

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



October 11, 2017

Nineteenth Sunday of Pentecost **October 15, 2017**

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

Peace Weekly Calendar

Wednesday, October 11

6:00 p.m. Men of Peace
6:30 p.m. Choir Practice

Thursday, October 12

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

Saturday, October 14

9:00 a.m. KARM
12:00 p.m. Al-Anon
2:00 p.m. Portrait Art Class

Sunday, October 15

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, October 16

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, October 17

Pastor Ralph's Day Off
6:30 p.m. Troop 20227

Wednesday, October 18

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

Serving This Sunday
Worship with Holy Communion
10/15/2017

8:30

Assisting Minister: McClanahan
Lector/Comm. Asst.: Larson, B.
Sound: TBA
Usher: Terwell
Greeter: Gage
Altar Guild: Buckley

10:45

Assisting Minister: Ellstrom, A.
Lector/Comm Asst.: Etzler, Phyllis
Sound: Barnes
Ushers: English, Klukken
Greeter: Ried, Shedden
Altar Guild: Kristie Toby (Jaden)
Bread & Wine: Hedberg
Tellers: Ellstrom, D., Schuller
Coffee: Toby, Carlson

Peace Prayers

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

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

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 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 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); **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 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)

ELCA Prayer Ventures

October 11-18

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God's caring presence and attention is not deterred by our times of unfaithfulness, hypocrisy, selfishness or forgetfulness. As sinners and saints, we ask God's forgiveness and pray for renewed faith.

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Lutheran Services in America represents over 300 health and human services organizations reaching 6 million people annually, touching the lives of 1 in 50 people in the U.S. each year. Pray the work of these organizations will thrive and their staff and volunteers be encouraged, supported and equipped for serving the needs of families, individuals and communities.

13

In God's word and Scripture we find commandments, guidance and examples for living in God-pleasing ways, making decisions that consider the needs of others and loving God and neighbor with all our heart. Pray that our minds and hearts are open to God's word and teachings and that we are eager to follow God's ways – no matter how difficult or uncomfortable.

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Give thanks for the beauty of fall, the signs of seasons changing and the abundance of creation entrusted to our use and care.

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We pray that we are eager, articulate witnesses to God's love and mercy, never hesitating to share the good news of Jesus Christ with friends and strangers alike.

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Give thanks for ELCA Mission Builders, people who travel the country using their God-given skills to help ELCA congregations, schools, outdoor ministries and social ministry organizations construct or improve their facilities for the sake of mission and serving their communities.

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Pray for mindfulness to include in our thoughts and prayers the positive things we see and experience in the world, inspiring examples of people serving others and the little signs of light that give us hope and reassure us of God's loving presence and activity in the world.

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We remember in our prayers the 340 ELCA new-start ministries under development in the United States and the Caribbean, and the local leaders, directors for evangelical mission, bishops and synods seeking to grow God's church and extend a welcome to all God's people.

WORSHIP

All Saints Sunday

Please submit names of relatives, friends, etc. who have passed away in the past year for recognition on All Saints' Sunday. The names should be emailed to Andrea no later than Tuesday, October 24 by noon.

Reformation Sunday

On Sunday, October 29, we will be celebrating the 500th anniversary of the Reformation with one service that will begin at 9:30 a.m. There will be special music, a special message, and a celebration that you don't want to miss.

OUTREACH

FISH Thanks

Pete Etzler took the calls so that 16 households, 64 people, could get emergency food delivered by three teams: Tom and Carole Mustaleski, Audrey Henderson, Angie Moore, and Mary Ellen Kangas, and Margaret Blombach and Donna Ellstrom. Sometimes our interactions with our "clients" are very brief, but sometimes we meet delightful people who thank us and brighten our day.

ELCA Disaster Response

If you gave money after the hurricanes to ELCA Disaster Response, you might be interested in reading the brief report about what the money is doing. See that report on the Outreach bulletin board.

Kroger Community Rewards Auto Renewal

It has been brought to our attention that individuals are no longer required to sign up for Kroger Rewards every year. Organizations and individuals are automatically renewed every year on September 1st. At the end of each quarter, Peace Lutheran receives a contribution check and our rewards for the fiscal year 2017 totaled \$826.45 compared to \$886.23 last year. In 2016 we had 25 households participating and 30 households participated in 2017. These monies help offset the cost for our food ministries. If you have not enrolled, you can sign up at the website 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.

Justice Knox

Several of us met here at Peace to listen to each other express concerns about our community. These concerns will be shared with others in the Justice Knox organization in preparation for picking one or two issues of concentration for 2017-18. If you could not attend the listening session on

October 5, it is still not too late to become involved. Ask Pastor Ralph or Donna Ellstrom for more information.

Hunger Hike!

The hike is over, and the prizes awarded. Now we must finish the work of collecting pledges. If you pledged, please write your check to Peace Lutheran and put Hunger Hike in the memo line. The check can go into the offering plate. Remember one check works even if you pledged for more than one hiker. Thank you for being so generous. We will be able to purchase the necessary food to stock the FISH Pantry in December.

KARM Luncheon- October 14

We need volunteers to help serve lunch at KARM on Saturday, October 14. Our menu will be spaghetti, green beans, corn bread, fruit, and chocolate cake. We can show our thanks by serving those less fortunate. Please sign up on the bulletin board at the church or contact Chuck Utesch at (865) 438-1095 or chuck.utesch@gmail.com if you are able to help. We meet at KARM at 9:00 a.m. to begin preparation and we will be finished by 1:00 p.m. KARM is located at 418 N. Broadway. We also meet at the church and leave there at 8:30 a.m. This is a great way to give back to the community.

