

Weekly Messenger

September 5, 2018

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



Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 9, 2018

9:30 a.m. Worship with Holy Communion

Peace Weekly Calendar

Wednesday, September 5

5:30 p.m. Al-Anon
6:00 p.m. Men of Peace
6:30 p.m. Choir Practice

Thursday, September 6

Pastor Ralph's Day Off
12:00 p.m. S- Anon
7:00 p.m. Tai Chi
7:00 p.m. Troop 20574

Saturday, September 8

8:00 a.m. Women's Meetup
8:00 a.m. Men's Breakfast
12:00 p.m. Al-Anon
2:00 p.m. Portrait Art Group

Sunday, September 9

Lifting of Silver
9:30 a.m. Worship with Holy Communion
10:45 a.m. Sunday School for All Ages
12:00 p.m. Council Meeting
2:30 p.m. Al-Anon

Monday, September 10

5:30 p.m. Al-Anon
6:00 p.m. Monday Night Men
7:00 p.m. Tai Chi

Tuesday, September 11

8:00 a.m. Men's Group @ Cracker Barrel
10:30 a.m. Men's Book Group
5:00 p.m. Janet Storm-Barnes Event
6:00 p.m. Troop 20776
6:00 p.m. Troop 22040
7:00 p.m. TN Valley Ensemble

Wednesday, September 12

10:15 a.m. PR Bible Study
5:30 p.m. Wonder Wednesday
5:30 p.m. Al-Anon
6:00 p.m. Men of Peace
6:30 p.m. Choir Practice

Thursday, September 13

Pastor Ralph's Day Off
12:00 p.m. S- Anon
7:00 p.m. Tai Chi

Saturday, September 15

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

Sunday, September 16

9:30 a.m. Worship with Holy Communion
10:45 a.m. Sunday School for All Ages
12:00 p.m. Council Meeting
2:30 p.m. Al-Anon

Birthdays

9/6 Alex McLemore
9/7 Erin Stephansen
9/11 Gary Klukken

Wedding Anniversary

9/10 Sue & Eric Carlson

Baptismal Anniversary

9/7 Erin Stephansen
9/9 Donna Ellstrom

Serving Sunday

9:30 a.m.

Worship with Holy Communion
September 9, 2018

Assisting Minister: Burnett
Lector/Comm Asst.: Shedden

Sound: Anderson

Ushers: Anderson & Etzler

Greeter: Hedberg, Hudnall

Altar Guild: Kratts, Tevault

Bread & Wine: McLemore, S.

Tellers: Tevault, Toby

Flowers: Gary Klukken's Birthday

Peace Prayers

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

Members: Amy Anderson, Cassie Barnes, Margaret Blombach, Ernie Dickson, Ida Jenkins, Gary Kratts, Bethany Ladner, Bill McCamy, Stacy Nelson, David & Charlene Ottinger, Noreen Quirand, Dee Smolik, Ruth Stallmann

Family & Friends: **Samantha Adamson** (niece of Eva Kratts); **John Anderson** (Tasha Abbott's step father); **Anya** (Lisa Lyford's niece); **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); **Joan Carnahan** (friend of Don & Ginger Tevault); **Rosemary Clause** (Sue Carlson's cousin); **Betty Collins** (Butch Henderson's sister); **Jeff Davidson** (friend of Janet Barnes); **Sarah Davidson**, (Daughter-in-law of Soni & Janet Davidson); **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); **Martha Kratts** (Gary Kratts' Mother); **Andy Hedberg** (cousin of Simone Hedberg); **Adele Krans** (John Stegner's sister); **G. W. Larson** (father of Bill Larson); **Jan Law** (Sue Nevedal's mother); **Kenneth Lee** (son of Eric Carlson's friend); **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); **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); **John Rogers** (friend of Angie Moore); **Charles Savas Family** (friends of Rosemary Ried); **Mel Schulz** (Eva Kratts' uncle); **Mary Jo Thompson** (Adele Soucy's cousin); **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); **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

September 5-12

5 Give thanks for the rich partnership and relationship we have with The Episcopal Church, a full communion partner with the ELCA since 1997. Pray for the church and ask God to further our respect for one another and work together sharing the gospel and serving our neighbor.

6 Pray, as followers of Christ, that we are bold examples and practitioners of civility, respect, truth, justice and empathy for our neighbor in everything we do and say, in every place and circumstance.

7 Remember in prayer young adults beginning a year of service with the Young Adults in Global Mission program; pray the Spirit will equip, sustain and encourage them as they work alongside companion churches and organizations in communities around the world.

8 Pray for seasonal workers who are seeking new employment and places to live, that they are affirmed for their gifts and service and find employment with fair wages, affordable housing and welcoming, supportive communities and congregations.

