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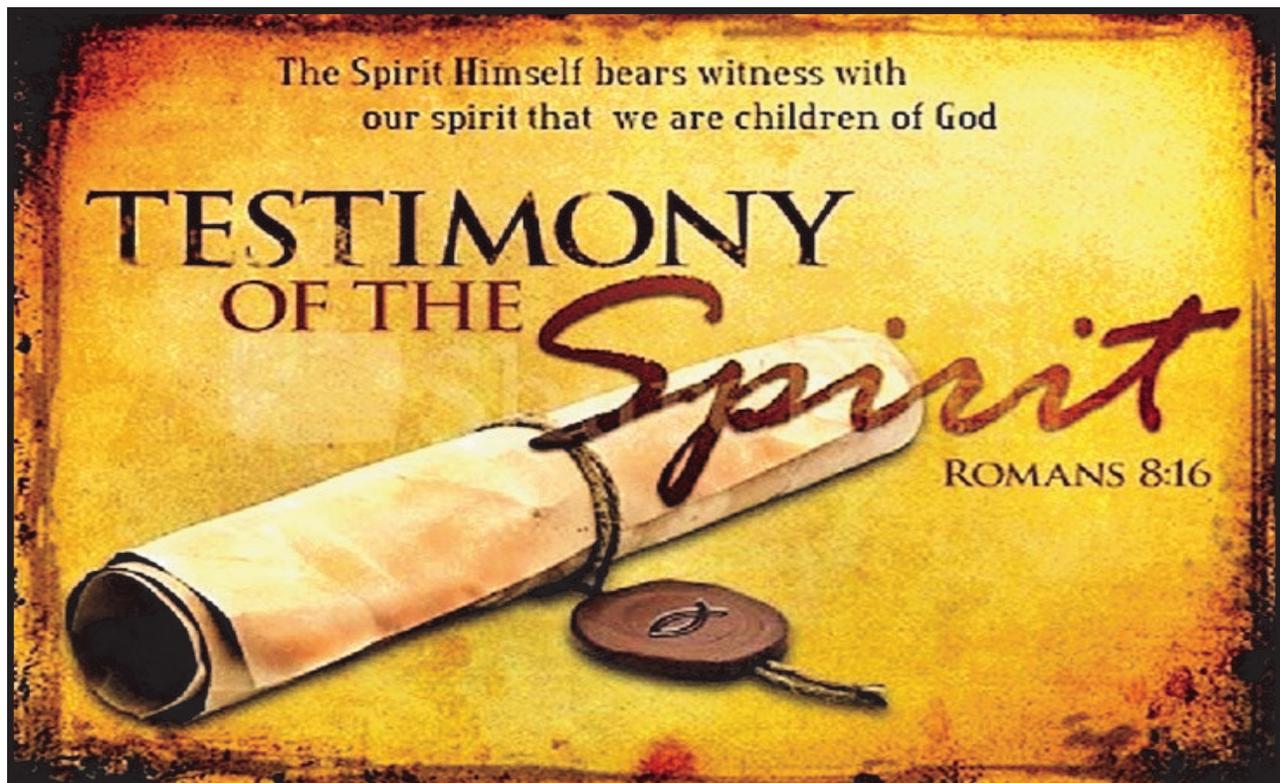
WORSHIP SCHEDULE—*Sunday Service at 9:00am*

During the covid-19 crisis precautions/restrictions will be in place

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YouTube and our FACEBOOK page at the same time



THOUGHTS FROM PASTOR BRAD

Beloved Siblings in Christ,

When God lives and breathes in you (and he does, as surely as he did in Jesus), you are delivered from that dead life. With his Spirit living in you, your body will be as alive as Christ's! So don't you see that we don't owe this old do-it-yourself life one red cent. There's nothing in it for us, nothing at all. The best thing to do is give it a decent burial and get on with your new life. God's Spirit beckons. There are things to do and places to go! This resurrection life you received from God is not a timid, grave-tending life. It's adventurously expectant, greeting God with a childlike "What's next, Papa?" God's Spirit touches our spirits and confirms who we really are. We know who he is, and we know who we are: Father and children. And we know we are going to get what's coming to us—an unbelievable inheritance! We go through exactly what Christ goes through. If we go through the hard times with him, then we're certainly going to go through the good times with him!

Romans 8:11b-17 - The Message translation

I said to someone the other day, "How in the world is it the end of July? It feels like we are stuck in a continual loop of the season of Lent." There are times when I wonder if we will ever break out of this cycle and get back to what "normal" looks like. Then I remind myself that maybe wanting to get back to "normal" isn't a good goal at all. Wanting something new, fresh and exciting is what we should be after.

In the midst of this pandemic, as we struggle to find common ground on almost anything, we are being called back to what grounds us - our new life given to us through the death and resurrection of Christ. Through God's love lived out for us in Jesus, we are

given the opportunity to live this new life that is in front of us. As we are stirred by the Holy Spirit we need to be reminded that this is our opportunity to live life knowing that God is with us in the midst of all things. It is easy to be stuck in our old ways of doing things, especially when we want to cling to any piece of "normal" we can find but I think the bigger challenge, the more life-giving challenge, is to see what good is coming from the disruption of our "normal." I promise you that there is good to be found if we are willing to open our hearts and minds to see it. God is doing amazing things in the midst of chaos; that shouldn't really surprise us, however, because that's what God does. God shows up in the most unlikely of places and turns us around so that we might see differently, experience differently. God has promised to never leave us alone to figure this out and I for one need to be reminded of that often.

