

# November 2015 Peace Lutheran Church

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# Community Thanksgiving Eve Worship Service

November 25 - 7:00 p.m.

Pie Social following the worship service



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Hungry to run on Thanksgiving Day? Come see what all the *Huff* is about & join the 8th Annual **Huffing For Stuffing Thanksgiving Day Run** 5K/10K/Kids' Run



Thanksgiving Day, November 26, 2015, Bozeman Event proceeds benefit the Gallatin Valley Food Bank. Thanks to your generosity and participation, Huffing For Stuffing raised \$49,000 in 2013 from 4,034 registered participants.

Bozeman, MT

Please bring canned food donations to the event.

**OUR MISSION:** Huffing For Stuffing is a Big Sky Wind Drinkers' event that exists to provide a fun, heart-healthy, family-oriented event that brings the community together to support our neighbors who rely upon the Gallatin Valley Food Bank during a time of great need. Thank you for supporting Gallatin Valley's Thanksgiving holiday tradition! Runners and walkers of all abilities are welcome!

2015 GOAL - We need your help to reach our goal of 5000 participants. Please encourage your friends, co-workers, & family members to participate. Consider adding a link to www.huffingforstuffing.com on FaceBook, Twitter, or Instagram. The money that we raise as a community will support our Food Bank through the winter months when the need for help increases substantially.

Don't want to run but still want to be involved? Please consider Volunteering! 200+ Volunteers are needed before Thanksgiving, during the event, and after Thanksgiving.



Dear Peace Family,

I have just returned from a wonderful time with my Minnesota family, for which I find myself wondering if I should even be able to say that.

Sunday, October 18, I received a phone call from my sister (I have 4 of them) that my mother had stopped eating and drinking. At 85 years old, mom had been showing signs of physical and mental decline for the past year and particularly in the last few months. So the call didn't come at a great surprise.

Dianne and I were able to fly to Minneapolis on Monday. We were able to visit mom first thing Tuesday morning. She was unable to speak, her breathing was labored and she went in and out of being alert. When her eyes were closed it was hard to tell if she was asleep or not. While it was difficult to see mom in such a weak state of health, there was a strange peace about her. Health care workers and Hospice that stopped by commented on the same thing. Her sense of peacefulness, and ours, was remarkable amid the obvious decline in her health.

By Wednesday night, mom had passed away. But, not after we able to have final conversations with her, communicating our love and appreciation for her. We also were able to collectively gather to express words of thanks and goodbye. I led the family in a prayer before we left her room. A few hours later, we got a call saying that she had died. Some of us returned to see our mother finally and completely at rest. And so were we.

I couldn't help but think that mom went on her own terms, when she wanted and how she wanted. I am not sure how that works, but I think there is way too many coincidences. I witnessed the dignity that comes with dying. It was a holy moment.

Oh, there was sadness. There were lots and lots of tears. But, it was grief with a deep sense of hope (I Thess. 4:13). And that makes all the difference. That is why I can call my recent time in Minnesota "wonderful". My family and I are thankful for the opportunity we had to surround my mother in her last moments on this earth. We weren't able to do that with my father. I am sure that is another thing that made it so sweet.

November is a month we focus on thanksgiving. We give thanks for the many things that make our life rich and full. But this year I am seeing something else, something that adds to the fullness of life – death. Death with hope that comes from the promise made by our Savior, Jesus Christ: "This is indeed the will of my Father, that all who see the Son and believe in him may have eternal life; and I will raise them up on the last day." (John 6:40)

We have so much to be thankful for!

Thankfully,

Pastor Bob

## Dear friends in Christ,

November is the month in which Americans celebrate the holiday of Thanksgiving so I thought it appropriate to share with you the Proclamation of President Abraham Lincoln that established the national observance of Thanksgiving. The Pilgrims who sailed to America from Holland celebrated the first Thanksgiving with native Americans in October of 1621, a year after a dreadful winter that brought almost unbearable hardship to the Massachusetts Bay colony. In 1863, just a week or so after he delivered a brief address at the dedication of the Soldiers' National Cemetery at Gettysburg, Pa., President Abraham Lincoln issued a proclamation declaring that a national day of Thanksgiving would be observed by a country torn apart by Civil War.

