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May 2011

We are disciples of Jesus Christ our Savior, called to worship and serve!

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Words from our Pastor:

The front window in the arts and crafts portion of the hardware store has a wonderful Easter display, with a large mural depicting a beautiful sunrise. Painted across the rising sun, are bold letters proclaiming the good news, that state simply "He still moves stones!"

Nearly two thousand years ago, the stone was rolled back from the tomb of Jesus. Much to the surprise of Mary, Peter, and the others that had come to pay their respects to Jesus show that the Sabbath had passed, they were greeted by angels who proclaimed the good news, "He is not here! It is as he had said! He is risen!"

The stones of sadness and grief were moved from the hearts and minds of Mary, Peter, and the others. That burden of sadness, was replaced with great joy, for he still moves stones!

For me, I've enjoyed watching stones move over this past

Spring. It has been a continual reminder that Christ is present even in situations that seem completely lifeless.

In order to understand what stones I'm referring too, we have to turn back to early last fall as we were getting ready to move into the parsonage. I had made the suggestion that some patio pavers be laid by the side door as a spot for our grill.

Scott Dick went to work. He had several stones out at his farm that hadn't been used. He brought them into town. He took his time raking out the area. He dug out the weeds. He raked some more, and made sure that things were smooth and level. Finally, the stones were laid, nice and tight, one butted up against the other, making for a flat, level, grilling area.

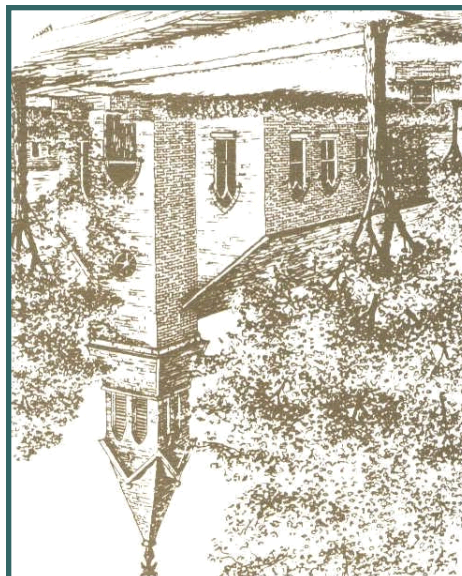
However, a few weeks ago, I noticed the stones beginning to shift. It was as if they were

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Join Us For Worship
9:00 a.m. Sunday Morning



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Monthly Prayer Reflection: "Prayer requires more of the heart than the tongue. -- Adam Clarke

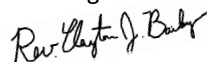
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 moving, magically on their own. Then little green shoots starting stretching forth in every direction, from every crack and crevice, they sprang until flowers topped each of those shoots.

Now the stones are twisted to and fro, and the grill looks strangely out of place in the midst of a flower bed.

As we continue to celebrate this Easter, that image is a reminder of what God,

can, does, and has done with our lives. He provides new life ready to burst through our sometimes cold and calloused hearts. Through Christ's resurrections, we can spring forth to share the good news that Christ is Risen. Go and tell the world that: He still moves stones!

Easter Blessings!



2011 Easter Message from Presiding Bishop

Mark S. Hanson

So they left the tomb quickly with fear and great joy, and ran to tell his disciples.

- Matthew 28:8

Mary Magdalene and Mary walked to Jesus' grave, expecting to find death. It's understandable. Images of violence filled their minds. Thoughts of their vulnerability and mortality deadened their spirits. Death had become the defining story of their lives.

Instead of death, the women met a resurrection messenger who said, "He is not here: for he has been raised, as he said." As they hurried to tell others, the risen Jesus met them. They were changed. Now resurrection, not death, would define their lives.

Jesus lives! Now resurrection, not death, defines our lives. Jesus continues to meet you in resurrection messengers, just as Jesus met me in Pastor Josephus Livenson Lauvanus, president of the Lutheran Church of Haiti. As we walked through the ruins and rubble that lie in the aftermath of Haiti's earthquake, Pastor Livenson Lauvanus proclaimed, "We will not be defined by rubble, but by restoration, for we are a people of the resurrection."

Baptized into Jesus' death and raised to newness of life we, too, are people of the resurrection. We, too, are resurrection messengers. We, too, are about God's work of restoration.

The world aches to hear the message we have to tell. Sing with joy! Jesus lives! We are a people of the resurrection.

