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*The Gospel Magic of
Rev. Leo M. Goodman*

Returning on Christian Education Sunday

August 24, 2025 10:30 AM

All ages are invited to this magical program!



For this year's project for God's Work. Our Hands, the Pine Grove Cluster of Lutheran Churches is sponsoring a free clothing giveaway at Jacob's Lutheran Church from 2:00 to 4:00 PM on Saturday, September 6th. We are collecting clothing only. Please place donated items on the designated table in the fellowship hall.

Committee Chairs

Christian Education

Brenda Ferrebee

Discipleship

Nancy Reichelt

Fellowship

Beverly Morgan, CC
liaison;
Donna Zerbe

Finance

Nancy Reichelt

Property

Vernon Stroupbauer, CC
liaison

Social Ministry

Lillie Morgan, CC liaison;
Donna Zerbe

Technology

Nancy Reichelt

Wellness

Mary Daubert, CC liaison

Worship and Music

Barbara Hikes

Youth Ministry

Jodi Derr

Endowment Fund

Beverly Morgan

Stew Zerbe Memorial

Scholarship Fund

Donna Zerbe

Cemetery Association

Kurt Wessner 570-345-8020

Council of Churches

Dale and Brenda Ferrebee,
CC liaisons

Church Council Meeting Highlights

July 10, 2025

- A bid from Fraser Advanced Information Systems was accepted for a new copier and lease.
- A Youth Ministry meeting will be held July 27th after Sunday School to begin planning the startup of a youth group after Christian Education Sunday.
- Sunday morning preaching coverage will be listed in the newsletter's calendar page.
- A Church Cleanup Day is tentatively scheduled for the first Saturday in October. Details to follow.
- More trunks are needed for the annual Trunk or Treat night in October.

Church Council Members

2026

Mary Daubert
Gwen Moyer
Nancy Reichelt
Joshua Zimmerman

2027

Beverly Morgan*
Vernon Stroupbauer*
Brenda Ferrebee*
Jodi Derr

2028

Stephen Hikes
Barbara Hikes
Dale Ferrebee*
Lillie Morgan*

*Serving second consecutive term and cannot be reelected at the end of their term.

Officers

Stephen Hikes, President
Dale Ferrebee, Vice President
Jodi Derr, Secretary
Brenda Ferrebee, Treasurer
Lillie Morgan, Financial Secretary
Designated Pastor: Rev. Marie Meeks

Council members are elected for a term of three years, and no more than two consecutive terms.

Call Committee Members

Bryan Reichelt, Chair	Jocelyn Hikes
Stephanie Graham	Julie Koehler
Joshua Zimmerman	Kurt Wessner

August Worship Readings

Sunday, August 3

Eighth Sunday after Pentecost; Holy Communion

First Reading: Ecclesiastes 1:2, 12-14,
2:18-23

Second: Colossians 3:1-11

Gospel: Luke 12:13-21

Psalm: 49:1-12

Sunday, August 10

Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

First Reading: Genesis 15:1-6

Second Reading: Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16

Gospel: Luke 12:32-40

Psalm: 33:12-22

Sunday, August 17

Tenth Sunday after Pentecost; Holy Communion

First Reading: Jeremiah 23:23-29

Second Reading: Hebrews 11:29-12:2

Gospel: Luke 12:49-56

Psalm: 82

Sunday, August 24

Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

First Reading: Isaiah 58:9b-14

Second Reading: Hebrews 12:18-29

Gospel: Luke 13:10-17

Psalm: 103:1-8

Sunday, August 31

Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

First Reading: Proverbs 25:6-7

Second Reading: Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16

Gospel: Luke 14:1, 7-14

Psalm: 112



Sunday School Schedule

August 3

A Good Ruler

Gwen Moyer and Lillie Morgan

August 10

Teaching and Healing

Barbara Hikes and Sue Stroupbauer

August 17

Wedding in Cana

Brenda Ferrebee and Terri Cleary

August 24

Christian Education Sunday

Father Leo

The Sower

August 31

Creative Drama

Barbara Hikes and Sue Stroupbauer

Adult Sunday School

The Adult Sunday School class will resume on Sunday, August 31st. The group will be doing a Bible study.