Washington, D.C. October 3, 1863

#### By the President of the United States of America.

#### A Proclamation.

The year that is drawing towards its close, has been filled with the blessings of fruitful fields and healthful skies. To these bounties, which are so constantly enjoyed that we are prone to forget the source from which they come, others have been added, which are of so extraordinary a nature, that they cannot fail to penetrate and soften even the heart which is habitually insensible to the ever watchful providence of Almighty God. In the midst of a civil war of unequaled magnitude and severity, which has sometimes seemed to foreign States to invite and to provoke their aggression, peace has been preserved with all nations, order has been maintained, the laws have been respected and obeyed, and harmony has prevailed everywhere except in the theatre of military conflict; while that theatre has been greatly contracted by the advancing armies and navies of the Union. Needful diversions of wealth and of strength from the fields of peaceful industry to the national defence, have not arrested the plough, the shuttle or the ship; the axe has enlarged the borders of our settlements, and the mines, as well of iron and coal as of the precious metals, have yielded even more abundantly than heretofore. Population has steadily increased, notwithstanding the waste that has been made in the camp, the siege and the battle-field; and the country, rejoicing in the consiousness of augmented strength and vigor, is permitted to expect continuance of years with large increase of freedom. No human counsel hath devised nor hath any mortal hand worked out these great things. They are the gracious gifts of the Most High God, who, while dealing with us in anger for our sins, hath nevertheless remembered mercy. It has seemed to me fit and proper that they should be solemnly, reverently and gratefully acknowledged as with one heart and one voice by the whole American People. I do therefore invite my fellow citizens in every part of the United States, and also those who are at sea and those who are sojourning in foreign lands, to set apart and observe the last Thursday of November next, as a day of Thanksgiving and Praise to our beneficent Father who dwelleth in the Heavens. And I recommend to them that while offering up the ascriptions justly due to Him for such singular deliverances and blessings, they do also, with humble penitence for our national perverseness and disobedience, commend to His tender care all those who have become widows, orphans, mourners or sufferers in the lamentable civil strife in which we are unavoidably engaged, and fervently implore the interposition of the Almighty Hand to heal the wounds of the nation and to restore it as soon as may be consistent with the Divine purposes to the full enjoyment of peace, harmony, tranquillity and Union.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the United States to be affixed.

Done at the City of Washington, this Third day of October, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty-three, and of the Independence of the Unites States the Eighty-eighth.

#### By the President: Abraham Lincoln

#### William H. Seward, Secretary of State

What moves me deeply in this proclamation is that in the midst of the horrors of a devastating Civil War, Americans were called to remember and give thanks to "the gracious gifts of the most High God". Certainly we are not living in such difficult circumstances today, but in *all circumstances*, let us give our thanks and praise to Almighty God for his provision, his grace, his love and his care- for us and for our nation. Have a blessed Thanksgiving holiday everyone!

Love in Christ,

Pastor Jeff







On October 22 two wheelchairs were built at Peace Lutheran. Fifteen people (adults and youth) showed up to learn how to turn 500+ nuts, bolts and various parts into wheelchairs that will provide mobility to disabled children. These chairs, along with others built here in the Gallatin Valley will be distributed in Mexico during Spring Break 2016. These chairs were sponsored through our benevolence. Two additional chairs will be built in the near future. Watch for details.

It is that time of year again! The Free Community Thanksgiving Dinner is right around the corner and we need your help! Our vision for the Free Community Thanksgiving Dinner is to show the love of Jesus to the people in our community through providing a meal that is home cooked and providing an atmosphere that feels like home. We are hoping to see 300+ people come this year. We have done this meal over the past four years and each year we are able to see the need for it more and more. Not only does this meal provide for people who can't afford a turkey dinner, it also provides a place to be around "family" for the day. We want to provide a place that people can feel like they are making a difference and people can feel the love from the church that God has intended. There is no doubt in our mind that this is something our community needs and thrives from. It brings the churches together



from around our community in a way that we haven't seen in many other areas. People are eager to feel needed and loved and we believe God provides that for people through this dinner.

<u>Event Details:</u> The event will take place at the Belgrade Middle School cafeteria from 2-3pm on Thanksgiving Day. Volunteers are needed on Thanksgiving Day from 9am-5pm. Please contact Emily Howard @ (406) 570-9638 or email <u>mehoward1@yahoo.com</u> to sign up to volunteer or to donate items/money to help with the event. Please consider donating to this wonderful event.



