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## PRINTS OF PEACE NEWSLETTER

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### OFFICE HOURS

8:00am—3:00pm Monday—Thursday  
8:00am—12:00pm Friday

IN-PERSON WORSHIP SCHEDULE—*Sunday Service at 9:00am*

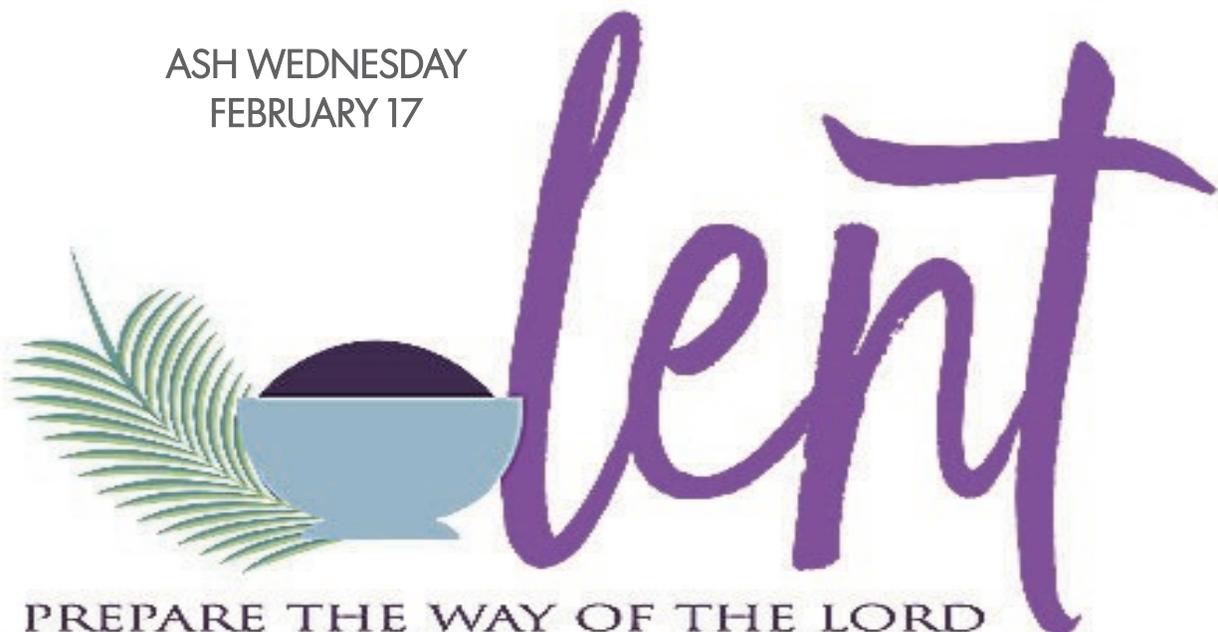
*During the COVID-19 crisis precautions/restrictions will be in place*

JOIN US FOR OUR VIRTUAL SERVICES—8AM & 9:00AM SUNDAYS & 5:30PM WEDNESDAYS

Available on our website, [www.peaceoshkosh.com](http://www.peaceoshkosh.com).

YouTube and our FACEBOOK page at the same time

ASH WEDNESDAY  
FEBRUARY 17



PREPARE THE WAY OF THE LORD

# THOUGHTS FROM PASTOR BRAD

*Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love; according to your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions. <sup>2</sup> Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin.*

*Psalm 51:1-2 NRSV*

The season of Lent begins with Ash Wednesday (February 17) and, traditionally, this includes a time when people are invited forward to receive a cross of ash placed on their foreheads as these words are spoken, “*From dust you were taken and to dust you shall return.*” It is a somber reminder that our lives on this earth are only temporary and that death is certain for all of us, regardless of age. This can be a time when many will commit to “giving up” a bad habit as a sign of their commitment to living life differently, to remind them that their life belongs to God.

This year, Ash Wednesday and the season of Lent will look different for us. We will not be having the traditional gathering in person or have the placing of a cross of ash on our foreheads. We will, instead, do this virtually as we have done so many other traditions this year. I know that this will not be the same and it is okay to mourn the difference we feel. At the same time, I hope we can focus on the fact that God is still present in the midst of our rituals, even when they look or feel different. Lent is still a time of self-reflection and calling us to remember that we do not go through this life alone but rather we go guided by the Holy Spirit, reminding us of God’s presence in our lives.