Global Church Sunday—THIS SUNDAY!

Please welcome our guest, Rachel Carle, to our worship services October 15. She answered the call to give a year to mission work for the ELCA. She went to Cambodia and her blog (ongoingsomewhere.wordpress.com) is a very interesting read. She will speak briefly at each service and will speak also at the reception between services where all are invited to eat a morning snack and socialize with her. We can learn more about ELCA in the world from her words.

NURTURE

Oktoberfest & Stewardship Dinner



Let's celebrate! We have two reasons to come together in celebration on **Saturday, October 28**...Our **Stewardship Campaign** will culminate with a dinner on that date, **AND** we will celebrate the **500th year of the Reformation!** Dinner will be provided and served at **5:30 p.m.** and The Reverend Jim Anderson will speak at **6:30 p.m.** There will be a supervised nursery for children, with engaging activities during the evening. You might look for bratwurst, and perhaps smell kraut in the air that evening...come to find out more! Sign up on the bulletin board in the foyer – don't miss the 500th year!

Prayer Blanket Help Needed!

As all of you know, the Nurture Commission provides prayer blankets to members of our congregation when they are in need. It is to give them comfort in knowing that our congregation is holding them in our hearts and prayers. On each blanket is a label that lets them know that this is from their Peace family. We are in need of someone to sew the labels in the blankets for us. We provide the blankets and the labels. If this is a ministry that you think you might be able to help with, please contact one of the Nurture Commission members. Thanks so much! ~*Sue Carlson, Beth English, Burt English, Linda McClanahan, Deb Stegner, and Judy Terwell – Nurture Commission*

Women of Peace

The Women of Peace will not meet at our regular third Tuesday time since we are taking the Hiwassee Loop train ride on October 22. Our next regular meeting is November 21.

Men's Book Club

Five men got together recently to discuss Salt to the Sea. It was fun and interesting to share personal memories, insights and anecdotes, which made having read the book even more interesting. We chose the next book to be Dispatches from Pluto by Richard Grant (subtitled Lost and Found in the Mississippi Delta). We will meet next on the second Tuesday of the month, October 10, at 9:30 a.m. All men are cordially invited to join us.

October Train Ride

Our trip is scheduled for October 22; since the ride departs from Etowah at 1:30, travelers need to leave Knoxville before noon. The train ride is 3 1/2 hours long; snacks are available for purchase on the train, but it is not a meal. The directions suggest that it will take 1 hour and 15 minutes from Knoxville following I 75 to exit 52, then following TN 305S to TN 30 E. TN 30 E becomes Tennessee Ave; we meet at the railway museum at 727 Tennessee Ave. South before 1:30. The shuttle to the train depot leaves Etowah at 1:30. Donna E. still needs ticket money from a couple of travelers. Anne Hudnall and perhaps some others are willing to drive those who would like to carpool. Please let Donna Ellstrom know if you want to carpool so we will not leave without you.

People Update

Tony Kampwerth is at Shannondale in Room 512.

Women's Book Group

On Tuesday, November 7, at 10 a.m. we will discuss The Underground Railroad by Colson Whitehead, which is a re-imagining of slavery in America. Looking ahead: December 5, The Book of Unknown Americans by Christina Henríquez.

MISCELLANEOUS

Prayer Garden

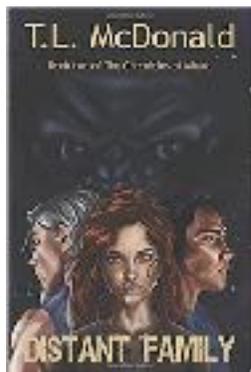
After many months of putting together the project, the work on the Prayer Garden will enter into the next phase of planting. As part of this effort, Anastasia Chitwood is completing the requirements for her final Girl Scout project Gold Award; raising money for plants. In the narthex is a "Project table" with a display that list the plants that will being put into the prayer garden. If you would like to help support her and accomplish this vision for Peace stop by the display and take one or more of the envelopes to make a donation. The Prayer Garden is scheduled to be completed for Reformation Day.

Aging: A Family Affair

This annual conference always has great information plus food and vendors. This year it is November 9 at Rothchild Conference Center. Pay by October 27, and the cost is \$25, including food; later pay \$30. Get a brochure from the Outreach board if you are interested.

Toni McSorley has published another book!

Distant Family: The Chronicles of Mharc: Book 2 is now available on



Amazon.com *"Weary of the long and vicious Mogge war, Commander L' Hyatt Tsaaurine Mharc's rebellious nature is further stretched by the sudden appearance of an antiquated Earth ship and its two pilots arriving in the system with no possible explanation for their presence. The embodiment of the Nihili need to satisfy curiosity, Mharc is driven to find the answer even if she has to risk court martial to do it. There is more danger than even she can imagine, and it will lead her, her loyal crew, her new Earth friends and the mighty Antares to certain destruction if she cannot solve the puzzle in time. And if there were not already enough at stake, she must decide if contact with a member of a secret race,*

resembling living gargoyles, represents doom or salvation. Mharc could have her finest hour, or her utter defeat as she risks everything on a belief once held to be myth."

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