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Picking Up the Pieces

Hi! I'm Interim Pastor Tom Lurvey.

With Pastor Meinhardt no longer with us at St. Peter's, we now need to pick up the pieces. By that I mean we want to figure out how we are going to function as a congregation in the interim until we call and welcome a new pastor. It may be that we won't be able to do all the things we have been used to doing. We have to decide what the things are we need to maintain to continue our life and ministry together.

As a retired pastor and member of St. Peter's, I've been asked to fill in with the things we need a pastor to do: most significantly, to continue the ministry of Word and Sacrament. That is, our worship life together.

Martin Luther called Word and Sacrament the "means of grace". The proclamation of God's Word and the administration of the Sacraments of Baptism and Holy Communion are the primary and most concrete ways that God works in our lives. Does not God work in other ways as well? Of course. But the clearest ways that God communicates and gives his gifts of forgiveness and grace and frees us from sin and death and the power of the devil are through his Word; and through his Word with the water of Baptism; and through his Word and the bread and wine of Holy Communion.

I am happy to take the lead in maintaining our worship life together. During this interim I will be preaching and presiding at Communion at least twice a month. Beyond that, along with the help of our Worship Committee and music ministers and many volunteer lay members, I will be planning and leading worship on the other Sundays as well. Unfortunately, because I do not speak German, the worship services will be mostly in English only. **We will continue with one service each Sunday at 11:00 am, at least until further notice.**

What are other things we need to maintain?

We want to find ways to care for one another, especially in times of need and crisis. As a 75-year-old retired pastor, I do not have the energy I would need to make regular pastoral visits. Along with our Church Council I hope to help organize willing lay members to keep in touch with our shut-ins and those in hospital. There are provisions in our worship resources for lay people to bring Holy Communion to members unable to get to our regular worship. I hope we will make use of these resources. **In a time of crisis, though, of course I will be available for pastoral care.**

We need to continue to have fellowship gatherings to nurture our relationships one with another. Our monthly men's breakfasts and Women's Circle gatherings will continue. I hope we can also have occasional congregational fellowship meals and potlucks as well as coffee times after worship services.

Meanwhile, our Church Council and Executive will continue to provide leadership for our congregational life and mission and toward the calling of a new pastor. Our North American Lutheran Church will give us guidance and support in that call process.

Will there be other ministries that we need to maintain? No doubt. We will need many able and willing volunteers to continue to serve and care for one another and our community. We have a variety of many gifted people who I know will serve.

Thank you and God bless.

Pastor Tom Lurvey

Message from Church Council
from Michael Zacharias and Barbara Schott

For many years Pastor Meinhardt has been attending the monthly Winkel meetings held by the Lutheran Church-Canada (LCC) pastors in Winnipeg and he felt that the LCC was a better fit for him than the NALC Synod that our church is a part of. He made the decision to apply for their colloquy program and this was announced in the May/June issue of *The Canadian Lutheran* magazine. The Colloquy Program is an alternative pathway for individuals, particularly pastors from other Lutheran church bodies, to become eligible for a pastoral call within the Lutheran Church-Canada (LCC) by preparing them for specific theological and practical requirements of the LCC.

Pastor Meinhardt resigned from the NALC effective August 31, 2025, and now serves at Holy Cross Lutheran Church (LCC). Council met with Pastor Meinhardt on September 2nd where he gave the following statement:

“I would like to thank St. Peter’s for bringing me to Winnipeg and allowing me to serve in my native language in a bilingual congregation outside my own country. It is now time to say good-bye. I want to thank you for your support that you have given and I wish the members of St. Peter’s all the best in the future ministry. May the Lord bless your congregation and use you to do great things for his Glory as you gather the Body of Christ for worship and ministry.”

We wish Pastor Meinhardt, Lynn and Solveig all the best as they move forward in this new direction and we thank him for the ministry he has provided to St. Peter’s these past 11 years.

