

MARCH 7, 2021

THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT

# THE GATEKEEPER'S RECORD

St. Peter's Evangelical Lutheran Church 6167 Walmore Road Sanborn, N.Y. 14132

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## This Week

3/7-Sun.-Communion  
8:30 a.m.-Worship Service  
11:00 a.m.-Worship Service  
9:45 A.M.—Sunday School  
7:00 p.m.—Confession Class

Hospice Bouquet Pick-up Today

3/8—Parish Board—6:30 p.m.

3/9-Tues.-Men's Bible Study—online  
and in the Church Meeting Room—  
9:00 to 10:30 a.m.

3/10—Church Council—7:00 p.m.  
Sanctuary

## Next Week

3/14-Sun.  
8:30 a.m.-Worship Service  
11:00 a.m.-Worship Service  
9:45 a.m.—Sunday School  
7:00 p.m.—Confession Class

3/16-Tues.-Men's Bible Study—  
online and in the Church Meeting  
Room—9:00 to 10:30 a.m.

## HERE AND NOW AT ST. PETER'S

**"MANY THANKS** to the people who prayed for me. Many thanks to those who sent me cards. Many thanks to the congregation. Praise God from whom all blessings flow." Harry Dickenson

**GREAT NEWS!** We received word from Key Bank that the church's PPP loan of \$98,406 has been forgiven in full. Although we expected this and were confident it would happen, getting written confirmation from the bank puts closure on this topic for us. This loan/grant was very helpful in keeping our church and school financially strong during this pandemic. A **special thank you to Audrey Johnson** for all the work she put into this. Above all, Thanks Be To God for always providing what we need!

**EASTER FLOWER SALE:** If you are interested in purchasing flowers to decorate the church for Easter, please complete the attached order form by Sunday, March 21 and place it in the designated box on the table in the Narthex. Flowers can be picked up **after late service** on Easter Sunday or the following Sunday after either service. They will be given away or disposed of after Sunday, April 11. Unlike past years, specific colors of flowers cannot be chosen – there will be a mix of colors provided. If you have questions, please call Brenda or Tim Walck at 695-4374. Profits from this sale will go toward the new church audio/visual system.

**HOSPICE SPRING BOUQUET SALE—** For those who pre-ordered a Hospice Spring Bouquet, you can pick your bouquet up after each church service today. A big thank you goes to everyone who participated. A total of \$360 was raised for Niagara Hospice.

**IF YOU HAVE NOT ALREADY DONE SO, PLEASE COMPLETE** a communion card and either give it to an Elder or place it in the offering plate in the church entrance. This only needs to be done once annually. Thank you.

**ST. PAULY TEXTILE CLOTHING SHED** (in the church parking lot) - St. Pauly Textile, Inc. is a WNY-based for-profit company whose mission is to provide gently used clothing and other items to people who can use it, here in the US and in developing countries. Items accepted are all clothing, shoes, sneakers, belts, purses, blankets, sheets, drapes, pillowcases and stuffed animals. This is not a collection location for furniture, electronics, books, household items, toys, pillows, rags or fabric scraps. It is extremely helpful if items are in plastic bags and are not left outside the shed. The items are picked up by St. Pauly Textile, and St. Peter's receives a check monthly for those items, based on the number of pounds of items collected. We are very fortunate that Steve and Lori Stumpf monitor the clothing shed and take care of any issues that might come up. If you have any questions, please feel free to call the church office or talk with Steve and/or Lori. (See attached letter summarizing donations in 2020.)

**IN EVERYTHING GIVE THANKS!**

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All calendar dates should  
be cleared through the  
respective office.

**Articles for publication  
in the *Gatekeeper* must  
be submitted to Ruth by  
Wed at 9 a.m.**

**Save the Date:**

**Weekly in-person church ser-  
vices have resumed. Services  
will continue to be livestreamed  
and will also be provided on  
DVD.**

**3/25—Pellicano's Fundraiser  
4/1—Maundy Thursday Service-  
7:30 p.m.  
4/2—Good Friday Service-7:30  
p.m.  
4/4—Easter Services  
8:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.**

**OUR RESPONSE TO THE LORD FOR HIS MANY BLESSINGS**

ATTENDANCE	CURRENT GIVING	NEEDED EACH WEEK	OVER/SHORT
2/7 77	\$5,709.28	\$5,943.52	- \$234.24
2/14 80	\$4,498	\$5,943.52	- \$1,445.52
2/17 34 (Ash Wed.)			
2/21 83	\$5,049	\$5,943.52	- \$894.52
2/28 106	\$5,833	\$5,943.52	- \$110.52

**Audio/Visual System:** At the annual congregational meeting, the congregation approved the installation of a new audio/visual system for the church. The majority of the installation has been completed. There are still a few items to be added. The total cost of this system is estimated at **\$8,800, including contingency**. If you would like to donate to this project, please mark your church envelope or online donation for "Audio/Visual System." Thank you!