I share these words from Paul's letter to the Romans as a reminder of God's love for God's people and the promise that God has called as beloved children and as such we will never be forgotten. I also share them to remind myself (and you) that at times in our life we are going to experience chaos, grief and doubt. We cannot get around that no matter how hard we try. Rather than be resigned to the idea that life will not get better we are reminded that because of Christ's presence in our lives we know that life will get better. We are promised that and I hope we never forget it. We are all family and for that I am grateful.

Shalom,

Pastor Brad Doh



UPDATE:

Elsewhere in this newsletter you will find information regarding an opportunity to worship together OUTDOORS(!) and also an opportunity to receive communion in a drive-thru setting. I know that people are missing being together and not everyone is comfortable being at worship indoors so hopefully this will be a nice compromise.

Finally, I want to again thank you for being a part of the Peace community and for all that you do to support the ministry we are doing. I'm grateful and truly blessed.

Please know that we are praying for you here at Peace and know that you are loved by God and by me.

Shalom,
Pastor Brad



FAMILY TIES



Family Ties is a group of families that love parenting but find it to be even more rewarding with faith, friends, fun, and of course food. The group is open to families young and old, big and small, many or just one. After all, we are all family at Peace. If you are interested in being included in our events and want to join our mailing list, please sign up with Nicki. If you have any questions or would like further information, please see Nicki. nicki@peaceoshkosh.org



A ***NEW*** Sparks Activate Faith opportunity starting this month: **Faith Together at Home** is a series that will include weekly at-home devotions and activities you can do with the whole family. Each week Nicki M. will host a

Facebook live event to read and discuss the story as well as set up the at-home family activity. This new series will work best with your help. Making it as interactive as possible you will have an opportunity to chat with Nicki and other friends of our church family. Weekly themes to look forward to include; *Explore the Bible, Follow Jesus, Learn About God, Be the Church, and Share Your Faith.* Tune in every **Sunday evening starting August 2nd at 7:00pm.**



ROOTS



**NOT JUST FOR CONFIRMATION STUDENTS.
WE INVITE AND WELCOME ANY YOUTH GRADES 6TH THROUGH 12TH**

Confirmation *will* start soon! Although due to current COVID circumstances we are still working out the details of just how we plan to make this happen, we **DO KNOW** that there **WILL BE** some form of class. Stay tuned for more details. In the meantime, contact us to sign your child up to join our confirmation class. Confirmation class is offered as a three year program for sixth through eighth graders.

A tentative schedule for September:

- 9/16 Initial Confirmation parents meeting
- 9/20 Get To Know You Game Night - 6:30-8:00pm social center & gym
This event is for all youth 6th -12th grade, not just confirmation students
- 9/23 First Confirmation Class

CURATOR OF YOUTH AND FAMILY MINISTRIES



Sunday School Teachers/Volunteers needed

Sunday School and small groups are awesome tools to reach and care for people, lead them to meet God in the Bible, and mobilize attenders in serving Him. Like a coal pulled out of the fire, when people drop out of church they usually stop growing in the Spirit and serving God's family. That is heartbreaking, especially when it is 100% avoidable. The number one reason people can so easily walk away from church is because they were never connected in the first place. Sunday School can be the foundation of that connection for both participants and their families. Let's use the opportunity to keep, disciple, and mobilize the future of our church. In order to build this foundation we need to start with leaders to help reach, care for, lead, and mobilize the young members and their families.

Someone we are looking for to be a Teacher of the Faith would...

- Serve for a period of one year.
Volunteers can partner with another Teacher of the Faith to alternate weeks, ultimately freeing up some Sundays to lower the weeks of commitment.
If you are not available to lead teach, we are also looking for subs to fill in with different classes throughout the year as needed.
- Strive to teach in a way that will promote spiritual growth and health. Create a nurturing atmosphere for the children in the class.
- Utilize the provided curriculum of Sparks Lectionary series
- Asked to consider prayerfully every lesson as it is prepared to be taught.
- Assist in making the classroom space attractive and inviting for the learners
- Faithfully attend one training session at the beginning of the year and quarterly staff meetings.
- Arrive in their classrooms ten to fifteen minutes before the children arrive to be sure all is ready and to be able to focus on individual children as they arrive.
- Care for children and their families who are irregular in attendance, in cooperation with the pastor, board leaders, and Curator of Youth and Family Ministries
- Supervise their students in any activities in which the students participate, such as singing in a worship service.
- Become friends and counselors to their students. Help make the connection from home family to church family.

If those qualities sound like you or someone you know, please contact Nicki to volunteer this fall. We have many opportunities and openings for all grade levels. Pick the age/grade level students you love working with best and we can make it happen. Currently we are in need of a minimum of four volunteers to make the program a success. We are happy to take as many more volunteers as we can gather.

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CURATOR OF YOUTH AND FAMILY MINISTRIES

•Sunday School, Starting Up Again Soon!

I can't believe that it is almost that time again, time to think about fall and classes starting up. As I write this, the future is yet to be determined and things are changing everyday. Please take a moment to read the fall information for Sunday School but also remember we are being flexible to maintain the latest safety and health recommendations. Looking forward to a time that we can move beyond all of this and comfortably and confidently join together in worship and fellowship.