Financial News:

March

General Fund: \$9,560.62
General Expenses: \$9,844.91
 Summary: (\$284.29)

All Offerings: \$10,513.62
All Expenses: \$10,384.28
 Summary: \$129.34

Year To Date:

General Fund: \$27,138.04
General Expenses: \$29,695.90
 Summary: (\$2,557.86)

All Offerings: \$29,247.62
All Expenses: \$32,793.45
 Summary: (\$3,545.83)

Fund Balances

Fund	February	In	Out	March
General Fund:	(\$3,219.61)	\$9,560.62	\$9,844.91	(\$3,503.90)
Memorial Fund:	\$5,747.77	\$703.00		\$6,450.77
Building Fund:	\$6,941.58	\$105.00		\$7,046.58
Air Cond. Fund:	\$7,449.76			\$7,449.76
Misc. Fund:	\$746.14	\$145.00	\$539.37	\$351.77
Summary:	\$17,665.64			\$17,794.98

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continue to work on updating job descriptions. Karl and Pastor composed a letter that was sent to our church secretary and our custodian asking for their help in constructing those descriptions. They have been asked to document their current duties and the time spent doing them. Nici asked about putting a jar out to collect pop can tabs to donate to the Ronald McDonald House. She will be placing one at the church for that collection. She also asked what happens to the altar flowers when no one has purchased them for that week. Pastor answered that many times Dorothy Curry delivers them to one of the shut-ins' from our congregation.

New Business: None

Correspondence: None

There being no further business a motion to adjourn was made by Larry Wilson and was seconded by Ladena Ankney. Motion carried.

We closed the meeting with the Lord's Prayer.

Suzi McCullough, Recording Secretary

Council Summary:

The council of St. Peter's Lutheran Church met in the Parish Hall on March 21, 2011. Those present were Pastor Bailey, Larry Wilson, Karl Mauerhan, Dave Loughborough, Austin Fritch, Doug Michael, Calli Thiel, Cathy Schuller, Joyce Whitney, Suzi McCullough, Ladena Ankney, Jan Mollett, Pat Manahan and Nici Manahan.

Devotions: Pastor started the meeting by reading from *Here We Stand*. The reading concentrated on how to confess our sins and receive forgiveness. He then led a prayer to open the meeting.

Secretary's Report: Minutes from the February meeting were reviewed. A motion to accept the minutes was made by Larry Wilson with a second from Dave Loughborough. Motion carried.

Treasurer Report: Ladena reported that February had been a bad month for income. This was attributed to the bad weather and the fact that the pastor had been gone two Sundays. A discussion on how to bring in more money followed. While we know that money is tight for everyone it seems that when the congregation knows of a need they always respond. It was decided to put an announcement in the news letter informing the congregation of our shortfall. We do not want to get too far in the hole. We would like to be able to run a balanced budget. A motion to accept the report as presented was made by Dave Loughborough with a second by Cathy Schuller. Motion carried. Ladena then presented the open invoices. A motion to pay these invoices was made by Larry Wilson, seconded by Joyce Whitney. Motion carried.

Pastor's Report: Pastor will be attending a two day retreat in Columbus. He will be meeting with four other pastors to discuss mission work. He

March 21, 2011

has decided not to hold the Easter Vigil service this year because of low attendance. He asked if the council thought there would be any interest in a sunrise service on Easter Sunday. After a brief discussion it was agreed that we would like him to conduct a 7:00 a.m. service as well as the traditional 9:00 a.m. service. Pastor reported that there are several people participating in the "walking with Jesus" program during this Lenten season. The pancake dinner that was hosted by the youth went very well. He noted that the Feed Mill had generously donated all the sausage for the event. There was some discussion a possible Saturday evening service. Some type of survey will have to be done to gauge how much interest there would be for that.

Deacons: The deacons reported that we will be ordering the Easter lilies from Exotic Scents this year. They will be \$12 each. Ushers and readers will be needed beginning in June.

Board of Education: They are still working on organizing and assembling *Care Packages* for our youth that are away at college. It was brought to councils' attention that we are still in desperate need of a Sunday school superintendent.

Trustees: Pat, Doug, and Austin repaired the men's restroom, in which the toilet had been leaking and was replaced as well as the flooring.. A remnant was purchased at Wayside Furniture. They reported that the Boy Scouts have started working on the church lawn by raking the stones from the grass. Pat has gotten two bids for tree trimming. There are some dead limbs that need to be cut down. There still some small jobs that need to be finished in the parsonage.

