



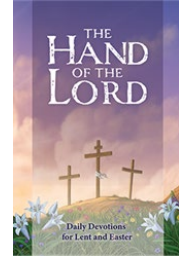
Building on the Cornerstone Campaign

\$2.5 Million Matching Goal:

Commitments and Gifts:	\$ 2,745,105
Gifts Received:	\$ 2,717,244

Lenten Devotional Booklets are available in the gathering space table under the bulletin board. ----->

Volunteers needed to help with Sunday Morning Fellowship. Join our Sunday morning Fellowship crew and help spread smiles one cup at a time! No barista experience required, just a willingness to brew, chat and share a smile with others. Deaconess Shirley will show you the ropes. Sign up for a Sunday (or two 😊) in the church office or call to pick a date.



Lenten Supper: We invite you to attend a Lenten Supper next Wednesday, April 2nd. Chicken pot pie, salad and coffee/juice will be served in the Fellowship Hall from 5 pm to 6:15 pm. Join us for a meal and church service afterwards at 6:30 pm. No cost, freewill offering accepted. If there are any leftovers, they will be left in the fellowship hall after divine service to take home.

Below are the General Fund Income and Expense numbers, as well as others, for the prior months and the current fiscal year to date. We hope that these numbers provide a clear picture of our operating status.

	January 2025	February 2025	2024-25 Fiscal Year-to-Date
General Fund Income	\$ 102,919.72	\$ 210,975.28	\$ 1,149,990.90
General Fund Expenses	\$ 127,868.21	\$ 156,248.22	\$ 1,001,930.07
Gain or (Deficit)	\$ (24,948.49)	\$ 54,727.06	\$ 148,060.83
Building on the Cornerstone Fund	\$ 29,193.00	\$ 19,422.00	\$ 1,113,213.00
Missions (Goal: \$35,000)	\$ 1,084.00	\$ 1,733.00	\$ 27,177.00

Church Attendance Last Week: 240 (55 -185); Communion: 170

**** Any donations in Lenten Envelopes will go to Mission Fund unless otherwise specified.**

In Memory of:

- ✠ **Rev. Fred Reimer**, a gift was given to the Building on the Cornerstone Fund from *Joyce Burdo*.
- ✠ **Rev. Edward & Shirley Pankow and John Pankow**, a gift was given to the Building on the Cornerstone Fund from *Dave & Kae Pankow, Paul Pankow, and Claus & Susan Holtrop*.
- ✠ **Wayne Hubbell**, gifts were given to the Building on the Cornerstone Fund from *Roger & Pam Breternitz, Andy & Susan Neuenfeldt, and Joyce Burdo*.
- ✠ **Dorothy Ickes**, gifts were given to the Building on the Cornerstone Fund from *Andy & Susan Neuenfeldt, Larry & Linda Graf, Alex & Karin Todd, Joyce Burdo, and Dave & Sharon King*. Gifts were given to the General Fund from *Tracey Bauer and Fred & Rhoda Nehmer* and to the Student Aid Fund from *Carol Wardin*.
- ✠ **Marilynn June Trinklein**, gifts were given to the Building on the Cornerstone Fund from *Russ & Carol Darby, Larry & Joyce Linville, Thomas & Maggie Boos, Dave & Sharon King, Joyce Burdo, Brad & Lynn Smith, Donald & Denise Potter, Bob & Chelle Dankert, Rockwell Scherzer, Ed & Pat Watson, Tammy & Kaeden Watson, Leslie & Kiley Brady and Robert & Margaret Ortman*. A gift was given to the Mission Fund from *Gary & Pat Kricher*. A gift was given to the General Fund from *Barbara Nothelfer*.

In Honor of:

- ❖ **Andy Neuenfeldt**, a gift was given to the Building on the Cornerstone Fund from *Karen Pringle*.

