

ST. PETER'S UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

The Visitor ~ November 2015

915 North Ironwood Drive ♦ South Bend, Indiana 46615 ♦ (574) 232-1500
E-Mail: sbstpeters@juno.com ♦ Website: www.sbstpeters.org

SUNDAY WORSHIP AT 10:30 A.M.

St. Peter's United Church of Christ

Looking Ahead at St. Peter's

We are a Christian community committed to:

*Joy in Worship
Warmth in Fellowship
Compassion in Outreach
Growth in Discipleship*

Church Staff

K. Scott Bowie, Pastor

Lori Wiseman, Director of Music

Lynne Zesinger, Accompanist

Whitney Culp, Director of Children's & Youth
Ministries

Sandy Villwock, Administrative Assistant

Church Leadership

Cindy Bingaman, Congregation President

Karen McKibbin, Congregation Vice-President

Chris Horning, Chair of the Deacons

Michael Phelps, Chair of the Trustees

WEEKLY WORSHIP

SUNDAYS AT 10:30 A.M.

- | | |
|------------|--|
| November 1 | All Saints Sunday
Trustee Sponsored Work Day
Following Morning Worship |
| 6 & 7 | Fall Rummage Sale |
| 15 | Stewardship Commitment
Sunday |
| 16 | Men's & Ladies' Nites Out at
Legends of Notre Dame—
6:30pm |
| 20 | Trivia Night at The Hall at
St. Peter's—Doors open at
7:00pm; Game begins at
7:30pm

Transgender Day of
Remembrance Observance—
7:00pm at Zion United
Church of Christ |
| 23 | Decorating the Sanctuary for
Advent & Christmas—
3:00pm |
| 25 | Community Thanksgiving
Worship Celebration at
Evangel Heights United
Methodist Church—7pm |
| 29 | 1st Sunday in Advent
Worship Celebration |
| December 5 | Holiday Craft Show &
Cookie-Walk—9:00am to
2:00pm |

Abundant Joy, Overflowing Generosity!



What a year this has been! We witnessed the completion of a massive renovation of *The Hall at St. Peter's*. We have celebrated weddings, quinceañeras, birthdays and baby births. We have held dinners, trivia nights, picnics, Sunday School sessions, and Christmas pageants. Our membership has grown. Congregation members have donated hours and hours of time to paint, clean, repair and serve. Cars have been washed, shrubs have been trimmed, linens have been laundered and money has been raised to help continue the work of our community of faith.

We praise God as we witness the **abundant joy** of fellowship, the loving concern of our members for each other and for our community. We rejoice with gratitude in God's goodness at the **overflowing generosity** of the people who join in witness to God's grace.

In faith and thanksgiving, we begin the 2015-2016 Stewardship Campaign. We remind ourselves of all that God has done for us. We pray for God's continued blessings. We know that our pledges will help keep St. Peter's UCC strong and vibrant. We pray that our church can continue its mission of welcoming all who enter our doors.

May God bless and keep each of us in his loving embrace. May our faith in God, each other and the community of St. Peter's UCC fill us with **abundant joy** and inspire us with **overflowing generosity** as we make our monetary pledges to the church. Stewardship Sunday is November 15th. May our hearts be moved to share a portion of what we have with our church. May the pledge we make be a true and accurate reflection of our gratitude to God for all that has been given to us.

Sincerely,

Cheryl Nix, Stewardship Elder

"God loves a cheerful Giver."

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION AT ST. PETER'S

Christmas Events: The holidays are upon us, and St. Peter's is in a merry spirit with the many exciting opportunities planned for our children and youth in the coming weeks. Mark your calendars and make your plans to join us for the following events:

- Sundays in November: Rehearsals for the children's & youth Christmas musical, "We Three Spies," during the morning worship hour. Three to six years olds will be studying about David and Goliath during Sunday School.
- Sunday, December 6: Sanctuary Choir cantata during morning worship, followed by lunch for children and youth and a dress rehearsal for the Christmas musical. Please plan on picking your child up at 1:30pm.
- Saturday, December 12: Dress rehearsal for the children's & youth Christmas musical from 10:00am until noon in the sanctuary.
- Sunday, December 13: Children's & youth Christmas musical, "We Three Spies," during our regular morning worship hour followed by a festive holiday lunch for our entire church family in *The Hall at St. Peter's*.
- Sunday, December 20: Staging for St. Peter's annual Live Nativity Pageant on the church lawn at 6:00pm, with pageant beginning at 7:00pm, followed by refreshments and a craft activity for children & youth in the Multipurpose Room.