Old Business: Birthday cards are being sent with some thank you's already received. We will

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Upcoming Events:

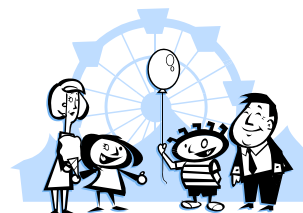
Upcoming Youth Mission Trip

All youth and parents interested in knowing more about this year's Youth Mission Trip are invited to a meeting with Pastor Bailey on Sunday May 1, following worship. Together we will discuss the projects before us, locations, cost, and many of the details regarding our trip. Registration is limited to 50 people from all the Lutheran churches in our Conference, will only be open May 1-15, so act fast if you want to be part of this year's excitement.



Family Fun Night

All families are welcome to come and join us for an evening of fun and learning. Together we will share the good news of Jesus' Resurrection through arts, crafts, and story telling. Be part of the fun, Wednesday May 4, 2011 at 6:30 p.m.



Second Helping Sunday

Our Second Helping, on May 8th will be the Gideon's. Their outreach to the world helps to place the Word of God in the hands of many who long to hear the nave of Christ. As we worship, we welcome their message of hope and mission in the world, and we pray that you would giving a special gift to this worthy cause.



Robin B. Spangler Memorial 5K Run/Walk

Robin B. Spangler Memorial 5K Run will be held on Saturday, May 28, 2011 at 9:00 a.m. at the Edon Track at Leann Field. Cost, \$15 and includes a t-shirt. Snacks and water will be available after you finish. Proceeds go towards the RBS Memorial Scholarship fund. Applications are due by Friday, May 20, 2011. Walk-ins are welcome!



Community Meal

The Edon Area Community Meal will be held on May 31, 2011 at the Edon Fire Hall. We give thanks as a community that we are able to provide for the 125 or more that attend every month. Come and join us for a great fellowship opportunity!



"Thank You's"

Dear St. Peter's Congregation:

I just wanted to say "thanks" for taking the time to put together Care Packages for the graduates! It was very thoughtful and has helped out a bunch! I am so lucky to have an amazing family supporting me! Thanks again!

.....Briana Miller

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I wanted to thank the church for the gift package I received earlies this week in Athens at school. Everything came to good use and I enjoyed the candy as well. Thanks again,

.....Jacob Brown



"MAY DAY"

## Hear our Prayers For:

- Jean Bailey ~ health concerns*
- Kent Becker*
- Connie Bidwell ~ Fall*
- Adyson Briner*
- Doris Burkhardt ~ The Height's*
- Carol Cook ~ Brain Tumor*
- Mark David ~ Restarting Life*
- Tim Disbro ~ coma*
- Fritz Entenman ~ Stroke*
- Brittaney Ewing, car accident*
- Ellie Foster ~ homebound*
- Hazel Gearhart ~ Hillside Ass't Living*
- Marilyn Goeckerman ~ Lymphoma*
- Bob Gerding ~ degenerative brain disorder*
- Dale Harroff ~ Assisted Living*
- David Ivey*
- Greg Kaiser ~ cancer*
- Ed Kaltenbach*
- Esther Kaltenbach ~ Hillside*
- Paula Kramer*
- Donna Lump ~ nursing home*
- Pat Meyers ~ home bound*
- Sue Michael*
- Larry Mollett*
- Tyler Priest*
- Dennis Rummel ~ coma*
- Andy Skiles*
- Lynn Skiles ~ stroke*
- Natalie Siebenaler ~ surgery*
- Travis Turner ~ cancer survivor*
- Vicki Woolace - cancer*
- Pauline Zachrich ~ homebound*



## Servants for May

### Ushers

Month of May Rod & Sue Bauer

### Readers

May 1 Cheryl Michael

May 8 Cheri Jacobs

May 15 Cheri Jacobs

May 23 & 29 Cheryl Michaels

### Acolyte

May 1 Kaden Sapp

May 8 Taylor Schuller

May 15 Brendon Young

May 22 Graeden Rupp

May 29 Alex Kiess

## May Fellowship Committee

**\*Linda Keppler ~ \*Staci Dye**

Delores Wolff ~ Tina Surfus ~ Julie Curry

Brenda Parrish ~ Joyce Whitney

Carey Kiess ~ Nance Steinke ~ Wendy Bailey

## From our Circles:

**Friendship will meet May 2 2011 in the church parish hall. Leader and Hostess is Wilma Entenman.**

**Mary Martha Circle** will meet May 5, 2011 at 10:00 am with a sandwich luncheon at noon. Meeting will follow the luncheon.