We are very grateful to Pastor Tom Lurvey who has kindly agreed to provide leadership and will be our interim Pastor for the foreseeable future. We’re grateful to all the volunteers who are participating in the services and serving on committees. On September 9th, Michael and Barbara met with Pastor Tom to discuss a plan forward. We’ve also had support from the NALC leadership who will be helping us find a new pastor. As already mentioned, for the next while, there will be only one service at 11:00 am in English. The weekly message will continue to be e-mailed and mailed out. If you cannot come to church and would like to have a visit and Communion, please contact the church office at 204-775-6477. If you have questions, please contact Michael at 204-582-1334 or Barbara at 204-257-3531. We are grateful to the congregation for your understanding and ongoing support through this time of change.



The next **St. Peter's Eaters** breakfast will be held in the church basement on Saturday, Oct. 25 at 8AM. It's a men's breakfast group to which all men are invited for food and fellowship. If you plan on coming, please sign up on the bulletin board at the back of the church or contact the church office by phone (204.775.6477) or email stpetersoffice@mymts.net.

The Women's circle will meet in the Board room on Oct 26, 2025 after the 11am service.

St. Peter's Singers News

Submitted by Linda Lurvey

Our choir will resume Fall practicing on Sunday, October 5th. We'll meet 10:15-10:45 in the sanctuary. Please consider joining our joyful group of singers! No music reading experience needed. ***Singers of all ages are welcome!***



A Musician's Prayer

Glorious God,
source of joy and righteousness,
enable us as redeemed and forgiven children
evermore to rejoice in singing your praises.
Grant that what we sing with our lips
we may believe in our hearts,
and what we believe in our hearts
we may practice in our lives,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

source: A Lutheran Prayer Book

A Special Confirmation Anniversary Celebration was held at St. Peter's on September 14, 2025. Former and current members that were confirmed 25, 50, 60, 70 and 80 years ago were recognized during the service and the service was followed by a time of fellowship in the basement. This was the first celebration of its kind at St. Peter's. We hope to continue this as an annual event. Next year we are planning to celebrate the confirmation anniversaries of those who were confirmed in 2001, 1976, 1966, 1956, and 1946. As we approach the planning of the next event we will once again invite members of St. Peter's to assist us in identifying relevant celebrants.

A Lutheran confirmation marks the completion of rigorous instruction in the Lutheran faith confessions. It is also intended to be an affirmation of Baptism – usually infant Baptism. So as part of the confirmation celebration the confirmands make a vow regarding their faith. The classes leading up to confirmation, these usually run over a period of two years, are based on Luther's small catechism. This Catechism has six main parts: the Ten Commandments, the Apostles' Creed, the Lord's Prayer, Holy Baptism, Confession and Absolution, the Sacrament of the Altar (Communion), and other foundational tenets of the faith. In earlier days, confirmands were required to

memorize the entire small catechism along with several Bible passages and Hymns. Nowadays more emphasis is placed on faith statements rather than extensive memorization. Confirmation classes are intended to equip young people with a solid foundation on which they can grow their Christian faith through regular self-study of the scriptures, attendance of worship services and participation in the Lord's supper.

Prior to our celebration on September 14, each honouree was asked if there was something from their confirmation or confirmation classes that they remember well – something that has stayed with them. Many of them remembered their oral exam – called a 'Prüfung' in German - that took place in the service a week prior to the confirmation. The following paragraphs summarize the responses that were received from this year's celebrants – some of whom were unable to attend and instead sent a greeting to be shared with the St. Peter's congregation.

No one who was confirmed 25 years ago was able to join us for the celebration, but in each of the remaining categories there was at least one celebrant.

Ulrike or Ricki Valcourt (nee von Kampen) was confirmed in 1975, i.e. 50 years ago, at age 15, by Pastor Karl Kuskevics at St. Peter's. She was part of the German class, and there were many of them.

