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OFFICE HOURS

8:00am—3:00pm Monday—Thursday
8:00am—1:00pm Friday

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,
YouTube and our FACEBOOK page at the same time

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PSALM 67:

⁵Let the peoples praise you, O God;
let all the peoples praise you.

⁶The earth has brought forth
its increase; God,
our own God, has blessed us.

⁷May God give us blessing,
and may all the ends of the earth
stand in awe.



THOUGHTS FROM PASTOR BRAD

Normally, in the September newsletter, I would write about all of the activities that are starting to ramp back up at Peace. I would talk about how great it is to see Sunday School and Confirmation getting started again, how great it is to be thinking about two services and welcoming back folks who are not as present during the summer months because they were enjoying all that Wisconsin and other areas of the country have to offer.

That's normally what I would write but as we are all quite aware, this is not a normal September. We are facing decisions that might have seemed laughable to most of us a year ago, decisions that no one should have to make but here we are. It's easy to wonder, "what if" but the truth is things are different and will be different as we head into the fall.

Sunday School and Confirmation will happen, but most on-line. Peace Preschool and Head Start will be taking place but with limited class sizes and restrictions in place. It will look different to come to Peace during the week for a while. We will have to be more aware of what's happening around us so we can be respectful of others in ways we took for granted before.

We will continue to only offer one worship service on Sunday mornings at 9am for the foreseeable future. We hope to continue offering a variety of music and readers as the volunteers are comfortable. We will continue to offer the virtual options that many of you have come to enjoy—8am on Sundays and 5:30pm on Wednesdays with Coffee Hour and Communion offered through Zoom. We will continue to figure what is best for the whole church community and do our best to make things as familiar as possible.

Here's what I know: Through all of these changes, through the twists and turns and unimaginable situations we have never once stopped being the church. We have continued to find ways to be the church and in many ways, it has grown us stronger and

closer. The ministry at Peace has never stopped because we know that the church is bigger than a building, bigger than a particular worship style, bigger than our doubts and fears. The church is the gathered people of God who have come together to worship and praise God's holy name. We are continuing to do that and it makes me delighted. We are being the church together and I know that will continue on in the months ahead.

We can focus on all that has changed or we can focus on how God continues to show up for us, how God reminds us that we are not alone and that we are loved.

The message of God's love for God's people continues to be the same throughout the changes we experience. As we head into the fall and we experience the changes that are inevitable I want you to stay focused on the one thing that will never change—God's love for you. Let me leave you with the words of Psalm 67:

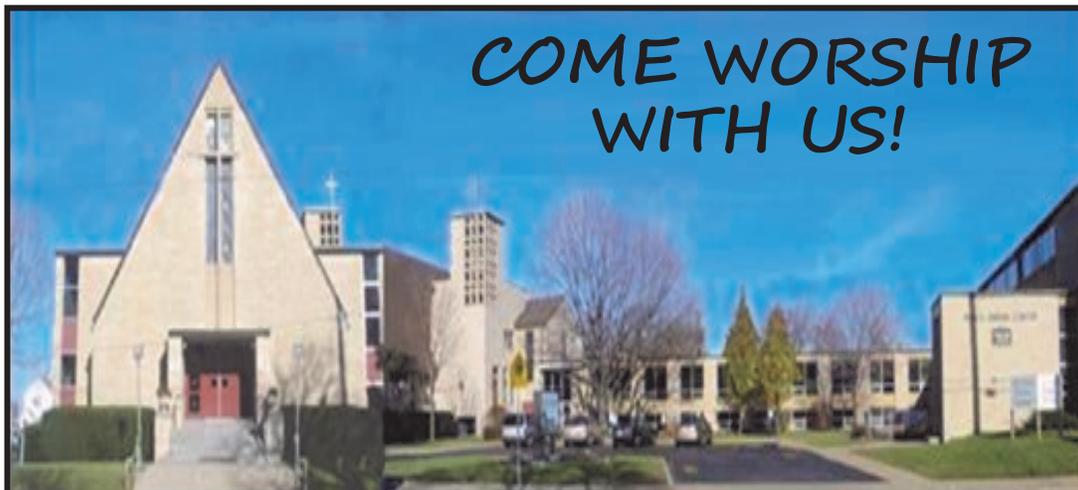
***1**May God be merciful to us and bless us; may the light of God's face shine upon us. **2**Let your way be known upon earth, your saving health among all nations. **3**Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you.*

