

Weekly Messenger

August 21, 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



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11th Sunday after Pentecost

August 25, 2019

9:30 a.m. Worship with Holy Communion

Peace Weekly Calendar

Wednesday, August 21

Office Open 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.
 9:20 a.m. Spanish Immersion Classes
 5:30 p.m. Bible Study
 6:00 p.m. Men of Peace
 6:30 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, August 22

Office Open 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.
 12:00 p.m. S- Anon
 7:00 p.m. Tai Chi
 7:00 p.m. Troop 20574

Friday, August 23

Office Closed

Saturday, August 24

12:00 p.m. Al-Anon
 2:00 p.m. Portrait Art Class
 6:00 p.m. Pasta & Bluegrass Festival

Sunday, August 25

9:30 a.m. Worship w/Holy Communion
 2:30 p.m. Al-Anon

Monday, August 26

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 27

Office Open 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.
 8:00 a.m. Tuesday Morning Men
 6:00 p.m. Troop 22040
 6:00 p.m. Via de Cristo
 7:00 p.m. TN Valley Ensemble

Wednesday, August 28

Office Open 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.
 9:20 a.m. Spanish Immersion Classes
 5:30 p.m. Bible Study
 6:00 p.m. Men of Peace
 6:30 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, August 29

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

Friday, August 30

Office Closed

Saturday, August 31

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

Sunday, September 1

9:30 a.m. Worship w/Holy Communion
 2:30 p.m. Al-Anon

Serving Sunday-August 25	
Worship w/Holy Communion - Pr. Laura Shally	
Asst. Minister:	Donna Ellstrom
Lector:	Susan McLemore
Sound:	Neil Buckley
Ushers:	John Burnett & Allan Ellstrom
Greeters:	Adele Soucy & Bob Storm
Bread & Wine:	Jim & Susan McLemore
Altar Guild:	Linda McClanahan & Deb Buckley
Tellers:	Eva Kratts & George Anderson

Baptismal Anniversary
 8/22 Evan English

Birthdays
 8/21 Mary Ellen Kangas
 8/21 Lauren Rosch
 8/21 Joshua Zeller
 8/26 Elizabeth Zeller
 8/28 Allison Kroninger

Peace Prayers

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

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); **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); **Mike Gage** (son of Mary & Richard Gage); **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); **Bud Storm** (Robert Storm's brother); **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

August 21-28

21 Pray that students, parents and teachers will be renewed for the coming academic year and that students in need of school supplies or tuition assistance will be provided with what they need to ease their concerns and further their educations.

22 Pray that our hearts will be filled with the biblical stories of people of faith, that we will recognize and give thanks for the “cloud of witnesses” surrounding us today, and that we will look to Jesus’ teachings and example to guide and encourage our faith.

23 Pray that the new ELCA resource “A 60-Day Journey Toward Justice in a Culture of Gun Violence” will invite readers to face the painful truth of gun violence and to work for its prevention as people of God who strive for justice and peace.

24 Pray for coaches and student athletes of all abilities as they train for upcoming sports seasons. Pray that they will be safe from injury, experience joy and confidence in their physical activities, and have positive, caring people in their lives to help them cope with the challenges they might face – personal, family, spiritual, social, academic and athletic.

25 Ask God to grant us the wisdom, boldness and compassion to care for our neighbors in need, even when doing so is inconvenient, interrupts our routines or forces us to reconsider traditions, laws, rules and practices of society and the church.

26 Many of our ELCA outdoor ministry staff are ending their summer of service and transitioning back to school, new employment or other service opportunities in the church. As they work to discern their vocations and futures, ask the Holy Spirit to guide, inspire and equip them to share their faith and gifts with the church and society and to respond to God’s call to service and ministry.

27 Pray that we will respect and affirm how God calls and equips children and youth to share the gospel, serve as leaders and examples in the church, and do God’s work in the world together with people of all ages and abilities.

