

Weekly Messenger

Reaching UP-IN-OUT

Ministers: All Members of Peace Lutheran
Ralph Kirkpatrick, Pastor



November 30- December 7, 2016

Second Sunday of Advent

December 4, 2016

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

Peace Weekly Calendar

Wednesday, November 30

10:30 a.m. PR Bible Study
6:00 p.m. Advent Meal
6:50 p.m. Advent Worship
7:30 p.m. Men of Peace
7:30 p.m. Choir Practice

Thursday, December 1

12:00 p.m. S-Anon Meeting
3:00 p.m. STEM Scouts
7:00 p.m. Tai Chi
7:00 p.m. Troop 20776

Saturday, December 3

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

Sunday, December 4

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

Monday, December 5

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
6:00 p.m. VDC Women
6:30 p.m. Troop 20574
7:00 p.m. Tai Chi

Tuesday, December 6

10:00 a.m. Women's Book Club
1:00 p.m. Women's Quilting Group
6:30 p.m. Troop 20227
7:00 p.m. TN Valley Ensemble

Wednesday, December 7

10:30 a.m. PR Bible Study
6:00 p.m. Advent Meal
6:50 p.m. Advent Worship
7:30 p.m. Men of Peace
7:30 p.m. Choir Practice

Thursday, December 8

12:00 p.m. S-Anon Meeting
3:00 p.m. STEM Scouts
6:30 p.m. Troop 20776
7:00 p.m. Tai Chi

Saturday, December 10

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

Sunday, December 11

Lifting of Silver

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

Serving this Sunday

Worship with Holy Communion
12/4/2016

8:30

Assisting Minister: Mary Gage
Lector/Comm. Asst.: Eva Kratts
Sound: George Anderson
Usher: Terwell
Greeter: Terwell, J.
Altar Guild: Shared responsibility

10:45

Assisting Minister: Donna Ellstrom
Lector/Comm. Asst.: Ginger Tevault
Sound: Don Tevault
Ushers: Stegner, Stephansen
Greeter: Rosemary Ried
Altar Guild: Shared responsibility
Bread & Wine: Hemmeter
Tellers: Burnett, Ellstrom, A.
Coffee: Kangas, Stegner
Nursery: Valerie Bachman

Peace Prayers

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

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

Prayers of Thanksgiving: **Megan & Paul Newpher** are expecting their first baby in January; **Alex & Andrea McLemore**, on the birth of a boy (*Gray*)

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); **The Fenton Family** (friends of Rayna Granvold); **Amy Franken** (sister of Kristi Shedden); **Andy Hedberg** (cousin of Simone Hedberg); **Vic Heidle** (wife of Jeff); **Barbara Hudnall** (Tim Hudnall's mother); the family of **Lorraine Kemp** (Deb Stegner's aunt); **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); **Lisa Oakley** (co-worker of Nancy Simon); **Adele Priest** (Eileen Zetterberg's sister); **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); **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); **Jackie** (student of Lisa Lyford)

ELCA Prayer Ventures

November 30 - December 7

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Just as the disciples who were fishermen dropped their nets and followed Jesus at his invitation, we pray that we too are willing and quick to follow Jesus and learn to share boldly the good news—the gospel message—with the world.

1

World AIDS Day

We pray that our work with global partners, companion churches and community agencies will further develop and expand ministries of HIV and AIDS prevention, treatment, care and advocacy where they are needed most and bring hope and wellness to people who live with HIV and AIDS.

2

We look forward to Jesus' return, though we know not when, and pray that we not lose sight of the work and ministry God is calling each of us to do here and now in the world before that day of salvation and judgment arrives.

3

International Day of Persons with Disabilities

We remember in our prayers people living with disabilities and pray our church, communities and social structures grow in commitment to affirming the gifts and abilities of all people and creating a more inclusive, equitable and just world for people living with disabilities.

4

John the Baptist called people to repentance and a new life—a new beginning—in Jesus Christ. We give thanks to God for the new life and hope we have in Jesus Christ and pray that our lives always reflect and share the light of Christ in the world.

5

As we shop for Christmas gifts for family, friends and coworkers, we ask God to give us pause and remind us of the benefits, hope and joy that can result from sharing our financial gifts and resources with neighbors in need—in our community and globally.

6

We ask God to grant our newly elected president and leaders wisdom, compassion for all people, commitment to justice and strength for carrying out their responsibilities as public servants.

7

Where there is conflict in the world, we pray for peace and healing; for soldiers and veterans who are currently serving or have served our country in the interest of peace and freedom, we give thanks and ask for God's protection. And reflecting on times of war and peace throughout history, we ask God to instill in us lessons of reconciliation, justice, forgiveness, diplomacy and concern for the well-being of all people.

Happy Birthday
11/30 Eldon English
12/6 Tim Hudnall
12/6 Nancy Simon

Baptismal Anniversary
Ray Rosch
12/1 Gretchen Kratts
12/2 Gary Kratts

Wedding Anniversary
12/1 Morrie & Suellen Meyer

Commissions will NOT be meeting in the month of December.
The next meeting will be on Wednesday, January 4, 2017.

DISCIPLESHIP

Discount now extended, Reformation 500 Bookstore



Thank you! The Reformation 500 Bookstore program was a great success! Because of your efforts, over two thousand people will be reading a biography of Luther, and more than 1,200 kids (and maybe a few adults, too!) got a copy of [Papa Luther](#), our exciting graphic novel of Luther's life.

