



Words of Peace

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MINISTRY TEAM CHANGES & IMPROVEMENTS

Starting May 1 we will be doing things a little differently when it comes to Ministry Team Duties and Refreshments.....

Council members will continue to contact members for ushering, greeting and lector duties. We do have a group of people who enjoy reading scripture, so if you're not comfortable doing the readings, just say so and we'll find someone to do them.

Jackie Currey, also a member of council, has graciously volunteered to coordinate refreshment duties. She will personally contact you via email or phone to sign up for refreshments. Feel free to partner with other church members to make this easier on everyone!

Peace Lutheran has purchased a table of 8. If you'd like to attend, please let Pr. Bob know.

23rd ANNUAL
PLANT THE SEED
FUNDRAISER, DINNER &
SILENT AUCTION

MONDAY, APRIL 30, 2018 • 5:30PM-8:30PM
REGISTER BY: APRIL 20, 2018 (limited seating)
Keynote: Warren Hiebert,
Former Gallatin Co. Sheriff's Chaplain
Music: Journey Worship Team





"If anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; the old has gone, the new has come!" 2 Corinthians 5:17

There was an article not long ago in *Leadership* magazine about a little boy named Phillip. Phillip was born with Down's syndrome, and he attended a third-grade Sunday school class with several eight-year-old boys and girls. Typical of that age, the kids did not readily accept Phillip with his differences. But because of a creative teacher, they began to care about Phillip and accept him as part of the group, though not fully. The Sunday after Easter the teacher brought Leggs pantyhose containers, the kind that looked like large eggs. Each receiving one, the kids were told to go outside on that lovely spring day, find some symbol of new life, and put it in the egg-like containers.

After running around the church property in wild confusion, the students returned to the classroom and placed the containers on the table. Surrounded by the children the teacher began to open them one by one. After each one, whether they saw a flower, butterfly, or leaf, the class would ooh and aah. Then one was opened, but it had nothing inside. The kids yelled, "That's stupid. That's not fair. Somebody didn't do their assignment."

Phillip spoke up, "That's mine." "Phillip, you don't ever do things right!" the kids said. "There's nothing there." "I did so do it!" Phillip said. "I did do it. It's empty because Jesus' tomb was empty!" Silence followed. From then on Phillip became a fully accepted member of the class.

Phillip died not long afterward from an infection most healthy kids would have shrugged off. At the funeral at his church this class of eight-year-olds marched up to the altar and each one of them placed on the altar an empty Leggs pantyhose container.

As we think about Phillip and his classmates it seems to me that we should ask ourselves, "Is there anyone in my life that I am not accepting as Christ would have me do because they are so different from me?" We would do well to remember that the ground under the cross of Christ is level and that the resurrection power of Easter morning is meant for everyone. "For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life." (John 3:16)

Sisters and brothers in Christ, God has given us the empty tomb as a sign of new life and the new creation that all people can have in Christ Jesus. By the cross and the resurrection believers are dead to sin but alive to God in Christ Jesus. Christ is Risen! He is Risen Indeed!!

Love in Christ,
Pastor Jeff



Dear Family at Peace,

What a grand Easter Celebration!

Several members of PLC gathered for a sunrise worship of the Risen Lord. Folks crowded into the Fellowship Hall as the youth served hot breakfast casseroles, fresh fruit, and wonderful baked goods that members of the congregation prepared. Kids scrambled to find Easter Eggs that were planted around the church building as the sanctuary began to fill up for the second worship service. A full sanctuary and the overflow group in the Fellowship Hall heard the news that 'King Jesus is arisen on this glorious Easter Day!'

Our Easter Celebration was the culmination of a long Lenten Journey of reflection, repentance and appreciation of the price that Jesus paid for our salvation. And, celebrate we should!

But, now that the Easter Season is over... *what next?* After a climactic finish like the one Easter provides, it feels like time to scale back a bit, take our foot off the gas pedal, and take some time for needed rest and relaxation after the busyness of the extended season. I'll be the first to admit that a little R&R is what my body needs!

