

# ST. PETER'S



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LEXINGTON, SC

## 2025 Annual Reports 2026 Leadership

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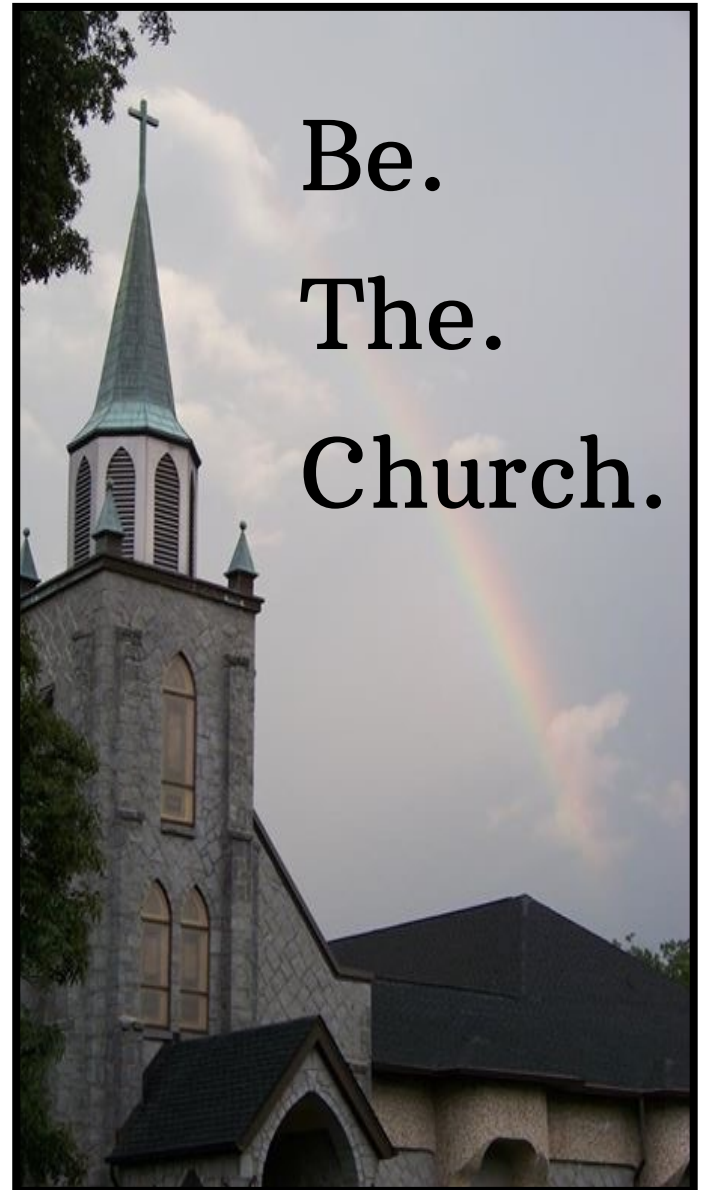
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# A Letter From Our Pastors

Greetings in the name of our risen Lord, Jesus Christ!

Each year Pr. Cassie and I have come up with a theme for us in the office. This theme helped to shape our preaching, our roles as pastor, and how we wanted the congregation to be seen in the community. For 2025 we chose something simple: "Be the Church". Being the Church means we reflect on Jesus before we do anything. It means asking the question, "is this what God is asking of me?" and then showing it! Being the Church is not hard. Instead, it is joyful. It is authentic. It is meaningful. Be. The. Church.

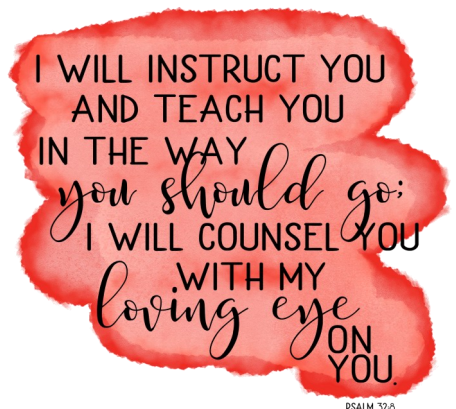
So, what all did we do in 2025 to be the Church? For starters, we continued be fully engaged in disaster relief. It had just been a few short months since Hurricane Helene. We continued to work with the NALC to provide supplies, have packing parties, and then to head to Burnsville, NC for a mission trip. Even after that, Clay continued to be in contact with Pr. Eddie and the congregation we helped. We have been blessed to share our own resources, materials, and supplies with an area that is still recovering over a year later.

Our fellowship as the church, too, was a joy for all to share. New neighbors and old friends were welcomed into our fold with delicious and fun church dinners. Children played together at our end of Summer Blowout. Women enjoyed days together at retreats and Circle gatherings. Lutheran Men went to a Wild Game Night event open to NALC congregations. The youth caroled to some of our seniors. Even a chemo room was filled with a Sunday School class after a member got to ring the bell. Our fellowship was warm, inviting, and filled with Christ's love.