She was thrilled that her grandmother from East Germany was able to travel to Winnipeg, albeit illegally, to be part of that special day with her and her and her family. The Iron Curtain was still firmly shut, but their West German relatives were somehow able to make this trip happen for her.

Ricki doesn't remember much from the actual classes, but a few things have stuck with her. She recalls having to attend for three years, every week, in German! That was tough on them, but even tougher on their teachers. As Ricki said : "Imagine trying to teach a roomful of teenagers in the church basement, most of whom had better things to do and were there under duress and mainly to socialize."

Klaus Albrecht was their first teacher, and he handled his assignment with grace and just a tinge of resignation. In recent years, Ricki still felt a touch of embarrassment every time she saw Klaus at church, even though she's sure that all their teenage shenanigans had long been forgiven. Ricki was so sad to hear of his recent passing. "He was one of the good guys." she said. In their final year, Pastor Kuskevics took the reins of this unruly crew, and the learning and memorization began in earnest and they did not make his life easy either. One evening she and Barbara Schott arrived at church early, well before everyone else. Although she won't share whose idea it was, these two decided that it would be hilarious to hide all of the chalk in their classroom from the Pastor who would fill the board with copious notes at every lesson. They even took it one step further, going classroom to classroom and removing all of the chalk, just in case he would think to check other rooms. When the Pastor arrived, they could hardly contain their glee - that is until he looked around the room, and finding no chalk, snapped open his briefcase and took out a brand new package. He never said a word about the missing chalk. They went home with lots of homework that day, as usual.

Ricki closed with a reflective message: "But all joking aside" she said, "I am grateful for the grounding in the Christian faith and deeper understanding and moral compass that confirmation classes instilled in me. They were an integral part of my growing up years and have stayed with me as a positive and happy memory."

Barb Schott is also celebrating her 50th confirmation anniversary this year, but was unable to be there for the September 14 celebration. So, she sent the following greeting:

My regrets that I cannot be here today at this special celebration.

We had 3 long years of confirmation classes: the first year with wonderful Frau Hueckstett who clearly loved us. She came from northern Germany and called me Bar-**BA**-ra, emphasizing the 2nd syllable. The 2nd year was with Klaus Albrecht, who we lost just 2 weeks ago. He would say “Knock it off Barb,” in this long-suffering tone, when I whispered and fidgeted with my two best friends, who are still best friends. The final year was with Pastor Kuskevics, who believed in the very best in each of us, even when all the chalk disappeared! I remember kneeling at the Communion rail on that Confirmation day and when his hand touched the top of my head, as he gave me my verse, I could feel a spark of static. It felt Divine.

On a serious note, those 3 years of confirmation were formative in building our faith on the foundation of our baptism and through learning about Christianity and our Lutheran beliefs through Luther’s “Der Kleine Katechismus” which resonates with me to this day. And especially today.

Monika (Moni) Hochheim (nee Koebelin) too was confirmed 50 years ago at St. Peter’s. Unfortunately, Moni was unable to join us for our special confirmation anniversary celebration. Below we are sharing excerpts from a message she had sent.

Greetings from the West Coast... my new home, but where Winnipeg will always still be “home”. So, recently my friend Barb Schott informed me of a very special celebration that St. Peter’s has planned. An anniversary of our “Konfirmation” 50 years ago. Sadly, I cannot be present but I send thoughts, prayers and well wishes. Confirmation was a very special time and so integral to my future, because it was part of the foundation of my Christian walk. Many of us confirmands were the offspring of our German migrant parents/grandparents who settled in Winnipeg. Warmth and solace were found in God’s house of St. Peter’s Lutheran church – then located at the corner of Sherbrook and Ellice where we attended Sunday school. As St. Peter’s grew, our “Gemeinde” built and moved to the new location at Walnut and Wolseley Streets where we were confirmed.