Bishop Anne Edison-Albright, our new synodical Bishop, writes this about Ash Wednesday, “*The power of receiving the cross on our foreheads on Ash Wednesday is in the layering: there is a sign of sin and death traced and layered on top of the tracing in water and oil of the promise of life, rebirth, and liberation*

*from sin and death. On Ash Wednesday, we feel the full weight of the ashy tracing. It does not negate or obliterate the liberating sign it is layered with, but it is a suitably tangible reminder of the reality of grief, loss, and death.”*

Bishop Edison Albright goes on to say that another way we might think about holding to the tradition of Ash Wednesday is to think about our baptism and how that also carries with it the reminder of our mortality along with reminding us that we are a part of a larger family.

With this in mind and knowing that we will not be together in person for Ash Wednesday or for the Lent Mid-Week services, we are making plans for kits that you can pick up to help you worship during the Lent season. More information can be found elsewhere in the newsletter about these kits as well as how we will be handling the season of Lent, both virtually and in person.

I continue to be grateful for you and for the many ways we are able to be the Church together. Even if we cannot gather together in ways that are familiar, I hope you will always know that we are the church wherever and however we are gathered.

We continue to pray for you at Peace, giving thanks to God for your presence in this world and for the difference you make in so many ways.

Always remember that you are loved by God and by me.

Shalom,

*Pastor Brad Dik*





## LENT

### Let It Be, Lent

It is hard to believe, but we are about to mark the one year anniversary of the Corona virus and the effects it has had on in-person gatherings. It is almost impossible to forget such a milestone, but I especially remember it because it was one year ago that I got to work preparing and delivering Holy Week Home Kits. At the time, all of the changes were so new that most Lutheran publishing companies didn't have the foresight or time to create at home devotions to accommodate the families and keep the Lent/Holy Week season alive and well. While I enjoyed gathering and creating kits for families, my resources and creative team is nothing compared to the professionals.

This year, after reviewing many different options, I found three perfect kits/Lent series to incorporate to the different faith groups we have as part of Youth and Family. Here is a brief list of each, for full details keep reading in the Youth and Family section. Sign up for one or sign up for them all. Each are a great way to get ready for the season and stay connected to your Peace Family.

If you have any questions, would like to sign up or need further information, please email Nicki at [nicki@peaceoshkosh.org](mailto:nicki@peaceoshkosh.org).

#### 1. An Illustrated Lent for Families; Reflections on the Heart

This series will take place on Sunday evenings at 7:00 as part of our Facebook Live Faith Together At Home. You can participate just by tuning in or you can sign up for a delivery of coloring pages and activity prep. Starting on Sunday, **February 12th @7:00pm.**

#### 2. Sparkhouse Eggciting Lent & Holy Week Activity Kit

Sparkhouse is our main publishing company that we use for our Sunday School and Confirmation curriculum. This year they have created a fun short activity and devotion for each Sunday in Lent and each special day within the Holy Week. Each time that you open an Easter egg you will discover the object lesson and Bible verse. You can participate on your own or with the Sunday School virtual class on Sundays at 10:00am via Zoom. Starting on Sunday **February 12th @ 10:00am.**

#### 3. An Illustrated Devotional; Where Your Heart Is

This series has been selected for our virtual confirmation class but is a great weekly opportunity for anyone who enjoys coloring/doodling/art while connecting a real-life story to a lesson from Jesus's transformation from life on earth, to death, to new life. During Lent, we'll explore transformation in our own lives. It has compelling reflections and includes beautiful illustrations and spaces to doodle, reflect and respond. This series has seven devotions. It is self-guided, and I suggest completing the first devotion on Ash Wednesday and one each Sunday after, leading up to Easter.



## 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](mailto:nicki@peaceoshkosh.org)



## CROSSWAYS

CAMPING MINISTRIES

### Crossways Camp Summer Registration!

Fun times are in our future. Summer camp registration opened January 4th.

