

Words of Peace

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Peace Lutheran Church

A congregation of Lutheran Congregations in Mission for Christ

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Happy New Year



Giving envelopes are available in the narthex. If you would like giving envelopes and there is not a box with your name on it available please contact Lorrie Hansen (587-3301) or the church office. Please do not use the 2018 envelopes for 2019 – some numbers have been changed. Use only 2019 envelopes.



The Annual Meeting will be held on January 27th. Lunch will be served at 10:15 (No Classes) and the Annual Meeting will follow immediately. The Council will The congregation is asked to bring

provide ham & rolls. The congregation is asked to bring a potluck side dish or dessert.



Dear Peace Lutheran Family,

Happy New Year! I hope you and your families had a delightful Advent and Christmas season.

Whenever we approach the New Year, we hear people talking about new resolutions. Common examples are: "I'm going to the gym more," "I'm going to learn a new skill," "I'm going to volunteer more," and so on.

Nothing is wrong with getting in shape, learning a new skill, volunteering to help good causes, etc. In fact, we should try to set these goals. But what sometimes happens with our resolutions is that we start off with good intentions and perhaps have success in the beginning, but then as the weeks go by, we tend to back off and our "highly motivated" resolutions fizzle out.

When it comes to our faith in Christ, I'm reminded of the words that Jesus spoke to His disciples while He was in the Garden of Gethsemane shortly before His trial and execution. He told them regarding their spiritual walk with Him, "Watch and pray so that you will not fall into temptation. The spirit is willing, but the flesh is weak (Matt.26:41)."

Because our flesh is weak, how do we stay committed in fulfilling our anticipated goals for the New Year? When we put Christ first, being "watchful" or "spiritually-alert" in Him through prayer, worship, and reflecting in His Word, His Spirit will grant us the courage to endure the times we feel like fizzling out and to fulfill our new goals, using those opportunities to grow in our relationships with Christ, with each other, and in making an impact in other peoples' lives for God's eternal kingdom.

Wishing you a blessed 2019, Pr. Andrew Young

Pastor's Page

Dear Peace Family,

Happy New Year!!

One of the things I like to do at the beginning of a New Year, is to start by looking back on the year that has just passed. I find it lends perspective to the year ahead. It also provides a jump start to an 'attitude of gratitude' for the people and things for which I am so richly blessed.

2018 at PLC began with the announcement that our co-pastor and his wife, Jeff and Misty Redlin had decided to make a move away from Montana to Minnesota. I think we all were surprised by the news but certainly understood the draw for them to be closer to family. God provided a place for Jeff to serve part-time as pastor. By June, we said 'good-bye'.

I found myself realizing once again how God has watched over us by providing Jeff at a time that we really needed him and giving the Church Council wisdom to invite him to join our staff. Jeff's experience was invaluable for the years of my, and your, transition into being your pastor. It gave me assurance that God will provide for us again.

With Jeff's impending departure, the leadership of our church soon started the process of searching for a replacement. Several members stepped up to help with the search process. We received applications right away and the committee processed through them diligently until we narrowed it down to invite two candidates to visit and interview with us. Both were excellent candidates. But the congregation agreed on a single one. The selection of Andrew Young as our new Associate Pastor has proven to be a great choice.

Hard-working and skilled members of PLC took charge of sprucing up the parsonage after it had been used as a rental for the past couple years. A lot of TLC went into the work that was done. I was so glad to see Andrew, Amy and the boys arrive in early November! It was wonderful to see many members of our congregation show up to help unload the Young's moving truck.

I also must mention the tremendous help that I received during the months that I had the responsibility as the sole-pastor of our church family. This church is as strong as its members. So many helped in so many ways that I really think we grew as the 'Body of Christ' during those months.

We did see some other beloved church-family members move away this summer, but God has brought us others as we continue in 'Mission for Christ'. Members are giving of their time, talents and treasures to help us become the place of worship and witness that we aim to be.

All this, makes me eager about the future for us all at PLC. We have been blessed in so many ways. I pray that we remain grateful and always vibrant in our fellowship and faith.