•Thoughts for Fall

•*as of the August print deadline:

- For the time being, Sunday School will be online and family centered.
We will continue to reevaluate the situation as circumstances deem.
Our hope is that we are able to meet in person this winter.
- Registration will be starting in late August to sign up individuals and or families for Sunday School Participation Packets.
- Sunday School Participation Packets (SSPP) will include:
Craft materials and tools needed to complete the craft for each week.
Activity or color pages specific to the child(ren)'s age.
A leaflet specific to the child(ren)'s age that digs further into the Bible story/lesson for each week.
A family page for continued learning throughout the week (same as the sheet that was always sent home with children in previous years).
- Packets will be available for pick up at the family table in the narthex OR home delivery on a bimonthly basis.
- Registration will never close. You can sign up or opt out at any time.
- In addition to SSPP there will be a weekly live video available to keep us connected and interactive
Date and time TBD. **Please watch for a survey to help us find a time that best suits the majority of participants available time.**
Format also TBD. Facebook Live, Zoom, and other options are all being considered.
- Holding out hope for time in person together
As of right now, there are no children in regular attendance on Sundays.
(This is not a statement of judgement! Even my own family and I are not yet comfortable with attending or meeting in groups)
Should younger children start attending regularly we will begin offering a small group meeting to share the story and a bit of fellowship.
This time together will be greatly condensed from our previous Sunday School classes.
Details of this option will be worked out further when we meet that milestone

A survey will be sent mid-August looking for your thoughts and feedback. We are all at different places but still on the journey together. I am counting on each of you to help me shape the best opportunities for our youngest church members. Thank you in advance ~ Nicki

I hope that despite the distance we are able to stay connected and help foster a faith in our children.

Train up a child in the way he should go; even when he is old he will not depart from it. ~ Proverbs 22:6



Sunday School is COOL!

CURATOR OF CONGREGATIONAL LIFE



BINGO!

On July 16th Kim and I hosted a second round of BINGO! We had a few more participants to add to our handful from last month. As always, it is a joy to see the familiar faces of people we don't get to see on a regular basis any more.

Kim and I will put our heads together and look for a new way to engage some of our members next month, we haven't planned it out yet, but we find it important to continue to reach out and engage!



PEACE LUTHERAN CHURCH: HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES SPOTLIGHT

It is easy to lose track of confirmation students once they complete their confirmation training and become busy with their lives outside of the church. However, in an effort to continue our care and prayers for our past confirmands who are still a part of our Church Family, Peace is going to share highlights of each graduate who is willing to share a little bit about themselves now. Please read a little bit about *Alyssa Nelson*.

Favorite things about Winneconne High School:

- school dances
- sports
- football games
- choir
- hanging with my friends

Highlights of Winneconne High School:

- going to New York for the choir/band trip

Favorite Church Memories:

- helping out with confirmation
- the National Youth Gathering in Houston
- singing in the choir

Future Plans:

- I will be attending UW Oshkosh in the fall to major in Nursing and minor in Spanish.
- I am currently working at Park View Health Center as a CNA.

On a personal note:

I would like to thank my parents for all the support they have given me, Mo for helping me grow in my faith and my Grandma Nelson for inspiring me to pursue my career in nursing.



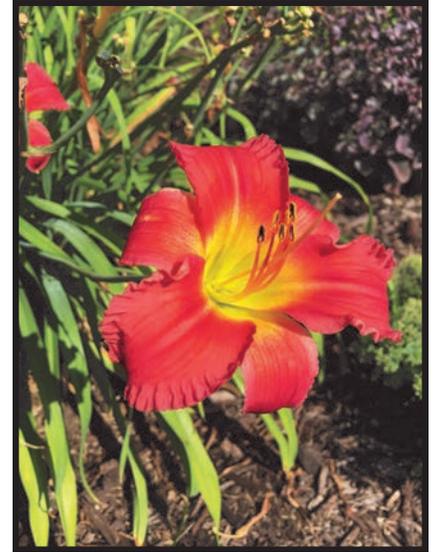
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GARDEN TEAM:

Even during the relentless heat wave from the July sun, the Garden Team has continued to meet on a weekly basis to maintain and improve the aesthetic appeal of our property.

Our grounds are vast and our building is large, our small group makes regular trips around the building to control weeds, cut back plants that blossom and die off, and keep the lawn maintained. This month we continued our efforts to enhance the landscape space by the gym doors. We added approximately 40 feet of a very nice rubber edging that defines the space between the lawn and our landscape gardens. We cut back the dead blossoms from the yucca plant that had a glorious showing this year and we picked out projects for the next month.

We won't be featured in any local garden clubs but we are proud of our efforts and we hope it brings you pride in your church as well.



GIRL POWER!

Perfect attendance award goes to Heather and Kathi!

I WARNED THE BOYS IF THEY DIDN'T SHOW UP THAT I WOULD POST A PHOTO OF ONLY ME AND KATHI DOING ALL THE WORK AND A STATEMENT ABOUT FEMALE POWER! HERE IT IS--THE FEMALE POWER.

NOTE--They only missed one day, so we can't be too hard on them.

GARDEN VEGETABLES ARE READY TO BE PICKED.

The garden plants have become fruitful with plenty of blossoms prepared to yield more harvest. If you, or a family you know, are interested in fresh green beans, cucumbers or squash, you are welcome to visit the gardens to take what you need.

