

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



February 7, 2018

Transfiguration of Our Lord

February 11, 2018

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

Peace Weekly Calendar

Wednesday, February 7

5:00 p.m. Worship &
Spirituality Commission
6:00 p.m. Men of Peace
6:30 p.m. Choir Practice

Thursday, February 8 *Pastor Ralph's Day Off*

12:00 p.m. S-Anon
7:00 p.m. Tai Chi

Saturday, February 10

9:00 a.m. Assistant Training
12:00 p.m. Al-Anon
2:00 p.m. Portrait Art Class
6:00 p.m. Valentine Dinner/Youth
Fundraiser

Sunday, February 11

Lifting of Silver
8:30 a.m. Worship w/Communion
9:40 a.m. Sunday School
10:45 a.m. Worship w/Communion
2:30 p.m. Al-Anon
4:00 p.m. Confirmation
4:00 p.m. KADA Meeting

Monday, February 12

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

Tuesday, February 13

10:00 a.m. Men's Book Club
6:15 p.m. Troop 22040

Wednesday, February 14

10:15 a.m. PR Bible Study
6:00 p.m. Ash Wednesday Meal
7:00 p.m. Ash Wednesday Worship

Thursday, February 15

Pastor Ralph's Day Off

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

Saturday, February 17

12:00 p.m. Al-Anon
2:00 p.m. Portrait Art Class

Sunday, February 18

8:30 a.m. Worship w/Communion
9:40 a.m. Sunday School
10:45 a.m. Worship w/Communion
2:30 p.m. Al-Anon
4:00 p.m. Confirmation

Serving on Sunday

8:30 a.m. & 10:45 a.m.
Worship with Holy Communion
2/11/2018

8:30

Assisting Minister: Hudnall
Lector/Comm. Asst.: McLemore
Sound: Kratts
Usher: Terwell
Greeter: Gage
Altar Guild: Gage

10:45

Assisting Minister: Burnett
Lector/Comm Asst.: Toby
Sound: Barnes
Ushers: Ellstrom
Greeter: Toby
Altar Guild: Toby (Jaden)
Bread & Wine: Buckley
Tellers: Schuller, K., Toby
Coffee: TBA

Peace Prayers

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

Members: Cassie Barnes, Ernie Dickson, Anne Hudnall, Ida Jenkins, Tony Kampwerth, 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); **John Anderson** (Tasha Abbott's step father); **Rosemary Aumaugher** (mother of Gary Aumaugher); **Courtney, Marlon, and Heaven Beverly** (friends of Marianne & Andy Stephansen); **Jeff Brig & Vincent Briguccia** (Eileen Zetterberg's sons); **David Brondos** (missionary to Mexico); **Rosemary Clause** (Sue Carlson's cousin); **Betty Collins** (Butch Henderson's sister); **Jeff Davidson** (friend of Janet Barnes); **Maryann Dusbabek** (Eva Kratts aunt); **Al & Lois Etzler** (Pete's brother & sister-in-law); **Kristyn Farley** (daughter of Marianne Stephansen's friend); **Amy Franken** (sister of Kristi Shedden); **Andy Hedberg** (cousin of Simone Hedberg); **Sarah Kane** (friend of Stegner's); **Adele Krans** (John Stegner's sister); **Jan Law** (Sue Nevedal's mother); **Kenneth Lee** (son of Eric Carlson's friend); **Julie** (Friend of Lisa Lyford); **Wendy Mallaber** (Gary Kratts' sister); **Matthew Meyer** (grandson of Morrie & Suellen Meyer); **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); **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); **Amy Jo Smith** (Emily Anderson's mother); **Stasiunus family** (friends of the Stegner's); **Mary Jo Thompson** (Adele Soucy's cousin); **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); **Terra Caldwell** (Ginger Tevault's niece)

ELCA Prayer Ventures

February 7-14

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Pray that, for the sake of the gospel, we are faithful in serving our neighbor, spreading the good news and sharing our blessings with all people in every context and situation of life without expectation of reward, praise or recognition.