Our Christian walk is a very personal thing. We all are on a daily journey, but I can say in all honesty that it truly has been my confirmation verse Matthew 6:33: “Seek ye first the kingdom of God and his righteousness and all these things shall be given unto you.” that has carried me in a very special way through good and tough times. I have been blessed in so many ways since that day of confirmation ... especially in having Jesus as my personal saviour..., blessed by my grandparents and parents who found value and strength and hope at St. Peter’s and taught me that a good walk in life was with our Lord Jesus. May you all be blessed and carried and know the value of our day of confirmation with our Lord and Saviour in the midst and forefront of our earthly walk.

Sending Sincerest of greetings and well wishes, Moni.

Rob Hammerling too was confirmed 50 years ago by Pastor Kuskevics at St. Peter’s Lutheran Church on Walnut Street. Rob remembers well how he had to take the bus from Westwood to the corner of Portage and Maryland and from there he and some of his fellow confirmands would walk to St. Peter’s for their confirmation classes. His good friend Paul Barchette often walked with him as did Barb Schott, who had to take the bus from St. Vital. Rob attended the English confirmation class.

Martin Bunge was confirmed 50 years ago at the Luther Kirche in Wartburg South Africa. Martin remembers his confirmation well. On the day of the confirmation, the confirmands, there were about 20, gathered in the Pastor’s manse and from there processed, with the pastor leading them, to the church singing “Jesu geh voran” - Jesus lead though on. He remembers the church being filled to capacity and on entering the congregation rose and joined them

in singing the next stanza of the hymn accompanied by the organ and the brass band. The boys all wore suits for the first time and the girls wore black dresses. In unison his group recited the confirmation vows and then each one of them was blessed by the Pastor while kneeling at the altar and having their confirmation verse read out aloud. Martin's verse came from Ps 62:1. "Meine Seele ist stille zu Gott der mir hilft" - For God alone my soul waits in silence; from him comes my salvation. After that they all received the Lord's Supper. The church ceremony was followed by a potluck luncheon celebration.

Pastor Tom Lurvey's celebrated his 60th confirmation anniversary this year. He shared some of his memories during his sermon. He was confirmed in 1965 by his Dad, Pastor Leslie Lurvey, at Agricola Lutheran Church, Toronto.

Herdith Flaig (nee Laubner) was confirmed by Pastor Lenz in 1955 (70 yrs. ago) at St. Peters in the previous building – which is now known as the West End Cultural Centre. She recalled that she had arrived in Canada from Germany only 3 years prior to her confirmation and that she was still not that comfortable with the English language. Even though she attended the German confirmation class, Pastor Lenz expected them to learn much of the material in the English language as well – something that was challenging for her. To her, confirmation signified a kind of coming of age - because they were now able to receive the Lord's Supper along with all the adults. She distinctly remembers being a bit concerned that she might choke on the wafer at communion.

Siegi Kitzmann was also confirmed 70 years ago by Pastor Lenz at St. Peters and he recalls that this happened on Pentecost. He was confirmed with Herdith in the former church building. Leading up to confirmation all children would regularly attend Sunday school learning familiar Bible stories and for the last two years they attended confirmation classes that focused on the catechism and learning hymns by heart. He recalls how very nervous he was on the day of their oral exam – their 'Prüfung'. They were lined up on the benches at the front of the church and the Pastor asked each of them questions in turn. Siegi recalls that when it was his turn to answer, he completely froze and was unable, for a few moments, that seemed to last for an eternity, to answer the very simple question: "Who did God send to take away our sins?" On his confirmation day he wore, for the first time, a suit and this day also marked for him the transition from childhood to adulthood. He recalls that the church was filled to the brim on this special day and after the church service they got together with family to celebrate over a meal.

Ferdinand Schmidt who is the father-in-law of Edith and Steve Herbst's daughter Lisa was also confirmed at St. Peter's in 1955 together with Herdith and Siegi. We were very happy that he was able to also join us for the celebration even though we were not able to interview him prior to the event.

