

# The Fisherman's Line

St. Peter's Lutheran Church

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## *Pastor's Ponderings*

**Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,**

When I was a kid there was one thing you could count on when I woke up in the morning, I started every day with a healthy dose of Captain Kangaroo. Bunny Rabbit, Mr. Moose, and Dancing Bear, were my friends, as was Mr. Greenjeans and all the other characters of this long running series. Not that I was exclusivist, Romper Room, The Funny Company, and catchy commercials (Oh, I wish I was and Oscar Meyer Weiner...) all hold a special place in my heart, but Captain Kangaroo was my generations' Mr. Rogers. (Not surprisingly, they were friends and fellow advocates for children and children's educational television, even appearing on each other's shows.)

I think what made him and his show so special, was that he and his castmates told stories that helped us learn about life and values in a down to earth way that was fun and easy to understand, sometime in the form of actual storybooks.

One story that I loved, was "Stone Soup." Now, I have discovered that this is a very old European folktale and there are many versions of it, but the one that he would read was by Marcia Brown (Athenium books for young readers). I was a story about three soldiers coming home from war (other versions, poor beggars, travelers, etc.) who are hungry and tired, but people are wary and turn them away. This story has many parallels to biblical Lenten themes and will be a starting place for our Wednesday evenings.

Lenten Evenings, (not including Ash Wednesday) we will be meeting at 6pm in the basement of St. Mark's for soup, bread, fellowship, and a brief service in the spirit of "Stone Soup" as a modern parable. We will end on Maundy Thursday with a special

meal and the movie, "Babette's Feast." Please mark these days on your calendar as we prepare with joy and penance for the Pascal Feast on Easter. More info in March

Your sister in Christ, *Dr. Karen*

## COUNCIL NOTES

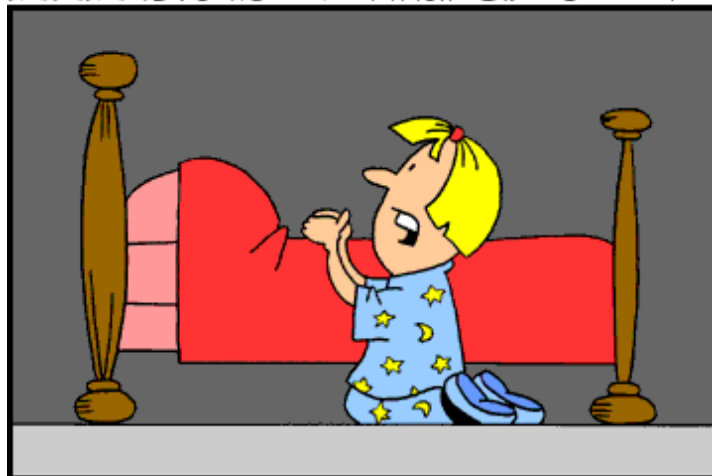
Engelharts will be replacing our microphone/sound system in February. The old system is no longer working. The Council will be meeting with St. Marks Council February 1<sup>st</sup> to continue discussion on alternating services at each church. The Council thanks the congregation for sharing your thoughts at the annual meeting.

We also have lots of Thrivent T Shirts available in all sizes in the coat room. Help yourself!

## FEBRUARY READERS

Febr. 5 <sup>th</sup>	Bruce Wichman
Febr. 12 <sup>th</sup>	Deb Suhr
Febr. 19 <sup>th</sup>	Keith Moeller
Febr. 26 <sup>th</sup>	Dan Wichman

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## **FEBRUARY SERVANTS**

Council: *Bruce Wichman  
Emily Dunn*

Ushers: *Larry Krusemark  
Gerald Vogt*

Altar Committee: *Terri Reppert,  
Chairman, Megan Engel*

### **NOTE FROM KAREN**

Pastor Karen has been doing all our weekly bulletins since the first of the year. She will also be doing the monthly newsletters. Please text or phone her with information needed at 402-385-8825 each month. I want to thank everyone who have been my helpers during the past year. Ron and I look forward to continue to volunteer however we can.

