

#### Feb/March 2020 Newsletter of Peace Lutheran Church, Deshler

<u>Designated Office Hours:</u> 9:00 AM - 2:30 PM Mon.,Tues.,Thurs., Fri. 9:00 - 5:30 Wed.

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# February/March Highlights...



Our Lenten Series "The Lord's Prayer and His Passion"

Services are Wednesdays at <u>7:00 PM</u>, with a Meal & Fellowship from 5:45 - 6:45 PM

During the Wednesdays in Lent, Holy Week and culminating with Easter morning, we will study The Lord's Prayer in light of our Savior's suffering and death. As we blend this model prayer with the familiar scenes of Jesus' passion, our prayer life takes on new and richer meaning. May God bless our worship together this Lenten Season. ~ Pastor Love Lenten Offerings will be divided equally between: Lincoln City Mission, Matt Talbot Kitchen, Deshler Back Pack Program, and Habitat for Humanity.

## Ash Wed., Feb. 26 . "Our Father Who Art in Heaven ...." .

Servant Team #1 Meal, Distribution of Ashes & Holy Communion

## Wednesday, March 4 • "Hallowed Be Thy Name...." •

Youth of Peace Meal, Peace Choir Sings

## Wednesday, March 11 • "Thy Kingdom Come..." •

Servant Team #2 Meal

## Wednesday, March 18 . "Thy Will Be Done ...." .

Youth of Peace Meal, Peace Choir Sings

## Wednesday, March 25 . "Give Us This Day Our Daily Bread ...." .

Servant Team #1 Meal

## Wednesday, April 1 • "Forgive Us Our Trespasses...." •

Servant Team #2 Meal, Peace Choir Sings

# Weekend Worship Schedule...

NO Saturday Worship currently planned

10:00 AM Sunday Morning

9:00 AM Sunday School for all NO Adult Sunday School on Feb. 23

Thank you to all the volunteers who helped prepare the meal and serve at the Men's Pancake Feed on Feb. 9. It was a huge success thanks to all the willing volunteers. Approximately 130 people were served and the freewill offering totaled \$945.00, with a few pending expenses yet to be paid. Most of the items are donated by several men of Peace and we are appreciative of their donations. Proceeds from this event provide assistance to youth attending church camp. We encourage parents and youth to check out the options for camp as it's a life changing experience for young people that will help them grow in their journey with friends and with God. ~ George Kruse, Peace Lutheran Men

### FEB. 16 - 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Epiphany

Pastor Dennis' last Sunday message *Goodies by the Miller family* 

#### FEB. 23 - Transfiguration of the Lord

Pastor Love preaching Holy Communion / Holy Baptism for Anakin Grant 1:00 PM Installation Service for Pastor Joe Love Pastor Doyle Karst preaching

#### MARCH 1 - 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Lent

Peace Choir Sings

### MARCH 10 - 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Lent

Daylight Savings Time begins Holy Communion

## MARCH 15 - 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Lent

Peace Choir Sings

## MARCH 22 - 4th Sunday in Lent

Holy Communion

## MARCH 29 - 5th Sunday in Lent

Hymn Sing - 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the month, PEEP Sings

# Worship, Education &

# Stewardship for Jan/Feb 2020

Worship Atte	ndance	(Compared to one year ago)		
Jan. 12	128	95		
Jan. 19	114	132		
Jan. 26	141	123		
Feb. 2	141	107		
Feb. 9	139	137		

## Stewardship

#### Gen. Budget

Jan. 12	\$7134.72	(+\$300 Bldg Fund)
Jan. 19	\$2512	(+170 Bldg Fund)
Jan. 26	\$2813	(+\$400 Well/+\$350 Bldg Fund
Feb. 2	\$2669	(+200 Bldg Fund)
Feb. 9	\$4116	(+\$180 Bldg Fund)
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#### **Education** Dec. thru Feb. is for Heifer International

Jan. 12	47	\$56.00
Jan. 19	42	\$88.25
Jan. 26	57	\$92.25
Feb. 2	88	\$79.75
Feb. 9	57	\$52.90

# JANUARY 31, 2020 = GENERAL FUND BALANCE: \$19,798.18 (Building Fund balance: \$4128.80)

#### Congregational Mission Support

for February is designated for Miriam's Hope, and March is designated for Hope Pregnancy Center and Children of the Nations, plus our continued monthly support to our African Well Project and Paul & Comfort.

