

PEACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

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July 6 & July 7, 2019

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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)	Jan Bentley
Lay Liturgist (8:30)	Randy Conatser
Lay Liturgist (11:00)	Russ Scanlan
Lesson Reader (5:00)	Carol Dohrn
Lesson Reader (8:30)	Olivia Koenig
Lesson Reader (11:00)	Beth Russler
Acolyte (5:00)	Anthony Ciannella
Acolyte (11:00)	Sarah Walton
Nursery (ages 0-5)(5:00)	Grace Farrell
Nursery (ages 0-5) (8:30)	Christian Knutson & Emma Rimkunas
Nursery (ages 0-5) (11:00)	Annika Woerner
Ushers (5:00)	Larry Parvin, Rich Dohrn
Ushers (8:30)	Mark Anderson, Heather Joynt, Ryan Rajaballey
Ushers (11:00)	Donna Hartmann, Barb Hnetkovsky, Jay Parker, Cole Pawlicki
Greeters (5:00)	Jasen & Ingrid Howard
Greeters (8:30)	Jack & Linda Goesel
Greeters (11:00)	Al & Sonia Muehlnickel
Communion Servers (11:00)	Tannor Giertuga, Tina Hammar, Denise Ledvina Margaret Skurka, Sydney Stockland, Vivian Farbak
Bread Provider (11:00)	Pam Vanick
Refreshments (5:00)	Amelia Ciannella
Refreshments (8:30)	Janet Roggemann, Kathy Sons
Offering Counters	Jack Cosich, Lisa Parker, Chuck Vick, Diane Vick

The altar flowers are given by Terry and Michele Lenz in celebration of their 49th wedding anniversary on July 11th; also given by Andrew and Bethany Smothers in honor of Addison Ryann Treasure's baptism.

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 8:30 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., July 7 - Education Hour - *The Benefit of Strangers* 9:45 a.m.
 Tues., July 9 - Addiction & Family Support Group 7:00 p.m.
 Alzheimer's Support Group 7:00 p.m.
 Wed., July 10 - Bible Study 10:00 a.m.
 Prayer Shawl Ministry 6:00 p.m.
 Sat., July 13 - Special Prayers for Healing at 5:00 p.m. worship
 Movie Night (*Monsters Inc.*) & Pizza - Grades K-12 - 6:00 p.m.
 Sat., July 13 & Sun., July 14 - Art Fair
 Sun., July 14 - Adult Education Hour - *Want a Deeper Faith?* (Try digging where you are) 9:45 a.m.
 Blood Pressure Screenings 9:45 a.m.
 Teen Bible Study 9:45 a.m.
 Peace 360 - pool party at Max's 2 - 7:00 p.m.
 Mon., July 15 - Summertime Quilting 9:30 a.m.
 Tues., July 16 - Trailblazers Luncheon at 12 noon
 Addiction & Family Support Group 7:00 p.m.
 Wed., July 17 - Bible Study 10:00 a.m.
 Sat., July 20 - St. Charles Paddlewheel Riverboat Cruise 1:00 p.m.
 Out to Eat Group at the new 3 Corners in New Lenox 6:15 p.m.
 Sun., July 21 - Adult Education Hour - *Blaming Others – Not a Lifestyle from God* 9:45 a.m.
 Tues., July 23 - Addiction & Family Support Group 7:00 p.m.
 Wed., July 24 - Bible Study 10:00 a.m.
 Prayer Shawl Ministry 6:00 p.m.
 Sun., July 28 - Adult Education Hour - *There's Always Something to Worry About* (Ideas to help you do it less often)
 Teen Bible Study 9:45 a.m.
 Feast with Friends - Sunday School Youth Grades K-12 9:45 a.m.
 Peace 360 4:00 p.m.

Help Others

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY - WED., JULY 10

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. Our next meeting will be July 10. Questions, contact Cheryl, 815-462-3089. If you know someone who could benefit from a prayer shawl, please put your request in the box on the narthex counter. To date we have made 271 shawls and given away 250.

