

Tidings of Peace

September 2015 Newsletter of

Peace Lutheran Church, Deshler, Nebraska

Public Office Hours: 9:00-12:30 / 1:00 - 2:30 Mon., Tues., Thurs.,
9:00 - 12:30 / 1:00 - 5:30 Wednesday (Secretary Office Closed Friday)

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September Highlights...

**Wednesdays,
beginning
September 2**

PACE (Peace After School Christian Education)
4:00 PM 5th & 6th / 5:00 PM 7th & 8th

PACE is a program for young people in grades 5 through 8 to help them explore the Bible and the basics of Christian faith and life. The goal of the program is to give young people the understanding they need to make intelligent and informed decisions about their own faith as they grow toward young adulthood.

PACE parents are highly encouraged to attend this very important first session with their young people!

6:30 PM Youth Night (1st Wednesday of every month)

All High School aged kids - join us at the Youth House for Supper and Fellowship. Bring your Friends!!

8:00 PM Peace Choir

Men & Women's voices are always welcome!

**Wednesday,
September 9**

6:30 PM Adult Praise Team

*New singers and instrumentalists are always welcome!
We practice some Wednesdays and Sundays*

**Sunday,
September 13**

9:00 AM - Sunday School Rally Day

All classes (ages 3 thru Adult) are welcome to gather in the Parish Hall for refreshments & welcome. Teachers will be introduced and will escort children to their classes.

**Women's & Men's
Bible Studies
Begin in September**

September 8 - 9:30 AM Morning Circle

September 9 - 7:00 AM Men's Breakfast

September 14 - 7:00 PM Prayerfully Simple

See details on next page

**Sundays,
September 13, 20 & 27**

5:00 PM - "Generation Change"
for College Students and Seniors

Pastor BJ Fouts and Kristi Duensing will be leading Financial Peace University's Class for High School and College Age Students. Class begins at 5:00 PM with supper following.



Bible Studies at Peace...

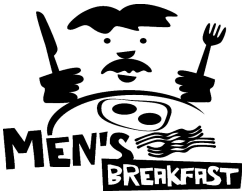


Tuesday, September 8 - 9:30 AM - Women's Bible Study
The Morning Circle Bible Study meets monthly on the second Tuesday of each month, beginning on **September 8, at 9:30 AM, at Meadowlark Heights**. They will be studying Max Lucado's Life Lessons Series on the book of Acts. Thank you Jeanette Mohrmann for being the Bible Study Leader!!

Women's Bible Study

Monday, September 14 - 7:00 PM - Women's Bible Study
The Prayerfully Simple Bible Study Group meets monthly on the second Monday of each month, beginning on September 14, at 7 PM, in the YOP House. They will be studying Chip Ingram's Culture Shock—A Biblical Response to Today's Most Divisive Issues. Those issues include Truth, Sex, Abortion, Homosexuality, The Environment and Church & Politics. There is no better time to understand and communicate God's truth about controversial issues. As believers, we are called to stand firm on Biblical convictions, using discernment of updated research and reason. Besides that it is imperative that we are willing and able to communicate those convictions with love and respect. Thank you Janice Reinke for being the Bible Study Leader!

Plan to attend one or both of these studies and connect. There are extra study guides available for \$8.00 if you'd like to purchase one. A study guide might be beneficial to you, but isn't necessary. You're welcome to attend the studies anytime it fits into your schedule - with or without a study guide. We'd love to have you!!©



The Peace Men are changing their meeting to the 2nd Wednesday of every month. They meet at The Wheelhouse for breakfast and Bible Study, this month on **September 9 at 7:00 AM**. Join them anytime!!!

September Worship Schedule...

Beginning September 12
Saturday Worship - 6:30 PM
Every Sunday
Worship - 10:00 AM

Sunday School Begins
September 13
ALL Classes (except YOP)
gather in the Parish Hall



September 6 - Pentecost 15

Goodies by the children & grandchildren of Alice Kirchoff in celebration of her 90th birthday

September 13 - Pentecost 16

1st Day of Sunday School
Presentation of Bibles to 3rd Graders
Installation of S.S. Teachers
Holy Communion
Dedication of 100 School Kits by Women of Peace
Goodies/Fellowship following worship

September 20 - Pentecost 17

Peace Choir Sings

September 27 - Pentecost 18

Holy Communion



Worship, Education & Stewardship for Summer 2015...