That, however, is not what Jesus had in mind for his followers after that first Easter. The evening after the morning of the resurrection, Jesus met up with his disciples who were behind locked doors for fear of the Jews. His greeting of "shalom" was followed by the disciples exploring the wounds of Jesus to verify he was really their Lord and Master. Understandably, that led to a time of great rejoicing! They knew that Jesus is alive!

But, it wasn't time to rest on their laurels. They didn't take it easy now that their Savior finished what he came to do. Jesus wouldn't let them do that. There was more to do! Jesus charged his followers with the instructions: "As the Father has sent me, so I send you." (Jn. 20:21)

Jesus saw that there was more work to be done. True, the saving work of Jesus was finished as he died and rose again. But, the world now needs to know about it. People must *hear* the news and *believe* in order to benefit from the good news! And, Jesus leaves that job to his followers.

He doesn't just let us know what needs to be done, but how. "As the Father sent me..." We are sent in a way similar to the way Jesus was sent. He lived among those who needed to hear the message of God's love and reconciliation. He was sent not to be served, but to serve and to give. He came to do the works of God to display the character of God for all to see and know. Jesus was sent as the incarnation of God. That is how Jesus sends us. As the Father sent him.

We just have to look around us to find that we still have work to be done. Let us do it together!

Gratefully,
Pastor Bob



Ministry Teams

PEACE COMMUNITY GARDENS



**Like to garden but
don't have the space? Reserve one of
our Community Gardens. Call the
church office for details!**

April 1 Easter Sunday	<i>Pr. Bob Coughlin Pr. Jeff Redlin</i>
Piano	<i>Jinx Sorensen & Jackie Currey</i>
Ushers	<i>Dianne Coughlin, Bruce Sorensen, Heather Geiger, Mike & Joy Spinella</i>
Lectors	<i>Bruce Sorensen Karl Swenson</i>
April 8 2nd Sunday of Easter	<i>Pr. Jeff Redlin Dakota Road</i>
Piano	<i>Jinx Sorensen</i>
Acolyte	<i>Dani Larson</i>
Usher/Lector/Refreshments	<i>Derek & Nicky Swenson Family</i>
April 15 3rd Sunday of Easter	<i>Country Gospel Pr. Bob Coughlin</i>
Piano	<i>Lorrie Hansen</i>
Acolyte	<i>Devyn Sando</i>
Ushers/Greeters & Refreshments	<i>Lisa McCurley Jackie Currey</i>
Lector	<i>Julie Hanson</i>
April 22 4th Sunday of Easter	<i>Pr. Jeff Redlin ELW #4</i>
Piano	<i>Jackie Currey</i>
Acolyte	<i>Stara Bell</i>
Ushers/Refreshments	<i>Bell Family Fawn Wyman</i>
Lector	<i>Dianne Coughlin</i>
April 29 5th Sunday of Easter	<i>Pr. Bob Coughlin Service of the Word</i>
Piano	<i>Nancy Murdock</i>
Acolyte	<i>Devyn Sando</i>
Ushers/Refreshments	<i>Mike & Becky Erickson Everett & Bette March</i>
Lector	<i>Misty Redlin</i>
Altar Guild for April	<i>Marcia & Bill Zankowski Julie Hanson</i>
Council for April	<i>Jackie Currey, Derrick Monson & John Gillis</i>



