

Weekly Messenger

Vision Statement

Bringing Christ to Our World.

Mission Statement

*Saved by Grace, Nurtured in Faith, Equipped to Serve:
we are God's hands for others*

Ministers

All Members of Peace Lutheran

Pastor

Ralph Kirkpatrick



September 13-20, 2017

Fifteenth Sunday of Pentecost **September 17, 2017**

8:30 a.m. & 10:45 Worship with Holy Communion

Peace Weekly Calendar

Wednesday, September 13

10:15 a.m. PR Bible Study Group
6:00 p.m. Men of Peace
6:30 p.m. Choir Practice

Thursday, September 14

12:00 p.m. S-Anon Meeting
6:30 p.m. Troop 20776
7:00 p.m. Troop 20574
7:00 p.m. Tai Chi

Saturday, September 16

9:30 Tai Chi
12:00 p.m. Al-Anon
2:00 p.m. Portrait Art Class

Sunday, September 17

8:30 a.m. Worship w/Communion
9:30 a.m. Sunday School
10:45 a.m. Worship w/Communion
1:00 p.m. Council Meeting
2:30 p.m. Al-Anon
4:00 p.m. Confirmation

Monday, September 18

1:30 p.m. Shake Your Soul Dance
5:30 p.m. Al-Anon
6:00 p.m. VDC Men
7:00 p.m. Tai Chi

Tuesday, September 19

Pastor Ralph's Day Off

10:00 a.m. Women's Book Group
1:00 p.m. Women's Quilting
7:00 p.m. TN Valley Ensemble

Wednesday, September 20

10:15 a.m. PR Bible Study Group
6:00 p.m. Men of Peace
6:30 p.m. Choir Practice

Thursday, September 21

12:00 p.m. S-Anon Meeting
6:30 p.m. Troop 20776
7:00 p.m. Troop 20574
7:00 p.m. Tai Chi

Saturday, September 23

9:30 Tai Chi
12:00 p.m. Al-Anon
2:00 p.m. Portrait Art Class

Serving This Sunday *Worship with Holy Communion* 9/17/2017

8:30

Assisting Minister: Kratts
Lector/Comm. Asst.: Hedberg
Sound: TBA
Usher: McLemore
Greeter: McLemore
Altar Guild: Kratts

10:45

Assisting Minister: Storm-Barnes
Lector/Comm Asst.: Stegner, D.
Sound: Barnes
Ushers: Ellstrom, Stephansen
Greeter: Ried, Storm
Altar Guild: Schuller
Bread & Wine: Terwell
Tellers: Simon, Bachmann
Coffee: Tobv. McLemore

Peace Prayers

Please let the church office know of any changes in the prayers.

Members: Cassie Barnes, Ernie Dickson, Allan Ellstrom, Tony Kampwerth, Pam Kish, Gary Kratts, Bethany Ladner, Bill McCamy, Stacy Nelson, David & Charlene Ottinger, Noreen Quirand, Carla Schirmer, Ruth Stallmann

Prayers of Thanksgiving:

Family & Friends: **Samantha Adamson** (niece of Eva Kratts); **Rosemary Aumaugher** (mother of Gary Aumaugher); **Courtney & Marlon Beverly** (friend of Marianne & Andy Stephansen); **Jeff Brig & Vincent Briguccia** (Eileen Zetterberg's sons); **David Brondos** (missionary to Mexico); **Rosemary Clause** (Sue Carlson's cousin); **Jeff Davidson** (friend of Janet Barnes); **Maryann Dusbabek** (Eva Kratts aunt); **Al & Lois Etzler** (Pete's brother & sister-in-law); **Brooke Evans** (daughter of Chuck Evans); **Kristyn Farley** (daughter of Marianne Stephansen's friend); **Amy Franken** (sister of Kristi Shedden); **Andy Hedberg** (cousin of Simone Hedberg); **Sarah Kane** (friend of Stegners); **Adele Krans** (John Stegner's sister); **Jan Law** (Sue Nevedal's mother); **Kenneth Lee** (son of Eric Carlson's friend); **Lysa Lyford's Family** (on the death of her aunt Muriel); **Wendy Mallaber** (Gary Kratts' sister); **Ann Miller & Karen Milanc** (friends of the Carole & Tom Mustaleski); **Marjorie Miller** (mother of Darlene Smolik); **Linda Millis** (Rosemary Ried's daughter); **Paul Montgomery** (friend of Mike Nelson); **The Morrison Family** (friends of Chuck Evans); **Mike Murrell** (former co-worker of Allan Ellstrom); **Sue Noonchester** (Friend of Carla Schirmer), **Lisa Oakley** (co-worker of Nancy Simon); **Jeff Ortman** (brother of Deb Stegner); **Greg Pfahles** (Cousin of Sue Carlson); **Taylor Ramsey** (friend of Carlsons); **Charles Savas Family** (friends of Rosemary Ried); **Mel Schulz** (Eva Kratts' uncle); **Stasiunus family** (friends of the Stegners); **Sandy White** (friend of the Hendersons); **Ben Williamson** (grand nephew of Gary Kratts); **John Witz** (Pam Kish's brother-in-law)