Tomatoes are on the way, keep an eye out for them to come soon.



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HEALING GARDENS AT PEACE—TRULY AN OUTDOOR SANCTUARY

The invitation is always open to have a seat on the pergola swing in the Healing Garden. The shade provided by the spring-blossoming crabapple trees keeps the gardens cool even on the hot days. The location is easy to find as it sits only a few steps off the Circle Drive parking lot.

Even with the hum of traffic of 9th Avenue, the Healing Garden gives a person a comfortable place to sit and reflect while gently swinging.



THE LITTLE FREE PANTRY

continues to be a steady form of food supply and a lesson in judgement. There is not a single day when I work at Peace that I am not humbled by the generosity of complete strangers to me who come and fill the pantry. I must confess to poor judgments when I see a person pop out of a vehicle and begin to stock the shelves when my original assumption was that they were coming to empty them. Participants of The Little Free Pantry truly do take what they need and leave what they can.

Popular Items to donate: diapers and wipes, easy boxed foods such as mac and cheese or instant potatoes, tuna fish, canned soups, ramen noodles, and canned vegetables.

NOTE: Dry beans may seem like a healthy staple but they are not popular, please refrain from adding these items..

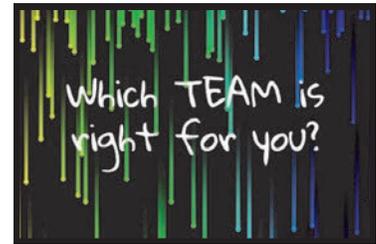
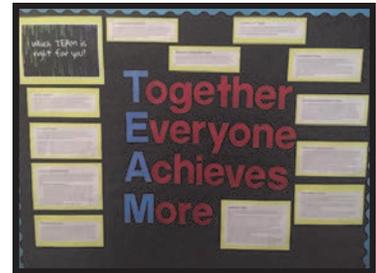
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***We may not be operating at full steam these days,
but you can still JOIN A TEAM!***

Just before our church closed its doors to ensure the safety of its members and greater community, I was putting together a campaign to get more church members engaged in teamwork at Peace.

Peace is blessed with a number of independent leaders who head a variety of teams. If you have ever had an inspiring idea for a way to help your Church Family or the greater community, you should probably join a team and become active.

Pick a team that works for you! If you read of a team that interests you, reach out to me through the church office phone or via email heather.miller@peaceoshkosh.org. I will be very excited to make a connection with you!



PEACE LUTHERAN HAS MANY TEAMS. WE LISTED SOME THE LAST TWO MONTHS, HERE ARE MORE:

PROMOTION TEAM:

The Promotion Team assists the other church teams to provide information and advertising for planned programs taking place at Peace. If newspaper or digital media advertising is necessary to promote an activity, the Promotion Team is happy to assist. We can also write articles for the Prints of Peace Newsletter or the bulletin, make flyers or posters and put together sign-up sheets. Our purpose is to support participation by church and community members for activities and services provided by Peace Lutheran Church. The Promotion Team is in charge of publishing the "Prints of Peace" monthly newsletter.

If you would like to join this team please contact the church office.

LUNCH BUNCH:

Many people don't like to go out to lunch alone. This group provides an opportunity to dine with friends and get to know each other better. This group meets at various local restaurants on the **2nd Wednesday of each month at 11:30am**. The date and location of each lunch is announced in the Prints of Peace newsletter and the church Sunday bulletin along with phone numbers to call for reservations.

Come join us—and you are welcome to bring a friend.

VPS (VOLUNTEER PERSONS):

This is an adult group open to any member of Peace. Sew good? So good! But you don't need any expertise in sewing to join this group. We provide quilts for Lutheran World Relief and support various other church projects. We meet the **1st and 3rd Thursday of every month between 8:00am to 1:00pm from September through May**. Donations of cotton material and sheets are always welcome for our projects.

CEMETERY TEAM:

Peace Lutheran Church is honored to own a cemetery, open to those of any faith. The cemetery is located on Waukau Avenue between Hwy 45 and Bradley Road, just south of Oshkosh. The Cemetery Team oversees and hires a Cemetery Sexton, machinery purchases and upkeep, building maintenance, and sets cemetery prices.

The oldest gravesite known in the Peace Lutheran Cemetery is dated 1850. Gravesites are available and can be purchased by calling the cemetery sexton. Flowers may be placed at the gravesites and only need to be removed for the two weeks out of the year for fall and spring clean-up. Arrangements need to be removed on April 15th for one week and again on October 15th for one week. After the clean-up week, arrangements may be returned to gravesites.

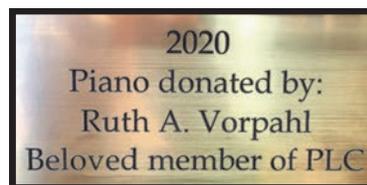
If you would like to join this team please contact the church office.

Want to join our team?



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RUTH VORPHAL AND THE MELIN-WINKEL UPRIGHT GRAND PIANO



In mid-March, just as the bustle of the world was coming to a halt in an effort to thwart the spread of COVID-19, long-time Peace Lutheran Church active member, Ruth Vorpahl, was saying good-bye to a beautiful family piano that had long been a constant part of her life, a source of true joy and a fountain of memories. Ruth was parting with her grandparent's Melin-Winkel upright grand piano. With the help of Kim Blake-Jungwirth, while Ruth was moving into a smaller living space, her piano was destined to find a new home at Peace Lutheran Church. The piano is currently located in the upstairs conference room, it has been recently tuned, and it is waiting patiently for a set of fingers to bring it to life.

