

# ANNUAL REPORT 2019

St. Peter United Church of Christ



# Our Vision

*Listening to the Holy Spirit, the new call of St. Peter United Church of Christ – as individuals and as a community – is to consistently and continually follow God's direction as we understand it through the Bible and prayer; grow our lives and our congregation around the example of Jesus; and offer diverse opportunities for all to explore, deepen, and live out their Christian faith.*

We do this by fostering a community that will **Belong**, **Engage**, and **Act**.

## Belong

Everyone works to create a culture of oneness, **unity**, and togetherness.

## Engage

Everyone uses their gifts consistently to make **our church** thrive.

## Act

Everyone gives of themselves in service to our neighborhood and **our world**, inspired and energized to act by the love of God.

# Worship

[in community]

**75** average Sunday attendance



Easter: **144**

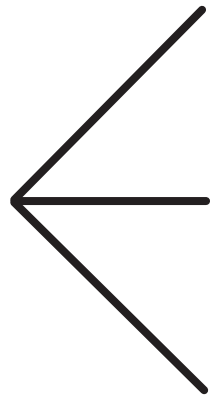
**188** members

**1** baptism

**2** deaths

# Spiritual Growth

[growing our relationships with God, ourselves, and others]



**11** students average in Sunday School

**30+** adults in spiritual growth groups

**3** 6-8th graders in confirmation

## Stepping Stones of Faith

**1** kindergarten student completed a class on why we go to church and received a book of prayers

**3** 2nd grade students completed a class on the Bible and received their first Bibles

# Belong

[in unity]

Extravagant Greeter Workshop

**14** greeters



Art Institute Tour

**13** attendees



Name with a Face Congregational Speed Dating

**25** attendees



# Engage

[within our church]

## Spring Work Day

**19** members      **28** Boy Scouts



## Vacation Bible School

 **55** kids +  **30** youth +  **13** adults

took part in VBS and over 55 households donated toward it

## Golf Outing

**26** golfers      **43** eaters



## Our Activities

- Women's Fellowship
- Piecemakers
- Adult SS
- SteppingStones
- M&Ms
- ACTS of Prayer
- Handbells
- Choir
- Men's Breakfast
- Sisters in Christ
- Joyful Journey
- Pastor Parish Connections
- Bunco
- Youth Group
- Women's Retreat
- Egg Hunt
- Confirmation Classes
- Kids' Sunday School
- Synagogue Visit
- Golf Outing
- VBS
- Mess Fest
- Community Dinner
- Men's Retreat
- Feed My Starving Children Outings
- Meals on Wheels
- Boy Scouts

# Act

[within our world]

## Souper Bowl of Caring

**213**  
items



donated to **Emmaus House**

## Community Dinner

**15** food donations

**20** work hours

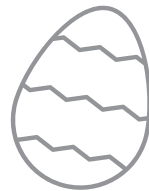
**3** cooks

**8** servers

## Easter Egg Hunt

**45** hunters

**20** helpers



# Act

[within our world]

## Fox Valley Association Meeting

**60+**  
attendees



hosted by **20 St. Peter members**

## Emergency Cleanup Buckets [Church World Service]

**3**  
buckets





# Act

[within our world]

## Youth Mission Trip

**5** St. Peter youth

**23** total youth



## Spaghetti Dinner

Total raised for Youth Mission Trip

**\$4,854**

## Community Activities

hosted at St. Peter



- Boy Scouts
- Girl Scouts

- Cub Scouts
- Village Singers

- Mirabelli Theater Group
- Lake Zurich Park District

- Toastmasters
- Homeschool Art Class

# Act

[within our world]

## Supporting God's Mission

One Great Hour of Sharing

**\$1,022**

Christmas in July

**\$764**

5th Sunday Offering

**\$755**

This 2019 Annual Report is for the seven-month "short year" (March-September 2019) that was created when St. Peter transitioned to its new organizational structure. This "short year" bridged the gap between the church's former fiscal year (March 1 through end of February) and the new fiscal year (October 1 through September 30).