

SERVANTS AMONG US

Lawn Care: Pat Murken Family

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Assist. Minister: Abby Patterson

Lector: John Fevold

Children Message: Annette Owenson

Pianist/Organist: Paul Hertz

Livestream/Point/Sound: Tim Patterson

Pat Murken

Head Usher: Healys

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Ushers: John Fevold, Karen Jacobson, Paul Ness

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Contributions (General Fund)

December 21, 2025 \$6,387. Attendance: 66

December 24, 2025 \$5,028. Attendance: 168



ST. PETRI EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

804 Grand Ave., Story City, IA 50248

Pastor Tim Malek

December 28, 2025

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 LUTHERAN CHURCH - STORY CITY
FIRST SUNDAY OF CHRISTMAS**

December 28, 2025

10:00 a.m.

ELW = Evangelical Lutheran Worship (Red Hymnal)

WOV = With One Voice (Blue Hymnal)

p. = Liturgy pages in front of hymnal;

= Hymn numbers

Prelude: Partita on *In dulci jubilo* Kevin Hildebrand
Confession and Forgiveness

Entrance Hymn – *Love Has Come* ELW #292

Greeting WOV p. 28

Hymn of Praise WOV p. 29

Prayer of the Day

First Reading – Isaiah 63:7-9

Psalm 148

Second Reading – Hebrews 2:10-18

Children's Message

Gospel Acclamation

Gospel – Matthew 2:13-23

Sermon – Video Sermon, Pastor Steve Brackett,
Assistant to the Bishop for Rostered Leadership

Hymn of the Day – *Good Christian Friends, Rejoice*

ELW #288

Nicene Creed WOV p. 32

Prayers of Intercession

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

...through Jesus Christ our Savior. **Amen**

Peace WOV p. 34

Presentation of the Gifts

Bring a Torch, Jeanette, Isabella
arr. Christopher Uelhein

Offering Song – *In the Bleak Midwinter*

ELW #294 v. 3

Offertory Prayer

Dialogue WOV p. 36

Preface

Sanctus

Great Thanksgiving

The Lord's Prayer WOV p. 39

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 Song – *What a Feast of Love*

ELW #487

Post-Communion Prayer

Announcements

Blessing

Sending Hymn – *Go Tell It on the Mountain*

ELW #290

Our Mission & Dismissal

Postlude: *Go Tell It on the Mountain*
arr. Aaron David Miller

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~~ IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS ~~

OUR PRAYER LIST

The Family of Curt Arends and Faye Arends
(son and sister-in-law of Martha Arends),

 Darlene Patterson, Kevin Keech,
 Judy Schnurstein, Larry Reisetter

PRAYERS OF ONGOING CONCERN

 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 anniversaries this week:
 Kris Foss, Clarke Grinde,
 Barb Hermanson, Jennifer Knutson

ST. PETRI ANNOUNCEMENTS December 28

St. Petri's Blessing Box, on the NW corner of the church, is being heavily used. If you would like to donate, you may bring food items to the church office.

The Birthday Smile Project

No child should miss out on the joy of a birthday celebration. Our community program provides a free birthday cake to children from families facing financial hardship in the Roland-Story Schools.

What we offer: A custom-made birthday cake completely free of charge, available for children 1-18.

How it works: Families can sign up directly; the custom cake is ordered; pick up the cake and make their day!

How to apply: Contact Alyssa Loots via text message to 515-290-9899

Help us spread the word! Together we can make every child's special day filled with sweetness and smiles! ☺

If you are able and interested in moving snow at the church, there is a sign-up sheet on the table outside the church office.

Please join us in celebrating Gladys Peter's 90th birthday! An open house will be held Sunday, January 11, 2026, from 1:30 PM to 3:30 PM at Bible Faith Church in Story City. Your presence is the only gift needed! If unable to attend you're welcome to send a card to 519 Marwick Ave., Story City, IA. This celebration is given by her family.

THIS WEEK AT ST. PETRI

<u>Today</u>	Dec. 28
NO Sunday School	
10:00 a.m. Worship Service - Communion	
11:00 a.m. Coffee/Fellowship	
<u>Monday</u>	Dec. 29
9a-noon Quilt Making	
10:30 a.m. Staff Meeting	
<u>Tuesday</u>	Dec. 30
9a-noon Quilt Making	
9a-3p Bethany Quilters	
<u>Wednesday</u>	Dec. 31
<u>Thursday</u>	Jan. 1, 2026
HAPPY NEW YEAR! OFFICE CLOSED	
<u>Friday</u>	Jan. 2
<u>Saturday</u>	Jan. 3
<u>Sunday</u>	Jan. 4
9:00 a.m. Sunday School	
10:00 a.m. Worship Service	
11:00 a.m. Coffee/Fellowship	
11:00 a.m. Property/Trustees Mtg	
11:15 a.m. Budget Forum -Come learn about the council's budget information	