

THE GATEKEEPER'S RECORD

**THIS WEEK:****07/26 - Sunday**

8:30am - Worship service

10:15am - Worship service

07/28- Tuesday

9:00am - Men's Bible Study

7:00pm - Welcome to St. Peter's Class

07/30- Thursday

10:30am - Women of Faith Bible Study

- meeting room

08/01 - Saturday

Pastor Kurt's Birthday

NEXT WEEK:**08/02 - Sunday**

8:30am - Worship service

9:45am - Coffee Hour

10:15am - Worship service

08/04- Tuesday

9:00am - Men's Bible Study

6:00pm - School clean out classrooms

08/05 - Wednesday

7:00pm - Church Council

08/06- Thursday

10:30am - Women of Faith Bible Study

- meeting room

HERE AND NOW AT ST. PETER'S

STPETERSANBORN.COM is where you can find the livestreamed services, the gatekeeper, the bulletin, and the daily bible readings. Livestreamed services can also be found on youtube.com.

HAPPY 50TH ANNIVERSARY to Robert and Denise (Kuder) Schildhauer who were married on July 31, 1976 at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Niagara Falls, NY. They have two children and two grandchildren. They will be celebrating 50 years of marriage with family and friends on July 31, 2026.

COFFEE HOUR is next Sunday at 9:45am. If you are willing to bring something to share, please contact Sarah Jensen, Lynette Kroening, or Sandy Retzlaff. (Maybe a birthday treat for PK?) Notice what is happening on August first! (wink-wink)

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL (VBS) will be taking place at St. James **Sunday, August 9th thru Thursday, August 13th from 6:00-8:15pm.**
VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

We have two different donation lists this year for VBS. A paper list in need of food donations for our Treetop Treats station and an Amazon Wishlist (Rainforest Falls VBS 2026) with additional items that are in need for our other stations such as Wild Games, Rooted Bible Adventures, Imagination Station, decorations, etc. ***We kindly request all donations by August 2nd.***

*We are having a "friendly" competition between the congregations of St. James, St. Peter's & Holy Ghost! Our mission for VBS is Operation Kid-to-Kid. With a donation of \$9, we can plant one tree in Guatemala or Honduras. Let's see what congregation plants the most trees! **VBS tree donations will be collected through Sunday, August 9th.** If interested in donating, please use an offering envelope and designate under other VBS Fruit trees or you can use a plain envelope with your name and VBS Fruit trees labeled on it.*

LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF SCHOOL KITS It is that time of the year again! Thank you in advance for filling up the school kits for children in the poorest countries in the world, where poverty and conflict have been nearly constant throughout their entire lives. Your gift of these school kits is life changing. It gives these children hope for a future and shows them that someone like you cared enough to help make that future possible. The instructions are inside the bags. Please return the bags by **Sunday, August 23**. Take as many as you wish. Please contact Janet Tober with any questions at 716-731-4588.

SEMI-ANNUAL FINANCIAL STATEMENTS are ready for pick up and are placed on the table in the side entrance. They are in alphabetical order and will be available until August 23.

MORE CHURCH DIRECTORIES ARE IN! We have 20 available. They are \$5. You can contact the office at office@stpetersanborn.com or see Lisa after early service or Laurie Jeacoma after late service.

IT/TECH TEAM The Church Council is looking to put together an IT/TECH team for the Church and School. Anyone who has those skills and would be interested in joining that Team, please contact Ted Sheehan at 716-998-8087.

LOTS of birthdays this week! Everyone's birthday is a reason to celebrate God's creation and gift of life.

JULY 26 - Nicholas Southard
28 - Glenn DuBois, Addison Marsh
29 - Brent C. Walck, Kathleen Chapin, Mark Kroening
30 - Juliet Kapanek, Katelyn Lange
31 - Hank Hughes, Courtney Calkins, Elizabeth Beutel
AUG. 1 - Pastor Kurt, Ryan DeVantier



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All calendar dates should
be cleared through the
respective office.

Articles for publication in
the Gatekeeper must be
submitted to the Church
Office by **WEDNESDAY at
10am.**

OUR RESPONSE TO THE LORD FOR HIS MANY BLESSINGS

Needed each week \$7288.00

	<u>ATTENDANCE</u>	<u>CURRENT GIVING</u>
July 5	101	\$7118.00
July 12	166	\$7819.70
July 19	124	\$4830.00

VBS Fruit Tree Competition: \$167.

(Not bad for the first week. Do we really want St. James to have bragging rights?)

Capital Improvement Fund \$13,675.92

ST. PETER'S SCHOOL

ANNUAL SCHOOL CLEANING NIGHTS: Our annual cleaning nights for the school are scheduled for ***Tuesday, August 4*** and ***Tuesday, August 18***. We will start at 6:00 both nights. Pizza will be provided later in the evening. Besides cleaning, we need to move things out of the classrooms and then out of the halls to prepare for floor waxing. Please bring your favorite cleaning supplies. We appreciate as much help as we can get to get our school nice and clean for the new school year. Many hands make light work! Thank you!

COMMUNITY NEWS

DAS HAUS 2549 Niagara Road, Niagara Falls (Bergholz), NY 14304 is ***now open*** to the public for tours on ***Sundays from 2-4PM until October 25, 2026***. Please see the flier in the side entrance for more information.

LUTHERAN NIGHT AT THE BALLPARK is ***Friday, August 21st!*** The Bisons will host their famous Friday Night Bash which always includes a Resurgence Brewing Happy Hour and Fireworks Show. The stadium theme for the game is ***Theatre Night!*** Individual tickets are \$15 (without concessions) OR \$25 (includes: game ticket, 1 hot dog and 1 soda).

Deadline to register is August 18th. For more information, please see the flier on the table in the lobby.

MATT'S MUSIC VOCAL PERFORMANCE TEAM is sponsoring a meat raffle on Saturday, September 26th at Gratwick Fire Hall. For more information see the flier on the table in the lobby.