



**St. Peter's Evangelical Lutheran Church**  
 7910 Belair Road ~ Baltimore, MD 21236 ~ 410-665-7300 ~ st-peterslutheran.com

**Our Mission:**

Learn God's Truth



Share Spirit's Healing



Follow Jesus' Way



**St. Peter's Elementary  
 School News**

Welcome and welcome back to our new and returning teachers and students! We are so happy to see your smiling and well-rested faces!

The teachers, staff, school board members, and PACE officers will be installed on Sunday, September 8th at the 10:15 am. worship service. Please join us in praying special blessings over these special people.



**Sunday, September 8th!  
 A new year of Sunday school begins!**

*There's a lot to celebrate this day! In addition to celebrating the beginning of a new Sunday school year, it's Grandparents' Day! And we'll be installing the Sunday school teachers and staff at the 8:45 am. worship and St. Peter's ES teachers, staff, school board members, and PACE officers at the 10:15 am. worship. KIDS - bring your backpacks for a special blessing!*

**PRAYER GROUP**

Welcome to our prayer gathering on Wednesday, September 4th at 11 am. in Grace Chapel (lower level, elevator access). Featured: Fruit of the Spirit, first up L-O-V-E. When talking to our Heavenly Father, do you wonder: where to start? ... if you're using the "right" words? ... or if God is tired of hearing from you? (NO!) Join us—listeners are welcome and encouraged!

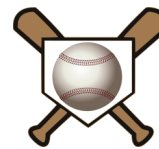
**Combined Worship**

*Sunday, September 29th @ 9:30 am.*

Let's come together to celebrate our Lord! Children will participate in the beginning of the service and attend Sunday school. The adult Bible study group will meet after the service.

**PACE & Church Picnic**

Sunday, September 22nd  
 Beginning at 11:15 am.  
 On the hill off the back parking lot.



**Let's Go, O's!**

Join St. Peter's Elementary School families for a day of fun and fellowship at Camden Yards to see the O's face off against the Tampa Bay Rays. See ticket ordering information on the flier at the end of the newsletter.

## ***SEEKING JUSTICE, SHARING GRATITUDE***

It would be false to say that just because Lutherans stress God's grace in how we enjoy God's blessings, that God doesn't also set before us some expectations of how we are live in community. The Ten Commandments are foundational to multitudes of believers in the three major faiths of our world. My first thought is that we don't determine our salvation by our actions—God does all that in Jesus' death and resurrection. We receive God's gift in Jesus; we respond in faith to do what various commands give us; we say yes because the Spirit have worked in us when we heard the Good News. I didn't believe in a set of statements about God and Jesus; instead, I found God's kindness which I don't deserve, and I did not say no to that grace, though we're all free to do so. Spirit made it all right between God and a sinful humanity. Our lives in the body of believers is response to God freeing us from sin and death. Period.

In the readings we'll share this autumn, we're going to hear about two foundational responses: being grateful and working for God's way of justice. Thankfulness is perhaps the easiest and most meaningful way to live together under God's rule. God provides all we'd ever want or need, and when we don't acknowledge that by being grateful, then we can't possible live in a family—we always depend on those around us, our family first, then just about everyone who is a part of our community. All the people of our world depend on each other for all that we grow, all we make, and how we think about things. I can learn from someone on the other side of the planet about food, art, literature, philosophy—we Christians don't dismiss other people's ideas and beliefs off-handedly, because we can and should call everyone God's children. Love is universal after all, and hate has no place in a believer's heart.

God's justice is a little more of a mystery: what seems fair to some may sound hard to another. Those Commandments have some

solid ways that all humanity can find agreement. But law, justice, truth, and mercy all play out differently in different cultures. None of us has a monopoly on God's truth; we can only confess what we've been told, and God's history with us isn't all written down nor completed. Jesus said that Spirit will teach us what he had not already shared. These new days need our working together as Church discerning what God's ethic of love will mean as we face many difficult problems and crises. This is no time to be so haughty as to think we can answer all questions without listening to everyone who is caught up in the evil that we do to each other. It isn't power that solves the problems any life holds: I will always believe that God's love will save us, especially from ourselves.