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. You can bring donations anytime and put them in the baskets on the floor heading into Fellowship Hall. The pantry is in need of the following specific items: cereal (all kinds), canned fruit, coffee (ground), creamers (powdered), hand soap (bar & liquid), disposable diapers, dish soap, toothpaste, juices.

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.

OPERATION CARE PACKAGE

You can almost see the smiles from here! OPERATION CARE PACKAGE will send a package with many thoughtful things inside to our deployed military. We would like to add another name to the list. All we need is a name, address, birthday month and day, and dates of deployment. A package will be sent to them. If you have a family member, friend, or neighbor to whom we may send a package, please send your information to: jpsywn@att.net.

FEED MY STARVING CHILDREN MOBILE PACK EVENT - SAT., AUG. 3

Because of our church's vision to help feed the hungry, we make a significant financial donation to the local mobile pack of FMSC. This year's will again be at Lincoln-Way West High School on Aug. 3. The sessions Sat., Aug. 3 are from noon to 2:00 p.m. and 3:00 to 5:00 p.m. Children are welcome, but FMSC requires us to maintain a ratio of children/teens to adults as follows: K-2nd gr.: 1 student - 1 adult; 3rd-6th gr.: 3 students - 1 adult; 7th-9th gr.: 4 students - 1 adult; 10th-12th gr.: 5 students - 1 adult. (They also need volunteers to set up on Saturday [9:00 to 11:00 a.m.] and clean up on Sunday [3:30 to 5:30 p.m.] - let us know if you're interested.) Please use the sign-up in the bulletin.

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.

Ann, Joyce, Ryan Gamen, Jessica Howell (surgery on July 8), Kristin Lillie (bar exam), Michele Lenz (recovery), Marie Phelps, Diane Lillie (interview), Dave Hennessey, Wally Paprocki, Larry Parvin, Anita Drake, Jim Pander, Cass Ott, George Huffman, Jeff Howell (recovery), Deb Howell, Mary Brouette, Nolan, Halley, Barry, Barb Garbett, Claudia Cole, Daniel Obuchina (cancer), Penny (health), Louisa Ishida (missionary), Ann Ciannella, Jonah Huelhorst, Cathy Richardson, Kristie Paprocki, Judy Williams, Chuck Olson, Georgia Piech-Pander, Eric Bartels, Carol Tatro, Joyce Smith, Bev Kuzdas, Ray & Edna Anglin, Wayne Bell, Barb Chobot...

Rick & Rachel (jobs and relocation), Mr. Raees, Pat Nelson (cancer treatments), Brian Ingalls & family, Charlie, Harriette Vanco, Aksel, Joshua, Terry Jesk, Dorothy Tyler, Reid Larsen, Sydney Larsen, Marla Polito, Gary Wiersma (strength & healing), Kimmy Verduin (strength & healing), Jimmy Verduin (strength), June Pizzotti Sanders (cancer battle), Joey (graduate), Luke Alvarez (continuing recovery), Richard Vachert, Dawn Bullerman, Jim Jesk, Debbie Wert, Robert Burkhart (stroke recovery), Susan Crilly (health & healing), Pam & George Ogorzaly, Joe Schultz, Jill Goeglein & family, Lisa Balstrode, Alexis Flynn, Alan Booton, 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), Carol Bafundo, Georgianna Bafundo (health & wellness), Jeffrey (strength & addiction), the Potter family, Brandon McSheffery, Jarrett Vann, Ernie Bergmark.

FAMILY & FRIENDS IN THE MILITARY - If you know someone who is serving and would like them added to the list, let us know. Please pray for those who have returned from war who struggle to readjust to life and work through their grief. Mike Scott, Daniel Kitley, T.J. Burns, 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

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Faith Development/Education

ADULT CLASS WELCOMES YOU

Our Sunday weekly **adult class** usually meets in the back of the sanctuary, starting about 9:45 a.m. during the summer. Each week there is a different topic.