In short conversations, Ruth had shared a small bit of the history and the family value of the piano with me. Knowing the story of the piano, adds a lot of meaning to the piano as it silently sits in our now quiet church. On July 17th, I was able to take a little time to sit with Ruth and a tablet of paper to record the enriching story of her upright grand piano.

Ruth's grandparents, who were raising their family in Beaver Dam, bought the piano brand new sometime between 1910 and 1915. Of the two boys in the house, it was Ruth's Uncle Harvey who had musical inclinations. When Harvey moved into his own home, he had no need for the upright piano because he had his sights set on a proper grand piano and so the upright remained in Ruth's grandparent's home. Growing up, Ruth's fond memories spring from sitting at the upright for hours teaching herself some tunes while visiting her grandparents during her school vacations. As she reached her upper elementary school years, her grandparents—quite aware of her love for the piano, promised to ship it to her home in

Hobart, Indiana if she would promise to steadfastly continue her piano studies. True to her promise, Ruth spent every spare moment learning to play the piano. Her focus was so intense that her 4th grade teacher was concerned that the piano time was keeping her from her physical developments and urged her parents to make sure she got more involved in outside activities and fresh air.

Ruth moved to Oshkosh while she was in her early 20's. She earned herself a position at the Oshkosh High School in the department of business education. In 1958 she became a member of Peace Lutheran Church after checking out many of the Lutheran churches in Oshkosh—the views, missions and activities of Peace aligned with Ruth's personality. While she spent her first few years in a tiny apartment, she was able to finally reunite with her piano in Oshkosh when she and her roommate moved into a lovely duplex.

I asked Ruth if she was capable of pulling out a single favorite memory associated with her piano. While she shared that she had dear memories of friendly piano recital competitions with her cousin in Beaver Dam along with other social gatherings, she said her fondest memories include gatherings with the Luther League youths that she led in her hometown. The league she remembers had 15 youth who had created deep bonds. She recalled they would gather at the piano to bring their voices together and it made her heart sing as well—I can attest that those memories still bring a sparkle to her eyes.

Once we are able to gather again with our voices, it will be lovely to plan an afternoon of singing around that piano. When you are finally able to return to Peace, I hope you see the piano and remember the love that has been invested into it.

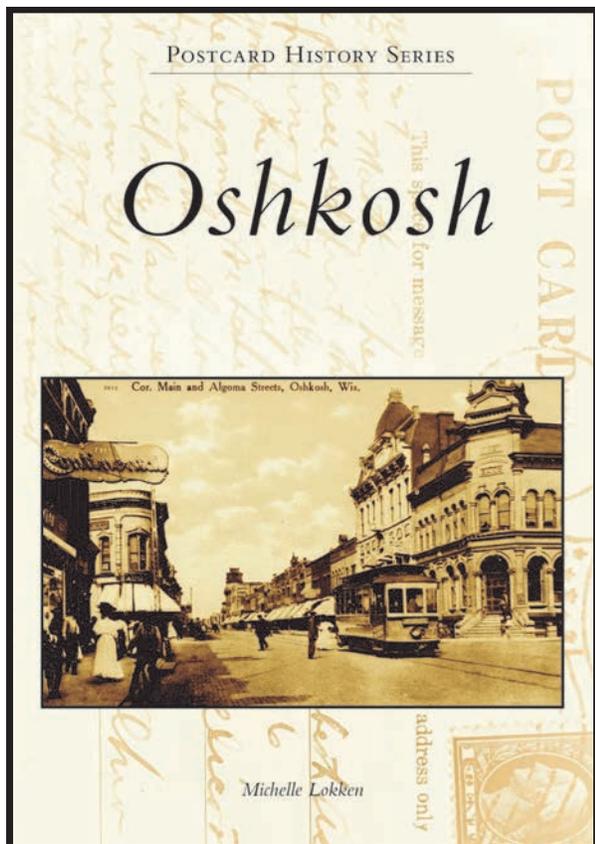


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Peace Lutheran Church is blessed with an amazing array of talented members. Multiple members have published books that reflect a deep appreciation for the historical aspects of Oshkosh and the world wars. Most recently, 21-year-old Michelle Lokken has joined this group with her publication of *Oshkosh*, a part of *Postcard History Series*.

Watch next month for a personal Q & A with Michelle. In the meantime, you can get your own copy of the newest book. *Oshkosh* is currently available online for preorder through Arcadia Publishing, Barnes and Noble, Amazon, and Target. If you want to shop locally, more information about local retail options will be coming soon. Michelle is graciously willing to sign your copy! Interested members can contact Michelle directly at 920-878-1964 or mlokken2120@gmail.com.

Way to go Michelle, we are very proud of your accomplishment.



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Oshkosh history book to be released

Arcadia Publishing and The History Press, publishers of local and regional history books, announced the pending release of “Oshkosh” by Michelle Lokken.

Part of Arcadia’s Postcard History Series, the images in “Oshkosh” include former sites such as Electric Park, Alexian Brothers Hospital and Northern Hospital Zoo. Iconic sites that still stand are also featured, including the Oshkosh Public Library, Grand Opera House and Osh-

kosh Public Museum.

