

Weekly Messenger

July 24, 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



7th Sunday after Pentecost

July 28, 2019

9:30 a.m. Service of the Word

Peace Weekly Calendar

Wednesday, July 24

Office Open 9 a.m. - 12 p.m.
9:20 a.m. Spanish Immersion Classes

Thursday, July 25

Office Open 9 a.m. - 12 p.m.
12:00 p.m. S- Anon
7:00 p.m. Tai Chi

Friday, July 26

Office Closed

Saturday, July 27

10:00 a.m. Nursery and Youth Kitchen
Cleaning
12:00 p.m. Al-Anon
2:00 p.m. Portrait Art Class

Sunday, July 28

9:30 a.m. Service of the Word
2:30 p.m. Al-Anon

Monday, July 29

Office Closed
9:00 a.m. Spanish Immersion
5:30 p.m. Monday Night Men
5:30 p.m. Al-Anon
7:00 p.m. Tai Chi

Tuesday, July 30

Office Open 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.
8:00 a.m. Tuesday Morning Men
6:00 p.m. Via de Cristo Secretariat

Wednesday, July 31

Office Open 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.
9:20 a.m. Spanish Immersion Classes
5:30 p.m. Bible Study

Thursday, August 1

Office Open 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.
12:00 p.m. S- Anon
7:00 p.m. Tai Chi

Friday, August 2

Office Closed

Saturday, August 3

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

Sunday, August 4

9:30 a.m. Service of the Word
2:30 p.m. Al-Anon

Monday, August 5

Office Closed
9:00 a.m. Spanish Immersion
5:30 p.m. Monday Night Men
5:30 p.m. Al-Anon
7:00 p.m. Tai Chi

Tuesday, August 6

Office Open 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.
8:00 a.m. Tuesday Morning Men
10:00 a.m. Women's Book Club
7:00 p.m. Knox Homeowners

<i>Serving this Sunday</i> <i>July 28, 2019 at 9:30 a.m.</i> <i>Service of the Word</i>	
Sermon:	Toni McSorley
Assisting Minister:	Kratts
Lector:	Kangas
Sound:	Tevault
Ushers:	McLemore, Mustaleski
Greeter:	Gage, Hemmeter
Altar Guild:	Terwell, Storm-Barnes
Tellers:	Ellstrom, A., Burnett

Birthdays

July 28 - Evan English
July 30 - Sue Nevedal
July 30 - Angie Moore
July 31 - Darlene Smolik

Peace Prayers

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

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Church Council

Tom Barnes,
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Treasurer

Members: *Cassie Barnes (daughter of Tom & Janet), Molly Biscoe (shut in), Margaret Blombach (church member), Ernie Dickson (shut in); Ida Jenkins (shut in), Dale Kangas (church member); Gary Klukken (church member), Bill McCamy (former church member), Stacy Nelson (church member), David & Charlene Ottinger (shut ins), Noreen Quirand (shut in), Trent Simon (Nancy & Tim's son); Ruth Stallmann (former church member); Don Tevault (church member)*

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); 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); Dick Marth (Susan Rosch's Father); 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); Zach and Terra Bennett (Ginger Tevault's niece & nephew) 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

July 24-31

24 God can do amazing and miraculous things, such as fulfilling a promise to Abraham and Sarah that they would bear a child in their old age. Praise God's creative, boundless power and ask that we might be alert and open to how God stretches our faith, imagination and understanding of what's possible.

25 Give thanks for the work of ELCA Racial Justice Ministries in proclaiming our belief that Christ's church is for all people, and for helping the church confront racism, exclusion and violence and move toward fairness and justice in the church and society.

26 Remember in prayer the 10 young people working alongside our companions in Mexico as part of the ELCA Young Adults in Global Mission program. Remember also the Rev. Meghan Brown Saavedra, YAGM country coordinator, and the Rev. David and Alicia Brondos, ELCA missionaries teaching at the Seminario Luterano Augsburgiano in Mexico City.