Military: **Erik Aderman** (nephew of Allan Ellstrom); **Tarren & David Barrett** (daughter & son-in-law of Janet & Tom Barnes & granddaughter of Bob and Evalyn Storm); **Timothy Brig** (grandson of Eileen Zetterberg); **Taylor Dobson** (grandson of Bob & Evalyn Storm); **Paul Newpher** (Jim & Susan McLemore's son-in-law); **Jeff Smolik** (son of Darlene & John Smolik)

ELCA Prayer Ventures

September 13-20

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Remember the words of Jesus to “love one another,” and pray for his commandment to be in the foreground of our thinking, actions, decisions, relationships and worldview.

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Holy Cross Day

Pray that when we see or use the symbol of the cross we are filled with the hope and joy of faith in God’s victory over death for us in the life, suffering, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ.

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National Hispanic Heritage Month

We give thanks for the gifts and contributions of Hispanic and Latino Americans and pray for the growth of ELCA Latino ministries as they share the gospel, encourage new leaders and serve their neighbors in many different community contexts.

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Pray for ELCA missionaries serving with our global church companions in Cameroon, Central African Republic, Nigeria, South Africa, South Sudan, Tanzania and Zimbabwe, and ask God to move us to support and encourage their work in sharing the good news of the gospel, caring for the diverse needs of the human community, and equipping leaders for ministry.

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Ask God for a deepening understanding of what it means to forgive someone – especially when we would rather not do so – in the same manner God forgives us time and time again.

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We continue to pray for refugees and immigrants in the world and that our nations and leaders will work together for the safety, well-being and stability of families and individuals fleeing regions of ongoing war, devastation and injustice.

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Tormented and sold into slavery by his brothers, Joseph eventually embraced his brothers with forgiveness and kindness. Pray to be filled with the same spirit of forgiveness and compassion that filled Joseph, that there be no room in us for hatred, vengeance or rejection of people we feel have harmed or offended us.

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Give thanks for and pray the work and advocacy of the ELCA and The Lutheran World Federation for gender justice helps our church and society recognize and change attitudes, values, practices, social structures and patterns that lead to intellectual, economic, physical or emotional harm of women and girls.

DISCIPLESHIP

Adult Midweek Bible Study Continues

The Midweek study will undertake a year long study of the book of Romans. This is Paul's most famous letter and was influential in Martin Luther's insights that began his personal transformation and then led to the Reformation.

Adult Sunday Morning Class

The class continues this Sunday with a seven week course entitled: "By Heart. Conversations with Martin Luther's Small Catechism." This will be a lead-in to Reformation Sunday activities.

WORSHIP

Kroger Community Rewards Assistance

The Outreach Commission wants to remind everyone to sign up for enrollment in the Kroger Community Rewards Program. ** At the end of each quarter, Peace Lutheran receives a contribution check and our numbers have declined since last year. This money is used to offset the cost of our food ministries. **We are required to sign up every year in September.** We are asking for a renewed effort to sign up for this free program if you have not already done so. It is easy to enroll. Simply use the link below.

<https://www.kroger.com/communityrewards>

Participants that do not have an email address or computer access can also call 1(800) KROGERS, OPTION 3 or 1(800)576-4377, OPTION 3. Thanks to those who are participating in the Kroger Community Rewards Program. It helps us to accomplish the good work we do in our community.

OUTREACH

Global Church Sunday

A lot of activity happens right here at Peace, and many people in our community need help and encouragement. Even though we can be busy and involved locally, it is good to learn about our church and what it does globally. One program involves young adults in global ministry for one year. We will have the opportunity to hear from a young person who has done that on **Global Church Sunday, October 15**. Rachel Carle will speak briefly at both services that Sunday. In between services there will be a reception for her and a chance to hear more about her experiences in global ministry. We will combine this celebration of the global church with the acknowledgement that Bread for the World is also a globally-focused organization.

Feeding the Hungry College Students

It's our turn on September 24 to feed UT students at Tyson House. Look for a sign-up sheet in the hallway. We will need casseroles, salad, bread, desserts, and drinks. Our youth group will do the serving at Tyson House. Your food donations can be brought to church Sunday morning, September 24, or no later than 3:00 p.m. that day.

