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*The mission of St. Peter Evangelical Lutheran Church is to:
Teach the saving Gospel of Jesus Christ to all;
Reach the lost with the same Word by the witness of our words and actions;
Care for all in need as we live in Christ's love through the same Word.*

MARCH NEWSLETTER DEADLINE is Friday, February 23rd. Thanks!

2017 ANNUAL REPORT has been printed and is available in the Narthex.

2018-2019 ALTAR GUILD SCHEDULES are available in the Narthex on the Deacons' desk.

ATTENTION CAKE BAKERS---St. Peter congregation has been asked to donate 8 birthday cakes to Lutheran Life Villages for the February birthdays. We need cakes in 13 x 9 disposable pans, plus two angel food cakes. Please let Kris Bischoff know if you are able to donate a cake for this. They will be needed on Valentine's Day, February 14. Thank you very much!!

SCRIP REMINDER: This is a reminder to everyone that uses the Kroger Plus card to support SPI....You need to RE-ENROLL yearly for the rewards to continue for SPI. Make sure you do it before your previous date in order for the rewards to continue uninterrupted. Thank You for supporting St. Peter Immanuel Lutheran School.

Eldest Members at St. Peter

The Lord has graciously extended the lives of these members here at St. Peter:

			Age at 2018 birthday
Ella Switzer	born January 4, 1918	age 100	
Marie Wietfeldt	born May 27, 1924	age 94	
Laverne Boerger	born February 17, 1925	age 93	
Dora Mae Tieman	born March 30, 1927	age 91	
Charles Crosby	born October 5, 1928	age 90	
Robert Lehrman, Sr.	born July 25, 1931	age 87	
Eldora Fuelling	born August 25, 1932	age 86	
Howard Fuelling	born January 9, 1933	age 85	
Kenneth Busick	born August 10, 1934	age 84	
Maxine Becker	born March 14, 1935	age 83	
Walter Berning	born July 29, 1935	age 83	
Vera Berning	born March 18, 1936	age 82	
George Fuelling	born May 19, 1936	age 82	
Arnold Gerke	born September 28, 1936	age 82	
F John Myers	born January 4, 1937	age 81	
Franklin Bittner	born January 31, 1937	age 81	
Janice Mishler	born April 16, 1937	age 81	
M Jane Sipe	born May 15, 1937	age 81	
Dale Busick	born May 16, 1937	age 81	
Donald Gerke	born June 19, 1937	age 81	
Melvin Fuelling	born July 29, 1937	age 81	
Kay Bohnke	born October 18, 1937	age 81	
Ann Gerke	born March 29, 1938	age 80	
Sharon Fuelling	born January 13, 1939	age 79	
Rita Gerke	born April 3, 1939	age 79	
Sophie Busick	born April 17, 1939	age 79	
David Fuelling	born September 24, 1940	age 78	
Eldon Fuelling	born January 10, 1942	age 76	
Janice Linker	born March 8, 1942	age 76	
P Susie Carpenter	born April 9, 1942	age 76	
Herbert Banning	born May 30, 1942	age 76	
Joyce Gariepy	born June 22, 1942	age 76	
Billy Carpenter	born August 10, 1942	age 76	
Sharon Busick-Howell	born February 4, 1943	age 75	
Leeann Busick	born April 12, 1943	age 75	
Janell Harper	born September 10, 1943	age 75	
Ronald Zimmerman	born November 14, 1943	age 75	

Golden Anniversaries & More

The Lord has graciously extended the marriages of these couples here at St. Peter:

			Years married in 2018
Walter Berning & Vera (Stotlar)	married August 4, 1956	62 years	
Arnold Gerke & Ann (Hamand)	married December 29, 1957	61 years	
Donald Gerke & Rita (Hockemeyer)	married June 5, 1959	59 years	
Kenneth Busick & Sophie (Sobiech)	married July 3, 1959	59 years	
Dale Busick & Leeann (Melcher)	married May 28, 1960	58 years	
Billy Carpenter & Susie (Scherer)	married February 23, 1962	56 years	
Vernon Witte & Judy (Thieme)	married January 26, 1963	55 years	
Ronald Franz & Marjorie (Bleeke)	married May 29, 1965	53 years	
Ronald Zimmerman & Arlene (Hockemeyer)	married October 22, 1966	52 years	
Frederick Fuelling & Rebecca (Fifer)	married May 27, 1967	51 years	

