

PEACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

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March 9 & March 10, 2019 Dave Hedlin, Pastor  
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.*

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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)	Debbie Goebig
Lay Liturgist (8:30)	Kenneth George
Lay Liturgist (11:00)	Georgia Cash
Lesson Reader (5:00)	Carol Dohrn
Lesson Reader (8:30)	Joseph Wesel
Lesson Reader (11:00)	Janet Scanlan
Acolyte (5:00)	Danielle Schabes
Acolyte (8:30)	Kara Rimkunas
Acolyte (11:00)	Aiden Golub
Nursery (ages 0-5)(5:00)	Grace Farrell
Nursery (ages 0-5)(8:30)	Megan Gerasch & Cindy Gerasch
Nursery (ages 0-5)(11:00)	Jennifer Otto & Teagan Powers
Communion Servers (8:30)	Judy Mitchell, Rick Mitchell, Bob Perschau Dana Pitlik, Joe Walczak Bob Perschau
Bread Providers (8:30)	Adam Paape & Zach Gouty
Ushers (5:00)	Michele Lenz, Terry Lenz, Drew Darley, Ethan Darley
Ushers (8:30)	Kathy Drews, Melanie Drews, Carleigh Fountain
Ushers (11:00)	Shannon Muehlnickel
Greeters (5:00)	Dave & Carol Hennessey
Greeters (8:30)	Mike & Karen Padgen
Greeters (11:00)	Joe & Julie Kirkeeng
Refreshments (5:00)	Gabe Kokenes
Refreshments (8:30)	Cindy Hostert, Heather Joynt, Lynn McGuire
Refreshments (11:00)	Amy & Helen Ambrose, Carole Boer, Bonnie Brazzale
Offering Counters	Jack Cosich, Tannor Giertuga, Tom Powers, Lisa Star

The altar flowers are given by Pam Vanick; also given by Claudia Green to wish a "Happy Birthday" to Jan Bentley!

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

Blood Pressure Screenings 9:45 a.m.  
Peace 360 - 4:00 p.m.

Mon., Mar. 11- Ruth Circle Quilters 9:00 a.m.  
Strong Seniors Exercise Class 12 noon - 1:00 p.m.

Tues., Mar. 12 - Addiction & Family Support Group 7:00 p.m.  
Alzheimer's Support Group 7:00 p.m.

Bell Choir Rehearsal 7:00 p.m.  
Men's Group - Dartball 7:30 p.m.

Wed., Mar. 13 - VBS Planning Meeting 9:00 a.m.  
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.

8<sup>th</sup> Grade Confirmation 7:00 p.m. - Pizza at 6:30 p.m.  
Teen Bible Study 7:30 p.m.

Sat., Mar. 16 - Out to Eat at Little Joe's in Frankfort 6:30 p.m.

Sat., Mar. 16 & Sun., Mar. 17 - Sunday School Attendance Awards

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

Ping Pong Group 12 noon  
All-Church Bowling Event (includes 5<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> Grade, Peace Buddies & Peace 360) - 12:45 p.m.

Mon., Mar. 18 - Strong Seniors Exercise Group - 12 noon - 1:00 p.m.

Tues., Mar. 19 - Trailblazers Luncheon at 12 noon  
Addiction & Family Support Group 7:00 p.m.

Bell Choir Rehearsal 7:00 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.

**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., MAR. 11

Quilters will meet on Mon., Mar. 11 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., MAR. 31

Peace Page Turners will be discussing *Rocket Men: the daring odyssey of Apollo 8 and the astronauts who made man's first journey to the Moon* by Robert Kurson. 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.

## 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.

## 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.

## 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.*

Allen Hartmann, the family of Elizabeth Grafleman, the family of Loretta Becker, the family of Loraine Fritsch, Joe & Pat Bertucci, Robin Stanford, Barb (healing from hip surgery), Mr. Kula (stomach & esophagus cancer), Jay Robinson (health), Ken Vrshek (recovery), Colleen (cancer), Claudia Cole, the Price family, Ed Hovi, Michele Lenz, 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), Tom Moore (job search), 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...

