

PEACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

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February 23 & February 24, 2019

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Shari Trotter, Diaconal Minister

Our Vision Statement: *Sharing Peace Faithfully*
Our Mission: *To bring people into contact with the Gospel,
and help them grow in their relationship to God in Christ.*

WELCOME TO PEACE LUTHERAN CHURCH & OUR WORSHIP SERVICE!

We are glad that you are here! We pray that you will be drawn closer to the living, forgiving God who has come to meet us. Please come again.

TODAY'S ASSISTING MINISTERS

Accompanist/Organist	Todd Yetman
Children's Choir Director	Leslie Walton
Adult Choir Director	Pamela Putrich
Bell Choir Director	Erica Desaulniers
Director of Ladies Ensemble	Pamela Putrich
Sound Engineer	Ted Chubb
Lay Liturgist (5:00)	Carol Dohrn
Lay Liturgist (8:30)	Joel Peterson
Lay Liturgist (11:00)	Kelly Muehlnickel
Lesson Reader (5:00)	Priscilla Huffman
Lesson Reader (8:30)	Alexa Hadley
Lesson Reader (11:00)	Lisa Star
Acolyte (5:00)	Max Heidenreich
Acolyte (8:30)	Jason Vondra
Acolyte (11:00)	Jessica Prince
Nursery (ages 0-5)(5:00)	Sara Losacco
Nursery (ages 0-5)(8:30)	Trisha Hanson & Martina Lohmar
Nursery (ages 0-5)(11:00)	Tori Entwistle & Annika Woerner
Communion Servers (8:30)	Karin Knutson, Beth Lohmar, Barb Narish Ava Wandersee, Emersynn Smith
Bread Providers (8:30)	Linda Goesel
Ushers (5:00)	Rich Dohrn
Ushers (8:30)	Morgan Barlow, Ani Grothe, Chris Osbrink, Renee Osbrink
Ushers (11:00)	John Ambrose, Scott Howell, Mia Melde, Paige Rogde
Greeters (11:00)	Angie Klock
Refreshments (5:00)	Cheryl Krieger
Refreshments (8:30)	Renee Gatewood, Lindsay George
Refreshments (11:00)	Kathy Norberg, Jennifer Otto, Gretchen Pfeffer
Offering Counters	Zayne Giertuga, Mark Muehlnickel, Helen Ambrose

The altar flowers are given by John and Janet Roggemann in celebration of their wedding anniversary; also given by Mike and Jen Schilke in memory of her grandfather, Ronald Rezeppa.

WE APPRECIATE your wearing name tags, turning off cell phones, and using a quiet voice for conversations once the prelude begins before worship.

WELCOME PADS

It helps us when you sign the red welcoming pads and give us your last name.

HEARING ASSISTANCE & LARGE PRINT HYMNAL AVAILABLE

We are happy to offer a large print hymnal for visual assistance, as well as wireless receivers to assist anyone with a hearing impairment. Please ask an usher for either or both.

GLUTEN FREE COMMUNION WAFERS & OTHER ASSISTANCE

If you would like a gluten free cracker instead of a wafer or bread, or if you have difficulty picking up an individual communion cup, please just ask your server to assist you. Also, if you are not able to come forward for communion, let an usher know and we will come to you.

NEXT WEEKEND we celebrate the Sacrament of Holy Communion at the 5:00 p.m. Saturday and the 11:00 a.m. Sunday worship services.

Saturday Evening Worship	5:00 p.m.
Education Hour	9:45 a.m.
Sunday Worship.....	8:30 & 11:00 a.m.

THIS WEEK AND BEYOND

Sun., Feb. 24 - Adult Education Hour - *God's Work or Mine or Both?*
Prayers of Intercession Planning Meeting 9:45 a.m.
Peace Page Turners 9:45 a.m.
Variety Show 3:00 p.m. - Dinner at approximately 5:00 p.m.

Mon., Feb. 25 - Ruth Circle Quilters 9:00 a.m.
Strong Seniors Exercise Class 12 noon - 1:00 p.m.

Tues., Feb. 26 - Addiction & Family Support Group 7:00 p.m.
Bell Choir Rehearsal 7:00 p.m.
Church Council Meeting 7:30 p.m.

Wed., Feb. 27 - Bible Study 10:00 a.m.
Strong Seniors Exercise Group 11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
Children's Choir Rehearsal 6:00 p.m. - Adult Choir Rehearsal 7:15 p.m.

