

# *Praise on the Prairie*

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ST. PETER'S LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL

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Prairie town, Illinois

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Youth & Adult Bible Class 9 a.m.

Sunday School, 9 a.m.

Worship, 10:00 a.m. Sundays and 5:30 p.m. the 2nd & 4th Saturdays of the month

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Greetings in the Name of Jesus!

Our Lenten journey is heading toward its rightful conclusion, the celebration of the Resurrection of Our Lord Jesus! Our Holy Week schedule is as follows:

**Palm Sunday, April 10- 10am (Confirmation Sunday)**

**Maundy Thursday April 14 w/ Holy Communion- 7pm**

**Good Friday April 15- 7pm**

**Easter Sunrise April 17- 6:30am w/Holy /communion**

**Easter Egg Hunt for kids- 9:00am**

**Easter Festival Worship April 17- 10am w/Holy communion**

Our school PTL is also hosting an Easter Breakfast following the sunrise service in the school cafeteria.

In other news, our live-streaming services and bible study classes have completely moved to our brand-new website. We retained the same address, [saintpeterslutheran.org](http://saintpeterslutheran.org). Check our facebook page for a tutorial video on how to navigate these changes in the next few days. Included with this new website, we now have access to online giving. You can make a one-time gift, or set up recurring gifts to any of our usual giving funds. School parents are also able to make tuition payments directly through this system. All gifts can be made using credit cards, debit cards, or direct bank transfers (ACH). This is a great way to support the ministry of St. Peter's even when you're unable to attend in person. Many of you have told me that the only checks you have written in the past several years have been your church offerings, and now you can support the ministry and mission of our church securely without having to write another check! In addition to online giving, our new website system allows us to send communication emails quickly and easily to the entire congregation, submit prayer requests, and much more.

I pray that this Lenten season has been beneficial to you in preparing for Easter, as we see the great sacrifice our Lord made that led to the greatest news ever told: He is risen!

+ Pastor Brandon Larson+

## Preparing for Worship

Apr. 3 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Lent/communion  
Sun. Organist: Jim Wiemers  
10 a.m. Communion: Kathy Wiemers  
Elder of the week: Ron Isenberg

Apr. 6 Lenten worship  
Wed. Organist: Jim Wiemers  
7 p.m. Elder: Lennis Isenberg

Apr. 10 Palm Sunday  
Sun. Organist: Jim Wiemers  
10 a.m. Elder of the week: Rob Werden

Apr. 14 Maundy Thursday/communion  
Thurs. Organist: Jim Wiemers  
7 p.m. Communion: Kathy Wiemers  
Elder: Lennis Isenberg

Apr. 15 Good Friday  
Fri. Organist: Jim Wiemers  
7 p.m. Elder: Ron Isenberg

Apr. 17 Easter Sunrise/communion  
Sun. Organist: Deagan Jones  
6:30 a.m. Communion: Kathy Wiemers  
Elder of the week: Rich Jones

Apr. 17 Easter Festival/communion  
Sun. Organist: Jim Wiemers  
10:00 a.m. Communion: Kathy Wiemers  
Elder of the week: Don Wiemers

Apr. 24 Second Sun. of Easter  
Sun. Organist: Jim Wiemers  
10 a.m. Elder of the week: Jerry Scheumann



Banners: Kathy Wiemers  
Flowers: Linda Wiemers  
Ushers: Steve Gusewelle, Mike Schaefer,  
Jerry Scheumann, Mark Scheumann

Maundy Thursday: Ron Isenberg, Bob Horton,  
Tim Cooper, Lennis Isenberg

Good Friday: Rob Werden, Bobby Werden,  
Jim Franklin

6:30 am Sunrise Service: Steve Gusewelle, Mike  
Schaefer, Jerry Scheumann, Mark  
Scheumann