Ron Sprandel (healing & strength), the Newtons (reconciliation), John S. (illness), Judy S. (caregiver), Lisa, Mark, 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), 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), Arron, Marilyn Krauch (recovery), Coach Les & family, William Paul & family, Kennedy Charlotte Legris, Theresa Skowronski, 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 (strength & healing), Carol Bafundo, Georgianna Bafundo (health & wellness), Jeffrey (strength & addiction), the Potter family, Brandon McSheffery (cancer), Jarrett Vann, Ernie Bergmark.

## VOLUNTEER MINISTRY HIGHLIGHT - NURSERY ASSISTANT

We are very grateful for all our volunteers in this church. Today we're highlighting the ministry of **Nursery Assistants**. These volunteers take a turn in the nursery, attending to young children (under 5.) The goal is to give parents who want to give undivided attention to the worship service a chance to have that happen. While our church loves having kids in worship, sometimes the choice is to have them in the nursery. The assistants play, read, color, watch over the kids, etc. At the time of the children's sermon, the kids are brought into the sanctuary, and then return to the nursery. Our goal is to have two assistants for each service. Interested in taking a turn? Let us know through the sign-up, email us, or call the office!

### BUILDING ASSETS IN OUR YOUTH AND COMMUNITY

The asset that we're focusing on this month is **Decision Making**. Some things we can do at school are: 1) Let students plan class projects, assignments, school-wide activities. 2) Create assignment sheets for your students or provide them with daily planners.

This week's idea is talk children through choices. Last week's was talk about plans that affect the whole family.

### 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 \$9,328.00 at worship plus another \$2,135 electronically, and a total attendance in worship of 370. 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). 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.

### LUTHERAN DISASTER RESPONSE

If you would like to donate to the people who were affected by the tornadoes in Alabama and Georgia, go the ELCA website [www.elca.org](http://www.elca.org) and you can donate directly. As always in these situations, 100% of your donation goes to the work of helping people in need.

### BLESSING OF THE INSTRUMENTS - SAT. & SUN., MAR. 23 & 24

We know what a gift music is! It enlivens our worship and our daily lives. Many of you have instruments that you use to make that music. We would like to support all of you and have a Blessing of the Instruments weekend on March 23 & 24. If your instrument is not transportable, bring a picture of it with you.

### 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.)

### WISH LIST

From time to time, people want to make "above and beyond" financial gifts to the church. These gifts are not in place of regular, faithful stewardship – giving from the heart, off the top. Instead they are signs of extra gratitude/joy for the blessings of God. If you would like to make one of those gifts, see Pastor Dave for a list of items that are on his wish list (beyond the budget.)

### 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. 17 & 31, May 12. June 2, 23 & 30, July 7 & 21.

### 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. The faculty at LSTC votes Mar. 8 to confirm the appointment. We will wait word about our next steps in trying to follow God's lead for this future pastor's experiences here at Peace!

### ADULT FELLOWSHIP GAME NIGHT & CHOCOLATE TASTING EVENT - SAT., MAR. 30

Come join the Adult Fellowship Group on Sat., March 30 at 6:15 pm. for game night and a chocolate tasting event. Whip up your favorite chocolate recipe and bring it to share with the group. Please use the sign-up slip in the bulletin to let us know if you will be attending. If you need childcare (\$3 per child) please let us know that also by Mar. 23.

### 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.

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

# 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. 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.

## 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> GR. ZOO TRIP - APR. 6

Join us on April 6, at 10 a.m. We will meet at the church and go to the Lincoln Park Zoo. The cost is \$5 to help cover the cost of parking. Please use the online sign up on our website or sign up in the bulletin if your child would like to participate. Feel free to bring your own snack/drink or extra money for a treat.

## 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> 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 EASTER EGG HUNT - SUN., APR. 7

During Sunday School hour on April 7, the kids will be hunting for Easter eggs!

## SUNDAY SCHOOL MOVIE NIGHT - SAT., MAR. 30

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.

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## SUMMER CAMPS

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

## 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, 5<sup>th</sup> /6<sup>th</sup> gr. and 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> gr. group activities for March.