28 Remember in prayer our ELCA missionaries serving in China, Hong Kong, Malaysia, Thailand, Nepal, Singapore and South Korea. Give thanks for their service and witness as they accompany our global companions in ministries of theological education, teaching, counseling, communications and parish ministry.

WORSHIP

Great News

We are delighted to announce that we have not one, but two interim pastors. Together they will be serving us 2/3rds time. They have significant experience at working together since they have served both at Grace in Oak Ridge and at Messiah here in Knoxville. Rev. Larry Richardson and Rev. Norma Johnson will be our interim ministers. They each come with special skills which will meet the needs of Peace. Each was in congregational ministry, retired, and then found out they did not like total retirement. They will begin ministry at Peace on September 1 with Pastor Larry officiating at communion. You will get a chance to meet them at our Rally Day on September 7 and of course at worship on September 8. We feel very blessed to have them. Please remember them and Peace in your prayers as we begin our ministry together.

Sunday Morning Schedule

Throughout the history of Peace, the decision to hold one or two Sunday worship services has been a difficult one. During our interim period we need to bring our congregation together as a community for both worship and fellowship. The council recommends that, to better enable this, we continue with one service during this time. Dividing our present attendance numbers between two services would be detrimental to our goal of maintaining and growing our congregation. Our Discipleship Commission has requested that Sunday school be held before worship, because so often worship and other planned events impinge on Sunday school time. Upon their recommendation council made the decision that Sunday school would be from 8:45 a.m. until 9:30 a.m. and that worship service would begin at 9:45 a.m., a move of fifteen minutes. This new schedule will begin on September 8. Council hopes that this is a compromise that will be viable for everyone.

Worship Opportunities

- August 25 **Holy Communion** with Rev. Laura Shally
- September 1 **Holy Communion** with Toni McSorley presenting the sermon and Rev. Larry Richardson presiding over communion.
- Installation of our interim pastors, Rev. Norma Johnson and Rev. Larry Richardson by the Assistant to the Bishop, Rev. Karen Boda. Following the Holy Communion Service there will be a reception to celebrate their installation and to welcome both of them to Peace. **The new service time of 9:45 a.m. will begin on this date.**

DISCIPLESHIP

Wednesday Night Bible Study - CONTINUES TONIGHT!

Wednesday Night Bible Study begins at 5:30 p.m. We are continuing 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.

How Jesus Became God

This is the title of a book by Dr. Bart Ehrman, which is presented as a series of lectures in The Great Courses series. This will be the topic of the adult Sunday school class beginning September 8 at 8:45 a.m. Moderated by Allan Ellstrom, the course looks at the historical setting during the time Jesus lived, how people understood who Jesus was, how Christianity became a dominant force in the world and much more. Participants can more fully engage by reading Dr. Ehrman's book. It is available in print and electronic forms.

OUTREACH

Volunteer Assisted Transportation

This is a fine opportunity for helping senior citizens. Should you be looking for something to do with your abundant free time, consider this. For more information, call 673-5001. This is one of many programs of the Office on Aging.

Serving at KARM

Our date to serve at KARM is coming soon - August 31st, and if you are looking for a rewarding way to spend a Saturday morning, this might be it! We prepare and serve lunch at Knoxville Area Rescue Mission on that date. We arrive at KARM about 9:30 a.m., prepare lunch, serve, and are finished by 1:00 p.m. Clean up is done for us. If you can help, please sign up on the sheet on the bulletin board in the hallway. Questions? Ask Donna or Linda. Hope to see you there!

The KARM Box is Back

Due to enthusiastic cleaning a few weekends ago, the original KARM box (in the small room off the narthex) fell apart. New boxes have been delivered and will be set up in that same small room. Remember that the basket for Steps House is in the same room. If you have household items to donate, they could be put either place. Clothes, toys, etc. probably belong in the KARM box only.

Cedar Bluff Snacks

Thank you for your dedicated support of hungry school children. Our response to hunger in our neighborhood, city, and world is varied. This response is the one closest to us physically.

