

PEACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

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September 28 & September 29, 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)	Janelle Tague
Lay Liturgist (8:30)	Lynn Taeger-Peterson
Lay Liturgist (11:00)	Janet Stoller
Lesson Reader (5:00)	Cindy Chubb
Lesson Reader (8:30)	Eric Wesel
Lesson Reader (11:00)	Emilie Harvey
Acolyte (5:00)	Peyton Arthur
Acolyte (8:30)	Jaiden Lawless
Acolyte (11:00)	Trevor Salutric
Nursery (ages 0-5)(5:00)	Dana Van Dyke
Nursery (ages 0-5)(8:30)	Emma Rimkunas
Nursery (ages 0-5) (11:00)	Lindsey Brown & Carleigh Fountain
Ushers (5:00)	Don & Sue Lafferty
Ushers (8:30)	David I. Johnson, Judy Mitchell, Rick Mitchell
Ushers (11:00)	Robert Kazlauskas, Todd Klock, Joseph Lundgren
Greeters (5:00)	Peter & Lynn Viehweg
Greeters (8:30)	Penny Havlicek
Greeters (11:00)	Jeff & Deb Howell
Communion Servers (8:30)	Ken & Renee Gatewood, Brayden Lovell
	John Hanson
Communion Servers (11:00)	Chris Campos, Jacob Cole, Jack Cosich
	Pat Olofsson-Elkow, Barb Hnetkovsky, Syndy Lindbloom
Bread Provider	(8:30) Linda Johnson (11:00) Barb Hnetkovsky
Refreshments (5:00)	Vicki Hunziker
Refreshments (8:30)	Chantell Oudsteyn, Janet Park, Jennifer Rimkunas
Offering Counters	Jim & Ranette Travnik

The altar flowers are given by Jim and Georgia Pander in celebration of their 35th wedding anniversary; also given by Gordy and Daneen Taylor in celebration of the birthdays of Daneen and Graham Taylor.

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 Worship5:00 p.m.
 Education Hour9:45 a.m.
 Sunday Worship.....8:30 & 11:00 a.m.

THIS WEEK AND BEYOND

Sun., Sept. 29 - Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
 Adult Education Hour - *A Biblical List of Losers* 9:55 a.m.
 Flu Shots 9:45 a.m.
 Teen Bible Study 9:45 - 10:45 a.m.
 Church Picnic (including Peace Buddies & Peace 360) - 12 noon
 Mon., Sept. 30 - Strong Seniors Exercise Group 12 noon
 GriefShare 6:30 p.m.
 Tues., Oct. 1 - Addiction & Family Support Group 7:00 p.m.
 Bell Choir Rehearsal 7:00 p.m.
 Committee Chairs Meeting 7:30 p.m.
 Wed., Oct. 2 - Bible Study 10:00 a.m.
 Strong Seniors Exercise Group 11:15 a.m.
 Prayer Shawl Ministry 6:00 p.m.
 Children's Choir Rehearsal 6:00 p.m. - Adult Choir Rehearsal 7:15 p.m.
 7th Grade Confirmation 7:00 p.m. - Pizza at 6:30 p.m.
 Sat., Oct. 5 - Ladies Ensemble Rehearsal 3:00 p.m.
 Out to Eat Group - Mamma Onesta's 6:30 p.m.
 Sun., Oct. 6 - Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
 Adult Education Hour - Guest presenter, Sherry Lindstrom, nurse from the Joliet Community Hospice organization to talk about why hospice is not a death sentence 9:55 a.m.
 Teen Bible Study 9:45 a.m.
 New New Member Ministry Meeting 12 noon
 Blessing of the Animals 12:30 p.m.
 Peace 360 - Country Line Orchard 1:00 p.m.

Help Others

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY - WED., OCT. 2

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 **Oct. 2**. 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 297 shawls and given away 260.

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

Operation Care Package is an all-volunteer 501(c)(3) Public Charity based in Manhattan. We ship "Care" packages to deployed troops weekly. Our organization is about supporting the men and women who bravely answer the call to duty for you, me, and our country. If you know a service person, please submit their name, address, birthday, and the date their deployment ends. Call Pam Swyndro at 815-258-0474 or email jpswyn@att.net.

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.

GARDENERS FOR MORNINGSTAR

For those of you who garden, as your produce comes in, if you have any extras, bring them to church and we'll take them to MorningStar Mission.