The Youth Annual Meeting Meal Fund-raiser raised \$503.00! 95 members signed in for the Annual Meeting.

Thanks everyone for your support!!!

# Feb/March 2020

GREETERS

FEB - Bruce & Jan Maschmann MAR - Fred & Ardith Maschmann

#### **ACOLYTES**

FEB 16 Kris Collins & Tierra Schardt
FEB 23 Tasia Schardt & Danica Buckles
FEB 26 (Ash Wed.) Braelyn Renz & Addyson Hintz

MAR 1 Keira Marquart & Daphne Smith MAR 4 (Wed.) Danessa Buckles & Jolie Reinke

MAR 8 Cole Ruhge & Colton Isernhagen

MAR 11 (Wed.) Kris Collins & Easton Nash

MAR 15 Danica Buckles & Addyson Hintz

MAR 18 (Wed.) Braelyn Renz & Tasia Schardt

MAR 22 Keira Marquart & Jolie Reinke

MAR 25 (Wed.) Daphne Smith & Danessa Buckles

MAR 29 Manny Motto & Tierra Schardt

APR 1 (Wed.) Tierra Schardt & Braelyn Renz

#### **SCRIPTURE READERS**

**FEB 16** Howard Pohlmann Julia Pohlmann FEB 23 MAR 1 Lorena Pohlmann MAR 8 Merlyn Pohlmann Janice Reinke MAR 15 **MAR 22** Stuart Reinke **MAR 29** Traegan Sieber APR 5 (Palm Sunday) Chris Roth

#### **BULLETIN FOLDER**

FEB - Irene Fintel MAR - Jennifer Reinke

#### PEW RESTOCKER

FEB - Sondra Ehlers & Becky Cahill MAR - Delinda Mohrmann & Diana Reinke

#### **ALTAR GUILD**

FEB - Janet & George Kruse MAR - Kristi Duensing & Jae Fintel

#### FLOWER COMMITTEE

FEB - JoAnn Bohling MAR - Dorothy Renz

If you are unable to assist on the dates shown please <u>find your own substitute</u> and notify the office if possible.

#### **USHERS**

FEB - Marvin Koester & Glen Maschmann, co-head ushers; Fred & Ardith Maschmann, Earl & Chandra Hillman MAR - Head Usher, Dan Judy; Roger Bohling, Eldon Kirchhoff & Mike Hoops

#### **COFFEE FELLOWSHIP**

FEB - Paula Dahl MAR - Kristi Duensing

#### **COMMUNION BREAD**

FEB - Jan Maschmann MAR - Beverly Pitts

#### **COMMUNION ASSISTANTS**

FEB - Becky Mize & Chris Roth MAR - Arlis Hohl & Diana Reinke

#### **SOUND SYSTEM**

FEB - Nate Brandt MAR - Jayden Isernhagen

#### **SCREEN OPERATOR**

FEB - Lori Grummert MAR - Adam Roth



# Peace Happenings...

# February Birthdays ...

Special birthdays this month are: JoAnn Ehlers will be 80 on Feb. 21 and Cork Renz will be 85 on February 25.

Feb. 16	Dorothy Renz	Feb. 20	Blake Befort	Feb. 27	Anthony Hillman
	Matthew Marquart	Feb. 21	JoAnn Ehlers	Feb. 28	Jason Hintz
	Gracie Miller	Feb. 22	Ryan Brandt		Josh Mosier
Feb. 18	Leah Nelson	Feb. 25	Cork Renz		Kyler Stichka
	Josh Weber		Taylor Wharton	Feb. 29	Jan Freitag
Feb. 19	Ragan Pohlmann	Feb. 26	Melissa Powers		
			Brad Schultz		

# Happy March Birthday to ...

Special birthday this month are: LeRoy Othling will be 90 on March 25 and Jan Kripal will be 92 on March 31. God's blessings to you!!!! Please let Marla know if a birthday/anniversary date is incorrect or missing. It helps insure that the church records are accurate. Thanks!