Thurs., Feb. 28 - Faith Discussion Group at Jan Stoller's 7:00 p.m.

Fri. - Sun., Mar. 1-3 - Antioch Retreat

Sat. & Sun., Mar. 2 & 3 - Girl Scout Weekend

Sat., Mar. 2 - Youth Led Worship Service 5:00 p.m.

Sun., Mar. 3 - Adult Education Hour - *What Are the 12 Steps & the Serenity Prayer* (and how can they apply to any of us?)

Mon., Mar. 4 - Strong Seniors Exercise Group - 12 noon - 1:00 p.m.

Tues., Mar. 5 - Addiction & Family Support Group 7:00 p.m.
Bell Choir Rehearsal 7:00 p.m.
Committee Chairs Meeting 7:30 p.m.

Wed., Mar. 6 - Bible Study 10:00 a.m.
Ash Wednesday Services - 11:00 a.m. & 7:00 p.m.
No Strong Seniors Exercise Group
No Prayer Shawl Ministry
No Confirmation
Children's Choir Rehearsal 6:00 p.m. - No Adult Choir Rehearsal
No Teen Bible Study 7:30 p.m.

Sat., Mar. 9 - Ladies Ensemble Rehearsal 3:00 p.m.

ADULT CLASS WELCOMES YOU

Our Sunday weekly **adult class** usually meets in the back of the sanctuary, starting about 9:55 a.m. Each week there is a different topic.

Feb. 24 - *God's Work or Mine or Both?*

Mar. 3 - *What Are the 12 Steps & the Serenity Prayer* (and how can they apply to any of us?)

Mar. 10 - *Can You Teach Me How to Die the "Right" Way?* (The first of suggested Lenten topics)

Mar. 17 - *Background for Caiaphas, Pilate, Peter, Judas* (A suggestion for our Lenten discussions)

Mar. 24 - *Negative Emotions? Fix Them!*

Mar. 31 - *The Heart of Listening*

April 7 - *How Can We Carry "Lent" Forward?* (A suggestion for our Lenten discussions)

TRAILBLAZERS - TUES., MAR. 19

Our next meeting will be our usual luncheon on Tuesday, March 19 at noon here at church. The food will include gluten-free chicken tenders and what you bring for the sides, desserts, etc. We will have a guest presenter leading us in "chair exercises." If you have any questions, please contact the church office. Invite a friend!

RUTH CIRCLE QUILTERS - MON., FEB. 25

Quilters will meet on Mon., Feb. 25 at 9:00 a.m. **No experience necessary.** You just have to know how to have fun to join. And if that's not enough, we always have snacks! If you have any questions, call Karen Dircks (815) 462-9527 or Syndy Lindbloom (708) 479-7338.

PEACE PAGE TURNERS - SUN., FEB. 24

Peace Page Turners will be discussing *The Tuscan Child* by Rhys Bowen. Join us for the discussion, even if you haven't read the book. We meet at 9:45 a.m. and all are welcome. If you have questions, please contact Kathy Davenport (815) 545-2806.

BLOOD PRESSURE SCREENINGS - SUN., MAR. 10

Our next monthly screening date is Sun., March 10, between the two services. Your pressure is measured by health care professionals and kept strictly confidential. If you have questions, or have clinical experience in taking blood pressures and would like to help, contact Marylynn Tyler at (815)423-6407.

CARING MINISTRY TEAM - JOIN US

Peace is a community of compassion and heartfelt concern for each other, especially if there is a time of need. We look for compassionate and respectful ways to reach out and offer ministry to those who have not attended church recently. We will be communicating by phone in February. If you would like to be a part of this team, please contact Renee Gatewood at (708) 479-9009.

GIRL SCOUT WEEKEND - MAR. 2 & 3

On March 2 & 3 all Girl Scouts are reminded to wear their uniforms to church to celebrate Girl Scout weekend.

PRAYER LIST

If your prayer request is for yourself or you have the other person's permission, you may be specific [for example, skin cancer]. For anyone, you may be more general [for example, "a decision to be made," or "health"]. We will keep people on the pray-for list for 60 days unless you tell us otherwise.