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 Easter Sunday 7:00 a.m. Worship 8 – 9:30 a.m. Potluck Easter Brunch & Egg Hunt 10:00 a.m. Easter Worship	2 Pr. Bob's day off 7:00 p.m. <i>Boy Scouts</i>	3 1:30 p.m. Crossways Bible Study . 6:30 p.m. 7 th Day Prayer 7:00 p.m. Peace Prayer Gp.	4 6:30 a.m. Men's Breakfast 10:00 a.m. Peace Re-Piecers 11:00 a.m. Staff Meeting	5 3:30 p.m. Peacemakers (Grade 4-7) 7:00 p.m. BSF	6 Pr. Jeff's day off	7
8 2nd Sunday of Easter 9:00 a.m. Worship – Dakota Road 10:00 a.m. Coffee and Fellowship 10:30 a.m. Sunday School / Adult Forum 6:00 p.m. Confirmation	9 Pr. Bob's day off 7:00 p.m. <i>Boy Scouts</i>	10 1:30 p.m. Crossways Bible Study . 6:30 p.m. 7 th Day Prayer 7:00 p.m. Peace Prayer Gp. 7:00 p.m. Youth & Ed. Comm.	11 6:30 a.m. Men's Breakfast 10:00 a.m. Peace Re-Piecers 11:00 a.m. Staff Meeting	12 3:30 p.m. Peacemakers (Grade 4-7) 9:30 a.m. Worship Comm. 7:00 p.m. Council 7:00 p.m. BSF	13 Pr. Jeff's day off	14 9:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. 7 th Day Adventist
15 3rd Sunday of Easter 9:00 a.m. Worship – Country Gospel 10:00 a.m. Coffee & Fellowship 10:30 a.m. Sunday School & Adult Forum 6:00 p.m. Confirmation	16 Pr. Bob's day off 7:00 p.m. <i>Boy Scouts</i>	17 1:30 p.m. Crossways Bible Study 6:30 p.m. 7 th Day Prayer 7:00 p.m. Peace Prayer Gp.	18 6:30 a.m. Men's Breakfast 10:00 a.m. Peace Re-Piecers 11:00 a.m. Staff Meeting	19 3:30 P.M. Peacemakers (Grades 4-7) 7:00 p.m. BSF	20 Pr. Jeff's day off	21 9:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. 7 th Day Adventist
22 4th Sunday of Easter 9:00 a.m. Worship – ELW #4 10:00 a.m. Coffee and Fellowship 10:30 a.m. Sunday School, Adult Forum 4:30 p.m. Fork & Spoon 5:30 p.m. Confirmation	23 Pr. Bob's day off 7:00 p.m. <i>Boy Scouts</i> Karlene Out of Office	24 1:30 p.m. Crossways Bible Study 6:30 p.m. 7 th Day Prayer 7:00 p.m. Peace Prayer Gp.	25 6:30 a.m. Men's Breakfast 10:00 a.m. Peace Re-Piecers 11:00 a.m. Staff Meeting	26 9:30 a.m. Worship Comm. 3:30 p.m. Peacemakers (Grade 4-7) 7:00 p.m. BSF	27 Pr. Jeff's day off	28 9:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. 7 th Day Adventist
29 5th Sunday of Easter 9:00 a.m. Worship –Service of the Word 10:00 a.m. Coffee & Fellowship 10:30 a.m. Sunday School 6:00 p.m. Confirmation	30 Pr. Bob's day off 7:00 p.m. <i>Boy Scouts</i> Love, Inc. Plant the Seed Dinner	May 1 1:30 p.m. Crossways Bible Study 6:30 p.m. 7 th Day Prayer 7:00 p.m. Peace Prayer Gp.	2 6:30 a.m. Men's Breakfast 10:00 a.m. Peace Re-Piecers 11:00 a.m. Staff Meeting	3 3:30 p.m. Peacemakers (Grade 4-7) 7:00 p.m. BSF	4 Pr. Jeff's day off	5 9:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. 7 th Day Adventist



If you would like to show your thanks for something in the next newsletter, please fill out a “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.