July 7 - *The Benefit of Strangers*

July 14 - *Want a Deeper Faith?* (Try digging where you are)

July 21 - *Blaming Others – Not a Lifestyle from God*

July 28 - *There's Always Something to Worry About* (Ideas to help you do it less often)

Aug. 4 - *Book Discussion* (We'll join the Peace Page Turners...you don't need to have read the book, but if you'd like to, see the announcement about it)

Aug. 11 - *What Did the Romans Who Crucified Jesus Believe In?*

Aug. 18 - *Always Thinking – A Blessing or a Curse?* (We'll also look at the science behind our thinking and God's involvement)

Aug. 25 - *What Do You Expect?* (of yourself and others and life itself)

INVITATION TO GROWING IN FAITH

You are invited to a diakonia™ Come and See Event on Tuesday, July 16, 6:30-8:00 p.m. at St. John, Joliet. The diakonia™ Program is a two-year process of spiritual formation and theological education for baptized members of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America or anyone wishing in good faith to study these teachings. The purpose and goal of the diakonia™ Program is to provide participants the opportunity to discover their God-given gifts, strengthen their faith and their abilities, and give them purpose within their own congregations, communities, synods, and the church-wide body of Christ. Through the diakonia™ educational experience students' understanding of theology and their relationship to God are allowed to blossom and bear fruit as a light of Christ in society. For more information visit the NIS diakonia™ webpage <<http://nisynod.org/diakonia/>> or contact Dr. Trenton R. Ferro, (724) 762-0305 or trferro@yahoo.com.

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.

July's passage is: 2 Corinthians 4:6-18

BIBLE BACKGROUND FOR GALATIANS 6:1-16

Sometimes we aren't even aware from where sayings we use come. Did you know "that which you sow you shall reap" got its traction from this letter of Paul's? It may be common sense, but all kinds of people think it doesn't apply. Their thoughts must be "I can sow whatever I want, but should only get good things." Instead, we are in a relationship with God where we know full well how our choices can be faulty, but that God calls us to look to the Spirit's guidance instead.

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. (There's a 3-ring binder that is self-serve and easy to use.) This week's book is: ***The Bumps Are What You Climb On* by Warren W. Wiersbe**

PEACE PAGE TURNERS - SUN., AUG. 4

Peace Page Turners will be discussing "*The Crazyladies of Pearl Street*" by *Trevanian*. Join us for the discussion, even if you haven't read the book. We meet at 9:45 a.m. All are welcome. If you have questions, please contact Kathy Davenport (815) 545-2806.

Groups

TRAILBLAZERS - TUES., JULY 16

Our next meeting will be our usual luncheon on Tues., July 16 at noon here at church. The food will be burgers & hot dogs on the grill plus your usual food donations. Questions, please contact the church office. Invite a friend!

SUMMERTIME QUILTING - STAY COOL & QUILT - MON., JULY 15

Summertime quilting will meet every other Monday at 9:30 a.m. It's very casual and if you can't make it each time, just come when you can. Take a chance and try this! Fill those lazy days of summer making quilts and enjoying fellowship. Questions? Call Karen Dircks (815) 462-9527 or Syndy Lindbloom (708) 479-7338.

ALZHEIMER'S SUPPORT GROUP - SECOND TUESDAYS

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 - EVERY TUESDAY

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.

INFORMAL GOLF GROUP

Each week the group plays 9 holes, starting around 10:00 a.m., have lunch and finish around 1:30 p.m. The format is best ball. Depending on the wishes of the group, the likely days are Tues. or Wed. (In case of less than 50° or more than 90° or other weather problems, there would be no golf.) You may call Mike Bohl with questions, or to sign up, at 815-277-2636.

