

# **Weekly Messenger**

## **Reaching UP-IN-OUT**

Ministers: All Members of Peace Lutheran  
Ralph Kirkpatrick, Pastor



January 11-18, 2017

## **Second Sunday of Epiphany**

### **January 15, 2017**

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

## *Peace Weekly Calendar*

### **Wednesday, January 11**

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

### **Thursday, January 12**

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

### **Saturday, January 14**

8:00 a.m. Men's Breakfast  
9:30 a.m. Tai Chi  
12:00 p.m. Al-Anon  
2:00 p.m. Portrait Art Class

### **Sunday, January 15**

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

### **Monday, January 16**

#### **Pastor Ralph's Day Off**

1:30 p.m. Shake Your Soul Dance  
5:30 p.m. Al-Anon  
6:00 p.m. VDC Men  
6:30 p.m. Troop 20  
7:00 p.m. Tai Chi

### **Tuesday, January 17**

6:30 p.m. Troop 20574  
7:00 p.m. TN Valley Ensemble  
7:00 p.m. Council Mtg

### **Wednesday, January 18**

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

## *Serving this Sunday*

*Worship with Holy Communion*

1/15/2017

### **8:30**

**Assisting Minister:** Linda McClanahan  
**Lector/Comm. Asst.:** Susan McLemore  
**Sound:** George Anderson  
**Usher:** Kratts  
**Greeter:** Terwell  
**Altar Guild:** Amy Anderson

### **10:45**

**Assisting Minister:** John Burnett  
**Lector/Comm Asst.:** Nancy Simon  
**Sound:** Allan Ellstrom  
**Ushers:** Stegner, Klukken  
**Greeter:** Hemmeter  
**Altar Guild:** Kathleen Schuller  
**Bread & Wine:** Storm  
**Tellers:** Burnett, A. Ellstrom  
**Coffee:** McLemore, Carlson  
**Nursery:** Donna Ellstrom

# *Peace Prayers*

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

**Members:** Cassie Barnes, Karen Burnett, Ernie Dickson, Gary Kratts, Bill McCamy, Stacy Nelson, David & Charlene Ottinger, Carla Schirmer, Ruth Stallmann, Eileen Zetterburg

**Prayers of Thanksgiving:** **Megan & Paul Newpher** are expecting their first baby in January

**Family & Friends:** **Samantha Adamson** (niece of Eva Kratts); **Rosemary Aumaugher** (mother of Gary Aumaugher); **Courtney & Marlon Beverly** (friend of Marianne & Andy Stephansen); **Vincent Briguccia** (Eileen Zetterberg's son); **David Brondos** (missionary to Mexico); **Terry Caldwell** (brother-in-law of Ginger Tevault); **Rosemary Clause** (Sue Carlson's cousin); **Jeff Davidson** (friend of Janet Barnes); **Maryann Dusbabek** (Eva Kratts aunt); **Erika** (former student of Lisa Lyford); **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); **Barbara Hudnall** (Tim Hudnall's mother); Sarah Kane (friend of Stegners); **Adele Krans** (John Stegner's sister); **Jan Law** (Sue Nevedal's mother); **Wendy Mallaber** (Gary Kratts' sister); **Willie McClain** (Julia Zeller's father); **Dr. Mike McCoy & family** in the loss of his beloved son, Patrick (friends of Eric & Sue Carlson); **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); **Lorraine Rajkowski** (Gary Kratts' co-worker); **Charles Savas Family** (friends of Rosemary Ried); **Mel Schulz** (Eva Kratts' uncle); **Justin Selle and Bethany Ladner** (friends of Larry Etzler); **Stasiunus family** (friends of the Stegners); **Rick Streeter** (family friend of the Hudnalls); **Kitty Thompson** (Adele Soucy's sister); **John Wehrs** (Jennifer Utesch's brother); **Scott Weimer** (Cousin of Allan Ellstrom); **Sandy White** (friend of the Hendersons); **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* January 11-18

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We give thanks to God for traditions of the past that still carry meaning and value for us and for traditions that are shifting or being newly formed as the world changes and we are moved by God's creative power and presence.