BLOOD PRESSURE SCREENINGS - SUN., OCT. 13

Our next monthly screening date is Sun., Oct. 13, 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.

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.)*

HURRICANE DISASTER RELIEF

Donations through Lutheran World Relief (<https://lwr.org>) or the ELCA's Disaster Relief (<https://elca.org/disaster>) are directed 100% to designated areas. Both sites are very efficient and in it for the long haul. You can also give a donation through our church....just give the check to Pastor Dave so it gets sent to the right place.

OLD KIDS' BOOKS WANTED

Jodie Brugler works in a school with special needs kids who also have economic challenges. Some of these kids are trying to learn how to use books without destroying them. The school can't afford to let them at their limited library. She has a plan to let them use old (even somewhat worn-out) kids books to get used to how to take care of books. Please bring them to church and put them in the big wire bin near the refreshment table, or in the small bin under the one coat rack that's marked as "small toys needed."

Worship Related

LADIES ENSEMBLE

Sing! Sing a song!!! The Ladies Ensemble is looking for women who love to sing... and have a good time too! No experience needed! Spreading God's word thru music is a joy you will want to share in. For questions you can contact the office, Pamela Putrich or Gerry Wurzbarger. Hope to see you soon!!!

ADULT CHOIR - WANTED: Singers!

No experience needed. Just have a joy of singing. The Adult Peace Choir wants you! We are a fun bunch that love to sing and spread the joy of Christ through music. We practice Wednesday evenings at 7:15 p.m. Come check us out anytime throughout the year. You are always welcome. Have questions? Call the office or email the director, Pamela at sngbrd74@gmail.com. Hope to see you there!!

PEACE HANDBELL CHOIR

If you are not already a member but are interested in playing, we would love to have you join! Please contact Erica Desaulniers (ericasagerman@gmail.com) for more information.

HYMN PICKING - WED., OCT. 30

The next round of picking hymns for the period of December through May will take place on Wed., Oct. 30, at 6:00 p.m. Your input is always welcome! Please let us know that you're planning to come so we can get you a preliminary list ahead of time.

Faith Development/Education

ADULT CLASS WELCOMES YOU

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

Sept. 29 - A Biblical List of Losers

Oct. 6 - Guest presenter, Sherry Lindstrom, nurse from the Joliet Community Hospice organization to talk about why hospice is not a death sentence

Oct. 13 - Guest presenter, Louisa Ishida, last year's Young Adult in Global Mission, who will share her experiences with us!

Oct. 20 - What to Pray For

Oct. 27 - In What Do You Trust? (the anniversary of the Reformation can remind us of a better answer)

Nov. 3 - How to Shift the Focus from Challenges to Blessings

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.

September's passage is: John 11:30-36. **October's will be: Matthew 7:24-27**

BIBLE BACKGROUND FOR 1 TIMOTHY 6:6-19

This passage has one of those phrases from the Bible often misquoted. The quote is not "money is the root of all evil," but rather the love of money. And why the difference matters is because two people who have the same amount of wealth or poverty can display identical drives in their thinking about money. It can own/use you or you can use/own it. The one path leads to never enough. This lesson points to contentment based on the other path.

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: ***Foxe's Book of Martyrs* by John Foxe**

PEACE PAGE TURNERS - SUN., OCT. 20

Peace Page Turners will be discussing "So Big" by Edna Ferber.

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.

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 Barb Garbett, Donna Williams, Amy Jankauskis, Christine Erft (cancer), Mike Traken, Lori Black, Emily Burnson (healing), Janet Park (healing), Vivian Farbak, Cathy Arenz, Michelle Tilquist (positive biopsy results & healing), Benjamin David (missionary), Jeri Sandt, Tammy Conway, Barry, Daniel Obuchina (cancer), Penny (health), Ann Ciannella, Jonah Huelhorst, Cathy Richardson, Judy Williams, Chuck Olson, Georgia Piech-Pander, Eric Bartels, Carol Tatro, Nolan (peace), Joyce Smith, Bev Kuzdas, Ray & Edna Anglin, Wayne Bell, Barb Chobot...

