# Sidings of *Peace*

## October 2015 Newsletter of Peace Lutheran Church, Deshler, Nebraska

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Peace Lutheran's 2014 Christmas Well Campaign Dedicated June 2015 in Mitomito, Uganda

## Mission Festival Sunday -Water 4 Kids October 11, 2015

- 9:00 AM Sunday School Hour - 10:00 AM Worship

with guest speaker, Tom Eggum, founding president of Water/Hope 4 Kids, followed by a

#### **HAMBURGER FEED** by the Youth of Peace

Tom Eggum, founding president of Water/ Hope 4 Kids International, has over 40 years of experience devoting his life to evangelism and the demonstration of God's love through various practical and life-saving projects. Tom got his start smuggling bibles into the USSR and China. He was a youth pastor for many years, and a motivational and evangelical speaker at large, Christian venues. He then felt a calling to meet the critical needs of the destitute children he encountered while traveling the world to demonstrate God's love for humankind.

As God's love and truth is shared through compassionate action, lives are made whole and hope is restored. Hope 4 Kids has been reaching out to those in need around the world with the mission of sharing God's hope for over 40 years. Tom has lived his life to be a difference maker for people in various nations. His many experiences have prepared H4KI to be able to meet a multitude of needs and share God's love with the children we have encountered.

Currently, Hope 4 Kids has projects in Uganda, Kenya, Namibia, India, Bangladesh, the Philippines, Romania, Guatemala, Haiti, and Cuba. We have nearly 3,000 AIDS orphans and vulnerable children sponsored through our organization to provide for basic health needs, education, and other life-impacting provisions. God has enabled us to drill over 356 wells (Water 4 Kids), as well as build 15 churches, 18 remote medical clinics, a 66-bed hospital and several Christian boarding schools. In addition to these life-saving projects, Hope 4 Kids also responds to the emotional level of poverty by sharing the Gospel to thousands of people, through these pre-evangelism efforts. A child whose belly swells from hunger and fears the nights will struggle to comprehend the concept of eternity. Showing the love of Jesus, through compassionate action, opens the human spirit to God's truths.

May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace, as you trust in him,

so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit. ~ Romans 15:13

## Sunday, October 25, 2015 Confirmation Sunday

-9:00 AM Sunday School

-10:00 AM Worship

#### Thanks Be to God for the Confirmands of 2015

Jaide Kennedie Miller, daughter of Travis and Chrystal Miller

Sydney Christine Roth, daughter of Chris and Kim Roth



## Worship, Education and Stewardship from September 2015

Worship Attendance		(Compared to last year)		
Aug. 30	98	143		
Sept. 6	154	234		
Sept. 13	166 + 6 = 172	128		
Sept. 20	126 + 7 = 133	143		

#### **Stewardship**

Aug. 30	\$2011.00
Sept. 6	\$3726.57
Sept. 13	\$5491.56
Sept. 20	\$1312.00 (\$95 OCC)

#### **Education**

Sept. 13	87	\$43.52
Sept. 20	67	\$60.00



Sunday School
Offering
for Sept - Nov. is
designated for
Operation Christmas
Child.

Congregational
Mission Offering for
October:
\$3000.00 to Water 4
Kids International &
\$1500.00 monthly
support to Lindsey

## Address Changes...

Address changes cost the church \$.59 each, so please if you can, let us know when you have an address change. *Thanks!!* 

Davenport NE 68335

Denton & Karissa Dittmer	Paige Turan	Carolyn Riley	Josh Pohlmann
302 1 <sup>st</sup> St	5901 Oakridge Dr	130 S 9 <sup>th</sup> St., Apt 102	25995 E. 735 Road
Linn KS 66953-9019	Lincoln NE 68516-1468	Hebron NE 68370-1648	Tahleequah OK 74464
Michael Larkins	Sena Mesloh	Ivan Valek	
2801 Grand Ave Trlr 218	5409 Highway 136	721 S 1 <sup>st</sup> Ave., Apt 204	
Kearney NE 68847-4127	Deshler NE 68340	Hastings NE 68901	
Ryne Dlouhy PO Box 364	Britney Gertsch-Weideman 300 E 9 <sup>th</sup> St.	Robert Kinzie 315 S 1 <sup>st</sup> Ave. Apt. 122	

## Thank You's...

Deshler NE 68340

Thank you all for your generous donations which will help us reach our goal for 100 school kits, each for a little child somewhere in the world. Louisa Fintel also received \$250.00 in Thrivent Action Team money, which she was able to use to purchase some of the school supplies. Thank you Thrivent & thank you, Louisa, and all the women of Peace who work so hard for this project!