Trunk or Treat 2015: For the second year in a row, St. Peter's and the teachers from Perley Fine Arts Academy teamed up to host Trunk or Treat in the St. Peter's parking lot. The Christian Education Committee would like to thank the many St. Peter's family members and Perley teachers who donated candy, dressed in costume, and decorated their trunks, helping to make this a festive fall event for many families in our community. This has become a cherished new tradition for our community, and we know that, with your help, we can continue to make it grow!

Adult Sunday School



Every Sunday • 9:15-10:00am in the Multipurpose Room

A Time to Study & Reflect on the Scripture Lesson for the Day • An Opportunity to Connect the Stories of our Faith to the Stories of our Lives • Led by Scott Bowie with All Welcomed to Share



**A Christmas Musical
Presented by the
Children & Youth of St. Peter's**
**Sunday
December 13th, at 10:30am**
**Followed by lunch in *The Hall* for
the entire St. Peter's Church family.**

Shhh! Grab your trench coat & your dark shades and go undercover to join the exciting Christmas mission of *We Three Spies*. Secret agents E, L, and F are recruits with the C.I.K. (Christmas Intelligence Kids), a covert group of spies who secretly bring Christmas cheer to the needy .

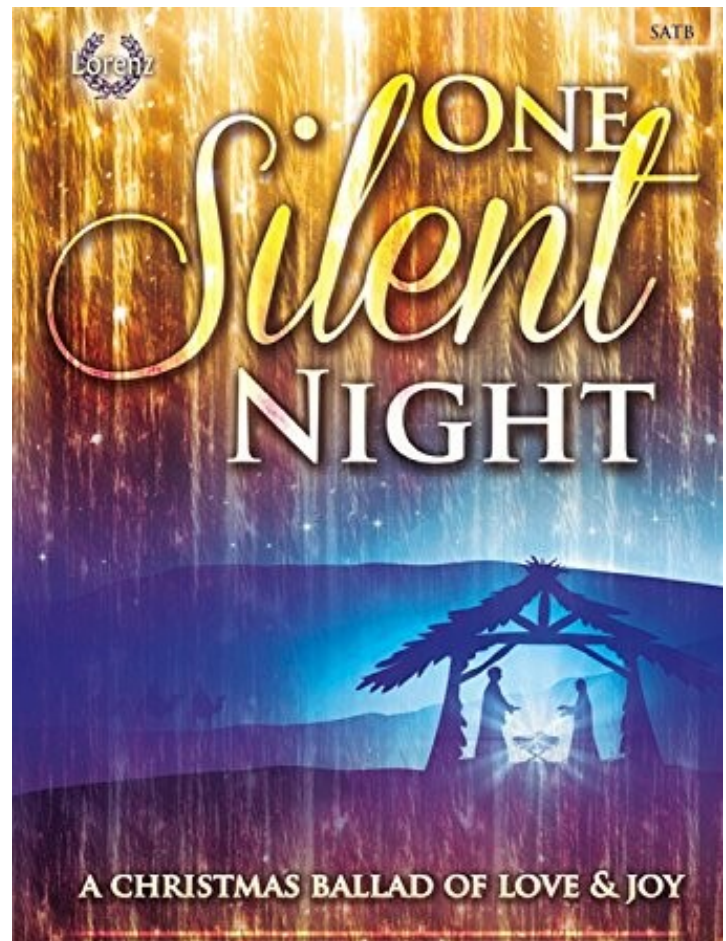
Christmas Cantata

**Sunday • Dec. 6th
During Morning Worship**

**Lori Wiseman & Jonathan Embry
Directing**

**Lynne Zesinger & Jonathan Embry
Accompanying**

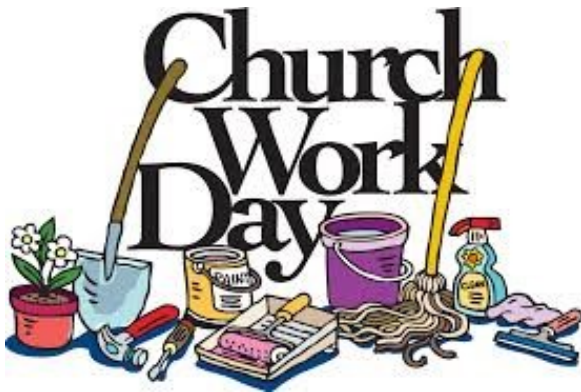
**Featuring St. Peter's
Sanctuary Choir**



