

Weekly Messenger

May 22, 2019

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



Sixth Sunday of Easter

May 26, 2019

9:30 a.m. Worship with Holy Communion

Peace Weekly Calendar

Wednesday, May 22

9:20 a.m. Spanish Immersion Classes
10:15 a.m. PR Bible Study
5:30 p.m. Wonder Wednesday
6:00 p.m. Men of Peace
6:30 p.m. Choir Practice

Thursday, May 23

12:00 p.m. S- Anon
7:00 p.m. Tai Chi

Friday, May 24

3:00 p.m. Vivian English Celebration of Life

Saturday, May 25

9:30 a.m. Serve at KARM
12:00 p.m. Al-Anon
2:00 p.m. Portrait Art Class

Sunday, May 26

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

Monday, May 27

Memorial Day—Office Closed
5:30 p.m. Al-Anon
7:00 p.m. Tai Chi

Tuesday, May 28

Pastor Ralph's Day Off
8:00 a.m. Tuesday Morning Men
7:00 p.m. TN Valley Ensemble

Wednesday, May 29

9:20 a.m. Spanish Immersion Classes
5:30 p.m. Wonder Wednesday

Thursday, May 30

Synod Assembly
12:00 p.m. S- Anon
7:00 p.m. Tai Chi

Friday, May 31

Synod Assembly

Saturday, June 1

Synod Assembly
FISH Deliveries
8:00 a.m. Men's Breakfast
8:00 a.m. Women's Meetup
12:00 p.m. Al-Anon
2:00 p.m. Portrait Art Class

Sunday, June 2

Synod Assembly
9:30 a.m. Worship with Holy Communion
2:30 p.m. Al-Anon

Please take note!

The correct email address for Peace Lutheran Church is:
peaceknoxville@icloud.com

Serving Sunday

May 26, 2019 at 9:30 a.m.
Worship with Holy Communion

Assisting Minister: Simon
Lector: Storm-Barnes
Audio/Video Engineer: Klukken
Ushers: Klukken, Marquette
Greeters: Bachmann, Buckley
Altar Guild: Schuller, Buckley
Bread & Wine: Toby
Tellers: Ellstrom, D., Tevault
Flowers: Etzler, for Confirmation

Birthdays
May 22 - Natalie Kratts
May 23 - Marlene Klukken
May 24 - Molly Biscoe
May 27 - Ruth Stallmann

Baptismal Anniversaries
May 23 - Butch Henderson
May 29 - Trent Simon
May 29 - Burt English

Peace Prayers

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

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Church Council

Tom Barnes,
President

Marlene Klukken,
Vice-President

Allan Ellstrom,
Administrative

Deb Buckley,
Secretary

Jan Larson
Treasurer

Members: *Cassie Barnes (daughter of Tom & Janet), Molly Biscoe (shut in), Margaret Blombach (church member), English Family, Ernie Dickson (shut in); Butch Henderson (church member); Ida Jenkins (shut in), Gary Kratts (husband of Eva), Bill McCamy (former church member), Stacy Nelson (church member), David & Charlene Ottinger (shut ins), Noreen Quirand (shut in), Dee Smolik (church member), Ruth Stallmann (former church member); Don & Ginger Tevault (church members)*

Family & Friends: *Samantha Adamson (niece of Eva Kratts); John Anderson (Tasha Abbott's step father); Nathan Benko (Adele Soucy's grandson); 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); Gwen Diller (Nancy Simon's Mother); Dusbabek (Eva Kratts aunt); Martha Kratts (Gary Kratts' Mother); Adele Krans (John Stegner's sister); Jan Law (Sue Nevedal's mother); Wendy Mallaber (Gary Kratts' sister); Linda Millis (Rosemary Ried's daughter); Rachel Myles (Violet Etzler's Mother); Dorothy Noel (friend of Mary Gage); Lisa Oakley (co-worker of Nancy Simon); Mel Schulz (Eva Kratts' uncle); Peggy Swaffer (Loretta Haack's sister)*

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); Terra Bennett (Ginger Tevault's niece) Timothy Brig (grandson of Eileen Zetterberg); Paul Newpher (Jim & Susan McLemore's son-in-law); Jeff Smolik (son of Darlene & John Smolik);*

ELCA Prayer Ventures

May 22-29

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Ask God to make us bold, persistent advocates and agents in society to end gun violence across our nation, for the sake of our neighbor's well-being and out of gratitude and respect for the fragile gift of life.

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Pray that our vision of the church and its mission will be broadened by the knowledge that the word of God and the good news of Jesus Christ are meant for all people and all nations.

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Pray that the ELCA Guardian Angel and Welcoming Congregation programs will flourish and continue to expand across our nation as part of our church's strategy to support and accompany — physically and spiritually — migrant children and families through their immigration court process.

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Praise God's infinite power, glory and presence as reflected in our life experiences and every aspect of nature and creation.

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Give thanks for the gift of the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, sent to remind us of Jesus' teachings and God's love, and to stir our faith, peace and courage when we are troubled or fearful.

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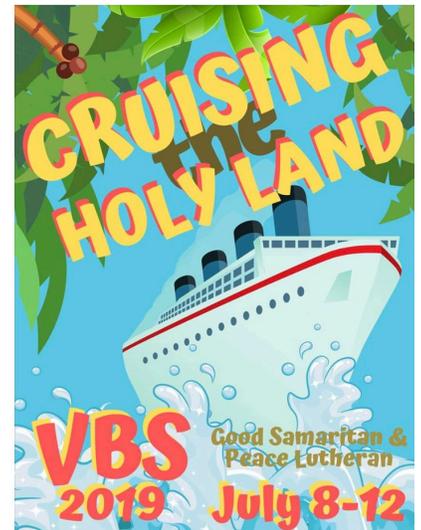
Give thanks and praise God for the significant and lasting impact of *Always Being Made New: The Campaign for the ELCA*. Pray that we will build upon what it has accomplished and continue to be generous in supporting new and existing programs and ministries that serve our neighbor, nurture new leaders and grow the church.

