

# Weekly Messenger

December 26, 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*



## Lessons and Carols

December 30, 2018

9:30 a.m. Worship with Holy Communion

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# Peace Weekly Calendar

**Wednesday, December 26**  
Church Office Closed

**Thursday, December 27**  
Church Office Closed  
12:00 p.m. S- Anon  
7:00 p.m. Tai Chi

**Friday, December 28**  
Church Office Closed

**Saturday, December 29**  
12:00 p.m. Al-Anon  
2:00 p.m. Portrait Art Group

**Sunday, December 30**  
9:30 a.m. Lessons and Carols  
2:30 p.m. Al-Anon

**Monday, December 31**  
Church Office Closed  
5:30 p.m. Al-Anon

**Tuesday, January 1**  
Church Office Closed  
5:30 p.m. Al-Anon

**Thursday, January 3**  
*Pastor Ralph's Day Off*  
12:00 p.m. S- Anon  
7:00 p.m. Tai Chi

**Saturday, January 5**  
*FISH Deliveries*  
8:00 a.m. Women's Meet Up  
8:00 a.m. Men's Breakfast  
12:00 p.m. Al-Anon  
2:00 p.m. Portrait Art Group

**Sunday, January 6**  
9:30 a.m. Worship with Holy Communion  
10:45 a.m. Sunday School for all Ages  
2:30 p.m. Al-Anon

**Serving This Sunday**  
9:30 a.m.  
*Lessons and Carols*  
December 30, 2018

**Assisting Minister:** Kirkpatrick, F.  
**Sound:** Anderson  
**Ushers:** Kirkpatrick, Stegner  
**Greeters:** Ellstrom, Hemmeter  
**Altar Guild:** Shared Responsibility  
**Tellers:** Kratts, Anderson

## Birthdays

- 12/26 Donna Ellstrom
- 12/27 Bill Halsey
- 12/30 Evalyn Storm
- 12/30 Linda McClanahan
- 12/31 Jason McLemore
- 1/01 Ethan Crossley
- 1/01 Tim Simon
- 1/02 Wendy Granvold

## 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, Sterling Nelson, Mary Newman, David & Charlene Ottinger, Noreen Quirand, Grace Schirmer, Dee Smolik, Ruth Stallmann

**Family & Friends:** **Samantha Adamson** (niece of Eva Kratts); **John Anderson** (Tasha Abbott's step father); **Anya** (Lisa Lyford's niece); **Nathan Benko** (Adele Soucy's grandson) **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); **Dorothy Noel** (friend of Mary Gage); **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)

**Military:** **Jon Ackiss** (nephew of Bill Larson); **Erik Aderman** (nephew of Allan Ellstrom); **Tarren & David Barrett** (daughter & son-in-law of Janet & Tom Barnes & granddaughter of Bob and Evalyn Storm); **Angela Batastini** (niece of Bill Larson); **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*** *December 26 - January 2*

### **26**

Pray we exercise daily unbiased generosity with all the gifts, resources and abilities God has entrusted to our care and use.

### **27**

Talk to students who are on break, recognize their presence and affirm the gifts they share with the body of Christ; pray they are renewed during their break and J-term experiences, and assure them they are not forgotten and are remembered in our personal prayers as well as those of the congregation.

### **28**

Just as Mary and Elizabeth gave testimony to what God was doing in their lives for the sake of the world, pray that we, too, are articulate about what we trust God is doing in our lives and the world – during the ups, downs and times that puzzle us.

### **29**

Ask that the Holy Spirit guide and inspire our church as it reflects on and makes plans for the present and future, seeking to be ever faithful, centered in the gospel, wise and nimble in doing God's work in the world as it shifts and changes.

### **30**

We gather in congregations to worship God, learn, grow in faith and care for and

equip one another for living as followers of Christ in the world. Pray we each contribute to the vitality of our faith community, strive for unity, and help each other move beyond the walls of our buildings and into our communities and world with a fervor to serve our neighbor and share the gospel.

### **31**

A new year is at hand! Pray we are not swept into it with anger, vindictiveness, division, apathy or fear, but rather with hearts open to the word of Christ dwelling in us and lives that shine brightly with compassion, kindness, humility, forgiveness, patience and an eagerness to work together for unity.

### **1**

#### *New Year's Day*

We join all creation in praising God and pray that everything we do and say reflects God's glory and wonder-filled love.

### **2**

#### *National Slavery and Human Trafficking Prevention Month*

We remember and pray for those who are victims of sex trafficking, involuntary servitude, debt bondage and forced labor in our nation and around the world, and we ask God to guide us in caring for victims and taking an active role in ending this abuse, injustice and oppression.

**NURTURE****Peace Women's Book Group**

On Tuesday, January 8, at 10:00 a.m., we will discuss *The War that Saved My Life*, by Kimberly Brubaker Bradley. (**Note change to the second Tuesday of the month.**) Looking ahead: February 5, *Born a Crime* by Trevor Noah.

**2019 Flower Chart**

The 2019 Flower Chart is posted on the bulletin board. Please sign up for those significant dates that you would like to "reserve," as well as any other "just because." You will be contacted the week of your donation to see if you would like to provide them or if you wish us to do the arrangement. Questions, contact Jan Larson, [jan@thelarsons.info](mailto:jan@thelarsons.info).

**DISCIPLESHIP****Sunday Morning - Starting at 10:45 a.m.**

- Adults - Welcome to the Christian Faith - Pastor Ralph
- Walk through the Bible – Pre K – grade 5
- Middle School Confirmation, grades 6 – 8
- High School grades 9 – 12

**Adult Study Wednesday Morning - Starting at 10:15 a.m.—starting January 9.**

**Adult & Youth Study Wednesday Evening— 5:30 p.m. —Postponed during Advent.**

**MISCELLANEOUS****Cedar Bluff Elementary**

Cedar Bluff Elementary needs more snacks. Whatever you brought last time was very much appreciated, and now more snacks are needed. Remember, no nuts and it should be shelf stable and ready to eat without a spoon. Since the school desperately needs more snacks, we will try to deliver whatever is donated every week. We will keep the basket in the hallway or Narthex for the month of January. Thank you for helping the children to be ready to learn

**Creature Comforts**

It's almost winter and animals get cold, too. Zoo Knoxville needs your gently used towels and blankets (no holes). The animals also enjoy new smells. If you have some spices, powder or liquid, colognes, perfumes, etc., they would enjoy those. (*After Christmas, you can send along that bottle of Jean Nate or Brut which was lovingly given to you.*) Just give them to Allan Ellstrom and he'll make sure they are put to good use. Thank you.