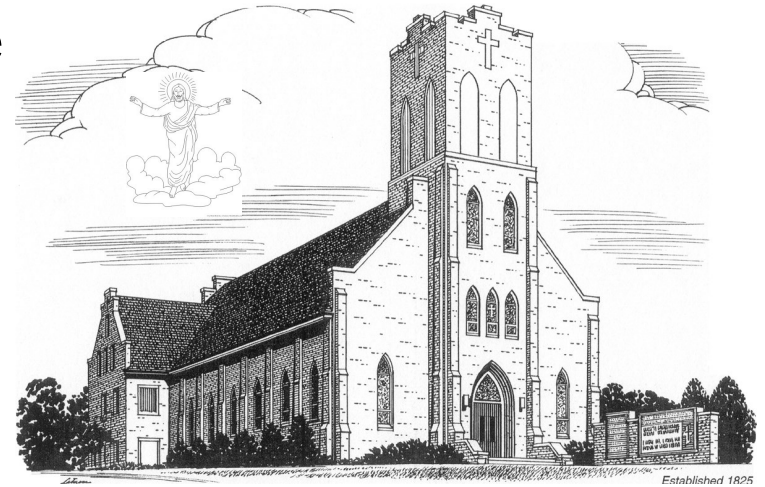


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ST. PETER'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

6175 St. Peters Church Road

Conover, NC 28613

Transfiguration Sunday

February 23, 2020

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The Rev. Eric Hauss, Assistant Pastor

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As We Gather The Transfiguration of our Lord was an “out-of-this-world” event. While the disciples watched, Jesus began to shine light the sun. He experienced for a moment the divine glory that was His before the world began. Yet as quickly as it began, it ended. Jesus had come to be our Savior. Before the crown would come the cross!

Worship **Assisted Listening System** is available in the sanctuary entrance. Speak with an usher who will provide you with a hearing lanyard.

Shawls and Wraps are available for you if you get cold. They are located in the room left of the foyer. – The Crocheters & Loomers.

Altar Flowers beautify God’s sanctuary and are given for His glory. Consider offering flowers. Sign the chart near the church offices.



Ash Wednesday Services February 26th 12 noon and 7:00 pm

“Confession and God’s Grace” Psalm 51 This will be a service of repentance, confession, the imposition of ashes, absolution and Holy Communion.

An Ash Wednesday Meal (Strove Tuesday style pancake meal) will be served by the mission team at **6:00 pm** in the Spirit Center.

Next Sunday - March 1 - First Sunday in Lent

“The Tempter Defeated” Pastor Kevin Graudin

Scripture Readings: Genesis 3:1-21, Romans 5:12-19, Matthew 4:1-11, Psalm 32:1-7.

8:15 AM Contemporary Worship with Holy Communion

9:30 AM Sunday School/Adult Bible Study

10:45 AM Divine Service, Setting III

Lenten Services during the solemn season of Lent will be held on Sunday evenings at **7:00 pm**. Our focus this year will be on the words of prophecy from David and Isaiah regarding the crucifixion of Christ. Next Sunday’s vespers service will consider the astounding prophecy of Isaiah 53 - *“The LORD laid on him the iniquity of us all.”*

ACTIVITIES FOR THE COMING WEEK

Today	8:15 am	Contemporary Worship Service
	9:30 am	Sunday School & Bible Classes
	10:45 am	Worship Service – DS I
Mon.		Pastor Eric’s Day Off
	8:30 am	Quilters
	6:15 pm	Girl Scouts
	6:15 pm	Stephen Ministry
	7:00 pm	Small Group Bible Study –Multi Purpose
Tues.	6:30 pm	Cub Scouts
	7:00 pm	Boy Scouts
	7:00 pm	Adult basketball
Wed.	12:00 pm	Ash Wednesday Service with Communion
	6:00 pm	Pre-Service Meal
	7:00 pm	Ash Wednesday Service with Communion
	8:00 pm	BASIC Band practice
Thurs.	10:00 am	Small Group Bible Study – Multi Purpose
	2:00 pm	Dementia Support Group
	7:00 pm	Elders Meeting
Fri.		Pastor Kevin’s Day Off
	10:00 am	Small Group Bible Study
Sat.	7:30 am	Men’s Bible Class – Multi Purpose Room
Sun.	8:15 am	Contemporary Worship with Communion
	9:30 am	Sunday School & Bible Classes
	10:45 am	Traditional Worship Divine Service III
	5:30 pm	Pre-Service Meal
	7:00 pm	Lenten Service

Attendance for February 16, 2020

8:15 am Service – 172

10:45 am Service – 79

Offerings

General Fund – \$8,993.00

Building Fund – \$810.00

MISSIONARIES
Peter and Lucy Hoffman
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TODAY'S SERVANTS

Greeters

8:15am – Clayton & Debbie Milstead
10:45am—Joy Eckard and Gaye Marlowe

Readers

8:15am –
10:45am – Ned Combs

Altar Guild

Patty & Savannah Couch

Sound Crew

Jason Fulbright and John Jones

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Sunday School - Today 9:30-10:30 am 2nd floor education bldg.