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The ELCA strategy for Accompanying Migrant Minors with Protection, Advocacy, Representation and Opportunities (AMMPARO) is rooted in concern for the plight of children forced to flee their communities, particularly in Central America and Mexico. We ask God to help us be bold and wise in our compassion and actions, responsible partners in finding solutions and work together as welcoming congregations for the sake of those who are most vulnerable—children and families.

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We remember in our prayers our elders, those who are ill, and people who struggle with mobility who are homebound or living in places of care and pray that we are mindful of including them in the life of our congregations and affirming their value as brothers and sisters in Christ.

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Uncertain of what awaits us each day and what the year ahead holds for us, we ask God to grant us courage, hope and wisdom for facing the challenges and tasks that take us by surprise.

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Just as Jesus' disciples shared their experiences and introduced others to him as the promised Messiah, we pray that we are enthused to go out of our way to share with people our faith and the good news of Jesus Christ.

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*Martin Luther King Jr. Day*

We remember in our prayers people, past and present, who stand and advocate with humility and courage for the rights, well-being and value of all people—God's people—who suffer injustice, mistreatment, neglect or oppression.

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We are grateful to God for our global partners, companion churches and international leaders throughout the world and pray they continue to grow and flourish in their outreach and ministries for the sake of the world and the spreading of the good news of Jesus Christ.

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Today begins the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, and we pray for reconciliation and unity among all Christians, embracing our common identity as members of the body of Christ, children of God, called to share the gospel and serve our neighbor—together.

## **We need nursery help!**

As you know we do not have a “permanent” Nursery Attendant for our second service. We have been relying on Volunteers from our congregation to fill that need. We need some folks to help until we are able to secure someone to permanently fill the post. Please contact Andrea in the Church Office at 865-690-9201 or [peaceknoxville@icloud.com](mailto:peaceknoxville@icloud.com)

## **DISCIPLESHIP**

### **Adult Sunday School**

From the producers of “**Reformation Roots**” comes “**We Must Plant The Church**, The Story of Lutherans in America.” This multi-week series will consist of a DVD viewing, and discussion of the information presented. Our first session (January 8) is titled “*On New Soil: The Colonial Lutherans.*” This Sunday the topic is: “In Times of Trial: Arriving in Waves.” On January 22, the session is titled: “To Meet Human Needs: Building Institutions.”

### **Adult Bible Study**

Pastor Ralph’s Adult Bible Study continues each Wednesday at 10:30 a.m.. This year is the 4th of our narrative lectionary and completes the cycle of the gospels. As always the readings begin in Genesis and in chronological order move through the Old Testament. Our Gospel cycle this year is the gospel of Luke. Please let Pastor Ralph know if you are planning on attending so that he can get you some support materials before each class.

## **OUTREACH**

### **Help for Gatlinburg**

Our Savior Lutheran Church in Gatlinburg will be very involved in the recovery in Sevier County. They will be hosting teams of volunteers who will be placed with families in Sevier County needing help in rebuilding their lives. The Southeastern Synod of ELCA works with FEMA to identify and help people; the help could last for months or even years. Our Savior is the home-away-from-home for these volunteers. Our Savior is a small congregation; they have never done anything like this before, and they are reaching out to other East Tennessee Lutheran churches for monetary help to buy supplies they need to be the host.

*Sunday January 22 will be the day we can help from our pocket books.* You may have already donated to the disaster fund, but this is help for a nearby friend. Decide what is reasonable for you and donate to Our Savior’s mission of helping volunteers help the people who were devastated by fire.