The **Pine Grove Lions Club** has **medical equipment** to loan out for those in need of items such as crutches, walkers, etc. Please contact Doug at 215-779-1325, Charlie at 570-290-6268 or see Tina Hippert.



St. Peter's Evangelical Lutheran Church

Sunday Schedule

Worship Service

9:00 am

Holy Communion

1st & 3rd

Sundays of the month

Sunday School

10:30 am

Church Office Hours

Monday & Thursday 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM (in office)

Tuesday & Friday 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM (remote)

Please leave a message on the office answering machine (570-345-3306) on Tuesdays and Fridays.

The **Pine Grove Council of Churches** is having a Kauffman's **Chicken**

Bar-B-Q on Saturday, August 9th with a ticket cost of \$10.00 each. Chicken can be picked up at the Weekday Church School from 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM. Please see Dale Ferrebee to purchase tickets.



Sponsorships

St. Peter's Mission Statement

"We, the members of St. Peter's Evangelical Lutheran Church, blessed by God's grace in Word and Sacrament, and desiring to fulfill God's call to minister and witness to the world, commit ourselves to a mission which includes: Meaningful worship; Enthusiastic Christian Education programming; Active witnessing to our Christian faith; Dedicated service; and Responsible support of the programs and financial concerns of the church."

Altar Flowers are available for August 10, 17, 24, and 31 – cost is \$30

Chancel Flowers are available for August 3, 10, 17, 24, and 31 – cost is \$30

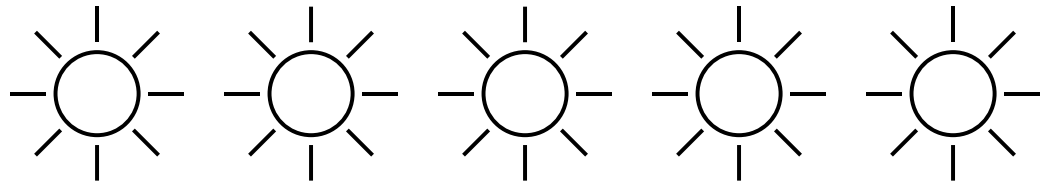
Sanctuary Candle is available for August – cost is \$35

Candle Oil is available for August – cost is \$15

Newsletter is full for August – cost is \$40

Bulletins are available for August 10, 17, 24, and 31 – cost is \$15

Call the church office for availability or sign the charts in the downstairs hallway.



The August newsletter is given to the Glory of God IMO grandparents Edwin and Violet Hubler and Cleveland and Elizabeth Zerbe by Al Hubler and Laine Quinn.

August Ministry Meetings

August 6th
Worship and Music
Committee
6:00 PM

August 12th
Christian Education
Committee
6:00 PM

Church Finances – End of June 2025

June 2025 General Fund Contributions	\$16,846.00 (5 Sundays)
June 2025 General Expenses paid	\$ 6,742.00

June 2025 Account Balances	
Checking	\$33,918.24
Savings	\$36,717.73
Memorial	\$15,764.93
Capital Improvement*	\$20,811.03

*\$16,952.00 is designated to Audio/Video, Prepaid Fuel, Fellowship and Parsonage Improvements. \$3,859.03 is designated for Capital Improvement.

Youth Ministry Fund	\$ 9,486.66
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MEMORIALS

(General Fund) IMO Elaine Benko: \$100 by Paul R. Merrill and Ashley Bartoli, \$50 by James E. Roach and Kathleen A. Roach, \$100 by Salem and Nancy Potts, \$50 by Kathleen Thompson, \$20 by Sunny Lyn Proper and Erik Proper, \$50 by Pastor Bob and Nan Hoenich, \$100 by Larry Holloway, \$150 given anonymously, \$100 by Richard and Joy Russell, \$25 by Kay Lehman Koch, \$100 by Jean and Dave Herring; Herring, \$25 by Dave and Shelley Derfler, \$50 by James and Beverly Gerberich, donation by Jeff and Vicky Benko, \$30 by Gary and Kathy Toy, \$50 by Hank and Deb Henrickson \$100 IMO Gladys Luckenbill on her June 18th birthday by Rod Luckenbill and family; \$100 IMO Terry Weckle and Timothy Weckle by Patricia Weckle and Sandy Kemmerling

(Memorial Fund) \$50 IMO Elaine Benko by Blaine and Carol Proper
(Pre-Buy Oil Fund) \$100 IMO Stew Zerbe on his birthday by Donna Zerbe

Publishing Deadlines

If you want to publish something in the Sunday bulletin or the monthly newsletter, please submit your information by the following deadlines:
The bulletin deadline is Wednesday at 2:00 pm.
The 2025 September newsletter deadline is Wednesday, August 13th.