Lokken is a local history enthusiast whose maternal grandfather, Harold E. Helm, was an avid collector of Oshkosh memorabilia and postcards. A history student at the University of Wisconsin Oshkosh, Lokken curated this volume from her family’s private collection along with the Winnebago County Historical & Archaeological Society’s Harold E. Helm Postcard Collection.

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MEMORIAL FLOWERS are a traditional aspect of remembrance or celebration for members of Peace Lutheran Church. Due to the fact that many members are not currently attending in-person service, a good number of spaces have opened up on the Memorial Flower Calendar. I would love to highlight that this year Peace is offering a second option for Memorial Celebrations. Instead of supplying live flowers at the altar as a remembrance or celebration, our members also have the opportunity to make an equal financial donation to the Garden Team and still share their memorial in the newsletter, email blast, and in the service announcements.

If you are interested in signing up for the Memorial Flowers, you can contact Kim in the church office.



AUGUST DONATIONS

August 16:
In *celebration of daughter-in-law and children's birthdays* by Dave & Signe Nelson.

August 23:
In memory of *Jean Stecker* by Roger and Joanne Stecker.



PEACE CHRISTIAN PRESCHOOL

Peace Christian Preschool is looking for a couple of church members who would be willing to sew a supply of preschool-sized cloth masks. The preschool will supply the pattern and materials needed. We need members with time, skill, and a giving heart to help us out.

If you would like to sew masks, please contact Heather Miller @ 920.279.7277 or heather.miller@peaceoshkosh.org.

If you would like to help offset this cost to the preschool, please contact Heather Miller. Financial help is graciously accepted.



PRAYER REQUESTS

If you or someone you know (with their permission) would like to be on the prayer list, contact the office by phone (231-4730) or email office@peaceoshkosh.org.

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Military Deployment: Matthew Berholtz, Karee Cocking, Andy Duwell, Samantha Hall, Max Klein

Health/Healing: Don Bartelt, Bob Bruce, Bob & Marilyn Cornell, Herb Dieckmann, Steve Elza, Luann Gifford, Marcy Hale, Doris Hanusa, Signe Nelson, Pastor Marty & Lola Ruge, Margaret Voss, Sally Wilde

Encouragement: Bishops Elizabeth Eaton and Gerald Mansholt, Pastor Brad Dokken, PLC Leadership Team, PLC Office Staff, Bishop Job Ubane & staff—ELC of South Africa, Ventersdorp Lutheran Church (our Companion Church in South Africa)

PLEASE LET THE OFFICE KNOW WHEN SOMEONE IS HOSPITALIZED. We don't know someone is hospitalized unless we receive a call. HIPAA regulations have made it difficult for us to get that information.

PRAYER

"Prayer is nothing else than being on terms of friendship with God."

MOTHER TERESA

SERVICE MEN AND WOMEN



Please notify the office if members of your family are in the armed forces along with their addresses. We want them to know we care.

PANTRY COLLECTIONS

LUTHERAN FOOD PANTRY SUNDAY IS THE FIRST SUNDAY OF EACH MONTH. Food donations can be put by the altar. Food donations can also be brought anytime the church is open. Those donations should be put in the gray cabinet next to the elevator at the Ninth Avenue entry by the Circle Drive.



LITTLE FREE PANTRY SUNDAY IS THE THIRD SUNDAY OF EACH MONTH. Donations can be put by the altar. Non-perishable food, personal care items and gift cards may be left in the Pantry at any time. Overflow donations can be placed on the shelves near the elevator at Ninth Avenue entry of the Circle Drive anytime the church is open. Cash donations should be dropped off or sent to the church office. For more information about the Little Free Pantry, visit

<https://www.facebook.com/littlefreepantryatpeace/>.

A THOUGHT FOR TODAY

"You can see God's signature everywhere around you once you learn to recognize his handwriting."

A QUOTE FROM GUIDEPOSTS MAGAZINE.

SHOPWITHSCRIP

A fundraiser to purchase gift cards with a percentage of sales coming back to Peace Youth and Family. With over 700 brands to choose from, we are sure to meet all of your shopping needs.

How Scrip works is you purchase a gift card for a store of your choosing, you will receive a gift card for that store for the full value of the amount you pay. Peace will receive a percentage of the amount paid. It is just that easy! If you have any questions, please see Nicki McKnight.

How can I order?

- Online at www.shopwithscrip.com The first time you order online click "Sign In" on the top of the page, click "Get Started", click "Join a Scrip Program", enter in the enrollment code for Peace (5BEL5ABF66112) and click "Register" and then enter your information to finish. You are now ready to shop!
- Call, text or e-mail Nicki at (949) 690-4177 or Nicki@peaceoshkosh.org
- Turn in a scrips order form to the box located just outside of the church office.
- Stop in the office and purchase scrip cards we have on hand.
- Shop with a volunteer located in the Narthex before or after most services.

If you shop online, check out PrestoPay™, Reload, and ScripNow®. All make scrip shopping even more convenient!

How do I pay?

You can set up a PrestoPay account in your [shopwithscrip](http://shopwithscrip.com) account and pay online with a \$0.15 transaction fee, or you can pay by cash or check made out to "Peace Lutheran Church." All payments must be received by noon on every other Monday to be included in the order. Orders are placed every other week and delivered to church by Friday on the week of the order.

How do I get my order?