Hunger Hike

The Hunger Hike is our main fundraiser for buying the necessary food to stock the FISH pantry in December. The October 1 hike is not long, one to two miles, and we can use hikers of any age. Everyone interested in seeing that Peace continue the emergency food delivery ministry called FISH can be a sponsor. Sponsors pledge money on one or more hiker sheets on the table in the Narthex.

Donate funds to Disaster Relief in Texas

Right now funds are critical. You can learn more about what is happening in Texas and Louisiana, and what the needs are, by reading these posts from [Bishop Michael Rinehart, Texas-Louisiana Gulf Coast Synod](#) and from [Bishop Ray Tiemann, Southwestern Texas Synod](#). Please donate what you can to either synod in Texas or to [Lutheran Disaster Response for Hurricane Harvey](#). Any disaster gifts sent directly to the Southeastern Synod for Hurricane Harvey will be forwarded on to the affected synods. If you are a Thrivent member and donate through your Thrivent site, your donation will be matched 100%. It can still go through the ELCA. Lutheran Disaster Response is an appropriate place to donate for Hurricane Irma as well. Thrivent members might wait a few days to see what Thrivent offers in the way of matching fund.

NURTURE

October Train Ride

We have our tour group of 22 people for the October 22 trip. We need to be at the Etowah Depot and Museum by (or a little before) 1:30 p.m. We will be shuttled by bus to our train departure site. Some may choose to travel there on their own, but if you want to carpool from Peace leaving about 11:45, please let Donna Ellstrom know when you give her the \$48 for each ticket. Light snacks and soft drinks are available, but do not count on eating your lunch on the train. If you are driving, you will probably do your own map search, but it looks like taking I-75 to highway 30 to Etowah is the fastest route. The map search suggested a one hour 15 minute travel time from Knoxville.

Women of Peace

The Women of Peace will meet September 19, at 10:00 a.m. at Peace. Julie Stepp, Ginger Tevault's daughter, will involve us in a creative and collaborative activity called "makerspaces." Rosemary Ried and Anita Hemmeter will provide refreshments. You are invited to attend whether you are a "regular" or not.

TGIF Pizza for FISH

We will have a TGIF Pizza Dinner benefitting FISH, on **September 29 at Peace, starting at 6:00 p.m.** The Simons got a Thrivent Action Team award for the pizza supplies. Your complete pizza dinner will be provided; however, if you want wine or beer with your pizza then please bring that. Your donation of what you might have spent at a restaurant will all go to stock the FISH pantry in December. In fact, if Simons have any Thrivent money left over, they will donate that to the West Knox County FISH Pantry for nonfood items like diapers and toilet paper.

People Update

Tony Kampwerth is at Shannondale in Room 512. Gary Kratts is recovering at home.

Women's Book Group

On Tuesday, October 3, at 10 a.m. we will discuss *Small Great Things* by Jodi Picoult, a novel about race and prejudice in America. Looking ahead: November 7, *The Underground Railroad* by Colson Whitehead.

MISCELLANEOUS

Dear Members of Peace

Thank you so much for all of your cards, thoughts, and prayers during Gary's hospital stay. There is still a long way to go before Gary has his complete health back but he is on the road to recovery. We believe that it is because of your love and concern that he has progressed as far as he has already. Love and Thank you, Eva and Gary (and Gretchen and Natalie too.)

2018 Offering Envelopes

A limited number of 2018 offering envelope sets are now available for those wanting to utilize them. If you are wishing to use offering envelopes for next year, please contact the church office by 9/29 to request your set. -Kevin Burnett, Financial Secretary

Louie Bluie Music and Arts Festival

The 11th annual Louie Bluie Music and Arts Festival will be held Sat, Sept 30 at Cove Lake State Park in Caryville, TN from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. There will be 4 tents filled with musicians on a rotating basis (too many to attend all). There are arts, crafts and food vendors. There is a juried quilt show where attendees can vote in a people's choice contest. There are kids activities including a kids parade and an acoustic jam session open to all players. Howard "Louie Bluie" Armstrong was a self taught artist and blues musician who lived in the 1920's. As a child, he made his own paint brushes using fur from his cat's tail. He spoke several languages and played numerous instruments. If you love the arts, music, and a good time, you will certainly enjoy this. The sign up sheet is on the bulletin board in the Narthex hallway. We will meet at 9:30 a.m. in the church parking lot. This is a free event, only 30-45 minutes from Knoxville. The organizers do ask for a donation. Contact Adele Soucy for more information.

Go here for the latest news from the ELCA & the Southeastern Synod.

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<https://sites.google.com/a/elca-ses.org/elca/>