***4**Let the nations be glad and sing for joy, for you judge the peoples with equity and guide all the nations on earth. **5**Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you. **6**The earth has brought forth its increase; God, our own God, has blessed us.*

***7**May God give us blessing, and may all the ends of the earth stand in awe.*

Shalom,

Pastor Brad Dirk



CURATOR OF YOUTH AND FAMILY MINISTRIES



SUNDAY SCHOOL STARTS SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 13TH!

Thank you to all of those who responded to our brief survey last month. Your input was very useful in shaping how our program will operate this fall.

Survey Results

**as of the September print deadline:*

- The majority of families are looking forward to Sunday School.
 - I shouldn't be surprised, I am truly delighted. My commitment to finding the best fit for everyone is stronger than ever!
 - It is comforting to know that Sunday School/outside Christian education is an important, and valued part of your faith.
- Families are willing to be flexible.
 - Given the option there is a preference, but it is clear that everyone is willing to work with whatever comes down the pipe.
 - Again, not surprised. I am extremely grateful though. Thank you!
- The consensus is split!
 - About half are looking for a pre-recorded option that will be flexible with their families schedule.
 - About half are looking for the interaction element and connection to friends we are all missing dearly.
- 100% of the results reflected the opinion that we are all over this separation and can't wait to get back to the new normal which includes worshipping together with our Peace family.

Again, thank you for your feedback! I hope I am able to deliver a program that continues with the general excitement I felt from each of you as I read over the responses. So where do we go from here? Every which way, I say...

Starting September 13th we will hold a Facebook Live event with a curriculum that has been specially designed by Sparks for a virtual classroom. Children and families will follow along from home with materials delivered earlier in the week. Instead of individual grades/classes, we will "meet" as one large group. Worried about content not being age appropriate? No need! Like I said,

Sparks is designing this option with that in mind. We have switched our format for the year from Sparks: Lectionary to Sparks: All Kids. This new format does stray from last year's benefit of our lessons matching up to the Bible readings from the Sunday service but ultimately will follow along with Bible stories matching the church year on a larger level. The lectionary readings will still be available through our regular Sunday services; both in-person(or live stream) at 9:00am and through Facebook Live with Pastor Brad at 8:00am. For our virtual meet up, Facebook Live was selected as the platform because it is automatically recorded as it is streamed. That way it will be available anytime your family is available! Best of both worlds!? For those without Facebook accounts we will also send out the recording on Tuesday mornings as part of an email blast from Peace.



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

Don't Forget To Join Us LIVE 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 at 7:00pm.



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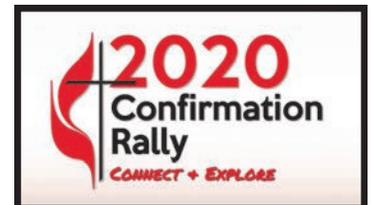
NOT JUST FOR CONFIRMATION STUDENTS.
WE INVITE AND WELCOME ANY YOUTH GRADES 6TH THROUGH 12TH

Confirmation starts *September 16th at 6:30pm.*

Class will run a little different this year, at least to start with.

We will be meeting virtually through Zoom and breaking out into small groups by grade level.

If you have not done so already, please fill out your registration Google Form. If you would like the link mailed out again, please submit a request to Nicki McKnight nicki@peaceoshkosh.org



Backyard Games

September 20, 6:30-8:00pm. Anyone in 6th through 12th grade is invited to our first social event of the school year. Time to get acquainted with lost friends and maybe meet a few new ones too.

