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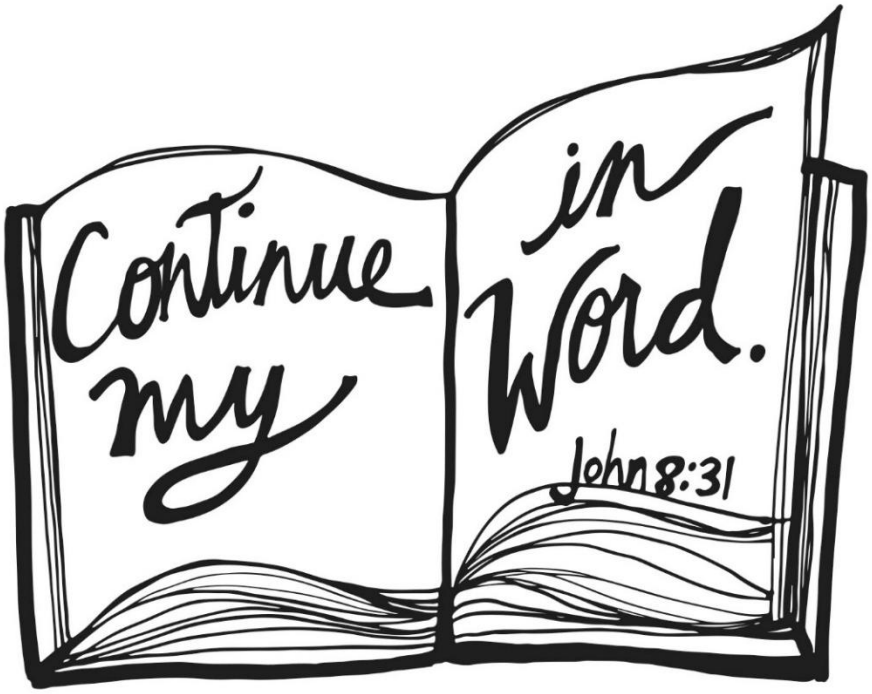
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Parish Fin. Secretary/Newsletter: Veronica Wright
Custodian: Deb Lancaster
Assist. Minister: Abby Patterson
Lector:
Children Sermon: Abby Patterson
Pianist/Organist: Paul Hertz
Livestream/Ppoint/Sound: Tim Patterson, Pat Murken
Head Usher: Mike Healy
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Ushers: John & Linda Fevold
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Contributions (General Fund)
October 18, 2026 $2,595. Attendance: 78

End of September 2026
income/expense -$2,711.82
2026 YTD -$4,808.45



REFORMATION SUNDAY

ST. PETRI EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH
804 Grand Ave., Story City, IA 50248
Pastor Tim Malek

October 25, 2026 10:00 a.m.

Our Mission:
We are disciples of Jesus Christ,
called to grow in Christ,
and to invite all to follow him.

ST. PETRI EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

Reformation Sunday
October 25, 2026

ELW = Evangelical Lutheran Worship (Red Hymnal)
p. =Liturgy pages in front of hymnal; # =Hymn numbers

Prelude: Fantasy on "A mighty fortress is our God"
- Jan Zwart

Confession and Forgiveness

Gathering Song- *A Mighty Fortress Is Our God*
ELW #504

Greeting

Canticle of Praise ELW p. 139

Prayer of the Day

First Reading: Jeremiah 31:31-34

Psalm 46

Second Reading: Romans 3:19-28

Children's Message

Gospel Acclamation ELW p. 142

Gospel: John 8:31-36

Sermon – *Reforming and Persevering* Pastor Tim

Hymn of the Day– *Built on a Rock* ELW #652

Creed

Prayers of Intercession

Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

…through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Peace

Offertory: Toccata on "How great thou art"
- Emma Lou Diemer

Offering Hymn- *We Give Thee but Thine Own*
ELW#686 vs. 1-2

Offering Prayer

Great Thanksgiving

Dialogue

Preface

Holy, Holy, Holy ELW p. 144

Thanksgiving at the Table

Lord's Prayer

Invitation to Communion

You are welcome to receive Communion at our services, regardless of age or church affiliation. If you prefer to receive a blessing instead of Communion, please come forward with arms crossed over your chest.
Please fill out a communion card, found in the pew pocket, & hand it to an usher when you come forward. (Please be sure your card is readable.) **White grape juice is available please indicate to the server.**

Communion Songs- *Lamb of God* ELW p. 146
How Great Thou Art ELW #856

Prayer after Communion

Sending of Communion

Announcements

Blessing

The God of love…body of Christ Jesus. **Amen**
The God of hope… interceding of the Spirit. **Amen**
The God of grace…now and forever. **Amen**

Sending Song- *Thy Strong Word* ELW #511

Our Mission & Dismissal

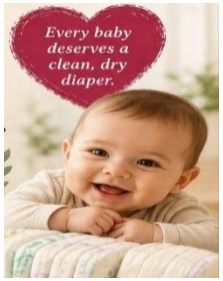
Postlude: Fantasia on "Ton-Y-Botel" -Richard Purvis

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COMMUNITY EVENTS

Loaves & Fishes needs: Tissues, Pudding Mix, Soups, Spaghetti, Canned Green Beans and Peas

DIAPER DRIVE
October Church Outreach Ministry
Please drop off diaper donations at
Immanuel Lutheran Church
604 Lafayette Ave., Story City, IA
Thank you for your generous donations for our community!