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Those who are hospitalized, recuperating, ill, or in any need, especially:

Alice Hunkapiller	Bruce Witmer	Eric Umbenhauer
Paul Lengel	Janet Jones	Barbara Schwartz
Ruth McMullen	Stacey Harris	Waylon Hartman
Tom Wertz	Shirley Lengel	Jen Gerhardt
Janet Fisher	Dale Legarht	Elizabeth Platko
Bill Siegel	Christopher Beeman	Shannon Shadle
Virginia Witherow	Beverly Morgan	Sue Stump
Lori Fehr Moyer	Lynn Sabadish	Kelsey Cleary
Bonnie Kintzel	Dana Stroupbauer	Bill Schaeffer
Anna Wertz	Joyce Frantz	Lee Wessner
Bessie Keefer	Ray Stump	Tina Keefer
McKenna Morgan Cooper	Addison Nuske	

If you have prayer requests or info for the Sunday bulletin prayer listing, please contact the church office or Nan Hoenich at 570-345-8706.



Grief Share will continue its sessions on Wednesdays at 10:00 am and will last for 14 weeks. Please contact Nancy Reichelt for more information.



Back to School month is a reminder to have a nutritious breakfast! Support our Food Pantry in August with Breakfast items!

Cereal	
Pop Tarts	
Pancake Mix	
Pancake Syrup	
Breakfast bars	
Granola Bars	
Oatmeal	

Thrivent Members are able to apply for a \$250 Grant for our Church's Food Pantry twice per year! Ask us How!

September begins Soup Season! Support our Food Pantry with your favorite soup ingredients!

Rice	
Lentils	
Red or White dry beans	
Split Peas - dry beans.	
Egg Noodles	
Canned Corn	
Canned Carrots	
Bagged flour	
Chicken or Beef Stock	
salt & pepper	

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Bookbag Collection

Let's come together to make a difference in the lives of children in need in the Pine Grove Area School District. We will be collecting bookbags throughout July and your contribution can help these students succeed. If purchasing a bookbag isn't feasible, consider making a monetary donation by placing it in an envelope marked for bookbag donation. Bookbags will be delivered to the school district two weeks prior to the beginning of the school year, so bags may be distributed to the students prior to the first day of school. Please place bookbag donations on the designated table in the fellowship hall. If you have any questions, please feel free to speak to Brenda Ferrebee.



St. Peter's Evangelical Lutheran Church

August 2025

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3 9:00 am Worship Service with Holy Communion; Eighth Sunday after Pentecost Pastor Robert Hoenich 10:30 am Sunday School	4 9:00 am – 9:00 pm Music Lessons	5	6 10:00 am Grief Share 6:00 pm Worship and Music Committee Meeting 7:00 pm Senior Choir Rehearsal	7	8	9 11:00 am – 5:30 pm Hall Rental
10 9:00 am Worship Service; Ninth Sunday after Pentecost Stephen Hikes 10:30 am Sunday School	11 9:00 am – 9:00 pm Music Lessons	12 6:00 pm – Christian Education Committee Meeting	13 10:00 am Grief Share 7:00 pm Senior Choir Rehearsal NEWSLETTER DEADLINE	14 7:00 Church Council Meeting	15	16
17 9:00 am Worship Service with Holy Communion; Tenth Sunday after Pentecost Pastor Barry Spatz 10:30 am Sunday School	18	19	20 10:00 am Grief Share 7:00 pm Senior Choir Rehearsal	21	22	23
24 9:00 am Worship Service; Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost; Christian Education Sunday Youth Sermon 10:00 am Coffee Social 10:30 am Sunday School	25	26	27 10:00 am Grief Share 7:00 pm Senior Choir Rehearsal	28	29	30
31 9:00 am Worship Service in Fellowship Hall; Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost Pastor Ken Melber video sermon 10:30 am Sunday School						