

PEACE LUTHERAN CHURCH  
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**Current as of March 28, 2020**

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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.*

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**Please check in with our Peace website regularly for updates. There will be occasional email updates as well.**

WELCOME TO PEACE LUTHERAN CHURCH & OUR ON-LINE BULLETIN

### **THIS WEEK AND BEYOND**

Sat., Mar. 28 and Sun., Mar. 29 - a new segment for worship, launching at 5:00 p.m. on Saturday  
Sunday, March 29 - book discussion group via Zoom (call Kathy Davenport for the ID #)  
Sunday afternoon, March 29 - Saturday, April 4 - all events cancelled except via teleconference  
Tues., Mar. 31 - Congregation Council 7:30 p.m. via tele-conference  
April 4 & 5 worship - new segment, including music, will launch at 5:00 p.m. on Saturday

### **THIS WEEKEND'S WORSHIP**

**The video for this weekend's worship becomes available at 5:00 p.m. on Saturday, March 28. It will be available most easily through our website [www.peacenewlenox.org](http://www.peacenewlenox.org) which also has the links to Facebook and You Tube.**

### **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 Pam O'Shea, Kristen Olson, Heidi, Riley, Robyn Rossi, Ronald Clark, The family of Chuck Olson, the family of Tammy Conway, Wally Post, the family of Gary Kelly, Hilda Brockman, the family of Ruth Daum, Gene Trezzo, Kevin Tague (job), elderly in nursing homes, the family of Charlie Crocker, Beverly Decker, Bill Sandt, Julian & Gail Hanks, Carly (safe travels & college), Ricky Tilquist (recovery), Jen Arthur (recovery), Ken Gatewood (recovery), Janice Musak, Nolan (God's guidance), Pete Viehweg, Denise Jones (recovery), Benjamin David (missionary), Barry, Ann Ciannella, Jonah Huelhorst, Cathy Richardson, Judy Williams, Georgia Piech-Pander, Eric Bartels, Carol Tatro, Bev Kuzdas, Ray & Edna Anglin, Wayne Bell, Barb Chobot...

Vern Sandborn, Tom DeMik, Logan Treesdell, Kathy Kreutzer & Cindy Anderson (cancer treatment), Eli Hrnhak, Jennifer Thompson (Chubb) (new job), Mark Chubb (back injury), Ella Putrich (health concerns), Bill Sykes, Elinor Trotter, Kevin Duffy, Robbie (seizures stop), Meg & family, Rick Davis, Caylin Reynhout, Alyson, Mike, & baby, A.F. (cancer), Kaelyn (graduate school decisions), Joanna Stasiak (cancer), Dan Folliard, Debra, Brian, John Bentley, Mark Miller (recovery), Bev Johnson, Josilyn, Hildegard Hansen, the Harth family, Jayna Baggs (healing), Eileen Krause, Diane Sprandel (cancer treatment), Matthew (pediatric hospitalization), Special Education workers, Lori Haag (recovery), Ron Krauch, Jr., Josh (mental health & addiction), Melissa & Justin (mental health & addiction), Tricia (cancer), Jake (mental health & addiction), Bill Reidy (cancer), Alan Booton, Katherine Ambrose, Janice M., Brad Whiteside, Glenda Wilkins, Colin, Stephanie, Ervin Murray (recovery), Susan Wagner, Latonya & her son, Helen Bohr, Elias Losiniecki, Ken Winston, Danny, Pam & George Ogorzaly, Stacey (guidance), Miles, Erv Pander, Carol Bentley, Ron N., Deryl & Jim Hunt, Mary Hand, Tyler, the Austin family, Brena V. and family, Dan T. & family, Carol Bafundo, Georgianna Bafundo, Jeffrey,

the Potter family, Brandon McSheffery, Jarrett Vann

**FAMILY & FRIENDS IN THE MILITARY** - If you know someone who is serving and would like them on our 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, Brian Kettell, Jake Treasure, Grover Keltz, Dylan Sperstad, Devin Pafford, Connor Baker, Dan Treasure, Neil Vickers, Lane Trainor, Allison DeVitto, Rob Boland, Daniel Lauer

**ADDRESS FOR SERVICE PERSONNEL**

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(Sign-Up as of 3/28/20) (Please email back the items for which you would sign up.)