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As seasonal jobs and employment wane, we remember in our prayers those in our communities who are unemployed and underemployed, and we pray we are supportive in ways that recognize and value their gifts, help network and connect people, attend to daily needs and respect the dignity of individuals.

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Pray the spirit of God at work in us will motivate us to say “yes” daily to the covenant made in baptism to live among God’s faithful people, hear the word of God and share in the Lord’s Supper, proclaim the good news of God in Christ through word and deed, serve all people following the example of Jesus, and strive for justice and peace in all the earth.

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“Praise the Lord! How good it is to sing praises to our God” (Psalm 147:1). Give thanks to God for caring for those who live in sadness, suffer injustice, feel powerless or are treated as outcasts; ask God to remind us of our call to be God’s caring hands, voice and presence in the world.

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Transfiguration of Our Lord

When confused about God’s purpose for us and the future of the church, we pray God will stir our faith and enlighten our vision, reminding us to not seek refuge in what is familiar and safe but instead venture into our communities, uncomfortable situations and the world to share the good news and serve our neighbor.

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Pray for the ELCA Youth Gathering staff, volunteers, youth and adult participants, congregations and synods preparing for the Youth Gathering, Multicultural Youth Leadership Event and The tAble pre-event for “definitely-abled” youth in Houston this summer.

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Pray that our work, service and ministries are not for our own satisfaction, recognition or legacy but for the proclaiming of the good news of Jesus Christ and the benefit of our neighbor.

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Ash Wednesday

We pray with humility and repentance as we begin our journey through Lent that, even in our imperfection and weakness, we never lose sight of the good news that God’s love and mercy are unwavering and that our lives are made new and whole through our baptism into Christ’s life, death and resurrection..

Birthdays

2/12 John Burnett
2/12 Pam Kish
2/12 Andrew Kroninger
2/12 Judy Terwell

Baptismal Anniversary

2/7 Libby Anderson
2/12 Jason McLemore

WORSHIP

Lenten Devotion

Peace has purchased Lenten devotions, one per family. Please pick one up after worship on Sunday. Pastor Ralph will be using them as the basis for some of the sermons in Lent.

Save the Date

The combined choirs of Peace Lutheran Church, Shepherd of the Lake Lutheran Church and the Episcopal Church of the Good Samaritan will be presenting *Requiem* by John Rutter with orchestra on Wednesday, March 21 at 7:00 p.m. at Good Samaritan. A requiem is a mass for the repose of the souls of the dead, and is traditionally sung during Lent and Holy Week. This setting by John Rutter is written in both Latin (more about that later!) and English, and is both beautiful and extremely moving. It will propel us into a deeply meaningful observance of Holy Week and celebration of Easter.

Share a Quote

These past four Sundays I have offered up a quote at the beginning of the service that reflects on the day's sermon. I am wondering if you have read something and would like to share a quote. If you think it speaks to the gospel, send it to me and I can share it with the congregation at the beginning of the service. I might even use it in the sermon. Send it to me (Pastor Ralph) at ralphkirkpatrick@me.com and put in the subject line: Words to Think About.

STEWARDSHIP

The Latest News on "Our Roof has a Hole in It"

We are very excited because we have a new roof on the way. The council approved our recommendation for Holland Roofing to do the job for \$26,869 and a signed contract has been mailed to their office. We have a total in the roofing fund of \$31,000 between cash in hand and pledges. We anticipate that there will be other expenses as there usually are when one is redoing a building project. Thanks for all the enthusiasm and support. You probably won't need to stock up on umbrellas.

DISCIPLESHIP

Sunday Morning Adult Education

Have you ever wanted a deeper relationship with God? Have you ever wondered how to get there? Maybe that depth can happen through Centering Prayer. For the next two weeks Pastor Ralph will be leading our Sunday morning Adult Education hour in an

introduction to the Christian practice of *Centering Prayer: Entering into the Silence with God*. Please come and be a part of this experience.

Women and Justice: An ELCA Draft Social Statement

A flyer was placed in your worship folder describing the work on the latest ELCA social statement. This draft will be the topic of discussion during the adult Sunday school hour beginning February 18. You can get your study copy from Allan Ellstrom on Sunday.

