

# Findings of Peace

## April 2020 Newsletter of Peace Lutheran Church, Deshler

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### Life everlasting

Fellowship with Christ is  
participation in the divine life  
which finds its fullest expression  
in triumph over death.

Life is a larger word than  
resurrection; but resurrection is,  
so to speak, the crucial quality of  
life. ~ William Temple

## Holy Week Worship Schedule...

### **April 5 ~ 10:00 A.M. Palm Sunday**

Procession of Palms

*"What's In a Name?" Text: Philippians 2:5-11*

### **April 9 ~ 7:00 P.M.**

#### **Maundy Thursday Holy Communion**

*"Lead Us Not Into Temptation"*

### **April 10 ~ 7:00 PM**

#### **Good Friday Worship**

*"Deliver Us From Evil" Text: Matthew 6:13, John 17:13-19*

### **April 12 - The Resurrection of Our Lord!!**

#### **6:45 A.M. ~ Easter Sunrise**

@ Peace Town Cemetery - SE corner of cemetery

**7:15 A.M. ~ Easter Breakfast** in Parish Hall sponsored by the  
Youth of Peace

#### **9:00 A.M. Sunday School w/14th Annual Festival of Humor in Adult Class**

We will have our 14<sup>th</sup> Annual *"Festival of Humor"* during the Adult  
Sunday School hour on Easter morning. Please bring with you articles,  
cartoons, or other items of Christian humor to share with the Adult Class  
as we celebrate and laugh in the joy that Easter day brings!

#### **10:00 A.M. ~ Easter Celebration w/Holy Communion**

*"To the Victor Goes the Spoils: Eternal Kingdom, Power and Glory!"*  
*Text: Matthew 28:1-10*

## See(k) First

On Facebook, I can "follow" as many people as I want, viewing their messages, photos and activities. But I can choose only 30 to "see first" — that is, to prioritize in my news feed. As of this writing (Facebook changes often), if my "see first" list is full and I want to add someone new, I must "unprioritize" someone else.

That leads me to ponder bigger matters: I often claim to follow Jesus, but what might I need to "unprioritize" to make him not just a priority but the priority in my life? To what do I devote time and attention but ought to let go to follow Christ more closely? What activities, behaviors and values do I need to not just bump from my "see first" list but "unfollow" or "block" entirely? Perhaps they are antithetical to discipleship or simply take too much time away from prayer, Scripture and service.

This dilemma isn't unique to the digital age. Facebook parlance is about what we "see first," but in Matthew 6:33 Jesus says, "Seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness". ~ Heidi Mann, *"The Newsletternewsletter.com"*

# Worship, Education & Stewardship - March 2020

## **Worship Attendance**

		(One year ago)
Feb 16	120	95
Feb. 23	191	Cancelled - Blizzard
Feb. 26	108	65? est. (Ash Wed.)
Mar. 1	118	Cancelled - Snow, frigid temps.
Mar. 4	84	68
Mar. 8	118	118
Mar. 11	108	68
Mar. 15	101	107
Mar. 18	cancelled (101 Live Facebook)	88
Mar. 22	cancelled (98 Live Facebook)	103



**Stewardship** March was for Hope Pregnancy Center and Children of the Nations.

	<b>Gen. Budget</b>	<b>Others</b>
Feb. 16	\$1610.00	(+\$1546.91)
Feb. 23	\$2928.00	
Mar. 1	\$5819.01	(+\$180 Bldg. Fund)
Mar. 4	\$100.00	(+\$453)
Mar. 8	\$3122.05	(+\$20 Lent / +\$1150 Bldg. Fund)
Mar. 11	0	(+799 Lent)
Mar. 15	\$1474.39	
Mar. 23	\$215.00	(+\$215 Lent)

## **Education**

Feb. 16	48	\$61.25
Feb. 23	24	\$13.05 (no Adult Class)
Mar. 1	35	\$87.50
Mar. 8	44	\$50.00
Mar. 15	51	\$39.00
Mar. 22	cancelled	

**SUNDAY SCHOOL OFFERING** for December - February totaled \$692.00 - designated for Heifer International. This amount is enough for a cow, a goat and several batches of chicks for those in need! *Thank you all for giving so generously for this project! ~ S.S. Leadership Team*

## Thank You's Received...

I would like to say thanks to you, the people of Peace, for making Amy and I and our families feel so welcome. From the help given to move into the house, the wonderful installation service and dinner, the dinner invitations, labor in fixing up the parsonage, to simple words and acts of kindness. You have truly been a blessing and I look forward to our ministry together! ~ *Pastor Love and Family*

*\*Miriam's Hope was our Mission Festival Speaker last October. They received our February Mission Support Offering of \$1500. I'd like to share their thank you with the congregation of Peace.*

Dear Peace Lutheran Church,

Thank you for having it on your hearts to bless Miriam's Hope this month. We are so blessed by your support! We currently have a married couple w/several children in one apartment. Prayers for them to grow united. Also, we are currently accepting applicants for our 2<sup>nd</sup> apartment as it is open. Be in prayer that the right family would come along that we could minister to. On March 21 we will be hosting a Keystone Brunch in Hastings and would love to see some from your church body in attendance. We will touch base very soon about that.