- *Opening 2 yrs. – 3rd grade - Room #1 Judy Eckard
- *Babies – 2 yrs. old - Room #1 Kim Yancey
- *Preschool - Kindergarten - Room #1 Brenda Fulbright,
- *Preschool - Kindergarten Maureen Price, Sherry Bumgarner
- *First – Third Grades - Room #9 Terry Sigmon
- *Fourth – Sixth Grade - Room #8 Josh McArthur
- *Seventh – Eighth Grade - Room #4 John Adams
- *High School - Youth Room Sarah Freeman



Sunday Morning Adult Classes Today 9:30 am

- * **“The Book of Isaiah”** Sanctuary Study Group
Front right section sanctuary - Pastor Eric
- * **“Does God Still Heal?”** Adult Ladies Class 2nd
Floor Education Bldg - Beth Lail.
- * **“Thrive in Marriage”** Younger Adult Class 2nd Floor Education
Bldg, - Kevin Gantt /Kim Gantt.
- * **“The Story”** - Multi-Purpose Room – David Sigmon
- * **“The Story”** - Meeting in the **Parish Hall** – Pastor Kevin

Small Group Bible Studies this Week

- * **“Jesus the Reason”** Monday Evening Small Group **7:00pm**
Multi-Purpose Room – John & Debbie Thomas 828-612-8999
- * **“Older & Wiser”** Wednesday Morning Women’s Group **9:30am**
Sherry Kenworthy home. Call: 828-310-4405
- * **“The Book of Acts”** Thursday Morning Small Group **10:00am**
Multi-Purpose Room - Pastor Kevin
- * **“The Advent of the Lamb”** Thursday Evening Group **6:30pm**
Shirley Dellinger’s home. Christal Sigmon 828-695-7071.
- * **“The Book of Genesis, Part 2”** Friday morning Group **10:00am**
Multi-Purpose Room - Pastor Eric
- * **“The Book of Galatians”** Saturday morning Men’s Group **7:30am**
Multi-Purpose Room – Darrell Freeman.

Dementia Caregivers Support Group meets this **Thursday, February 27th** at **2:00 pm** in the Spirit Center. Karen Phoenix of Western Piedmont of Governments will present a program called “Visual 101” explaining the feelings dementia patients experience.

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Announcement Deadline Please submit any announcements by **12:00 noon on Thursdays** for ***The Sunday Spirit***. You may call the church office or email, jgantt@stpetersconover.org. or judy@eckard.com.

Lenten Pre-Service Meals served at 5:30pm in the Spirit Ctr.
February 26 - Mission Team - Pancakes dinner
March 1 - LLL - Something delicious
March 8 - Pastor Eric's Sunday School class - Spaghetti
March 15 - St. Peter's Youth - Tacos/Nachos
March 22 - Mission Team - Baked Potato & Salad
March 29 - Monday Night Bible Study - Soup & Sandwich

2020 Offering Envelopes are located in the narthex.

Church Members In Need of Prayer Bobby Little, Marshall & Nancy Wray, Doris Lail, Selena Gurganious, Donald Killian, John Thomas, Richard Hallman, Steve Sigmon, Joyce McCray, Jerry Eckard, Jim Moser, Bob Bowman, Finley & Edna Eckard, Hazel Bowman, Helen Queen and those who are homebound and those in nursing homes.



Prayer Needing Friends *Minnie Bell Bryant, Ryan Parnell, Penny Cranford, Erin Sipe, Nadia Yancey, Gary Killian, Harry Stanley, Bruce Keller, Kathy Wallace, Wally Reed, Priscilla Benton, Sharron Abernethy, Melodee Frye, Leo Purdue. STARTING (02-16-2020), names will be listed for one month, and can be added back upon request.*

Prayers for Those in the Military *Pastor Mark Seaman (Chaplain deployed to Kuwait), Isaiah Cortese (Grandson of Pat Sigmon stationed in Afghanistan), Saibyn Ruff (Husband of Katelynn Isenhour Ruff).*

Prayer for Pregnant Moms and Their Babies Katie & Cody Plemmons (due Feb. 23rd, 2020), Logan & Cassie Propst (due March 2020), Kyle & Kara Davis (due July 2020).