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
Email \_\_\_\_\_

**Youth**

**Confirmation Parents: We will attend the Kids & Adults Luncheon April 26.**

**How many?** \_\_\_\_

**8<sup>th</sup> Grade Confirmands:**

**I will participate in the following Confirmation date:** \_\_\_\_ May 17 \_\_\_\_ May 31

\_\_\_\_ My youth would like to attend Clean Up Day on Apr. 18.

**Other Events**

\_\_\_\_ I/We will provide altar flowers for: \_\_ June 28 \_\_ July 12 \_\_ Aug. 2 \_\_ Aug. 9  
\_\_\_\_ Sept. 27 \_\_ Oct. 4

\_\_\_\_ I/We will attend the VBS planning meeting on April 15 (online)

\_\_\_\_ I/We are interested in participating in a the Chess Tournament

\_\_\_\_ I would like to ride the John Deere (and cut the grass). \_\_\_\_ I'd like more than one turn if possible.

\_\_\_\_ I am interested in participating in the Wednesday golf group.

\_\_\_\_ I/We are interested in Pickleball! \_\_ weekends \_\_ weeknights \_\_ both

**Theater Events**

\_\_\_\_ I/We are interested in tickets for Simon & Garfunkel, Dec. 6 How many? \_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_ I would like tickets for *Shrek the Musical*, June 6. How many? \_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_ I would like tickets for *The Curious Incident Of The Dog In the Night-Time*, June 20. How many? \_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_ I would like tickets for *Ain't Misbehavin' - The Fats Waller Musical*, July 18. How many? \_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_ I would like tickets for *Forever Plaid*, Sept. 12. How many? \_\_\_\_

**Other Ministries/Sign-ups**

Everybody Read - Isaiah 51:1-6

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

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**Thank you!**

LAST WEEK we received offerings online, via the mail and through our automatic withdrawals. Your support at a time like this matters! Important ministry goes on at Peace and through our support of the Northern Illinois Synod and the ELCA, we are present throughout the world and in hotspots in the USA. Consider your own efforts to serve others as you being Peace in your own world! We also invite you to please consider an electronic financial donation process for the support of Peace!

**DO YOU GIVE ELECTRONICALLY (OR WANT TO)?**

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](http://www.peacenewlenox.org)), click on the donate tab. You can also scan the QR code here with your smart phone to donate one time or set up recurring payments (or download in order to manage online giving).

#### BECAUSE OF YOU AND YOUR GIFTS

Robert is a client who's life has been transformed by the work of Lutheran Social Services of Illinois and by the support of people like you. He struggled with mental and physical health problems and did not have the life skills to live independently. Robert suffered from depression and had no hope for a positive future until he met someone from LSSI's Community Support Teams. They worked with him to create a strong network and to connect him with the services and resources he needed to have a better quality of life. Robert says, "LSSI was a lifesaver for me, because if they wouldn't have come into my life when they did, I'd probably be dead by now." This is the difference that LSSI's programs and your support can make in a person's life. Thank you for your commitment to the people we serve.

## Youth Ministry

#### PEACE 360 HS YOUTH GROUP

All activities suspended. Check with Deacon Shari for on-line options she and Miss Jess might be able to create.

#### 7/8TH GR. CLEAN UP DAY - SAT., APR. 18

On April 18 (tentatively) we will meet here at the church from 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. to help clean up around the church. Please wear clothes you can get dirty in and closed toed shoes. Our clean up projects will range from wiping down tables to cleaning up around the out side of the church. Lunch will be served. Please use the sign up in the narthex, online, or in the bulletin.

#### 7<sup>TH</sup> & 8<sup>TH</sup> KIDS & ADULTS END OF YEAR LUNCH - APR. 26

The last Kids & Adults get together of the year will be on Sun., April 26 at 12:00 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. The purpose of our Kids & Adults get together is for the youth to meet and get know other adults in the congregation. This year we will join the New Members Luncheon for some food and fellowship! **Confirmation Parents:** The family is invited! Please RSVP to let us know how many will be attending the luncheon by calling or emailing the church office, use the online sign up on our church website, or use the sign-up slip in the bulletin. Come & enjoy!

## Groups

#### ALZHEIMER'S SUPPORT GROUP - SECOND TUESDAYS (stay tuned)

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](mailto:karinknutson@hotmail.com).

