

Tidings of Peace

May 2019 Newsletter of
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May Highlights...

Friday, May 3

7:00 PM - PEEP Graduation and Program in Sanctuary-
Congregation Invited

Sunday, May 5

10:00 AM - Guest Pastor Tim Nappe, Representing
"Reaching the Unreached" Ministry which is the ministry supporting
our missionaries, Paul and Comfort in Ghana, Africa. He will also
share with the 9:00 AM Sunday School Class.

Wednesday, May 8

Last Day of PACE. Summer vacation is near!

4:00 PM 5 & 6 Grade / 5:00 PM 7 & 8 Grade

Sunday, May 12

Last Day of Sunday School before summer break

10:00 AM - Teacher Recognition Day

Mon-Fri., June 3-7

Vacation Bible School - Ages 3 thru 6th grade

9:00 AM - NOON

On your Mark! Get set! Go! Get ready to run The Incredible Race, the
all-new 2019 VBS from Answers in Genesis! It's a race unlike anything you've
ever experienced. A race filled with fun clues to find, loaded with interesting

challenges to attempt, and a global scavenger hunt like you've never seen. At the same
time, it's about another race. A race that began at the Garden of Eden and continues
until this day, made up of all people from all time. What Race? The Human Race. Come join
us at Peace and run this Incredible Race with us!

We would greatly appreciate volunteers stepping forward as soon as possible to offer
assistance in any way. Teachers are needed and for 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, so please consider spending a few hours during that
week with the adults and kids at Peace! *This is one race you feel like you've won just by
participating in it! Be a champion for Christ in this race we call "Life".*



The Class of 2019

*Mara Maria Melek Mallmann.....daughter of Nora Mallmann and Marko Mende. from Germany,
& exchange student of Jon and Delinda Mohrmann*

Faide Kennadie Miller.....daughter of Travis and Chrystal Miller

Mason Jesse O'Neal.....son of Richard and Jami O'Neal & Tim and Ginger Ridolfi

Sydney Christine Roth.....daughter of Chris and Kim Roth

Brett Michael Sloane.....son of Shannon and Tina Sloane

*Kees Sillevis Smitt.....son of Henk Sillevis Smitt and Tatjana Robberts
from the Netherlands & exchange student of Richard and Jami O'Neal*

Graduating from College...

Jeffrey Grummert, son of Jeff & Lori Grummert, will be graduating from UNK on May 3, 2019, with a BS in Psychology and a Minor in Social Work.

Rio Mohrmann, daughter of Jon and Delinda Mohrmann, is graduating from Oklahoma State University on Saturday, May 11, 2019, with a degree in Agricultural Economics and Accounting.

The purpose of life is not to be happy. It is to be useful, to be honorable, to be compassionate, to have it make some difference that you have lived and lived well. ~ Ralph Waldo Emerson

If there are additional college graduates from Peace, please let the church office know so that our records can be updated and they can be removed from the College Student Database. *Thanks! - Marla*

Worship, Education, and Stewardship...

<u>Worship Attendance</u>		(One year ago)
Mar. 27	85	72
Mar. 31	116	213 (Easter)
Apr. 3	64	60
Apr. 7	118	128 + 10 = 138
Apr. 10	73	68
Apr. 14	111	103 + 5 = 108
Apr. 18	79 (Maundy Thurs.)	93
Apr. 19	100 (Good Friday)	102
Apr. 21	208 (Easter)	133 + 6 = 139

<u>Stewardship</u>	<u>Gen. Budget</u>	<u>Others</u>
Mar. 27	\$600.00	(\$667 Lent / \$890 Flood)
Mar. 31	\$4920.68	(\$50 Bldg. Fund / \$120 Flood)
Apr. 3	0	(\$462 Lent / \$20 Flood)
Apr. 7	\$3718.90	(\$225 Flood / \$25 Lent/\$400 Bldg. Fund)
Apr. 10	0	(\$ 873Lent)
Apr. 14	\$3548.58	(\$80 Lent/\$301.54 Bldg. Fund/\$20 Flood)
Apr. 18	0	(\$514 Lent)
Apr. 19	\$100.00	(\$595 Lent)
Apr. 21	\$4025.44	(\$5 Lent/\$40 Choir Robes /\$200 Bldg. Fund/\$200 Well)

<u>Education</u>		
Mar. 31	37	\$37.00
Apr. 7	32	\$31.00
Apr. 14	59	\$36.00
Apr. 21	28	\$28.00

General Fund Balance for
March 31, 2019 = \$4111.74

OUR OFFERINGS

Congregational Mission Support of \$1500
for May is designated for
Royal Family Kids Camp
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, Children of the Nations & Habitat for Humanity.