**DONATIONS AS OF 2/28/21—\$1,258.85**

**THE ARCHIVE COMMITTEE** is always looking for photos and other items to add to the collection. Please contact a member of the committee if you have items you would like to donate.

**THE READER/GREETER SCHEDULE** for January, February, March and April 2021 is on the website. Click on "Connect" and then "Gatekeeper, Newsletters and Communication," and then scroll down to "Reader/Greeter Schedule." For the time being, readers are also taking temps/greeting at the entrance door.

**DAILY SCRIPTURE READINGS** are available on the church website. Click on "Connect" and then "Gatekeeper, Newsletters and Communication," and then scroll down to "Reader/Greeter Schedule & Monthly Daily Scripture Readings." Copies are also available in the old school entrance and on the table in the church entrance.

**ONLINE GIVING**—The online giving link is now available through Faithlife. The PayPal will be maintained for a bit longer as we continue to transition everything. The website has a tab that says "Giving." Offerings can be safely and securely processed through the new website. If you have any questions, please call Pastor Tom.

**IMPORTANT SIGN-ON INFORMATION:**

For Sunday Night Confession Class:  
<https://meet.google.com/oui-oyai-mrf>  
(US) +1 470-210-0302 PIN: 577 183 771#  
For Men's Bible Study:  
<https://meet/google.com/mtt-nkfh-brp>  
(US) +1 346-314-0314 PIN: 506 120 248#

**ST. PETER'S SCHOOL**

**A PELLICANO'S FUNDRAISER** will be held on March 25. Please see the attached order form for more information on how to order.

# Easter Plant Sale

Profit to go towards the new Church audio system

		Quantity
Easter Lily 6" pot	\$8.00 each	_____
Tulips 6" pot	\$8.00 each	_____
Hyacinths 6" pot (There will be a mix of colors – cannot chose ahead of time)	\$8.00 each	_____
Mums 6" pot (There will be a mix of colors – cannot chose ahead of time)	\$8.00 each	_____

In Memory of: \_\_\_\_\_

In Honor of: \_\_\_\_\_

For Blessings Received by: \_\_\_\_\_

Placed by: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

**Check written out to St. Peter's Church or Venmo: @Brenda-Walck (695-4374)**

Total Enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_

**Order and Payment is due by Sunday, March 21.  
Call Brenda or Tim Walck with any questions – 695-4374**

\*\*All plants can be picked up on Easter Sunday after late service or the following Sunday after either service. They will be given away or disposed of after Sunday, April 11.





**St. Peter's Church**

Dear Friends,

We hope this letter finds you well and warm. This past year was challenging in many regards for our company, as well as many of the organizations and people we partner with. On the bright side, however, it seems that lots of people who were stuck at home took the opportunity to clean out their closets! Here is the year-end information for your clothing shed:

- 40,034 pounds of clothing were donated to your shed in 2020.
- This was enough to clothe an estimated 3,193 people all over the world.
- Based on this volume of clothing, your organization received \$1,601.

Thank you so much for continuing to partner with us and for helping us get through this challenging year. We truly appreciate all the support you've given to this program and to our team!

Sincerely,  
The Team at  
St. Pauly Textile, Inc.





# Ready to Heat Dinners

Fundraiser to support St. Peter's School



## Thursday, March 25, 2021

4-6pm (Drive Thru pickup)

St. Peter's Lutheran School  
6168 Walmore Rd, Sanborn, NY 14132

**PRE-ORDER ONLY by Friday, March 19<sup>th</sup>**

Additional dinners will NOT be available the day of the event.

Meals are prepared fresh by Pellicano's the day of the event and packaged in a microwave safe dish.

Two options are available for placing an order:

- Place the completed form below w/ payment in an envelope & place in the box in the Narthex
- Call or text Wendy Hiddie at (716) 628-4083 or Derek Hiddie at (716) 628-0661

**We accept Cash or Check (payable to St. Peter's School)**

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### ORDER FORM

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone # \_\_\_\_\_ Amt Enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_

# of Dinners	Individual Meals - \$12/each
	Grilled Italian Chicken with Pasta and Peas Meal comes with a Small Garden Salad and a Brownie
	Chicken Parmigiana with Spaghetti Meal comes with a Small Garden Salad and a Brownie
	Breaded Chicken Breast with Mushrooms, Prosciutto, and Roasted Red Peppers Meal comes with a Small Garden Salad and a Brownie
	Beef Burgundy with Mushrooms and Pasta Meal comes with a Small Garden Salad and a Brownie
	Baked Gnocchi Meal comes with a Small Garden Salad and a Brownie
	Shrimp Scampi Meal comes with a Small Garden Salad and a Brownie

# of Dinners	Kids' Meals - \$6/each
	Macaroni and Cheese Meal comes with a Brownie
	Spaghetti and Meatballs Meal comes with a Brownie

# of Packs	Family Pack - \$30/each
	Lasagna (Feeds 6-8 people) Comes with a Garden Salad tray and 8 Brownies