New This Week

GIVING STATEMENTS AVAILABLE

Three times a year we make available a copy of our version of the giving record of people who have offering envelopes. Please save us the postage and pick up yours today!

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION PLANNING - JULY 21

Again on Aug. 4 we will use a new process for the Prayers of Intercession. We do that on the first Sunday of every month. This new form is inspired by a desire to have an intentional time for prayers written by "us" with additional space for people to speak their prayers out loud. The group planning this will meet on July 21 at 9:45 a.m. If you are interested in helping this time, please come to that meeting or contact Deacon Shari.

WHAT'S THE SCOOP? (Bring your ideas to the group!) - AUG. 4

This new format for our "Everybody Come" sessions has been a success. Come to give input or learn or just listen. We start with pizza and hot dogs, have an ice cream option, share ideas for ministry and try to be finished in 1½ hours or less. (For the food, we also encourage you to bring something to share [salads or fruit would be nice.]) We'll also have childcare during the meeting. Please use the sign-up slip in the bulletin to let us know if you're coming and if you need childcare.

SCHOOL SUPPLIES TO HELP OTHERS – BY AUG. 31

As you shop for school supplies, please consider helping others by picking up some extras. This year the bulk of the supplies will go to help kids through our mission partners at Santa Cruz in Joliet. We give all the supplies away to kids that otherwise couldn't start the year right!

24 count crayons

70 page spiral notebooks

8 count washable classic color markers

blue/black/red pens & 6" Fiskar scissors

140-200 count loose-leaf 3-hole paper

PEACE WOMEN'S GROUP EVENT SURVEY

The Peace Women's Group is working on planning some more awesome events and would like your input on what you would like to do! You may have received an email survey, if so please fill it out and return it to the church office. You may also look for the survey online or if you would like a paper copy, there are some on the counter in the narthex. The Peace Women's Group is open to all women 18 and up. Any questions, contact Jan Stoller (815) 530-2786.

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.

During the summer months we will meet 2 times a month from 4-7p.m.

Sun., July 14 - Pool Party at Max's! 2-7 p.m. Find his address in the email reminder. Please bring a snack or a side to share with the group.

Sun., July 28 - TBD

Sun., Aug. 4 - Feed My Starving Children Mobile Pack 12 noon - 4:00 p.m. Please use the online sign up if you would like to participate.

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- SUN., JULY 14 & 28

We are trying a new day for the teen bible study. During the summer, we will meet some Sundays from 9:45-10:45 a.m. High school age youth are invited to this Teen Bible study with Deacon Shari. Our next class will be Sun., July 14, from 9:45 -10:45 a.m. We will cover in-depth, yet compact and easy to understand Bible lessons covering topics relevant to teens.

SUNDAY SCHOOL MOVIE NIGHT - SAT., JULY 13

Grades K-12! Please join us at 6:00 p.m., after the 5:00 p.m. worship service for dinner and a movie! Please use the sign-up slip in the bulletin or use the sign-up sheet in the narthex. We will watch *Monsters Inc.* & have pizza!

FEAST WITH FRIENDS - SUN., JULY 28

Sunday School youth ages K-12 grade are invited to have a pancake breakfast from 9:45-10:45 a.m. Please use the online sign up on our church website, in the bulletin, or the sign up sheet in the narthex.

SUMMER CAMPS

Lutheran Outdoor Ministries Center's 2019 activities brochure (at www.lomc.org) is now available. You can also check out brochures from Lutherdale in Wisconsin (www.lutherdale.org) and Camp Manitoqua in Frankfort (www.manitoqua.org).

COLLEGE INFORMATION PACKETS AVAILABLE

There are some great pieces of information available to youth who are heading out on college tours, on how to apply to colleges, on what to explore on a college overnight visit, on what to bring to a freshman dorm. Look in the entrance area counter.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL!

