

# **Weekly Messenger**

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

Ministers: All Members of Peace Lutheran  
Pastor: Ralph Kirkpatrick



March 8-15, 2017

## **Second Sunday in Lent**

### **March 12, 2017**

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

## *Peace Weekly Calendar*

### **Wednesday, March 8**

10:30 a.m. PR Bible Study  
6:00 p.m. Lenten Meal  
7:00 p.m. Lenten Worship  
7:30 p.m. Choir Practice

### **Thursday, March 9**

12:00 p.m. S-Anon Meeting  
3:00 p.m. STEM Scouts  
7:00 p.m. Tai Chi

### **Saturday, March 11**

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

### **Sunday, March 12**

*Daylight Savings Time -  
Spring Forward*

*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

### **Monday, March 13**

*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 20117  
7:00 p.m. Tai Chi

### **Tuesday, March 14**

9:00 a.m. LifeLine Screening  
7:00 p.m. TN Valley Ensemble

### **Wednesday, March 15**

10:30 a.m. PR Bible Study  
6:00 p.m. Lenten Meal  
7:00 p.m. Lenten Worship  
7:30 p.m. Choir Practice

### *Serving this Sunday*

*Worship with Holy Communion*  
3/12/2017

8:30

**Assisting Minister:** Simone Hedberg  
**Lector/Comm. Asst.:** Toni McSorley  
**Sound:** George Anderson  
**Usher:** Kratts  
**Greeter:** Terwell  
**Altar Guild:** Judy Terwell

10:45

**Assisting Minister:** Allan Ellstrom  
**Lector/Comm Asst.:** Nancy Simon  
**Sound:** Klukken  
**Ushers:** Burnett  
**Greeter:** Hemmeter  
**Altar Guild:** Ginger Tevault  
**Bread & Wine:** Hudnall  
**Tellers:** Anderson, Schuller  
**Coffee:** McLemore, Toby  
**Nursery:** Donna Ellstrom

# *Peace Prayers*

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

**Members:** Cassie Barnes, Margaret Blombach, Ernie Dickson, Tim Hudnall, Gary Kratts, Bill Larson, Bill McCamy, Stacy Nelson, David & Charlene Ottinger, Noreen Quirand, Carla Schirmer, Ruth Stallmann

**Prayers of Thanksgiving:** **Betty Lou Bayse** (*Suellen Meyer's mother*) is much improved and is moving to rehab for 100 days; **Justyn Selle**, for successful surgery

**Family & Friends:** **Samantha Adamson** (niece of Eva Kratts); **Rosemary Aumaugher** (mother of Gary Aumaugher); **Betty Lou Bayse** (Suellen Meyer's mother); **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); **Barbara Hudnall** (Tim Hudnall's mother); **Sarah Kane** (friend of Stegners); **Arwen Kirkpatrick** (Pastor and Frannie's oldest daughter); **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); **Willie McClain** (Julia Zeller's father); **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); **Brian Nansel** (brother of Beth English); **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); **Lorraine Rajkowski** (Gary Kratts' co-worker); **Charles Savas Family** (friends of Rosemary Ried); **Mel Schulz** (Eva Kratts' uncle); **Stasiunus family** (friends of the Stegners); **Rick Streeter** (family friend of the Hudnalls); **Kitty Thompson** (Adele Soucy's sister); **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***  
***March 8-15***

8  
Pray for the care and recovery of families, individuals and communities impacted by recent tornadoes, severe weather and flooding, especially in areas of the South and Southeast.

9  
We bring to God our uncomfortable prayers of confession for what we have done and failed to do, for offenses committed against our neighbor, including neglect and rejection, and ask for God's forgiveness, mercy and redirection of our lives, attitudes and behavior.

10  
Pray God will grant us the wisdom and compassion to welcome and accompany strangers, immigrants and refugees who seek safety, freedom or new beginnings and that we not forget we, too, in our life or family histories have been strangers, immigrants and refugees hoping to be met with acceptance, respect and kindness.

11  
We remember in our prayers the nine young adults and their coordinator, the Rev. Tessa Moon Leiseth, serving in the Young Adults in Global Mission program in South Africa and Swaziland.

12  
As Nicodemus approached Jesus under cover of night with his questions, we, too, often come to God when we feel

safe and concealed from others with our questions, confessions and thoughts. Thank God for listening to our every prayer and plea, and for friends, people of faith and communities that engender trust and offer refuge when needed.

13  
Pray for the growth and effectiveness of programs, colleges, universities, seminaries and lay schools for ministry equipping women and men for ministry and further developing their skills and enthusiasm for sharing the gospel in diverse contexts and communities.