#### OUT TO EAT GROUP - SAT., APRIL 25

The Out to Eat Group next will hopefully be able to head for Lou Malnati's in Tinley Park on Sat., April 25, meeting there at 6:30. In this environment of deliciousness, you can order whatever you want from their varied menu. Be sure to use the sign-up or call the office so we know how many to expect, or to cancel as needed.

#### ADDICTION & FAMILY SUPPORT GROUP - EVERY TUESDAY (stay tuned)

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.

RUTH CIRCLE (QUILTERS) - MON., (when they resume - stay tuned)

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. Join us at 9:00 a.m.

MEN'S DARTBALL - TUES., APR. 14 (stay tuned)

Dartball meets monthly on the second Tuesday of the month at 7:30 p.m. No prior experience needed or helpful. Please join us! We finish at 9:00 p.m. so you've got time for your bedtime ice cream, too. (Who's idea is that???)

TRAILBLAZERS - TUES., APRIL 14 (one week early, but stay tuned)

Our next meeting will be one week early on Tues., April 14, at noon here at church. The food will be fish filets. If you have any questions, please contact the church office. Invite a friend!

## Fellowship Opportunities/Tickets & Events

EASTER BREAKFAST - SUN., APR. 12 (cancelled)

GOLF GROUP

The golf group will be playing each week this year. Each Wednesday at 10 am the group will play 9 holes, best ball format (usually at Woodruff or Green Garden courses). We typically eat lunch at the course and finish around 1:15 pm. You do not need to be a "good" golfer to play, our goal is to have fun and fellowship. Everyone is welcome. We will start around April 8, weather permitting. Each week Mike will send out an email to the interested golfers to find out who is playing, schedule a tee time, and email players when and where to meet.

We play in temperatures between 50° and 90°. You do not have to play every week. Questions or to sign up, contact Mike 815-277-2636 or mboh1@gmail.com. You may also use the sign-up in the bulletin or contact the church office.

PICKLEBALL INTEREST? LET US KNOW!

Anyone interested in learning the fastest growing sport in the world? Come join us for fun exercise and learn the social/competitive game of Pickleball! Have you ever played tennis, table tennis, racquetball, badminton, or anything which required hand eye coordination? C'mon people, I'm sure you have at least swatted a fly before! Pickleball is a cross between tennis and table tennis, played with paddles and a hard wiffleball. Please sign up and indicate what times are best for you....weeknights, or weekends or both. We are looking to start this activity as soon as mid May or June...depending on weather, outside court availability and your interest. We will teach you and even provide paddles and balls. So get off that couch or lawn chair and let's play some Pickleball!

Questions? Contact Al Davenport (708-977-7339) or al.davenport@comcast.net

NEW TICKET IDEA? SIMON & GARFUNKEL STORY - NEW DATE

We are exploring how many would be interested in seeing the *Simon & Garfunkel Story* in Chicago on **Sunday, Dec. 6, at 2:00**. If we have at least 10, then we can get first balcony tickets for \$38.00 each!

SHREK THE MUSICAL - SAT., JUNE 6

This family-friendly event could be right up your alley! The date is Saturday, June 6, at 12:00 p.m., at the Drury Lane Theatre in Oakbrook. Tickets are \$15 (if we get a group of 15 or more). Use the sign-up or call the church office. **Deadline to sign up: April 5.**

THE CURIOUS INCIDENT OF THE DOG IN THE NIGHT-TIME - SAT., JUNE 20

Saturday, June 20, at 7:30 p.m. at the Drama Group Theatre in Chicago Heights. This drama tells the story of Christopher, a 15-year old math genius who has difficulty dealing with everyday life. While investigating the death of his neighbor's dog, he unearths life-changing secrets. Tickets are \$23.00. Use the sign-up or call the

church office. **Deadline to sign up: April 12.**

AIN'T MISBEHAVIN' - THE FATS WALLER MUSICAL - SAT., JULY 18 Saturday, July 18, at 7:30 p.m. at The Theatre in Munster. "Fats" Waller was an American Jazz pianist, organist, composer, violinist, singer and comedic entertainer. His innovations in the Harlem stride style laid the groundwork for modern jazz piano. His best-known compositions are "Ain't Misbehavin'" and "Honeysuckle Rose." Tickets are \$46.00. Use the sign-up or call the church office. **Deadline to sign up: April 19.**