Our amazing Vacation Bible School planning crew is creating another outstanding opportunity for kids (and volunteers) to grow closer to God. The dates will be July 30 - Aug. 2. Our theme will be "*God's Love Is out of This World.*" With a space theme, we will draw on some great Bible stories to make our VBS as fun and attractive as ever. If you'd like to help in any way this year (including more planning), please let us know in the office. Registration forms will be available in the rack on the narthex counter and on-line. Thank you for everyone who brought empty water bottles. We now have enough for our project, so we will not be collecting them anymore.

More General Announcements

C.Ds & 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.peaceneulenox.org.

BLOOD PRESSURE SCREENINGS - SUN., JULY 14

Our next monthly screening date is Sun., July 14, 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.

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.

OUR SPONSORED MISSIONARY

Louisa Ishida will be completing her year of service as a Young Adult in Global Mission in July. It has been our privilege to support her financially, through prayers each week in worship, Trailblazers' cards, and more! Our next Young Adult in Global Mission will be Benjamin David from Chicago (member of Lebanon Lutheran.) He expects to be assigned to Uruguay/Argentina.

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.*)

IN-HOUSE CHURCH PICTURE DIRECTORY

Wonder "Who is that?" but are hesitant to go up and ask the person? We are going to create our own informal picture directory to help connect faces and names. To get as many pictures taken as possible, we have set aside two weekends to go crazy: Aug. 24 & 25 and Sept. 14 & 15. To start with, we need a lot of volunteer photographers who have SLR digital cameras. (Cell phones won't do for this project.) Use the sign-up to let us know or contact the office. Then on those weekends before and after worship, we're going to have those camera volunteers taking pictures in rapid order so no one will have to wait more than a couple minutes. You don't need to dress a certain way or anything....just please come early for worship or stick around a few minutes afterward. Once the pictures are all taken, we'll assemble our own simple directory for as many as want copies.

QUIET TIME IN THE SANCTUARY

Have you ever needed a break from the hectic pace of life, or wanted to have some alone-time with God? Always feel free to come to church and use the sanctuary to just sit (and think or pray or cry or meditate or whatever you need that day.) The church office is usually open M-F from 8:30 to 2:45. If there is an evening meeting in the building and no one is using the sanctuary, you can come then, too, of course. You can call the office that day and ask if there is anything going on in the sanctuary. (There are some days and times when you can sort of plan that no one would be using the sanctuary: Monday late mornings and early afternoons, Tuesday mornings & early afternoons, Friday mornings & early afternoons – but we'd still say to call and check.) Just being in the space surrounded by the windows and symbols and peacefulness can be a great gift from God to you.

NEXT NEWSLETTER DEADLINE: July 28. If you get your newsletter late, please pick one up here. If you want it via e-mail or first class, let us know.

Thank you

LAST WEEK our congregation shared offerings in the amount of **\$8,752.00** at worship plus another **\$1006** electronically, and a total attendance in worship of **230**. Thank you for all the ministries you enable!

BECAUSE OF YOU AND YOUR GIFTS

In early January, 12 people from the Florida-Bahamas Synod embarked on a one-week trip to Jamaica to the United Theological College of the West Indies (UTC), where ELCA missionary Dr. Elisio Perez-Álvarez works as a professor. It prepares leaders for ministry and offers advanced degrees in philosophy and religion; there are currently about 140 students enrolled in various degree programs. The interrelationship of Christians around the world is something our giving helps to accomplish. Through those gifts, we not only understand each other better, but can learn from others how to spread the Gospel! It is a win-win!

Worship Related

KIDS IN WORSHIP THIS SUMMER

Children learn about priorities from their parents. If you consistently make worship attendance optional for the whole family, what message do you give?

WILLING TO HELP AT WORSHIP THIS SUMMER

Summer schedules sometimes leave us with openings for worship assistants. If you're willing to be "on call," please let us know via the sign-up or by emailing or calling the office.