November 1	Installation	
All Saints Sunday	Pr. Jeff Redlin	
Piano	Jackie Currey	
Acolyte	Colter Hansaker	
Usher/Lector/Refreshments	Russ & Nancy Fox	
November 8 22 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday After Pentecost	Evangelical Lutheran #3 Pr. Bob Coughlin	
Piano	Nancy Murdock	
Acolyte	Kylie Mattson	
Usher/ Lector/Refreshments	Dennis & Cheryl Bechtold Derek & Nicky Swenson	
November 15 23 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday After Pentecost	Country Gospel Pr. Bob Coughlin	
Piano	Lorrie Hanson	
Acolyte	Allison Mattson	
Usher/ Lector/Refreshments	Darin & Jayme Swenson Ross & Claudia Leake	
November 22 Christ the King Sunday	Evangelical Lutheran #10 Pr. Bob Coughlin	
Piano	Connie Holton	
Acolyte	Ashlyn Swenson	
Usher/Lector / Refreshments	Nancy Murdock	
	Tom & Ione Gruss	
November 29 1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday in Advent	Dakota Road	
Piano	Jackie Currey	
	& Virginia Sorensen	
Acolyte	Ashlyn Swenson	
Usher/Lector / Refreshments	Youth	
Council for November	Tom Gruss Jim Cook; Russ Fox	
	Cheryl Bechtold	
Altar Guild for November	Karlene Swenson	
	Carol White	



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>1</b> All Saints         9:00 a.m.       Worship -Installation Service         10:00 a.m.       Coffee & Fellowship         10:30 a.m.       Sunday School & Adult Forum         7:00 p.m.       Choir         Bring supplies needed for lefse to church	2 7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts Pr. Bob's day off	3 1:30 p.m. Crossways 3:45 p.m. 1st Communion Classes 7:00 p.m. Worship Comm. Mtg.	4 6:30 a.m. Men's Breakfast 10:00 a.m. Peace Re-Piecers 12:00 noon Staff Meeting 7:00 p.m. Confirmation	5 3:30 p.m. Peacemakers 7:00 p.m. Bible Book Study	6 6:30 p.m. 7 <sup>th</sup> Day Prayer Pr. Jeff's day off	<b>7</b> 9:30 a.m2:00 p.m. 7 <sup>th</sup> Day Adventist
8 24th Sunday After Pentecost NEW MEMBER INSTALLATION 9:00 a.m. Worship - Evangelical Lutheran #3 10:00 a.m. Coffee & Fellowship Pick up lefse 'kits' & return by next Saturday 10:30 a.m. Sunday School & Adult Forum 7:00 p.m. Choir	9 7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts Pr. Bob out of office	10 1:30 p.m. Crossways 3:45 p.m. 1st Communion Classes	11 6:30 a.m. Men's Breakfast 10:00 a.m. Peace RePiecers 11:30 noon Ladies Lunch With Sandi 7:00 p.m. Confirmation	1211:00 Staff Mtg. & Lunch 3:30 p.m. Peacemakers 7:00 p.m. Council 7:00 p.m. Bible Book Study All State Girls Volleyball	<b>13</b> 6:30 p.m. 7 <sup>th</sup> Day Prayer Pr. Jeff's day off	14 We are making lefse! 9:30 a.m2:00 p.m. 7 <sup>th</sup> Day Adventist
<ul> <li><b>15</b> 25th Sunday After Pentecost</li> <li>9:00 a.m. Worship - Country Gospel First Communion Sunday</li> <li><i>CAT/GRIZ Offering</i></li> <li>10:00 a.m. Coffee &amp; Fellowship</li> <li><i>Pick up your lefsel</i></li> <li>10:30 a.m. Sunday School &amp; Adult Forum</li> <li>7:00 p.m. Choir</li> </ul>	<b>16</b> Pr. Bob's day off 7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts	<b>17</b> 1:30 p.m. Crossways	<b>18</b> 6:30 a.m. Men's Breakfast 10:00 a.m. Peace Re-Piecers 11:00 a.m. Staff Meeting 7:00 p.m. Confirmation	<b>19</b> 12Noon Ministerial Lunch St. John Vianney 3:30 p.m. Peacemakers 7:00 p.m. Bible Book Study 7:00 p.m. Mission & Outreach Mtg.	20 Newsletter Articles Due 6:30 p.m. 7 <sup>th</sup> Day Prayer Pr. Jeff's day off	21 9:30 a.m 11:30 p.m. 7 <sup>th</sup> Day Adventist CAT/GRIZ GAME
22 Christ the King9:00 a.m.Worship - Evangelical Lutheran #10 CONFIRMATION10:00 a.m.Coffee & Fellowship10:30 a.m.Sunday School & Adult Forum 4:30 p.m.4:30 p.m.Community Cafe in Bozeman Choir	<b>23</b> <i>7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts</i> Pr. Jeff out of office	<b>24</b> 1:30 p.m. Crossways	25 6:30 a.m. Men's Breakfast 10:00 a.m. Peace Re-Piecers 11:00 noon Staff Meeting 7:00 p.m. Thanksgiving Eve Worship	26 FREE DINNER Thanksgiving Day Belgrade Middle School Cafeteria 2-3 p.m.	27 6:30 p.m. 7 <sup>th</sup> Day Prayer Church Office Closed	<b>28</b> 9:30 a.m2:00 p.m. 7 <sup>th</sup> Day Adventist
<b>29</b> 1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday of Advent 9:00 a.m. Worship - Dakota Road 10:00 a.m. Coffee & Fellowship 10:30 a.m. Sunday School & Adult Forum	30 7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts Pr. Bob's day off	1 7:00 P.M. Worship Comm.	2 6:30 a.m. Men's Breakfast 10:00 a.m. Peace Re-Piecers 11:00 noon Staff Meeting 6:15 p.m. Soup & Bread Supper 7:00 p.m. Advent Worship 7:00 p.m. Confirmation	3 3:30 p.m. Peacemakers 7:00 p.m. Bible Book Study	4 6:30 p.m. 7 <sup>th</sup> Day Prayer Pr. Jeff's day off	5 9:30 a.m2:00 p.m. 7 <sup>th</sup> Day Adventist