We are currently in the process of hiring a new director for Hastings, as our family is expanding Miriam's Hope into northwestern Kansas this summer! We are excited to see God work not only in NE but also KS. We ask for prayers as we transition our family and prayers for both locations of Miriam's Hope would be greatly appreciated.

*Thanks again for your support! Love, Luke & Corina Kliever*

## **OUR OFFERINGS**

### **Congregational Mission Support of \$1500**

for April is designated for

***Parkview Haven Foundation***

***(includes Meadowlark Heights)***

plus our continued monthly support to our African Well Project and Paul & Comfort.

**Lenten Offerings** will be divided equally between People's City Mission, Matt Talbot Kitchen & Outreach, Deshler Back Pack Program & Habitat for Humanity.

March thru May S. S. Offering is designated to ***Royal Family Kids Camp.***

# Weekend Worship Schedule...

*NO Saturday Worship  
10:00 AM - Sunday Morning*

*9:00 AM - Sunday School*



## **MARCH 29 - Lent 5**

*"Dealing with Death" Text: John 11:1-45*

## **APRIL 5 - Palm Sunday**

Procession with Palms

*"What's in a Name?" Text: Philippians 2:5-11*

## **APRIL 8 - Maundy Thursday - 7:00 PM**

7:00 PM Holy Communion *"Lead Us Not Into Temptation..."*

8:00 PM Praise Team Rehearsal

## **APRIL 9 - Good Friday - 7:00 PM**

7:00 PM Worship *"Deliver Us From Evil..."*

8:00 PM Brass Rehearsal

## **APRIL 12 - Easter Sunday**

6:45 AM YOP Sunrise Service @ **Peace Town Cemetery**

7:15 AM Easter Breakfast by Youth of Peace

8:30 AM Praise Teams Rehearsal

9:00 AM Sunday School

9:15 AM Brass Rehearsal

10:00 AM Easter Celebration Holy Communion

*"To the Victor Goes the Spoils: Eternal Kingdom, Power and Glory!"*

Last Peace Choir Performance

## **APRIL 19 - 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Easter**

9:00 AM Sunday School

10:00 AM Worship

## **APRIL 26 - 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Easter**

9:00 AM Sunday School

10:00 AM Holy Communion

## Lent Continues...

**Wednesday, April 1 "Forgive Us Our Trespasses..."**

*NO Meal, Peace Choir Sings - This public service is pending the decision of the Council related to the Corona Virus recommendations at that time. If not public, we will continue as we've been doing.*



## Easter Lilies...

Sixteen Easter lilies have been ordered and they will hopefully come in to the store, so if you'd like to sponsor one, please email or call the church office (I'd prefer you don't drop by to sign up.) The cost is \$10 each and should our services not be open to the public, they will still make a nice back drop to the video.

## Easter Brass Ensemble...



If you play a brass instrument we'd love to have you join us in the brass ensemble for Easter Sunday. Two years ago we had no brass for our Easter hymns and it was really missed. Rehearsal would be after the Good Friday service and Easter Sunday morning at 9:15 a.m. Plans were to practice with the Junior High students before PACE class and see if they might be advanced enough to play it, but that's all pending on if we even have PACE. Any age - If you know that you'll want to play with us if we have Easter worship, PLEASE let me know. Even one trumpet adds a little:) *Thanks ~ Marla*

*If you are unable to assist on the dates shown please find your own substitute and notify the office.*

**GREETERS**

Lyle & Beverly Pitts

**ACOLYTES**

ARP 9 (Maundy Thurs.) Kris Collins & Cole Ruhge  
APR 10 (Good Fri.) Danica & Danessa Buckles  
APR 12 (Easter) Addyson Hintz & Manny Motto  
APR 19 Easton Nash & Colton Isernhagen  
APR 26 Daphne Smith & Jolie Reinke

**SCRIPTURE READERS**

APR 5 (Palm Sunday) Chris Roth  
APR 9 (Maundy Thursday) Shelly Smith  
APR 10 (Good Friday) Brad Schultz  
APR 12 (Easter Sunday) Connie Eitzmann  
APR 19 Terri Williams  
APR 26 Jae Fintel  
MAY 3 Graduates

**BULLETIN FOLDERS**

Ervin & Helen Lunzmann

**PRAISE TEAMS**

Teams #1 and #2 will alternate Sundays, but all dependant on musician's schedules.