The family of Herb Fruhwirth, the family of Ronald Rezeppa, Carlos Owens, Michele Lenz, Lisa, Mark, Elizabeth Grafleman, Les Coats, George Davy & Ruth Davy (health), Lisa (stomach cancer), Mark M. (lost job), Delores Niemczyk (health & wellness), Kirstin & Patrick Johnston (healthy newborn in July), Barb Decker, Marty H. (cancer), Delaney Hunt (guidance), Melissa & Jacob (addiction), John Parker (shoulder), Daniel Obuchina (cancer), Wally Paprocki, Dennis Flynn, Pam Swyndro, Nolan, Joel Peterson, Janis Sobun (hospitalized), Mary Brouette, Diane Rosen, Bryan & Jessica Howell, Nancy Sons (recovery), Cass Ott, Bev Vogen, Pete & Nicole Stoller, Hannah Huelhorst (health), Bill Sandt (recovery), Halley Price (strength), Dave Rubner, Tom Moore (job search), George Huffman (recovery), Christina Montgomery (recovery), Ryan Jones (decisions), Penny (health), Louisa Ishida (missionary), Ann Ciannella,, Jonah Huelhorst, Cathy Richardson, Kristie Paprocki, Judy Williams, Chuck Olson, Georgia Piech-Pander, Eric Bartels, Carol Tatro, Marie (depression), Joyce Smith, Bev Kuzdas, Ray and Edna Anglin, Wayne Bell, Barb Chobot...

Audrey Brennan, Paige, Vicki (son being sent to Syria), Ron Sprandel, Yoli (recovery), Brad (anxiety), Amanda Edwards, Pete Severson (basic training), Nancy Holmes (stroke), Natalie, Judy Brann, Debbie, Kristin & Stephen Daughtry (adoption), Judy Powless (ovarian cancer), Tom Dolan, Alexis Flynn, Trae Van Zuiden (cancer), Judy Sabatino (leukemia), Carl Holschen, Arron, Marilyn Krauch (recovery), Coach Les & family, William Paul & family, Kennedy Charlotte Legris, Michael (severe pancreatitis), Mark Berens, Michael & kids, Theresa Skowronski, Alan Booton, Laurie Vaughn, Leonard Geier, Erv & Mary Pander, Carol Bentley, Ron N., Deryl & Jim Hunt (strength), Bill Reidy (cancer), Mary Hand (family strength & healing), Tyler, the Austin family (strength & healing), Brena V. and family (strength & healing), Dan T. & family (strength & healing), Carol Bafundo, Georgianna Bafundo (health & wellness), Jeffrey (strength & addiction), the Potter family, Brandon McSheffery (cancer), Jarrett Vann, Ernie Bergmark.

VOLUNTEER MINISTRY HIGHLIGHT - HELP WITH THE MEAL IN THE UPPER ROOM

We are very grateful for all our volunteers in this church. Today we're highlighting the ministry of **the Meal in the Upper Room**. These volunteers have a wide-open list of possibilities. The planning committee welcomes anyone who would like to be in on the background work. They welcome new people each year – will this be your year? Let us know through the sign-up, email us, or call the office! In addition to the planning, of course, are all the details of the event, where there are dozens of different opportunities. Watch for the announcement in the bulletin that will list various components that make this such a special Maundy Thursday event (April 25 this year.)

DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME - MARCH 9/10

The changing of the clocks takes place overnight between March 9 & 10. So, don't be late for church!

BUILDING ASSETS IN OUR YOUTH AND COMMUNITY

The asset that we're focusing on this month is **Growth Mindset**. Some things we can do in the religious community or other service organization are: 1) With your group, discuss the great questions of life (Why was I born? Why am I here?) 2) Speak explicitly to kids about creating meaning in their lives and how that translates in to daily activities, career choices, behaviors, relationships, etc.

This week's idea is help children and teens identify, nurture, and celebrate their gifts. Last week's was recognize the skills and accomplishments of youth in the community.

EVERYBODY READ

Our desire to have people read a common Bible passage is part of our Book of Faith effort. Each month we pick a passage, invite everyone to read it sometime that month, and then those who are willing, write down a sentence or two (or more if you'd like) about what you got out of the passage. March's passage is: Psalm 31:9-13 & 21-24

LAST WEEK our congregation shared offerings in the amount of \$9,301.00 at worship plus another \$1,920 electronically, and a total attendance in worship of 318. Thank you for all the ministries you enable!

BECAUSE OF YOU AND YOUR GIFTS

When conflict broke out in Darfur, Sudan, in the early 2000s, Souad, her parents and 11 siblings were forced to flee. After 13 years in a refugee camp in Chad, Souad and her family moved to Tucson, AZ, where she and her family members began volunteering for the Iskashitaa Refugee Network (IRN). IRN is an intergenerational network of Tucson volunteers and refugees from Africa, Asia and the Middle East that harvests and redistributes locally grown fruits and vegetables that would otherwise go to waste. The group's work is supported in part by your gifts to ELCA World Hunger.