## 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.

## VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL!

Our amazing Vacation Bible School planning crew met and has created 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. The next VBS planning meeting will be Wed., March 13, at 9:00 a.m. 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.

## 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. 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. **To date we have made 247 shawls and given away 227.**

## 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.

## 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, simply use <https://smile.amazon.com> instead. By designating a worthy cause of your choice (Peace is one of those), but that cause benefits.

### Bible Background for Romans 10:8b-13

“I can’t hear you. Speak up.” More than one person has said that or been on the receiving end of it. That one is easily fixed with some volume. Sometimes, though, the whole issue is fear in speaking up. We have learned how many people who have been abused kept silence. Some people don’t blow the whistle at work or in government for fear of their jobs. In this lesson, Paul is inviting everyone to speak about their faith. The words are near us, in our hearts and on our lips. The world needs us to speak up!

### 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.

### 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 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!

### 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. Friends are welcome – first come basis. 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.

**NEXT NEWSLETTER DEADLINE: March 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.

**PEACE WOMEN’S GROUP** - The Peace Women’s Group is open to all women 18 and up. Our next event is Sun., April 28, 2:00 - 5:00 p.m. at Garfield Park Conservatory. Use the bulletin sign-up to indicate if you will join us (deadline March 31). Contact Jan Stoller (815) 530-2786 with questions.



## 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  
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Annapolis, Maryland 21412

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

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## 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](http://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](mailto: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 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.

## 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](http://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.**

**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.

## SINGERS WANTED FOR ADULT CHOIR

Do you like to sing? Looking for a fun activity? Want to kick the winter blahs to the curb and welcome Spring? Come and check out the Adult Choir! Springtime is the perfect time to check us out and be part of the beautiful Lent and Easter Season. Rehearsals are only once a week and our members will welcome you warmly. Men and women with interest or questions can contact the office or Pamela Putrich. Come Make A Joyful Noise!!

## LENTEN DEVOTIONALS AND MORE

Some people in their observance of Lent give something up. It is an option that can work if approached in the right way. We suggest, as an alternative, that you **take something on for Lent!** Take on Bible reading or meditation or some personal discipline or the Lenten Reflections idea. Or how about attending the Sunday morning adult class or use one of the Lenten devotional books or do an act of caring for someone anonymously or use one of the God's Global Barnyard coin boxes and help people around the world?

## 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. Our theme will be "Following in the Footsteps of Jesus." All are welcome to join. You do not need to attend all the sessions. The sessions will be Fasting (3/10), Forgiveness (3/17), Spiritual Warfare (3/24), Meditation (3/31), Prayer (4/7) and Resurrection (4/14). Please use the sign-up or call the office.

## MEAL IN THE UPPER ROOM - THURS., APR. 18

You are invited to the Maundy Thursday celebration of the "Meal in the Upper Room" on April 18, at 6:30 p.m. This holiday is a celebration of the Jewish people's emancipation from slavery during the pharaoh's rule in Egypt. Led by Moses we are reminded of the hardship that the Jews endured before achieving freedom. We will be inspired by God's word and special music. Please contact Jan Bentley (815-485-3273) or Deb Howell (815-838-8478) with questions. Because of the special nature of this event, many volunteers are needed. Use the sign-up or call the church office if you are willing to help or if you would like to attend (deadline is April 14). Childcare is available. There is a maximum of 150 people for this meal, so be sure to sign up.

## EASTER LILY ORDER DEADLINE - SUN., APR. 7

Each year at Easter we invite people to remember and honor people (events) that are important to them by donating an Easter lily to decorate our sanctuary. Order forms are available in the narthex and the deadline to order is April 7. The cost of the plants is \$12 each.

## EASTER BREAKFAST - SUN., APR. 21

This year's Easter breakfast on April 21 will begin about 9:30 after the 8:30 a.m. service. It will feature eggs and three kinds of meat, pancakes, French toast, fruit, juice, coffee, etc. The cost is a free will offering. Please call the church office or use the sign-up slip.

## 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: "*Twelve Extraordinary Women*" by John MacArthur.

(Sign-Up 03/09/19 - 03/10/19)

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
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