Worship Attendance (Compared to one year ago)

May 24	91	119 + 15 = 134
May 31	106	135 + 18 = 153
June 7	140	221
June 14	226	143
June 21	100	113
June 28	106	139 + 23 = 162
July 5	128	160 + 14 = 174
July 12	110	105
July 19	117	121 + 19 = 140
July 26	143	101 + 19 = 120
August 2	120	121 + 12 = 133
August 9	72	50
August 15	102	131
August 23	124	162

Sunday School Offering for September will be decided at their September 10 meeting.

Congregational Mission Offering of \$3000.00 for September is: Deshler Back Pack Program & our monthly support of \$1500.00 for our missionary, Lindsey Mueller in Uganda.

Ending Balance July 31, 2015 was: \$1206.15

Stewardship General Budget

May 31	\$2314.00 (+\$20.00 Flood Relief)
June 7	\$4287.00 (+\$500 Flood Relief)
June 14	\$4898.10 (+\$55 VBS)
June 21	\$1324.90 (+\$100 Flood Relief)
June 28	\$2044.00
July 5	\$4307.31
July 12	\$1692.00
July 19	\$1561.27
July 26	\$3381.34
Aug 2	\$3589.14
Aug 9	\$1801.86
Aug 16	\$2054.00
Aug. 23	\$1938.00

College Students, Graduates and Parents...

I need the new address of your college student or verification that the old address is still the correct one. College graduates I need your new address if you have one and your occupation to include in our database would be appreciated. Please give me a call in the office, #365-7746, or drop me an quick e-mail at peaceoffice.deshler@gmail.com and give me an update. I know college students love mail - even if it is only the church newsletter. © *Thanks so much!! ~ Marla*

P.S. Keep in mind it costs us \$.57 for each returned newsletter with the incorrect address.

Address Changes...

Captain Stephen Kirchhoff & Vanessa
11908 Ocean Park Blvd.
Los Angeles CA 90064

Kim Pace
160 14th Ave
Council Bluffs IA
51503-6822

Cody Cahill
3428 Parklane Dr
Hastings NE 68901

LeRoy & Earlene Othling
Westview Apartments #102
614 Third St.
PO Box 7
Deshler, NE 68340

Cheryl Knobel
112 Elm St.
Geneva NE 68361

(College student updates not listed)

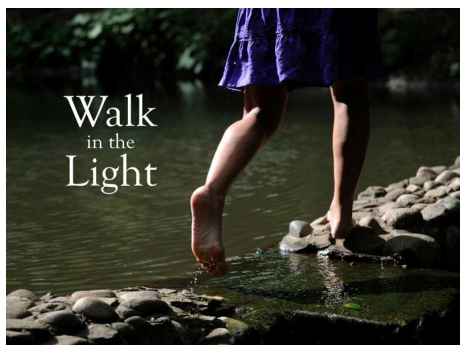
Upcoming Mission Festival - Sunday, October 11

Hope 4 Kids International

Restoring Hope around the World by Empowering Kids to Break the Cycle of Extreme Poverty

For over 40 years, Hope 4 Kids has been committed to serving children living in impoverished environments around the world by establishing economic, spiritual, water, orphan, and feeding programs. In addition to these programs, they have been leading teams of volunteers on two-week international mission trips bringing life-saving provisions and the spirit of Jesus.

Please watch for more information in your October Newsletter and be sure to mark October 11, Mission Festival Sunday, on your calendar. The Youth of Peace will be hosting a Hamburger Feed following worship that day.



*Jesus loves me still today,
Walking with me on my way,
Wanting as a friend to give
Light and love to all who live.*

Take joy in His light and love and join us at Sunday School this fall!
Rally Sunday is September 13.

What does Rally Sunday mean?

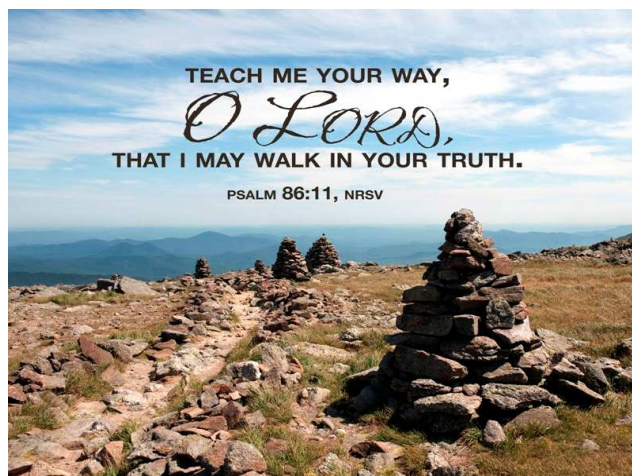
It means your Sunday School is holding an Open House!
Come and see where your class will meet.
Come and meet your Sunday School teachers.

