

# 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*



March 28, 2018

## **Easter Day**

**April 1, 2018**

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

# *Peace Weekly Calendar*

## **Thursday, March 29**

*Maundy Thursday*

12:00 p.m. S- Anon

7:00 p.m. Maundy Thursday Worship

## **Friday, March 30**

*Good Friday*

7:00 p.m. Good Friday Worship

## **Saturday, March 31**

10:00 a.m. Choir Rehearsal

10:30 a.m. Easter Egg-Stravaganza

12:00 p.m. Al-Anon

2:00 p.m. Portrait Art Group

## **Sunday, April 1**

*Easter Sunday*

8:30 a.m. Worship w/Communion

9:15 a.m. Youth Easter Breakfast

10:45 a.m. Worship w/Communion

2:30 p.m. Al-Anon

## **Monday, April 2**

5:30 p.m. Al-Anon

5:45 p.m. Commission Leaders  
Outreach Commission

6:00 p.m. VDC Men

7:00 p.m. Tai Chi

## **Tuesday, April 3**

10:00 a.m. Women's Book Club

6:30 p.m. Troop 20227

7:00 p.m. Knox Homeowners

## **Wednesday, April 4**

10:15 a.m. PR Bible Study

5:00 p.m. Worship & Spirituality  
Commission Meeting

## **Thursday, April 5**

*Pastor Ralph's Day Off*

12:00 p.m. S- Anon

7:00 p.m. Troop 20574

## **Saturday, April 7**

*FISH Deliveries*

8:00 a.m. Men's Breakfast

8:00 a.m. Church Clean-Up

12:00 p.m. Al-Anon

2:00 p.m. Portrait Art Group

## ***Serving on Sunday***

*8:30 a.m. & 10:45 a.m.*

*Worship with Holy Communion*  
*4/1/2018*

### **8:30**

**Assisting Minister:** Kratts

**Lector/Comm. Asst.:** McLemore

**Sound:** Kratts

**Usher:** Anderson

**Greeter:** Hudnall

**Altar Guild:** McClanahan

### **10:45**

**Assisting Minister:** Ellstrom, D.

**Lector/Comm Asst.:** Mustaleski

**Sound:** Barnes

**Ushers:** Ellstrom, Burnett

**Greeter:** Etzlers

**Altar Guild:** Schuller

**Bread & Wine:** Terwell

**Tellers:** Ellstrom, D., Tevault

# *Peace Prayers*

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

**Members:** Cassie Barnes, Ernie Dickson, Mary Gage, Ida Jenkins, Tony Kampwerth, Gary Kratts, Bethany Ladner, Bill McCamy, Stacy Nelson, David & Charlene Ottinger, Noreen Quirand, Carla Schirmer, Dee Smolik, 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); **Martha Kratts** (Gary Kratts' Mother); **Andy Hedberg** (cousin of Simone Hedberg); family of **Jim Kemp**, who passed away (cousin of Deb Stegner); **Adele Krans** (John Stegner's sister); **Jan Law** (Sue Nevedal's mother); **Kenneth Lee** (son of Eric Carlson's friend); **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); **Mike Murrell** (former co-worker of Allan Ellstrom); **Sue Noonchester** (Friend of Carla Schirmer); **Lisa Oakley** (co-worker of Nancy Simon); **Greg Pfahles** (Cousin of Sue Carlson); **Deb Phillips** (former teacher of Angie Moore); **Taylor Ramsey** (friend of Carlsons); **Rogers Family** (friends of Angie Moore); **Charles Savas Family** (friends of Rosemary Ried); **Mel Schulz** (Eva Kratts' uncle); **Amy Jo Smith** (Emily Anderson's mother); **Stasiunus family** (friends of the Stegners); **Mary Jo Thompson** (Adele Soucy's cousin); **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*

*March 28 - April 4*

**28**

Whenever we gather as the people of God to celebrate Holy Communion, we come together to receive God's grace and to be nourished and sustained for sharing our faith, serving our neighbor and growing the church. Give thanks and praise to God for the presence of Jesus Christ in the sacrament of Holy Communion through the power of the Holy Spirit.