Thank you! Men's Club extend a thank you to everyone who helped make this annual event a success. The weather was perfect and everything went well. It is always great to see so many in our church family work together. The proceeds from the fish fry are used to support our Church and School.

Men's Club The next Men's Club meeting needs to be changed to Monday, March 31st at 7:00 p.m. instead of the first Monday in April. This is due to a scheduling conflict. We hope to see everyone there.

Easter Flower Orders are due by April 14th. Just fill out an order form located on the memorial stand in the gathering space. You can either mail to the church office or drop your order forms and payment in the memorial stand. Checks should be made payable to St. Peter Lutheran Church.

Mary Martha, Ladies Aid and all ladies of the congregation- Our Spring dine out is Tuesday, April 8th@ 6:00p.m. located at Timbers on State Street in Saginaw. Come and enjoy the great food and fellowship. RSVP by April 7th to Coleen Schantz 989-642-2038.

Cemetery Groundkeeper We are in need a of a new groundskeeper for the cemetery. This is part time, paid position. If you are interested, please contact Dave Earley at 989.737.2757 for details.

Richland Lutheran Cemetery It is time to clean up the grounds and prepare for spring. Please clean off all winter decorations such as grave blankets and wreaths off gravesites by April 1st.

20th Annual St. Peter PTL Auction Tickets and tables are now on sale. The deadline to buy tickets and tables is March 31. Tickets will not be sold at the door! Here are the details:

- **Date:** April 5, 2025. Doors open at 5:00pm with the auction beginning at 6:00pm.
- **Location:** Swan Valley Banquet Center
- **Theme:** Denim and Diamonds
- **Price:** Tickets are \$30 each and reserved tables are available for an additional \$100. Tickets **will not** be sold at the door.
- **Bidding Info:** The live auction will be done in-person, while the silent auction will be done online.
- **Dinner Menu:** Chicken Parmesan, Buttered Noodles, California Mix, Tossed Salad, Rolls and Dessert.

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The Lutheran Hour is broadcast Sundays on WSAM 1400AM Saginaw at 8:30am and XM 131 at 10:30am. It can also be heard on-line at www.lhm.org. Next Sunday, April 6th, Guest Speaker *Rev. Keith Haberstock's* sermon is titled, "Better Than I Deserve!". Jesus didn't deserve to die on a cross, but He died and rose again in order to give us better than we deserve.

Community News: *See flyers on the bulletin board in the gathering space*

Ushers for next week: Midweek Lenten Service: *Larry Graf, Corey Harry* **Saturday:** *Leonard Krueger, Carl Neuenfeldt Jr.*
Sunday: *Matt Wardin, Mark Chapin*

Videographer for next week: Midweek Lenten Service: *Charlotte Starke* **Sunday:** *Landon Sherry*

A LifeQuote from Lutherans for Life of Michigan

"Our Lord dwelt among us for quite some time without anyone seeing or meeting Him. Yet in this span, He consecrated and sanctified every human life from its very beginning at the moment of fertilization. And He demonstrated that neither age nor appearance nor ability—nor any lack thereof—improves or impairs anyone's worth. God creates, redeems, and calls each one as His own to start with."

- *Pastor Michael Salemink, Lutherans For Life*

FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT

Isaiah 12:1-6

2 Corinthians 5:16-21

Luke 15:1-3, 11-32

Jesus Christ Has Reconciled Us to the Father

God the Father has opened His heart to us in love. While we were "*still a long way off,*" He saw us and "*felt compassion*" (Luke 15:20). Therefore, He gave His only begotten Son for us, making "*him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God*" (2 Cor. 5:21). By the ministry of reconciliation, He runs to us, embraces us in mercy and clothes us with His glory as beloved sons in Christ Jesus. And so we give thanks unto the Lord our God, who has taken away our sins and turned His anger from us (Is. 12:1). Because He has become our salvation, our strength and our song, we "*will trust, and will not be afraid*" (Is. 12:2).