2020 CHURCH OFFICERS

President:	Mark Gantt
Secretary:	Pat Couch
Treasurer:	Beth Lail
Financial Secretary:	John Jones
Asst Financial Secretary:	Annissa Beck
Sunday School Super:	Brenda Fulbright
Asst Superintendent:	Terry Sigmon
Trustees:	Alan Yancey, Head Trustee; Chad Bailey, Bob Hoyle, Gary Eckard, Adam Watts.

Administration Chair:	Donna Sipe
Christian Education Chair:	Sandra Jenkins
Evangelism Chair:	Scott Medlin
Finance Chair:	Mike Pritchard
Program & Music Chair:	Kevin Sigmon
Missions Chair:	Catherine Huffman
Welfare Chair:	Doris Bolick
Youth & Organizations Chair:	Erin Sigmon
Service & Worship	Al Layne
Stewardship	Vacancy

Church Elders	Shepherd Groups (Last names)
Kevin Gantt	A-B
Craig Lackey	C-F
Scott Fulbright	G-H
Russ Darden	I-J
Ned Combs	M-P
Bob Watts (Head Elder)	Q-Sigmon
Robbie Killian	Sipe-Z

CANDY DONATIONS & Easter Eggstravaganza

This year's Easter Egg Hunt & Community celebration will occur on **Saturday, April 4th from 2:00-4:00pm in the Spirit Center**. We are asking for candy donations in the weeks leading up to the event. Please make sure these candies are nut-free for those that have allergies. A collection bin will be placed in the back hallway of the church. We need many volunteers to help with this event. If you can help set up, hide eggs, serve refreshments, or sit at the activity tables please let Sarah Freeman (828)-381-9061 or Brenda Fulbright (828)-256-7935 know.

School Supplies Donation Drive

Several of our young people have signed up to participate in the Teen Servant Week at Camp Linn Haven this summer. During this event, one of the organizations they will partner with is Avery County Schools. Avery County is one of the most impoverished in the state and over half the children and parents there cannot afford school supplies at the beginning of the school year. Please prayerfully consider donating school supplies that our youth can take with them as a part of this mission. A donation box/more information will be outside Sarah's office until July 19th.



CAMP LINN HAVEN NEWS

Summer Registration happening now: full schedule as well as registration forms can be found at camplinnhaven.org OR through the church office. Spots are filling up quickly!

CLH Work Weekends: Volunteers are needed to help with cleaning, repairing and landscaping the campus. Work weekends are **every Saturday from April 18th to May 16th**. Lunch is provided for workers Saturday afternoon.

Birthdays of Active Members Anthony Pruitt, Amy McClain, Hazel Bowman, Vickie Dagenhart, Erin Sigmon.

Wedding Anniversaries Earnest & Carol Starnes, Everette & Gail Mathews

Local Disaster Planning Please join others **tonight, 6:00 pm**, at St. John's Lutheran Church (2126 Saint Johns Church Rd NE Conover) as we discuss how we can be collectively prepared when the next local disaster strikes. - Catherine Huffman, Mission Chair

Elders Meeting will be held this Thursday, 7:00 pm in the church library.

Hurricane Rebuilding A group is heading to the Fayetteville area to help rebuild homes that were damaged nearly 2 years ago from Hurricane Florence. The date for the group servant event is **March 16-20**. If you are interested, please contact Pastor Eric Hollar at hollar76@yahoo.com or 828-244-7201.



Excited about the new Sound/Video system?

The Sound/Video committee is organizing project time lines and training. **Join our Crew!** We need more people to help run the system and we want to make sure you receive training for the new system.

Please contact Kevin Sigmon 256-6672(h) or 320-1418(c) or call the church office to learn about this new technology.

Blood Drive St. Peter's will host a Community Blood Drive, **Saturday, March 7th, 9:00am-2pm** in the Spirit Center. You can sign up with Vickie or Steve Miller at vmiller51@yahoo.com or Joan Bolick at jpbolick1@gmail.com. Please help us by donating!