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

Weekend Worship Schedule...

There continues to be no Saturday worship during our Interim.

**10:00 AM each
Sunday Morning**

Sunday School -9:00 a.m.
Last Day of Sunday School for before Summer Break is May 12 w/Teacher Recognition during worship.

Office hours will change after Memorial Day.



APRIL 28 - Easter 2

Pastor Daryl Nelson
Graduate Breakfast & Senior Recognition Day
Special Music by Danica O'Neal
Goodies shared by Merlyn & Lorena Pohlmann in joy and celebration of their 55th wedding anniversary

MAY 5- Easter 3

Pastor Tim Nappe with "Reaching the Unreached" which supports our missionaries Paul & Comfort in Ghana
Holy Communion

MAY 12 - Easter 4

Pastor Daryl Nelson
Sunday School Staff & Peace Teacher Recognition
Last Day of Sunday School
Happy Mother's Day!!!

MAY 19 - Easter 5

Holy Communion w/Pastor Jim Ernst

MAY 26 - Easter 6

Worship Leader TBD



Sunday, May 12 - Last Day of S.S. and Teacher Recognition

Dawn Buckles & Connie Eitzmann - Preschool/Kindergarten

Tiffany Beam & Ashley Taylor - 1st and 2nd Grades

Michelle Schardt & Julia Pohlmann- 3rd, 4th & 5th Grades

Cindy Mueller - 6th, 7th & 8th Grades

Chandra Hillman - Senior High

Pastor Daryl Nelson - Adult Class

David Weber - PACE Classes - *we greatly appreciate Dave stepping in and teaching the PACE classes during our pastoral vacancy!!*

SUNDAY SCHOOL LEADERSHIP TEAM this year consists of volunteers Shelly Smith and Jami O'Neal. A special thank-you to them for serving on the S.S. Leadership Team. We are looking for three volunteers to serve on the Sunday School Leadership Team. The nice thing about 3 on the team is that you only really need one person here on Sunday's, so you can alternate and it makes the time commitment doable. If you'd like to help out in this way, please speak to or call Derek Schnakenberg, Council Discipleship & Education Team Leader, #402-460-7546.

SPECIAL THANKS TO KIM ROTH as she completes her first year of dedication to children and to our Lord as our Preschool Teacher. We are so thankful for the experience and her love for children that she has shared throughout the year with those attending Peace Preschool. She answered the call when we were in need of a teacher within a short time frame and God has truly blessed us with her presence at Peace. *Thank you Mrs. Roth! And please note, that all are invited to their closing program and graduation on Friday, May 3, at 7:00 p.m.*

Thank You...