St. Peter Events in the Past

50 Years Ago - Rev Roger D Eden

- Burial 2-8-1968 Theodore Busick Age: 83y 6d
Died 2-6-1968 Fuelling Cemetery
(Obituary next page)
- Marriage 2-9-1968 Larry Lee Busick & Mattie E Baughman
(Newspaper article next page)
- Burial 2-14-1968 Mrs Emma Bohnke Age: 89y 26d
Died 2-11-1968 Fuelling Cemetery
(Obituary next page)

100 Years Ago - Pastor Louis W Dornseif

- Baptism 2-10-1918 Edgar Christ Friedr Carl Fuelling Father: Friedrich E Fuelling
Born 1-23-1918 Mother: Elsa nee Franz
Sponsors: Christ Franz, Friedr Fuelling & Carl Boehnke
(Edgar C F C Fuelling married Okaleah Stetlar; died 8-17-1997)
- Baptism 2-17-1918 Richard Carl Edwin Fuelling Father: Martin Fuelling
Birth (2-6-1918) Mother: Ida nee Boerger
Sponsors: Edwin Fuelling & Carl Boerger
(Richard C E Fuelling married Claudia Hamilton; died 3-2-1993)

150 Years Ago - Pastor J Andreas Fritze

- Baptism 2-13-1968 Friedrich Wilhelm Heinrich Kucelhan Father: Friedrich Kucelhan junior
Born 1-27-1868 Mother: Louise (nee Füllung)
Sponsors : F Kucelhan, Fried Füllung & Wilhelm Bohnke
(F W Henry Kucelhan died 3-31-1958)

Submitted by Allen Franz

Theodore Busick dies this morning

Theodore Busick, 83, of Decatur route 3, a retired farmer, died at 10 a.m. today at the Wells county hospital at Bluffton, where he had been a patient two days. He had resided at the South View rest home at Bluffton for the past eight years.

Born in Adams county Jan. 31, 1885, he was a son of Fred and Sophia Kubalhan-Busick.

Mr. Busick was a member of St. Peter's Lutheran church.

Surviving are three nephews, Alfred, Lester and Herbert Busick, all of Decatur route 3, and a niece, Mrs. Ed (Frieda) Herderhorst of Mountsville route 2.

Funeral services will be conducted at 1:30 p.m. Thursday at the Zwick funeral home, and at 2 p.m. at St. Peter's Lutheran church, with Rev. Roger Eden officiating. Burial will be in the church cemetery. Friends may call at the funeral home after 2 p.m. Wednesday until time of the services.

Couple exchange wedding vows

love knots.

Mrs. Lois McMullen attended the bride as matron of honor. Mrs. Faye Welch, Mrs. Barbara Woodward, and Mrs. Jane Busick, were the bridesmaids, with Kathy Spankles and Terri Mumford as flower girls. The matron of honor appeared in a floor length gown of better times peau de soie with dior sleeves with bows adorning the back panels of her train. The bridesmaids and flower girls were gowned identically. They carried crescent shaped carnations of white and better times with satin streamers. The flower girls carried baskets of rose petals. All wore peau de soie rose petals with veils.

Leo Busick, brother of the groom, stood as best man. Bob Mumford, Bill McNamara and Jerry Osborn seated the guests. The reception was held at Lighted Acres reception hall immediately following the 7:30 p.m. ceremony.

The couple are residing in Decatur, where Busick is city court judge.

Miss Elizabeth Baughman and Larry Busick were united in marriage in a 7:30 p.m. candlelight ceremony February 9, at the St. Peter's Lutheran church. Beauty vases of white gladiolus, pom poms and carnations adorned the altar with white and gold candelabras.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Chester Meyers of Fort Wayne, and the groom is the son of Mrs. Lydia Busick of Decatur, and the late Clarence Busick.

The bride, given in marriage by her brother, Fred Sprankles of Chicago, chose a gown of crystal white satin with embroidered venise lace and featured a scoop neckline and long tapered sleeves which came to a point over her hands. The slender lines of a modified A-line skirt were accentuated by a detachable train which swept to a full chapel length.

The imported illusion veil was caught to venise lace rose petals which were interwoven in the hair. The bridal bouquet was fashioned of better times roses, ivy twine and satin streamers with

Mrs. Emma Bohnke dies at hospital

Mrs. Emma Bohnke, 89, of Hoagland route 1, died at 1:30 p.m. Sunday at the Adams county memorial hospital, where she had been a patient two weeks. She had made her home the past 11 years with a daughter, Mrs. Ida Fuelling of Hoagland route 1.

Born in Allen county Jan. 14, 1876, she was a daughter of Christian and Mary Ann Bucher-Franz, and was married to Charles Bohnke June 10, 1900. Her husband preceded her in death Aug. 15, 1947.