Mar 1	Lonny Hintz	Mar 10	Cole Schleif	Mar 25	LeRoy Othling
	Karina Brandt	Mar 11	Derek Schnakenberg		Gregg Bohling
	Brock Renz	Mar 12	Emmit Hintz		Tiffany Shaw
	Paige Culler	Mar 13	Fred Maschmann		Adam Roth
Mar 3	Al Dlouhy	Mar 15	Amy Nash	Mar 26	April Vonderfecht
	Konnor Stichka	Mar 16	Julia Pohlmann		Stella Befort
Mar 4	Eldon Kirchhoff		Patty Jasperson	Mar 27	Amanda Ostdiek
Mar 6	Natasha O'Neal	Mar 20	Fairy Peters		Manuel Motto
	Jeffrey Grummert	Mar 21	Debra Folkerts	Mar 28	Wyatt Kane
Mar 7	Roger Bohling	Mar 23	Jeffrey Kirchhoff	Mar 29	Jane Marquart
Mar 9	Rose Brettmann	Mar 24	Lyle Pitts		Braelyn Isernhagen
Mar 10	Marty Pohlmann		Dawn Buckles	Mar 31	Jan Kripal

# February/March Anniversaries...

Happy 55th Anniversary to Fred & Ardith Maschmann!!!!!!!

Feb. 16, 2002	Bay & Onna Robinson	Feb. 28, 1965 Fred & Ardith Maschmann
Feb. 20, 1988	Tom & Paula Dahl	March 11, 1989 Jon & Delinda Mohrmann
Feb. 27, 1987	Kirk & Michelle Culler	March 15, 1997 Stuart & Diana Reinke

# Congratulations and God's Blessings to Wayne and Marty Pohlmann at the birth of

a new little granddaughter! Paxton Leigh Mason was born to Zach and Megan (Pohlmann) Mason on Sunday morning, February 9, 2020. She weighed 6 lbs. 12 oz. and was 19 inches long. She is welcomed home to Colony, Kansas, by her big sister, Markayla, age 2 ½. Congratulations also to great-grandmother, Julia Pohlmann, on this addition of this precious sixth little great-granddaughter.

# Save the Date.

Mark your calendars for Monday, June 8 thru June Friday, June 12, 2020 for Vacation Bible School at Peace Lutheran Church with singing in church on Sunday, June 14. *Thanks to Connie Eitzmann for starting us off again this year as the Director*. I'm sure she'd love it if you can offer your assistance in anyway. *Thanks Connie!!!!* 

#### YOUTH CO-DIRECTOR NEEDED...

Church Council is looking for a male coleader to share the position of Youth Director 50 % with Chandra Hillman. If interested you may speak to Council President Bill Mize, or Chandra Hillman for more information.

## Thrivent Choice Dollars....

#### **Direct Thrivent Choice DollarsSM by March 31**

Eligible members of Thrivent Financial for Lutheran need to direct your designated Thrivent Choice Dollars by March 31, 2020. After that date, any undirected Choice Dollars will expire.

#### By Phone:

Step 1 - Call 1-800-847-4836 and when prompted, say "Thrivent Choice."

**Step 2** - A representative will then work with you to direct Choice Dollars.

#### **Online:**

Step 1 - Visit Thrivent.com/thrivent choice.

**Step 2 -** Click on "log in" and enter your MyThrivent user ID and password.

**Step 3** - Hoover over the tab "MyThrivent" and the menu drop down box will give a choice to "Direct Thrivent Choice Dollars". Continue to follow the steps when prompted.