Who's invited to Sunday School?

Every single person in the community from ages 3 to 103!

What will we do in Sunday School?

Learn Bible stories by listening or reading.
Learn Bible stories by playing games.
Praise God and talk about God's world.
Discuss our place in God's world.
Strengthen our faith in Jesus Christ.



We have the blessing of a group of wonderful teachers for the upcoming year who will be installed during worship on Sept. 13:
PreK & Kindergarten--Dawn Buckles & Connie Eitzmann
1st & 2nd --Kim Roth & *VOLUNTEER NEEDED*
3rd, 4th & 5th --Michelle Schardt & Julia Pohlmann
6th, 7th & 8th --Cindy Mueller with sub/Delinda Mohrmann
High School - Kristi Duensing; Adult Cass - Pastor Cathi

We'd like to take this opportunity to recognize Jami O'Neal for her three years of service on the Leadership Team. Thanks so much Jami for your commitment and dedication doing your job in joy and service to our Lord!! Continuing to serve on the Sunday School Leadership Team are Alisha Fangmeyer and Diana Reinke. We welcome and thank Marlys Reinke who has volunteered for the most recent 3-year term on the Sunday School Leadership Team!

"Use what talent you possess. The woods would be very silent if no birds sang except those who sang best." ~ Henry Van Dyke

Teacher Needed:

The Sunday School Leadership Team is still looking for a team teacher to teach 1st & 2nd grade. Please contact Alisha Fangmeyer at 402-365-7629 ASAP if you'd be able to help us out in this way.

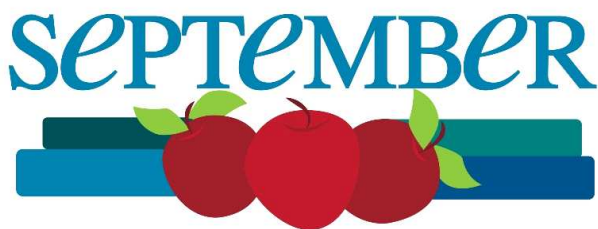
Rally Day School Kits... The Women of Peace set a goal to collect 100 School Kits on Rally Day. See the list of items needed and details on the Women's page in this newsletter.

Peace Early Education Program (PEEP)...

Mrs. Deanna (Dee) J alas is entering her 2nd year as director and teacher of our Peace Early Education Program. She is passionate about early childhood education and we are so blessed to have such an excellent preschool director/teacher. There are 10 students enrolled and they will meet every morning (excluding Tuesdays) from 8:15 - 11:30 a.m. We'd also like to thank Marge Vinkenber g for volunteering as a helper in the preschool classroom on Thursdays of each week! **And also, Emily Vacek** has volunteered to help out for an hour or so in the mornings. Thanks to these gracious individuals for taking time out of their busy days for the children.

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Peace Happenings...



Happy September Birthday to...

Special birthdays this month are: Alice Kirchhoff who will be 90 on September 5 and Mary Stelling who will be 85 on September 23. Please let Marla know if a birthday/anniversary date is missing or incorrect. It helps insure that the church records are accurate. (Special note will be made of these birthday milestones - 75, 80, 85, 90 and over. Please just call the office if you'd rather a special birthday wasn't noted. ☺)

Sept. 2	Kenneth Muehling	Sept 8	Louisa Fintel	Sept 23	Mary Stelling
Sept. 3	Michelle Stentz		Deena Schultz		Linda Loontjer
	Logan Schultz	Sept 9	JoAnn Bohling	Sept 26	Kaleesha McBride
Sept 4	James Krotz	Sept 10	Nick Wassom		Donna Newman
Sept 5	Alice Kirchhoff	Sept 11	Nick Sloane		Kathy Buckles
Sept 6	Kylee Nutsch	Sept 12	Brett Taylor		Tina Sloane
	Jessika Luben	Sept 13	Jared Pohlmann	Sept 27	Ryne Dlouhy
Sept 7	Mary Miller		Noah Mosier		Tim Loontjer
	Keith Hillman		Janice Reinke	Sept 29	Kelsey Schilf
	Kerry Leslie	Sept 21	Delmar Reinke	Sept 30	Ulala Meyer
Sept 8	Leonard Heyen	Sept 22	Hope Reinke		Betty Bokenkamp



Those celebrating September Anniversaries...