Bread for the World

The Bad News: Much of Africa and the Middle East face near-famine conditions. Hunger and malnutrition are fueling migration from Central America. Nearly 1 in 4 children worldwide suffer from stunting caused by chronic malnutrition. These conditions can feed unrest and violence.

The Good News: You can do something to help. Urge your members of Congress to cosponsor and pass the Global Nutrition Resolution (H.Res.189/S.res.260). This is coming up for a vote when Congress reconvenes in September after summer recess. You may call 800-826-3688, email, or write a letter. More information can be found at bread.org/activist.

We know at least 41 contacts were made to members of Congress by Peace in May with the Offering of Letters. Now there is another opportunity to make your voice heard.

NURTURE

Would you like to help?

Would you like to help minister to our congregation? Through the Nurture Commission, we reach out to one another in joys and in sorrows. Nurture Commission makes certain we have the supplies we need to have our morning coffee, plans Advent and Lenten meals, plans other special occasions within the church congregation, writes notes or visits shut-ins, and encourages all of the many groups that meet in the congregation. (Men's Breakfast, TGIF, Women's Group, Book Club, etc.) This is a very rewarding ministry, and one that gives us opportunity to share our Christian love with each other. If you are interested, please speak to Linda McClanahan or Burt English.

Peace Women's Book Group

On Tuesday, September 3, at 10:00 a.m., we will discuss the novel "An American Marriage" by Tayari Jones. Looking ahead: October 8, "Dream Daughter" by Diane Chamberlain. Contact Kathleen Schuller if you have questions.

Wild Women Weekend

It's not happening until next March, but Lutheridge wants our money soon. The notice says that anyone not paying in full by September 15, will have her reservation cancelled. If you are unsure whether you can go or not, do not despair. You can make another reservation later. However, we do need a large number of women to honor their reservations and pay in full by September 15 so that we can get good lodging in a cabin.

MISCELLANEOUS

Tyson House Hymnathon

The Hymnathon is scheduled for Saturday, September 28. It would be great if we can sing the ELW this year instead of the Episcopal hymnal. To donate go to www.tysonhouse.org. If you click on the Green button that says "Donate now!" you will open a separate tab with PayPal on it. You can enter the amount you would like to donate, and then there will be a line that says "Which Hymnal: Lutheran or Episcopal?" Lutheran of course! Feel free to reach out to Laura Boudon at leboudon@yahoo.com if you have any questions!

Pasta & Bluegrass Festival

This Saturday, August 24 at Sacred Heart Cathedral School Gymnasium, 6:00 to 8:00. This is a fundraiser for Family Promise, and all we need to do is attend and enjoy. Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$5 for children. The promotion lists 15 pasta tastings, an Italian Market, and children's activities. Family Promise is not an official ministry of Peace Lutheran, but we help The Church of the Good Samaritan when that church takes its turn hosting families-- as we did Monday, August 19.

Thoughtful Faith

Luke 13:10-17

Jesus heals a woman on the sabbath, offering her a new beginning for her life. When challenged by a narrow reading of the sabbath command, Jesus responds by expanding "sabbath work" to include setting people free from bondage.

Now he was teaching in one of the synagogues on the sabbath. And just then there appeared a woman with a spirit that had crippled her for eighteen years. She was bent over and was quite unable to stand up straight. When Jesus saw her, he called her over and said, "Woman, you are set free from your ailment." When he laid his hands on her, immediately she stood up straight and

began praising God. But the leader of the synagogue, indignant because Jesus had cured on the sabbath, kept saying to the crowd, "There are six days on which work ought to be done; come on those days and be cured, and not on the sabbath day." But the Lord answered him and said, "You hypocrites! Does not each of you on the sabbath untie his ox or his donkey from the manger, and lead it away to give it water? And ought not this woman, a daughter of Abraham whom Satan bound for eighteen long years, be set free from this bondage on the sabbath day?" When he said this, all his opponents were put to shame; and the entire crowd was rejoicing at all the wonderful things that he was doing.