- ...Easter morning graced those at worship this year with a beautiful sunrise at dawn. "Oh, Glorious Day" was more than a hymn on that beautiful morning. Thank you to all the youth who took part in the Sunrise Service at the Peace Cemetery; to their leader, Chandra Hillman; and to all the mothers or youth who made delicious food items for the breakfast served in the parish hall. He is Risen Indeed, Alleluia!!!*
- ...to Chandra Hillman, Glen Maschmann, Becky Mize, Linda Fangmeyer, Shelly Smith, McKylie and Daphne who help decorate the chancel for Easter and carry up Easter Lilies following Good Friday Worship.*
- ...Since we have only one high school student who plays brass, this year I asked the Junior High students who play a horn to step up and give it a try. We had two volunteers, Gracie Miller and McKylie Smith, who came to extra practices and learned the music (Thank you Dave Weber for letting them out of PACE early to do that and to Heidi Isernhagen for practicing with them). We can't thank them enough for stepping up and committing to sharing with the congregation of Peace on Easter morning! Jayden Isernhagen is our high school student who took the time to practice and play with them and then Braelyn Isernhagen came back as an alumni and gave them all the support they needed to be able to sound awesome! If people weren't able to tell you on Easter, I know the sound of brass again this year was appreciated by many!!!*
- ...to Amanda Schultz and Marla Maschmann for special music "Once and For All" on Good Friday.*
- ...to the members of both Youth and Adult Worship Teams for spending time on Lenten Wednesdays practicing and missing out on fellowship time and the best soups if you're first in line. ☺ Your continued commitment and musical gifts are really appreciated by the family of Peace. The sound of the Worship Team on Easter morning was inspired by God I think, because it just clicked! Hallelujah! Holy, Holy! God Almighty ~ The Great I Am!! Who is Worthy! None beside Thee! God Almighty ~ The Great I Am!*
- ...to Michelle Schardt, Dawn Buckles, Shelly Smith, Paula Dahl, Earl Hillman and Jake Beam for helping with the cross processional and placing the cross flowers on Easter morning.*
- ...to PMA Becky Mohling and Pastor Daryl Nelson for the meaningful worship services during the Lenten season and Holy Week.*
- ...to Arlis Hohl for all the extra work she put in during the Lenten season with all the extra services.*
- ...to Julia Pohlmann, director of the Peace Choir, and all the choir members for providing special music for some of the special services of Lent. As the choir did their last performance for the school year on Sunday, April 22, we'd like to take this opportunity to thank all the members of the choir who are so dedicated to weekly rehearsals and to sharing music with us on Sunday mornings. It's a big time commitment, but also something we know they enjoy, and for this we are grateful. This is their last Sunday before they take a well deserved break for the summer and it's always a blessing when they share with us again in the fall.*
- ...to all the volunteers & staff, in so many capacities, for their cheerful service with extra worship during Lent & Easter seasons.*
- ...to all for attending and supporting our Lenten Soup Suppers! Thank you from the Women of Peace and Youth of Peace.*
- ...to the anonymous person who decorated the church bulletin board in the entryway.*
- ...to LeRoy Fangmeyer for finishing the baseboard in the parsonage basement and for hauling away the old paint and chemical cleaners, etc from the church basement.*
- ...to Kim Ruhnke for tackling the updates in progress in the Pastor's office. She's finished removing all the wallpaper and has been prepping the walls and then has offered to do the painting of the ceiling and walls. We so appreciate all the time and work she's putting in to make the Pastor's office ready for when we have a new pastor arrive. She does such a nice job and does it with a joyous spirit!*
- ...to Bonnie Thompson for offering to scrub and polish the red rock floor in the narthex. I can't walk through that area without looking at the floor now, it looks so nice and shiny. ☺ Even though it's a small area, that was a time consuming job as she gave it several coats. Thanks again*
- ...to the following volunteers for opening up the building for a couple hours on Friday mornings and being here in case there was an emergency need with the Preschool: Becky Mize, Julia Pohlmann, Shelly Smith, Marla Maschmann, Bonnie Thompson, Earlene Othling, Lynn Koester and Connie Drohman. We continue our prayers for our Call Committee and God's plan for Peace, that we may have a pastor in place when school begins next fall.*

Peace Happenings

Happy May Birthday to ...



Each and every year you get to celebrate the gift of life God has given you is a blessing. Special birthday this month is Larry (Gord) Fangmeyer who will be 75 on May 4. Please let Marla know if a birthday/anniversary date is missing or incorrect. It helps insure that the church records are accurate. If your anniversary date isn't listed, please let us know the date of your marriage so we can enter it in our church records.

May 1	Amy Flint	May 11	Derek Johnson	May 23	Aden Jacobe
	Morgynn Schmidt	May 12	Easton Nash	May 24	Dawn Thieme
May 2	Marla Maschmann	May 13	Billy Tittler		Cole Johnson
	Abram Farringer		Keith Hintz		Zach Wharton
May 3	Joan Kirchhoff		Kevin Hoffmeyer	May 26	Frisco Pfiester
	Jody Wharton		Cyle Loupin		Fritz Maschmann
May 4	Josh Nash		Kimberly Bargaen	May 27	Becky Mize
	Larry Fangmeyer	May 15	Earl Hillman	May 28	Chris Roth
May 7	Mary Hofts		Nate Brandt		Kyra Jenkins
	Loel Maschmann		Tony Hoops		Daphne Smith
	Adam Duensing	May 17	Colt Farringer	May 29	Jennifer Sjogren
May 8	Judy Donner	May 18	Triniti Herring		Faythe Reinke
May 9	Traegan Sieber	May 22	Deanna Holtzen	May 31	Sheryl Fuller
	Addison Effenbeck		Delinda Mohrmann		Tyra Mohrmann
May 10	Marla Gerberding		Meghan Brandt		Skylar Weber