You asked for an in-person event, so now is your chance! No Zoom, but instead a live, action-filled night. We will meet in the 9th Street circle drive at 6:30pm for some outdoor entertainment and games that will keep in mind social distance guidelines. All are welcome, bring a friend if you would like. Please RSVP with Nicki to help with a headcount by September 16th. If you have any questions or would like to suggest a game to play, email Nicki at nick@peaceoshko.org

Schedule for September:

9/16 Initial Confirmation parents meeting 6:30pm

Please see registration email for link to survey regarding this event.

Details of this event are to be determined from the survey results and will be shared after September 2nd's deadline.

9/20 Get To Know You Game Night - 6:30-8:00pm meet in Peace Garden

This event is for all youth 6th -12th grade, not just confirmation students.

This event is 100% outdoors and we will practice social distancing protocol.

9/23 First Confirmation Class

Class will begin with the outdoor worship followed by a short meeting after the service.

This event is 100% outdoors and we will practice social distancing protocol.

CURATOR OF YOUTH AND FAMILY MINISTRIES

SUNDAY SCHOOL (CONTINUED FROM PAGE 4)

First things first! We need you to register your child(ren) for Sunday School so that we can track and deliver the weekly materials. Whether you are participating live or at a different time registration will be required to get on the delivery list. Deliveries will include the lesson leaflet, materials needed to complete the activities in the leaflet/lesson, the weekly family page and anything else you might need for the week.

Registration information was sent out at the end of August via email. If you did not receive an email, or would like it sent again, please contact Nicki McKnight at nicki@peaceoshkosh.org

You can expect your first delivery between September 7th and 11th. The week's lesson materials will of course be included along with any other information we have been able to work out as far as other standard Sunday School details like; offerings, the Christmas program, service projects. etc. All information distributed will be fluid, based on circumstances that are ever changing with COVID-19 and all elements pertaining to social distance guidelines.

Last but not least. I am in need of volunteers. I am looking for anyone willing to help stuff and or deliver weekly packets. If you would like to volunteer once, a few times or set up a regular schedule—I will take it! Additionally, I will hopefully, someday need several volunteers to help teach class should we ever meet in person again. Something to keep in mind for the future.

Who would have thought this is where we would be this year? Certainly not I! It isn't my first choice of a Sunday School program, but we will work with what we have. Let's just stick together and if we do then it is bound to be better! Thank you for your patience and understanding, thank you for participating and "showing up." If you have any questions or comments, any ideas or ways to improve on ideas already in play, please let me know. With God's grace and love, thank you!

TRAIN UP A CHILD IN THE WAY HE SHOULD GO; EVEN WHEN HE IS OLD HE WILL NOT DEPART FROM IT.~ PROVERBS 22:6



CURATOR OF CONGREGATIONAL LIFE

NEW EXECUTIVE TEAM:

The Executive Team has switched up a little bit. New to the Executive Team is Kira Labby. Kira joined the Leadership Team in January. Kira will replace Heather Miller as the Secretary. New Executive Team: Joseph Friday-President
Heidi Nelson- Vice President
Kira Labby- Secretary
Pastor Brad Dokken



DID YOU KNOW?

You can find the Leadership Team Meeting Minutes on the Peace Lutheran Church website.

Go to www.peaceoshkosh.org.

Click on "News", and then "Leadership"

We use google docs for all Leadership Team Meeting Minutes. You will find many hyperlinks within the minutes that will take you to additional meeting notes from the church's mission teams.

If you want to learn what leadership is discussing, following along on the website is a great place to start. You can also stop in to the church office for a copy of the minutes.



SUNSHINE BAGS:

The Care of Congregation Team wanted to find a way to reach our Church Family members who are not able to get out and who may be feeling very disconnected by lack of visitors.

34 Sunshine Bags, consisting of a variety of small items such as lip balm, puzzle books, gel pens, chewing gum, mints, etc. were put together with an uplifting post card and delivered to our homebound Church Family members.

The project was a highlight for the Care Team who are looking forward to doing something similar again.