Some weeks and groups already have a waiting list.

If you are thinking Crossways is in your family or child's summer plans, it is time to start planning. Spots are limited to provide greater safety.

Register early to secure your spot.

You can go to [crosswayscamps.org/summer-camp](http://crosswayscamps.org/summer-camp) or click the link if viewing electronically.

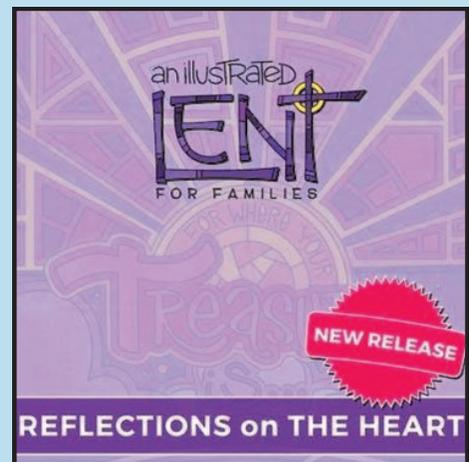


### Join Us LIVE for Sparks Activate Faith

Each Sunday evening, Nicki M. hosts a Facebook live event to read and discuss the lectionary Bible story for the week. Tell us you're there with a comment or two, making it interactive and engaging with Nicki and other friends of our church family. Weekly readings will follow the lectionary series of the Gospel and Old Testament readings. Grab your Sparks story Bible and tune in every **Sunday evening starting at 7:00pm**

### Limited Time Lent Series

**Starting Sunday, February 14th evening**, Faith Together At Home will help families prepare for Lent with a special series from Illustrated Ministries. An Illustrated Lent for Families includes seven devotions (one for each week of Lent and one for Easter) that explore the theme of storing treasures. Each week's devotion includes a scripture, a short reflection, discussion questions, an activity families can do together, a coloring page, and a prayer. You can participate simply by tuning in and following along or you can step it up a notch by signing up for a special delivery which will include a preview of each treasure so you know what to gather ahead of time for the activity plus fun coloring pages for the whole family. Sign up with Nicki or by leaving a comment on the Peace Facebook page under the AN ILLUSTRATED LENT FOR FAMILIES: REFLECTIONS ON THE HEART event or emailing [nicki@peaceoshkosh.org](mailto:nicki@peaceoshkosh.org)



## Roots

Not just for confirmation students.  
We invite and welcome any youth  
grades 6th through 12th



### SCHEDULE FOR FEBRUARY

2/3 VIRTUAL CLASS 6:30

2/10 VIRTUAL CLASS 6:30

2/17 ASH WEDNESDAY IN-PERSON OR VIRTUAL CLASS 6:30

2/24 IN PERSON OR VIRTUAL CLASS 6:30-7:30

### New Class Options starting in Mid-February

After prayerful consideration and deliberation between Pastor and Nicki, we have decided to open options for in-person and virtual confirmation classes during Lent. Thank you to those parents who completed our short survey and left us your thoughts and comments. We heard all of them and hope that our response meets the needs of each and every family.

Starting February 17th (Ash Wednesday), each student (and family) has the option of meeting in-person or virtually. The details are as follows:

- All classes will still meet from 6:30-8:00 regardless of meeting location.
- A student's grade level is no longer a factor for whose class they participate in.
- In-person confirmation will meet in room 201 and space out as necessary and available adhering as best as reasonably possible to the CDC guidelines and standards.
- Masks will be required for in-person meetings.
- Virtual class will continue to take place via Google Meets.
- Pastor Brad will lead the in-person meetings.
- Nicki will lead the virtual meetings.
- Once a choice is made for the type of class a student would like to participate in, the choice must stick due to the fact that each class type will have different Lent studies taught over the course of the season.

The following is a short description of the series selected for each option. Perhaps you are an individual or family who would be open to either option and would like your decision to include what each class will be focusing on.