FAVORITE HYMNS

Do you have a favorite hymn that you don't get to sing as often as you'd like? Well, here's your chance to sing it! Throughout the summer weeks, for about five minutes before each service starts, Todd will give everyone in the congregation an opportunity to call out the number of a favorite hymn. We'll sing a verse or two of as many hymns as we have time for. So, check your hymnal and get ready to call out the number of your favorite!

SPECIAL PRAYERS FOR HEALING - SAT., JULY 13

As a part of the 5:00 Saturday night service on July 13, we will have an opportunity for people to come forward for special prayers for healing. They can be for you or for somebody you know.

General Announcements

BUILDING ASSETS IN OUR YOUTH AND COMMUNITY

The asset that we're focusing on this month is **Family Support and Love**. **Some things we can do at home are: 1) Give more hugs and verbal reinforcement; 2) Body language, tone of voice, words, and the way you look at your children can show love; 3) Be loving toward yourself and your spouse or partner.**

This week's idea for our schools is educate parents on how to be supportive of their children.

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).



QUESTIONS KIDS ASK ABOUT GOD UPDATE

The travel-sharing of this amazing little book and coloring book is happening once again! This time we were privileged to share the ministry with the Women of the ELCA in South Dakota. The feedback is always the same: Great book!

On the Spanish edition front, the committee continues to work and review the future text, website and related supporting pieces. We thank Chris Campos for his great editing and proofreading! (If you know someone who is fluent in Spanish, we invite you to contact us with his or her information. Before we send this to be printed, we're trying to have multiple eyes see it – and catch any mistakes!)

VOLUNTEER MINISTRY HIGHLIGHT - TEACHING SUNDAY SCHOOL

We are very grateful for all our volunteers in this church. Today we're highlighting the ministry of teaching Sunday School (or assisting.) These volunteers are part of the life-blood of our Christian education program. We have co-teachers in every class, so no one is left to fend for him or herself! Depending on the co-teacher and helper, most teachers are here every week, but there is time off for other happenings, of course. We also have substitutes available when needed. Sunday School takes place from September through May from 9:45 to 10:45. We have training, a curriculum with multiple good ideas each week, and full support each week. No one has to do it all! If you have questions, contact Jess Lindeman, our superintendent, or the church office.

Prayers of Intercession

L: God, we come together in prayer lifting all needs both known and unknown...

(pause for silence)

L: God of our joy, remind us of the gifts you have given to us and empower us to use them for your glory. Today we are grateful for...

(all are invited to give their own prayers of thanks either out loud or silently)

L: In humble gratitude we pray,

C: Lead us by your grace

L: God, guide those who lead us in our community and country. Be with all who serve so that through them all might be cared for and understood as your beloved children. We ask for your presence...

(All are invited to give their own prayers for our community or nation either out loud or silently)

L: In humble gratitude we pray,

C: Lead us by your grace

L: God of all seasons, we thank you for rain that nourishes the earth. Be with farmers who till the land and grow our crops, so that they might be able to reap an abundant harvest. We also pray for those affected by floods, tornadoes and other natural disasters. We ask for your presence...

(All are invited to give their own prayers for the world either out loud or silently)

L: In humble gratitude we pray,

C: Lead us by your grace

L: God of peace, though our needs are many, we know in your generous love that you are listening. Restore us and bring us into the joy of your presence. We especially pray for

(The lay liturgist will give some names, and then all are invited to give their own prayers for personal needs or on behalf of others either out loud or silently)

L: In humble gratitude we pray,

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L: God of hope and healing, make this congregation a beacon of your love and fill your people with such gratitude that it spills over into service of those who are poor or in any need. We especially pray for...

(All are invited to give their own prayers for the Church, this congregation and one another either out loud or silently)

L: In humble gratitude we pray,

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L: God our creator, redeemer, and sustainer, reveal your will as you receive our prayers and conform our ways to your ways; through the saving work of Jesus Christ our Lord,

C: AMEN.