In 2024, we celebrated 11 baptisms and four funerals. In 2025, these numbers flipped. We only had two baptisms this past year, while saying goodbye to seven members of our congregation: Mike Bickley, Frank Howard, Charles Risinger, Dick Sullivan Regina Heyward, Meredith Arnold, and Stan Whiteside. They now rest with all the Saints in Light in the Church Triumphant, having completed their earthly baptismal life. We give thanks for their witness to our Risen Lord!

In 2025, we also completed several large property related projects. The upkeep of our buildings is a large part of our annual stewardship. Our two biggest projects were seal coating all of the parking lots and then replacing the two HVAC units in the Parish Life Center. We are blessed that we had the resources to complete these projects. We have one of the most beautiful churches in the county (in our opinion) and we want to make sure it stays that way. The pure beauty of what God has built here was evidenced in the wonderful portrait Gretchen Parker did for us. If you haven't already, please stop by the office and pick up your copy of the print.

We both continue to give thanks for each of you. We are blessed that we are called to be your pastors, and look forward to the ministry that we will continue to do together.



*Pastor Judson Merrell*

*Pastor Judson Merrell*

*Pastor Cassie Boehringer*


*Pastor Cassie Boehringer*

# Annual Meeting 2025 Minutes

## Congregational Meeting – November 9, 2025 / Sanctuary

- I. **Call to Order & Opening Prayer** – Pastor Judson
- II. **Motion to accept agenda** – Landis Sandel made a motion to approve. Bobbi Buff seconded the motion. Passed unanimously.
- III. **Approval of Minutes from 2024 Annual Meeting**—John Oxner made a motion to approve. Laura Riley seconded the motion. The voice vote passed unanimously.
- III. **First Ballot** – First ballot elected Brian Cook, Matt Hendrix, Dennis Wessinger, and Greg Webb.  
Youth Member—Mary Rae Oxner elected  
Endowment board – Adam Davis elected  
Cemetery Endowment – Mark Schneider elected
- V. **2026 Proposed Spending Plan**
  - A. 2026 proposed spending plan – Ed Hedgecock presented the budget.
  - B. Stewardship presented budget to council and council approved.
  - C. Questions were some increases in salary and office supplies
  - D. Greg Webb seconds the motion to approve the budget.
  - E. Voice vote was unanimously in favor. Pastor Judson abstained from the vote.
- VI. **Approval of Bylaw Update**
  - A. Pastor Judson read current bylaw and then read proposed bylaw changes regarding Board Membership and Responsibility. (section 9, page 19, item 7)
  - B. Explanation by Dot Rish.
  - C. Council presented the motion. Ed Hedgecock seconded the motion.
  - D. The voice vote passed unanimously.
- VII. **Adjournment & Closing Prayer**—Pastor Judson adjourned the meeting with prayer.

Respectfully submitted,  
Rachel Price, Secretary



THE LORD  
HAS DONE IT THIS  
*very day;*  
LET US REJOICE TODAY  
AND BE GLAD.