#### In-Person with Pastor Brad

##### **Death To Life A Sparks House 6 Week Study**

In this six-session Lenten study, youth will explore the theme of transformation. Topics include; Forgiveness and Healing, Feeling Lost and Being Found, Free to be You, Voices of Hope, Repentance and Redemption and Hope Through Suffering. In class there will be a fun ice-breaker, a short video with discussion and a reading with discussion questions. I (Nicki) checked out the series and I am very excited to share it with our youth, even slightly bummed to not join in on the lessons personally.

#### Virtual with Nicki

##### **Where Your Heart Is:**

##### **An Illustrated Devotional**

An illustrated devotional which is a hybrid devotional/coloring book. It includes seven weekly devotions, as well as illustrations that are meant to be colored and many opportunities to doodle and engage with the content in fun and creative ways. Topics include Storing Up Treasures Scripture, Sharing Our Hearts, Knowing the Good, Consider the Lilies, Becoming Someone New, Shifting Our Gaze, and Sharing Our Treasures. During our meetings we will listen to a short real-life story, relate it to a Bible passage, question and discuss, all the while we relax and find peace through art, doodle, and coloring (the art and relaxation part being optional).

Each student, along with his/her family is asked to discuss and prayerfully consider which option works best for him/her. After coming to a decision, please let Pastor Brad and/or Nicki know so that we can plan accordingly. **The deadline to decide is Friday February 12th.** Thank you!

## SUNDAY SCHOOL



Sunday School started in the fall and continues now online.

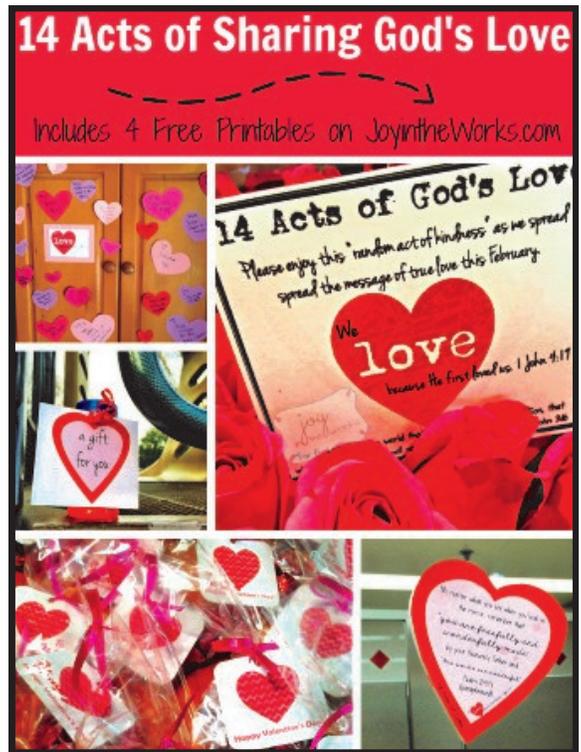
Thank you to all of those who participated for the first half of the year. We will continue to meet this way until restrictions and regulations are lifted.

### Our theme for the remainder of our 20-21 school year is KINDNESS

In January we played Kindness BINGO. Kids and families participated in spreading kindness by making it a fun and rewarding experience. I am so proud of everyone for their participation.

For Valentines Day we are continuing to spread kindness all over the place. With 14 Acts Of Sharing God's Love. Instead of focusing on ourselves and gorging on chocolates and candy, we are going to take advantage of all the focus on love and hearts and use it as an opportunity to remind people of the greatest love of all. Kits with these small acts of kindness and love are being sent home to participating families.

If you would like a kit as well but are not a regular SS attendee please let Nicki know and a kit will be delivered to you. There are 14 activities, one for each day of February leading up to the 14th but really they can be started and completed any time.



February we are kicking off a fantastic Lenten series that is sure to be EGGciting for all!