### **BAPTISMS FOR NOVEMBER**

Remember your Baptism – whether walking in the rain or in the shower. Members that have been baptized in November are:



- 1 Joy Spinella
- 3 Anissa Leininger
- 5 Eric Holton
- 6 Alyonna Garrison
- 8 Dani Larson
- 10 Amy Lanzendorf Dillon Marks Karl Swenson Karlene Swenson
- 11 Kelton Parker
- 13 Bill Roesener
- Taylin Taylor
- 14 Cheryl Bechtold
- 16 Lisa Moellenkamp
- 19 Nicky Swenson
- 21 Richard Lennemann
- 22 Patricia Bilbrey Braden Gilmore
- 26 Eric Leininger
- 27 Becky Erickson Amy Fox
- ? Breanna Leake Al Arensmeyer

# December Mínístry Team

In November a council member will be <u>calling</u> the following December Ministry Team Members:

Jim Moss Glyn & Val Ross Bill & Linda Miller Audrey Vitarius Bob & Carol White Art & Trish Baker Eric & Connie Holton Mike & Christine Koosman Dave & Lori Lanzendorf Vern & Carol Albertson Steve & Tiina Smith Ben & Roberta Cestnick Troy & Megan Paulson Nick & Dawn Pipinich Brandon & Deanna Thurston Mark & Nancy Roadarmel Lewis & Diana Murphy Glenda Cusker





November 1 – All Saints Day FIRST READING – Isaiah 55:6-13 PSALM – Psalm 67 SECOND READING – 1 Corinthians 2:1-13 GOSPEL – John 15:1-5

November 8 – 24<sup>th</sup> Sunday After Pentecost FIRST READING – 1 Kings 17:8-16 PSALM – Psalm 146 SECOND READING – Hebrews 9:24-28 GOSPEL- Mark 12:38-44

November 15– 25<sup>rd</sup> Sunday After Pentecost FIRST READING – Daniel 12:1-3 PSALM – Psalm 16 SECOND READING – Hebrews 10:11-25 GOSPEL – Mark 13:1-13

November 22 – Christ the King Sunday FIRST READING – Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14 PSALM – Psalm 93 SECOND READING – Revelation 1:4b-8 GOSPEL – John 18:33-37

November 29 – 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Advent FIRST READING – Jeremiah 33:14-16 PSALM – Psalm 25:1-10 SECOND READING – 1 Thessalonians 3:9-13 GOSPEL – Luke 21:25-26

# ADVENT



WEDNESDAY'S ADVENT SOUP & BREAD AND WORSHIP -

Starting on the 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday in Advent, **December 2**, we will have a Soup & Bread meal at 6:15 p.m. Following the meal at 7:00 p.m. there will be an Advent evening worship service. Please come and join us. There are sign-up sheets in the Fellowship Hall to provide soup and bread. If you would like to show your thanks for something in the next

newsletter, please fill out a



THANKS! THANKS! "I give thanks to" sheet and place it in the Give Thanks boxes that are located on the counter in the back of the Sanctuary and on a table in the Fellowship Hall.