Gratitude and justice happen most often in how we treat our neighbor, those near to us, those who come to us for help and support in our common struggle to make it. We can provide for some basic needs, and we can open our doors to groups that serve various social and spiritual needs. One of the easier things to do is stand with someone in their hurting; it is good to simply listen as we share our fears and sadness. Our prayer life is enhanced when we get specific, become open to questions and God's guidance in the quiet of time in worship and study. We're going to offer in worship this autumn several ways to express our thankfulness and ask for those things this world needs to know and do God's will for us. Each week our worship will have some small enhancement to hold up what God is doing in our lives, so please watch for those notices of our special events.

*Pax, Pastor Lans*

### ***Pastoral Acts***

**FUNERAL: *Sandra Kohlway*, August 21, 2024**

## September Happy Birthday!

1 Steve Rosellini	17 Carlyn Castellano
1 Julie Bethke	18 Nancy Barnes
2 Bärbel Otto	19 Danielle Bassett
4 Mary Lue Frederick	22 Lara Alexis
5 Laura Gasiorowski	22 Beverly Michel
7 Rebecca Plantholt	24 Deborah Bassett
9 Fred Volz	24 Laura Frederick
10 Cheryl Lowe	24 Amelia Thompson
12 Will Fischer	26 Glenn Pearson
13 Christina Sykes	26 Andrew Castellano
16 Donna Mills	26 Gregory Shull



## September Happy Re-birthday!

12 Liam Muffoletto	24 Emily Zimmerman
22 Sarilee Seeger	30 Matthew Gahs
24 Lauren Zimmerman	30 Donna Mills

Happy Birthday and Happy RE-birthday to those of you who were born or “born into” God’s family through baptism in September! If your Birthday or RE-birthday is not listed, contact the church office.

## Baltimore Cancer Support Group

**Weekly Meetings:** We meet at St. Peter’s on Thursday evenings beginning at 7 pm. All who are/have been touched by cancer are welcome to join us for conversation and support. For more information, contact us at 410-668-1762.

**11th Annual Car Show:** Sunday, October 6th from 10:30 am.-2 pm. (rain date 10/20). See details on the flier at the end of the newsletter.

## September Worship Service Assistants Schedule (8:45 am.)

### September 1: 15th Sunday after Pentecost

Worship Assistant: Erik Alexis  
Usher: \*Rich Murphy

### September 8: 16th Sunday after Pentecost ~ Rally Day

Worship Assistant: Holly Vogt  
Usher: Kathy Shull

### September 15: 17th Sunday after Pentecost

Worship Assistant: Don Bayne  
Ushers: \*Jerry Dohmeier and Joe Mills

### September 22: 18th Sunday after Pentecost

Worship Assistant: Heather Frederick  
Usher: \*Don Bayne

### September 29: 19th Sunday after Pentecost (9:30 am. Combined Worship)

Worship Assistant: Open  
Usher: \*Rich Murphy and Mark McQuade

\*Opener

---

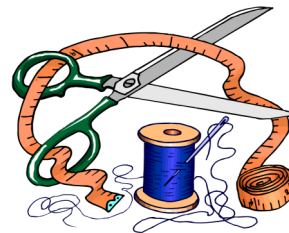
## Friends in Our Hearts & Prayers

Ms. Agnes Froberg

---

## St. Peter’s WELCA News

**Quilting Group** - No experience is necessary to help with quilt making—if you can use scissors, we can use you! Contact Janice Frederick for more information (410-665-1868).



## *September Altar Flower Sponsors*

**9/1** In Loving Memory of **Patty Erck** for her September 2nd birthday. Given by her sister, Irma.

**9/1** In Loving Memory of **Louis Welsh** and **Helen Baumann** on their September 7th birthdays. Given by his daughter and her niece, Betty Harry. And In Honor of **Amelia Grace Thompson's** 15th birthday, September 24th. Given by her grandmother, Betty Harry.

**9/1 Open for 10:15 am.**

**9/8** In Honor of **Amy Williams** for her September 14th birthday. Give by her mother, Marcia Darney.

**9/8** In Honor of my daughter, **Sharyn Diepold's** September 11th birthday. Love, Mom.

**9/8** In Loving Memory of my husband, **Frank**, on our September 8, 1963 anniversary. Given by Doris Alkire.

**9/15** In Loving Memory of my grandfather, **Ernest Grimm's** September 18th birthday. Given by his granddaughter, Carole Grimm.