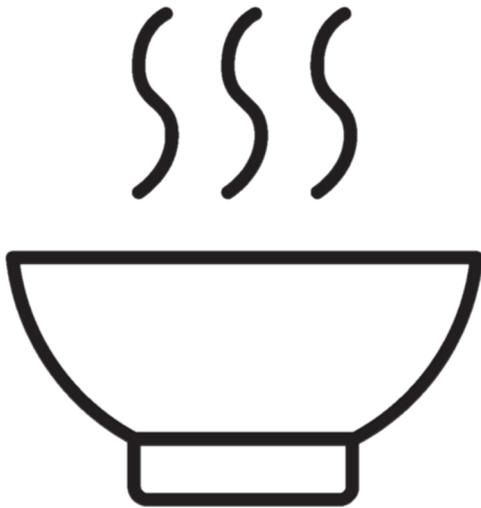
Starting on **Sunday February 14th** our weekly focus will be on Lent and getting ready for Easter. Each family will receive a whole kit of fun activities! One of those activities is an egg carton with a dozen eggs full of unique items that correspond with an activity and a verse.

In addition to the egg activities there are family conversation cards, art projects, coloring sheets and even a bread recipe for Holy Week.

To receive your kit, be sure to sign up with Nicki by **February 7th**.



# CURATOR OF CONGREGATIONAL LIFE



## SOUP SUPPER RECIPE COLLECTION:

You will not be surprised to learn that this year we will not be hosting on site Soup Suppers during Lent. This has been a much appreciated tradition for years, so we are disappointed not to host them this year. In an effort to make up for that, we are going to collect some of your favorite soup recipes, compile them into a document, and share them back to our Church Family.

**Send in a recipe by 02/17** if you would like your favorite soup recipe shared in our collection for distribution.

Perhaps you will want to follow along on Facebook as our staff takes turns trying out soup recipes.

You can email Heather Miller your recipe at [heather.miller@peaceoshkosh.org](mailto:heather.miller@peaceoshkosh.org) or you can send it to the PLC office.

## A RECIPE TO START US OFF:

Here is the soup recipe that Pastor Brad chose to share with our 2021 Soup Supper Recipe Collection. Which soup recipe will you share?

### BACON CHEESEBURGER SOUP

#### Ingredients:

- 4 small potatoes peeled and diced
- 1 small white or yellow onion chopped
- 1 cup shredded carrots
- 1 teaspoon dried basil
- 3 cups chicken broth
- 1 pound lean ground beef, crumbled
- 8 slices cooked bacon chopped
- 3 Tablespoons butter
- 1/4 cup all-purpose flour
- 2 cups milk (I prefer 2%)
- 1/2 teaspoon salt (I prefer to use sea salt)
- 1/2 teaspoon black pepper
- 2 cups shredded cheddar cheese or colby jack



#### Instructions (this is written for the crockpot, can be adapted for the stove)

Place potatoes, onions, carrots, dried basil in a large crock pot. Pour chicken broth over vegetables. Cover with lid. Cook on low heat 6 to 8 hours OR on high heat 4 to 5 hours or until potatoes are tender. Stir occasionally.

About an hour before serving, add crumbled ground beef and crumbled bacon to the crockpot. Stir everything together until well mixed. (I tend to cook the ground beef and bacon right away and set them aside.)

About a half hour before serving, mix together a thickener. I use melted butter, flour, milk, salt, and pepper. Once the mixture is smooth, add to the crock pot and stir until well mixed.

About 15 minutes before serving, add in the shredded cheese, making sure to stir often until the cheese is melted.

# CURATOR OF CONGREGATIONAL LIFE



## DECEMBER PENNY WAR UPDATE

The Mission and Outreach Team ran a Penny War for the month of December. Jars were used to collect coins for four charities that were either Lutheran or affiliated with feeding those in our community. A total of \$477.90 was raised in the month of December.

Lutheran Food Pantry:	\$130.83
LIRS:	\$117.32
Feeding America NE Wisconsin:	\$117.26
ELCA Good Gifts:	\$112.49

Thank you to those who contributed to the Penny War!

## MIDWEEK LENT SERVICES FROM HOME

As Pastor Brad works out the logistics for Lent and Easter Services, at this time we do know that the midweek services will not be held in person.

To make the services from home more meaningful, small Midweek Lent from Home Kits will be prepared at Peace for you to pick up and follow along with at home. You will be able to join all services virtually without the kit, but you may find the services more meaningful with the items that will be disbursed with the kit.

Kits will be available starting **February 10th**. If you are unable to stop by the church to pick up your own kit, please reach out to the church office and arrangements will be made to have a kit delivered to your doorstep.