To express our gratitude and to assist you in preparing for 2017 Reformation reading groups, we've extended the Reformation 500 Bookstore discount. Now through **December 11** you'll get up to **50% off** and **FREE SHIPPING** on all seventeen of these great resources! Just go online and use the same promo code at checkout: **REFBOOKS**. Get the books you'll need for the 2017 commemoration at outstanding prices—and do a little Christmas shopping along the way!

Holiday Gift Bags for the Homebound Seniors

Would you like to help brighten Christmas morning for homebound seniors. We will be collecting items again this year to be delivered with the mobile meals. Items needed include pens, notepads, watches, flashlights, soap, lotions, hand sanitizer, scarves, hats, socks, toothbrushes, tissues, combs, dish liquid, sponges, etc. Please see the complete list on the bulletin board. The bags will be male or female and will include a variety of items (1-3 items from each category). You can assemble a whole bag or donate individual items to be combined with others to complete a bag. **Please make donations before December 5.** Please contact Lori Burnett for more information.

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.

Christmas Program for the Children

Families of Peace, the children and youth (along with your help) will be sharing the Christmas story during our scheduled midweek Advent service on Wednesday, December 21. They will present the familiar Nativity story in a unique way. We have a request, if you would like you can come already dressed as your favorite character from the story. If you can't find a costume at home, we will take care of you at church. So come, ready to sing, to listen, to learn, and to share, as we celebrate Christ's birth.

OUTREACH

Blankets for Butch's Homeless Veterans

It is cold, and the men at Steps House are in dire need of blankets and bath towels. Gently used is quite acceptable as are purchases from dollar stores and other discount stores. The basket will move back into the Narthex so you can be reminded of the need.

Stocking the FISH Pantry

We have set December 11 as the day to do a major bagging of groceries at the FISH Pantry. The more people working, the faster it goes. We need people who put two grocery bags together. We need people who keep the assembly line moving by delivering empty bags and by taking full bags to the shelves. We need people who put items into the bags as they go along the assembly line. And we need people who can take down boxes to get them ready for recycling. If you are physically able to do any of these tasks, then please volunteer. We will get started about 1:00 p.m. (We may need a second minor bagging the last week of December.)

Thanks to FISH Pantry Crew

The truck came about 10:00 a.m., and all the groceries were in their correct places by 10:45 a.m. thanks to the largest crew I've ever seen. There were 12 people from TVUUC and 10 from Peace or associated with Peace. Butch Henderson came with three of his men from Steps House: Barry Cox, Ron Stevens and Dave Hilbert. From Peace were Tom Mustaleski, Tim Simon (the one in charge), Allan and Donna Ellstrom, Pete and Larry Etzler. There were so many people most of us didn't even break a sweat.

KARM Luncheon

We need volunteers to help serve lunch at KARM on Saturday, December 24. Since this is Christmas Eve, we will be serving a special lunch. Our menu will be ham and mashed potatoes, stuffing, green beans, corn bread, fruit, and chocolate cake. We are also going to set up the dining room with red table cloths, green napkins and green plastic cutlery. This is a great way to show our thanks by serving those less fortunate. Many of you have already offered to volunteer and we will need extra help to prepare and serve this special meal. Please sign up on the bulletin board at the church or contact Chuck Utesch at (865) 247-6816 or utesch@comcast.net 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.

NURTURE

Soups, Breads, (and Desserts!!)

Our Advent meals will again feature soups, breads, and desserts. They begin at 6 p.m. before the Advent services starting tonight. Please sign up on the bulletin board. We are asking that the desserts on December 21 be Christmas Cookies. These will be served after the Children's Christmas Program as well as at the meal. This year, we are assigning each commission a meal to be in charge of the set-up and clean-up (but extra hands are welcome!) Nurture is assigned November 30, Worship is December 7, Discipleship is December 14, and Outreach is December 21. Come and enjoy a time of good food and fellowship!

Women's Book Group

On Tuesday, December 6, at 10 a.m. we will discuss *Inside the O'Brien's* by Lisa Genova, a novel about a family with Huntington 's disease. Looking ahead: January 3, *A Lesson Before Dying* by Ernest Gaines.

Quilting on December 6

Our only quilting date for December will be on Tuesday, December 6 at 1:00 p.m. at Peace. All are welcome to come and assist as we put together quilts for Lutheran World Relief.

MISCELLANEOUS

Life Line Screening Coming in March

Life Line Screening, a leading provider of community-based preventive health screenings will be in our community on Tuesday, March 14, 2017 at Peace Lutheran Church. Ultrasound screenings to Identify risk factors for Cardiovascular disease include; **Carotid Artery** (plaque buildup-a leading cause of stroke), **Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm** (an enlargement or weak area in the main blood vessel that carries blood from the heart to the rest of the body), **Peripheral Arterial Disease** (hardening of the arteries in the legs), a **Heart Rhythm Screening** (an EKG to detect Atrial Fibrillation-irregular heartbeat) and an **Osteoporosis Risk Assessment** for men and women. Being proactive about your health by knowing your risks helps you and your doctor address problems early.

Register online TODAY at www.lifelinescreening.com/advantageclub and receive your Advantage club discount and your Preferred Appointment!

Need to email Pastor Ralph?

The best email address to reach him is ralphkirkpatrick@me.com.

Need to email the church office?

The best email address to reach Andrea is peaceknoxville@icloud.com.

The email address, info@peaceknoxville.org, is no longer working.

Anything you send to that address will not be received.