

Tidings of Peace

May 2014 Newsletter of
Peace Lutheran Church, Deshler, Nebraska

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Vacation Bible School

for ages 3 thru 6th grade

June 2 - 6, 2014 9:00 AM - Noon

“Jungle Safari”

Where Kids Explore the Nature of God!

PARENTS may pick up a registration form on the counter in the church office, or there is a form on page 7 of this newsletter. **TEACHERS and HELPERS** are needed. If you can help in *any way* for a part, or all of this exciting week of ministry, please call Connie Eitzmann, #402-236-8840. Families and friends are invited to join us in worship at 10:00 AM on Sunday, June 8, when the children will sing a few songs from their week of VBS.

Thank you Teachers...

TEACHERS: Dawn Buckles & Connie Eitzmann - Preschool/Kindergarten; Cindy Mesloh and Kim Roth - 1st and 2nd Grades; DeAnn Nielsen & Tina Sloane- 3rd & 4th Grades; Michelle Schardt & Shelly Smith - 5th & 6th Grades; Cindy Mueller - 7th & 8th Grades; Kristi Duensing - Senior High; Pastor Nielsen - Adult Class.

Subs: Chandra Hillman, Lois Nelson, Stuart Reinke, Delinda Mohrmann, Amy Nash, Dave Weber, Amanda Ostdiek, Diana Reinke, Jan Freitag, Sam Jacobs, Amy Birkel, Janice Reinke (H.S.) & Daryl Nelson (Adult Class).

SUNDAY SCHOOL LEADERSHIP TEAM: Karina Brandt,

Jami O'Neal & Alisha Fangmeyer. A special thank-you to Karina Brandt as she completes her three-year term on the S.S. Leadership Team. We are looking for a new volunteer to begin the three-year term with us. Please speak to Jami if you're interested.

SPECIAL THANKS and FAREWELL TO DIANE BEIKMANN as she completes another year of dedication to children and to our Lord as our Preschool Teacher. Diane began her service with us in August of 2010 and has been a dedicated and joyful addition to our ministry here at Peace for the past 4 years. Diane's husband, Dave, has accepted a position as principal and 6-8 teacher at Linn Lutheran School Association in Linn, KS. The school is supported by St. John's Lutheran Church, Palmer, KS, and Zion Lutheran of Linn with the teacherage located in Palmer. Diane plans to be a stay-at-home mom with volunteering as needed (and possibly subbing) at Linn Lutheran. (Dave attended Linn Lutheran as a child. His dad still farms in rural Washington, KS, and Dave hopes to be able to help him more in the summer time.) We will miss Diane and her family, but we trust that the Lord is guiding them in this direction and that He will continue to bless them as they share their passion and love for children and teaching in a new community.

We celebrate your gift of service!

In love, God has

shaped.....chiseled.....sculpted.....

We treasure you for the person God has made you and we thank Him for your service among us in Jesus.

Teacher Recognition is the last Day of Sunday School, May 18 at 10:00 AM

Graduating from College...

Whitney Dahl daughter of Tom and Paula Dahl, will graduate from Gonzaga University in Spokane, Washington, on May 10, 2014, with a Master of Arts & Community Counseling.

Ryne Dlouhy, son of Al and Sue Dlouhy, will graduate from Wayne State College on Saturday, May 10, with a Bachelor's Degree in Business and Finance. He has been accepted to the Master's Program in Hospital Administration at UNO.

James Krotz, son of Rick and Leah Krotz, will be graduating from Kansas State University in May. He will spend the summer in Washington, D.C. interning for Representative Lynn Jenkins and Senator Jerry Moran. Then he will head to Bloomington, Indiana in the fall to start grad school at Indiana University, where he has received a full assistantship in the European Studies department.

Hannah Maschmann, daughter of Glen and Marla Maschmann, will graduate on Saturday, May 17 from Midland University of Fremont, NE with a Bachelor of Arts in Arts Management. She has accepted a summer position on staff at Mt. Cross Ministries Bible Camp in Felton, California.

Jessie Nielsen, daughter of Phil and DeAnn Nielsen, will be graduating from the University of Nebraska-Lincoln with a degree in Horticulture and a minor in Engler Agribusiness Entrepreneurship. Starting in May, Jessie will be working at Union Orchards near Nebraska City as an Orchard Manager.