Fellowship Opportunities/Events

ALL CHURCH FELLOWSHIP EVENT! - JOHNNY RUSSLER & THE BEACH BUM BAND - SUN., AUG. 18

Calling all who attend Adult Fellowship, Women's Group, Peace 360, and everyone else! Come to the Concert on the Breidert Green in Frankfort on Sun., August 18, from 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. Our own Johnny Russler (& the Beach Bum Band) will entertain you that evening with some great Caribbean/calypso/reggae music. Johnny and his band have played all over the Chicagoland area and in other states, too. We invite you to gather around 6:00 p.m. at the Green. (Look for the Peace logo balloons.) We encourage you to bring some easy-to-pick-up snack-type food to share in containers that can be passed around easily. Let us know if you're planning to attend so we can try to save spaces for you and your lawn chairs.

ART FAIR - SAT. & SUN., JULY 13-14

We have been so fortunate to see the talents of so many different people over the years. This year's Peace Church Art Fair will be July 13-14. We would love to have members and friends share their work in painting, drawing, carving, woodwork, pottery, poetry, quilting, jewelry, photography, writing and other creative talents. Artists who have displayed their work in past years are encouraged to do so again for the benefit of newer members who have not had the privilege to see the deep pool of artistic talent in the congregation. If you are interested, please contact the church office, use the sign-up slip in the bulletin or contact John and Amy Ambrose at (708) 478-6709 (email address: jlambrose@chubb.com).

JOLIET SLAMMERS GAME - FRI., AUG. 16

"Take Me Out To the Ball Game (and include some great food!)"

Save Friday, August 16, for a wonderful outing with our friends from Santa Cruz/First Lutheran to see the Joliet Slammers play. We will have reserved seats and there will be fireworks after the game. Even better, there is a special meal before the 7:05 game. At 5:30 the members of Santa Cruz will host an hour-long cook-out at their church featuring authentic Mexican tacos along with the fellowship that food and baseball always seem to promote. With full stomachs we can walk to the ball game or drive there if you prefer. Tickets for the game are \$8 and we need a final count by August 1 (use the sign-up sheet). Baseball! Food! Fun! Fellowship! As Harry used to say..... "Can't beat fun at the ol' ball park."

PICKLE BALL – TUESDAYS

(Lincoln-Way West High School Field House [Drop-In Gym])

If you might be interested in playing pickle ball, please use the sign-up sheet in the bulletin or call the church office. The dates for playing at the High School Field House are now – Aug. 27 on Tuesdays at 6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. You must have your own paddles and balls.

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14-15 *More Fellowship Opportunities/Events*

THEATRE OPTIONS

CHICAGO SHAKESPEARE IN THE PARKS (The Comedy of Errors) – SAT., AUG. 3, 6:30 p.m.

(RIVEREDGE PARK, 360 N. Broadway, Aurora, IL, about an hour's drive)
For the first time ever! The event is FREE. Bring the whole family – perfect for all ages. Bring a chair or blanket and sit on the lawn. Get ready for a riotous comedy. Arrive early (5:30 p.m.) when the gates open to get a good spot. Parking is in the train station directly across the street and is also free. If you are interested, use the sign-up or call the church office so we know who is going (and if you'd like to carpool.)

“AND THEN THERE WERE NONE” – SAT., AUG 31, 3:00 p.m.

(Drury Lane Theatre, Oakbrook, IL) **Deadline to sign up is July 14**

This is a classic murder mystery play written by Agatha Christie that brings together tension, fear, and the macabre to weave a tale that captivates the audience until the final curtain. Ticket price if we have a group of 15 or more, will be \$62.75. Use the sign-up slip in the bulletin or call the church office.

“ONCE UPON A ONE MORE TIME” – SAT., NOV. 2, 2:00 p.m.