**29**

*Maundy Thursday*

Pray we, as modern-day disciples, are not afraid to draw close to one another and our neighbor to better understand and serve each other with humility, empathy, compassion and courage.

**30**

*Good Friday*

At the foot of the cross and remembering the suffering and death of Jesus on our behalf, we reaffirm that, although we are not strangers to sin, darkness and death, we also live in the reality of God's mercy, grace and new life given to us through the risen Jesus. With both humility and joy, raise up prayers of thanks and praise to God.

**31**

*Vigil of Easter*

In the midst of the joy and thankfulness bound up in the good news of Easter and Jesus' resurrection, we confess we sometimes have questions and skepticisms we keep to ourselves. Ask God to create in us hearts and minds receptive to the wonderful gift and mystery of our salvation, place people in our lives who encourage our faith, and help us be alert to signs of God's redemptive presence and work in the world.

**1**

*Easter Day*

Christ is risen! We rejoice and ask God's Spirit to live in us and dispel our doubts, hesitations and fears and fill us with faith and amazement over God's miraculous, unconstrained love for us.

**2**

The body of Christ spans every nation and all people, without partiality. Ask God to make us bold witnesses of our faith and the good news of Jesus Christ – close to home and throughout the world.

**3**

Continue to pray for victims of gun violence and their families; for communities, students and those terrorized by all too familiar acts of violence across our nation, and pray for those who commit acts of violence and those who are unmoved by these tragedies. Ask God's forgiveness for our failings and the ways in which we have – knowingly or unintentionally – cultivated or supported a culture of violence, hatred, anger and fear. Pray God will guide and embolden us to do what is necessary to turn the tide of violence and build a counter-culture where people can experience God's intended peace and life abundant.

**4**

Remember in prayer, especially during Arab American Heritage Month, the diverse gifts and challenges of our Arab and Middle Eastern brothers, sisters and congregations, and their unique stories and heritages that are part of a larger story that makes up the ELCA and reminds us of the rich history and tradition of Christ's church in the world.

## Birthdays

3-28 Morrie Meyer  
3-31 Bill Larson  
3-31 Karen Burnett  
4-1 Susan McLemore  
4-3 Lisa Lyford

## Wedding Anniversary

4-1 Phyllis & Pete Etzler

## Baptismal Anniversary

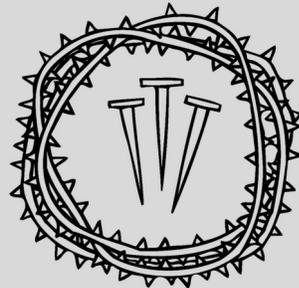
3-28 Deb Stegner  
Molly Biscoe  
4-3 Bill Halsey

# Holy Week at Peace



MARCH 29 AT 7:00 P.M.

MARCH 30 AT 7:00 P.M.



MARCH 31 AT 10:30 A.M.

APRIL 1 AT  
8:30 A.M. & 10:45 A.M.  
Breakfast will be served from 9:15 -10:45.



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## ***DISCIPLESHIP***

### **Eggstravaganza**

Please plan to join in the fun at Eggstavananza March 31 at 10:30 a.m. Kids of all ages will make butterflies for the church windows, make a craft to take home, have their face painted, hear the Easter story, enjoy a snack and of course hunt for Easter Eggs! Bring your friends and neighbors.

### **Women and Justice: An ELCA Draft Social Statement**

Thank you to everyone who participated in the discussion of this new ELCA Social Statement. Please remember to complete your evaluation of the Draft Statement. You can mail it to the address on the response form or give it to Allan Ellstrom by Sunday, April 15. If you did not participate in the class, you are invited to read the Social Statement and submit comments. Ask Allan for a copy.

## ***OUTREACH***

### **Snacks for Cedar Bluff**

Cedar Bluff Elementary can use our help providing snacks again. The school wants snacks for any time of day, snacks that are not loaded with sugar. Of course, the snacks should have no nuts, as usual. The snacks should be shelf stable and edible with no spoon. This could take some creative shopping, but we can meet this challenge. There will be a collection basket in the hallway.

