

MARCH 28, 2021

PALM SUNDAY

THE GATEKEEPER'S RECORD

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

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This Week

3/28-Sun.-Communion-Palm Sunday
8:30 a.m.-Worship Service
11:00 a.m.-Worship Service
9:45 a.m.—Sunday School

4/1—Thurs.—Maundy Thursday
Service—7:30 p.m.

4/2—Fri.—Good Friday Service—
7:30 p.m.

Next Week

4/4-Sun.-Communion-Easter Day
8:30 a.m.-Worship Service
11:00 a.m.-Worship Service

HERE AND NOW AT ST. PETER'S

HOLY WEEK services are as follows:

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.

A DONATION to St. Peter's Lutheran School has been given in memory of Melvin Pfohl as it is one year ago today that he went to be with his Lord. It is given by Barb Walck and family. ***"I pray that God, the source of hope, will fill you completely with joy and peace because you trust in him."*** (Romans 15:13)

EASTER FLOWER SALE: If you purchased flowers to decorate the church for Easter, they 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. 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.

COMMUNION CHANGES: Commencing on Maundy Thursday, April 1, a hybrid communion service will be initiated. For those who wish to continue using the packets and remaining in the pews, they will take communion first at that point in the service. For those who wish to participate in continuous distribution, the following procedure will be followed. Pastor, gloved and masked, will serve the bread. Communicants should come forward, socially distanced with their mask on, and receive the bread from Pastor. After the bread is given, communicants should move to the side toward the Elder, lower their mask, eat the bread, raise their mask, and walk toward the Elder. When reaching the Elder, who will be gloved and masked, either wine or white grape juice will be given after which communicants should move away from the Elder, lower their mask, drink the wine/grape juice, raise the mask, and return to the pew. This process will be reviewed at the beginning of the service. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Pastor or the Elders.

THE MILITARY STICK FUNDRAISER will run through the end of the month. If you wish to donate, please place your donation in the offering plate clearly marked "Military Sticks." One Military Stick costs \$15. All funds raised will receive a 100% match by a private donor connected with the Military Stick organization.

WE ARE STILL REQUIRED TO FOLLOW SOCIAL DISTANCING guidelines in the sanctuary. Therefore, parishioners will be seated accordingly on Easter. After the sanctuary and the balcony have reached the approved capacity, there will be overflow seating in the church meeting room where a large-screen TV will be set up to watch the service.

THE READINGS FOR THE APRIL READERS are on the counter in the narthex.

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.**

OUR RESPONSE TO THE LORD FOR HIS MANY BLESSINGS

ATTENDANCE	CURRENT GIVING	NEEDED EACH WEEK	OVER/SHORT
3/7 116	\$4,240	\$5,943.42	-\$1,703.42
3/14 103	\$5,014.95	\$5,943.42	-\$ 928.47
3/21 123	\$7,654.70	\$5,943.42	+\$1,711.28

Audio/Visual System: At the annual congregational meeting, the congregation approved the installation of a new audio/visual system for the church. 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 3/21/21—\$2,396.04

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.

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>
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For Men's Bible Study:
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