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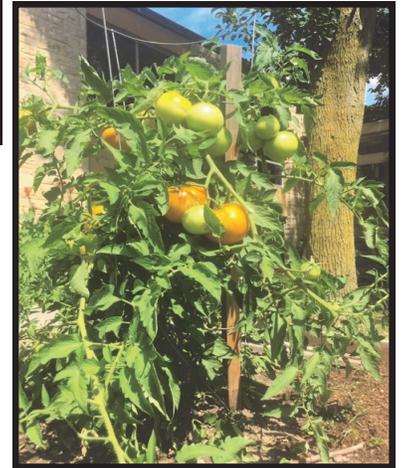
GARDEN TEAM:

As the growing season comes to an end, Kathi Sawall, the dedicated leader of the Garden Team leaves us all with these words for the Fall Harvest:

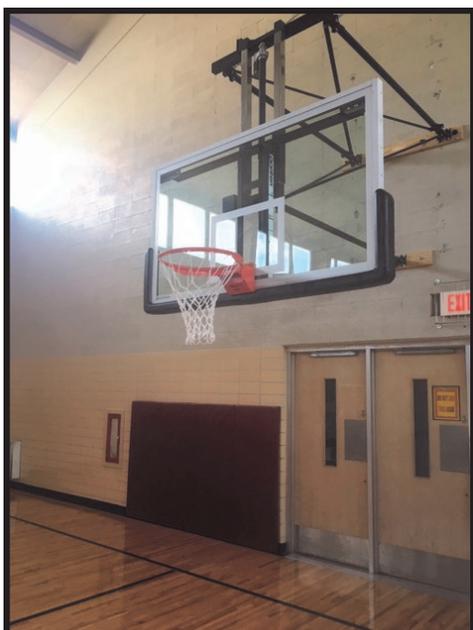
I want to thank Steve Berholtz, Heather Miller and Joe Friday for working all summer on the church grounds and the vegetable gardens. A special thank you to Kim Dawson who joined us while she was on furlough.

With the harvest slowing down there will be tomatoes, beans and some squash available. Stop by and pick what you need.

Kathi Sawall



**JACK KESE
TRIMMING UP
8TH AVENUE
BUSHES.**



BASKETBALL HOOP UPGRADE:

The basketball hoops went through a major upgrade this summer. The Leadership Team recognized that the hoops in the church's gymnasium were greatly outdated. The project was coordinated with Precision Sports out of Milwaukee and completed in early August.

It was necessary to update the basketball hoops so they would be more appealing and aimed at generating more gym rental income from the community.

The hoop nearest to the stage is on an electrical switch that will retract the unit up to the rafter if the stage needs to be used.

Both hoops can be raised and lowered so that it can be used with different age groups.

This is a significant upgrade for the gymnasium.



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Q & A WITH MICHELLE LOKKEN

TELL US A LITTLE BIT ABOUT YOURSELF (PERSONAL INFORMATION):

Family: My parents are Dave and Nancy Lokken. I have a sister who is 10 years older—Danielle and a brother who is 7 years older—Michael. My mom’s father was very interested in family genealogy and that allowed me to learn a lot about my extended family. When doing research for this book, my mom and I actually learned that our family—on her side, has likely been going to Peace Lutheran Church since its beginnings in the 1850s. The obituary for my great, great grandfather indicates that his funeral was at Peace Lutheran Church.



WHERE DID YOU GROW UP—HOUSE AND SCHOOLS:

I have lived on the North side of town all of my life. I graduated from Oshkosh North back in 2017.

University of Oshkosh WI: I have pursued a History major and Business Administration minor. I find the two areas are a mixture of fun (history) and practical/applicable classes (business administration) which gives me a very well rounded education. My ultimate goal is to go into museum administration. I am scheduled to graduate in December 2020. I am currently getting ready for a very big research paper on second wave feminism in Wisconsin. Just like all students, I am waiting to learn if my classes will be online or in person.

Hobbies and interests: I love exploring Wisconsin and traveling elsewhere. I love visiting new places, whether it be a new city, a museum, a state park or a natural site. I also love learning!

WHAT ARE YOU DOING NOW:

Right now I am working at the Paine Art Center; I have been helping with pandemic planning as well as whatever they need me to put my skills towards—wedding activities, front desk, or work on apps. I also work at the History Museum at the Castle in Appleton and I am a volunteer at Winnebago County Historical and Archeological Society as a board member. For fun, I purchased kayaks for the summer because I love to spend time enjoying the outdoors.