RUMMAGE & BAKED-GOODS SALE**SATURDAY ~ NOVEMBER 7TH****9AM-1:00PM****EARLY BIRD PRE-SALE****FRIDAY ~ NOVEMBER 6TH ~ 5:00-7:00PM****\$5 DONATION AT THE DOOR (PRE-SALE ONLY)**

Beginning after worship on Sunday, November 1st, we will be receiving goods for our Fall Rummage Sale. Rummage may continue to be dropped off from 8:30am to 5:00pm, Monday through Thursday. Rummage will be accepted until noon, Friday, November 6th. A sign-up sheet will be in the coffee area for volunteers. Baked goods are needed as well. Contact Karen McKibbin or Cheryl Nix for more information.

Jewelry ~ Clothes ~ Kitchenware & Dishes Are Our Best Sellers!

**Sunday ~ November 1st
Following Worship**

Volunteers are needed for some final fall cleaning. Inside and outside chores are on the schedule. Be sure to bring a change of clothing. Stay as long as you want. Lunch will be provided.

OPERATION

★ *appreciation* ★

On November 8th, not quite the 101st anniversary of the outbreak of *The War To End All Wars* and just a little shy of the 97th anniversary of the Armistice ending it, we will take just a moment to celebrate and give thanks for the service of St. Peter's veterans of

military service. To help us mark the day, we are asking our veterans to share a picture or two of you from your days of service. We intend the day to be a time to pay tribute to your service and honor your sacrifice for home and family, friends and neighbors.

Holiday Craft Show

Time to Plan Your
Holiday Baking
for Missions

December 5th
9am-2pm

with the Holiday Craft Show

Contact Chris Horning for
details or to sign up!

Saturday · December 5th
from 9am to 2pm

The Hall at St. Peter's

Vendors Welcome

\$30 a Table

Call Sandy at 574-232-1500



Cookie Walk

St. Peter's Trunk or Treat 2015



The Mummy (aka Karen McKibbin) dispensing some Halloween cheer.



Jean Wurzburger & Allison Zeithammer as a pair of Cool Cats getting reading for the hungry hordes.

Ladies' Nite Out

In September, Ladies' Nite Out met at Bob's Nineteenth Hole. We had a great turnout. The service was outstanding as we were waited on by the owner himself. He was very accommodating and took very good care of our two groups. The food was delicious, and I think the tilapia special was very popular. Those attending were: Carrie Bowie, Loanna Rockstroh, Jeanne Pietrzak, Jan Gaines, Lynne Zesinger, Laurie Costello, Carol Cestone, Mary Henry, and a special guest, Zoë Zesinger. We missed Cindy Bingaman and Evelyn Orlowski and hope they will join us next time. Our next gathering will be at Legends on the Notre Dame campus, Monday, November 16th at 6:30. All ladies are welcome. It is a fun time and we don't have to cook!

~ Carolyn Hoffman

Men's Nite Out

A very nice crowd at a restaurant that is rather far out for most guys to travel. Bob's 19th Hole sports bar & restaurant was a huge success for our September outing. Normally they do not take reservations, but thanks to Dave O. who managed it with the owner for two reserved tables to accommodate the L/MNO of St. Peter's UCC. Service was great, libation was good & cold, & the food was delicious. Many problems were solved as usual, along with much humor & fellowship. Those that expressed that they would like to return again were: Rev. Scott Bowie, Michael Phelps, Ed Kuszmaul, Dave Orlowski, Bob Severeid, Al Henry, Tom Costello, Jim Gaines, Dick Rockstroh, & myself. Our November 16th outing is reserved at Legends on the Notre Dame Campus at 6:30. Join us for a couple hours of fun & fellowship. We make fun memories every time.

