family & Friends of Carleena Howell	Mother-in-law of Susan Howell	Completed her baptismal journey on 2/9.
Samuel & Dorothea Daniel	Parents of Darlene Beals	Survived a car accident on 1/30; recovering at home from head trauma.
Frank Arsenault & Family	Friend of Jackie Skiles	Receiving chemotherapy treatment for Leukemia.
Randy Engler	Cousin of Jackie Skiles	Receiving chemotherapy treatment for lung cancer.
Dave Williams	Saint Peter Member	Health issues related to Parkinson's Disease; awaiting a surgery date to remove a mass in his chest.
Emily Wilson	11 year old niece of Janet & Alan Okerman	Continues to be hospitalized; receiving cancer treatment.
Bret Maassen	Brother of Rhonda Sinnema	Hospitalized with a collapsed lung.
Griffin Bohan	5 year old friend of the Herbert Family	Inoperable brain tumor; pray for healing & comfort.
Emrie Rose Renevier	6 week old Great-granddaughter of Larry & Darlene Renevier	Having small seizures & is undergoing tests to find cause.
Larry Renevier	Saint Peter Member	Health issues related to diabetes.
Meghan Blanc	Friend of Karen & Tom Shopmier	Health issues related to cancer.
Michele Littell	Sister-in-law of Rich & Jessica Littell	Health issues related to skin cancer.
Jerry Grasmick	Saint Peter Member	Health issues related to cancer & receiving treatment.
Kyle Renevier	Grandson of Larry & Darlene Renevier	Undergoing treatment for Hodgkin's-Lymphoma.
Brooks Lily	Father of a friend of Susan Hinchey-Strauss	Health issues related to lung cancer.
Justin Miller & Family	Payton Waggoner's young friend	Health issues related to cancer.
Russell Troy Bennett & Family	Friend of Walt & Karyl Meyer	Health issues related to recurrence of cancer.
Jack Meehan	Friend of Susan Hinchey-Strauss	Health issues related to a brain tumor.
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.
Helen McGaw	Mother of Dave McGaw	Health issues.
Karen Shopmier	Saint Peter Member	Health issues related to Crohn's disease.
Holly Pederson	Shelly Hunter's sister	Health issues related to cancer.

## CALENDAR

### February 21

8:30 a.m. Traditional Communion Service  
 9:30 a.m. Holly Heights Ministry (Holly Heights Nursing Home)  
 9:40 a.m. Youth & Adult Education  
 10:45 a.m. Contemporary Communion Service  
 6:00 p.m. Catechism Leader Huddle (Herhold Home)

### February 22

7:30 p.m. New Member Class (FH)

### February 23

6:30 p.m. Mission Team Meeting (FH)

### February 24

6:00 p.m. Soup Supper (FH)  
 7:00 p.m. Mid-week Lent Worship (WC)

### February 25

5:30 p.m. Dave McGaw Jazz Band (WC)  
 8:00 p.m. Worship Band Rehearsal (WC)

### February 26

8:00 p.m. Amy Grant Concert (Paramount Theatre)

### February 27

8:30 a.m. Stephen Ministry Meeting (FH)  
 11:30 a.m. Al-Anon Meeting (FH)

### February 28

8:30 a.m. Traditional Communion Service  
 9:40 a.m. Youth & Adult Education  
 10:45 a.m. Contemporary Communion Service  
 12:00 p.m. Worship Servant Workshop (WC)  
 6:00 p.m. Catechism Workshop (FH)

### March 1

7:00 p.m. Pray & Crochet (FH)  
 7:30 p.m. New Member Class (FH)

### March 2

7:00 p.m. For Pete's Sake Players (WC)

### March 3

6:00 p.m. Soup Supper (FH)  
 6:30 p.m. Executive Team Meeting (FH)  
 7:00 p.m. Mid-week Lent Worship (WC)  
 7:45 p.m. Jubilate Choir Rehearsal (WC)

### March 4

5:30 p.m. Dave McGaw Jazz Band (WC)  
 6:40 p.m. Alleluia Bells Rehearsal (WC)  
 8:00 p.m. Worship Band Rehearsal (WC)

### March 6

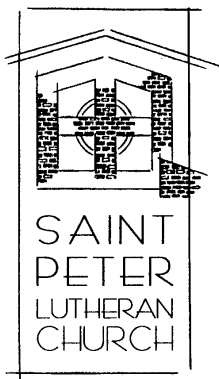
9:00 a.m. Church Clean-up Day (Whole Facility)  
 9:00 a.m. "Next Opportunity" Group (FH)  
 11:30 a.m. Al-Anon Meeting (FH)

## THIS WEEK'S WORSHIP SERVANTS (FEBRUARY 21<sup>ST</sup>)

	<b>First Service (8:30 a.m.)</b>	<b>Second Service (10:45 a.m.)</b>
<b>Assisting Minister:</b>	Terri Mohrhaus	Allison Summerton
<b>Lector:</b>	Janet Okerman	Kristen Raleigh
<b>Acolytes:</b>	Matthew Okerman & Open	Alan Beals & Alan Buser
<b>Worship Coordinator:</b>	Deb Roth	Karen Dehmlow
<b>Leadership Team Rep.:</b>	Alan Okerman	Ed Hardey
<b>Altar Guild:</b>	Lynda Koenig	Peg Burnette
<b>Hosts:</b>	Okerman & Pequette	Guthals & Haigh
<b>Counters:</b>	Alan Okerman & Paul Engel	Kay Metzger & Mike DiLisa
<b>Flowers:</b>	--	--
<b>Fellowship Host:</b>	McKinley & Engel	McKinley & Engel

## NEXT WEEK'S WORSHIP SERVANTS (FEBRUARY 28<sup>TH</sup>)

	<b>First Service (8:30 a.m.)</b>	<b>Second Service (10:45 a.m.)</b>
<b>Assisting Minister:</b>	Steve Howie	Walt Meyer
<b>Lector:</b>	Tanner Williams	Hayden Behnke
<b>Acolytes:</b>	Courtney Williams & Open	Johathan Dehmlow
<b>Worship Coordinator:</b>	Diane Reimer	Karen Dehmlow
<b>Leadership Team Rep.:</b>	Mark Hinsey	Bruce Guthals
<b>Altar Guild:</b>	Tom & Karen Shopmier	Ann Remme
<b>Hosts:</b>	Mach & Kurowski	Herhold & Kleberger
<b>Counters:</b>	Jan McGaw & Steve Flessner	Andy Nakatani & Bruce Guthals
<b>Flowers:</b>	--	--
<b>Fellowship Host:</b>	Karen Wiesjahn	Karen Wiesjahn



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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

#### **June – August**

8:30 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]