(James M. Nederland Theatre [previously The Oriental, Downtown Chicago])
A new musical inspired by Britney Spears, of all people! Here a group of fairy tale princesses gather for their fortnightly book club, to read together from the only book they've ever known – Grimm's Fairy Tales. The ultimate end-all for anyone who yearns to feel “stronger” than yesterday. This is an uproarious and heartwarming adventure. Ticket price, if we get a group of 15 or more, will be \$52.50. Use the sign-up slip in the bulletin or call the church office.

“THE PHANTOM OF THE OPERA” – SAT., DEC. 21, 2:00 p.m.

(Cadillac Palace Theatre – Downtown Chicago)

Critics are saying that this production of Andrew Lloyd Weber's Phantom of the Opera is “bigger and better than ever before.” Ticket price, if we get a group of 15 or more, is \$81 for first balcony seats! Use the sign-up slip in the bulletin or call the church office.

“ONCE ON THIS ISLAND – (THE MUSICAL) – SAT., JAN. 25, 2:00 p.m.

(Cadillac Palace Theatre – Downtown Chicago)

The 2018 Tony Award recipient for best revival of a musical, *Once on This Island* is the sweeping, universal tale of Ti Moune, a fearless peasant girl in search of her place in the world, and ready to risk it all for love. Guided by the mighty island gods, Ti Moune sets out on a remarkable journey to reunite with the man who has captured her heart. Ticket price, if we get a group of 15 or more, is \$76.50 for first balcony seats! Use the sign-up slip in the bulletin or call the church office.

OTHER EVENTS THAT MIGHT INTEREST YOU

ST. CHARLES PADDLEWHEEL RIVERBOAT CRUISE – SAT. JULY 20, 1:00 p.m.

(Located inside Pottawatomie Park, 8 North Avenue, St. Charles, IL, about an hour's drive)

We can meet inside Pottawatomie Park around 1:00 p.m. so we will have time to purchase our tickets (\$8.50 for adults or \$ 7.00 for children under 15yrs.) for a 2:00 p.m. cruise - since there are no advance purchases. There is always a lot to see around the park. After the cruise we can meet at the Colonial Café, 1625 E. Main St. for a late lunch/early dinner. This is a nice “family” café serving sandwiches, wraps, burgers and ice cream! Use the sign-up slip in the bulletin or call the church office, including if you'd like to carpool.

BLUEGRASS FESTIVAL (downtown Frankfort) - SAT./SUN., JULY 13/ 14

Live Bluegrass music, children's tent, food and vendors, and of course, great music and fellowship await you at the Bluegrass Festival on Saturday, July 13, from 10:00 a.m. – 10:30 p.m., and Sunday, July 14, from 10:00 a.m. – 8:30 p.m. Bring chairs and blankets.

CHICAGO WHITE SOX GAME - WED., JULY 31 - FREE

Yippee! We have 60 tickets for the Chicago White Sox game on Wednesday, July 31. Did we mention the tickets are FREE!? Because our connection to the Sox has changed, we were limited to which games we could see and how many tickets we could get. But did we mention that this is also a \$1 hot dog night? So, we hope lots of kids and adults can enjoy the game and the time together. We will also coordinate a bus so you don't even have to fight traffic or find parking. (The bus will leave at 5:25 p.m. - the bus cost is \$5 each with a maximum of \$15 per household.) The game itself is at 7:10 p.m., and you are welcome to meet us there. Use the sign-up slip, or call the office. Yes, friends are welcome to come. If you are interested, please use the sign-up sheet in the bulletin or call the church office. It will be a first-come, first-served basis, with a limit of 6 tickets per household.

OUT TO EAT - SAT., JULY 20

The next destination for the Out to Eat Group will be at the new 3 Corners (901 E Lincoln Hwy., New Lenox) on Sat., July 20, meeting there at 6:15 p.m. Check out their menu, and please let us know if you're planning to attend. All are welcome!!!

(Sign-Up 07/06/19 - 07/07/19)

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Email _____

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

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