Hastings NE 68901

Thank you to the following volunteers for painting the Sunday School rooms: Paula Dahl, Kristi Duensing, Becky Mize and Cindy Mueller. The rooms would never have been ready for Sunday School without you! And thank you to the following people who have offered to contribute financially to Lynn Bohling's bill for painting some of the rooms: Glen and Marla Maschmann, Rob and Carol Schardt and Pastor Cathi. If you'd like to contribute any amount to help pay for the painting of the rooms Lynn Bohling was hired to paint, please mark your donations "S.S. Paint" and place them in the offering plate. Also, special thanks to the men on Church Council who stepped up at short notice and painted the ceilings white before the rooms were painted. It looks so much nicer now. An Open House and blessing of the Sunday School rooms will be planned when the vinyl Christian sayings are adhered. *Thanks again everyone for a job well done!!* 

#### Peace Lutheran Church,

Thank you so much for your continued financial support as I continue my studies at Western Theological Seminary. Words cannot adequately convey my deep gratitude for your generosity. I would like to say a special note of thanks for the scholarship made possible by contributions from the Otto Paul and Marvin Marquart Estate. I am honored to live into the witness of these members of Peace's congregation and the legacy they have built into our church family for the glory of God. In Christ, Stacey Duensing

## October Worship Schedule...

Ceaseless Praise

Worship Services 6:30 PM - Saturday 10:00 AM - Sunday

Sunday School
Classes begin
@ 9:00 AM
Sunday, October 11
Mission Festival
Speaker, Tom Eggum,
President of Water 4
Kids International will
share with us during the
Sunday School hour.

#### **September 27 - Pentecost 18**

Holy Communion

Sermon: "In the Name of Jesus"

#### October 4 - Pentecost 19

Holy Communion

Sermon: "Holy Children"

#### October 11 - Pentecost 20

Mission Festival Sunday w/Water 4 Kids Speaker/Presentation Peace Choir Sings Youth Hamburger Meal

#### October 18 - Pentecost 21

Holy Communion

Sermon: "The Promise"

#### October 26 - Confirmation/Reformation Day

8:30 AM Confirmation Pictures

Sermon: "Confirmed! Now what?"

Peace Choir Sings Special Music

## Operation Christmas Child 2015

#### What is Operation Christmas Child?

"Operation Christmas Child brings joy and hope to children in desperate situations around the world through gift-filled shoe boxes and the Good News of God's love. This program of Samaritan's Purse provides an opportunity for people of all ages to be involved in a simple, hands—on missions project while focusing on the true meaning of Christmas—Jesus Christ." (From Samaritan's Purse Website)



It's hard to believe it is already time to be thinking about Christmas!!! 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 toys, school supplies, and hygiene items. Then the boxes are shipped off to various children in need. I have received many generous donations and have purchased many of the items needed to pack the boxes. On November 11th from 6:30-7:30 anyone wanting to fill a box can come to the Fellowship Hall and pack away!!!! All of the supplies needed to fill the boxes will be available. Then on November 15<sup>th</sup> be sure to be at our worship service as we dedicate the shoe boxes. 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. If you have any questions please call me anytime and I will try to answer them.

It costs \$7.00 per box to ship so monetary donations are always welcome as well!

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

# eace Happenings... Happy October Birthday to...

Special birthdays this month are Lucille Hofts who will be 96 on October 1, Russ Gerberding will be 75 on October 7 and Gary Brettmann will be 75 on October 27. God's Blessings to all of you 5!!

#### Unprecedented Love

Whether you understand it or not, God loves you, is present in you, lives in you, dwells in you, calls you, saves you and offers you an understanding and compassion which are like nothing you have ever found in a book or heard in a sermon.

-Thomas Merton, The Hidden Ground of Love

Oct 1 Oct 3 Oct 5 Oct 6 Oct 7	Lucille Hofts Beckett Fangmeyer Cody Johnson Dan Judy Rose Johnson Kyla Petersen Juliana Krotz Avery Ostdiek Russ Gerberding	Oct 15 Oct 16 Oct 17 Oct 19	David Weber Paulette Hynek Bob Duensing Tyra Schardt Leah Dlouhy Paul Meyer Kathleen Marquart Stan Thompson Zion Reinke	Oct 24 Oct 25 Oct 26 Oct 27 Oct 28	Chandra Hillman Matt Hofts Erma Lee Hohl Robert Kinzie Jase Beam Harlan Schnakenberg Danessa Buckles Danica Buckles Gary Brettmann Dylan Jasperson
Oct 9 Oct 10	Paula Dahl Mike Hoops Chrystal Miller Wendy Fangmeyer Gavin Fangmeyer Maggie Birkel	Oct 20 Oct 22	Zion Reinke Whitney Dahl Joel Schneider Kenneth Torbeck Lindsey Mueller	Oct 28 Oct 29	Dylan Jasperson Jonathan Mohrmann Jeff Fangmeyer Amber Hinderks Taylor Shaw Hannah Maschmann