PSALM 118:24

# 2026 Spending Plan

<b>BUILDING, GROUNDS, AND BUS/VAN</b>	<b>2025</b>	<b>2026</b>	<b>Difference</b>
Grounds Maintenance (Contract)	\$6,600.00	\$7,140.00	\$540.00
Recurring Facilities	\$11,240.00	\$11,600.00	\$360.00
Paper Goods and Supplies	\$4,500.00	\$4,500.00	\$-
Janitorial Services (Contract)	\$14,600.00	\$15,540.00	\$940.00
Utilities	\$36,500.00	\$37,300.00	\$800.00
Van/Bus Expenses & Insurance	\$5,900.00	\$7,200.00	\$1,300.00
Insurance - Buildings and Workmen's Compensation	\$26,100.00	\$27,800.00	\$1,700.00
<b>Total Building &amp; Grounds and Bus/Van</b>	<b>\$105,440.00</b>	<b>\$111,080.00</b>	<b>\$5,640.00</b>
<b>MINISTRIES AND COMMITTEES</b>	<b>2025</b>	<b>2026</b>	<b>Difference</b>
Archive and Library	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00	\$ -
Cemetery	\$9,276.00	\$9,000.00	\$ (276.00)
Educational	\$14,750.00	\$13,900.00	\$(850.00)
Evangelism	\$8,150.00	\$7,050.00	\$(1,100.00)
Golden Age Sunday	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00	\$-
Heritage Celebration	\$4,000.00	\$2,500.00	\$(1,500.00)
Hospitality/Kitchen	\$700.00	\$700.00	\$-
Loving Group	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00	\$-
Pastor-led Ministries	\$1,350.00	\$1,450.00	\$100.00
Safety Ministries	\$4,800.00	\$4,800.00	\$-
Service	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$-
Stewardship/Finance	\$10,900.00	\$3,300.00	\$(7,600.00)
Technology	\$12,350.00	\$10,500.00	\$(1,850.00)
Women's Ministry	\$5,500.00	\$5,500.00	\$-
Worship & Music	\$19,460.00	\$18,010.00	\$(1,450.00)
Youth	\$11,300.00	\$10,300.00	\$(1,000.00)
<b>Total Ministries and Committees</b>	<b>\$111,536.00</b>	<b>\$96,010.00</b>	<b>\$(15,526.00)</b>
<b>BENEVOLENCE AND MISSION OUTREACH</b>	<b>2025</b>	<b>2026</b>	<b>Difference</b>
Carolinas Mission District	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$-
Lutheran Homes SC	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$-
NALC 20/20 Vision	\$5,675.00	\$5,675.00	\$-
Mission Congregation - Immanuel, Sumter	\$3,675.00	\$3,675.00	\$-
MC - Lamb of God Lutheran Fellowship, Simpsonville	\$3,675.00	\$3,675.00	\$-
NALC	\$48,426.23	\$48,967.60	\$541.37
NALC Approved Seminary Candidate or NALS	\$6,000.00	\$6,000.00	\$-
NALC Seminary	\$6,600.00	\$6,600.00	\$-
<b>Total Benevolence and Mission Outreach</b>	<b>\$78,051.23</b>	<b>\$78,592.60</b>	<b>\$541.37</b>

# 2026 Spending Plan

MINISTRY TEAM	2025	2026	Difference
<b>Senior Pastor</b> - Salary & Housing Allowance	\$95,995.24	\$97,915.14	\$1,919.90
Benefits- Pension and Health	\$28,101.25	\$28,331.64	\$230.39
Continuing Education/ Professional Expense	\$2,400.00	\$2,400.00	\$-
Car Allowance	\$4,800.00	\$6,000.00	\$1,200.00
Cell Phone	\$880.65	\$900.00	\$19.35
<b>Associate Pastor</b> - Salary & Housing Allowance	\$66,320.23	\$67,646.63	\$1,326.40
Benefits - Pension and Health	\$18,580.70	\$18,739.87	\$159.17
Continuing Education/ Professional Expense	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$-
Car Allowance	\$3,880.00	\$3,000.00	\$(880.00)
Cell Phone	\$968.20	\$970.00	\$1.80
<b>Director of Youth and Family Ministry</b> -Salary	\$58,000.00	\$59,160.00	\$1,160.00
Continuing Education	\$1,200.00	\$1,200.00	\$-
Car Allowance	\$625.00	\$625.00	\$-
Cell Phone	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$-
<b>Organist</b> /Accompanist Salary	\$32,761.60	\$33,416.83	\$655.23
<b>Chancel Chior</b> /Hand Bell Director Salary	\$22,827.75	\$23,284.31	\$456.56
<b>Matins Choir</b> / Instrumentalist Director Salary	\$19,311.34	\$23,284.31	\$3,972.97
<b>SonShine Choir</b> Director Salary	\$3,781.48	\$3,857.11	\$75.63
<b>Angel Choir</b>	\$1,453.33	\$3,857.11	\$2,403.78
<b>Administrative Coordinator</b> Salary	\$42,788.20	\$43,643.96	\$855.76
<b>Nursery Worker 1</b> Salaries	\$5,707.00	\$5,707.00	\$-
<b>Nursery Worker 2</b> Salaries	\$5,707.00	\$5,707.00	\$-
<b>Bookkeeper</b>	\$15,333.84	\$15,640.52	\$306.68
Payroll Taxes	\$16,179.49	\$16,935.81	\$756.32
Optional Year End Bonus	\$3,825.00	\$3,825.00	\$-
<b>Total Salary and Benefit Expenses</b>	<b>\$453,927.30</b>	<b>\$468,547.24</b>	<b>\$14,619.94</b>
ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES	2025	2026	Difference
Supply Pastor, Speakers, Substitute Organist	\$2,400.00	\$2,400.00	\$-
NALC Church Assemblies	\$7,500.00	\$7,500.00	\$-
Bank Service Charges/ Online Giving Fees	\$1,300.00	\$1,300.00	\$-
Office Supplies	\$7,700.00	\$10,700.00	\$3,000.00
Postage	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$-
<b>Total Administrative Expenses</b>	<b>\$20,900.00</b>	<b>\$23,900.00</b>	<b>\$3,000.00</b>
<b>TOTAL PROJECTED EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$769,854.53</b>	<b>\$778,129.84</b>	<b>\$8,275.31</b>
<b>WEEKLY NEED</b>	<b>\$14,804.89</b>	<b>\$14,964.04</b>	<b>\$159.14</b>

# 2025 Ministry Reports

## BUS & VAN COMMITTEE

**Chris Marcolini—Chair**

**Jackson Kohl—Council Representative**

**Members:** Clay Morell, Jason Williams

The objective of the committee is to maintain the church vehicles and to ensure they are not only roadworthy, but also safe and comfortable for the congregation. We also ensure that the registration and license plates are up to date.

