

# **Weekly Messenger**

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

Ministers: All Members of Peace Lutheran  
Ralph Kirkpatrick, Pastor



December 28, 2016 -January 4, 2017

## **First Sunday of Christmas**

### **January 1, 2017**

Worship with Holy Communion  
9:30 a.m. Sunday Worship

## *Peace Weekly Calendar*

### **Wednesday, December 28**

*Offices Closed*

### **Thursday, December 29**

*Offices Closed*

12:00 p.m. S-Anon Meeting

7:00 p.m. Tai Chi

### **Friday, December 30**

*Offices Closed*

### **Saturday, December 31**

12:00 p.m. Al-Anon

2:00 p.m. Portrait Art Class

### **Sunday, January 1**

9:30 a.m. Worship w/Communion -  
Lessons and Carols

2:30 p.m. Al-Anon

### **Monday, January 2**

#### **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

7:00 p.m. Tai Chi

### **Tuesday, January 3**

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

7:00 p.m. TN Valley Ensemble

7:00 p.m. Knox Homeowners

### **Wednesday, January 4**

10:30 a.m. PR Bible Study

6:00 p.m. Great Commission Heads

6:00 p.m. Men of Peace

6:30 p.m. Great Commission Groups

6:30 p.m. Choir Practice

### **Thursday, January 5**

12:00 p.m. S-Anon Meeting

3:00 p.m. STEM Scouts

7:00 p.m. Tai Chi

### **Saturday, January 7**

FISH Deliveries

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 8**

*Lifting of Silver*

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

### ***Serving this Sunday***

*Worship with Holy Communion*

1/1/2017

9:30

**Assisting Minister:** Donna Ellstrom

**Lector/Comm Asst.:** Tom Mustaleski

**Sound:** Allan Ellstrom

**Ushers:** Ellstrom, Stegner

**Greeter:** Zellers

**Altar Guild:** Anderson, Tevault

**Bread & Wine:** Stegner

**Tellers:** Kratts, Toby

**Coffee:** English

**Coffee:** Kangas, Carlson

# *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, Carla Schirmer, Ruth Stallmann, Don Tevault

**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); **Amy Franken** (sister of Kristi Shedden); **Andy Hedberg** (cousin of Simone Hedberg); **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); **Justin Selle** (friend 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***  
**December 28 - January 4**

**28**

We remember in our prayers the communities in Italy that continue to be affected by earthquakes and pray for their recovery, the ongoing efforts of disaster response workers and that all may know the love and hope of God's presence.

**29**

We ask the Spirit to inspire and guide us as we seek to make our congregations places of celebration, caring, worship, outreach and that equip us to serve our neighbor and the world.

**30**

Christmas presents have been opened and set aside, decorations are being put away and Christmas trees tossed to the curb, but we pray the celebration and joy of the gift of Jesus Christ continues throughout the year, for life.

**31**

We ask God to help us not squander or forget the forgiveness, new life and freedom we have in Jesus Christ and that we can face without fear the changes and newness that may come with the approaching new year.

**1**

Our prayers are filled with awe and thanksgiving for the power and majesty of God reflected in all of creation, the universe and each other—wonderfully created, diverse human beings.

**2**

In this new year, we ask God to open our hearts and minds to newness and change, knowing that whether we succeed, struggle or fail in our endeavors, the love and forgiveness we have in Jesus Christ never waivers.

**3**

Mentors encourage, teach by example and walk alongside us. We give thanks to God for mentors who inspire our faith and help us develop skills, wisdom and confidence for navigating the complexities of daily life.

**4**

We remember in our prayers synod bishops gathered for the Bishops' Academy that they grow in faith and wisdom as leaders of our church and are strengthened in their support of one another for the work and ministry to which they have been called.

### ***Happy Birthday***

12/29 Reilly Boyd  
12/30 Evalyn Storm  
12/30 Linda McClanahan  
12/31 Jason McLemore  
1/01 Ethan Crossley  
1/01 Tim Simon  
1/02 Wendy Granvold  
1/03 Rosemary Ried

### **Baptismal Anniversary**

12/28 Pete Etzler  
12/31 Nancy Simon  
1/02 Jenn Utesch  
1/03 Anneka Granvold

### **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. Beginning on Sunday, January 8, we will 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 2017**

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. The series begins from the time the first Lutherans arrived in the New World, continuing to the present day, with a discussion of where the Lutheran church will be in the future. The series begins on January 8. Hope to see you there.

### **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***

### **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 is located in the Narthex.

## ***NURTURE***

### **Men's Breakfast January 7**

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, January 3, at 10 a.m. we will discuss *A Lesson Before Dying* by Ernest Gaines, a novel about race and the death penalty. Looking ahead: February 7: *Just Mercy* by Bryan Stevenson. Contact Kathleen Schuller if you have questions.

### **Quilting Dates for January**

We will be quilting on Tuesday January 3, at 1:00 p.m. and Tuesday, January 17, after the Tuesday Morning Women's Group meeting. All are welcome to come and give their aid with this project.

## ***MISCELLANEOUS***

### **Bill McCamy's New Address**

Bill McCamy has arrived safely at his new home in Colorado. His PERMANENT address is 3500 S Sherman Street, Apt. 221, Englewood, CO 80113

#### **Need to email Pastor Ralph?**

The best email address to reach him is [ralphkirkpatrick@me.com](mailto:ralphkirkpatrick@me.com).

#### **Need to email the church office?**

The best email address to reach Andrea is [peaceknoxville@icloud.com](mailto:peaceknoxville@icloud.com).

**The email address, [info@peaceknoxville.org](mailto:info@peaceknoxville.org), is no longer working.  
Anything you send to that address will not be received.**