(Special note will be made of these birthday milestones - 75, 80, 85, 90 and over. And if you'd prefer your age wasn't recognized, just let the office know.)

Those celebrating May Anniversaries ...

Happy 30th Anniversary to Robert & Kimberly Fayle!!

May 4, 2015	John & Amy Flint	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 24, 2014	Stephen & Vanessa Kirchhoff
May 7, 1988	Robert & Kimberly Fayle	May 26, 1990	Chris & Kim Roth
May 15, 1971	Roger & JoAnn Bohling	May 27, 2017	Derek & Jennifer Schnakenberg

Congratulations to Glen and Marla Maschmann at the birth of a new granddaughter!! Kierstyn Jean Betka was born to Derek and Brooke (Maschmann) Betka on Wednesday, April 10, 2019, at 3:34 p.m. at Bryan LGH in Lincoln. She weighed 7 lbs. 15 oz. and was 20 ½ inches long. Her proud big sisters are Kayleigh (9), Kelsey (7) and Kaitlyn (3) who are excited to welcome her home to Geneva, Nebraska. *God's blessings to their beautiful family!!!!*

Perfect S.S. Attendance for March...

<u>Preschool/Kind</u>	<u>1st & 2nd</u>	<u>3rd, 4th, & 5th</u>	<u>7th & 8th</u>
Jase Beam	Jackson Beam	Danica O'Neal	Danessa Buckles
	Jaden Beam		Danica Bukles
	Drew Buckles		



Cold Days - Warm Hearts Winter Outer-Wear Drive...

Before packing away your winter items, consider donating your unwanted winter clothing to someone less fortunate. In the next few weeks, our church family will hold a "Cold Days-Warm Hearts" collection of men's, women's, and children's winter clothing. Gently worn and clean coats, jackets, sweaters, winter caps, gloves/mittens, boots, and scarves will be accepted through the month of May. Please bring your items to church and place them in the box located downstairs. These items will be packed and stored for delivery later this summer. If you have any questions, please feel free to call Yvonne Hoops at 402-236-8751.

Carol Joy Holling Camp WorkDay @ the Camp (Ashland)...

A request to help them get ready for summer camp 2019 on **Saturday, May 18, 8:00 AM-Lunch** (*lunch included*). RSVP to Katherine Albin by May 15, Kalbin@NLOM.org / 402-944-2544 / CarolJoyHolling.org/work-day. To support Work Day efforts financially, go to CarolJoyHolling.org/work-day and follow the link to give.

Red Cross Blood Mobilize @ Davenport Community Center, **Monday, May 13, 2019 12:00 PM to 6:00 PM** / Appointments contact Deb Albers, #402-365-4132. Sponsored by American Legion Auxiliary, Davenport. *Those who give blood in May receive a \$5 Amazon.com Gift Card via email!*

Humorous Reminiscence...shared by Rose Brettmann



**They are like trees planted by
streams of water, which yield
their fruit in its season . . .**

PSALM 1:3, NRSV

In church, as I stand back and watch the ladies scurrying around, making quilts, school kits, health kits, soup suppers during Lent, getting ready for Easter, Bible School, etc. a memory from the past came to me. Many years ago, when we had our Christian Day School, a farmer from the Byron-Chester area told Phylis Wulf that he had extra apples and we were welcome to pick them for our school lunch program. A group of us school mothers set out to pick apples! *Maybe you were one of them?*

I recall that we put Beth Effenbeck in charge. Francis Ludwig and myself, Rose Brettmann, were there. As we headed for the pasture looking around we spotted the apple tree. Beth said, "This looks like the place". We grabbed our buckets and baskets and headed for the tree. Picking apples was quite a challenge for us. Climbing up in a tree was new (we did have ladders, but maybe climbing the tree was more fun). Beth was sitting in a branch eating an apple, the rest of us talking and picking apples.

