

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



March 15, 2018

Fifth Sunday in Lent

March 18, 2018

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

Peace Weekly Calendar

Wednesday, March 14

10:15 a.m. PR Bible Study
6:00 p.m. Conversation - Nurture
 Let's Talk Together
7:00 p.m. Lenten Worship

Thursday, March 15

Pastor Ralph's Day Off

12:00 p.m. S- Anon
6:00 p.m. Men of Peace
6:30 p.m. Choir Practice
7:00 p.m. Troop 20227
7:00 p.m. Tai Chi

Saturday, March 17

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

Sunday, March 18

8:30 a.m. Worship w/Communion
9:40 a.m. Sunday School
10:45 a.m. Worship w/Communion
12:00 p.m. Council Meeting
2:30 p.m. Al-Anon

Monday, March 19

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

Wednesday, March 21

10:15 a.m. PR Bible Study
7:00 p.m. Lenten Worship -
 Choir Service at Good Sam's

Serving on Sunday

8:30 a.m. & 10:45 a.m.

Worship with Holy Communion

3/18/2018

8:30

Assisting Minister: Gage
Lector/Comm. Asst.: McSorley
Sound: TBA
Usher: McLemore
Greeter: Zetterburg
Altar Guild: Anderson

10:45

Assisting Minister: Burnett
Lector/Comm Asst.: Etzler, Pete
Sound: Klukken
Ushers: English, Stephansen
Greeter: Etzler
Altar Guild: Tevault
Bread & Wine: McLemore, J & M
Tellers: McLemore, Schuller, T.

Peace Prayers

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

Members: Cassie Barnes, Ernie Dickson, Mary Gage, Ida Jenkins, Tony Kampwerth, Gary Kratts, Bethany Ladner, Bill McCamy, Stacy Nelson, David & Charlene Ottinger, Noreen Quirand, Carla Schirmer, Dee Smolik, Ruth Stallmann

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, and Heaven Beverly** (friends of Marianne & Andy Stephansen); **Jeff Brig & Vincent Briguccia** (Eileen Zetterberg's sons); **David Brondos** (missionary to Mexico); **Rosemary Clause** (Sue Carlson's cousin); **Betty Collins** (Butch Henderson's sister); **Jeff Davidson** (friend of Janet Barnes); **Maryann Dusbabek** (Eva Kratts aunt); **Al & Lois Etzler** (Pete's brother & sister-in-law); **Kristyn Farley** (daughter of Marianne Stephansen's friend); **Amy Franken** (sister of Kristi Shedden); **Andy Hedberg** (cousin of Simone Hedberg); family of **Jim Kemp**, who passed away (cousin of Deb Stegner); **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); **Mike Murrell** (former co-worker of Allan Ellstrom); **Sue Noonchester** (Friend of Carla Schirmer); **Lisa Oakley** (co-worker of Nancy Simon); **Greg Pfahles** (Cousin of Sue Carlson); **Deb Phillips** (former teacher of Angie Moore); **Taylor Ramsey** (friend of Carlsons); **Charles Savas Family** (friends of Rosemary Ried); **Mel Schulz** (Eva Kratts' uncle); **Amy Jo Smith** (Emily Anderson's mother); **Stasiunus family** (friends of the Stegners); **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); **Terra Caldwell** (Ginger Tevault's niece)

ELCA Prayer Ventures *March 14-21*

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“O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; for his steadfast love endures forever.” In every danger, illness, uncertainty and difficult circumstance, turn to God in prayer asking for God’s loving attention, mercy, direction and healing.

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Pray the Spirit will help us focus on the cross throughout Lent, seeing with greater clarity and richness its symbolism and meaning for the world as a daily reminder of the gift we have in Jesus Christ, a gift that gives newness, hope, purpose and direction for daily life.

16

By grace we are saved by faith in Jesus Christ – a wonderful, undeserved gift from God. Praise God!

17

Pray the leaders of our nations are moved to heal old and new rifts, work together for justice and peace, and share resources for the well-being and prosperity of all people.

18

In baptism our old, flawed self is washed away – and dies – revealing a new life and identity we have together in the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. Pray we each remember our baptism and the promise of

God’s daily, enduring gift of forgiveness and love.

19

Make Psalm 51 a frequent prayer during Lent: “Create in me a clean heart, O God, and put a new and right spirit within me. Do not cast me away from your presence, and do not take your Holy Spirit from me. Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and sustain in me a willing spirit.”

20

Pray for our continuing generosity in response to *Always Being Made New: The Campaign for the ELCA*; give thanks for its impact, including the support of 11 Global Ministry Projects helping strengthen, support and empower our companion churches in building new congregations, outreach to youth, training pastors and evangelists, and much more.

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The ELCA and The Episcopal Church are committed to prayer, fasting and advocacy addressing cuts to public programs that are vital to hungry people who are living in poverty. Remember to pray for these concerns, our leaders and people in need on the 21st of each month through December 2018.

Birthdays

3-17 Jake Kilbarger
3-20 Jeff Smolik
3-21 Anita Hemmeter

Wedding Anniversary

3-17 Nancy & Tim Simon
3-20 Susan & Ray Rosch

Midweek Lent Conversation: Nurture

This year as part of our midweek Lenten experience, we are taking some time to sit and talk about the life of Peace Lutheran. I am inviting you to join me on Wednesday evening at 6:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Council is providing Pulled Pork BBQ and buns; you can provide your own drink (we will have coffee). Below are the topics of discussion in order over the next two Wednesdays:

Nurture & Church Life & Ministry

The conversation last week on Outreach produced a lot of ideas, as people talked with passion about how out we serve others and also grow our church, and so it was very energizing. I look forward to an equally energizing time this week.