**Fred Haas for spearheading the ROC Wheels Chair** assembly.

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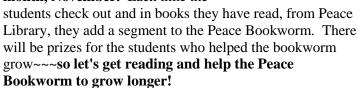
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- **4** Special thanks to all the volunteers from Peace who assisted with the blood drawing in October, as well as those who donated much needed blood. The Red Cross is very complimentary when it comes to Peace Lutheran Church!
- Val and Glyn Ross for organizing the youth "Lock-In" on October 30th. They supplied rides to the corn maze, movies, fun and sufficient junk food for the 10 *kids to have a great time!*
- **4** *Thank you to our Peace family for your prayers,* emails, gifts of food, and ablility to carry on while we were in Minnesota. Special thanks to Pastor Jeff for all the extra work he did in my absence. We are so grateful for the time we had with my Mom and my siblings. It was a precious gift for us! Gratefully, Pastor Bob & Dianne
- Thank you so much for all the blessings you gave Misty and I on my Installation Sunday. The worship service was all that I could hope for and the choir song was beautifully done and very meaningful. The fellowship time afterward was heart-warming and the pies were delicious! Many thanks for the gift card as well. We are so blessed to be part of the PLC family and look forward to many years of friendship and ministry together. We love you! Pastor Jeff and Misty Redlin

#### **PEACE LUTHERAN** LIBRARY

The Sunday School students' Peace Library bookworm activity will stop growing **at the end of this** month, November. Each time the



- 3 **Bill Roesener** Brenna Banderob
- 5 Lisa & John McCurley
- Nancy Vitarius
- 8 **Craig Parker** Chase Bell
- Nicky Swenson 10
- **Beatrice Koehler** 13 James Cook Aisha Peters
- 14 Mercedes Malby Al Arensmeyer Glenda Cusker
- 15 Leann Pipinich
- Eric Holton 16
- 18 Cynthia Stevens Joe Robbins Mark Duffey **Kylie Mattson** Celia DeCock
- 20 Derrick Monson
- 21 Judith Arensmeyer 22 Joe Roesener
  - Kennedy Bramlette
- 23 Russel & Nancy Fox Randall Porter
- 28 Tracev Bolich Morgan Mills
- 29 Nick & Dawn Pipinich Jackie Currey
- 30 **Connie Holton**



# ALL STATE GIRLS VOLLEYBALL TOURNAMENT

We are looking for volunteers to usher for the All State Girls Volleyball Tournament on Nov. 12-14. You can call Kevin Mattson direct at 406 579-1762 or use the online signup.

Please sign up for State All-Class Volleyball - here's how it works in 3 easy steps:

1. **Click this link** to go to our invitation page on VolunteerSpot: <u>http://vols.pt/wZXDxC</u> 2. **Enter your email address:** (You will NOT need to register an account on VolunteerSpot)

3. **Sign up!** Choose your spots - VolunteerSpot will send you an automated confirmation and reminders. Easy!

**Note**: VolunteerSpot does not share your email address with anyone. If you prefer not to use your email address, please contact me and I can sign you up manually. Kevin Mattson...406-579-1762.

Tammi Malby



**Do your Annual Reports now before the Christmas rush starts! All reports are due December 18**<sup>th</sup> **from:** Pastors, Congregational Life, Council President, Education, Library, Outreach Team, Servants of Peace, Worship Committee, and Youth & Family.