10 am Festival Service: Brett Dustmann, Mike  
Goebel, John Gusewelle

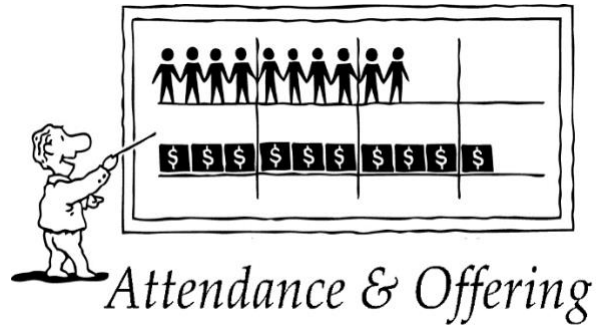
## **BUDGET REPORT**

OPERATING BUDGET 2022	\$ 334,608
AMOUNT NEEDED	6,435
OUR CHALLENGE THRU MARCH	\$ 83,655
OUR RESPONSE THRU MARCH	68,444
SHORT	\$ 15,211

### MISSION

2022 BUDGET	\$ 8,000
WEEKLY AMOUNT NEEDED	154
OUR CHALLENGE THRU MARCH	\$ 2,002
OUR RESPONSE THRU MARCH	2,225
OVER	\$ 223





## March Attendance

	Divine Service/ Lord's Supper
February 26	16
February 27	87
March 2	47
March 6	101
March 9	43
March 13	77
March 16	55
March 20	106
March 23	25
March 27	115

## March Financial Report

	HOME	MISSION FUND	BUILDING	DEBT	TUITION	METRO EAST
February 26 & 27	\$ 2,665.00	\$ 170.00	\$ 430.00		\$ 2,250.00	\$ 100.00
March 2 & 6	\$ 4,467.00	\$ 400.00	\$ 240.00		\$ 1,416.68	\$ 50.00
March 9 & 13	\$ 4,646.24	\$ 465.00			\$ 836.60	\$ 100.00
March 16 & 20	\$ 3,910.00	\$ 485.00	\$ 205.00			
March 23 & 27	\$ 4,178.83	\$ 205.00			\$ 716.68	\$ 100.00



### SPECIAL INTERCESSIONS

Hospitalized: Denise Horton, Brenda Gusewelle

For those experiencing various problems... JoAnn Eden; Judy Haynes; Amy Larson; Lloyd Schaefer, Brenda Gusewelle, Molly McCalla; Kathy Wiemers; Evelyn Meyer (mother of Lori)

**Dealing with Cancer:** Lloyd Schaefer, Kathy Wiemers, Kennedy Stalcup (great-granddaughter of Marian Isenberg) Evelyn Meyer (mother of Lori)

**Care facilities or homebound:** David Kinder, Murray Center, Centralia; Robert Werner in Glenwood; Maurice Duncan at home; Frances Westerhold in Glenwood; Wilma Braasch in Glenwood, Ruth Newby in Hitz Memorial

**Ongoing Health Issues:** Molly McCalla, Gloria Hacking, Ben Goebel, David Peters, Aaron Peters; Denise Horton; John Dinnius, Donna Scherff

## **NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**VOTER'S MEETING** is scheduled for April 12 at 7 pm. Please make plans to attend.

**EASTER FLOWERS...**it is our tradition for members to furnish flowers for our Easter services. If you would like to furnish flowers, please bring it to the church by 2 pm on Saturday, April 16<sup>th</sup>. Also, if you would like to have this in commemoration of a special event, please call Linda Wiemers at 692-1836 or the church office at 888-2250. We would like to have this list ready for the bulletin on Easter.

**CHILDREN'S SCHOOL MUSICAL** called "Heroes of the Faith" is scheduled for Thursday, April 28, at 6:30 PM in our gymnasium. Everyone is invited.

**ZION LUTHERAN** in Litchfield is having a **DRIVE-THRU ONLY** sausage dinner on Sunday, April 3 serving from noon to 6 pm. Cost is \$12.00. Menu includes homemade pork sausage, mashed potatoes, sausage milk gravy, sauerkraut, green beans, applesauce, cranberry sauce, bread and dessert.

**PRAIRIETOWN FIRE DEPT.** is having a Trivia night and Silent Auction on Saturday, April 2. Doors open at 5:30, trivia starts at 6:30. 10 person table \$120; \$150 at door. Call or text Erin to reserve a table at 618-514-5626.