### **Justice Knox--Save the Date!**

You can make a difference just by attending the Nehemia Action Assembly on April 30 at 6:15. You won't need to speak or carry a sign; just be there. The location will be announced soon.

### **Help for Steps House**

The basket has moved to the little room on the south side of the Narthex. Your donations are always welcome for the men of Steps House.

## ***NURTURE***

### **Peace Women's Book Group**

On Tuesday, April 3, at 10:00 a.m., we will discuss Pastrix: The Cranky, Beautiful Faith of a Sinner & Saint, by Nadia Bolz-Weber. Looking ahead: May 1: The Women in the Castle by Jessica Shattuck

### **Cluster Meeting for Women**

If attending a meeting of women from East Tennessee ELCA churches interests you, contact Donna Ellstrom for more information. The meeting is April 21 at Our Savior Lutheran Church in Gatlinburg.

### **Peace Women's Meet-Up**

For many years the women of Peace have been meeting one Tuesday morning a month and gathering annually for a Wild Women Weekend. The morning meeting time is obviously not convenient for those of us who work at home or in the office or at school.

So, to provide another opportunity for women to get together, we invite you to join us for a quick gathering one Saturday morning a month.

Grab your yogurt and juice, or take a quick run through the drive-through line and join us for breakfast at 8:00 a.m. on a Saturday in April, May and June. There is no cooking, no program and no agenda. It is just a time to be together.

Let's meet-up for three months and see if it is something we like. We can continue if there is interest, or perhaps this meet-up can morph into something else. Questions? Contact Kathleen Schuller

Dates: April 14 at 8:00 a.m., May and June to be determined.

### ***MISCELLANEOUS***

#### **Thrivent Members, Read This**

If you qualify for Thrivent Choice Dollars, be aware that you have until March 31, 2018, to direct your 2017 Choice Dollars. After that date, they are lost. Peace Lutheran is one place to direct your Choice Dollars, but not the only place. You may direct your dollars by going to [www.Thrivent.com/thriventchoice](http://www.Thrivent.com/thriventchoice) or by calling 800-847-4836 and saying Thrivent Choice when prompted. The phone line is active until 6:00 pm Monday through Friday.

#### **Beardsley Farm**

Beardsley Farm, located near the Mobile Meals kitchen off Western Avenue, grows food for agencies such as Mobile Meals and provides help to urban and suburban gardeners. A small crew and many volunteers do good work for nutrition and ending hunger.

In early June this year Beardsley Farm will host their second Farm Camp for rising 4th and 5th graders, probably from a Boys and Girls Club in a low-income neighborhood. Since the target population is not wealthy, Beardsley Farm is looking for groups and individuals who can sponsor children to attend this camp and who can generally support financially the work they do at the farm.

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Amounts of \$100 or more are welcome, but don't let the large amount deter you if you want to make a smaller donation. This is a worthy nonprofit, and it might appeal to you, if you like growing things, good nutrition, and/or children. Send your donation, made payable to Beardsley Farm, to Beardsley Farm, PO Box 51650, Knoxville, TN 37950.

### **Save Your Bottle Caps**

Zoo Knoxville needs your bottle caps to create recycled art at Zoo Camp this summer. Soda bottles, juice bottles, milk cartons, etc. Start your collection. When you get a bag full, bring them to Peace and give them to Allan. There is no rush, but you can use this note to dream a little bit about summer. Thank you.

### **Let's Clean the Devil out of our Church**

Saturday, April 7th will be the big day,  
We'll wash, sweep, and dust the devil away.  
8:00 a.m. sharp is when we'll begin to scrub,  
But have no fear we'll start by munching the donuts you love.  
Come one, come all it's time to pitch in,  
Bring your mops and rags, but most definitely a grin!

*The signup sheet is on the Bulletin Board in the Narthex.*

***What: Peace Lutheran Cleaning Day***

***When: Saturday, April 7 from 8:00 a.m. - Noon***