



ST. PETER LUTHERAN CHURCH

PO Box 127

502 Second Street South

Rockwell, IA 50469

September Newsletter 2026

Worship Times

St. Peter, Rockwell

Sunday at 9:00 a.m.

Worship Online Sundays at 9:00 am

www.youtube.com at St Peters Lutheran Church Rockwell IA

www.facebook.com at St Peter Lutheran Church

St Peter website: www.stpeterrockwell.com

Harvest of Blessings

Fields are full with gifts untold,

Ripened grain and autumn gold.

Every harvest we receive,

Shows the God in whom we believe.

Gentle winds across the plain,

Thank the Lord for sun and rain.

Every fruit and every seed,

Comes from God who knows our need.

May our grateful hearts proclaim,

Honor to His holy name.

For His kindness never ends,

He remains our faithful Friend.

Church Secretary: Christy Meinders
Cell phone: 641-430-1041
Church email: stpeter@netins.net
Church Office Phone: 641-822-3101

Please pray for:

Please pray for

Steve Swenson, Tatum Kuhlemeier, Elowynn Austin, Christine Foell,
Jo Thomas, DiAnne & Dave Severin, Dawn & Wendell Thomas, Audrey
Harder, Joan Petersen, Larry Kruckenberg, Janet Hoftiezer, Lon
Peterson, Wendy Jorgensen, and all who are homebound or
hospitalized, or are suffering in any way.

Prayer Requests or Visits

Just a reminder: If you have any prayer requests that you would like added to the bulletins/newsletters, or you would like someone to visit and/or bring communion, please contact the church office – leave a message on the phone 641-822-3101 or email stpeter@netins.net

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Please send all announcements to St. Peter's email: stpeter@netins.net or call the church office phone number @ 641-822-3101 to leave any messages you may have. I am at the church most nights from 4:00 to 6:00 PM. Sending an email is the best way to get a message to me. Thank you, Christy.

**Articles and information for October's Newsletter
are due by Friday, September 18th**

ST. PETER CHURCH NEWS

President:	Jenn Butler.....641- 512-5274	
Treasurer:	Mrs. Linda Meyer.....641-822-4755	klmeyer@netins.net
WELCA President:	Mrs. Cheryl Flatness.....641-822-3472	
LYO President:	Parker Sheriff	
Faith Formation Team:	Pam Litterer, Brandie Witte, Chelsey Morrison, Mary Etta Miller, Alicia Vaughn, Rich Fjone	
Custodian:	Wendy Jorgensen.....641-210-8187	
Organist:	Mrs. Lana Schaefer.....641-425-7615	
Secretary:	Christy Meinders.....641-430-1041	

USHERS FOR SEPTEMBER

Brad, Bryce & Ethan Engh

GREETERS FOR SEPTEMBER

Aaron & Sarah Petersen

COMMUNION PREPARATION FOR SEPTEMBER

Andrea Engh

ACOLYTES FOR SEPTEMBER

Sunday School News

Sunday School Start date: Sunday, Sept. 13, 2026

Class will run from 10:15-11:00

If interested in helping with teaching, subbing, and or music time, let Pam Litterer know (mpitterer@gmail.com or 641-749-5810)

Students need to be 3 years old by Sept. 1, 2026, in order to attend.

2026-2027 Teachers:

3-year-old Kindergarten: Mary Etta Miller and Alicia Vaghan

1st and 2nd Grade: Pam Litterer

3rd and 4th Grade: Chelsey Morrison and Brandie Witte

5th and 6th Grade: Rich Fjone

Floater/Helper as needed: Taylor Ballhagen

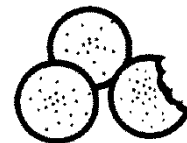
Confirmation class will begin on Sunday, September 13th following church. This is the 7th and 8th graders.

Bible Study will begin on Tuesday, September 8th @ 6:30 pm.

Fellowship games will meet on the first and third Wednesdays of each month for 3rd through High school students at the Middle School in the big gym. A light meal will be served at 5:30 for any student wishing to attend followed with huddle time and games from 6:00-7:00PM. Instead of asking for volunteers to provide a light meal for the kids they are asking volunteers to make cookies or bars and for cash donations to serve the same meal both nights. There are 50 - 60 kids that take part in this Wednesday night active. If you would like to give a cash donation to help with a light meal please call Dean and Bonita Weber at 641-822-4588 or see Matthew Fjone. They will meet for the first time this year on Wednesday, October 7th.

The appreciation dinner will be held Sunday, September 20. This is for Sunday School teachers, board members, musicians, LYO supervisors, custodial staff and others that are instrumental in keeping the church running smoothly. Invitations will be sent with an attendance reply requested.