**ZION LUTHERAN SCHOOL** in Staunton is seeking a full time teacher for the 2022-2023 school year. Potential openings in early childhood, elementary, and middle school.

We are looking for someone who loves children and sharing God's love and forgiveness. Our dedicated staff works together to support one another both personally and in the classroom. Faculty collaboration, a supportive congregation, health and dental benefits, and amazing parents makes this a great place to work! To find out more about how you can become part of the Zion family, email resumes to Jamie Crouch at [jamie.crouch@zion-school.org](mailto:jamie.crouch@zion-school.org)

**METRO-EAST LUTHERAN HIGH SCHOOL'S** 33rd Annual Sigmund Bohnet Memorial Golf Tournament will be held April 23 at Arlington Greens Golf Course in Granite City. The cost of the outing is \$80 per person, which includes a meal, green fee for 18 holes, skins game, mulligans and golf cart. The deadline to register is April 8. For more information, call the MELHS office at 618-656-0043.

**CONCORDIA SEMINARY CONCERT SERIES** is having a service of Sacred Music for the Season of Easter titled "Awake, My Heart, with Gladness" on Sunday, April 24 at 3 pm in the Chapel of St. Timothy & St. Titus. It will feature *Laudamus*, the St. Louis Lutheran Chorale, the Concordia Seminary String Ensemble and the Clarion Bass.

**LUTHERAN SUMMER CAMP:** Registration for Lutheran Summer Camp at Cuivre River State Park in Troy, MO is now open. Campers currently in 7th or 8th grade can participate July 4-July 9. Campers currently in 4th, 5th, and 6th grade can participate July 10-July 15. To access our registration form, please visit [TinyUrl.com/LutheranSummerCamp](http://TinyUrl.com/LutheranSummerCamp). You can also email us at [LutheranSummerCamp@gmail.com](mailto:LutheranSummerCamp@gmail.com) and we will email the registration form to you. Registration ends June 17. We hope to see your child at camp this summer!

### **EVERYBODY, SOMEBODY, ANYBODY AND NOBODY**

This is a little story about four people: Everybody, Somebody, Anybody and Nobody.

There was an important job to be done, and Everybody was sure that Somebody would do it. Anybody could have done it, but Nobody did it.

Somebody got angry about that because it was Everybody's job. Everybody thought that Anybody could do it, but Nobody realized that Everybody wouldn't do it.

It ended up that Everybody blamed Somebody when Nobody did what Anybody could have done.

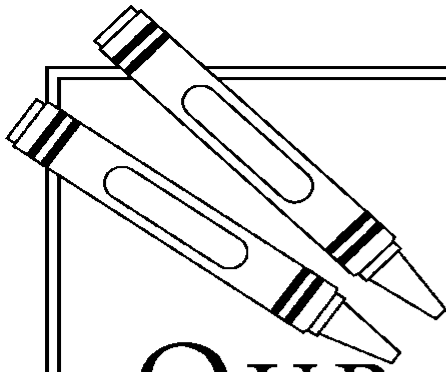
## **WITHOUT JESUS ...**

Without the risen Savior in our hearts, life is like:

- A chocolate Easter Bunny — empty on the inside;
- An Easter bonnet — easily blown off kilter;
- An Easter lily — it soon withers and dries up;
- A bag of jellybeans — sugary and sweet but lacking substance;
- A colored Easter egg — looks great but cracks

under pressure;

- Easter parade — a long journey with no destination;
- An unopened Easter card — a message of love unclaimed.

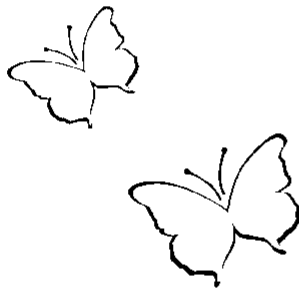


# Just for **KIDS**

## OUR LIVING HOPE

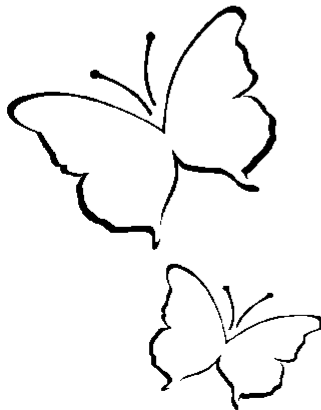
Easter is a time to rejoice because of what God did for us in sending his Son. Jesus is our living hope. Read 1 Peter 1:3-4 (NIV) below. Then find the **bold** words in the crossword search.