Mary Ann Anders, Laura Olson, Jane, Mallory, Kristina, Julie, Marie, Gary Hoffig (surgery), Terra Neal (health), Billy Rudy, Pat K. (comfort), Michelle Y. (guidance), Tim Rhodes (healing), Alicia (understanding), Gary (home for sale), Dennis (surgical procedure), Phyllis Holmquist, Tracy Romano, Hilda Brockman, Dave Somerfeld, Heidi (cancer), Marshall Erickson, Jill Schairer, Bev Decker (job), Joe Schultz, Judy Lake, Eric Anderson, Sandy Losiniecki, Tanner & Emi Woodford (recovery), firefighters suffering ill effects, Becky, Elvie Gramlich, Rene, Patrick Schuld (major surgery), Dave Davenport, Karen Brill (car accident), Evelyn, Lynn, Mr. Kairies (heart health), Julius Taglia (health), Lana (happiness), Mason & Kaylee Mena (guidance), Janet Sikma (serious health condition), Debbie & family, Dave & Judy, Pam & George, Keith, Bill Musak (cancer), Susan Stokes, Paige (health), Lynne Medrano, Terry Jesk, 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, Rob Boland

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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.peacenewlenox.org.

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

Benjamin David has begun his year of service in Argentina as a Young Adult in Global Mission. It's our privilege to support him financially, through prayers each week in worship, Trailblazers' cards, and more!

GRIEF SHARE MINISTRY - MON., SEPT. 30

GriefShare is a special weekly seminar and support group designed to help you heal after losing a loved one. The group is led by caring people who have experienced grief and want to help you through the difficult days. They meet on Mondays at 6:30 p.m. If you would like more information, contact the church office.

VOLUNTEER MINISTRY HIGHLIGHT - SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY

We are very grateful for all our volunteers in this church. Today we're highlighting the ministry of attending the Sunday morning adult education classes. These wide-ranging classes cover topics from the Bible to getting help with our anger. You can see the topics in the bulletin each week and come whenever you have an interest. There is great freedom in exploring our faith lives without any pressure to know anything. Plus the go around questions are an easy way to get to know others.

QUESTIONS KIDS ASK ABOUT GOD UPDATE

One of the questions for September from our amazing kids was "Does God care about pollution?" Since the whole universe is God's and God has let us borrow it, just as it would be for us when we loan things to others, God would like his "stuff" to be taken care of. Now that we are more aware of what happens to our Earth, we know we can do a better job!

Regarding our Spanish version of the amazing book, the layout person has done her first round and it is back to us to proofread. Our new bookmarks have been completed. The new web pages are in the beginning stages of "here's what we need." God is indeed good!

FLU SHOTS & MORE - SUN., SEPT. 29

Once again, the staff from Jewel-Osco will be here to give flu and other vaccines (like pneumonia) The date will be Sun., Sept. 29, from 9:15 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. They'll work with you on insurance and Medicare issues. If you do not have insurance that covers the shot, the likely cost will be \$30 per person. Bring any insurance information with you. No appointments are necessary.

BUILDING ASSETS IN OUR YOUTH AND COMMUNITY

The asset that we're focusing on this month is **Responsibility (Self Management)**. **Some things we can do are: 1) Don't nag or rescue your kids when they "forget" to follow through on a responsibility. Let it be a teaching moment; 2) Give your children opportunities to be responsible. This week's idea for our schools is give students real responsibilities within the classroom and the school.**

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).



ARE YOU ON A MEDICARE DRUG PLAN?

Do you know there are changes in the drug plans every year? To be sure you are on the correct plan for you, your plan should be reviewed every year during open enrollment from Oct. 15 - Dec. 7. David I. Johnson will be available at church every Thursday morning to review your plan to see if it is the best one for you. He can also assist with supplemental plan analysis. This is by appointment only. Please call the church office 815-485-5327 if you would like to set up an appointment. David is a retired pharmacist with 7 years as a Riverside Sr. Advantage Program in Kankakee SHIP (State Health Insurance Program) consultant.

GET ON THE BABYSITTING LIST?

We have a list of available babysitters that we update every year. If you would like to be on the 2019 version of the list, please use the form that is in the stand-up display rack on the counter in the entrance area, and turn it in by the end of September.

NEXT NEWSLETTER DEADLINE: October 27. If you get your newsletter late, please pick one up here. If you want it via e-mail or first class, let us know.

More New This Week

BLACKHAWKS EXCITEMENT! - THURS., NOV. 21

We've obtained 20 good seats in the 3rd level at the discounted price of \$81 for the Blackhawks vs. Tampa Bay game on Thursday, Nov. 21, at 7:30 p.m. In addition each person will receive a Hawk Bobblehead. As an added incentive, one person's name will be drawn at random to receive an authentic Hawks jersey (large size only). Use the sign up slip in the bulletin or call the church office to reserve your seats, and indicate if you would like to have our group ride a bus (to and from) the United Center.