MEN'S DARTBALL - TUES., MAR. 12

Why play dartball? (You need some bonding time with other people who want to stay humble.) What is dartball? (It's a cork baseball diamond mounted on a piece of plywood that you attack by throwing underhand darts toward with only minimal success of getting a hit.) When? (Dartball meets monthly on the second Tuesday of the month at 7:30 p.m.) One more time, Why? (The snacks alone are worth the trip). You've never even heard of it? (No prior experience is needed or helpful.) Please join us! We finish up at 9:00 so you've got time for your bedtime ice cream, too.

RECYCLING ITEMS

The following items can be dropped off in the basket in the narthex: DVD players, Game Boys, digital cameras, laptops, tablets, cell phones, most printer cartridges (including Epson), chargers and cables.

ANOTHER OPPORTUNITY TO BLESS OTHERS - BUSINESS ATTIRE

Our Warm Coat campaign has once again brought an overwhelming, wonderful response. In February, we switch our emphasis to another need: clothes for people who are seeking employment (interviews and jobs). The Will County Center for Community Concerns helps people who are unemployed find jobs, including training them for interviews and for how to dress for success. Many of the people do not have adequate clothing. We can help! We're looking for business attire and business casual clothing, including gently used shoes. Look through your closets for suits, sports coats, ties, shirts, blouses, dresses, skirts, pants, sweaters, whatever you think would help someone get and keep a job! We'll use the same bin to collect these items (with or without hangers.)

NEW FLOWER CHART

Each week people donate the cost of altar flowers (\$20 per arrangement). On the chart in the hallway leading into Fellowship Hall. Sign your name and phone number for the week(s) you want to donate flowers. We will contact you to find out the reason for the donation. Envelopes for the cost are by the chart and are mailed the week following your selected week. Upcoming dates available are: Mar. 10, 17 & 31, May 12. June 2, 16, 23 & 30, July 7 & 21.

ASSET BUILDING TOY DRIVE

As a part of the Asset Building effort that our congregation supports, we will be taking part in a toy drive to benefit the Pediatric Oncology Treasure Chest Foundation. Their mission is to provide toddlers to 18 year olds who are going through cancer treatments with a small gift such as new toys, books, crafts, dollar store items, unopened kids' meal toys, accessories and gift certificates. All items must be new. Please – NO stuffed animals. You may deliver your items to the church office or send them with your child to Sunday School by March 3. Any questions please contact Pastor Dave. Thanks for all your support of young people!

ASH WEDNESDAY WORSHIP - MAR. 6

The worldwide observance of Lent begins this year on Mar. 6 with Ash Wednesday. This solemn occasion reminds us of our mortality, as well as our need for forgiveness. We will have worship services at 11:00 a.m. and 7:30 p.m. The option for the imposition of ashes will be available at both services.

LENTEN OPPORTUNITY: SOUP, SALAD, DISCUSSIONS & MORE

A small group opportunity for "taking something on this Lent" is taking shape. You are invited to come at noon on Sundays, beginning March 10. Our topic will be "Following in the Footsteps of Jesus." A more comprehensive agenda will be coming soon, but for now: All are welcome to join. You do not need to attend all the sessions. Please use the sign-up or call the office.

Youth Ministry

PEACE 360 HS YOUTH GROUP

Have you ever wished that there was a place that you could hang with your friends (from church and elsewhere)? A place that is fun, interesting, and (sometimes) crazy? We have that place for you... Peace 360! We truly hope that you will mark off this time for us - and for you! Whenever you can be here, you'll be a welcome addition! Peace 360 meets from 4 -7 p.m.

Sun., Mar. 3 - No Meeting

Sun., Mar. 10 – Discussions and dinner. “Who is the other?” Chicken Pot Pie for dinner

Sun., Mar. 17 – Bowling at 12:45 p.m.

Sun., Mar. 24 - Project Linus. Monkey bread for dinner.

THE HOPE FUND

If your child(ren) would like to participate in a youth event but the cost is keeping him/her/them from joining us, funds are available to help. The Hope Fund was established through a generous donation of a Peace Lutheran Church family to enable a member(s) of our congregation to participate in church youth activities. Just let Deacon Shari or Pastor Dave know - no one else will know.

