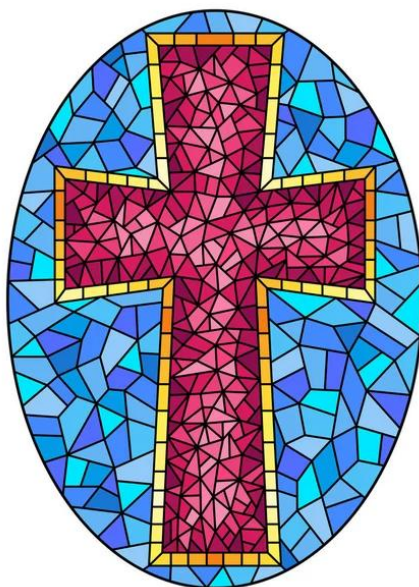




ST. PETER'S UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

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Sunday, April 19, 2026

**In the way you are able, whether in body or in spirit, please rise.*

Welcome & Announcements

Audrey Lehnert

Ringling of the Bell and Lighting of the Candles

Adelyn Karstensen

Prelude

"Festive Voluntary"

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*Call to Worship

Audrey Lehnert

One: Most of the Easter candy is gone now, although there may still be a couple of jellybeans down beneath the strands of fake grass in the Easter baskets.

All: **The leftovers from Easter dinner are a thing of the past and we move on with our daily routines.**

One: No one is hunting for eggs anymore.

All: **All these parts of Easter's excitement have gone by, but the cross is still with us, still empty, and Christ is still alive.**

*Prayer of Invocation (In Unison)

We come before you, loving God, like the disciples, alone and uncertain, on the way to Emmaus so long ago. We come giving thanks for the mercy we have received from your presence revealed in ways that are beyond our comprehension. We seek your wisdom as we pour out the stories of our own heart before you. In this hour, open us to understanding ourselves and your story. Amen.

*Hymn

"We Praise You, O God"

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Scripture Reading

Psalm 116:1-4, 12-19

Audrey Lehnert

Adult Choir

"Be Still and Know"

Chapman

Children's Message

Pastoral Prayer

Joys & Concerns

Lord’s Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

*Hymn “Open My Eyes” Page 480

Worshiping God with our Offerings

Offertory “Cantus” Martin

*Doxology Page 34

*Offertory Prayer (In Unison)

Generous God, who gives so freely the gifts of love and grace that we may have new life, accept the gifts of our resources and of our lives this day. Like the psalmist, we dedicate our lives to you and offer these gifts for your work here and in the world. Amen.

Scripture Reading Luke 24:13-35

Message Rev. Doug

*Closing Hymn “Trust and Obey” Page 443

*Benediction

*Postlude “Allegro” Vivaldi

We at St. Peter’s are praying for:

Ken & Sandy Erickson, Judy Schneider, Ed & Anita Bush, Dornita Hamann, Brad Fisher, Janey Fick, Kristopher Meyer (Krystal Frahm’s brother), Del Engleking, Tim Langlois, Barbara Karstensen (Chris Karstensen’s mom), and Tim Miller (Norma Lehnert’s brother).



LOOKING FOR TODAY’S SCRIPTURE: Scan the barcode with your phone to access today’s Scripture readings.



STOCK THE BOX: The Blessing Box is always in need of nonperishable items (Mac-n-cheese, tuna, soup, veggies, spaghetti noodles & sauce, etc.).

BEECHER FOOD PANTRY: The Beecher Food Pantry is in need of the following items: paper towels, shampoo, ketchup, soup, canned fruit, beef stew, canned pasta, and mustard.

KEYS: The non-jingling kind...if you have any information for May/June you would like put into “The Keys”, please let the office know by April 24th. Thank you!



LITURGIST SIGN-UP SHEET: The sign-up sheet is in need of signatures...



OFFERING: Beginning May 3rd, we will be collecting offering on the tables behind the first set of pews, we will not be passing the trays. The ushers will bring the trays forward at the end of the service to bless the gifts we have received.

GRADUATES: If you have a 2026 graduate from Middle School/Junior High, High School, College or Graduate School, please let the office know. Include (if applicable) any pertinent information (future plans, degree, etc.).



Today	19 th	
Monday	20 th	Office Open 8am-12pm
Tuesday	21 st	
Wednesday	22 nd	Adult Choir @ 7:00pm
Thursday	23 rd	
Friday	24 th	Office Open 8am-12pm; Girl Scouts @ 4:30pm
Saturday	25 th	
Next Sunday	26 th	Guest Speaker Neal Currier

SERVING YOU TODAY:

Guest Speaker	Rev. Doug Zimmerman	Organist	Ann Smith
April Council Person	Kevin Mussman	Choir Director	Ann Smith
Liturgist	Audrey Lehnert	Greeters/Ushers	Tim and Wendy Markland and Family
Acolyte	Adelyn Karstensen		