TRANSPORTATION HELP NEEDED

Denise Jones is in need of rides to choir rehearsal on Wednesday evenings at 7:15 p.m. If you would be able to help, please use the sign up slip in the bulletin or contact the church office.

More General Announcements

BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS - SUN., OCT. 6

In celebration of our non-human companions, we invite you to bring your animals to church for a special blessing on Sun., Oct. 6, at 12:30 p.m. We welcome all feathery, furry, scaly, warm-blooded and cold-blooded friends of all shapes and sizes (animals should be in carriers or on leashes to assure nothing is going to startle them and cause them to run away in a strange neighborhood). The brief group blessing (outdoors south of the building) will take only a few minutes. If in addition to that you want an individual blessing for your pet, that will take place immediately afterward. (In case of rain, we will head into Fellowship Hall.) Any questions, please call the church office.

INTEREST INDICATORS - BY SEPT. 29

One of the hallmarks of this church is the number of volunteers we have serving God and each other in a wide variety of ways. Our use of Interest Indicators is one of the ways that comes about - with people letting us know what ministries are of interest to them, and then the leaders trying to match people with opportunities. Even if you've filled one out in the past, we appreciate an updated one! Please take the time to fill one out (either in the pew rack or online.)

BLOOD DRIVE - SAT., OCT. 12

First, thanks for your response to the last blood drive in August. Our next blood drive will be Sat., Oct. 12, from 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

GIVING STATEMENTS ARE AVAILABLE

The new giving statements that cover Jan. 1 through Aug. 25 are in the entrance area. Please save us postage and pick up yours today!

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!

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 welcome! Peace 360 meets most Sundays from 4 -7 p.m.

Sun., Sept. 29 - Church Picnic from Noon - 2 p.m. Hotdogs for lunch.

Sun., Oct. 6 - Country Line Orchard - Stay tuned for details.

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.

7/8TH GR. & PEACE 360 TEEN BRIDGE CENTER THRIFT STORE - SAT., OCT. 12

We will meet at church at 8:30 a.m. and go to the Teen Bridge Center in Orland Park to help them with their "Drive out Bullying" event. Please eat breakfast before you come to church. Also, please bring \$10 for a fast food lunch after. We should return to church around 2 p.m. This does count as service hours for those of you who need hours for NHS or school! Please bring your papers and someone can sign them. Please use the online sign up or the sign up sheet in the narthex.

5TH & 6TH GR. PUMPKIN CARVING PARTY- SUN., OCT. 13

Let's get together for pumpkin carving, pizza and games that we will play here at Peace! Bring a friend and be here Sun., Oct. 13, at 4:00- 6:00 p.m. Please bring a pumpkin for yourself (if you are bringing a friend, let them know this too). Donations of \$3 will help cover the pizza and other supplies. Please use the online sign up on our church website, use the sign up in the bulletin, or the sign-up sheet in the narthex.

FIRST COMMUNION CLASS - SAT., OCT. 19 OR SAT., OCT. 26

Each year we seek to prepare children in the fifth grade (and above) for receiving their first communion. We do it in a one-hour concentrated class. A parent/other adult (or two) should attend along with the child. The class will be offered on Sat., Oct. 19, at 10:00 a.m. or if you prefer, on Sat., Oct. 26, at 3:30 p.m. You need only attend one class or the other.

More Groups

PEACE BUDDIES - SUN., SEPT. 29 - CHURCH PICNIC

Peace Buddies is a special needs youth group for high school age and older. You do not have to be a part of our church to join us. If you know someone, please invite them to come. This year we will meet on the third Sunday of the month from noon-2:00 p.m., except for Sept. when we will participate in the church picnic. (Please see the announcement above). Questions please see Pastor Dave or call Emilie Harvey at (815) 529-7546.

Fellowship Opportunities/Events

THEATRE OPTIONS

“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.” **New, lower ticket price has been confirmed for the middle balcony of \$58.50. We think we can get even more tickets....officially we’re sold out, but sign up anyway so we know for how many more to ask.** 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. **New, lower ticket price has been confirmed for the middle balcony of \$43.00. There are 2 tickets remaining!** Use the sign-up slip in the bulletin or call the church office.