Megan Pohlmann, daughter of Wayne and Marty Pohlmann, will graduate from McPherson College at McPherson, KS on Saturday, May 25, 2014, with a Bachelor of Arts in Special Education and History. She has accepted a teaching position for High School Special Ed & Social Studies at Skyline Schools in Pratte, KS. She will also be JH Head VB Coach, Assistant JH GBB Coach and helping with High School Track.

If there are additional college graduates from Peace, please let the church office know so they can be included in the bulletin on May 4. Thanks! - Marla



Join others in Prayer...

Thursday, May 1

12:00 Noon

Thayer County Courthouse
Hebron NE

Be a praying parent



Prayer is the saucer into which parental fears are poured to cool. ... Each time a parent prays, Christ responds.

His big message to moms and dads?

Bring your children to me.

~ Max Lucado, *Fearless*



VBS - Peace Lutheran Church

535 Third St., Deshler

Open to ages 3 thru 6th grade

June 2-6, 2014 (Monday-Friday)

9:00 AM - Noon

Families and friends are invited to join us in **worship at 10:00 AM on Sunday June 8**, when the children will sing a few songs from their week of VBS

Please turn in registration forms as soon as possible

Parent/Guardian _____

City _____ Home Phone _____

Work Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

Emergency contact (optional) _____

Child's Name _____

Date of birth _____ Grade completed _____ Age _____

Allergies or other concerns _____

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Date of birth _____ Grade completed _____ Age _____

Allergies or other concerns _____

Child's Name _____

Date of birth _____ Grade completed _____ Age _____

Allergies or other concerns _____

My Signature authorizes the adult in charge to obtain emergency medical treatment for my child/children.

Parent/Guardian Signature

If you're able to be a teacher or help in any way June 2-6 from 9:00 to 12:00 each day or a part of the day/week, please contact Connie Eitzmann (#402-236-8840) ASAP.

Worship, Education, and Stewardship for April

Worship Attendance

		(One year ago)
Mar. 26	103	122
Mar. 30	154 + 20 = 174	344 + 46 = 390 (Easter)
Apr. 2	105	116
Apr. 6	161 + 14 = 175	172 + 11 = 183
Apr. 9	87	120
Apr. 13	167 + 9 = 176	155 + 30 = 185
Apr. 17	129 (Maundy Thurs.)	116
Apr. 18	167 (Good Friday)	157
Apr. 20	364 + 11 = 375	161

NOTICE:

The church e-mail addresses are:
maschmannmarla@gmail.com
for Marla, and
peacephillip@gmail.com
for Pastor.
We no longer have the
gpcom.net addresses.

Stewardship

	<u>Gen. Budget</u>	<u>Others</u>
Mar. 26	0.00	(+\$745.00 Haiti LMS)
Mar. 30	\$3153.23	(+\$25.00 Haiti LMS / +\$300.00 Lindsey Uganda Fund)
Apr. 2	0.00	(+\$691.00 Institute for Lutheran Theology)
Apr. 6	\$4941.50	(+\$15.00 Paul & Comfort in Ghana / +\$60.00 Bldg. Fund / +\$1220.41 Lindsey Mueller)
Apr. 9	0.00	(+\$681.00 Paul & Comfort)
Apr. 13	\$2892.88	(+\$57.00 Paul & Comfort)
Apr. 17	0.00	(+\$809.00 Lindsey Mueller)
Apr. 18	10.00	(+\$685.69 Bridges to Hope Prison Ministry)
Apr. 20	\$3956.94	(+\$340.00 Brides to Hope / +\$80.00 Lindsey Mueller / +\$40.00 Bldg. Fund)

Education

Mar. 30	62	\$50.00
Apr. 6	73	\$117.74
Apr. 13	76	\$61.00
Apr. 20	60	

The Sunday School Offering for month of April was designated for Royal Family Kids Camp. A camp for children in Nebraska who have experienced neglect or abuse.

Donations for our March S.S. Offering for Heifer Project were \$602.38! A cow is \$500.00 so we reached that goal!! Our goal yet included a sheep for \$120.00, a lama at \$150.00, and a water buffalo for \$250.00. We'll carry over the excess \$102.38 from March, after the cow purchase, so we need only \$417.62 to reach our goal and we have 3 S.S.