## CEMETERY COMMITTEE

**Jeff Elliott—Chair**

**Pat Allen—Secretary**

**Jeffrey Crapps—Treasurer**

**Jeff Elliott - Council Representative**

**Members:** Debbie Arnold, Mark Edmondson, Sam Harmon, Ed Hedgecock, Pr. Judson Merrell, Wayne O'Neill, Greg Webb, Bob Weed, & Ted Zee

No report submitted.

## CEMETERY ENDOWMENT BOARD

**Jeffrey Crapps—Chair**

**Jason Williams—Secretary**

**Rachel Price—Treasurer**

**Members:**

Rachel Price	Term ends 12/31/2025
Paul Schreiber	Term ends 12/31/2026
Jason Williams	Term ends 12/31/2027
Greg Webb	Term ends 12/31/2028
Steve Alford	Term ends 12/31/2029

No report submitted.

## EDUCATIONAL MINISTRY

**Pastor Cassie Boehringer—Chair**

**Debbie Marcolini—SS Superintendent**

**Keith Powell—Council Representative**

**Members:** Pastor Judson, Debbie Marcolini, Clay Morell, Donna Shealy, Carol Wyndham

We meet on an as-needed basis.

## EDUCATIONAL MINISTRY (cont.)

**The following was accomplished in 2025:**

- Graduates were recognized in May during Coffee Time.
- VBS, *Celebrate the Savior*, was successful with the hands of many volunteers!
- Bibles were given to 1st, 2nd, grade students on Reformation Sunday.
- Thanks to Gloria Sargent who directed the children's Christmas play on December 7, 2025. We had a lot of families participate.

Total Sunday School attendance averaged 78 in 2025. We encourage parents to bring their children in 2026 to learn about Jesus & His love.

## ENDOWMENT BOARD

**Bill Jennings—Chair**

**Doug Schreiber—Secretary**

**Dot Rish, Church Treasurer**

Doug Schreiber—term ends 2025

Jeff Elliott—term ends 2026

Brian Cook—term ends 2027

Bill Jennings—term ends 2028

Catherine Oxner—term ends 2029

## EVANGELISM MINISTRY

**Dot Rish—Chair**

**Brenda Hedgecock—Secretary**

**Debbie Dent—Council Representative**

**Members:** Landis & Linda Ballington, Pr. Cassie Boehringer, Ed & Brenda Hedgecock, Michelle Jones, Pr. Judson Merrell, Landis Sandel, Michael & Gloria Sargent

**Appreciated Assistants:** Russell & Robin Rawl

**2025 Accomplishments:**

- Sponsored Shrove Tuesday/New Member Recognition Pancake Supper. Served 163 people. Collected 163 lbs. of food & \$467 for Mission Lexington.
- Served as greeters each evening at VBS.
- Continued to offer St. Peter's golf shirts to the congregation.
- Encouraged Spirit Sunday the last Sunday of each month.

# 2025 Ministry Reports

## EVANGELISM MINISTRY (cont.)

- Continued First Time Guest Mug Ministry
- Sponsored Coffee Hour breakfast quarterly
- Sponsored St. Peter's Night at the Blowfish Baseball game. (97 adults/12 kids came).
- Secured 5-29-2026 for next Blowfish game.
- Beautified area around new church sign at roundabout with a retainer wall & plants.

## HOMECOMING COMMITTEE

**Julie Werner & Diane Lawhead—Co-Chairs**  
**Debbie Dent—Council Representative**

**Members:** Allison Black, Bobbi Buff, Dick & Patricia Derrick, Cindy Evans, Jackie Jumper, Diane Lawhead, Carol Wyndham

Homecoming was held May 4, 2025. Shealy's BBQ, Ice Cream Truck & Carnival games. FUN!

## KITCHEN COMMITTEE

**Landis Sandel—Chair**

**Members:** Bobbi Buff, Teresa Ellisor, Cindy Evans, Jackie Jumper, Buffy Pearson, Russell & Robin Rawl, Jerry & Sarah Richey, Diane Robison, and Barbara Weed

This group does a great job of taking care of and organizing both the Fellowship Hall & Parish Life Center kitchens.

## LUTHERAN MEN

**Bill Jennings—Chair**

St. Peter's Lutheran Men had another good year. We had guest speakers & fellowship. This group meets monthly in the Fellowship Hall.