These couples will celebrate special anniversaries: Scott & Connie Eitzmann - 40 years on September 5; Earl & Chandra Hillman - 25 years on September 8; Robert & Debbie Folkerts - 40 years on September 20. Happy Anniversary & God Bless!

Sept. 1, 1979	Dan & Brenda Judy	Sept 16, 1988	Daryl & Lois Nelson
Sept. 1, 2007	Kevin & Amanda Ostdiek	Sept. 18, 1999	Travis & Chrystal Miller
Sept. 3, 1983	Les & Dawn Schlieff	Sept 18, 2010	Cole & Tara Schleif
Sept. 3, 1988	Brian & Heidi Isernhagen	Sept. 20, 1975	Robert & Debra Folkerts
Sept 5, 1975	Scott & Connie Eitzmann	Sept. 28, 1995	Josh & Nicole Mosier
Sept. 7, 2002	Eric & Miranda Isernhagen	Sept. 29, 2007	Richard & Jami O'Neal
Sept. 8, 1990	Earl & Chandra Hillman	Sept. 30, 2000	Dennis & Dawn Buckles
Sept. 10, 1977	Tom & Gloria Eickman		



Congratulations and God's Blessings...

- ...to Karissa (Schleif) and Denton Dittmer who were united in marriage at Peace Lutheran on Saturday, June 27, 2015.
- ...to Brandon and Lauren Corey of Kansas City, Missouri, at the birth of their first child, a baby girl, born on June 21, 2015. Little Evelyn Rose Corey was born at the University of Kansas Medical Center weighing 6 lbs. 14 oz. and was 19 ½ inches long. Congratulations also to grandparents, Lisa and Jason Hintz and great-grandparents, Linda Engelman, Ken Muehling and Keith and Deb Hintz.
- ...to Paige Culler at the birth of a little son, Brenner Ryan Culler, born on Tuesday, June 4, 2015, at Thayer County Health Services in Hebron, Nebraska. He weighed 8 lbs. 6 oz. and was 20 ½ inches long. Congratulations also to grandparents, Kirk and Michelle Culler.
- ...to John and Amy Flint who were married on May 4, 2015, at Hebron, Nebraska. They celebrated the blessing of this civil marriage at Peace Lutheran Church on July 25, 2015.
- ...to Bill and Becky Mize at the birth of a new little grandson, Bennett Paul, born to Josh & Christine Mize of West Linn, Oregon, on August 6, 2015. He has a big sister, Amelia (2 ½), to welcome him home. Congratulations also to great-grandparents, Marvin & Lynn Koester, and the late Barbara Koester.

Welcomed into the Family of God through the sacrament of Holy Baptism...

- ... on Saturday evening, July 25, 2015, was Olivia Lynn Flint, infant daughter of John and Amy Flint. Olivia was born on April 2, 2015 at Hebron, Nebraska. Her sponsors are Stuart and Diana Reinke.
- ...on Sunday, August 9, 2015, was Brenner Ryan Culler, infant son of Paige Culler. Brenner was born on June 4, 2015, at Hebron, Nebraska. His sponsors are Tanner Culler and his wife, Paige; Spencer Culler and his fiancé, Amy Joe; and Blayne Culler.

Thank You!!!

Thank you so much to Lyle and Beverly Pitts for Garden Maintenance! They have kept the garden plot at the parsonage tilled and weeded all summer. It looks very nice!

Thanks to the Church Council members for continued work on the parsonage, the church grounds, light bulbs in the sanctuary, summer maintenance.....I can't even begin to name it all! The time you've spent getting things updated and looking nice is unimaginable and appreciated by so many!