*Sundays in May to do it!
Thank you for all your generosity!!!*

*Peace Lutheran's Monthly Mission Share of \$3000.00:
May - Royal Family Kids Camp*

"Mothers Are Precious Gifts"

*God knew we needed mothers
Whose tender, loving care
Would faithfully enfold us
In the warmth of daily prayer;
And on this day we thank God
For the gifts that mothers give
That strengthen and sustain us
And bless each day we live.*

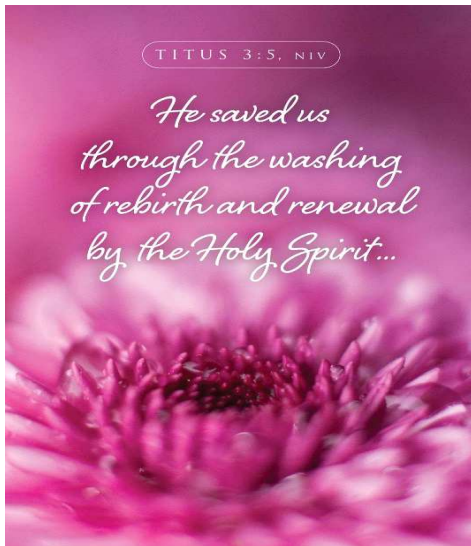
Happy Mother's Day!!

We Love You Mom!

Weekend Worship Schedule...

*Saturday 6:30 PM Services
10:00 AM each
Sunday Morning
Sunday School -9:00 a.m.*

*Last Day of Sunday School
before Summer Break - May 18.*



APRIL 27 - Easter 2

Sermon: "Heaven Is For Real: Can You Imagine?"

MAY 4 - Easter 3

Sermon "Heaven Is For Real: What Happens When We Die?"
Holy Communion
Graduate Recognition
Peace Choir Sings last time before summer break

MAY 11 - Easter 4

Sermon: "Heaven Is For Real: "Resurrection of the Body"
Happy Mother's Day!!!

MAY 18 - Easter 5

Sermon: "Heaven Is For Real: A New Earth"
Holy Communion
Sunday School Staff Recognition
New Member Recognition
Last Day of Sunday School

MAY 25 - Easter 6

Sermon: "Heaven Is For Real: Eternal Life"
Memorial Day Weekend

Thank You...

...what a beautiful warm morning it was to celebrate our risen Lord at sunrise in the cemetery this year! Thank you to the Youth of Peace, Kristi Duensing, and Pastor Nielsen for a most meaningful service and insight into "How Jesus ruins funerals" - sharing that promise with all of us that someday He will ruin our funeral too. On that day we will soar into everlasting life as we meet Him face to face, "They who believe in me, even though they die, yet shall they live." Easter is the day to put our hope in the One who can turn our sorrow into everlasting joy!

...to Becky Cahill, Dorothy Renz, Earl & Chandra Hillman, Marla & Glen Maschmann, Chrystal & Travis Miller, Linda Fangmeyer, Diana Jacobe & Pastor Phil for helping decorate the sanctuary for Easter morning.

...to Josh Pohlmann for directing the instrumental ensemble practice on Good Friday and to the following people for taking part in it: Stacey Duensing, April Maschmann, Rio Mohrmann, Ragan Pohlmann, Megan Pohlmann, Braelyn Isernhagen & Katie Roth. We certainly appreciated the alumni helping us out, and hope they will continue to do so as it sounded wonderful!

...to Brad Schultz for special music on Good Friday reminding us that "By His Wounds, We are Healed".

...to vocalists Brooke Betka, Marla, Hannah & Betsy Maschmann (guitar) and Stacey Duensing (cello) for the special music on Easter Sunday. The story of the song was a wonderful reminder of what Easter is all about.

...to the members of both Youth and Adult Praise Teams for extra rehearsals spent during the Lenten season to enhance our worship services with their music. Your continued commitment and musical gifts are greatly appreciated by the people of Peace.

...to Merlyn and Lorena Pohlmann for the joyous resurrection greeting they shared with us through 400 Easter eggs on Easter morning.

...to Jae Fintel, Nikki Renz, Barry & Dorothy Renz for helping place the cross flowers on Easter.

...to Julia Pohlmann, director of the Peace Choir, and all the choir members for providing special music for each of the special services of Lent. We appreciate the time spent at rehearsals and each Sunday to enhance our worship.

...to all the volunteers, in so many capacities, for their cheerful service with extra worship during Lent & Easter.

...to the staff at Peace: Paula, Dan, Pastor Phil & Marla for the extra hours spent on the job during the Lenten season and the joy for which they serve in their duties to Peace.

...to Yvonne Hoops for filling in for me while I was on vacation at Daytona Beach the week of April 8. It was a good feeling knowing that everything was carrying on just fine without me ☺, and she did an excellent job! Thanks again! ~ Marla Maschmann, Peace Office Administrator

Peace Happenings

Happy May Birthday to ...