**USHERS**

Head Usher - Dan Judy  
Ushers - Stuart & Diana Reinke,  
Denise Brettmann

**FLOWER COMMITTEE**

Jami O'Neal

**PEW RESTOCKER**

Laurie Koester

**ALTAR GUILD**

Linda Fangmeyer & Diana Reinke

**COFFEE PREPARATION**

Connie Meyer

**COMMUNION ASSISTANTS**

Paul Meyer & Marvin Koester

**COMMUNION BREAD**

Judy Kirchhoff

**SOUND SYSTEM** - Bill Mize

**SCREEN OPERATION** - Becky Mize

Vacation Bible School...

Mark your calendars for **Monday, June 8 thru Friday, June 12, 2020** for Vacation Bible School at Peace Lutheran Church. *Thanks to Connie Eitzmann for starting us off again as the Director!!!* The curriculum is entitled "Mystery Island". Connie would greatly appreciate volunteers stepping forward as soon as possible to offer assistance in any way. Teachers are needed. Also, Junior High and Senior High volunteers - please communicate with Connie if you're planning to help out. Talk to her after church or give her a call at #402-236-8840. The more volunteers we have, obviously, the more enjoyable it gets for all, so please consider spending a few hours that week with the adults and kids at Peace! *It'll be so much fun tracking down the One True God! Thanks Connie for starting this mystery adventure!!!!*



Sunday School Perfect Attendance for January & February

**PRE K - KIND**

Jase Beam  
Janae Beam  
Ryker Kane (Feb.)  
Wyatt Kane (Feb.)

**1ST-3RD**

Jackson Beam  
Jaden Beam  
Drew Buckles

**4TH-6TH**

Tasia Schardt (Feb.)

**7TH & 8TH**

Danica Buckles  
Danessa Buckles  
Kris Collins (Feb.)

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## Peace Happenings...

### Happy April Birthday to...



*Ervin Lunzmann will be 92 on April 23. Please let Marla know if a birthday/anniversary date is incorrect or missing. It helps insure that the church records are accurate. If you'd like us to include your anniversary date, please let us know the date of your marriage. Thanks!!*

April 1	Brexlie Renz	April 11	Alisha Fangmeyer	April 22	Drew Buckles
April 2	Mason Roth	April 12	Coleton Marquart	April 23	Ervin Lunzmann
	Keira Marquart		Harper Lurz		Ervin Fangmeyer
	Olivia Flint	April 13	Kevin Lowery		Denise Brettmann
April 4	Tim Kruse		Jan Horwart		Tierra Schardt
April 5	Gracelynn Knigge		Audrey Hoops	April 24	Scott Eitzmann
April 6	Deb Bohling		Travis Miller		Anna Schilke
	Tabitha Foutch		Stephen Kirchhoff		Emma Mesloh
	Briana Dahl	April 14	Bill Mize	April 25	Silas Webber
April 8	Rachel Hoffmeyer		Brady Fangmeyer	April 26	Carol Mammen
	Cindy Mueller		Gavin Nash	April 27	Steve Brettmann
	Kirk Culler	April 18	Justin Hintz		Laurie Koester
	CJ Reinke	April 20	Lucille Schardt	April 28	Bay Robinson
April 10	Cindy Mesloh	April 21	Merlyn Pohlmann	April 29	Trinity Robinson
	Chloe Fangmeyer		Onna Robinson	April 30	Brian Isernhagen
April 11	Linda Weber	April 22	Lois Nelson		Kevin Christian

*(Special note will be made of these birthday milestones - 75, 80, 85, 90 and over.)*

### Those Celebrating April Anniversaries...

April 13, 2013	Brock & Nikki Renz	April 25, 1964	Merlyn & Lorena Pohlmann
April 16, 2005	Dave & Christina Ruhge	April 25, 1996	Brad & Deena Schultz
April 24, 1982	Barry & Dorothy Renz		



Welcomed into the Family of God through the sacrament of Holy Baptism on Sunday, February 23, was Anakin Luke Grant, infant son of Jeremy and Amanda (Fayle) Grant. He was born on November 20, 2019, at Hastings, Nebraska and they make their home in Fairbury, Nebraska. His sponsors are Danielle & Jacob Cathey and Kassy and Justin Grant.

### College Graduates...

Please let the church office know if you will be graduating from **COLLEGE** this Spring, when and where, what your degree is and maybe future plans if you know them at this time. You can e-mail the church office at [maschmannmarla@gmail.com](mailto:maschmannmarla@gmail.com) or call the office at #402-365-7746. I'd like to include **YOU** in the next issue of "Tidings of Peace" and the deadline is **April 20**. Thanks!