Special thanks to Parish Ministry Associate Leah Krotz for filling in on alternate Sundays these last few months while Pastor Cathi was unavailable. We've enjoyed your leadership and sermons very much and are so blessed that you are right here in our own congregation. Thank you for sharing your God-given gift of ministry with us. ~ Peace Lutheran Council and Congregation

Thank you to Eldon and Judy Kirchhoff for sharing your potted plant with us following the county fair. It looks very nice by the benches!

Thanks to Laurie Koester for always so faithfully delivering the bulletins to Meadowlark Heights and Parkview Haven. The residents there appreciate it I know. Thanks so much Laurie!!!

Thank You's Received...

...We would like to thank everyone for the many cards, phone calls, and good wishes we received for our 50th anniversary. Also, thank you to the many who stayed after church for cake and ice cream. Not only did we enjoy that, but our family enjoyed meeting and visiting with you as well. Blessings to you all. ~ Glenn and Joan Kirchhoff

Women of Peace,

Thank you for thinking of me on my graduation. I'm excited to attend Greenville College in Greenville, IL, this fall where I will be majoring in Audio Engineering. Thank you so much for the one-minute devotional book! It will be really great to use in college to keep my faith strong. Thanks Again! ~ Betsy Maschmann

Thank you for the beautiful flowers and cross picture you gave me for leading vbs. I had such a great time with the kids I feel like I should get all of you a gift. The flowers are gone now, but the cross picture hangs on my wall to remind me of the great time I had at vbs! Thank you so much for sending your kids to vbs where we all learned about Jesus' love! Thank You and God Bless All of You! ~ Connie Eitzmann

I would like to thank Becky Mize for subbing for me the first week of June while I was on the High School Band Trip to Disney and then with family at a wedding in Blair, and in August for a couple days when Hannah was home from California. It's a relief now to know that someone else can create a worship service on the Media Shout. She prepared everything for Sunday and did an awesome job all week. Thanks so much Becky! ~ Marla Maschmann

100 School Kits for LWR.

The Women of Peace would like to challenge our congregation to **assemble 100 School Kits in September!** . We'd like to have all the children bring their kits to worship on **Sunday School Rally Day, September 13.** The ladies will be waiting at the back of the sanctuary that day to give you a school bag to put your items in and then at the beginning of worship we will have a parade of school kits.© The ladies will have extra kits available if you don't get a chance to shop. Men and women can bring additional kit items during the month of September and just place them in the basket at the back of the sanctuary. ~ *Louisa Fintel, Mission Action*



Items needed for a kit are:

- 4 - 70 sheet notebooks (college or wide-ruled)
- 1 - Ruler with centimeters on one side
- 1 - Pencil Sharpener
- 1 - Blunt Scissors
- 5 - unsharpened #2 pencils with erasers; secure with a rubber band; pencils can't say "America"
- 5 - black or blue ballpoint pens (no gel pens); secure with a rubber band
- 1 - box of crayons (16-24 box size) Made in U.S.A.
- 1 - 2 ½" eraser

WOW Board Meeting Minutes - August 17, 2015

Meeting was called to order by President, Lois Nelson. Devotions were given by Louisa Fintel.

Treasurer reported a balance on hand of \$1859.45.

Mission Action - Louisa read a thank you from Lutheran Family Services. There will be blanket tying on Monday August 31st. Sunday September 13th, School Kits should be brought to church. Donut holes will be provided for after church by WOW. Motion was approved to use Thank Offering money for postage.

October 17th there will be a LCMC women's retreat in Osceola at St. Paul's Lutheran Church from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Connie Meyer is working on nominations.

Thank you's were read from Connie Meyer, Kristie Duensing, Betsy Maschmann, Parkview Haven/Meadowlark Heights and the Illene Tamme Family.

Thank you to all the ladies attending this meeting for assembling 48 layettes.

Our next meeting will be held on Monday Sept. 21st. The meeting closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Jae Fintel, Secretary

Women of Peace Mission Work...

On May 31 the Women of Peace Mission gave 25 tied blankets, 25 health kits and 25 layette kits to Lutheran Family Social Services in Omaha. Thank you to Merlyn and Lorena Pohlmann for delivering these kits. On June 14, 25 tied blankets and 25 school kits were given to Royal Family Kids Camp. Thank you to Bob and Kristi Duensing for delivering these. Thank you to the ladies for tying the blankets. We will be tying blankets again on Monday, June 29. Everyone - All Ages - are welcome to come and help tie blankets. ~ *Mission Action Chairman, Louisa Fintel*