## THE FIRESIDE ROOM

I find happiness in the afternoons when the sun pours in through the southern windows and floods The Fireside Room.

Between the sunshine, the peaceful window art, and cleanness of the room, this south facing room has become one of my favorite places in the building.

A good place to regroup before starting my afternoon shift.

## MEMORIAL/CELEBRATION FLOWER CALENDAR

The 2021 Memorial and Celebration Flower Calendar is available in the church narthex. Please remember, you have the option to purchase real flowers OR you can donate your funds to the Garden Team and a beautiful silk arrangement will be put on display.

Either option will honor your memorial and celebration in the church's newsletter, announcement slides, and email blast.

If you are not able to sign up in person, please call the church office and let Kim know which Sunday you would like.

2021  
Memorial  
Flower  
Calendar &  
Sign up





## VIRTUAL CHRISTMAS CARD

In November we put a notice out for family snapshots. We miss seeing all of you! In December we released a Virtual Christmas Card. Not everyone had the resources to see the virtual Christmas Card so we are sharing the family snapshots here.

Did you miss getting your picture? We'll do it again. Watch the newsletter for another opportunity to share a photo of you (and your family or pet or whatever else makes you smile!)





## OCM CARDS

Our preschool still has a handful of OCM cards to sell. With one \$10 purchase you are able to support the preschool, Oshkosh Media, and local businesses!

Cards can be purchased by connecting with Heather Miller @ 920.651.1595.

Friends of OCM  
Oshkosh Community Media  
friendsofocm.org

STILL ONLY \$10

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Thank you for purchasing the OCM Card. The Friends of OCM thank you for your support. The proceeds from this card are working to help the Oshkosh Community in many ways. The card participants are offering you discounts on their services throughout the year. The Non-Profits use their proceeds to further their community-based programs. The Friends use the profits to support and further the work that Oshkosh Media does in Oshkosh. It's a community effort and you are part of it!

Expires 12/30/2021 - Some restrictions with all offers. Check store for details.

The preschool's 4K children are back!  
The children are still in a hybrid model which means that classes are divided and children only attend in-person twice a week.  
It is still lovely to have them back.



# MEMBER INFORMATION

## 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](mailto:office@peaceoshkosh.org). Because of the Privacy Act, hospitals will not give this information to churches anymore.

### PRAYER

*"All our infirmities, whatever they are, are just opportunities for God to display his gracious work in us."*

C. H. SPURGEON

## PLEASE PRAY FOR:

**Military Deployment:** Andy Duwell, Samantha Hall, Max Klein

**Health/Healing:** Paula (Polly) Albee, Jens Andersen (Jesse's brother), Don Bartelt, Bob Bruce, Herb Dieckmann, Steve Elza, Luann Gifford, Marcy Hale, Les Hall, Doris Hanusa, Kim L. Jungwirth (*not office Kim*), Signe Nelson, Jason Pick, Eugene Rice, Pastor Marty & Lola Ruge, Margaret Voss, Sally Wilde

**Encouragement:** Bishop Elizabeth Eaton, Bishop Anne Edison-Albright, 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.

### OUR SYMPATHIES TO FRIENDS AND FAMILY OF:

**Larry C. Klausch**, who died on December 22, 2020. Larry was the organist and chancel choir director for Peace for many years.

**Eugene Lloyd "Gene" Brewer**, who died January 12, 2021. He and his deceased wife, Winnie, were long-time members of Peace Lutheran.

## MEMORIALS

**Howard Beck**—General Fund

**Larry Klausch**—General Fund

## 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.

## 9AM IN-PERSON WORSHIP ATTENDENCE

December 20	38	January 10	30
January 3	25	January 17	38

## ALTAR FLOWERS/GARDEN DONATIONS



February 7 Available—See page 8  
February 14 Available—See page 8  
February 21 Available—See page 8  
February 28 Available—See page 8

## MEALS FOR THE WARMING SHELTER

The Mission and Outreach Team of PLC has volunteered 4 evenings to serve meals at the Day by Day Warming Shelter. There are two dates left: **February 14th, and April 9th.** A



sign up to help serve on those evenings will be sent out via the weekly Email Blast from Peace. If you would like to serve but do not receive the Email Blast on a regular basis, please contact Heather at [heather.miller@peaceoshkosh.org](mailto:heather.miller@peaceoshkosh.org).