## PROPERTY & GROUNDS COMMITTEE

**Claude Lindler—Chairman**

**Paul Arnold—Vice-Chair**

**Doug Schreiber - Secretary**

**Tommy Stone—Council Representative**

**Members:** Bobby Harmon, Stephen Kupchinsky, Wayne O'Neill, Barry Powell, Tommy Stone, Bob Weed, and Stan Whiteside

P&G oversees maintenance & upkeep of all church property & grounds. Summary below.

## PROPERTY & GROUNDS (cont.)

**The following were completed in 2025.**

- The Committee agreed to meet while working on projects and as needed.
- Parking lot was renovated in May including repairs to cracks in pavement, re-stripping, and sealing.
- Lights in Sanctuary. There are only 26 bulbs as this type of bulb is no longer available. The Committee will discuss and decide whether to use the 26 bulbs until they are exhausted or to replace all the lights and go forward with bulbs that are available.
- The Committee has realized that there is a need for plats of all the church property & buildings. We will research the availability of the plats required and progress from that point. Lexington Fire Department came in December and completed plats inside of the entire property. They will work on the outside plats in January.
- Installed new HVAC units for the Parish Life Center at a cost of \$128,000.
- During the installation of the new HVAC systems, it was discovered that the roof over the van parked at the rear of the PLC had several rotten places in the plywood and roof trusses. Also, the roof leaks over the kitchen around the vents. The shingles were stiff and needed to be replaced or the rot would continue. The cost to replace the rotten portion of the roof and install new shingles with three new vents was \$5455. This price included using 50-year shingles. The work was done by Burgin Roofing. This company has done several other roofing projects and maintenance on the PLC, Sanctuary, and the Office Building. Their work has been more than satisfactory.
- Copper lines from the HVAC compressors to the air handlers previously contributed to roof deterioration over the PLC van area. After installing the new HVAC system, the lines were relocated to the side of the building which resolved the roof issue but exposed the lines to potential damage, such as leaks or bending. A protective fence was installed with total costs for both roofing repairs & fencing at \$10,000.

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## PROPERTY & GROUNDS (cont.)

- Lights around the Parish Life Center have been replaced with units that turn off and on by solar sensors, eliminating the need for resetting the timers every time the electric current is interrupted.
- Several lights have been replaced inside the Parish Life Center.
- Fire inspections were completed in April and October.
- Hand rails and the ceiling at the entrance of the Sanctuary have been refinished and painted.
- Negotiated and contracted grounds maintenance with our current provider.
- Negotiated & contracted janitorial services.
- Installed crosses for Easter season.
- Installed manger scene for Christmas season.

## SAFETY MINISTRY *(sub-committee of P&G)*

**Dennis Wessinger—Chair**

**Jo Wessinger—Secretary**

**Jeffrey Crapps - Council Representative**

**Members:** Debbie Arnold, Dory Arnold, Marion Gable, Bobby Harmon, Debbie Marcolini, Keith McMillan, Pr. Judson Merrell, Russell Rawl, Meagan Schneider, Tyler Teem, Buck Vaughan, Greg Webb, Steve & Carol Wyndham

### **We completed the following in 2025:**

- Hosted 2 Basic Life Saving (BLS) classes.
- Presented ALICE (Alert, Lockdown, Inform, Counter, Evacuate) refresher for Sunday School teachers.
- Purchased addition AED device. There are now 2 AEDs—one in Fellowship Hall hallway outside of the ladies' restroom and one in the hallway at the back of the Sanctuary at the camera station.
- Completed SPLC Emergency Response plan Guidelines.
- Had State Highway Patrol assistance for all Easter, Cantata, & Christmas Eve services.
- Assisted with Homecoming, VBS week, Music Camp, and Missions Market.
- Hosted two training sessions for Lexington County Sheriff's K9 units & SWAT.
- Added glucose monitors to First Aid Kits.

## SCOUTS

**Jason Williams—Congregation Rep**

Yearly recharter process complete & the scouts are thankful to the Lutheran Men for continuing to sponsor them by giving a donation to help cover insurance & recharter expenses.

- Scouting at SPLC celebrated its 72nd year with a Backyard Bash at the Scout Hut attended by the Troop & Pack. We have had a steady growth of membership.
- Troop has 16 Scouts, 7 Life, 1 Star, 0 First Class, 5 2nd Class, 2 Tenderfoot, & 1 Scout
- Pack has 24 Cub Scouts, 2 Lions, 4 Tigers, 4 Wolf, 9 Bear, 3 Webelos, & 2 Arrow of Light
- We have several working on Eagle rank. The unit has been very active this year with multiple camping trips & service projects.
- The Troop does litter removal on St. Peter's Road as part of Adopt a Highway.
- We participated in the Veterans' Day and Christmas parades in the Town of Lexington.
- The Unit also participated in Wreaths Across America.