Please let Marla know if a birthday/anniversary date is missing or incorrect. It helps insure that the church records are accurate. If you'd like your anniversary date included, please let us know the date of your marriage.

Happy Birthday!

May 1	JoAnn Renz Amy Reinke Morgynn Schmidt	May 10	Marla Gerberding Caroline Yoachim	May 22	Deanna Holtzen Delinda Mohrmann Meghan Brandt
May 2	Ilene Tamme Marla Maschmann	May 11	Derek Johnson	May 23	Aden Jacobe
May 3	Jody Wharton	May 12	Easton Nash	May 24	Dawn Thieme Cole Johnson Zach Wharton
May 4	Josh Nash Larry Fangmeyer Lauren Mize	May 13	Cyle Loupin Bill Tittler Keith Hintz Kevin Hoffmeyer Kimberly Bargaen	May 26	Frisco Pfiester
May 7	Adam Duensing Mary Jo Hofts Loel Maschmann	May 15	Earl Hillman Tony Hoops Nate Brandt	May 27	Becky Mize
May 8	Judy Donner	May 17	Colt Farringer	May 28	Daphne Smith Chris Roth Keisha Nielsen Sheila Nielsen
May 9	Traegan Sieber	May 18	Trinity Reinke	May 28	Jennifer Olsen
		May 22	Lela Mae Brettmann	May 29	Faythe Reinke
				May 31	Sheryl Fuller Tyra Mohrmann

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

Those celebrating May Anniversaries ...

May 1, 1999	Paul & Kimm Fintel	May 15, 1971	Roger & JoAnn Bohling
May 3, 1952	Don & Mary Stelling	May 23, 2009	Jake & Tiffany Beam
May 5, 2012	Chris & Tabitha Foutch	May 24, 1986	Al & Sue Dlouhy
May 6, 1962	Russ & Marla Gerberding	May 26, 1990	Chris & Kim Roth
May 7, 1988	Robert & Kimberly Fayle		

Congratulations and God's Blessings...

...to Jason and Debbie (Shapiro) Reinke who were united in marriage at Peace Lutheran Church on Saturday, April 5, at 1:00 p.m.

...to Richard and Jeanette Mohrmann on the birth of a great grandson, Caden Bryan, born April 2nd, 2014 to Josh Kendra Gilmore of Rogers, MN.

...to Lonny and Jan Freitag on the birth of a new granddaughter, Liese Elaine Freitag, born to Matt and Mandy Freitag on Monday, April 21, 2014.

PEEP Closing Spring Program.

Wednesday, May 14, 7:00 PM
The congregation is invited to join us as the children will present Eric Carle's "The Very Hungry Caterpillar" and receive their preschool certificates.
Fellowship following in the Parish Hall.

We will introduce and officially welcome these new members on Sunday, May 18.

Monte & Rita Gehle joined in December.

Leora Freitag joined in January.

Steve & Connie Drohman joined in February.

Brandon Gehle joined in March.

John Flint joined in March.

Janice Kripal joined in April.

Peace Early Education Program News...

The preschoolers enjoyed celebrating Easter on Thursday, April 17. The children were treated to some special snacks and an egg hunt by Miranda Isernhagen and Cristy Holtzen. They also had a lot of fun playing some Easter games like Max and Ruby Ring-the-Bunny, Egg Golf, and Easter Bunny Obstacle Course. Of course, a big part of our Easter celebration was hearing the story of Jesus' death on the cross and resurrection on Easter morning. Pastor Phil has been sharing the story through the Resurrection Eggs throughout the month. The children waited with great anticipation to find out what was inside each egg.

Another highlight of our learning over the last month was during our Spring theme. We learned about the basic parts of plants and what they need to grow. The children were able to plant two kinds of plants, which we have been watering and observing in our classroom as they grow. The children planted marigold seeds and green bean seeds. These seeds have all sprouted now and get their sunshine from our windows. The children water them every day they come in for preschool.

As we prepared for Easter, the preschoolers had a lot of fun hiding and finding eggs around the classroom. We also had our Egg Decorating Center, where the children drew, put stickers, and used rubber stamps to design construction paper eggs of various colors. The children used the balance to compare weights of differently filled plastic Easter eggs in the Discovery area. During Circle Time, we sorted large, medium and small eggs into large, medium and small Easter baskets, used our sense of hearing to match the sounds we heard in our Egg Shakers, and played Find the Chick in our "water" table that was filled with Easter grass.