Edeltraud Gesell was confirmed 70 years ago (i.e. in 1955) in Kaiserslautern in Germany on Palm Sunday. They did not receive communion on their confirmation day. Instead, they had to wait until Maundy Thursday later in the week, before they received the Lord's supper for the first time. Edeltraud's confirmation verse is John 14:6. "Ich bin der Weg die Wahrheit und das Leben, niemand kommt zum Vater denn durch mich." - I am the way the truth and the life. No one comes to the father except through me.

Marlene Hurta too was confirmed 70 years ago by a Pastor Steingraber at the St. Jacobi Kirche in Stolzenau in Germany. There were 82 confirmands in her group. She remembers that the boys and girls were split into different confirmation classes. During the 2 years of confirmation classes, it was expected that they attend church every Sunday. Marlene remembers well how much they had to memorize. To this day she can recall the hymns they learned by heart. On confirmation day the girls all wore black dresses and a myrtle wreath on their heads.

Edith Herbst had only just turned 13 when she was confirmed 70 years ago in Morris Manitoba. Since Edith was going to be attending High School soon, her mother wanted her to be confirmed before starting. It was also in Morris where she met the Zachariases - the family of Michael and Robert. Edith recalls that during her early years in Morris, a Lutheran Pastor would travel to Morris to give services about once a month. After the services they had Sunday school. Her confirmation classes were attended by about 8 confirmands and a 'Prüfung' followed after they completed their study and memorization of the catechism. For her confirmation day Edith wore a white dress that her grandmother had sewn.

Helmut Yaeger was confirmed in Koblenz in Germany approximately 80 years ago. The second world war had just ended and many buildings had been destroyed or damaged. The Lutheran Church where Mr. Yeager's family attended, was also damaged and they were not able to have their confirmation service there. Thankfully they were offered the use of a Catholic Church for their confirmation service. Mr. Yeager said that he had received only minimal catechism instruction because of the war. He also mentioned that his class was small. After 80 years, he still has his confirmation certificate!



From L-R: Ricki Valcourt, Rob Hammerling, Martin Bunge, Tom Lurvey, Herdith Flaig, Siegi Kitzmann, Ferdinand Schmidt, Edeltraud Gesell, Marlene Hurta, Edith Herbst, Helmut Jaeger.



A big thank you to everyone who helped to make this event possible. Thank you Pastor Tom for leading the service and the renewal of our Baptismal vows and Linda Lurvey for assisting with the hymn selections and directing the choir. Thank you to Amanda and Linda for the special music and to Jordan for providing the musical accompaniment. Thank you to Michael Zacharias for handing out the certificates to our celebrants. Thank you to everyone who helped with the set-up for the fellowship event, Gudrun Neeth, Elli & Siegi Kitzmann, Michael & Robert Zacharias, Ralf Oppitz, Roland Schott and Martin Bunge and Elli thank you for organizing the beautiful flowers for the occasion. Our gratitude also goes to those who helped with the clean up after the event. I also wish to acknowledge that the

initial planning for this event was done jointly with Pastor Meinhardt, Klaus Albrecht and Barb Schott and Gudrun helped us to access the archives. This year is also the 95th anniversary of the founding of the St. Peter's Congregation.

Submitted by the Newsletter Editor

From the Congregation: A big thank you goes out to Ortrud Oellermann for initiating and organizing the special Confirmation Anniversary Celebration which involved many hours of research and work on her part. Ortrud reached out to many individuals by phone and e-mail, inviting them to participate in the event and to share their memories. All the former Confirmants were invited to come to the front of the church and Ortrud introduced each individual. Everyone was presented with a certificate. The service was followed by a reception in the church basement and we thank Ortrud for organizing the food and cake for the fellowship event. Each of the Confirmants received 3 carnations to take home. This was a special day not only for the celebrants, but for the whole congregation as we thought about how formative our confirmations were in our Christian life!