HIGH SCHOOL TEEN BIBLE STUDY- WED., MAR. 13 & 20

High school age youth are invited to a new Teen Bible study with Deacon Shari. We will meet at church on Wed., Mar. 13 & 20 from 7:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. We will cover in-depth, yet compact and easy to understand Bible lessons covering topics relevant to teens.

PEACE CHURCH SCHOLARSHIP

Peace Church will make available the annual scholarship for high school seniors who are planning to attend 4 or 2 year college programs or technical/trade schools. Up to 5 scholarships will be awarded. Recipients will be chosen based on several factors, which are detailed in the application form. These forms are available on the counter in the narthex and must be submitted no later than today, Feb. 24.

7th & 8th/ HS ANTIOCH RETREAT – MAR. 1-3

For the past several years, the 7th - 12th grade youth have gathered together for this weekend-long spiritual retreat. The name Antioch comes from the book of Acts when a group of people studied together and learned what it meant to be a Christian (Act 11). This retreat is a time of prayer, worship, friendship and fun. Antioch will be from 6:30 p.m., Fri., Mar. 1 until 1:00 p.m., Sun., Mar. 3.

ALL CHURCH BOWLING - MAR. 17

Our All-Church Bowling outing will be on Mar. 17, at 1:00 p.m. at Laraway Lanes in New Lenox (1009 W. Laraway Rd.). Please arrive around 12:45 p.m. to get your shoes, bowling ball and lane ready. The cost will be \$11 per person for 2 games and shoes. Please use the sign-up slip in the bulletin or call the church office. The event is also the Peace Buddies, 5th /6th gr. and 7th/8th gr. group activities for March.

5th & 6th GR. BIBLE BUDDIES - WED., APR. 24

Pizza at 6:30 p.m. Bring a \$3 donation dinner. Please let us know if you would like to join us for a pizza dinner.

SUNDAY SCHOOL - “R.O.A.R. WITH GOD”

This year is filled with special events and projects that celebrate how all of us can Respect, Overcome, Accept, Rejoice (and have a fun spirit while we're at it!) Join us for a great year of Sunday School where you can make new friends and GROW IN YOUR FAITH! And don't forget, we also have classes for teens and adults.

ANTIOCH LED YOUTH WORSHIP - SAT., MAR. 2

The 5:00 worship on March 2 will be led by our youth. This service will have both Sr. and Jr. High kids involved, and will be one component of the Antioch Retreat. Be sure to mark your calendars and support our youth!

PICTURES FOR PEACE ANTIOCH WEEKEND

We are looking for any images of crosses that you may find! If your peas make a cross on your plate, take a picture of it and e-mail it to us at peacechurch@peacenewlenox.org. We need all kinds of images that look like a cross to decorate for Antioch weekend!

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY - WED., MAR. 20

Come and prepare shawls for people who need to be wrapped in God's love. We meet every other Wednesday at 6:00 p.m. Bring yarn, hooks/needles and patterns or we can provide these for you. **We not meet March 6.** Our next meeting will be March 20. Questions, contact Cheryl 815-462-3089. If you know someone who could benefit from a prayer shawl, look for the request box on the narthex counter.

PING PONG CLUB - SUN., MAR. 17

The ping pong club meets regularly on the third Sunday of the month. Please join us for fun and camaraderie on Mar. 17 at 12:00 p.m. following the 11:00 a.m. service. . If you want to receive email reminders, let the church office know your name and email address.

GENEALOGY GROUP - SAT., APR. 27

The next gathering for anyone interested in learning more about how to do genealogical searches will be Sat., April 27 at 10:00. We'll have a projector so all can see the real nuts and bolts! Please join us.

VBS PLANNING MEETING – WED., MAR. 13

Yes, it's time to think summer! Our VBS is amazing, and involves lots of people each helping in some way. The planning crew invites you to join in the behind-the-scenes fun (we're not kidding) of putting this great event together. Join us Wed., Mar. 13, at 9:00 a.m., or let us know of your interest in helping if you can't make the date or time.

Bible Background for 1 Corinthians 15:35-38 & 42-50

Something many of us have wondered about is what we will look like in heaven? We picture ourselves as (20?) and not (90?). Paul got the same question as we've gotten in the QKA box. Paul's answer in this passage is we'll have a new body appropriate to our new existence. The exact form doesn't matter – it will still be you (and a much better version of you!) The body of this earth decays and wears out. The form of our new life will be imperishable and amazing!