## May Altar Flowers

### Side Bouquets

|        |                         |
|--------|-------------------------|
| May 1  | Scott & Louise Dick     |
| May 8  | Connie Bidwell & Rupp's |
| May 15 | Lyle & Barb Curry       |
| May 22 | Open                    |
| May 29 | Paul Curtis             |

### Center Bouquets

|      |                     |
|------|---------------------|
| 5/1  | Larry & Joby Dewire |
| 5/8  | Open                |
| 5/15 | Ray & Ruth Henney   |
| 5/22 | Larry Wilson's      |
| 5/29 | Open                |



## May Altar Guild

Marilyn Parrish Suzi McCullough

## Attendance Summary:

|                  |     |
|------------------|-----|
| Mar 6            | 101 |
| Mar 13           | 77  |
| Mar 20           | 86  |
| Mar 27           | 99  |
| Monthly Average: | 90  |
| YTD Average:     | 90  |

## Woman To Woman

May 2011

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|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1. For this new month in which to serve you.<br>Dime                                  | 20. For the farmers who work in the fields and provide us with nourishing food. Dime.                                                                                             |
| 2. That I know you and my blessings. I pray for those who don't.<br>quarter           | 21. To stir me to do YOUR will, not mine. Dime.                                                                                                                                   |
| 3. For helping us to use our gifts and passions to make a difference for others. Dime | 22. For this day of worship. May the Holy Spirit remind us of everything Jesus did, said and is. Quarter.                                                                         |
| 4. For my friends. Do people see a friend when they see me? Fifteen cents             | 23. For the rain nourishing the earth. Nickel                                                                                                                                     |
| 5. For my chores to do and I pray that I do them with a happy heart. Nickel           | 24. For this new day. Help me to see the good in it. Fifteen cents.                                                                                                               |
| 6. For the service of our minister, Pastor C. J. Dime                                 | 25. That you lead me where you will. Dime.                                                                                                                                        |
| 7. For the clothes we wear. I pray for those who have none. Nickel                    | 26. For the mail carriers and all the surprises and necessary letters they bring. Dime                                                                                            |
| 8. For my Mother on this Mother's day. Quarter                                        | 27. For the water that comes out of the faucet and I pray for those who have none. Nickel                                                                                         |
| 9. For the patience you give me today. Dime                                           | 28. For our doctors, dentists, nurses and health care providers who help keep us healthy. Dime                                                                                    |
| 10. For the laundry to do and I pray for those who have no clothes. Fifteen cents     | 29. That you are ALWAYS there for me, no matter what. Fifteen cents                                                                                                               |
| 11. For the trees and plants that are beautiful with their blossoms. Nickel           | 30. For this Memorial Day to remember the military personnel who died serving our country. May we be grateful for their service and courage so that we may have freedom. Quarter. |
| 12. For you, Lord, and the strength and comfort you provide for me. Dime.             | 31. For the blooming flowers that you provide to beautify our homes, churches, etc. dime                                                                                          |
| 13. For the bed I have to make, and I pray for those who have none. Nickel            | The Messenger                                                                                                                                                                     |
| 14. For the bathroom to clean and I pray for those who have none. Fifteen cents       |                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| 15. For this glorious day to worship and praise you, Lord. Quarter                    |                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| 16. For the sun that shines and all the good food it helps to grow. Dime              |                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| 17. For your gift of humor. Help me to keep it in my life. Dime                       |                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| 18. For the good I see in all that comes to me today. Help me to see it. Nickel.      |                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| 19. For these two hands. Am I using them for you? Fifteen cents                       |                                                                                                                                                                                   |

## May Birthdays:

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|-----------------|---------------------|--------------------|
| 1 Louise Dick   | 15 Ruth Henney      | 27 Allison Towne   |
| Kyli McCullough | Debra Nester        | James Reitzel      |
| 2 Scott Dick    | 17 Megan Wiler      | Carson Curtis      |
| 4 Wesley Dye    | 19 Paul Curtis      | 28 June Smith      |
| 6 Jodi Parsons  | Larry Mollett       | 29 Kyler Sapp      |
| Doris Burkhardt | 20 Kayli McCullough | Carrie Sanders     |
| 7 Maggie Fisher | 23 Lauren Burkhardt | 31 Marilyn Parrish |
| 8 Brian Miller  | Connie Bidwell      |                    |
| Calli Thiel     | Brenda Hulbert      |                    |
| 9 Loni Ankney   | 25 Courtney Hug     |                    |
| 12 Erma Bauer   | 26 Zachery Hug      |                    |