Special Birthday Celebrations for October

Jake Wiens, Oct 5

Philip Kitsch, Oct 19

Linney Grant, Oct 29

Margot Hillius, Oct 7

Gisela Kunkel, Oct 28

Wishing you a very Happy Birthday and the Lord's continued Blessings!

Special October Wedding Anniversaries

Patricia and Helmut Augst, Oct 19

Congratulations on achieving this milestone anniversary and God's blessings for the coming year!!

John Longhurst. John reports in his recent update that Faith reporting is still a vital contribution to our country's identity. He says: "I'm very thankful that the Winnipeg Free Press has a Faith section". There were eight separate faith articles published in August. Last month, John was an instructor at a course for Catholic journalists in Toronto and also part of a public panel about faith and the Canadian media. As reported, we congratulate John on being inducted into the Order of Canada.

Submitted by Jerry Roehr



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The annual general meeting of the school was held by Zoom on Thursday, September 11, 2025. The student enrollment currently is 248. Dormitory and classroom buildings are under construction to increase enrollment to 300.

Farm production is also continuously being improved. Corn and potatoes are planted at the same time in the same field. 700 kg of tomatoes have been harvested from a new greenhouse, and the soil is being improved by a new farm water well.



Three of the Kuwala girls were selected to play with the national volleyball team

On election day, one of the teachers, Chembe, was acting at a polling station. Malawi's former President Peter Mutharika (85) has won in a huge comeback.



Paul Frederickson.

Submitted by Jerry Roehr

We sponsored seminarian Paul Frederickson for the last three years. We received the following update from him on September 12, 2025.

Hello, Mr. Roehr and Saint Peter's Evangelical Lutheran Church.

I hope that you are all doing well. I have found out that I am on my very last course of seminary. I will still have some post-course work to do afterwards, but I am very happy to say that I am nearing the end of my seminary journey. I also had the pleasure of joining other interns for a retreat down in Pennsylvania recently. It seems that the Church is growing in many ways, and being with other seminarians was a joy.

While I am still in school, I have also been asked by Valhalla Evangelical Lutheran Church to stay on as their full-time Vicar, which I gladly accepted. Edmund is doing well; he has been taking less medication for his GERD, and we are hopeful that he will make a full and permanent recovery.

I will be flying down to Texas for my approval interview this March. Your support throughout the last few years has been incredible. Taryn, Edmund, and I would like to thank you for the monetary and spiritual blessings that you have given to our family.

God bless you all, Vicar Frederickson and family.

New Refugee Sponsorships.

Submitted by Jerry Roehr

- We all remember the Kesete family, who was sponsored by our congregation to come to Canada from Eritrea via Sudan. Since then, the family, on their own, with limited assistance from us, have sponsored and welcomed Gytome's brother Mehari.
- A few months ago, due to current American immigration policies, we were contacted by the Canadian Lutheran World Relief, in cooperation with an American church and immigration organizations, to consider another sponsorship. St. Peter's will not be responsible for any financial costs associated with the sponsorship, but will be the "on-ground" facilitator and organizer. Here is some background information. Three of the four Afghan women, Taiba and her daughters, ages 11 and 16, as well as Latifa, Taiba's friend, will be co-sponsored, along with CLWR and two groups from the US, Freedom Seekers International (based in Texas) and Maple Ridge Church in Maple Grove, Minnesota. All are Afghan Christians who have been forced to flee from their homes in Afghanistan and are now tenuously living in Pakistan. We will share more information about the women in future newsletters. This information was initially provided to Pastor Meinhardt and shared with the Church Council and, in turn, with the Mission Committee. An arrival date is not anticipated for at least another year.

Name change for St. Aiden's.