JEFFERSON STARSHIP - Sat., Oct. 19, 8:00 p.m., at Governor’s State. We were able to extend the deadline for this show. We have 8 tickets remaining with our tickets in a great location. Two of the originals (David Freiberg & Donny Baldwin) plus long time members Chris Smith & Jude Gold will be in concert. Use the sign-up or contact the church office. Tickets are \$40 each. Please sign up by Oct. 6.

A TRIBUTE TO WHITNEY HOUSTON - Sat., Feb. 8, 8:00 p.m. at Governor’s State. Belinda Davis, a chart-topping artist. There will be all the theatrical sounds, dancing, lights, and songs from the amazing Whitney Houston. Use the sign-up or contact the church office. Tickets are \$40 each. Our deadline for signing up is Jan. 10.

SHAKESPEARE’S AS YOU LIKE IT

We have been given an opportunity to see a modern adaptation of this classic play. This high-spirited version infuses Shakespeare’s comedy with the hit songs of The Beatles! The date will be Sat., June 13, at 3:00 p.m. at the Shakespeare Theatre on Navy Pier. Group rate tickets will be \$72 - \$81. We will need to know by Oct. 15 to book the tickets, so use the sign-up or call the office before then!

MEN’S DARTBALL - TUES., OCT. 8

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???)

CHURCH PICNIC - SUN., SEPT. 29

The fun will begin at 12:00 noon on Sun., Sept. 29, here at church. Chicken, hot dogs, and beverages will be provided. Please bring a side dish or dessert to share. Throw away containers will be helpful. (We eat inside = no bugs or bees.) There will be fun for everyone – jumpies, face painting, bean bag games, water balloon toss and MORE.

OUT TO EAT GROUP - SAT., OCT. 5

The Out to Eat group next heads to Mamma Onesta’s, 1100 S. State St., Lockport. Plan to meet there at 6:30 p.m. on Sat., Oct. 5. Reservations are necessary, so please use the sign-up slip or call the office.

CHESS TOURNAMENT - ARE YOU INTERESTED?

Calling all chess players! Peace Church is considering having a chess tournament and we want to know approximately how many deep thinkers we have in the congregation. After compiling a list, along with a general consensus of availability, we will then pick a date and time for the first Peace Church Open Chess Tournament. Everyone is welcome, from the youngest generation to the most experienced generations. ☺ If interested (and why wouldn’t you be?), please use the sign-up slip or contact Al Davenport directly at al.davenport@comcast.net, or call or text Al at 708-977-7339. Whether you win or lose, the tournament will be a hoot!

NEW NEW MEMBER MINISTRY - SUN., OCT. 6

Are you interested in meeting new people? Sharing the meaning of your church with others? Deepening relationships with like-minded people? We are seeking a group of people willing to spend time with our new members in a more meaningful way. If you are interested, please join us on Sunday, Oct 6 at noon, where we will explore the possibilities - with no pressure! Bring your ideas and enthusiasm! Thank you for considering this rewarding ministry. Questions? Contact Jan Stoller 815-530-2786.

Thank you

LAST WEEK our congregation shared offerings in the amount of **\$8,688.85** at worship plus another **\$2,806** electronically, and a total attendance in worship of **253**. Thank you for all the ministries you enable!

BECAUSE OF YOU AND YOUR GIFTS

Since 2000, the ELCA Fund for Leaders has provided scholarships to more than 900 ELCA seminary students. In 2018-19, 76 YAGM were sent into a year of global service. In October 2018, Disability Ministries dedicated \$250,000 for 25 mental health ministry grants. In 2019, ELCA World Hunger is supporting 34 gender justice projects in 25 countries, which include women’s literacy and girls’ education projects.

Groups

TRAILBLAZERS - TUES., OCT. 15

Our next meeting will be our usual luncheon on Tues., Oct. 15, at noon here at church. The food will be meatloaf, mashed potatoes, green beans, plus your usual food donations. The activity will be bingo. Questions, please contact the church office. Invite a friend!

RUTH CIRCLE (QUILTERS) - MON., OCT 7

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.

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.

PING PONG CLUB - SUN., OCT. 20

The Ping Pong Club will meet again on Sun., Oct. 20, at noon here at the church. If you think you may want to join them, let the office know your name and email address, and you will be added to the email reminders.