CHURCH ASSOCIATION:

Involvement: I was baptized and confirmed at Peace. Over the years I have been involved with hospitality hour, bell choir, and communion for homebound members.

Favorite Memories: My favorite memories of Peace revolve around my time in the Bell Choir with Christina Rabe. We had a great time jamming out on the bells led by Larry Klausch. We enjoyed putting on the blue satin choir robes and picking out one of the handmade pins a church member donated.



I also really loved the **Lenten Soup Suppers**, especially when they involved the Holden Evening Prayer service. Lent Wednesdays were an enjoyable evening to sample a variety of soups while bonding with church family and then singing the Holden Evening Prayer service in the sanctuary afterwards. My sister and I would sing parts of the service that we could remember during the week.

Something neat—Church Directory Photo of Harold and Neva Helm: The grandfather with the large postcard collection and the love for family genealogy.

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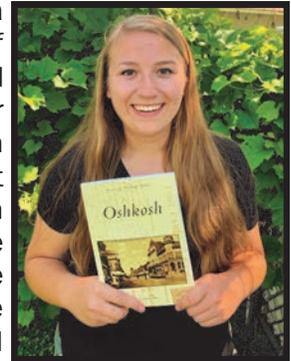
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THE BOOK:

WHEN DID YOU FIRST REALIZE YOU WERE GOING TO DO THIS?



I was 19 years old and in a bookstore with a friend up north where there was a shelf full of Arcadia Publishing books—there was a good variety of pictorial history books. I searched for an Oshkosh book, but could not find one. When I inquired with the owner he said it wasn't that an Arcadia Publishing picture book on Oshkosh was not in stock, but that it didn't exist. The seed was planted—I should make the book! I started to research the requirements from the publishing company on how to publish a book. While looking through a series of published books I found a name of someone that I recognized, someone I could talk to learn about the process.



I decided on doing a postcard book because there was a large collection of postcards at the Historical Society—donated by my mother which had been collected by my grandfather. Between the cards at the Historical Society and with the cards from home that my mom had kept, I had a lot of material to work with for this project. I was also able to blend one of my assignments at UWO (a paper for a history class about Oshkosh) and my work on the book. The research experience was a really great way to connect with my grandfather, Harold Helm (1927-1994), whom I had never met. Looking closely into the historical past was a real eye-opener about Oshkosh's significance in a past time period and my own personal family history.

My mother was extremely supportive for me to go for it while I was still in school. I started my research in February 2019; I pitched to the publishing company in June 2019, and I started the book the summer 2019.

What if any roadblocks did you experience? Any research roadblocks were quickly solved with all of the archives from the Oshkosh Public Library. The local history scene is well cared for by the community and is evident by the people and the resources.

What additional support came with your project? I was put into touch with Ron Metz—a friend of my grandfather's. It was a neat experience to connect with Ron and be supported by an old friend of my grandfather. Ron became a surrogate grandfather for my project.

Overall, the book has made the summer exciting. I have been able to share the excitement with people in the local history scene, my mother's past co-workers, and my own co-workers. I am really looking forward to a safe time to do a book talk.

CONNECTION TO THE POSTCARDS:

Some of the older postcards came from my grandfather's mother—Mildred Mackie. Mildred is a striking resemblance to my mom, Nancy.



WHAT'S NEXT?

I plan to graduate from UWO December 2020. I would like to pursue graduate school but it's important to me that the climate is right for this experience to be meaningful. I have been considering working for Americorp to take advantage of travel opportunities and to be a vital part of a service organization. I enjoy looking for a unique experience. A dream of mine would be to work at Pullman National Park in Chicago. I love tourism.

A FAVORITE POSTCARD:

The postcard of the roller coaster at Electric Park is one of my favorites. It totally blew my mind to learn that such a neat place ever existed here!



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. Because of the Privacy Act, hospitals will not give this information to churches anymore.