14  
During Lent, as we reflect on our lives and faith, we pray that we are honest with ourselves and not defensive about our faults and weaknesses and are always drawn to the cross where we find forgiveness and new life through Jesus Christ.

15  
We direct our confidence and prayers to God when we wonder who will help us, who is paying attention to our lives and who will deliver us from darkness and evil.



## ***WORSHIP***

### **The Seven Last Words of Christ Cantata**

The Peace Lutheran choir, along with choir members of Shepherd of the Lake Lutheran Church, will present *The Seven Last Words of Christ*, a cantata by Theodore Dubois, on Good Friday, April 14 at 7:00 p.m. This is one of the most famous and most performed Lenten cantatas. It is very dramatic and poignant in its message. Mark your calendars now to attend, and please invite your family, friends and neighbors to share in this meaningful evening of music. If you are interested in joining the choir for this special presentation, please see Emily Anderson for details.

## ***DISCIPLESHIP***

### **Baptismal Living - Adult Sunday School Study**

Today during the Sunday school hour and continuing all during Lent, Pastor Ralph will be teaching a class entitled *Baptismal Living*. This class will focus on our Lutheran understanding of what it means to live out your baptism in the world. Background resources will include much of Martin Luther's teaching on baptism and grace. All are invited!

### **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*

### **Lifting of Silver**

Sunday, March 12, is the monthly Lifting of Silver (and Green) for Pastor Brondos in Mexico City. In his last newsletter he compared the situation in Mexico now with the situation in Germany when Martin Luther was preaching and writing against indulgences. Pastor Brondos ministry is teaching to those who will teach and be a pastor to others. We are one of several churches who support his ministry

### **FISH Delivery**

It has been three months since there has been a thank you to delivery teams written for the Messenger. The reason for this is that we have not delivered now for three months. Unfortunately the phone system that connects individuals who call in to Groups who take calls during the week get the help of staff at Middlebrook Pike United Methodist Church is malfunctioning. We are hopeful that the system will be fixed or that a new system will be installed soon so that we can resume making deliveries on the first Saturday of each month.

### **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) 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.**

## *NURTURE*

### **Women of Peace**

The Women of Peace will meet at 10:00 am, March 21, in the fellowship hall of Peace. We have planned a speaker for this meeting, the plans for which are not yet firm. Look for more information to follow. Marlene Klukken and Ginger Tevault will provide light refreshments. In February, the Women of Peace cleaned the kitchen. We mainly read the labels on cupboard doors and drawers and replaced items to match the labels or made new labels. We appreciate users of the kitchen that try to put things back in their proper places. Since our kitchen serves several different groups, it is helpful to be able to know quickly how to find what is needed.

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

On Tuesday, April 4, at 10 a.m. we will discuss *Everything I Never Told You* by Celeste Ng, a novel about a Chinese-American family. Looking ahead: May 2, *Charles and Emma: the Darwins' Leap of Faith* by Deborah Heiligman.

### **Potluck is Back!**

Meals before the 7 p.m. Lenten services will continue this Wednesday and will be held every Wed through April 5th. They are at 6 p.m. and they will be potluck. Nurture Commission members will be in charge of the set up and clean up for the meals but we welcome volunteers to help! Sign up sheets are on the board in the hallway.

## **MISCELLANEOUS**

### **To Garden or Not to Garden**

Visit the Outreach bulletin board to see the opportunity for vegetable gardening here at Peace. Read about the possibility, think about it, then express your opinion. It would be awful to miss an opportunity because we think no one is interested and also awful to start something that has inadequate support. Be honest so that the Outreach Commission will know what to do next.

### **Thrivent Choice Dollars**

Many Thrivent members get *Choice Dollars* to direct to the non-profit organization of their choice. Some members choose to direct those to Peace Lutheran. If you have any *Choice Dollars* left undirected from 2016, they will vanish on March 31, 2017. To direct your dollars to Peace, visit [Thrivent.com/thriventchoice](http://Thrivent.com/thriventchoice) or call 800-847-4836 and say "Thrivent Choice" when prompted. Ask Donna Ellstrom for more detailed instructions if you need them.

### **Life Line Screening**

Life Line Screening is pleased to offer a preventive health event at Peace Lutheran Church on March 14. Five screenings will be offered. Register for a Wellness Package which includes 4 vascular tests and osteoporosis screening from \$149 (\$139 with our member discount). All five screenings take 60-90 minutes to complete. **In order to register for this event and to receive a \$10 discount off any package priced above \$129, please call 1-888-653-6441 or visit <http://lifelinescreening.com/communitycircle>**