FOREVER PLAID - SAT., SEPT. 12

Saturday, Sept. 12, at 3:00 p.m. at the Drury Lane Theater in Oakbrook. On the way to their first big gig, tragedy strikes Forever Plaid, a "guy group" specializing in barbershop quartet harmonies and pitch-perfect melodies. Forever Plaid begins when the guys are given the chance to perform from the afterlife. This smash hit musical is a nostalgic homage to the music of the '50s and includes hits such as "Three Coins in the Fountain" and "Love is a Many Splendored Thing." Tickets are \$62.75 if we get a group of 15 or more. Use the sign-up or call the church office. **Deadline to sign up: May 3.**

CHESS TOURNAMENT - WILL BE RESCHEDULED

Calling all chess players! Peace's first chess tournament will be rescheduled. Contact Al Davenport directly at [al.davenport@comcast.net](mailto:al.davenport@comcast.net), or call or text Al at 708-977-7339.

## Worship

**HOLY WEEK WORSHIP - *Maundy Thursday worship, and Good Friday worship (plus the cross walks have all been cancelled.)***

**EASTER WORSHIP (Stay tuned; we're thinking about a drive-in service, but will have to wait for further developments)**

## General Announcements

**NEW MEMBER ORIENTATION & RECEPTION - Postponed until a later date.**

LAWN MOWING

You can pick whether to ride the John Deere on Friday or Saturday. Mowers took between 1 to 1.5 hours to tend the south of the building. If you'd like a turn to mow this year, please use the sign-up or call/email the office.

QUESTIONS KIDS ASK ABOUT GOD UPDATE

The QKA committee has been hard at work tracking down leads for our new Spanish edition. The coronavirus has put a stop to actual opportunities to get to events. Meanwhile, the questions keep coming here at Peace!

CHECK OUT OUR UPDATED SOCIAL MEDIA PAGES

We have a team that has been working over the past few months to bring our social media pages up to date and to post regular content to them. Ways you can help to promote our pages and our church are to follow our pages and engaging our content by commenting, liking, and sharing our posts. You can follow us on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram with the handle @PeaceNewLenox.

PEACE CIRCLE OF PRAYER MINISTRY

If you would like special prayers said for someone, just let the office know of a particular need. Our Circle of Prayer ministry is ready to help. We will send out an email to the praying volunteers with that need. (If you would like to be a part of this Peace Circle of Prayer, let us know, including what email address we should use.)

FLOWER CHART

Each week people donate the cost of altar flowers (\$20 per arrangement). The process is very simple. There is a 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 (if any) for the donation. Envelopes for the cost are by the chart and also are mailed the week following your selected week. **Upcoming dates available are: June 28, July 12, Aug. 2 & 9, Sept. 27, Oct. 4, plus many others.**

#### BLOOD PRESSURE SCREENING - SUN., MAY 10

Our next monthly screening date (because of Easter in April) is **Sun., May 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.

## Help Others

### UNDERSTANDING MENTAL HEALTH & MENTAL ILLNESS WORKSHOP - POSTPONED

#### LOMC MEMORIAL DAY WORK WEEKEND - MAY 22-25

Well it's that time of year again when we are reminded to start thinking ahead to warmer days and Memorial Day Work Weekend at LOMC. If you have any questions you can call Ken at 815-978-5843 or email him at [ken@lomc.org](mailto:ken@lomc.org)

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.

#### 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.*)

#### BUSINESS ATTIRE COLLECTION

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.)

#### PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY - (when they resume - stay tuned)

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. Please watch the bulletin for the date of our next meeting. 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.

#### KATIE'S CLOSET FEEDING MINISTRY

We have been given the opportunity to help support future pastors and deacons in a new way. The Lutheran Theological Seminary in Chicago has a food closet for its seminarians and the closet is low on supplies. We have organized an ongoing food drive to help fill the shelves and lift the burden that seminary can sometimes be for students and their families. A list of needed items can be found in the narthex.

## 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.

## Faith Development/Education

### SUNDAY ADULT CLASS

All adult classes are canceled for now.

### 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. **April's passage is: Psalm 27.**

### 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 28 - 31. **Because the Olympics got cancelled, our new theme will be "*All Aboard God's Love!*"**

The next VBS online planning meeting will be April 15 at 9:00 a.m. If you'd like to help in any way (including planning), please let us know. Use the sign-up or call the office.