HELPING SANTA CRUZ'S FOOD PANTRY

We have an ongoing partnership with Santa Cruz Lutheran Church in Joliet. They have a food and resource pantry for people of their neighborhood who are hungry or in need. The pantry is in need of the following specific items. You can bring donations anytime and put them in the baskets on the floor heading into Fellowship Hall.

cereal (all kinds)	canned fruit
coffee (ground) all kinds	creamers (powdered)
hand soap (bar & liquid)	disposable diapers
dish soap	toothpaste
juices	

GOOD SHEPHERD group is seeking donations of NEW beauty items (make-up, make-up brushes, eyeshadow, lotion, hair bands, cologne, lipstick, hair care products, combs and brushes), personal items, bathing items (sponges, bubble bath, shower gel), and travel size toiletries for homeless and abused persons. Please place these items in the basket labeled *Good Shepherd Beauty Items* located under the left part of the narthex counter. Thank you for your support!

DONATIONS FOR MORNINGSTAR TREASURE CHEST

We are still accepting donations of clothing and household goods for MorningStar Treasure Chest. Place your donations in the basket marked MorningStar located in the hallway leading into Fellowship Hall.

OUR SPONSORED MISSIONARY

Louisa Ishida is from Villa Park, graduated from Valparaiso University, and is serving in Swaziland in Southern Africa. Her blog address is <https://eswatiniexperience.wordpress.com/> so you can keep up to date on what is going on. Look on our bulletin board on the way into Fellowship Hall for more information. Her physical address is:
PostNet Suite 30
Private Bag X6
Cascades
3203
South Africa

NEW TICKET OPTIONS

Our ever-vigilant Fellowship Committee has been scouting the various upcoming shows, and here are their latest offerings. Use the sign-up, call the office, use our email to reserve your seats. First-come, first-served.

MAMA MIA - SUN., APRIL 7, 6:00 p.m. - Sold Out

We're going to try and get more tickets. If you would like to be put on a waiting list, please use the sign up slip in the bulletin. The cost for the tickets (about \$20 off full price) would be \$57.50 (\$41.75 for students.)

THE ULTIMATE QUEEN CELEBRATION STARRING MARC MARTE - SAT., APR. 27, 8:00 p.m.

The lead singer was hand-chosen by Queen to be the star of their tribute band. This show is at Governors State's Performing Arts Center. Our seats are 8 rows from the stage. Our discounted tickets are \$36. We now have 2 tickets left.

AUGUST RUSH - SAT., MAY 18, 3:00 p.m.

Paramount Theatre is producing this brand new musical for the first time. Based on the movie, follow the journey of 11-year-old Evan on his search to find his parents. The story-line and music alone would be worth the price – deeply discounted at \$37 each. We have 5 seats left.

ANOTHER NEW SHOW TO CONSIDER

A FUNNY THING HAPPENED ON THE WAY TO THE FORUM - SAT., MAY 4, 7:30 p.m.

This classic comedy will be performed by The Drama Group of Chicago Heights in their theater. Tickets will be \$23 for "regular" adults, \$21 for seniors, and \$17 for students. There isn't a bad seat in the house, and the group has consistently put on good shows. Let us know if you'd like to go!

GO-KARTING IN THE WINTER - THURS., MAR. 21

Accelerate Indoor Speedway in Mokena - Thurs., March 21 at 7:00 p.m. Did you ever want to try your "racing skills?" We think adults (13 yrs. and up) and juniors (8-12 yrs.) would enjoy a single race consisting of 14 laps for adults and 12 laps for juniors at the "Accelerate Indoor Speedway" in Mokena. The cost is \$19.99 per person for both adults and juniors and a first time driver's license fee of \$7.95 per person. There is a place to eat if anyone is interested. Please use the sign-up slip in the bulletin or call the church office.

CUBS GAME - SUN., MAY 26

We were able to secure 20 tickets for the game against the Cincinnati Reds, on Sun., May 26, with the game at 1:20 p.m. Our seats are in section 225 on the first base side. The group rate price is \$69. If there is interest, we will either have a van or a bus going to the game. The cost for that will be \$5 per person, maximum \$15 per household. Your friends are welcome, too – first come basis. (The tickets could be a great Mother's Day or early Father's Day present.) Use the sign-up or call the office.

OUT TO EAT GROUP - SAT., MAR. 16

The Out-to-Eat group invites you to join in an evening of food and conversation at Little Joe's in Frankfort (next to the Butera 20805 S. LaGrange Rd.) at 6:30 p.m. on Sat., Mar. 16. Please use the sign-up slip or call the church office so we can let them know how many spots to reserve.