One act of generosity leads to another. And the impact grows. Thanks to members of Thrivent Financial for Lutherans, that's what we've experienced through the Thrivent Choice program. Many of you directed your designated Choice Dollars to Peace Lutheran Church or Peace Lutheran Preschool. Through your individual recommendation, you have made a difference. Collectively, Thrivent Financial members have helped us continue our important mission. Thanks you for your support and generosity!!

In 2019 the Peace Thrivent Choice dollars for 2018, totaling \$2140, were distributed to the following:

\$713.33 to Women of Peace

\$713.33 to Men of Peace

\$713.34 to Youth of Peace

2019 Thrivent Choice Dollars total \$1820 and plans are to hold a Thrivent Member meeting in the early Spring of '20 to designate the 2019 dollars.

## New Bible Study this Spring ...

I want you all to be the first to know! Prayerfully Simple Bible Study group will be starting a two-month study 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) We meet the second Monday of every month from September to April. Please join us on March 9th, 7PM in the church fellowship area.

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.

# Minutes from the Women's Board Meeting-Jan. 20, 2020

The meeting was called to order by President Jami O'Neal. Twelve members were present. Jami gave the opening devotion "New Year Resolutions that God Endorses".

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

The treasurer's report was given by Mary Jo showing a balance of \$3647.57. She went over the deposits and expenditures from the last couple of months. Lori made a motion to send \$1000 to the Orphan Grain Train seconded by Louisa. Motion carried. Connie made a motion to send \$100 to Parkview Haven Mary seconded. Motion carried. Connie made a motion to approve the treasurer's report, seconded by Dawn. Motion carried.

Officers will remain the same for 2020. We welcomed new members Becky Mize and Michelle Schardt.

A big thank you to Louisa and Julia for serving for many years on the board.

Thank you notes were read from the Lowery, Maschmann, Gehle and Marguart families.

Parkview Haven is needing help with Bingo, WOW will help in the month of June.

Mission Growth: Mary Jo will continue to call for casseroles as needed.

Mission Community: Lori will check about graduation gifts. Mission Action: Louisa gave the report of what WOW did this past year. Becky Mize will now be chairman of Mission Action.

Lenten Soup suppers were discussed. Servant work group 1 will serve Ash Wednesday Feb. 26<sup>th</sup> and March 25<sup>th</sup>. Servant work group #2 will serve March 11<sup>th</sup> and April 1<sup>st</sup>. YOP will serve March 4<sup>th</sup> and March 18<sup>th</sup>.

The WOW booklet was reviewed and updated for printing. Committees were assigned. Still need volunteers for a caller for Servant Work Group #2, Flower committee and Altar Guild.

A reminder that the parsonage needs cleaning and if available to help, please contact Bill Mize.

Jami brought cupcakes to thank Louisa, Julia and the entire board for all the volunteer hours.

Respectfully submitted: Linda Fangmeyer, Secretary

# Royal Family Kids Camp 2-day Sewing Extravaganza!

February 28: 1:00 - 9:00 (pizza meal provided at 5:30) February 29: 9:00 - 5:00 (noon meal provided) Peace Lutheran Parish Hall



If you can cut, sew, press, tie, eat, enjoy fellowship, PLEASE COME!!

Come and go as your time permits and lend a helping hand to making Nebraska blankets for the kids. Feel free to bring a rotary cutter and mat, scissors, iron and ironing board, and

sewing machine. Be watching for a finished blanket on display in the overflow.

For more information, contact Becky Mize or Connie Meyer

#### THANK YOU...

Many thanks to all who donated items and helped to make kits these past years. Thank you for helping me, I am stepping down from overseeing all kits, but will still do some sewing. A total of 98 blankets, 79 health kits, 55 school kits and 26 layettes were done in 2019. Becky Mize is taking my place. Please continue to support these projects. ~ *Louisa Fintel* 

#### **VOLUNTEER CALLER NEEDED...**

The Women's Serving Team #2 needs a volunteer to make the calls for workers when Team #2 is called upon to serve an event or function. Please consider helping out in this way. Talk to Linda Fangmeyer or Jami O'Neal to volunteer.