## SERVICE MINISTRY

**Rachel Price—Chair**

**Donna Alford—Secretary & Council Rep.**

**Members:** Pastor Cassie Boehringer, Bobbi Buff, Debbie Dent, Catherine Porth, Kathy Schreiber, Susan Schreiber, Carl Shealy

Service Ministry continues to serve those in need at St. Peter's, in our community & beyond.

### **Recap of 2025:**

- Relay for Life was rained out but we raised over \$2000.
- We packed numerous kits for disaster relief. We held packing parties with the you to pack these kits.
- We had the Alzheimer's Walk here on campus and raised around \$2000.
- We had a very successful Missions Market and raised over \$7600! That will be dispersed to four different organizations in the Midlands.

# 2025 Ministry Reports

## STAFF SUPPORT

***Paul Schreiber: Chair***

***Larry James: Council Representative***

The purpose of the Staff Support committee:

- To support & encourage staff.
- Make performance recommendations to the Stewardship/Finance Committee and Church Council.

Members of Staff & their reps for 2025 were:

Pr. Judson Merrell—Paul Schreiber  
Pr. Cassie Boehringer—Jennie Porth  
Clay Morell—Karen Cook  
Carol Wyndham—Jeanne Dernbach  
Craig Davis—Karen Cook  
Kayla Ellingson—Matt Hendrix  
Lauren & Penni Henry—Matt Hendrix  
Barry Moore—Jennifer McMillan  
Valerie Porth—Jennie Porth  
Dot Rish—Jennifer McMillan  
Molly Teem—Paul Schreiber

In 2025 we:

- Completed staff evaluations in August, ensuring Stewardship/Finance Committee had the necessary information to assist in considering staff raises as a part of the 2026 budget.
- Placed strong emphasis on being more intentionally supportive of staff members by maintaining regular check-ins throughout the year. Committee members reached out through phone calls, handwritten cards, and in-person meetings to offer encouragement, listen to concerns, and provide support.

## STEWARDSHIP/FINANCE

***Ed Hedgecock—Chair***

***Chip Rhoads—Secretary***

***Doreen Edmondson—Council Rep.***

***Dot Rish—Treasurer of Congregation***

*Members: Debbie Arnold, Pr. Cassie Boehringer, Adam Davis, Teresa Ellisor, Larry James, Pr. Judson Merrell, Joyce M. Porth, Valerie Porth*

Monitored church budget and spending program monthly. Church finished the year in a strong financial position.

## STEWARDSHIP/FINANCE (cont.)

### 2025 Accomplishments:

- A review of the TR (Temporarily Restricted) accounts was completed.
- Breakfast provided twice during the year.
- Presented list of names to Council for Church Endowment Board for vote at annual meeting
- Held annual Stewardship Dinner Oct. 26th in conjunction with Trunk or Treat. Event was well attended & we fed 205. An additional 18 plates were delivered to shut-ins. A special thanks to Barry Moore, cooking crew, & ladies of the church who prepared dessert.
- The Hobbs Group completed the financial audit with procedural recommendations.
- A lock box was installed to secure the weekly offering collection until it can be transported to the office safe.
- Committees were asked to review their budgets to determine a more accurate budget for 2026 based on actual expenditures. This was accomplished & appreciated.
- Completed church budget & presented it at annual meeting. Budget was approved.

## TECHNOLOGY *(sub-committee of Property)*

***Martin Bowers—Chair & Council Rep.***

***Members: Pastor Judson Merrell, Clay Morell, Steve & Carol Wyndham***

Technology works in conjunction with several groups to meet the needs of the church.

In 2025 we:

- Provided an updated laptop for Dot Rish (treasurer).
- Provided a new printer for Valerie Porth (Bookkeeper).
- Installed a new screen in the PLC. Kudos to Clay for making this possible & for adjusting the sound in the sanctuary for worship.

"GOD IS  
WITH YOU IN  
everything  
YOU DO."

GENESIS 21:22

# 2025 Ministry Reports

## WOMEN'S MINISTRY *(sub of Education)*

**Brenda Hedgecock—Chair**

**Members:** Pastor Cassie Boehringer, Debbie Dent, Lisa Leitzsey, Kelly Rhoads, Donna Shealy, Carol Stealey, & Christen Weidner

In 2025, we coordinated:

- Women's Bible studies offering Monday evening and Tuesday morning sessions
- Coordinated Monthly Book Club
- Held a one day retreat in March.
- Held the following Saturday workshops
  - Summer Wreath Making Class
  - Advent Wreath

## WORSHIP & MUSIC MINISTRY

**Martin Bowers—Chair & Council Rep.**

**Carol Wyndham—Secretary**

**Members:** Debbie Arnold, Pastor Cassie Boehringer, Craig Davis, Kayla Ellingson, Marion Gable, Pastor Judson Merrell, Barry & Trudy Moore, Tyler & Molly Teem

### 2025 Highlights (in addition to worship)

- **Soup Supper:** February 2nd
- **Mini Music Camp:** March 5th
- **Lenten Worship:** March 5-April 17
- **Music Camp:** June 28-29
- **Golden Age Celebration** September 7th
- **Blessing of the Animals** October 5th
- **Christmas Cantata:** December 14th at 11 am & 6 pm.