PRAYER

"I USED TO PRAY THAT GOD WOULD FEED THE HUNGRY, OR DO THIS OR THAT, BUT NOW I PRAY THAT HE WILL GUIDE ME TO DO WHATEVER I'M SUPPOSED TO DO, WHAT I CAN DO. I USED TO PRAY FOR ANSWERS, BUT NOW I'M PRAYING FOR STRENGTH. I USED TO BELIEVE THAT PRAYER CHANGES THINGS, BUT NOW I KNOW THAT PRAYER CHANGES US AND WE CHANGE THINGS."
MOTHER TERESA

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

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

Health/Healing: Grayson Anholzer, Don Bartelt, Bob Bruce, Bob & Marilyn Cornell, Herb Dieckmann, Chet Eiden, 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.

Our Sympathies to Family and Friends of:

Doris M. Krumenauer, who died July 21, 2020. Her private funeral was held on July 28, 2020, with Rev. Brad Dokken officiating.

Shirley Fetter, who died August 5, 2020, in San Antonio, Texas. Shirley was the aunt of Jim Steinhilber. She had been the church office secretary and later became the wife of **Rev. M. David Fetter** who served the PLC congregation from 1946—1955.

Burton Bradley, who died August 19, 2020. His funeral was held on August 21, 2020, with Rev. Brad Dokken officiating.

Our sympathies to:

Signe and David Nelson on the loss of Signe's brother, **Peter Overby**.

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.

BAPTISMS

Harper Grace Dwork

Daughter of Alex and Jennifer Dwork, was baptized on July 25, 2020.

Elias James Valdez

Son of Tim and Kristi Valdez, was baptized on August 8, 2020.



MEMORIALS

Kristine Binder Family—PLC Cemetery

In honor of **Howard & Jane Beck's** 75th wedding anniversary from **Steve and Kathy Berholtz**—General Fund.

ALTAR FLOWERS/GARDEN DONATIONS



September 6:

In celebration of **Dave and Signe Nelson's** 47th wedding anniversary.

September 20:

In memory of our parents **Eldon and Elma Boeshaar** by the Boeshaar family.

September 27:

In celebration of **Laurie and Jerry's birthdays** by Bonnie Marshek.

RUMMAGE SALE THANKS!

A BIG THANK YOU to all those who helped with the sale in any way! If you donated, volunteered, or baked, we could not have done it without you!

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/>.

CARE OF CONGREGATION TEAM

The team continues to send birthday cards to members over the age of 80. We are always in need of postage stamps, if you are able, place stamps in the Care Team mailbox, or make a contribution to the team, and we will purchase stamps.

We are also continuing with the Meals that Heal program. If you know of anyone that needs a little help with meals, please let us know. We have many cooks ready to take meals to them.



In July, the team made 35 "Sunshine Bags" and delivered them to homebound. The bag contained small items; gum, fruit snacks, pudding, a crossword book, etc. The members who received them were very excited and appreciated them very much.

If you have any ideas of a project we could do for the congregation, please let us know. We are always looking for ideas. Stay safe, Barb Molash

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

A graphic for the "2020 Confirmation Rally" with a red flame icon and the text "CONNECT + EXPLORE". Below the graphic is a text box with information about confirmation classes.

DO YOU HAVE A CHILD ENTERING 6TH, 7TH OR 8TH GRADE THIS FALL?
IF SO, PLEASE CONTACT PASTOR BRAD OR NICKI MCKNIGHT FOR MORE INFORMATION ON CONFIRMATION CLASSES.
WE WANT TO INVITE YOU TO OUR INFORMATIONAL SESSION ON SEPTEMBER 16TH AT 6:30PM.

SMILES FOR THE DAY:



I had been teaching my three-year old daughter, Caitlin, the Lord's Prayer for several evenings at bedtime. She would repeat after me the lines from the prayer. Finally she decided to go solo. I listened with pride as she carefully enunciated each word, right up to the end of the prayer: "Lead us not into temptation," she prayed, "but deliver us from Email."