**9/15** In Celebration of **Nancy Barnes'** birthday. Given by herself.

**9/22** In Loving Memory of my mother, **Betty Darney**, and my grandfathers, **Frank Darney, Sr.** and **Clarence Stevens**, for their September birthdays. Given by Marcia Darney.

**9/22** In Honor of **Dustin Tanasescu's** birthday, September 23rd. Given by Linda Heinbaugh.

**9/22 Open for 10:15 am.**

**9/22 Rose Vase:** In Honor of **Harlan Donald Read** for his 12th birthday, September 27th. Given by his grandmother, Patty Read.

**9/29 Open for 8:45 & 10:15 am.**

## *September Bulletin Sponsors*

**9/1 Open**

**9/8** In Honor of **Fred Volz** for his September 9th birthday. Given by his wife, Lois, and family.

**9/15** In Loving Memory of **Wilhelmina Weinreich**. Given by the Mills family.

**9/22** In Loving Memory of **Lorraine Volz's** September 23rd birthday. Given by the Volz family.

**9/29 Open**

### **To Sponsor ...**

- bulletins or 8:45 am. flowers contact the church office
- 10:15 am. flowers contact Nancy Barnes

~~~~~  
**Altar flowers** (2 bouquets) - \$30

**Small Round Altar piece** - \$45

**Bulletin sponsorship** - \$10

**Rose Vase** - \$10  
~~~~~

**Need a floral arrangement** for an upcoming holiday event or special celebration? Consider using our Sunday bouquet florist, The Flower Bucket! Call them for pricing and design information at 410-335-6286.

### *Just a reminder ...*

**As we enter the final quarter of the calendar year, please contact Joy in the church office to confirm your sponsorship payments are up-to-date.**



## ***Church & School Staff***

### **Church:**

**Pastor:** Lans Alexis 443-388-1828  
pastor@st-peterslutheran.com

**Organist/Choir Director:**  
Bärbel Otto 410-665-7300

**Contemporary Music/Praise Team  
Director:** Richard Stone

**Secretary:** Joy Mayne 410-665-7300  
office@st-peterslutheran.com

**Sunday Morning Schedule:**  
8:45 & 10:15 am. Worship  
9:45 am. Coffee & Conversation  
10:00 am. Sunday school

### **School:**

**Principal:** Lori Fales 410-665-4521  
lfales@spesmd.org

**Secretary:** Marcia Darney 410-665-4521  
mdarney@spesmd.org

### **Parents Association for Christian**

**Education (PACE):**  
stpeterspace@gmail.com

**Church Web Address:**  
www.st-peterslutheran.com

**School Web Address:**  
www.spesmd.org

**School Inquiries Email:**  
info@spesmd.org

## ***Church Council Officers***

**President:** Joe Mills

**Vice President:** Karen Yelovich

**Recording Secretary:** Patty Read

**Treasurer:** Kathy Sykes

**Financial Secretary:** William Lauer

## ***Church Mission & Planning Team Members***

**Faith Formation:** Karen Yelovich

**Fellowship:** Lena Frankenfeld

**Investment:** Don Bayne

**Nominating:** Mark McQuade

**Prayer Chain:** Ruth Diepold

**Property:** Don Bayne

**School Board:** Lena Frankenfeld

**WELCA:** Mary Lue Frederick

**Worship:** Steve Sykes

## ***Annual Meetings***

**4th Sunday in February:** Missions and  
Life of the Church

**2nd Sunday in November:** Vote on budget  
and council and Investment Committee  
members

**You can now make donations on-line  
through PayPal! Login to your PayPal  
account and search for our tag: @Spl367  
or St. Peter's Lutheran Church and  
Christian Day School.**

Articles for *Networks* are due to the  
church office by the 15th of each  
month. For the June/July issue, they  
are due by May 15th.



**EASTERN SAVINGS BANK®**

Established 1905

easternsavingsbank.com

For every **NEW** regular deposit account opened at  
**Eastern Savings Bank** (Fullerton branch only)  
St. Peter's Lutheran Church receives \$5!