Laurie Salo

# **SERVANTS OF PEACE**

Wynne Gillis

The Peace Servants are beginning a new three-month cycle for November, December, and January. The Servants prepare, serve, clean up, and generally host many Church fellowship activities, as well as caring service to members. These Servants provide a vital service to our congregation. The next-up-to-serve Leader is Jinx Sorensen with the Servants listed below:

Jackie Currey	Laura Carter	Val Ross	<b>Connie Holton</b>	Nicky Swenson
Lori Lanzendorf	Carol White	Audrey Vitarius	Trish Baker	Tracey Bolich
Claudia Leake	Tracy Simonson	Diane Oddy	Kathryn Jordan	Karlene Swenson

THANK YOU to	the members who provid	led care to our Church	needs in the past thre	ee-month-cycle:
Kris Bell	Debra Durham	Carole Haughwout	Judi Beagley	Ione Gruss
Nancy Fox	Marilyn Megaard	Michelle Banderob	Heather Geiger	Julie Mattson

Paula Johnson

Jodi Robbins

# Youth News!

Upcoming Youth Events Lefse!! Saturday, Nov 14th, 2015, 8:00 am - 4:00 pm All are welcome! Please come and help mix, roll, grill and bag lefse. We will work all day until we're done, usually about 4:00 pm. Lunch will be provided!

# Cat/Griz Flocking!! Nov 16 - Nov 21, 2015

Yes, we will be flocking folks' yards with either a CAT flock or a GRIZZ flock. You can pay to flock someone else's yard, AND/OR you can pay insurance to keep your yard from being flocked. FUN! Watch for sign-up sheets in the next week

## Youth Family Ministry Team - Sunday, November 29th, 2015

The youth will be doing the greeting, reading, ushering, and providing treats on this day. Be sure to tell them they're doing a great job!!

# Christmas Breakfast! Sunday, December 20th, 2015

The youth will make and serve breakfast for the entire congregation after worship service. Come to church hungry!!

The youth are using a bible study called "Following God" this fall. Our first 4 lessons have centered on:

1. Bringing, and keeping, God closer to the CENTER of the circle of our lives.

2. Discovering, and SHARING, our gifts, passions and talents. God does NOT want us to hide them!

3. Learning that EVERY life has equal value to God. He is always there for us, all we have to do is TURN TO HIM!

4. Discovering Moral Truths. This is a tricky one, and we are still discussing...Are there Absolute Moral Truths??

Ask a youth about one of these topics, hopefully you'll get a thoughtful response!!

Blessings! Val & Amy



# PEACE RE-PIECERS QUILT RAFFLE

Every 3-4 years the Re-piecers make a quilt to raise funds for our mission. Our 'quilt of many colors' is done and tickets will be on sale until November 29. The drawing will take place at the Advent Event following worship. Tickets are \$5 each or 5 tickets for \$20 and available from any Re-piecer (Carol White, Cheryl Bechtold, Marilyn Megaard, Laura Carter, Jinx Sorensen or Diane Oddy). Karlene Swenson can also sell tickets during office hours at the church. Please write your name and phone number on the back of the ticket-**need not be present to win.** 

The proceeds from the raffle sale will allow us to buy batting for the Luther World Relief quilts we make each year. We also make school and health kits. We just found out that the quilts we made last year and sent May 2015 are being used in Thailand. Our prayers of God's blessing to all the families receiving them.



2015 Chrístmas Store

The Peace Re-piecers Christmas store will be available starting November 29th. These are craft and food items for purchase with the proceeds directed to needs in our congregation. In the past we have ear-marked the proceeds for our mission fund but that has not been decided yet. If you have items you would like to donate for this project please contact one of the Re-piecers....Carol White, Marilyn Megaard, Jinx Sorensen, Cheryl Bechtold, Laura Carter or Diane Oddy.

# Big Sky Women of the Word October 24, 2015 Women of the Word 2015

The fall event for Montana Women of the Word was held in Rudyard October 24th. New Beginnings Lutheran Church hosted the event with 2 speakers. Carlene Prince, from YNOP radio, gave her personal testimony of God's faithfulness during difficult life situations. Nancy Schellin gave a presentation about Sarah's Covenant Home. This is a mission run by her daughter, Sarah, in India. They provide foster homes for special needs children and currently have 10 homes in several Indian cities. Both presentations were very inspiring.

The business meeting resulted in the decision to change the W.O.W. gathering from semi-annual to annual. The Northwest LCMC gathering meets in the spring so W.O.W. will meet in the fall. The next event will be in Conrad in fall 2016.

These events are an excellent opportunity to fellowship and network with women from other LCMC congregations plus a great way to spend time with our fellow members.

...Diane Oddy

# Peace Lutheran Church Council Minutes September 10, 2015

The meeting was opened by President Larry Oddy at 7:00 p.m. Members Present: Larry Oddy, Jim Cook, Val Ross, Jerry Swenson, Derrick Monson, Bill Miller, Tiina Smith, Jackie Curry, Trish Swenson, Russ Fox, Pastors Bob Coughlin and Jeff Redlin. Members Absent: Mike Hansen, Mike Streich, Tom Gruss.