A mother was preparing pancakes for her sons, Kevin 5, and Ryan 3. The boys began to argue over who would get the first pancake. Their mother saw the opportunity for a moral lesson. "If Jesus were sitting here, he would say, "Let my brother have the first pancake, I can wait." Kevin turned to his younger brother and said, "Ryan, you be Jesus!"

MEMBER INFORMATION

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 September we are going to have more outdoor worship services 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 SEPTEMBER 9TH & 23RD.

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 **September 9th and 23rd 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 and format will be different than the one offered on Sunday .

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.

Our first drive-through communion went very well! We served nearly 30 people .

The outdoor worship service was very nice as well. there were about 25 worshippers. Everyone brought their own chairs and the weather was beautiful.



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.

BIBLE VERSE CHALLENGE

There's a lot going on between people these days. And there are times when I don't like the way I feel about some people. This month's Bible verses are taken from the September Bible readings. When I forget how I should feel about others, these Bible verses remind me of how God expects me to feel about my neighbors. After all, there are times when God shouldn't feel too good about me. But that doesn't stop him from loving and caring for me.

After you read a verse, ask yourself, "What does this tell me about loving my neighbor?" Write your thoughts down on paper as a reminder of how you can spread some of God's love around.

Week of September 6, 2020
Romans 13:10

Love does no wrong to a neighbor...

Week of September 13, 2020
Romans 14:10

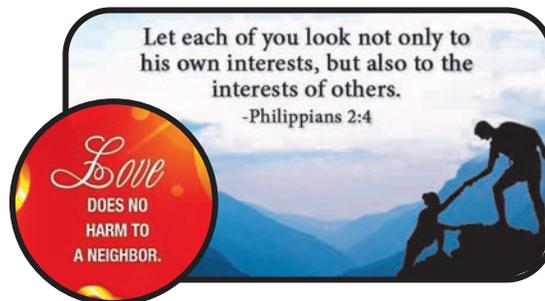
Why do you pass judgement on your brother or sister? Or you, why do you despise your brother or sister? For we will all stand before the judgement seat of God.

Week of September 20, 2020
Philippians 1:27

Only, live your life in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ.

Week of September 27, 2020
Philippians 2:4

Let each of you look not to your own interests, but to the interests of others.



Pick one verse you find especially meaningful. Commit it to memory. Call it to mind when you don't like the way you're feeling about another person.

Dirk Kagerbauer, Leadership Team

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:

SEPTEMBER 2020 VOLUNTEER: JOYCE NIKOLAUS

Joyce is a life-time PLC member of 80 years and counting.

Joyce is on the Promotion Team, Cemetery Board, Chancel Choir and designs our monthly newsletter—her help is invaluable to PLC.

Joyce likes volunteering to keep in contact with her church family. It helps her feel connected and she is able to use her God-given talents. She gets more from volunteering than she gives and feels blessed to be able to still help.

Joyce's favorite color is green as it reminds her of new life. Spring brings flowers, summer, fresh garden veggies and fruits. She and husband, Dennis, used to garden a lot and were proud to be recognized by the Oshkosh Garden Club as having the 'Garden of the Month' for July of 2008.



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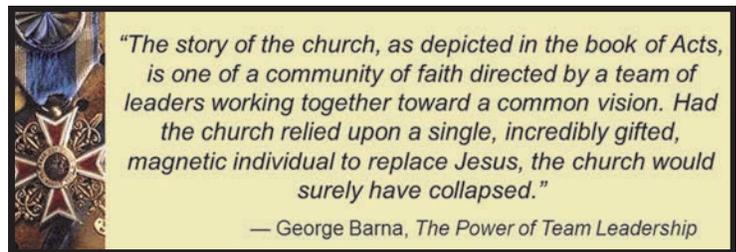
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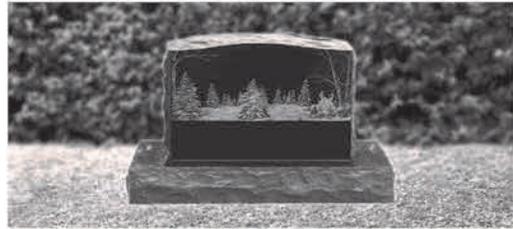
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