After about 5 bushels of apples were picked, this voice came out of nowhere, "Who gave you ladies permission to pick these apples??!" Beth dropped her apple and started down the tree and we sheepishly followed. She explained to him how someone offered Peace Lutheran School lunch program apples if we would pick them???.well, you get it. We were in the wrong pasture!! Embarrassed we apologized. He gave us 1 bushel of the apples we had picked and sent us on our way home. Sweating, giggling, talking all at the same time we scurried out of there, realizing we had just picked 4 bushels of apples for him and he didn't even say "Thank You"! Oh well.....were you there? I'd like to know if you were on of the young mothers with me. We had a good time. ☺ ~ Country Rose



Operation Christmas Child

Peace Lutheran Church,

Thank you for participating in packing shoe box gifts for Operation Christmas Child and sharing in the joy of introducing children around the world to Jesus! We are glad to share with you today the final number of shoe boxes collected in 2018, and celebrate what God has done through you. Each gift in the hands of our incredible God results in evangelism, discipleship and multiplication, and we praise HIM for this harvest!

Fairbury Drop-off Location at Fairbury Baptist Church: 2,110 shoe boxes (6% increase)

Southeast Nebraska Area Total (14 counties): 15,050 shoe boxes

United States: 8,801,607 shoe boxes

International (including U.S.A.): 10,623,776 shoe boxes

- Over 14,000 churches were started around the world because of Operation Christmas Child.
- Each shoe box gift impacts the lives of 7-10 people
- We are fulfilling the Great Commission (Matthew 28:19-20). For every 100 shoe boxes distributed, 16 children report decisions for Christ through The Greatest Journey Program.
- Over 80% of shoe boxes are packed by churches.
- Over 40% of churches packing shoe boxes have an average church size of 25-100 people.

Thank you again for your partnership in the Great Commission!

Your partnership is a blessing! I hope you'll consider participating again this year!

Sue Thomsen

Area Coordinator, Southeast Nebraska, Operation Christmas Child

Operation Christmas Child in May? – it's not too early to start!

Operation Christmas Child is a unique project that allows us to reach children all over the world and share the love of Jesus with them. Shoe boxes are filled with hygiene items, school supplies, and toys. Items to improve daily life and maintain dignity can also be included. The boxes are distributed to children around the world through Samaritan's Purse.

Here at Peace Lutheran, we are going to try something a little different this year. We would like to invite and challenge each family unit to put together one or more shoe boxes over the next several months. You can make this a family project by involving the whole family in the selection of items and packing of your boxes. This would be a great project to do with your grandchildren as an example of how we can share our blessings with others. Perhaps you and a friend want to shop and pack your boxes together.

There is a display in the overflow where you can pick up empty boxes with a label for either a boy or a girl. On the label you will need to mark the age of the child you are packing your box for. Pick up a list of suggested items to put in your box, pick and choose as you wish. There is also a list of items that cannot be included. Items not permitted will be removed from the box at the US processing center before being shipped overseas. Please make sure your items are age appropriate. Keep in mind that most of the children receiving these boxes live in extreme poverty. Please include hygiene items, clothing and school supplies in each box. These children like toys and fun things like all children, but what they most need are the everyday necessities we take for granted. Once packed, secure your box lid with the large rubber band provided. You can return your packed box on any Sunday or to the church office when it is open. We will dedicate and pray for God's blessing on the boxes at a worship service this fall – watch for the date!

This is a wonderful project and a great opportunity to spread the love of Jesus to children who are in need of joy and hope. Spend some time in thought and prayer about how you might affect the life of the child who receives your box. As in the past, monetary donations are always welcome and these donations will be used to purchase items to pack additional boxes and cover the \$9 per box cost of shipping.

Thank you so much for helping with this worthwhile project! There's no better gift to give at Christmastime than the gift of Jesus' love!

~ Yvonne Hoops, project leader (402-236-8751) ~ Jan Freitag (402-236-8667) ~ Kristi Duensing (402-768-8624) ~
Becky Mize (402-236-8871)