A New Card Ministry This group will meet once a month to hand make and send cards to those in need of encouragement. If you would like to be a part of this ministry, please see Audrey Hauss, 828-310-1524 or Brenda G. Hefner, 828-238-0532.

Miriam Circle's Project for February and March is collecting food items for the Backpack program. We need canned meat, vegetables, fruit, pop tarts, viennas, granola bars, cheese crackers, soup, mac & cheese, ravioli. Place items in box in back hallway.

Scrip Gift Cards Purchase your gift cards from the LWML. There are order forms in the back of the church if you would like to see what cards are available. See Sherry Kenworthy (828-310-4405)

Thrivent Members Please do not forget to call (1-800-thrivent) or go online (thrivent.com) to direct your Choice Dollars to St. Peter's. 2019 Choice Dollars must be designated before **March 31**.

Memorials Jim & Hazel Moser have given to the Backpack fund in memory of John Lail. Mark Hoover has given to the Quilters in memory of Jr. Gantt.

+ Community Activities +

Dodgeball Tournament St. John's Lutheran, Saturday, March 7 at 6pm in the gym. Create a team of 6 with each player paying \$10. Each team must have 2 team members of the opposite sex. If you get eliminated, \$5 will get you back in. Invite your friends and family and bring a chair. Contact Denise Johnson @828-320-5370

Community Theatre Last call for *'Shakespeare in Love'* at the Hickory Community Theatre on **Sunday, Mar. 15th**. Betty will order tickets order tickets on Wednesday, February 26 for this show. Planning ahead *'On Golden Pond'* at the Green Room on **Sunday, Apr. 19** and Coming this summer- If you are interested in a little Saturday road trip to Mayberry and stroll the street with early dinner at the Depot or make a late Sunday lunch at the Depot, let Betty know soon. A date will be determined by the group. Come join the fun. Betty Goble 828-308-4251.

Trip to Lancaster, PA To see *'Queen Esther'* at the Sight and Sound Theatre. The dates are June 29 thru July 2, 2020. Christian tours motor coach, three nights accommodations and six meals for the price of per person double \$ 749, triple \$ 699, quad \$ 675 and single \$ 929. A representative from Christian Tours to talk about our trip. The Meeting will be **Thursday, March 5th at Sapphire Hills at 6:30pm**. Any questions contact Oz @828-320-5650 or Brenda @ 828-238-0532

The Youth & Organizations Committee will have its first meeting Wednesday, March 4th at 7:00pm in the Parish Hall. Anyone involved with the various groups at St. Peter's is welcome to join! Please contact Erin Sigmon (828-244-1055) for more information.

+ St. Peter's Youth (S.P.Y.) Corner +

At A Glance:

- Sun. Mar. 1st: CLH Teen Week Forms DUE
- Sun. Mar. 15th: Youth Sponsored Lenten Meal
- Sun. Mar. 22nd: Youth Quake *Mandatory* Meeting
- Fri. Mar. 27th-Sun. Mar. 29th: Youth Quake Conference
- Thurs. Apr. 2nd: Easter Egg Stuffing Party
- Sat. Apr. 4th: Easter Eggstravaganza

CLH High School Servant Week

All youth currently in Grades 8-12 are eligible to participate in the Teen Servant Week at Camp Linn Haven this summer. The dates for this week are Sunday, July 19th-Saturday, July 25th. The counties surrounding the camp are some of the most impoverished in NC with many opportunities to serve others who are in need. If you are interested in this event please see Sarah to get information. **All forms and deposits are due by Sunday, March 1st.**

Youth Lenten Meal

The youth will provide a Taco/Nacho meal on Sunday, March 15th before the Lenten Service. Proceeds of this meal will help fund youth activities that arise throughout the year. **Youth & parents: please arrive at 4:30pm to help prepare and serve at 5:30pm and clean up after the meal.** All are encouraged to come help!

Youth Quake *Mandatory* Meeting

We are so excited to have 20 participants going to the youth conference in High Point on March 27-29th! In preparation, **ALL PARTICIPANTS AND THEIR PARENTS** are asked to come to a final information meeting **Sunday, March 22nd at 4:00pm in the Parish Hall**. We will have a short devotion, go over any final details, and settle up everyone's payments and paperwork.

Easter Egg Stuffing Party

ALL youth are invited to come help stuff Easter eggs on **Thursday, April 2nd from 5:30-7:00pm in the parish hall**. Dinner will be provided--let Sarah know if you can attend! The more eggs we help fill, the more we will have at the Eggstravaganza!