Fall Festival
Drive-thru and Take out only
St. Mary Catholic Church of Williams
Sunday, November 1, 2026 4-6pm; $15 per meal
Menu: Chicken & homemade noodles, meatloaf, real mashed potatoes, home frozen corn, salad, pie!
Everyone Welcome! Enter parking lot from east side.
St. Mary's pickles will be available for sale.

Riverside Lutheran Bible Camp
Set Free! 2 Corinthians 3:17
Fall Recharges for 3rd – 12th graders
Nov. 6, 7 (grades 6-9)
Nov. 20-22 (grades 9-12)
To learn more or to register, go to:
www.riversidelbc.org/fall-recharge/

Wings of Refuge Christmas Kick-Off Open House
Thurs., November 12 from 4-6pm
503 Duff Ave., Ames, IA
Support survivors & start your holiday shopping at the one more store!
Survivor-made products, gift wrapping station, live music, refreshments
Earrings, bracelets, candles, apparel, mugs, cards, essential oils, hats, gifts, and more!

~~ IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS ~~

OUR PRAYER LIST

PRAYERS OF ONGOING CONCERN
Jaye Anderson, Judy Schnurstein,
Linda Fevold, Paul Wierson

PRAYERS FOR THOSE NOT NEAR TO US
Pat & Jacqueline Bencke-Japan ELCA Missionaries
Soldiers; Peace Workers; & Humanitarian Aid Workers; For those in Ukraine and Russia

PRAYERS OF CELEBRATION
Baptism anniversary this week: Ryker Rivers

ST. PETRI ANNOUNCEMENTS October 25, 2026



October is Clergy Appreciation Month!
Take a moment and show your appreciation to Pastor Tim for his hard work and dedication in serving the Lord. Your encouragement means a lot! *Thank you Pastor Tim, for serving our Lord!*

Youth Ministry News!
Both groups meet at St Petri on Wednesdays.
Compass (Middle school group) from 5:30-6:30pm
Youth Meal (Compass & Axis) at 6:30pm
Axis (High School group) from 7:00-8:00pm

Ladies Who Lunch will get together Thur., Oct. 29th at noon at the "Flame & Skewer" at their new location in the Northern Lights Shopping Center, Suite 5. Please RSVP to Debra Malek or Nancy Carson and also let us know if you want to carpool.

Quarterly contribution statements are ready. You may pick up your statement in the narthex today!

WELCA THANKOFFERING will be November 8th

Each year we have the opportunity to support WELCA programs & projects with a special THANKOFFERING. Donations to the church-wide office support missions and ongoing needs around the world.

You will find a WELCA Thankoffering envelope in the Nov. 8th bulletin, or you may note "Thankoffering" on your check memo line.

Thank you for your continuing support! Your offerings are greatly appreciated!

THIS WEEK AT ST. PETRI

Today — Oct. 25

REFORMATION SUNDAY

9:00 a.m. Sunday School
10:00 a.m. Worship Service – Communion
11:00 a.m. Coffee/Fellowship
6:30 p.m. Confirmation at St. Petri

Monday — Oct. 26

9a–Noon Quilt making
10:30 a.m. Staff Meeting

Tuesday — Oct. 27

9a–Noon Quilt making

Wednesday — Oct. 28

9a–Noon Quilt making
5:30 p.m. Compass MS Youth Group
6:30 p.m. Youth Meal
7:30 p.m. Axis HS Youth Group

Thursday — Oct. 29

12:00Noon Ladies Who Lunch at *Flame & Skewer*

Sunday **DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME ENDS** — Nov. 1

9:00 a.m. Sunday School
10:00 a.m. Worship Service
11:00 a.m. Coffee/Fellowship

Thanksgiving Ecumenical Worship Service and Pie Social
Sunday, November 22 at 7:00 p.m.
at Immanuel Lutheran Church, Story City
Enjoy fellowship & pie afterwards! All are welcome!

We'll again have a choir for this community Thanksgiving service. We will be singing the Michael W. Smith song "Agnus Dei with How Great Thou Art". Here is a link to a recording of it:
https://viewer.jwpepper.com/smc2/?preview=true&product=10669542

I'm aware many of our churches no longer have a church choir, but I'd like to encourage all the churches to join in. Although a couple groups will rehearse and learn the music on their own, just as last year there are specific times you may rehearse and learn parts in a group:

6:45 - 7:15 (Wednesday evenings) November 4, 11, 18 at Salem Lutheran Church in Roland

11:15 or 11:20 - 11:45 or 11:50 (Sunday mornings) November 1, 8, 15 at Harvest E-Free Church in Story City down the hall in the Sunday School music room.

The evening of the service we'll come together at 6:15 at Immanuel to rehearse for our one and only joint rehearsal with the hope people will have learned (not memorized!) their parts beforehand.

Last year we had close to 50 singers. Wouldn't it be wonderful to have at least that many & maybe more?! When you come to a rehearsal no matter where, invite a friend to come. *Make a joyful noise unto the Lord!*

Offering envelopes – St. Petri members, if you would like **2027** offering envelopes, please let the church secretary know by October 30th. (If you already receive envelopes, you will automatically get them for 2027). Also, if you get envelopes and no longer want them, please let the church secretary know.