9 Ask God to sharpen our awareness of when we demonstrate favoritism in our relationships, ministry and daily life, and reassure us of the grace and forgiveness we have in Jesus Christ freeing us to confess our prejudices and strive to change for the sake of doing God's work in the world – without bias.

10 Give thanks to God for the season of fall with its new beginnings, abundant harvests that feed the hungry and rhythms of change in nature that move us to reflect on God with awe and praise.

11 Sing, shout and whisper praises to God, our creator, hope, help and advocate for the poor, hungry, ill, imprisoned, forgotten and oppressed; our inspiration, guide and example.

12 Give thanks for people who work the land and oceans to feed themselves and the world; pray for people living in regions suffering from draught, soil unable to sustain agriculture and changing climate, and ask God to help us find ways to exercise generosity with our resources and food while working together for appropriate and lasting solutions to agricultural problems and hunger.

OUTREACH

Lifting of Silver

Sunday, September 9, is second Sunday Lifting of Silver. Your coins and your paper money help to meet our pledge to send \$1200 to the ministry of David and Alicia Brondos in Mexico.

The Annual Hunger Hike is Coming Soon

The Hunger Hike is still one month away, but it's time to sign up hikers and get pledges of support. The Hunger Hike table is in the hallway. If you will hike take a sponsor sheet and put your name on it. If you can support one or more hikers, sign your name on those hikers' sponsor sheets and the total amount of money you will give in support of that hiker. You may write your check (to Peace Lutheran) now or closer to the day of the hike—October 7. If you sponsor more than one hiker, please just write one check for the total. This is the major fundraiser to buy the food with which we stock the West Knox County FISH Pantry.

2018 Hunger Hike Challenge

The 2018 Hunger Hike (HH) is coming in a month. See the other announcement, which should be close by. The HH Challenge took 2017 off, but is back with a new challenge. Last year, the HH raised almost \$2000. There are three challenges. 1) I will donate \$5.00 for each hiker who collects at least \$50 in pledges. 2) I will donate \$2.00 for each person who contributes at least \$10.00 to one or more hikers. 3) I will donate \$100.00 if there are at least \$2000.00 in total pledges by Sunday, September 30. Watch this space for updates on the challenges. Thank you for supporting this worthy cause. Allan Ellstrom

Snack Food Goes to Cedar Bluff Elementary

The snacks filled 3 baskets plus a little more. The staff of Cedar Bluff Elementary was very thankful to be able to fill their "snack closet" again. Thank you to everyone who brought in snack food for the children.

Thrivent Will Add to your Gift

Thrivent is matching donations up to \$200,000 for disaster relief from the California fires. Thrivent members should go to livegenerously.com and follow directions. When you go through their site, they will match your donation (unless they have reached the goal already). You get to choose which organization gets your donation; one possibility is Lutheran Disaster Response. As of August 28, 70% of the goal had been reached. The campaign will continue until the \$200,000 goal has been met or October 31. Thrivent recently offered another matching opportunity to help the people whose property and lives were changed by hurricanes last year. In both cases you go through Thrivent but donate money to the agency of your choice such as Lutheran Disaster Response.

Thank You, FISH Teams

Three FISH teams, Tom and Carole Mustaleski, Adele Soucy and Donna Ellstrom, and Audrey Henderson with Angie Moore and her friend John Rogers, delivered bags of groceries to fourteen households, which was about 50 people. There has been an increase in the number of seniors needing emergency food. Our volunteers who take phone calls always ask if the callers get SNAP benefits. We can offer help from other agencies if the callers need help getting SNAP benefits or getting better SNAP benefits.

NURTURE

Peace Women's Meet-Up, September 8

Change of plans. In the future we will be meeting on the same Saturday as the mens breakfast, at 8:00 a.m. They cook their breakfast in the Fellowship Hall, and ours is a BYOB (bring your own breakfast) in a classroom. Some women bring something simple from home and others stop at the drive through to pick up their breakfast. No cooking, no dishes, just lively chatter. All women are welcome.

Men's Breakfast September 8

Please note that because of the holiday, the men's breakfast will be held Saturday, September 8. All men and boys are invited to attend. Bring your friends and remember to sign up on the sheet posted in the foyer.

Women of Peace

We will resume our regular third Tuesday meetings on September 18, here at Peace in the Fellowship Hall, 10:00 a.m. Come prepared to share with others significant events during our summer break.

Women's Book Group

On Tuesday, October 2, we will discuss a novel of two sisters separated at birth, Homegoing, by Yaa Gyasi. Looking ahead: November 6, Book of Polly, by Kathy Hepinstall.