27 Pray for those involved in planning and preparing the 2019 ELCA Churchwide Assembly in Milwaukee, and for congregations, synods, voting members and leaders who will share their faith, wisdom, concerns and recommendations for strengthening and furthering our

participation in God's reconciling work in the world.

28 Give thanks that God is attentive and responsive to us. Pray that we will never be timid about bringing to God our every matter, need, hope, question, sorrow and joy.

29 Pray that we will be moved by God's love and impartiality to extend hospitality and acceptance to our neighbor, especially those who are in need, are strangers to us or are disregarded by society.

30 Give thanks for the fullness of life we have in Christ through faith, and that the light and truth of the gospel and God's grace dwelling within us will transform us so we can convey hope to the world and love and serve our neighbor.

31 United Nations World Day Against Trafficking in Persons

Human trafficking for forced labor and sexual exploitation is a global issue affecting every nation. Women and girls account for almost three-quarters of all trafficking victims. Pray that the ELCA, our congregations and communities continue to work to end human trafficking, care for survivors and address root causes of trafficking, such as poverty, hunger and sexism.

Friendly Reminder

As you enjoy the lazy, hazy [hot] days of summer, please remember your financial commitment to Peace. We all miss Pastor Ralph (a recognized cost savings). Likewise, we all like a cool facility, manicured landscaping, good support staff and even paid up insurance (all on-going and sometimes increased expenses). In addition, your Council will be taking time during this transition period to evaluate our entire financial picture, and continued giving from each member will greatly aid this process.

If you have questions about any aspect of church finances, including the Financial Statement that is posted on the board, feel free to contact me.

Also, thanks to everyone who contributed to Pastor's gift. Your generosity enabled us to present him with a \$3000.00 check.

--Jan Larson, Treasurer
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WORSHIP

Worship Opportunities for July

On Sunday, we will have **Service of the Word** with Toni McSorley doing the sermon.

Looking Ahead to August

- **August 4 Service of the Word** with Deb Buckley giving the sermon
- **August 11 Holy Communion** with Rev. Laura Shally
- **August 18 Service of the Word** Mike Taylor presenting the sermon
- **August 28 Holy Communion** with Rev. Laura Shally

Cookies and Conversation Recap

Our meeting after the worship service this past Sunday provided information on some of the things happening at Peace, both in terms of ongoing ministries and our interim time.

Tom Barnes, our council president, requested volunteers for a workday on July 27 to clean up the nursery. Later the youth kitchen got added to the list. The work is scheduled to begin at 10:00 a.m. We can find jobs for anyone who shows up. (*Klukkan sticky rolls will likely show up at this work day.*)

Commission Chairs are requested to attend our council meetings so we can do more cohesive planning and communication. The next meeting is set for Sunday, August 11 at 11:00 a.m.

Toni McSorley has agreed to handle any phone calls/messages that come in on Mondays and Fridays. (The days are the two that Andrea is not in the office and that Pastor Ralph took care of in the past.)

The council met with Rev. Ben Moravitz, Assistant to the Bishop, on Saturday. He provided an overview of what happens in the interim period. Our first task, while maintaining ongoing ministries, is to interview and select an interim pastor. That is done as an appointment by the Bishop after the council has approved of the candidate. After the interim pastor is established the council will be thinking in terms of a call committee which is voted on by the congregation at a special meeting. They, along with the interim pastor's first task it is to develop the Ministry Site Profile. You probably have realized that this is not done in days or weeks, but rather months.

Rev. Moravitz was very positive about Peace. He felt we are a strong congregation with a real sense of who we are and what our mission is. Our facilities were beautiful and overall, we would be seen as a desirable call to a candidate.

Your council wants to express our thanks to the support we feel for us and the church as a whole. Thanks to those who are assuming additional responsibilities and there will be more opportunities for that in the future.