All physical cards are picked up from a volunteer located in the narthex before or after most services OR available in the office. On-hand orders are ready for immediate pick-up.

What do you have available now?

We have the following Scrip on-hand available for immediate purchase:

Arby's(\$10), Dairy Queen (\$10), Festival (\$25),
Kwik Trip (\$25 and \$50), Starbucks (\$5),
Subway(\$10), Target (\$25) Walmart (\$25)

Don't see what you're looking for on-hand? Please let me know, we can look into ordering it and having it available on-hand also!

Contact **Nicki McKnight** (949) 690-4177 or nicki@peaceoshkosh.org

OUTDOOR WORSHIP

Have you been wanting to come to worship at Peace but you simply aren't comfortable worshipping indoors yet? We understand completely. In the month of August we are going to try having an outdoor worship service in our circle drive parking lot off of 9th Avenue. The service will be held at 6:30pm and will include communion. Please note that we won't do this every week; only on the dates listed below:

THE SERVICES WILL BE AUGUST 12th & 26th.

The other Wednesday's we will continue to offer Facebook Live services at 5:30pm and Zoom Communion at 6:30pm

DRIVE-THRU COMMUNION

We will be offering Drive-thru Communion on **August 12th and 26th from 5:00pm until 6:15pm**. The Drive-Thru Communion will take place in our back parking lot. We will ask that you enter into the parking lot via Minnesota Avenue and follow the arrows (and traffic) to receive communion. Each car will pull up and receive communion elements and then receive a blessing from Pastor Brad. After receiving communion you will exit onto 8th Avenue.

At 6:30pm, for those interested, we will be offering an outdoor worship service in our Circle Drive parking lot off of 9th Avenue.

If you are more comfortable bringing your own elements and having Pastor Brad say a blessing over them then that is also okay.

If you have questions, please contact the church office or contact Pastor Brad directly.

WORSHIP SERVICES

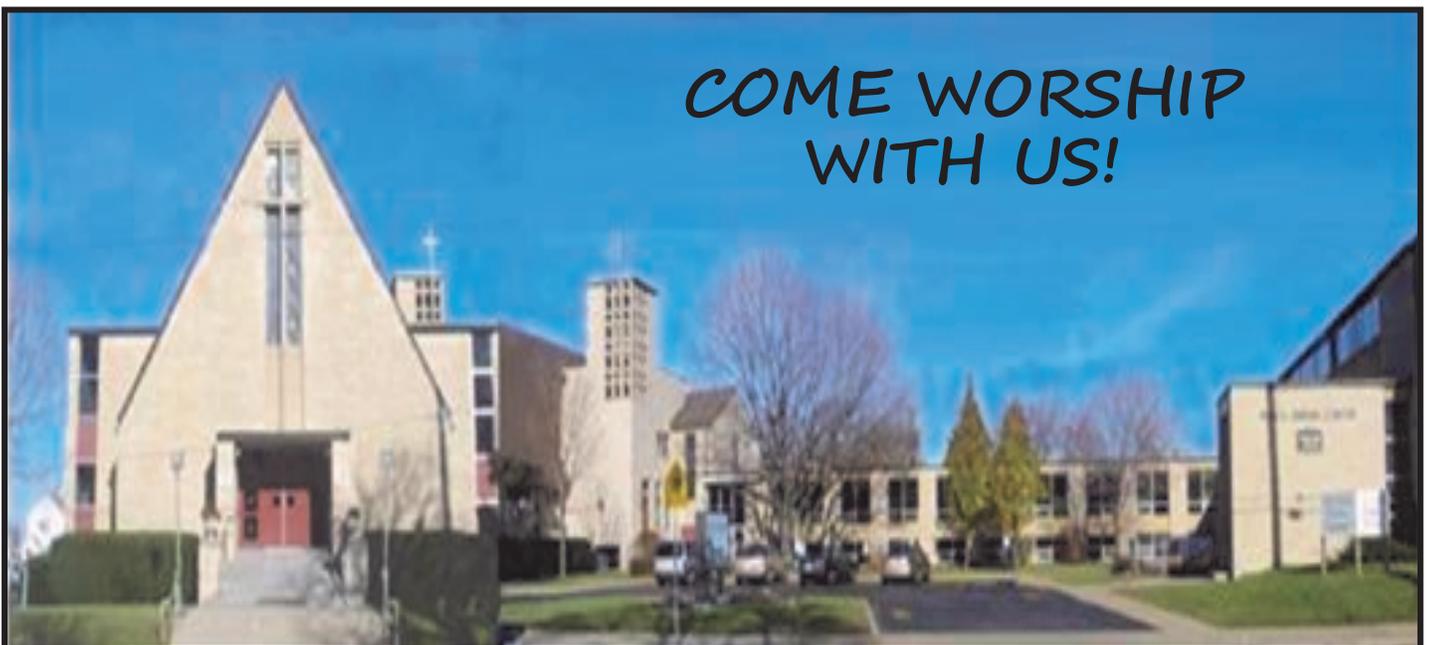
We will continue to offer multiple opportunities to worship with the Peace community each week for the foreseeable future. We understand that everyone is at a different comfort level in regards to worship and we want to do our best to respect that.

Worship will be offered on **Wednesday evening at 5:30pm on Facebook Live** and then a link to that night's worship service will be sent out on Thursday. This message will be different than the one offered on Sunday and the format will be different.