Sincerely, Karen

### **CUBBY'S RECEIPTS**

In January I sent in for reimbursement of \$342.75 in Cubby's receipts. Keep up the good work of saving your grocery and gas receipts. We have many of our members who do this and it adds up for our church. Thank You!

## **COUNCIL MEETING**

Wednesday, February 1st, both St. Mark's and St. Peter's will meet at 6pm. St. Peter's will have their regular meeting following.

### **Helping Hands of St. Peter's**

The Ladies will not be meeting in February.  
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### **FEBRUARY BIRTHDAY'S**

- 3 Cathy VonSeggern
- 17 Phyllis Wageman
- 19 Susanne Sunderman  
Dan Wichman  
Lexi Rose Harral
- 24 Arlene Essmann

### **JANUARY ANNIVERSARIES**

- 24 Larry and Dorothy  
Krusemark

### **FEBRUARY ANNIVERSARIES**

- 6 Herman and Arlene Essmann

### **NOTE FROM PR. KAREN**

I want to thank Karen and Ron for all they have done and continue to do to help me and St. Peter's. You have made all the difference!

ST. PETERS LUTHERAN CHURCH  
 DECEMBER 2022 TREASURERS REPORT  
 DAVE WESTERHOLD TREASURER

EXPENSES

DATE	ITEM		AMOUNT	
10-Dec	JERRICO ( RAMP WORK)	8621	\$	700.00
10-Dec	JR'S CONSTRUCTION	8622	\$	3,394.30
11-Dec	ST MARKS PASTOR SALARY PAYMENT	8623	\$	2,451.05
11-Dec	CENTURY LINK	8624	\$	66.81
11-Dec	WASTE CONNECTIONS	8625	\$	55.28
11-Dec	1517 MEDIA	8626	\$	35.00
11-Dec	1517 MEDIA	8627	\$	19.00
11-Dec	CCRWD	8628	\$	56.40
11-Dec	SMITHS LP	8629	\$	1,652.15
15-Dec	BROTHERHOOD MUTUAL P/C	8630	\$	434.41
15-Dec	FREEDOM BROADBAND	8631	\$	49.99
15-Dec	NEBRASKA SYNOD	8632	\$	750.00
22-Dec	OLSENS PEST CONTROL	8633	\$	89.00
23-Dec	CCPPD	AUTOPAY	\$	169.73
27-Dec	WHEELCHAIR DYNAMICS	8634	\$	9,934.95
30-Dec	PENRO (TREE REMOVAL)	8635	\$	827.50
30-Dec	WALKER ORGAN TUNING AND REPAIR	8636	\$	240.00
30-Dec	DEE MOELLER (SUPPLIES)	8637	\$	213.94
30-Dec	PAULINE WESTERHOLD SALARY	8638	\$	461.75
30-Dec	ANGELA LONSDALE SALARY	8639	\$	323.22
30-Dec	DAVE WESTERHOLD SALARY	8640	\$	270.87
TOTAL EXPENSE DECEMBER			\$	22,195.35

INCOME

PLATE AND ENVELOPE

4-Dec		\$	2,440.00
11-Dec		\$	1,790.00
18-Dec		\$	1,110.00
24-Dec	CHRISTMAS EVE	\$	467.00
TOTAL PLATE AND ENVELOPE INCOME			\$ 5,807.00

MISC INCOME

11-Dec	DONATION		
12-Dec	POINSETTIAS		
29-Dec	POINSETTIAS		

TOTAL MISC INCOME

TOTAL INCOME

DECEMBER 1, 2022 BALANCE	\$	500.00
PLUS DECEMBER INCOME	\$	176.00
MINUS DECEMBER EXPENSES	\$	692.00
DECEMBER 31, 2022 BALANCE		
CHURCH MOWING FUND:		
DECEMBER 1, 2022 BALANCE	\$	57.76
DECEMBER 31, 2022 BALANCE	\$	57.76