FAMILY & FRIENDS IN THE MILITARY

If you know someone who is serving and would like them added to the list, let us know. We also ask for your prayers for those who have returned from war who struggle to readjust to life in the U.S. and work through their grief over friends they have lost in the Middle East.

Mike Scott, Daniel Kitley, T.J. Burns, Brie Grams (Hatch), Ned Fowler, Elizabeth (Tatro) Grossart, Brian Kettell, Jake Treasure, Grover Keltz, Dylan Sperstad, Devin Pafford, Connor Baker, Dan Treasure, Stephanie (Jones) Vail, Neil Vickers, Lane Trainor, Allison DeVitto

ADDRESS FOR SERVICE PERSONNEL

Midshipman Trevor Horn
PO Box # 12989
Annapolis , Maryland 21412

Sgt. Pafford, Devin
PO Box 1351
Eglin AFB, Florida 32542

DO YOU GIVE ELECTRONICALLY (OR WANT TO)?

For those of you who give electronically and would like to put something in the offering plate, we have cards you may use (located on the narthex counter). If you would like to sign up for automatic withdrawals, contact the office. If you want to give on-line, you can go to our website (www.peacenewlenox.org), click on the donate tab. You can also scan the QR code (below) with your smart phone to donate one time or set up recurring payments (it may also be downloaded in order to manage online giving).



CAREGIVERS INFORMATION

Whether you are a caregiver for a spouse, parent, teen, sibling or a child, you need help with the emotional, spiritual, mental and physical side of reality. Help yourself to the variety of resources that we have pulled together for you and know you're not alone. (*Information is on the narthex counter and in the hallway leading to Fellowship Hall.*)

ALZHEIMER'S SUPPORT GROUP

Do you care for someone diagnosed with Alzheimer's disease or a related dementia? Are you looking for information and support? You are not alone. An Alzheimer's Association Support Group meeting is held at Peace the second Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. All are welcome! For more information, please contact Karin Knutson at karinknutson@hotmail.com.

ADDICTION & FAMILY SUPPORT GROUP

Is someone you love abusing prescription or street drugs? Are you concerned about the destructive choices he or she is making and/or in denial? If you are feeling all alone and would like some support from other parents, siblings, friends and spouses who are traveling the same road you are on, then this group may be for you. We support all roads to recovery, so we share what has or hasn't worked for us. We also understand that we must recover, because our lives have also become unmanageable. We meet Tuesdays from 7-8:30 p.m. For more information, contact Tom Moore at (815) 354-3195.

QUESTIONS KIDS ASK ABOUT GOD UPDATE

More great questions in February! Two of them were “How can you talk to God if you can’t see him?” and “Does God always hear you talk since you can’t see him?” Our original QKA book has a great visual for this question as well as a great answer to a similar question that recognizes we don’t understand how God can do it, but are assured that it happens. Because God put billions of stars in the sky, and each grain of sand and each snowflake is different, God can easily listen to all our talking to God, even at once – God is awesome! Also, the group that is working on the new Spanish version of our *Questions Kids Ask About God* book had their second meeting. They are doing research on potential markets and whether to print only a coloring book or that and a full-color book, as well as all the background pieces necessary to get it printed. We also have translation efforts underway from English to Spanish.

FAITH DISCUSSION GROUP - THURS., FEB. 28

Our small group meets once a month to discuss various topics, deepen our faith and to build relationships within the group. We welcome anyone to join - men and women of all ages - you do not have to attend all meetings! The next is on Thurs., Feb. 28 at 7:00 p.m. at Janet Stoller’s home. If interested, please email her at jlstoller2000@yahoo.com. P.S. we have great snacks!

GOLDEN OPPORTUNITIES BOOKS

We are once again offering Golden Opportunity books. They’re filled with savings coupons for many different types of places, from food to entertainment to carwashes. This year’s edition is here and is \$25. (A portion of that goes to youth-related ministries.) We hope this helps you get some good bargains!

C.D.s & PODCAST AVAILABLE

Would you like a C.D. copy of a worship service? Look for the sign-up on the narthex counter. Also, if you want to listen to a sermon you missed or want to hear one again, go to the link on our website www.peacenewlenox.org.