The children also continue to learn more letters of the alphabet. Letter R gave us a chance to practice one of our program songs by singing with Rainbow Ribbons. Learning letter S, we had Super Silly Sock day, and the children wore mismatched or crazy socks to school. They especially liked keeping their shoes off for much of the session. We practiced some basic Time Telling for letter T, matched unusual umbrellas for letter U, and experimented with a baking soda and vinegar volcano for letter V.

As mentioned, the children and I have started to get ready for our Spring Closing program. This will be May 14, at 7 p.m. The children will present Eric Carle's *The Very Hungry Caterpillar* and receive their preschool certificates. Our last day of school is Thursday, May 15. What a wonderful blessing this year has been. As this will be my last year teaching at Peace, I would like to thank the congregation for supporting Early Christian Education. I will continue to pray for your special mission here at Peace.

Diane Beikmann, Director



Landyn Tuma uses a dropper to add vinegar to baking soda, making a fizzing reaction that looks like a volcano eruption.



The preschoolers pose after their egg hunt on April 17.

Minutes from WOW Board Meeting, April 21, 2014...

Before opening the meeting we assembled health kits until we ran out of items.

The meeting was opened with devotions by Janice Marquart. Minutes from the February meeting were read and approved. There was no meeting held in March.

Treasurers report showed a balance of \$2277.95.

Mission Growth - Peace meals have been signed up for. Mother/Daughter/Friend happening will take place this fall. Kitchen cleaning will be held Monday May 19th beginning at 6:30 p.m. Anyone who can help, is welcomed to come and help.

Mission Action - Thank you will go out to Irene Fintel for all her sewing help. Jamie Yoachim is sewing sweatshirt into blanket tops. 10 blanket were tied during Lent. 47 blankets have been completed. Paulette Hynek and Chris Lautner have made 124 baby caps. Batting for making blankets was discussed.

Mission Community - Graduation gifts were discussed.

Kitchen Coordinator - Denise Brettmann mentioned items that need to be ordered and will do that after the kitchen cleaning in May.

We closed with The Lord's Prayer

Respectfully submitted by Jae Fintel

Special Events of Interest...

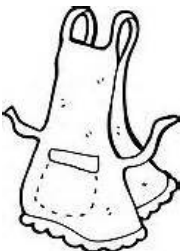
LIBRARY SPEAKER SERIES "HUMAN TRAFFICKING TODAY" Presented by Sister Margaret Nacke - **Thursday, May 1, at 7:00 p.m. - Hebron Secrest Library Basement.** *Human trafficking is a 32 billion dollar business and happens across this country, in our cities and rural areas. It is more active today than any other time in our history.*

MAY 4TH POTLUCK AND FAREWELL AT DESHLER LUTHERAN...



All Deshler Lutheran School students, former students, & families are invited to a potluck meal on **Sunday, May 4, from 11:30 - 1:30 at the DLS Gym.** The potluck is in honor of Mrs. Peters, Mr. Beikmann and Mrs. Prince. The DLS School Board will be providing cake, so please bring one hot dish and one cold dish to share, no desserts please.

MOTHER'S DAY PROGRAM AT PARKVIEW HAVEN...



You are cordially invited to "The Ties that Bind", a special Mothers' Day program at Parkview Haven Nursing Home, **Sunday afternoon, May 11th beginning at 2 p.m.** Many aprons, both old and new will be on display.

You can help by bringing - or better yet wearing - a favorite, one you use daily or a special keepsake with its own story to tell.

If you have aprons for display please contact Naomi Grupe 402-365-7738 or Paulette Hynek 402-365-7260.

100 Health Kits for Lutheran World Relief...

Thank you so much to all those who helped supply items during the Lenten season as we worked to our goal. We have 64 completed kits and need the following items to complete 100 kits:

- 20 towels (52 x 27) dark colors preferred
- 35 nail clippers
- 65 bars of soap
- 22 wide tooth combs

You may leave items in the church office or downstairs on the table by the storage closed door. Please NO toothpaste. If you've left toothpaste you may pick it up on the table in the basement storeroom.

Kitchen Clean-up - Volunteers needed!!!

Have you worked in the kitchen the past couple of years and thought to yourself it needed a good Spring cleaning??!! Well then, this is your chance to make it happen.☺ The Board has set **Monday, May 19, at 6:30 p.m.** as a time to clean and organized our kitchen. Volunteers would be greatly appreciated!!