WORSHIP

Save the Date - Wednesday, March 21, 7:00 p.m.

The combined choirs of Peace Lutheran Church, Shepherd of the Lake Lutheran Church and the Episcopal Church of the Good Samaritan will present **Requiem by John Rutter in combination with a service of Evening Prayer** on Wednesday, March 21 at 7:00 p.m. at Church of the Good Samaritan, 425 N. Cedar Bluff Road. **Good Samaritan is hosting a light supper** open to everyone beginning at 6:00 p.m. The Reverend James Anderson, Pastor Ralph Kirkpatrick, and Pastor Ingrid Schalk will lead the service. The choirs will be accompanied by professional instrumentalists in the Knoxville community, as well as our own Lillie Halsey, oboist, and Amy Yost (Kroninger), flutist. John Rutter composed his Requiem in 1985, and it is filled with memorable melodies and rich harmonies. The piece features text in both English and Latin. The Latin text is from the traditional Requiem Mass, a service for the repose of the souls of the dead. Even though Latin is no longer spoken, it has been the language of the Christian church for centuries. Composers still use it not only because of the beauty of the words, but also because no country can claim it as its own, so therefore it is "neutral" and inclusive of all. **Child care will be provided during the service.** Please invite your friends and family to this event as we prepare ourselves for a meaningful Holy Week and Easter celebration.

STEWARDSHIP

Update on Roofing Project

We are eagerly awaiting the start of the project to replace the roof of our church. The crew from Rackley East Tennessee will be up there removing the old roof and putting down a new one. This price is higher than the first company's price which means that we do not quite have enough money. We are aiming for at least \$35,000 and it may go higher if there is discovered damage to subroofing. We have around \$33,500 with original contributions and pledges. Thanks, Gary & Marlene Klukken

DISCIPLESHIP

Women and Justice: An ELCA Draft Social Statement

Adult Sunday school continues its discussion of the ELCA draft social statement Women and Justice. We are studying a document which will be revised and presented for vote at the 2020 ELCA Churchwide Assembly. There is still time for you to join and contribute to the discussion, starting at 9:40 a.m.

OUTREACH

KARM Thank You

On Saturday, March 10, Peace Lutheran served lunch to 80 in the dining hall, 40 meals to go and provided seconds to more than 30 people at Knox Area Rescue Ministry. We served spaghetti, green beans, peaches, corn bread, and chocolate cake. Thanks to our volunteers: Dave and Judy Terwell, Eva Kratts, Allan Ellstrom, George Anderson, Gary Klukken, David and Barbara Marquette, Bob Storm and John Stegner. Special thanks also go to Donna Ellstrom for coordinating all of the moving parts while our leader, Chuck Utesch is out of commission, Dave and Judy Terwell for doing the grocery shopping, and Tim Simon and Allan Ellstrom for getting the food from Second Harvest. Our next time to serve will be on Saturday, April 28. 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. While Chuck Utesch is out of action, the Outreach Commission is looking for a volunteer to serve as temporary coordinator of our KARM program. If you are willing to step in, please contact Donna Ellstrom.

Justice Knox

Several of us met Sunday, March 4, to learn about justice issues in Knox County that the organization, Justice Knox, has been addressing. We are preparing for a huge rally on April 30 to support policy to increase the availability of affordable housing in Knoxville. Warm bodies are needed to attend this rally. A person can attend this rally and make a difference just by being part of the large crowd. That person could get further involved, but more involvement is not required. If you want to make a difference with your presence, save the date - April 30, at 6:15 p.m. The rally location will be announced soon.

Help for Steps House

When Butch Henderson passes on the sheets and blankets that we donate, he lets the men know that they come from Peace Lutheran. The bedding does not become property of Steps House. When a man is ready to move from Steps House to regular housing, the

bedding goes with him. This gift helps immediately, and it is a lasting gift. The basket for new or gently used sheets and blankets (twin size) will remain in the hallway through March 18. After that it will be in the small room on the south side of the Narthex. Butch said that another way we might help is with bus passes or \$10 gift cards to gas stations. If you want to help this way, please put these items in the Henderson folder.

NURTURE

Peace Women's Book Group

On Tuesday, April 3, at 10 a.m., we will discuss Pastrix: The Cranky, Beautiful Faith of a Sinner & Saint, by Nadia Bolz-Weber. Looking ahead: May 1: The Women in the Castle by Jessica Shattuck

Women of Peace

The Women of Peace will meet March 20, 10:00 a.m., here at Peace. An instructor of Tai Chi will present a program about this form of movement. A Tai Chi group meets here at Peace, and it is interesting to watch them moving silently and in unison, with no one calling out the moves. There will be refreshments provided by Donna and Marlene.

MISCELLANEOUS

Save Your Bottle Caps

Zoo Knoxville needs your bottle caps to create recycled art at Zoo Camp this summer. Soda bottles, juice bottles, milk cartons, etc. Start your collection. When you get a bag full, bring them to Peace and give them to Allan. There is no rush, but you can use this note to dream a little bit about summer. Thank you.

Let's Clean the Devil out of our Church

Saturday, April 7th will be the big day,
We'll wash, sweep, and dust the devil away.
8:00 a.m. sharp is when we'll begin to scrub,
But have no fear we'll start by munching the donuts you love.
Come one, come all it's time to pitch in,
Bring your mops and rags, but most definitely a grin!

Look for the Signup Sheet in March!

What: Peace Lutheran Cleaning Day

When: Saturday, April 7 from 8:00 a.m. - Noon

Closing the Door

As we have moved into winter, we are asking that you be mindful as you leave the church to make sure the door fully closes behind you. The two front doors in particular tend not to close. Let's keep our church safe!