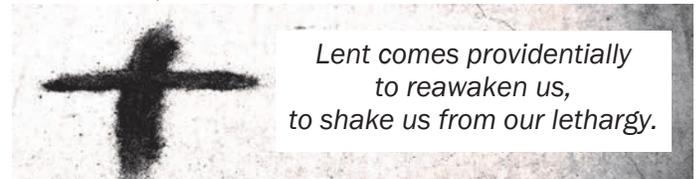
## PANTRY COLLECTIONS



**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.

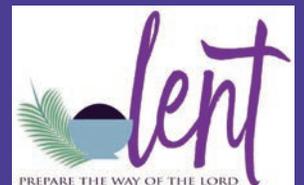
**LITTLE FREE PANTRY SUNDAY IS THE THIRD SUNDAY OF EACH MONTH.** Donations can be put by the altar. Non-perishable food, personal care items and gift cards may be left in the Pantry at any time. Overflow donations can be placed on the shelves near the elevator at Ninth Avenue entry of the Circle Drive 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/>.

## LENTEN QUOTE



*Lent comes providentially to reawaken us, to shake us from our lethargy.*

LOOKING FOR A LENT DEVOTIONAL SERIES? CHECK OUT SEVERAL OPTIONS LISTED IN THE YOUTH & FAMILY SECTON OF THE NEWSLETTER. NOT JUST FOR YOUTH & FAMILY! YOUNG OR OLD / MANY OR FEW, THESE DEVOTION SERIES AND KITS WILL BE A GREAT WAY TO HELP ANYONE FOCUS AND PREPARE FOR THE HOLY SEASON.



# MEMBER INFORMATION

## ASH WEDNESDAY SCHEDULE

This year for Ash Wednesday, we will be offering two virtual opportunities to gather for worship, both will be offered via Facebook Live, very similar to how we worshipped together for Christmas Eve and Christmas Day.

Worship times will be **12:30pm and 5:30pm**. Both services will include holy communion and remembrance of baptism.



Closer to **February 17th**, a full bulletin and instructions on how to log on to the service will be shared through our weekly News Blasts.

## MID-WEEK WORSHIP SCHEDULE

During Lent, we will continue to have mid-week worship virtually on **Wednesdays at 5:30pm** and we will be welcoming in area pastors to share a brief message with us, similar to the round-robins you might remember from previous years.

We will follow each 5:30pm worship service with an opportunity to gather for **Communion at 6:00 pm**.

Please see page 8 for information on Lent at Home Kits available for a more meaningful worship.



## Scrip®

**A special thank you** to all of those who supported our fundraising efforts and ordered Christmas gifts and stocking stuffers. On behalf of the Scrips organization I would like to extend their apologies. The COVID conditions affecting their company and the USPS put a significant delay in delivering orders and cards. In the end we made it all work and got every order filled before the big day. Once again, thank you for your support.

- 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](#) 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), Pick N Save(\$25), Starbucks(\$5), Subway(\$10), Target(\$25), TJ MAX(\$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](mailto:nicki@peaceoshkosh.org)



**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](http://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](mailto:Nicki@peaceoshkosh.org)

# MEMBER INFORMATION

## ANNUAL REPORT

Did you know that you will always be able to find the most current Annual Report online?

The report that you will find online is the most current report. If an update is shared, the online report will reflect the update.

To find the Annual Report online:

- Go to:  
[www.peaceoshkosh.org](http://www.peaceoshkosh.org)
- Go to “About Us”
- Click on “Annual Report”

Hard copies will be available outside the church office or in the narthex until they are gone.



## SPOTLIGHT ON A VOLUNTEER

*This spotlight on a PLC volunteer lets you know who they are and what they do for all of us.*

### FEBRUARY 2021 VOLUNTEER: THE MILLERS

#### ***When did we join the church?***

As a college student at UWO I visited Peace Lutheran Church. As a young mother I brought my children to Peace Christian Preschool starting in 2008 and then visited the church a few more times but was not interested in becoming a member. When Pastor John arrived, I decided that Peace was going to be our family's church and we all became members. I'm glad we made that decision, being a member of Peace has introduced us to some really great people!