Submitted by Gudrun Neeth

As many are aware, St. Peter's Evangelical Lutheran Church supports St. Aiden's Christian School which has two campuses one at the corner of Salter Str. and Aberdeen Ave. and the other at Calvary Temple. I had the opportunity to speak with the Principal, Carla Reimer. Carla informed me at the beginning of Sept. 2025, that the name of the school was changed from St. Aiden's to HOPE CHRISTIAN ACADEMY. Carla also stated how grateful they are for St. Peter's continued support.

On August 24 **Klaus Albrecht** was called to his heavenly home. A memorial service was held for Klaus at St. Peter's on Sept 6. Our heartfelt condolences go to Klaus' wife Yvonne and the rest of the family. Please keep the Albrecht family in your prayers. Klaus served faithfully at St. Peter's to the very end! During the memorial service Annika Albrecht - granddaughter of Klaus - read the following poem which she had written in honour and memory of her grandfather.

Opa

A laugh deep but gentle.
Words kind but meaningful.
Pumpkin seeds and cold beer.
Manitoba Marathon Volunteer.
A soft touch and warm hugs.
Golf on the TV and coffee mugs.
The living room at 39 Monck.
In the big chair he sunk.
TV on or off he was there.
Sitting and smiling in the chair.
Us grandkids on the couch sit and admire.
Little did he know how many of my poems he would inspire.
He was husband to one, father to three, Opa to five but friend to everybody.
Anyone who'd talk to him would leave feeling calmer.
Opa was smart and kind.
Talk to him about anything he wouldn't mind.
My favourite thing about him is the way he would listen.
The advice he gave me I wish I could hear again.
Overall, Opa was the best of friends.
Always sneaking us kids treats.
Little did I know spending time with him would be the best one.
I am proud to be called the daughter of his only son.
He had a sort of presence that would make everything seem better.
I will forever cherish the memories we have together.
He is the best anyone could ask for.
I'm not quite sure if I could've asked for any more.
I know you are up in heaven now.
I got this lucky. I don't even know how.
I can't believe I'll only hear your soft voice in my head.
Thoughts of you will haunt or comfort me as I go to bed.
Being with you made my problems go away.
O how I wish you could be here one more day.
I knew it would come but not so soon.
The call came it wasn't even noon.
I don't want this to be a sad poem, no no.
I just wish he didn't have to go.
If I said I wouldn't miss him it would be a lie.
I will only miss you more and more as the days go by.
I'll miss you when I see a big blue truck.
I'll miss you before my games when you called to say good luck.
I miss you when I see a brown rocking chair.
I miss you everywhere.
I miss you when I see Tim Horton's down the road.
I miss you when I ask something you would've known.
I miss you when I see a blue checkered shirt.
I miss you when it's time for dessert.
I miss you when I see maple walnut ice cream.
I miss you when I am awake and even when I dream.
I miss you when we go down to the lake.
I miss you at school when I have a tummy ache.
I miss you when I see a pair of blue jeans paired with a belt.
I miss you when I hear your advice that was heartfelt.
We are forever grateful for him.
In another life we'd go to Brereton for one more swim.

- Annika Albrecht

October calendar *TC=Tai Chi, **HS=Healthy Start

Sun						
5 11am Service in English	6 Worship & Music Mtg. 7pm	7 HS Mission Comm. Mtg. 7pm	8 TC 7pm	9	10	11 TC 10am
12 11am Communion Service in English	13	14 HS	15 TC 7pm	16	17	18 TC 10am
19 11am Service in English Followed by Thanksgiving Dinner	20 Council Mtg 7pm	21 HS	22 TC 7pm	23	24	25 Men's breakfast 8am at St. P. TC 10am
26 11am Communion Service in English followed by Women's circle.	27	28 HS	29 TC 7pm	30	31	

**Any submissions for the November 2025 edition of the St. Peter's Newsletter should be made by noon
Thur, Oct. 23, 2025. Submissions should be sent to Ortrud Oellermann at stpetersnews1@gmail.com**