VBS will be the week of July 9-13

VBS will be the week of July 9-13 from 9:00 a.m. to noon. Our theme is Jesus Times and children will be experiencing life during the time of Christ. We need some help making tunics for the children to wear each day. Fabric donations are welcome as well. If you have sewing skills or fabric to donate please let me know. We could use more adult volunteers for the week, so step up a spend a day with us this summer. Any questions please contact me anytime, Anne Hudnall.

Valentine's Dinner / Fundraiser - SATURDAY!

Please join us on February 10 in the fellowship hall at 6:00 p.m. for a Valentine's Dinner/Fundraiser to help the youth raise money for their summer activities in June. Sign up on the sheet on the board in the Narthex or contact Kristi Shedden at 865-684-3827 if you have any questions. Thank you.

OUTREACH

Lifting of Silver

The Second Sunday Lifting of Silver will be this Sunday, February 11. Your donations help ELCA Pastor David and Alicia Brondos continue their ministry in Mexico.

Dying: Ashes

We are heading towards Lent. And, as we will gather for ashes, we must always remember that the one thing God desires for us to give up, is not something as mundane as chocolate or coffee, but something much more valuable; something God really wants. This Lent, let go of this world and give yourself to God.

Thank You FISH Teams

Linda McClanahan took the calls Saturday morning for the two teams to deliver Saturday, February 3, to deliver. Audrey Henderson, Angie Moore, Jan Larson, Mary Ellen Kangas, and Donna Ellstrom traveled to locations east, south, and north in Knox County to take food to about 50 individuals, half of them children. As one grandmother raising six grandchildren said, "Two days with no school for the children and she needed help feeding them." All programs that provide food for the hungry are important: this grandmother knew the importance of the school lunch program for providing nutrition for her family.

NURTURE

Men's Book Club

The Men's Book Club will meet Tuesday, February 13 at 9:30 a.m. The book is "All the Light We Cannot See" by Anthony Doerr. It is a Pulitzer Prize winner. Come join us. You don't need to have finished the book to join the discussion.

Ash Wednesday meal...Happy Valentine's Day!

We will have a potluck dinner at 6:00 p.m. on February 14 before the Ash Wednesday service, at 7:00 p.m. There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board. Please join us for a time of fellowship as we prepare our hearts for the Lenten season. ~Nurture Commission

Women of Peace

The Women of Peace will meet Tuesday, February 20, at 10:00 a.m. here at Peace. We will share travel experiences and take ourselves out for lunch afterward. This is January's program that didn't happen because of weather, but fortunately the cleaning of the kitchen was accomplished. No cleaning required at the February meeting.

Peace Women's Book Group

On Tuesday, March 6, at 10:00 a.m. we will discuss a World War II novel, Lilac Girls, by Martha Hall Kelly. Looking ahead: April 3, Pastrix by Nadia Bolz-Webber.

MISCELLANEOUS

Welcome Baby Knox Gagley

Let's help Katie and Brent Gagley welcome Baby Knox. Bring a book for Knox, and, if you would like, the fix'ns for a quick meal for mom and dad. The book can be any children's book you love (Knox's mom and dad will have to read them to him for now). The food fix'ns should be something mom and dad can keep in the freezer or the pantry for those busy days. Bring them to church on Sunday, February 11. There will be a basket in the fellowship hall for the books and a spot for food. If you have any questions, see Susan McLemore or Anne Hudnall.

Justice

Did you know that in Knoxville we are at a crisis in affordable housing? Yes, homes are being built, nearly 1,600 in Knoxville last year, showing we have a strong housing market, but in that same timeframe, Knoxville lost 800 units of affordable housing. As a community, we are forcing "the least of these" out of a place to call home. And it is not always who you think. My Reilly and her children, even though she has a good job, would need to make \$17 an hour to afford an average two-bedroom apartment Knoxville.

Closing the Door

As we have moved into winter, we are asking that you be mindful as you leave the church to make sure the door fully closes behind you. The two front doors in particular tend not to close. Let's keep our church safe!