**"Praise** be to the **God** and **Father** of our **Lord Jesus Christ!** In his great **mercy** he has given us **new birth** into a **living hope** through the **resurrection** of Jesus Christ from the dead, and into an **inheritance** that can **never perish, spoil** or **fade** — **kept in heaven** for you ...."



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## April 2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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<b>3</b> Confirmand Questioning Elder of the week Ron Isenberg <b>9:00 AM</b> Youth & Adult Bible Study <b>10:00 AM</b> Worship w/communion	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b> <b>7:00 PM</b> Planning Council	<b>6</b> Elder Lennis Isenberg School spring pictures <b>8:30 AM</b> Chapel <b>7:00 PM</b> Lenten worship	<b>7</b> <b>7:30 PM</b> Elder's meeting	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>
<b>10</b> Elder of the week Rob Werden <b>9:00 AM</b> Youth & Adult Bible Study <b>10:00 AM</b> Palm Sunday worship w/confirmation	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b> <b>7:00 PM</b> Voter's Meeting	<b>13</b> No School Easter Break <b>8:30 AM</b> Chapel <b>1:00 PM</b> Ladies Aid	<b>14</b> Elder Lennis Isenberg No School Easter Break <b>7:00 PM</b> Maundy Thursday worship/communion	<b>15</b> Elder Ron Isenberg No School Easter Break <b>7:00 PM</b> Good Friday worship	<b>16</b>
<b>17</b> Elder Don Wiemers 10:00 am Elder Rich Jones 6:30 am <b>6:30 AM</b> Easter sunrise worship/communion <b>7:45 AM</b> Easter breakfast <b>9:00 AM</b> Easter Egg hunt & Youth & Adult Bible Study <b>10:00 AM</b> Easter Festival worship/communion	<b>18</b> No School Easter Break	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b> <b>8:30 AM</b> Chapel	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b> Beaver Dam school trip Earth Day	<b>23</b>
<b>24</b> Elder of the week Jerry Scheumann <b>9:00 AM</b> Youth & Adult Bible Study <b>10:00 AM</b> Worship w/communion	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b> Administrative Professionals Day <b>8:30 AM</b> Chapel	<b>28</b> <b>6:30 PM</b> School musical	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>

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**April Birthdays**

Connie Schaefer	2 <sup>nd</sup>
Jerry Whitten, Vicki Zinschlag	3 <sup>rd</sup>
Fred Bort, Robert Werden	4 <sup>th</sup>
Lisa Silvey	6 <sup>th</sup>
Riley Dempsey, Nicole Montoya,	
Waylon Wiemers	7 <sup>th</sup>
Grace Becker	8 <sup>th</sup>
Barb Johnson	9 <sup>th</sup>
Jackie McClure	10 <sup>th</sup>
Rench Edsall	11 <sup>th</sup>
Herbert Klocke	12 <sup>th</sup>
Alaine Rondi	14 <sup>th</sup>
Olivia Halusan	17 <sup>th</sup>
Kevin Beers, Terri Scheumann	19 <sup>th</sup>
John Dinnius	21 <sup>st</sup>
Morgan Goebel	22 <sup>nd</sup>
Diane Oberkfell	23 <sup>rd</sup>
Norma Krohne	25 <sup>th</sup>
Amy Ruyle	28 <sup>th</sup>
Ellie Dinnius, Arlene Schaefer	29 <sup>th</sup>

**April Anniversaries**

Zachery & Britany Bushrow	4 years on 4/7
John & Teri Dinnius	47 years on 4/12
Tim & Janine Cooper	42 years on 4/18
Jerry & Terri Scheumann	33 years on 4/29