### Address Changes...

Stuart & Diana Reinke 4842 Road D Hardy NE 68943-8830	Doug & Anissa Hillman 313 4 <sup>th</sup> St. 68340-1808	Bryan & Priscilla Bower 417 4 <sup>th</sup> St. 68340-1809
Pastor Bob & Marge Wessels 2314 NW 23 <sup>rd</sup> St. Lincoln NE 68524-6038	Dawn Thieme 115 Lakeview Cir Apt 15 Grand Island NE 68803-6033	Jacob & Danielle Cathey 1946 Eastgate Dr Crete NE 68333-3509



## Minutes from WOW Meeting Feb. 17, 2020

The meeting was called to order by President, Jami O'Neal. Seven members were present.

Mary Jo Hofts gave the opening devotion "Patchwork of Love".

Sandy made a motion to approve the minutes of the last meeting as read, seconded by Lori. Motion carried.

The treasurer's report was given by Mary Jo showing a balance of \$2,547.72. Connie made a motion to approve the treasurer's report. Seconded by Chandra. Motion carried.

Mission Growth—More casseroles are coming. Mary Jo has delivered a casserole to Yvonne Hoops and will be delivering to Judy soon. We will need to schedule a time for kitchen cleaning, but it was suggested that we wait until after Lent is over.

Mission Community—Lori will be looking for graduation gifts online.

Mission Action—February 28 & 29 will be the Sewing Days. Please attend if and when you can. It was discussed that Joan Kirchhoff has been paying for much of the fabric/supplies out of her own pocket. Connie mentioned that the WOW group used to give her \$200 to buy material in Kansas. She made a motion that the \$200 be given to Joan instead as reimbursement for what she has bought and for all of her work or she could use it to buy more fabric. Motion was seconded by Chandra. Motion carried. We still are in need of a caller for Group 2. Let Linda or Jami know if you have an idea.

Chandra mentioned that it would be nice to put the supplies in the closet in totes to keep them dry/bug free. She will get totes and Mary Jo will reimburse her once it is finished.

There was a discussion about the Thrivent money that may be coming to us. Connie suggested that we consider giving it to the Building Fund to use as we have a good balance and there are so many repairs that need done. Discussion was tabled until it is decided for sure where the Thrivent money will go.

Meeting was closed with the Lord's Prayer.

*Respectfully submitted,  
Jami O'Neal, Acting Secretary*

*\*The March meeting was cancelled due to the Corona Virus recommendations. Marla has completed the new WOW yearbooks for 2020-21 and Danica and Jami O'Neal assembled them and they are in your mailboxes. You can stop by to pick it up when you are comfortable with going out and about.*

## Special Thanks...

...to Shelly Smith for volunteering to be the caller for workers for the Women of Peace Team #2.

...to Paula Dahl for cleaning out and organizing the overflow cupboards. ☺

...to Linda Fangmeyer for seeing that all the Altar Guild preparations were made for the Lenten season.

...to Hannah Kane for updating the mother's room and the donation of two new rockers.

## Prayerfully Simple Bible Study

group will continue their two-month study on Monday, April 13, entitled "Overcoming Worry" by David Egner. We would welcome all women of the congregation to join us -- we would be glad to provide the study booklet free of charge. (Contact Janice Reinke)

Then we intend to begin a 6-session study entitled I Give Up: The Secret Joy of a Surrendered Life by Laura Story, Grammy Award winner and singer/songwriter. Remember the song: "What If Your Blessings Come Through Raindrops"? She has served as a worship leader at Perimeter Church in Atlanta since 2005, but her greatest joy is being a wife to Martin and the mother to Josie, Ben, Griffin, and Timothy. Laura contends that living in total surrender to God is the only pathway to true joy and an abundant life, no matter what challenges you face. Join Laura Story in her continuing journey of accepting God's plan for her life and living it out in total surrender.

If you'd like to join us in this study, **PLEASE SIGN UP IN THE OFFICE** or contact Janice Reinke. The study guides will cost \$9 and checks can be made out to Peace. If you'd also like the book the cost for both will be \$22. I'd like to order in April so that you can have some good summer reading prior to starting in September. ~ Janice Reinke, Bible Study Leader

## Peace Lutheran Church College Scholarship Offered...

In May of 2019 Peace Lutheran Church gave one \$500.00 scholarship for a communing member of Peace Lutheran Church who was enrolled at a seminary or college. Applications are available on the counter in the church office for this 2020 scholarship. Preference is given to students closer to the completion of their bachelor's degree and those attending Christian colleges or seminaries.

Completed applications are to be turned in to the church office no later than **May 15, 2020**