- 1. Opening devotions: Bill Miller
- 2. Minutes of August 2015. Motion to approve the minutes by Jerry Swenson, second by Russ Fox. Passed.
- 3. Treasurer's Report by Val Ross. Motion to approve the report by Tiina Smith, second by Trish Swenson. Passed.
- 4. Congregational Concerns
  - a. Carpet Cleaning. This item was postponed to a later date.
  - b. Damaged siding to Church. Will be repaired. Siding is already located.
- 5. Pastor's Report
  - Pastor Coughlin. Pastor Bob reported that he went on vacation to Hawaii. He Baptized Adeline Porter on August 23. Colter Swenson will be baptized on August 27. Fall events, e.g., Lady Bug, Sunday School, dialogue with Lady Bug increasing, both pastors doing chapel with Lady Bug during the week, Confirmation Classes, Adult Forum, all increasing and/or starting up. PLC is hosting luncheon for area pastors next week. Pr. Bob volunteering at a Belgrade Public Library event this week. And "The Player" begins this month.
  - Pastor Redlin. Pastor Jeff reported that the young adults who went to Windriver made a presentation August 16.
     Peacemakers begins August 24. First communion classes to begin October 13. Sunday School starts August 20. The Pastors' schedule through Christmas is established. New member Sunday is November 8. The Constitution and Bylaws committee to meet after the Annual LCMC meeting in October. Pr. Jeff will attend. Fire alarm went off recently. Lady Bug was shampooing carpets and humidity set it off. Thanks to Tom Gruss and Bob White for fixing ballast in Pr. Jeff's office.
- 6. New business
  - a. Budget reports of committees. Bring these to the October Council Meeting.
  - b. Progress on Treasurer search from Val and Jackie. No candidate yet, however, there is a candidate under consideration.
  - c. Projector for Sanctuary. Pr. Bob discussed the need for and uses of a projector, especially Sunday School and VBS. The cost to PLC will be minimal because a donor has offered to purchase it.
  - d. Security Camera Installation. Progress is being made on this.
- 7. Team Reports
  - a. Congregational Life. Meeting scheduled for September 15.
  - b. Education & Youth. Met September 3. Russ presented results of meeting (attached to original minutes).
  - c. Property Care. Did not meet. See 4b above re siding damage.
  - d. Stewardship & Finance. Meeting scheduled for September 27.
  - e. Outreach & Missions. Meeting next week.
  - f. Worship & Music. Met September 8. Choir starts in October. Acolytes are sometimes not scheduled, and need to be at church at 8:45. New hymn books discussed. Order of service discussed. Sunday School order revision discussed. Communion service discussed and it was decided that continual communion will take place on Sundays when communion is offered during the school year. Announcements will begin at 8:55, then a formal beginning of the service will begin at 9:00 with a musical number. This and continual communion will streamline the services.
- 8. Old Business
  - a. Parsonage bushes and ties are removed.
  - b. Pr. Bob: 1. We need people to stream the services over the internet. 2. Recommend that on November 1 we install Pr. Jeff during the service.
- 9. Tiina moved to adjourn, second by jerry. Bill Miller has devotions next meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Jim Cook, Secretary

# Peace Lutheran Church Newsletter Financial Reports

November 2015 Newsletter (September 2015 Finance Info)

General Fund Ending 9/30/15	
General Fund Balance 9/1/15	8,440.09
General Fund Income - Envelopes &	
Plates	16,364.61
Total Funds Available:	24,804.70
Less Expenses	(18,694.31)
Benevolence Payable (due, but not paid)	(1,912.39)
General Fund Ending Balance 9/30/15	4,198.00

Special Donations Fund Ending 9/30/15	
Special Fund Balance 1/1/15	15,848.02
Special Fund Donations	18,763.07
Special Fund Disbursements	(21,916.59)
Fund Balance 9/30/15	12,694.50
Building Fund Balance Ending 9/30/15	
Building Fund Balance 1/1/15	25,032.59
Transfers from General Fund	16,000.00
Building Fund Donations	3,199.00
Parking Lot Donations	2,927.22
Parking Lot Disbursements	(41,188.05)
Building Fund Disbursements	(3,265.76)
Building Fund Balance 9/30/15	2,705.00
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