### **Hands-on Volunteering for Fire Victims**

Our Savior did not ask for our physical help, but if that is what you would like to do, there are two websites that give information about when, where and how you can do that. A person can simply show up at the Volunteer Reception Center, 1304

Parkway, Sevierville any day of the week from 8:00 am to 8:00 pm. If you like some idea of what needs to be done, then check the website first: [www.mountaintough.org](http://www.mountaintough.org). Another website, Volunteer East Tennessee, [www.volunteeretn.org](http://www.volunteeretn.org), had information about a secondary warehouse in Knoxville that needed volunteers.

### **Steps House Donations**

The basket for donations to Steps House has moved into the store room behind the coat rack. You can find the KARM donations box there as well. Your donations are welcome any time of the year.

### **Kroger Community Rewards**

We need you. We recently received the results from the Kroger Community Rewards Program for the last quarter. We will get a check for \$207.58 and we currently have 18 families participating in the program. Last year for the same period we received \$285.53 and 23 families were involved in this free program. We are asking you to enroll in this program if you shop at Kroger. Just a reminder, participants need to enroll annually. If you would like to enroll, go to this link: <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. Please direct any questions to Chuck Utesch at [utesch@comcast.net](mailto:utesch@comcast.net).

### **KARM- Thank You**

On Saturday, Christmas Eve, Peace provided the midday meal for over 300 people at Knox Area Rescue Ministry. We served a special meal of ham, mashed potatoes, stuffing, green beans, peaches, corned bread, and chocolate cake. We had a lot of Santa's helpers to prepare and serve the meal. Thanks to our volunteers: Dave and Judy Terwell, Sue Brown and her children Kari and Mike, Ginger Tevault and her daughter Julie and granddaughter Stelmo, Marlene Klukken and her daughter Leisl, Eva Kratts, George Anderson, Anne Hudnall, Linda McClanahan, Pete and Phyllis Etzler with their son Larry and granddaughter Violet and their friend Linda, and Jennifer and Chuck Utesch. We would also like to give a special thanks to Sam's Club on Knoxville Center Drive for donating a \$50.00 gift card and KARM for donating the hams. Our next time to serve will be on Saturday, February 11th, 2017. Watch for information in the Weekly Messengers. We'd love to have you volunteer to help. It is a great way to give back to the community.



## ***NURTURE***

### **Women of Peace**

The January 17 meeting of the Women of Peace will be a laid-back event. Rosemary Ried and Anita Hemmeter will provide refreshments and then we will enjoy a movie together right there in the church. We haven't decided on our movie yet; if you have DVDs you might share with us, bring them with you. We will decide based on our mood that day. Our meeting time is the usual 10:00 am.

### **Men's Breakfast January 14**

Start the first Saturday of the new year with a delicious breakfast and a chance to have some fellowship time with other men of the church! New members of Peace are especially encouraged to come and experience the fun and fellowship. If you want to bring something, a sign up sheet is in the the foyer, and if you bring a food that needs to be prepared, please come early enough to have it ready by 8 a.m. Invite your relatives and friends, too! Questions? Contact Dale Kangas or Bob Storm.

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

On Tuesday, February 7, at 10 a.m. we will discuss Just Mercy by Bryan Stevenson, a memoir about race and the death penalty. Looking ahead: March 7: Reading Lolita in Tehran: a memoir, by Azar Nafisi. Contact Kathleen Schuller if you have questions.

### **Quilting Date for January**

We will be quilting on Tuesday, January 17, after the Tuesday Morning Women's Group meeting. All are welcome to come and give their aid with this project.

## ***MISCELLANEOUS***

### **Thank You!**

Eileen Zetterburg would like to say "Thank You" to everyone for their concern during the loss of her sister, Adele. Every card, visit, and prayer that has been offered has been greatly appreciated.

### **Be a Zoo Volunteer**

Are you looking for another way to volunteer? Consider becoming a Zoo Knoxville volunteer. You can learn more about what volunteers do at Zoo Knoxville at the Volunteer Fair, this Saturday, January 14, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Stop in anytime. Contact Allan Ellstrom for more information.