WOMEN'S GROUP - FRI., OCT. 11

On Friday, Oct. 11 at 6:30 p.m. we will return to a favorite spot, Thrive Restaurant, (downtown) Joliet. We have reservations for 10, so first come first serve. Please use the sign up slip in the bulletin. Questions, contact Jan Stoller 815-530-2786.

New This Week

SPECIAL PRAYERS FOR HEALING - SAT., OCT. 12

As a part of the 5:00 Saturday night service on Sat., Oct. 12, 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.

NEW MEMBER ORIENTATION & RECEPTION - SUN., OCT. 20 & 27

We will be privileged once again to welcome more people officially to become partners with us in our mission of spreading the Gospel and growing in faith. The three-part orientation and get-acquainted sessions will take place (1) on Sun., Oct. 20, during the 9:45 education hour at church; (2) at 6:30 p.m. that evening at the church; (3) on Sun., Oct. 27, during the luncheon that follows the actual reception of new members, which is at the 11:00 a.m. worship service that day. If you are interested in joining or finding out more information, use the sign-up, call the church office at 815-485-5327 or see Pastor Dave.

NEW MEMBER SPONSORS

We want new members to feel welcome. Having sponsors is one key element. The "job description" for our sponsors includes the New Member Orientation Class on Oct. 20, at 9:45 a.m., plus the 11:00 worship and luncheon on Oct. 27. We would also like you to keep in contact with your new members from time to time. If you are interested, please call the office or use the sign-up slip in the bulletin.

SALADS & DESSERTS FOR NEW MEMBER LUNCHEON - SUN., OCT. 27

We would appreciate volunteers who would be willing to provide a salad, dessert, bread/rolls, or help with serving or cleaning up for the new member luncheon on Oct. 27. If you could provide any one of these, please use the sign-up in the bulletin or call the church office. You will be reminded at a later date. (Also, please put your name on the item and/or give a recipe if you made it. We get requests from new members from time to time asking for recipes or where and what people bought at the store.)

REFORMATION WEEKEND - SAT. & SUN., OCT. 26 & 27

Join us in celebrating our Lutheran heritage on Oct. 26 & 27 by wearing something red to church.

ADULT FELLOWSHIP HALLOWEEN COSTUME EVENT SAT., OCT. 26

Do you want to have a howlin' good time??? Join us for the Adult Fellowship Halloween Costume Party - Sat., Oct. 26, at 6:15. Bring your favorite, hauntingly good appetizer or dessert to share. Enjoy goulash games and a costume contest with devilishly fun prizes. (Costumes are not a necessity to come, but please try!) Questions? please call Claudia - 815-485-3712 or Marylynn - 815-423-6407. If you'd like childcare (\$3), let us know before Oct. 20. Please use the sign-up slip in the bulletin.

(Sign-Up 09/28/19 - 09/29/19)

Name _____
Phone _____
Email _____

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

Youth

5th & 6th Grade

____ I/We will attend the Pumpkin Carving Party on Sun. Oct. 13.

How many? _____

7th & 8th Grade & Peace 360

____ I will attend the "Drive out Bullying" event at the Teen Bridge Center in Orland Park on Oct. 12.

Other Events

____ I/We will join the Out to Eat Group at Mamma Onesta's Restaurant in Lockport on Oct. 5. How many? _____

____ **I am interested in participating in the Women's Group dinner at Thrive on Oct. 11**

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____ **I/We would like tickets to the Blackhawks game on Nov. 21**

How many? _____ **I/We are interested in bus transportation**

____ I/We are interested in participating in a Peace Church Open Chess Tournament.

____ **I would be willing to give Denise Jones a ride to choir rehearsal on Wednesday evenings.**

Theater Events

____ I/We would like tickets for Jefferson Starship on Oct. 19.

How many? _____

____ I/We would like tickets for Phantom of the Opera on Dec.21.

How many? _____

____ I/We would like tickets for Once On This Island on Jan. 25.

How many? _____

____ I/We would like tickets for A Tribute to Whitney Houston on Feb. 8.

How many? _____

____ I/We would like tickets for Shakespeare's As You Like It

How many? _____

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____ **I/We are willing to bring food &/or help for the next new member luncheon on October 28.**

____ **Salad** _____ **Dessert** _____ **Rolls** _____ **Set up/serve &/or clean up**

Other Ministries/Sign-ups

Everybody Read - John 11:30-36 - What the passage means to me:

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

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