- ✚ *Thank you to everyone who provided Soup and Bread for our Wednesday evening Lent services and helped with cleanup.*
- ✚ *Thank you to the Peace Re-piecers for setting up for our Soup Suppers.*
- ✚ *Thanks to Jinx Sorensen for taking care of our recycling!*
- ✚ *Thanks to Dianne Coughlin for directing our outstanding choir again and Jackie Currey and Jinx Sorensen for being accompanists.*



May Ministry Team

In April a council member will be calling the following May Ministry Team Members:

Thane & Kim Adams
 Andrew & Tracey Bolich
 Lavern Brusven
 Michael & Michelle Clark
 Paul & Gayle Clifford
 Carl & Candice Donaldson
 Dee Feddes
 Paul & Teresa Flanagan
 Vickie Hamilton
 Michelle & Dustin Hampton
 John & Jennifer Handsaker
 Mike & Lorrie Hansen
 Marilyn Megaard
 Nancy Norberg
 Larry & Diane Oddy
 Stan & Doreen Olean
 Gary & Debbie Porter
 Kyle & Joni Sando
 Trish Severson
 Bruce & Virginia Sorensen
 Daniel & Amanda Swenson
 Jerry & Karlene Swenson
 Jason & Tracy Weathers
 Bill & Marcia Zankowski

BAPTISMS FOR APRIL

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

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| 1 | Bentz Bolich |
| | Samuel Monson |
| 2 | Gayle Clifford |
| | Cynthia Sherman |
| 3 | Tara Lanzendorf |
| 4 | Ethan Campbell |
| | Kyle Campbell |
| | Carol White |
| 5 | Christo Spartus |
| | Sarah Spartus |
| 8 | Gary Porter |
| 9 | Doreen Olean |
| 11 | Ashlyn Swenson |
| 14 | Claire Grassel |
| 15 | Cody Handsaker |
| 16 | Kollen Pipinich |
| 23 | Mathew Mitchell |
| 24 | Raegan Swenson |
| 26 | Zack Sherman |
| 28 | Macey Clark |
| | Matthew Clark |
| 29 | Derrick Monson |

Birthdays & Anniversaries For April

If your birthday or anniversary isn't listed or has the wrong date, please contact the church office so that it can be corrected on the church records.

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| 3 | Ryan Rieger |
| 4 | Kim Adams |
| 6 | Steve Smith |
| 8 | Abigail Ross |
| 9 | Wynne Gillis |
| 10 | Lynn Johnson |
| 12 | Maybelle Larson |
| 13 | Samuel Monson |
| 14 | Tracy Weathers |
| 15 | Colton Koosman |
| 17 | Heather Geiger |
| 19 | Marilyn Megaard |
| 20 | Nancy Murdoch |
| | Stacy Potter |
| 21 | Jerry Swenson |
| | Michael Streich |
| 22 | Curt Hickey |
| | Tom Gruss |
| | L. D. Severson |
| | Aliva Finkbeiner |
| 23 | Kirk Haas |
| | Sarah Monson |
| 26 | Ryder Swenson |
| 27 | Gary & Connie Paulson |
| | Joseph & Kelly Swanson |
| 28 | Gayle Clifford |
| | Riley Cestnick |
| | Cynthia Sherman |
| 29 | Karen Duffey |
| | Stan Olean |
| | Debbie Porter |
| 30 | Gary & Connie Paulson |
| | Vickie Streich |
| | Ashby Miller |

BELGRADE COMMUNITY CHURCH BLOOD DRIVE

**Thursday, April 26 – 12:00 Noon – 6:00 p.m.
Watch for More Information**

Mark your Calendars

May 12 – approx. 2 p.m.

**Lutheran World Relief
Truck will be in the Peace
Lutheran Parking Lot**



**Help with loading will be
needed!**



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If you do not have web access, we will be happy to mail the newsletter to you.

Scriptures for April

April 1 – Easter Sunday

Isaiah 25:6-9

1 Corinth. 15:1-11

Psalms 16

Mark 15:1-8

April 8 – 2nd Sunday of Easter

Acts 4:32-35

1 John 1:1-2:2

Psalms 148

John 20:19-31

April 15 – 3rd Sunday of Easter

Acts 3:11-21

1 John 3:1-7

Psalms 4

Luke 24:36-49

April 22 – 4th Sunday of Easter

Acts 4:1-12

1 John 3:16-24

Psalms 23

John 10:11-18

April 29 – 5th Sunday of Easter

Acts 8:26-40

1 John 4:11-11

Psalms 150

John 15:1-8

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