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Pray with joy and thanksgiving, for God is gracious and generous in blessing us, and God's saving power stretches to every corner of the earth.

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Pray for more than 3,500 summer camp staff and volunteers as they prepare to serve in ELCA outdoor ministries as role models, affirming and encouraging the faith of campers — of all ages and abilities — and guiding them toward the paths and ways of God throughout life.



OUTREACH

Serving at KARM

It is once again Peace's turn to serve lunch at KARM on **Saturday, May 25**. We need about 10 volunteers to prepare the meal and serve. Need more information? Contact Linda McClanahan or Angela Dautartas. Thanks!

Does Someone You Know Need a Bicycle?

KARM has sent us a "ticket" for someone, adult or child, to get a bicycle. This someone should not be upper middle class, but a someone who would have difficulty buying a bike on his own. If you know of someone, let Donna Ellstrom know so that she will fill out the ticket for that bike.

Letters and Emails to Congress

Thank you to those of you who wrote or emailed Congress about food security worldwide. If you have done that or still want to do that, go ahead and put your letters or "proof of email" in the Ellstrom folder. Talking to Congress is good to do year round. Our annual Offering of Letters just encourages us to get started and/or to do our part.

DISCIPLESHIP

This Sunday is Confirmation Sunday

This Sunday, Ethan Crossley will be confirmed. Following the service, we will have a cake reception in the narthex. Plan to stay and offer congratulations to Ethan for this awesome accomplishment.

NURTURE

Calling all Grads!

We are so thankful for Charlotte Hudnall and all of our graduates. We will be honoring them with a reception on June 9. We want to be sure to include everyone, so if you or a family member, is graduating from high school or college this spring or has graduated during this school year, please email the office (peaceknoxville@icloud.com) with your name, school, and degree (if applicable) ASAP so that we can recognize your achievement.

Men's Breakfast

Men's Breakfast is Saturday, June 1 at 8:00 a.m. Bring your friends and relatives for some food, fun and fellowship. A sign up sheet is posted in the hallway.

Join us on Friday at 3:00 p.m. for a Celebration of Life service
for Vivian English.

Women's Meetup

The Women's Meetup is Saturday, June 1 at 8:00 a.m.. Bring your food and enjoy some fellowship.

Peace Women's Book Group

On Tuesday, June 4, at 10:00 a.m., we will discuss *Before We Were Yours*, by Lisa Wingate. Looking ahead: July 9, *The Last Castle* by Denise Kiernan. (Note the one time change to the second Tuesday of the month.)

MISCELLANEOUS**Would You Help with Food?**

As many of you are aware, Vivian English passed away on Monday. Her memorial service is on Friday, May 24 at 3:00 p.m. We would like to have a reception for the family following the service. Donna Ellstrom will coordinate the food for the reception, but we need several things from the members of the congregation.

These are the things we need:

- small sandwiches-any filling
- veggie trays and dip
- fruit trays
- cookies and bars

If you can bring something for the reception please notify Donna Ellstrom, so she will know what is being provided. Items will need to be in the church kitchen by noon on Friday. You can contact Donna Ellstrom at (865) 690-1050 or dellstrom510@att.net.

**Soda Can Pull Tabs**

Several years ago, we started collecting soda can pull tabs to donate to the Ronald McDonald House. If you have some, please put them in the boxes marked "Pull Tabs" on the kiosk in the narthex. If you need more information, please contact Evalyn Storm.

Could You Help?

In November 2018, Council recommended, and you, as members of Peace, approved a very challenging budget. As you will recall, the projected expenses exceeded the planned giving. One significant item not funded in the budget at that time was the cost of sending delegates to the Southeastern Synod Assemble, May 31-June 2, in Chattanooga. However, during the conversation of the budget, many of you indicated a willingness to support this ministry outside of the budget.

This year's assembly is an important one for Peace to have representation because the assembly will be nominating and electing a person to serve and represent the Southeastern Synod as Bishop for the next six years. She or he will replace Bishop H. Julian Gordy, who will be completing his second six-year term.

At its May meeting, Council estimated that the cost to send our three delegates, Pastor Ralph and Tom and Janet Barnes would be about \$2,000. This covers registration, lodging, meals, and mileage. If you are able to support this request, please mark Synod Assembly on your check.

Thoughtful Faith

Romans 3:28-30; 5:1-11

Though we often hear that God helps those who help themselves, here Paul tells us that through Jesus' death God helps utterly helpless sinners. Since we who had been enemies are reconciled to God in the cross, we now live in hope for our final salvation.

For we hold that a person is justified by faith apart from works prescribed by the law. Or is God the God of Jews only? Is he not the God of Gentiles also? Yes, of Gentiles also, since God is one; and he will justify the circumcised on the ground of faith and the uncircumcised through that same faith.

Therefore, since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.

For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. Indeed, rarely will anyone die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person someone might actually dare to die. But God proves his love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us. Much more surely then, now that we have been justified by his blood, will we be saved through him from the wrath of God. For if while we were enemies, we were reconciled to God through the death of his Son, much more surely, having been reconciled, will we be saved by his life. But more than that, we even boast in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.