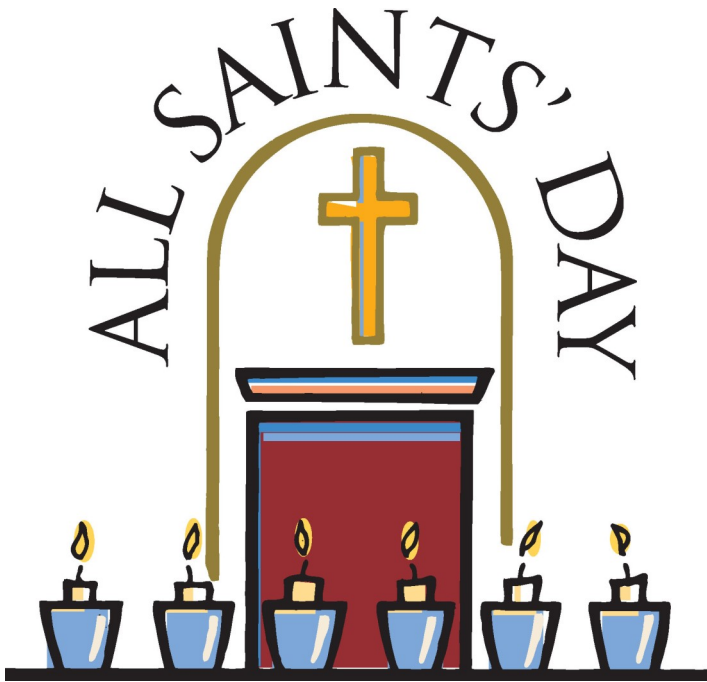
~ Jim Hoffman

Free Team Trivia!
Friday's at *The Hall at St. Peter's*

Friday • November 20th

Doors Open at 7:00pm • Game Begins at 7:30pm





November 1st

**A Celebration of the Lives and
Legacies of All God's Saints**

**Join Us in Worship as We Light
Candles & Give Thanks
for the Saints Who've Formed Us
& Shaped Us in Faith**

*Ecumenical
Community-Wide
Thanksgiving Worship*

Wednesday, November 25th

*Evangel Heights
United Methodist Church
114 North Ironwood Drive
(just south of St. Peter's)*

Nursery Provided



Thanksgiving
WORSHIP SERVICE



St. Peter's
Sanctuary Choir

Choir Rehearsals

Wednesdays in November • 7:00pm

**New Members
Always Welcome**

Christmas Poinsettias

Tis the Season...

Once again, it is time to decorate our sanctuary with poinsettias for Christmastide. You may order a poinsettia plant to the glory of God and in memory or in honor of a loved one or friend. Help us beautify the church and honor your loved ones by ordering poinsettias. Each plant costs only \$8.00. Simply fill out the form below, write a check payable to St. Peter's for the total amount or attach cash, and return to Cyndee Bergstrand or the church office, by Sunday, December 6th.

In Memory / Honor of: _____

From: _____

Total # Ordered: _____

Transgender Day of Remembrance

November 20, 2015 • 7:00pm

Zion United Church of Christ
211 S. St. Peter Street South Bend



We will honor those who've lost their
lives to anti-transgender violence and
discrimination.



Gifts Honoring Bob Scott
St. Peter's Scholarship Fund

Bob Edel
 Linda Boyee
 Beth Ann Toth
 Matthew Hahan
 Carla Haegel
 Tom & Merrylin Trethewey

***Gifts Honoring
 Harriet Bergstrand***
Memorial Fund

Jeff & Cyndee Bergstrand
 Cindy Bingaman

St Peter's Scholarship Fund

Jack Swantz

Gifts Honoring Elise Valleskey
St Peter's Scholarship Fund

Jack Swantz

Gifts Honoring Lionel Scott
Memorial Fund

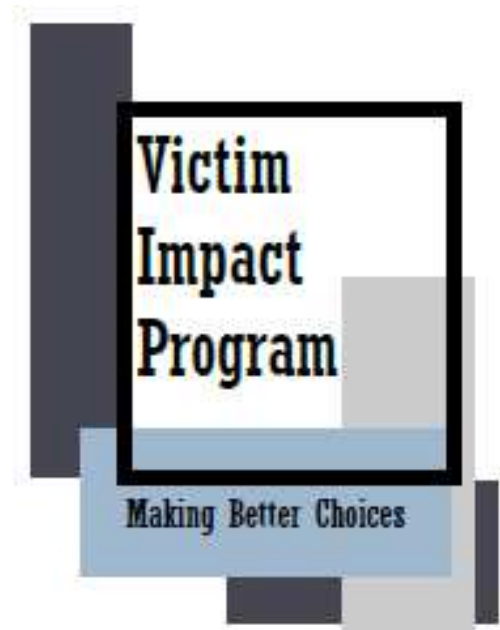
Bill & Lisa Wassner

We encourage you to honor the memory of a loved one by making a gift to support the ministry & mission of St. Peter's. An acknowledgement of your gift will be sent to their family members.