## Remembering your Baptism:

- |                  |                   |
|------------------|-------------------|
| 1 Jeff Kaiser    | 10 Aiden Fritch   |
| Eleanor Foster   | 12 Krystal Hake   |
| 2 Levi Brandt    | Rebecca Rockey    |
| ChrisAnn Miller  | 16 Louise Dick    |
| 7 Spencer Kaiser | 19 Dustin Hug     |
| 8 Wendy Bailey   | 20 Brenda Parrish |
| 9 Deanne Henry   | Betsy Helms       |
| Marilyn Parrish  | 24 Graeden Rupp   |
| 10 Danielle Dick |                   |



## May Anniversaries:

- |                             |
|-----------------------------|
| 10 Bill & Becky Rockey      |
| 17 Joel & Jodie Best        |
| 19 Dennis & Jeannine Walker |
| 22 Steve & Pam Welch        |
| 28 Marvin & Pam Hug         |





# MAY 2011



Sunday

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

Saturday

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| <p><b>1</b>      <b>2nd Sunday of Easter</b><br/>           9:00 am    Worship<br/>           10:15 am   Fellowship Hour &amp; Family<br/>                            Sunday School<br/>           10:15 am   Youth Mission Meeting</p> | <p><b>2</b><br/>           7:30 pm    Friendship Circle</p>                                         |                                                                                           | <p><b>4</b><br/>           6:30 pm    Family Fun Night</p> | <p><b>5</b><br/>           10:00 am   Mary Martha<br/>           2:30 pm    National Day of<br/>                            Prayer Service at<br/>                            the School</p> | <p><b>6</b><br/> <i>Pastor's Day Off</i></p>                                                                                            | <p><b>7</b></p>                                                                                |
| <p><b>8</b>      <b>3rd Sunday of Easter</b><br/> <i>Second Helping Sunday</i><br/>           9:00 am    Worship<br/>           10:15 am   Sunday School</p>                                                                            | <p><b>9</b></p>                                                                                     | <p><b>10</b></p>                                                                          | <p><b>11</b><br/>           6:30 pm    Confirmation</p>    | <p><b>12</b></p>                                                                                                                                                                             | <p><b>13</b><br/> <i>Pastor's Day Off</i></p>                                                                                           | <p><b>14</b></p>                                                                               |
| <p><b>15</b>     <b>4th Sunday of Easter</b><br/>           9:00 am    Worship<br/>           10:15 am   Sunday School<br/>           10:15 am   Ice Cream Social Planning<br/>                            Meeting</p>                  | <p><b>16</b><br/>           7:00 pm    Board Meetings<br/>           7:30 pm    Council Meeting</p> | <p><b>17</b></p>                                                                          | <p><b>18</b><br/>           6:30 pm    Confirmation</p>    | <p><b>19</b></p>                                                                                                                                                                             | <p><b>20</b><br/> <i>Pastor's Day Off</i><br/> <i>Newsletter Deadline</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">← NWO Synod Assembly →</p> | <p><b>21</b></p>                                                                               |
| <p><b>22</b>     <b>5th Sunday of Easter</b><br/>           9:00 am    Worship<br/>           10:15 am   Sunday School</p>                                                                                                              | <p><b>23</b></p>                                                                                    | <p><b>24</b></p>                                                                          | <p><b>25</b><br/>           6:30 pm    Confirmation</p>    | <p><b>26</b></p>                                                                                                                                                                             | <p><b>27</b><br/> <i>Pastor's Day Off</i></p>                                                                                           | <p><b>28</b><br/>           9:00 am    RBS Memorial 5K<br/>                            Run</p> |
| <p><b>29</b>     <b>6th Sunday of Easter</b><br/>           9:00 am    Worship<br/>           10:15 am   Sunday School</p>                                                                                                              | <p><b>30 Memorial Day</b><br/> <i>Office Closed</i></p>                                             | <p><b>31</b><br/>           5:00 pm    Community<br/>                            Meal</p> |                                                            |                                                                                                                                                                                              |                                                                                                                                         |                                                                                                |