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

## Those celebrating October Anniversaries...

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Oct. 2, 1999	Justin & Toni Hintz	Oct. 11, 2008	Michelle & Tim Stentz
Oct. 3, 1970	Keith & Deb Hintz	Oct. 19, 2007	Corey & Andrea Larkins
Oct. 4, 2013	Derek & Makaela Johnson	Oct. 27, 1973	Delmar & Janice Reinke
Oct. 5, 1990	Gary & Denise Brettmann		
Oct. 7, 1978	Glen & Marla Maschmann		

Congratulations and God's Blessings...

...to Glen and Marla Maschmann at the birth of a new little granddaughter, Kaitlyn Allyn Betka, born to Derek and Brooke (Maschmann) Betka, on Thursday, September 17, 2015, at Bryan LGH Medical Center in Lincoln, Nebraska. Kaitlyn Allyn was born at 7:01 AM and weighed 7 lbs. 10 oz. and was 21 inches long. She is welcomed home to Fairmont, Nebraska, by her two big sisters, Kayleigh (almost 6) and Kelsey (3 ½).



**Receiving Bibles** during the Sunday School opening on Sunday, September 13, as a gift from the congregation, were these third graders: Danessa Renee Buckles, Danica Ruth Buckles, Addyson Rose Hintz and Braelyn Rae Renz.

### First Communion Class

A class for 5<sup>th</sup> graders and ANYONE wanting to learn about the sacrament of Holy Communion will be held: Saturday, November 7 from 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Parents or Grandparents are encouraged to attend with their child from 11:45 AM to 1:00 PM.

First Communion will be held on Christ the King Sunday, November 22.

## Outside Opportunities..

Women of the Word Retreat
2015 Heartland District
Saturday, Oct. 17, 2105
Osceola, Nebraska
"Answering God's Call, Right
Where You Are"

Have you ever wondered if God has a specific call for you and how you might recognize and answer that call? Do you worry that your call seems a little ordinary, a little less important or less dramatic than someone else's?

Each of the women in the book 50 Women Every Christian Should Know heard a specific call from God, and each of them responded "yes." Many of the women answered God in big, world-changing ways that impacted hundreds and even thousands of people, yet many others answered and served God in their own small realm and in their everyday lives. During our time together we'll look at some of the women who have walked before us in history in order to discern what God's call might look like for each of us. We'll also discuss obstacles that stand in our way of recognizing and hearing God's call and how encouragement and community within the Body of Christ play an important role in helping us listen to and follow God's lead.

Program by - Michelle DeRusha Special Music - Star Belle Ukeulele Trio Mission Outreach - Orphan Grain Train

Hosted by St. Paul Lutheran, Osceola NE Registration 8:30 AM Program 9:00 - 3:00 PM Retreat Speaker - Author Michelle DeRusha Registration is \$15.00 (covers all material, lunch & snacks)

#### RSVP by October 10th

Registration is appreciated but not required.

A few copies of the registration forms are on the church bulletin board.

Let the Peace office know if you'd like to possibly form a car pool.

# The Life of Martin Luther

A live, original one-man portrayal Written and Performed by Allan Lemke

Performed to wide acceptance in Lutheran and other churches coast to coast. A lifelong interest, now devoted to expressing the Gospel in a fresh and interesting way. Runs approximately one hour and ten minutes, including a ten-minute intermission.

Saturday, October 17, at 6:00 pm St. John Lutheran Church of Athol (20012 J Road, Athol, Kansas)

Freewill Offering

Cookies and fellowship to follow

**EVERYONE WELCOME!** 

**LUTHERAN CONGREGATIONS in MISSION for CHRIST'S 15<sup>th</sup> Annual Gathering** is all about celebrating the very thing that makes us who we are: our DNA. This fall, join LCMC pastors, leaders and church members from all over the world for four funfilled days of worship, inspiration, learning, fellowship and opportunities for networking.

Whether you're new to LCMC, just checking us out for the first time, or a long-time member looking to make new friends and reunite with old ones, our 15<sup>th</sup> Annual Gathering is the place to be!

THE LCMC 15<sup>th</sup> NATIONAL GATHERING takes place October 4-7, 2015 in Dallas TX at the Embassy Suites in Dallas-Frisco.

Merlyn Pohlmann would like to drive down if someone would join him. The church will pay expenses incurred for another person or couple to attend. Please let Merlyn (#402-984-3684) or Brendan Schardt know if you'd be interested in going.