#### **OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD...**

We're celebrating!!! 10,569,405 shoe box gifts were packed worldwide in 2019. Praise the Lord for 10,569,405 more children who get to hear the Good News of Jesus Christ! Thank you to all who helped in any way to make this miracle possible. Be watching the bulletin and newsletter for upcoming information on packing boxes for 2020. *Yvonne Hoops - OCC Coordinator* 

#### **HYGIENE KITS:**

Have you ever thought about getting up in the morning and not having the necessary items needed for basic personal hygiene? How would you feel if you had to go without washing your face, brushing your teeth and combing your hair for any length of time? Most of us take these things for granted, but there are many who don't have what they need to care for themselves on a daily basis. We often think of people in far-away places, but the need is nearby too. You can help fill this need by donating the things included in hygiene kits. Hygiene kits distributed through Orphan Grain Train provide dignity and self-worth to those who don't have access to these basic items. A hygiene kit can be such a blessing to someone who has been displaced from their home by a natural disaster, fire, or other circumstance beyond their control. Another group of people we at Peace Lutheran help are the kids who attend a local Royal Family Kids Camp. Some of these children lack the skills and items needed to care for themselves on a daily basis. At camp they are taught basic hygiene habits and a hygiene kit is sent home with them. This small act can help restore self-worth to a child who may think no one cares about them. As in years past, during the weeks of Lent, we will be collecting the following items for hygiene kits:

- •1 bath towel dark colors
- •1 wash cloth dark colors
- •1 adult size toothbrush in original package
  - •-soft bristle preferred
  - •1 bar of soap in original wrapper
    - •1 sturdy comb large tooth
      - •6 band aids  $-\frac{1}{2}$ " or  $\frac{3}{4}$ "

RFKC has requested we also include elastic hair ties, elastic headbands, and barrettes for the girls. Any donation of these items will be appreciated. You may bring your items any time and place them in the plastic tote in the overflow. The kits will be assembled soon after Easter, the date and time to be announced. Thank you for your compassion to those in need and for sharing your blessings with others. ~ Becky Mize, Mission Action Team Coordinator

"Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me"

~ Matthew 25:40 NRSV

#### **INCLEMENT WEATHER...**

If the Deshler Schools either cancel classes or dismiss early for inclement weather, then all daytime, afternoon and evening activities at Peace Lutheran Church will be cancelled too. The office may be open if staff feels it is safe to venture out.

Church Council President will make a decision by 7:00 A.M. concerning Sunday worship services and by 2:00 P.M. concerning Wednesday services. Notification will be made on website, S.S. Facebook page, church answering machine, radio and T.V. stations.

# Summer Camp 2020

The Men of Peace are hosting their Annual Valentine Pancake, Sausage, and Egg Dinner this month to raise funds to send young people from Peace to Church camp this summer. They usually provide at least a \$100 scholarship to each camper and any additional funds that are needed so that no family from Peace can say that lack of funds prevented their child from going to camp. A week at a summer church camp is often an experience that people remember for the rest of their lives. It is an opportunity to get into God's creation and away from our usual routines to experience Christian community in a powerful way. We encourage all families to send their children to summer camp at least once. Youth at Peace have enjoyed the camping experience at three different camps. Okoboji and Carol Joy Holling also feature great weeks of family camping. And remember: there is funding available to make camp affordable for everyone.

Carol Joy Holling at Ashland has a high ropes challenge courses, horseback riding (at Tipi Village and Ranch Camp sites), swimming, boating, creative arts and many other classic camp activities. There is a half-price offer for first-time campers. New brochures about all Carol Joy has to offer are available on the counter in the church office.

**Covenant Cedars** at Hordville has lively worship, engaging speakers, climbing tower and zip line, water slide and water inflatables. You can inquire in the office and we can find a way for you to connect with them.

**Okoboji** at Milford, Iowa, has a great worship band, cool drama, cooler weather, and lake activities. Okoboji is a great camp, but it is six hours away. Their family camp though is an awesome boost for any family!!