Our church volunteers lead bingo at the **Rockwell nursing home**. We furnish the prizes plus 4 (four) dozen homemade cookies. If you would like to donate cookies, please sign your name and the amount of cookies you are furnishing on the sign up sheet found on the bulletin board. Thanks for volunteering!



St. Peter Men are invited to a Saturday Breakfast/Bible Study at the Faith United Church. They meet the 2nd and 4th Saturday morning from 7:30 – 8:30 a.m. (see church calendar for dates) Contact Rich Fjone for more information.

If you wish to **Reserve the Parish Hall and/or Church**, please contact the Church Secretary, Christy Baxter @ 641 -822-3101 or by sending an email to stpeter@netins.net. The Reservation will be placed on the Church Calendar located in the Parish Hall hallway. Also, if you want to borrow any items from the kitchen, please notify the secretary, to check them out.



Women of Faith (formerly
Mary/Martha Circle)
SEPTEMBER MEETING
Tuesday, September 1st
at 1:30 pm
Devotions: Cheryl Flatness
Hostess: Linda Corporon

The Women of the ELCA St Peter is composed of all confirmed women of the Church. They are “members” of (Mary Circle/Martha Circle) as listed in the Church Handbook.

All women are encouraged to attend the Circle Meetings.

The Officers for 2023 of the WELCA are as follows:

President: Cheryl Flatness

Vice President: Carol Ames

Secretary: Linda Meyer

Treasurer: Linda Corporon

Chairman of Education: Linda Heft

Chairman of Stewardship: Linda Corporon

St Peter's Women of Faith

Women of Faith meet the 1st Tuesday of every month at 1:30 for bible study, business meeting, coffee and fellowship. We are currently studying the book of 1st Corinthians' 'Wisdom for Living'.

The Quilters meet every Tuesday at 9:00. All members are welcome to come and help with this important Mission Project.

Upcoming Events:

September:

Sept 1st: WOF Monthly Bible Study at 1:30 in the Parish Hall. Lana is leader and Pat Amosson is hostess.

Sept 13th: WOF will recognize the Sunday School Teachers at the 9:00 church service

Sept 20th: WOF are hosting an Appreciation Lunch for Sunday School Teachers, Church Council, and other leaders in the church. Invitations will be sent providing details

Sept 21st: Bingo at the Rockwell Care Center at 2:00 All volunteers are welcome. Let Louise know if you are interested

REMINDER: Fall Festival is October 17th from 9:00 -2:00

Bake Sale: we appreciate all donated items

Silent Auction: See Lana if you have items to donate

Raffle: Yeti Cooler and Quilt

Lunch served from 10:30 – 1:00. Beefburgers, Chili, Chips, Bars, and drink. A donation sheet will be posted in September in back of the church

NOTE: Check out the new furniture purchased by the WOF in the Fellowship Room just off the kitchen. Great place for meeting and fellowship.

NOTE: WOF have prayer shawls available. A prayer shawl is a wearable hug to provide comfort, warmth, and spiritual support to anyone facing difficult times. It is a reminder of God's presence and strength. Please contact Lana, Louise or Bev if you have any questions.

Charm is deceptive and beauty is fleeting, but a woman who respects the Lord is to be praised. Proverbs 31:30

St Peter Pastoral Acts 2026

"In Christ all shall be made alive" 1 Corinthians 15:22

Baptisms

Creed Thomas Kockler, January 18, 2026 son of Tanner & Margo Kockler

Addilyn Taylor, Bentley Mark, and Carter Lawrence Ballhagen, February 15, 2026

Children of Mark & Taylor Ballhagen

Estella Marie Neal, March 22, 2026 daughter of Ben & Madison Neal

Garett Roger Buns, July 12, 2026 son of Thomas and Samantha Buns

Alvin Andrew May, July 26, 2026 son of James and Taylor May

Livvy Nicole Fjone, August 23, 2026 daughter of Matthew & Britney Fjone

First Communion

New members

Dana Dotson

Confirmation

Lucas Benson, Lauren Bills, Bryce Engh, Jude Grunklee, Eden Kobliska,
Ethan Rembe, Braxtyn Schulz, Benton Schwark and Lane Sturges

United in Marriage

Paula Jorgensen & Nicholas Berry
Macy Sturges & Wes Washpun

Transfer Out

Funerals

Mona J Arends, February 23, 1933- February 11, 2026
Memorial Service held on February 20, 2026, at St Peter Lutheran Church, Rockwell
Kevin Lee Hoftiezer, November 13, 1965 – March 3, 2026
Memorial Service held on March 20, 2026 at St Peter Lutheran Church, Rockwell
Kathleen J Hansen, June 7, 1928 - Thursday, April 15, 2026
Memorial Service held on April 20, 2026, at St Peter Lutheran Church, Rockwell
James Donald Turner, November 18, 1939 – June 28, 2026
Memorial Service held on July 13, 2026 at St Peter Lutheran Church, Rockwell