DISCIPLESHIP

VBS Update

The 2019 Vacation Bible School is in the books. We had three children take part, and nine adults contributed supplies, their time, prep work, or other support for the week. Huge thanks to our teachers for the week. Libby Anderson, Anneka Beard, and Linda McClanahan were outstanding. Susan McLemore, Peggy Ransom, Barbara Marquette, and Helena Halsey gave supplies. Lori Burnett and Nancy Simon came a day or more to share their gifts as well. Thank you to everyone who helped. We will be back next year with "Animals of the Bible!" Thank you for your prayers. Anne Hudnall,
Discipleship Commission

Wednesday Night Bible Study

Wednesday Night Bible Study will begin on Wednesday, July 31 at 5:30 p.m. We will continue our study and discussion of the Gospel of Matthew. Come and join us from 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. Bring your Bibles. Contact Nancy Simon if you have questions.

OUTREACH

Snacks for Cedar Bluff Elementary

A new school year begins soon, on August 5 for students, and it's time to stock the snack pantry at Cedar Bluff Elementary. These snacks should be shelf stable and ready to eat without a spoon. Remember that we should avoid nuts of any kind. The basket for collection will be in the hallway. The first delivery will be August 2, but we will keep collecting through August 18.

Thank you for your help at KARM!

Thank you to those who helped prepare the meal at KARM last Saturday. Volunteers included Dave and Judy Terwell, Dwight Kessler, Eva Kratts, Donna Ellstrom, Richard Gage and Tabby, Bev Alwine, Pete and Phyllis Etzler and George Anderson. They served 54 people and the left over food was used for another meal at KARM. Thanks to all who served!

FISH Update

Linda McClanahan made a special trip back to Knoxville to take the FISH calls Saturday, July 6. Two teams delivered those groceries; Tom Mustaleski with grandson Micah and Donna Ellstrom and Angie Moore. Thirty-three people were served at our ten stops. That means most families served were smaller in number than our usual list of families served. One group of six appeared to be disabled people sharing an apartment. I am glad we were able to provide.

NURTURE

Peace Family Picnic

Come join us for our Peace Family Picnic! We want everyone to get to know our Peace family a bit better. Bring a side dish, lawn chairs, and any old church family photos. There will be a sign up sheet on the foyer board to let us know you are coming, and to sign up to bring either a side or salad. We will provide brats and hotdogs on the grill and dessert. Come join us for the reunion fun and games. Gather at Peace on September 7 at 5:00 p.m. See you there for a special Peace family event! For more information, please contact Anne Hudnall.

Peace Women's Book Group

On Tuesday, August 6, at 10:00 a.m., we will discuss *Little Fires Everywhere*, a novel by Celeste Ng. Looking ahead: September 3, *An American Marriage* by Tayari Jones.

MISCELLANEOUS

Nursery Cleanup

We are planning a deep cleaning event for both the nursery and the youth kitchen on July 27 at 10:00 a.m. This will include cleaning the toys in the nursery. To get clean, we've got to get dirty. We need a half dozen or more volunteers. For more information, please contact Tom Barnes, Church Council President

Thoughtful Faith

Luke 11:1-13

In teaching his disciples this prayer, Jesus also reminds them to focus on God's coming reign, God's mercy, and the strengthening of the community. Jesus encourages his disciples to child-like trust and persistence in prayer.

He was praying in a certain place, and after he had finished, one of his disciples said to him, "Lord, teach us to pray, as John taught his disciples." He said to them, "When you pray, say: Father, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come. Give us each day our daily bread. And forgive us our sins, for we ourselves forgive everyone indebted to us. And do not bring us to the time of trial." And he said to them, "Suppose one of you has a friend, and you go to him at midnight and say to him, 'Friend, lend me three loaves of bread; for a friend of mine has arrived, and I have nothing to set before him.' And he answers from within, 'Do not bother me; the door has already been locked, and my children are with me in bed; I cannot get up and give you anything.' I tell you, even though he will not get up and give him anything because he is his friend, at least because of his persistence he will get up and give him whatever he needs. "So I say to you, Ask, and it will be given you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened for you. For everyone who asks receives, and everyone who searches finds, and for everyone who knocks, the door will be opened. Is there anyone among you who, if your child asks for a fish, will give a snake instead of a fish? Or if the child asks for an egg, will give a scorpion? If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!"