### Other items Handled by W&M:

- Provided musicians for Easter, Cantata, and Reformation
- Decorated the church for special services including Palm Sunday, Easter, and Christmas.

### Other Worship & Music Teams include:

- Acolytes
- Altar Guild
- Communion Assistants
- Greeters / Lectors
- Ushers

**We give Glory to God and thank Him for all our many blessings!**

## YOUTH MINISTRY

**Clay Morell—Chair**

**Jackson Kohl—Council Representative**

**Members:** Vickie Davis, Teresa Ellisor, Katie Kupchinsky, Catherine Oxner, Meagan Schneider, Becky Shealy, & Tommy Sweatman

### 2025 Highlights included:

- Participated in Education Ministry Chili Cook-off in January.
- Helped Service Committee a school kit packing party.
- Helped with Bunny Bash in April.
- Participated in Relay for Life.
- Helped with Vacation Bible School.
- Mission trip to Burnsville, NC in July.
- Youth Week in July—movie, service project, book bag stuffing, lake party, Carowinds
- Coordinated end-of-summer blowout. Rained out so held in PLC. LOTS OF FUN!
- Served as wait-staff for Golden Age Luncheon.
- Held Sup-tember cooking events.
- Participated in Operation Christmas Child (OCC) packing party.
- Sponsored an Angel Tree with our youth making the purchases for youth in our area.
- Provided Gospel Processions throughout the church year.
- Helped with OCC delivery.
- Held Silent Auction to raise money for youth mission trips.
- Held wrapping party for Youth-sponsored Angel tree.
- Delivered winter supplies to Burnsville, NC
- Went to Little Bethlehem.
- Went Christmas Caroling to some of our homebound & elderly members.

*The Youth of St. Peter's are blessed to have the support of great leaders & congregation members as we continue to grow in our walk with Christ.*



# 2026 Ministry Rosters

## Bus & Van

**Chair:** Jason Williams

**Council Rep:** Mary Rae Oxner

**Members:** Chris Marcolini, Clay Morell, Jason Williams, Danny Young

## Cemetery

**Chair:** Jeff Elliott

**Secretary:** Pat Allen

**Treasurer:** Jeffrey Crapps

**Council Rep:** Greg Webb

**Members:** Debbie Arnold, Mark Edmondson, Ed Hedgecock, Pr. Judson Merrell, Wayne O'Neill, Dot Rish, Greg Webb, Bob Weed, Ted Zee

## CEMETERY ENDOWMENT BOARD

**Chair:** Jeffrey Crapps

**Secretary:** Jason Williams

**Treasurer:** TBD

### Members:

Paul Schreiber	Term ends 12/31/2026
Jason Williams	Term ends 12/31/2027
Greg Webb	Term ends 12/31/2028
Steve Alford	Term ends 12/31/2029
Mark Schneider	Term ends 12/31/2030
Paul Duell	Standing Member
Jeffrey Crapps	Standing Member

## Educational Ministry

**Chair & Council Rep.:** Pr. Cassie Boehringer

**Members:** Pr. Cassie Boehringer, Debbie Marcolini, Pr. Judson Merrell, Clay Morell, Donna Shealy, and Carol Wyndham

## Endowment Board

**Chair:** Adam Davis

**Secretary:** Jeff Elliott

**Treasurer:** Brian Cook

### Members:

Jeff Elliott	Term ends 12/31/2026
Brian Cook	Term ends 12/31/2027
Bill Jennings	Term ends 12/31/2028
Catherine Oxner	Term ends 12/31/2029
Adam Davis	Term ends 12/31/2030

## Evangelism Ministry

**Chair:** Dot Rish

**Secretary:** Brenda Hedgecock

**Council Rep:** Jeffrey Crapps

**Members:** Landis & Linda Ballington, Pastor Cassie Boehringer, Ed & Brenda Hedgecock, Michelle Jones, Pastor Judson Merrell, Landis Sandel, and Mike & Gloria Sargent

## Homecoming Celebration

**Chair:** Carol Wyndham

**Council Rep:** Donna Alford

**Members:** Bobbi Buff, Cindy Evans, Jackie Jumper, Clay Morell & Catherine Oxner

## Kitchen

**Chair:** Landis Sandel

**Council Rep:** Doreen Edmondson

**Members:** Carol Arnold, Bobbi Buff, Cindy Evans, Jean Hundley, Larry James, Jackie Jumper, Joe Price, Russell & Robin Rawl, Jerry & Sarah Richey, Jesse Riley, Paul & Diane Robison, Barbara Weed