Mrs. Bohnke was a member of St. Peter's Lutheran church and the Ladies Aid of the church.

Surviving are one son, Christ Bohnke of Decatur route 5; three daughters, Mrs. August (Kuehlie) Macke of Hoagland, Mrs. Ida Fuelling of Hoagland route 1, and Mrs. Morris (Mildred) Bleeker of Decatur route 5; 71 grandchildren and 28 great-grandchildren. One daughter and two sons are deceased.

Funeral services will be conducted at 2 p.m. Wednesday at the Zwick funeral home and at 2:30 p.m. at the St. Peter's Lutheran church, with Rev. Roger Eden officiating. Burial will be in the church cemetery. Friends may call at the funeral home after 7 p.m. today until time of the services.

February 2018

Altar Guild—Brenda Wolf and Sheryl Howard

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 9:00 am Quilting (tba) 9:30 Pastors' Study Group, at Bingen	2	3
4 9:00 am Divine Service of Holy Comm. (Sun. Sch. & Bible Cl. after) 3:00 Ladies Bible Study	5	6	7 8:00 am SPI Chapel	8 9:00 am Quilting (tba) 9:30 Pastors' Study Group, at Bingen	9	10
11 9:00 am Divine Service (Sun. Sch. & Bible Cl. after) 3:00 Ladies Bible Study	12	13 9:30 am Decatur Circuit Pastors, at Seminary 7:00 SPI School Bd.	14 8:00 am SPI Chapel 7:00 Ash Wed. Communion Service	15 9:00 am Quilting (tba) 9:30 Pastors' Study Group, at Bingen 1:30 Luth. Comm. Service at Woodcrest	16	17
18 9:00 am Divine Service of Holy Comm. (Sun. Sch. & Bible Cl. after) 3:00 Ladies Bible Study	19	20	21 8:00 am SPI Chapel 7:00 Midweek Lenten Service	22 9:00 am Quilting (tba) 9:30 Pastors' Study Group, at Bingen	23	24
25 9:00 am Divine Service (Sun. Sch. & Bible Cl. after) 3:00 Ladies Bible Study	26	27	28 8:00 am SPI Chapel 7:00 Midweek Lenten Service		MARCH NEWSLETTER DEADLINE	

Congratulations to all who celebrate in February.
May God's Blessings be with you as you celebrate
another year!

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

1	Heather Franz	17	LaVerne Boerger
2	William Werling	17	Patty Sheneman
3	Duane Franz	20	Liam Ohler
4	Sharon Busick Howell	20	Melinda Lehrman
4	Jonathon Fuelling	22	Karah Myers
4	Victoria Hammond	23	Nicholas Howard
4	Kristin Bixler	23	Karen Matthews
7	Loretta Franz	23	Kellie Fuelling
8	Rod Busick	24	Keith Howard
10	Frederick D. Fuelling	24	Jared Light
10	Rebecca Linn Fuelling	25	Teresa Cochran
10	Kyle Scherer	25	Brad Fuelling
13	Judy Moehring	25	David Linker
14	Sandra K. Franz	25	Joe Fuelling
14	Suzy Fuelling	27	Eric Fuelling
16	Jane Linker	27	Emmit Gresley

FEBRUARY ANNIVERSARIES

February 9, 1991
Mark & Julie Banning

February 23, 1962
Bill & Susie Carpenter

February 24, 1973
Jerry & Sandy Fuelling



The Season of Lent, 2018

Theme: "Words of Life from the Cross"

Christ Jesus offered up His life for the life of the world. His final words form the theme of this season. Each word Jesus spoke imparts a blessing and is a word of Gospel. Each word of Christ proclaims His glory as we trust Him for forgiveness, life, and salvation.

Ash Wednesday, Feb. 14, 7:00 pm

Service of Holy Communion + Theme: "The Pardoning Word"

Luke 23:34, "Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do"

Wednesday, Feb. 21, 7:00 pm + "The Promising Word"

Luke 23:43, "Amen, I say to you, today you will be with Me in Paradise"

Wednesday, Feb. 28, 7:00 pm + "The Faithful Word"

Matthew 27:46, "My God, My God, why have You forsaken Me?"

Wednesday, March 7, 7:00 pm + "The Compassionate Word"

John 19:26-27, "Woman, behold, your son!" ... "Behold, your mother!"

Wednesday, March 14, 7:00 pm + "The Suffering Word"

John 19:28, "I thirst!"

Wednesday, March 21, 7:00 pm + "The Dying Word"

Luke 23:46, "Father, into Your hands I commit My spirit!"