On Sunday, we will offer **Facebook Live at 8:00am and in-person worship at 9:00am**. Both services will have a similar worship format and the sermon will be the same at both services. A recording of the 9:00am service will be shared as soon after the worship service as possible.

We will offer Zoom Communion on Wednesday evenings and Zoom Coffee Hour on Sunday mornings as we have in the past.

If you have any questions about these opportunities please contact the church office or Pastor Brad directly.



**PEACE LUTHERAN CHURCH
IS HAVING A
RUMMAGE SALE!
SATURDAY,
AUGUST 22, 2020
8AM—2PM**

**PLEASE ENTER IN 8TH AVENUE
DOOR BY THE PARKING LOT
MOST ITEMS are 50 cents**

**WE WILL ALSO HAVE A BAKE SALE
HMONG EGGROLLS
WILL BE AVAILABLE**

**ALSO LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS:
BAKE SALE, SET UP, CLEAN UP, HELP DAY OF SALE**

CONTACT KIM IN THE OFFICE IF YOU CAN HELP.



SPOTLIGHT ON A VOLUNTEER



*This is a new feature in the 2020 PLC newsletters.
We are spotlighting a PLC volunteer and letting you know
what they do for all of us and who they are:*

AUGUST 2020 VOLUNTEER: MARY SALOMON

Mary has been a member of PLC for 7 years.

Mary runs the dishwasher in the social center whenever we have get-togethers. She is an enormous help!

Mary also helps with the annual rummage sale. She works as hard, if not harder, than Kim for this event.

Mary says volunteering at PLC makes her feel good and helpful.

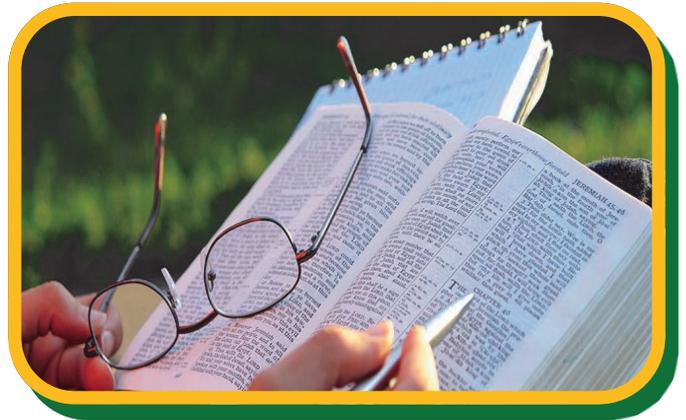
Mary's favorite colors are blue and black.

BIBLE VERSE CHALLENGE

This month's Bible verses are taken from the August Bible readings. After reading a verse ask yourself, "What does this look like in my life?" Try writing your thoughts down on paper. This can help shed light on how you can apply God's word in your daily living. As an example, I've shared my answers to that question for each verse.

If you find a verse especially meaningful, commit it to memory. You, like many others, may find comfort and strength in being able to recall a particular verse as you meet the challenges you face.

Dirk Kagerbauer, Leadership Team



Week of August 2, 2020

Isaiah 55:1

Ho, everyone who thirsts, come to the waters; and you that have no money, come, buy and eat! Come, buy wine and milk without money and without price.

What does this look like in my life? As long ago as the Old Testament, God stated that His love and forgiveness are free. I just need to come to Him...in prayer and through my actions toward others.

Week of August 9, 2020

Romans 10:12

For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him.

What does this look like in my life? EVERYONE who confesses that Jesus is Lord and believes in their heart that God raised them from the dead is saved. If God does not distinguish one believer from another, should I?

Week of August 16, 2020

Romans 11:1

I ask then, has God rejected his people? By no means!

What does this look like in my life? The COVID 19 pandemic we are all experiencing is not a sign that God has rejected us or is punishing us. Rather, it is an opportunity for us to demonstrate how we love, support and care for all people through the choices we make and the actions we take.

Week of August 23, 2020

Romans 12:6

We have gifts that differ according to the grace given us...

What does this look like in my life? God has given me my own special set of gifts...gifts that are unique to me in the way that I use them. I need to thank God daily for those gifts and ask Him for guidance in how to use them to lift up other people.

Week of August 30, 2020

Jeremiah 15:19

Therefore thus says the Lord: If you turn back, I will take you back, and you shall stand before me...

What does this look like in my life? It is never too late to turn back to God. Regardless of what I have done or how hopeless life seems, He is there to hold me up. All I need to do is find my way back to Him.

YOUR LEADERSHIP

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THE TEACHERS' CLOSET



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**DONATIONS
WELCOME!**

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Church Life to Be
More Meaningful?

Get More Involved!

There are many,
many ways to serve.

See Pastor Brad
to find out how.

PEACE LUTHERAN SUNDAY SCHOOL

We are looking for **VOLUNTEERS** to serve as
LEADERS for all age groups.
COMMITMENT can range from
once a month to every Sunday.

See article in Curator of Youth and Family Ministries
section for full details.

*Ephesians 4:16 From him the whole body, joined and held
together by every supporting ligament, grows and builds
itself up in love, as each part does its work.*

PEACE EXISTS FOR YOU

And You Are ALWAYS Welcome Here!

Sunday Worship Services
at 8:00 & 10:30 a.m.

Sunday School & Adult Study
between services at 9:15 a.m.

Midweek Service
Wednesday at 5:30 p.m.

*Called to make disciples.
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