PEACE BUDDIES - SUN., MAR. 17 - BOWLING WITH CHURCH

We will next meet to go bowling with the church on Mar. 17 at Laraway Lanes in New Lenox (1009 W. Laraway Rd.). Please arrive around 12:45 p.m. to get your shoes, bowling ball and lane ready. The cost will be \$11 per person for 2 games and shoes. Please use the sign-up slip in the bulletin or call the church office. Peace Buddies is a special needs group for high school age and up. No need to be a part of our church to join. If you know someone, please invite them to come. We meet on the third Sunday of the month from **12:00-2:00 p.m.**

PEACE WOMEN’S GROUP - The Peace Women’s Group is open to all women 18 and up. We invite all interested to join us for our next events. Any questions, contact Jan Stoller (815) 530-2786.

Save the Dates:

Saturday, March 16 at 7:00 p.m. - Chicago Wolves Hockey (deadline Feb. 28)
Sunday, April 28, 2:00 - 5:00 p.m. - Garfield Park Conservatory with concert.
(deadline March 31)

STRONG SENIORS EXERCISE GROUP - Join us for a low impact, do what you can exercise program for seniors. We meet twice a week: Mondays 12 noon -1:00 p.m. and Wednesdays 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Please call Anita Drake (815) 299-4417 with any questions.

NEXT NEWSLETTER DEADLINE: **February 24.** If you get your newsletter late, please pick one up here. If you want it via e-mail or first class, let us know.

BLOOD DRIVE THANK YOU - Thanks to your commitment to helping people, 21 people successfully gave blood in February. Our next drive will be April 6.

ALL CHURCH BOWLING - MAR. 17

Our All-Church Bowling outing will be on Mar. 17, at 1:00 p.m. at Laraway Lanes in New Lenox (1009 W. Laraway Rd.). Please arrive around 12:45 p.m. to get your shoes, bowling ball and lane ready. The cost will be \$11 per person for 2 games and shoes. Please use the sign-up slip in the bulletin or call the church office. The event is also the Peace Buddies, 5th /6th gr. and 7th/8th gr. group activities for March.

LIBRARY BOOK OF THE WEEK

Each week we feature a book that’s in our library. On your way to refreshments, take a look for it. And if you like it, check it out right then and there. (There’s a 3-ring binder that is self-serve and easy to use.) This week’s book is: *Laugh & Tickle Hug & Pray* by: Julaine Kammrath

INTERNSHIP UPDATE

By a vote of 60-3, the congregation decided at the annual meeting to move forward with having an intern join us in August. We have notified the seminary and the synod. We will wait word from them about our next steps in trying to follow God’s lead for this future pastor’s experiences here at Peace!

AMAZON SMILE THANKS

Thanks to the people who have designated Peace with your Amazon Smile donations, another \$67.91 is being deposited to Peace’s account. If you use Amazon, then simply use <https://smile.amazon.com> instead. By designating a worthy cause of your choice (Peace is one of those), you don’t spend any extra, but that cause benefits.

(Sign-Up 02/23/19 - 02/24/19)

Name _____
Phone _____
Email _____

(Please place this in the offering plate, give it to Pastor Hedlin or Deacon Shari, or call the office.)

Youth

Youth 5th-12 gr.

_____ My youth will attend the All-Church Bowling event on Mar. 17.

Theater Events

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- _____ I/We would like tickets for *August Rush* on May 18. How many? _____
- _____ I/We would like to be put on the waiting list for tickets for *Mama Mia*. on April 7.
How many Adult tickets? _____ How many student tickets? _____

Sports Events

- _____ I/We would like _____ tickets for the Cubs/Reds game on May 26
- _____ I/We would like the van/bus option. How many? _____

Other Events

- _____ I/We will attend the Lenten Soup, Salad, Discussions & More starting on Mar. 10.
How many? _____
- _____ I/We will join the Out to Eat Group at Little Joe’s Restaurant in Frankfort on Mar. 16. How many? _____
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- _____ I/We will attend the Go-Karting event at Accelerate Indoor Speedway in Mokena on March 21. How many? _____
- _____ I/We would like to help plan for the Meal in the Upper Room.

Peace Women’s Group

- _____ I will attend the following:
 - _____ Chicago Wolves hockey game on Mar. 16
 - _____ Garfield Park Conservatory and Concert on Apr. 28

Other Ministries/Sign-ups

Everybody Read -Isaiah 32:1-8 - What the passage means to me:

I would like to receive a weekly E–Blast. My email address is:

(Sign-Up 02/23/19 - 02/24/19)

Name _____
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