***St. Peter's Is Proud
 to Be Hosting***

Rev. Dr. Carol Mayernick's



Second Wednesday of Each Month
In the Multipurpose Room
(Sign in begins at 6:05pm)

This Program is directed toward:

- Those charged with impaired driving
- Those ordered by the court to attend
- Driver education students
- All victims and offenders referred by agencies and counselors
- The general public

Stories of victims are presented in the hope that the participants will understand the very real consequences that may result from making the choice to drive under the influence of drugs or alcohol as well as other instances of driving with impaired decision making capacity.

The program works to instill in its participants the results of making better choices.

For more information, contact the church office.

PRAYER LIST

In Care Facilities:

Bill & Nancy Murrmann (St. Paul's)
Dennis Nimtz (Fountainview)

Special Needs:

Ronald & Susan Bottjer, Evelyn Or-
lowski's Cousins
Edna Brandley
Dick Deardorff
Debbie Decker
Lester & Karen Folks, Friends of the
Orlowski's
David Hoffman, Jim Hoffman's Son
Mike Hoffman, Jim Hoffman's Son
Karen Horvath
Jeanne Huckert, Dan Dale's Sister
Brian Johnston
Kenny Kaniewski, Bill Murrmann's
Cousin
Jennifer, Randy & Tabitha Kutz
Rev. James Langdoc, Ruth Ann Bauert's
Cousin
Jill Lofland, Jack Swantz's Cousin
Bill & Nancy Murrmann
Evelyn Orlowski
June Scott
Dorie Shaffer
Sandy Sharkey
Jack Swantz
Harry & Karen Thompson
Mary Wesner

Abroad:

Everyone Serving in our Armed Forces

Happy Birthday Wishes to ...

Evelyn Orlowski	November 7
Laurie Costello	November 9
Marie Penix	November 11
Bob Scheidt	November 13
Carolyn Hoffman	November 15
Mary Overmyer	November 17
Louie Horvath	November 20
Owen Sowers	November 21
Frances Coleman	November 23
Mary Ann Sandleben	November 23
Sandra Villwock	November 28
Barb Wolf	November 28
Jean Wurzbarger	November 29

Anniversary Best Wishes to ...

Dave & Evelyn Orlowski	November 11
Jim & Jeanne Crowe	November 27

Thank You!

I would like to thank Pastor Scott and everyone at church for all their concern, prayers, and visits. It has meant a lot to me, and, with God's help, I am on the road to recovery.

~Evelyn Orlowski

Scripture:.....2:41-52
Eternal Candle:..... Darlene Wesolek
Flowers: Christmas Poinsettias
Nursery:..... TBA
Greeters/Coffee Hosts:Gladys Sattler
 & Darlene Wesolek
Ushers:..... Jim & Jan Gaines,
 David Sholly, & David Orlowski

November 2015

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 All Saints Sunday— 10:30am Work Day following Worship	2 Rummage Sale Drop Off— All Day until 5:00pm Christian Education Committee— 6:30	3 Rummage Sale Drop Off— All day until 5:00pm AA—5:30	4 Rummage Sale Drop Off— All day until 5:00pm Sanctuary Choir— 6:30pm	5 Rummage Sale Drop Off—All Day until 5:00pm	6 Rummage Sale Early Bird Pre Sale—5:00- 7:00pm	7 Rummage Sale 9:00am- 1:00pm
8 24th Sunday after Pentecost with Communion	9 Worship Committee— 6:30	10 AA—5:30	11 Victim Impact Program— 6:00 Sanctuary Choir— 7:00pm	12	13 Wedding Rehearsal— 7:00pm	14 Hall Rental from 5:00pm
15 25th Sunday after Pentecost— Stewardship Sunday with Extended Coffee Hour	16 LNO/MNO at Legends of Notre Dame— 6:30pm	17 AA—5:30	18 Sanctuary Choir— 7:00pm	19	20 Free Team Trivia—Doors at 7:00—Game Begins at 7:30	21
22 26th Sunday after Pentecost— 10:30	23 Decorating the Sanctuary— 3:00pm Church Council—7:00	24 AA—5:30 Choir—7:00	25 Community Thanksgiving Service at Evangel Heights UMC—7:00pm	26 Thanksgiving	27	28
29 1st Sunday in Advent— 10:30am Sanctuary Choir—Following Worship	30					