

St. Peter Lutheran July 2024 Newsletter

July 2nd - Quilting Workday, 1:00 p.m.

July 7th – Communion Sunday, 9:00 a.m.

~ Free Will offering during fellowship for Rodney and Malinda Hinrichs' "Reaching the Unreached"

July 7th – 12th – Pastor Czymbor at Pickerel Lake Bible Camp

July 10th -WMF Bible Study and Business Meeting, 7:00 p.m. Leader is Courtney Sorenson, Hostess is Sandy Lau
- Council Meeting, 7:30 p.m.

July 14th – Sunday Worship Service, 9:00 a.m.

July 21st – Sunday Worship Service, 9:00 a.m.

~ Semi-Annual Meeting following the worship service

July 28th - Sunday Worship Service, 9:00 a.m.

Usher's List: July 7 – Darwin Kreth & David Hartmann

Communion Lay Assistant – Keith Sprecher

14 – Don Fink & Doug VanZee

21 – Dwight Brenner & Ervin Fink

28 – Jack Hartmann & Jeff Grosz

Cleaning List: July 1 – 7 Samantha Lau & Tami Fink

8 – 14 Audrey Fink & Beverly Jahn

15 – 21 Andrea Wright & Carey Brenner

22 – 28 Pat Kreth & Pat Klumb

July 29 – Aug 4 Bonnie Villmow & Chris Lau

Note: No Muffin Sunday in July



God Will Take Care of You!

Deuteronomy 31:6-8 ⁶“Be strong and courageous. Do not fear or be in dread of them, for it is the LORD your God who goes with you. He will not leave you or forsake you.” ⁷Then Moses summoned Joshua and said to him in the sight of all Israel, “Be strong and courageous, for you shall go with this people into the land that the LORD has sworn to their fathers to give them, and you shall put them in possession of it. ⁸**It is the LORD who goes before you. He will be with you; He will not leave you or forsake you. Do not fear or be dismayed.**”

¹“I lift up my eyes to the hills. From where does my help come? ²My help comes from the LORD, who made heaven and earth. ³He will not let your foot be moved; He who keeps you will not slumber.” Psalm 121

Our God is an awesome God and worthy to be praised. To those who Trust in Him, He promises to never sleep, nor go on vacation, nor neglect, nor ignore. To those who look to Him for their care He always makes available Love, Joy, Peace, Patience, Self-Control, Gentleness, Kindness, Faithfulness, and Goodness. When we see ourselves or others lacking in one of these areas we can be assured that the person needs help. May that be a sign to us and to our neighbors to help call the broken and hurting back to God. Only then can their hearts, minds, bodies, and souls find True healing and recovery. Through the provision of God, His people gain the wisdom, strength, and purpose to love and care for one another. Through the work of such hymn writers as Civilla Martin and her husband we can be reminded that, indeed, God Will Take Care of You, our hymn for this month.

The Civilla provides the following account of the creation of this hymn:

“I was confined to a sick bed in a Bible school in Lestershire [now Johnson City], New York. My husband was spending several weeks at the school, making a songbook for the president of the school. God Will Take Care of You was written one Sunday afternoon while my husband went to a preaching appointment.”

“When he returned I gave the words to him. He immediately sat down to his little Bilhorn organ and wrote the music. That evening he and two of the teachers sang the completed song. It was then printed in the songbook he was compiling for the school.”

From <http://www.hymntime.com/tch/htm/g/w/i/l/gwiltake.htm> (Price, Carl Fowler. A Year of Hymn Stories. New York & Cincinnati, Ohio: Methodist Book Concern, 1914.) comes a couple of testimonies regarding this beautiful hymn:

A blind man was seen crossing the street at a dangerous place in the Bronx, New York City. A friend nearby overheard him singing softly, "God will take care of you," and asked, "Why are you singing that hymn?"

He replied: "Because I must cross this dangerous street, and maybe one of the many wagons might strike me and I might get killed. But the thought came to me that, even if it did occur, my soul would go straight to God. And if He led me across all right, it would be just another evidence of His care of me. So I could not help singing to myself, "God will take care of you." Hallelujah!"

A little Sunday school girl once told her mother she was never afraid to pass through a certain dark hallway leading to their home, "because," she explained, "I simply sing, "God will take care of you," and I always come through safely."

Therefore, resting in our trust and dependence upon the Lord, we stand strong and courageously sign our hymn of the month, **“God Will Take Care of You” #564**. And may we be blessed as we spend July committing **Deuteronomy 31:8** in our hearts and minds, **“It is the Lord who goes before you. He will be with you; He will not leave you or forsake you. Do not fear or be dismayed.”**