Visit the Fullerton branch at  
4113 Wholesale Club Drive, Suite 130  
or go to **EasternSavingsBank.com**



# Baltimore Cancer Support Group

## 11<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL CAR SHOW



Held at Joppatowne Plaza, on the corner of Rt 40 Pulaski Highway and Joppa Farm Road

Sunday October 6, 2024 from 10am to 2:30pm (Rain Date October 20th)

**\$20 Entry Donation**

**Cars and Bikes will be on Black-Top  
Registration - 10am to 12:30pm the day  
of the event.**

**First 150 receives a dash Plaque!!!**



**TOP 50  
Specials & Best of Show**

*DJ BY: DANNY*



Food and Concessions by

**TOWNE  
GRILL & PUB**

**Dine-In • Carry Out • Delivery • Catering • Breakfast • Lunch • Dinner**

1006 Joppa Farm Road (Joppatowne Shopping Plaza) • 410-538-4665

Questions call Geri Booker (410) 852-3688

*Proceeds Benefit Baltimore Cancer Support Group*

<http://baltimorecancersupportgroup.org/>

# St. Peter's Elementary Fundraiser at the Yard!

Join your faculty, staff, and classmates of St. Peter's Elementary School and bring your family and friends to an Orioles game on Sunday, September 8!

**Sunday, September 8 at 12:05 PM vs. Tampa Bay Rays**

Kids 4-14 Run the Bases Post-Game!

Upper Reserve (sections 342-346): \$21\*

*\$5 of every ticket sold will benefit*

St. Peter's  
Elementary School



For any questions or accessible seating, please call Gary at 410.547.6115

---

### To Purchase Tickets:

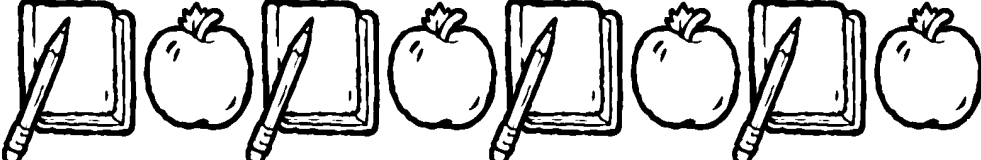
1. Click on the link or QR code below
2. Click the "Get Tickets" button, select your section, and place your seats in the cart.
3. After checkout, you will receive an email with instructions on accessing your mobile tickets.
4. Share this offer with your friends, family, and fellow RPBL teammates.

<https://fevo-enterprise.com/event/Stpeters2024>



\*There is an additional 10% service charge per ticket.

# September 2024

<i>Sunday</i>	<i>Monday</i>	<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Friday</i>	<i>Saturday</i>
1	2 <b>Labor Day Offices Closed</b>	3 <b>St. Peter's ES first day</b>	4 9:15a Chapel 11a (GC) Prayer Group <b>6:30p Back-to- School Night</b>	5 7p (N/SL) BCSG	6	7
8 <b>Rally Day Grandparents' Day Backpack Blessing Installation of Sunday school &amp; Elem. School 12p St. Peter's ES Day at Camden Yards</b>	9	10	11 9:15a Chapel 7p (S) Council mtg.	12 7p (N/SL) BCSG	13	14
15	16	17	18 9:15a Chapel 7p (Virtual) Sch. Brd. Mtg.	19 7p (N/SL) BCSG	20	21
22 <b>11:15a PACE &amp; Church Picnic (on the hill off the back parking lot)</b>	23	24	25 9:15a Chapel	26 7p (N/SL) BCSG	27	28
29 <b>9:30a Combined Worship</b>	30					

Key:

(BH) Brick House; (CH) Church; (GC) Grace Chapel; (H) Hall; (LL) Church Lower Level;  
 (N) North Conf. Room; (S) South Conf. Room; (N/SL) North Conf. Room & School Library  
 BCSG=Baltimore Cancer Support Group; CR=Choir Rehearsal





---

***St. Peter's Evangelical Lutheran Church***

7910 Belair Road ~ Baltimore, MD 21236 ~ 410-665-7300 ~ [st-peterslutheran.com](http://st-peterslutheran.com)

**Our Mission:**

Learn God's Truth



Share Spirit's Healing



Follow Jesus' Way