DISCIPLESHIP

*If you plan to attend any of the Education classes, please email the church office ASAP. We want to be sure that we have plenty of materials for everyone who plans to attend. **This includes Sunday morning for adults and your PreK-Teen as well as the AM & PM Wednesday classes.***

Sunday Morning - Starting September 9th, 10:45 a.m.

Adults - Welcome to the Christian Faith - Pastor Ralph

Beginning with the basics, Pastor Ralph will take us through the many of the elements of the Christian faith. After the basics, we will examine what makes us that particular kind of Christian called Lutherans. Lastly, we will look at what it means to be a Christian here at Peace Lutheran. Everyone is encouraged to be a part of this class, whether you are young or old, new to faith or a Christian all your life, a long time member or just joining.

Walk through the Bible – Pre K – grade 5

An education class for the the younger youth based on the Narrative Lectionary. Starting in the Old Testament through to the birth of the church. The preschool class (2-4 yr olds) will explore the Bible through hands-on interactive Bible lessons.

Middle School Confirmation, grades 6 – 8

These are the grades where the youth take what they learned early in faith and put into a Lutheran context.

High School grades 9 – 12

The high school youth will once again be led by Nancy Simon in a study of the Bible. Looking at what the story of God means for their life.

Wednesday Morning - Starting September 12th, 10:15 a.m.

The Gospel According to Matthew - Pastor Ralph

This is an in-depth study of the book of Matthew; going verse by verse exploring all the major themes of Matthew's view of the gospel.

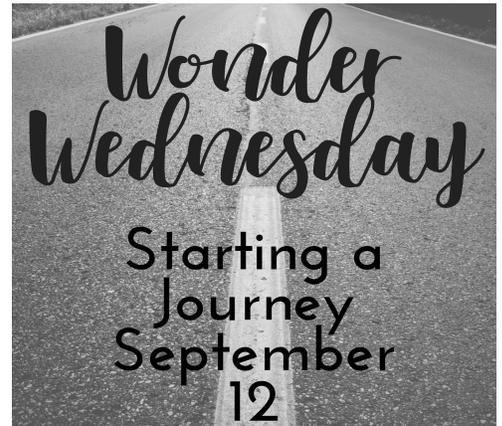
**Wednesday Evening - Starting September 12th, 5:30 p.m.
(Brown Bag)**

Women's Study - The Gospel According to Matthew - Nancy Simon

This is an in-depth study of the book of Matthew, going verse by verse exploring all the major themes of Matthew's view of the gospel.

Youth Study - Fun with God's Story - Pastor Ralph

Exploring God's story in fun ways: Video, Puppets, Games, and activities.



MISCELLANEOUS

2019 Offering Envelopes

A limited number of 2019 offering envelope sets are now available for those wanting to utilize them. If you are wishing to use offering envelopes for next year, please contact the church office by Monday, October 1st to request your set.-Kevin Burnett, Financial Secretary

Aging Is a Family Affair

Thursday, November 8, from 8:00 a.m. to 3:45 p.m., at Rothchild Conference Center, the Office on Aging will offer their annual presentation on issues of aging that would be appropriate for the aging, the family of aging people, or caretakers of aging people. This year's keynote address is "Aging and Evolving Optimally: A Physician's Perspective." To register go online to www.knoxseniors.org and click on AFA in the programs section to find the brochure link. You can print the form to mail in with your payment of \$25 if done by October 19. After that date the cost is \$30. This event offers interesting sessions, many vendors, and food for breakfast and lunch.

Toni McSorley has published another book!

Our very own Toni McSorley, writing under the pseudonym T.L.McDonald, has published another book. You can find it at amazon.com by clicking here: <https://amzn.to/2NMPXfu>.



Kairos Outside

Audrey Henderson is now working with an ecumenical Christian group that ministers to women who have had their lives impacted by the incarceration of a loved one, either currently or in the past. This ministry is known as *Kairos Outside*. Audrey is preparing for a retreat the first weekend in October. She would like to ask the congregation for support with prayers and donations. You can add a prayer and your name to a link in the prayer chain, sponsor a meal for a \$5 donation, purchase a lovely scented candle for yourself for a \$10 donation, or sponsor a night of sweet dreams for a \$25 donation. Please contact Audrey at 865-254-4255 for more information.



Join Tyson House
For our First Annual

HYMN-A-THON

Tyson House Fundraiser

"We are asking for your help as singers, donators, and/or, as volunteers helping to provide lunch for our singers and volunteers. As well, aid in advertising this event to your families and friends would be appreciated.

We have a Facebook event here <https://www.facebook.com/events/2098227886854517/> where you can find up-to-date information and get updates on how fundraising is going. Donations can be made online at <https://www.tysonhouse.org/support-us>, and in cash or check. Please let me know if you have any questions! Thank you for your continued support of Tyson House, Caitlynn Fox, *UTK Tyson House Ministry Coordinator*