## Lutheran Men

**Chair:** Brady Porth, Jr.

## Property & Grounds

**Co-Chairs:** Claude Lindler & Paul Arnold

**Secretary:** Doug Schreiber

**Council Rep:** Matt Hendrix & Keith Powell

**Members:** Bobby Harmon, Wayne O'Neill, Tommy Stone, Bob Weed

## Safety Ministry

**Chair & Council Rep:** Dennis Wessinger

**Members:** Debbie Arnold, Dory Arnold, Jeffrey Crapps, Marion Gable, Bobby Harmon, Steve Johnson, Debbie Marcolini, Keith McMillan, Pastor Judson Merrell, Meagan Schneider, Buck Vaughan, Greg Webb, Jo Wessinger, Steve & Carol Wyndham

# 2026 Ministry Rosters

## Service

**Chair:** Bobbi Buff

**Secretary:** Susan Schreiber

**Council Rep:** Donna Alford

**Members:** Catherine Porth, Rachel Price, Kathy Schreiber, Susan Schreiber, Carl Shealy, Jo Wessinger

## Staff Support

**Chair:** Matt Hendrix

**Council Rep:** Larry James

**Staff & Their Support Person:**

- Pastor Judson—Michael Carter
- Pastor Cassie—Jennie Porth
- Clay Morell—Jennifer McMillan
- Carol Wyndham—Karen Cook
- Craig Davis—Jennie Porth
- Kayla Ellingson—Matt Hendrix
- Penni & Lauren Henry—Matt Hendrix
- Barry Moore—Jo Wessinger
- Valerie Porth—Jo Wessinger
- Dot Rish—Michael Carter
- Molly Teem—Larry James

## Stewardship & Finance

**Chairs:** Ed Hedgecock

**Secretary:** Debbie Arnold

**Council Rep:** Brian Cook

**Treasurer of Congregation:** Dot Rish

**Members:** Debbie Arnold, Adam Davis, Pastor Cassie Boehringer, Adam Davis, Pastor Judson Merrell, Joyce M. Porth, Paul Robison

## Technology

**Chair & Council Rep:** Martin Bowers

**Members:** Pastor Judson Merrell, Clay Morell, Steve Wyndham

## Worship & Music

**Chairs:** Jackie Jumper

**Secretary:** Cindy Evans

**Council Rep:** Martin Bowers

**Members:** Pat Allen, Debbie Arnold, Pr. Cassie Boehringer, Cathy Bowers, Craig Davis, Kayla Ellingson, Cindy Evans, Marion Gable, Jackie Jumper, Pastor Judson Merrell, Barry & Trudy Moore, Tyler & Molly Teem

## Youth

**Chair:** Clay Morell

**Council Rep:** Mary Rae Oxner

**Members:** Karen Cook, Katie Kupchinsky, Valerie Porth, and Meagan Schneider



# 2026 Recurring Church-Wide Events

EVENT	DATE	Responsible Ministry
Soup Supper	2-1-2026 Cancelled due to Snow	Worship & Music
New Member Sunday	February 15, 2026	Evangelism
Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper	February 17, 2026	Evangelism
Women's Retreat in PLC	March 7, 2026	Women's Ministry
Betty Lou's Bunny Bash	March 28, 2026 / 9:30-11 am	Fulmer Family
Mini Music Camp w/Kayla	April 18, 2026 / 10am-Noon	Kayla Ellingson
Easter Breakfast	April 5, 2026 @ 8:30 am	Landis & Congregation
Relay for Life	May 1, 2026	Service Committee
Homecoming Celebration	May 3, 2026	Homecoming Team
Young Adults Mission Trip to Canada	May 23-30, 2026	YAYA Ministry
Confirmation	May 24, 2026	Ministry Team
St. Peter's Night @ Blowfish	May 29, 2026	Evangelism
Vacation Bible School	June 7-11, 2026	Pr. Cassie & Team
Continental Youth Gathering in VA	July 6-11, 2026	YAYA Ministry
Music Camp w/Molly	July 17-19, 2026	Molly & Team
Golden Age Luncheon	September 13, 2026	Worship & Music
Blessing of the Animals	October 4, 2026	Worship & Music
Stewardship Dinner	October 25, 2026	Stewardship/Finance
Trunk or Treat	October 25, 2026	Becka Jumper
Children's Christmas Program	December 6, 2026	<b>Volunteers Needed</b>
Christmas Cantata	December 13—11 am & 6 pm	Barry & Craig
Christmas Eve Services	December 24—5:30 & 10 pm	Worship & Music

*\*All dates & times subject to change*

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