#### ***Volunteering***

Our involvement with the church really began by my active involvement with the church's preschool. I began volunteering in the preschool in 2010. From volunteering, I became the director of the preschool. When we became members of the church, I began volunteering our family to host hospitality. As a church staff member and as the director of the preschool, the Miller Men (Travis, Dylan and Cameron) get volun-told for many projects: landscaping, heavy lifting, food service, building tables, cleaning, cooking, fire building, garbage hauling, etc. Essentially, if we don't get enough volunteers for a project I'm heading up, I drag the family in on the fun!

#### ***Favorite Color***

It's blue all the way around.



## Reflections on God's Word

Too often, I listen to the Bible readings in church and then forget them as the service continues. However, I've found that if I take a couple minutes during the week to reread those Bible passages (they're in the bulletin), there's a lot I can learn about God's expectations of us as his children. Below are verses from February's Bible readings that resonated with me, along with my thoughts on what they mean in my life.

If time allows, take a few moments to reread each week's Bible verses. When you find a verse that resonates with you, ask yourself, "What does this tell me about my relationship with God?" The Bible verses you identify, and your answers to that question, will be as unique as you are because they're a product of your interests, your day-to-day activities, and your spiritual gifts.

Dirk Kagerbauer, Leadership Team

### Week of February 7, 2021

Mark 1:35

**In the morning, while it was still very dark, he got up and went out to a deserted place, and there he prayed.**

*My grandmother had a poem taped to a cupboard door in her kitchen. The author told how she got up one day and started right in doing everything she thought had to get done...and nothing went right. Then she remembered that she had forgotten to start her day with prayer. This Bible verse and that poem remind me that Jesus's examples are as important as his words.*

### Week of February 14, 2021

Mark 9:7

**Then a cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud there came a voice, "This is my Son, the Beloved; listen to him!"**

*Wow! God's not messing around here. He tells us that JESUS IS HIS BELOVED SON and that WE NEED TO LISTEN TO HIM...no ifs, ands, or buts!*

### Week of February 21, 2021

Psalms 25:4-5

**<sup>4</sup>Show me your ways, O LORD, and teach me your paths.**

**<sup>5</sup>Lead me in your truth and teach me, for you are the God of my salvation; in you have I trusted all the day long.**

*Am I really as open to God's teachings as I think I am? Or, do I just pick and choose those teachings that are convenient and easy for me to follow? This tells me that God has saved me, and in response, I need to work on developing my relationship with Him by learning everything I can about Him.*

### Week of February 28, 2021

Mark 8:38

**Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels.**

*Uh-oh. These are some pretty strong words. And there's no question about their meaning. If I'm ashamed to be recognized as a CHRISTian, Jesus will be ashamed of me when I stand before Him in judgement. I need to be continually growing my understanding of what it means to be a CHRISTian in God's eyes...not just my eyes.*

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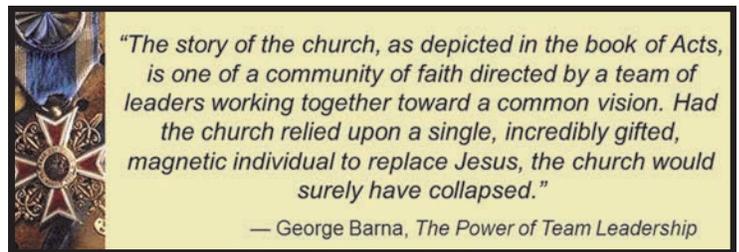
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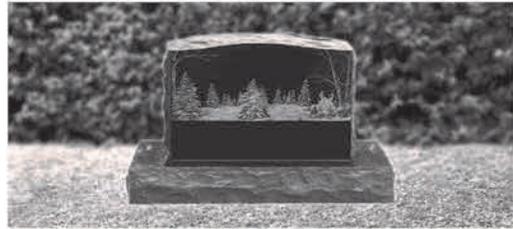
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