May God be with us in 2019. Pr. Bob



January Ministry Teams

January 6	ELW #10	
Feast of the Epiphany		
Piano	Connie Holton	
Acolyte	Blaise Bolich	
Ushers/Lector	Bruce & Jinx Sorensen	
Refreshments	Bruce & Jinx Sorensen	
	Lavern Brusven	
January 13		
Baptism of the Lord	Country Gospel	
Piano	Lorrie Hansen	
Acolyte	Stara Bell	
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Ushers/Lector	Kyle & Joni Sando	
Refreshments	Steve & Tiina Smith	
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T 20	Becky Murray	
January 20	Rhythm & Blues	
2nd Sunday After Epiphany		
Piano	Igalia Cuman	
Fiano	Jackie Currey	
Apolyto		
Acolyte Ushers/Lector	Thane & Kim Adams	
Ushers/Lector	Thane & Kim Adams	
Refreshments	Glyn & Val Ross	
	Gary & Debbie Porter	
January 27		
4th Sunday After Epiphany	Service of the Word	
Piano	Jinx Sorensen	
Acolyte		
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Usher/Lector	Bill & Marcia Zankowski	
	Jerry Swenson	
January Council	Bruce Sorensen	
•	Mike Hansen	
January Altar Guild	Kristy Rieger, Michelle Clark	
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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2 10:00 a.m. Staff Meeting	3	4	9:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. 7th Day Adventist
9:00 a.m. Worship – ELW 10 10:00 a.m. Coffee and Fellowship	7 Pastors day off 5-6 p.m. Food Bank 7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts	8 1:30 p.m. Afternoon Bible Study 7:00 p.m. Mission & Outreach Comm. Mtg 7 p.m 7th Day Prayer Gp.	6:30 a.m. Men's Breakfast 10:00 a.m. Peace Re-Piecers 10:00 a.m. Staff Meeting	9:30 a.m. Worship Comm. 7:00 p.m. Council 7:00 p.m. Bible Book Study	11	11:00 a.m. Turck Memorial Service
13 2nd Sunday After Epiphany 9:00 a.m. Worship – County Gospel 10:00 a.m. Coffee and Fellowship Altar Guild Meeting 7:00 p.m. Choir	14 Pastors day off 5-6 p.m. Food Bank 7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts	1:30 p.m. Afternoon Bible Study 7 p.m 7th Day Prayer Gp.	16 6:30 a.m. Men's Breakfast 10:00 a.m. Peace Re- Piecers 10:00 a.m. Staff Meeting	17 Newsletter Due 7:00 p.m. Bible Book Study	18	9:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. 7th Day Adventist
9:00 a.m. Worship – Rhythm & Blues 10:00 a.m. Coffee & Fellowship 10:30 a.m. Sunday School & Adult Forum 6:00 p.m. Confirmation 7:00 p.m. Choir	21 Pastor A. day off 12N-4 p.m. Clothes Closet 5-6 p.m. Food Bank 7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts	22 1:30 p.m. Afternoon Bible Study 7 p.m 7th Day Prayer Gp.	6:30 a.m. Men's Breakfast 10:00 a.m. Peace Re- Piecers 10:00 a.m. Staff Meeting	24 12N-6 p.m. Blood Drive @ Belgrade Community Church 7:00 p.m. Bible Book Study	25 Pastor Bob day off	9:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. 7th Day Adventist
9:00 a.m. Worship – Service of the Word 10:00 a.m. ANNUAL MEETING 6:00 p.m. Confirmation 7:00 p.m. Choir	28 Pastors day off 5-6 p.m. Food Bank 7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts	1:30 p.m. Afternoon Bible Study 6-9 p.m. Girl Scout Cookie Rally 7 p.m 7th Day Prayer Gp.	30 Happy Birthday Pr. Bob	31		



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.

- Bruce & Virginia Sorensen for letting PLC use their barn on Christmas Eve.
- Deb Durham for supplying communion wine.
- Youth and parents who helped prepare and serve the wonderful Christmas Breakfast!
- Jerry Swenson for purchasing more silverware for the Fellowship Hall.
- Carl Grassel for repairing the South entrance.

February Ministry Team

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

Dennis & Cheryl Bechtold
Shawn & Tina Beckman
Jim & Pam Cook
Phil & Kate Davis
Carl & Katy Grassel
Peggy Hall
Eric & Stacey Larson
Ross & Claudia Leake
Dan & Anthony Madison
Terry & Nancy Schievelbein
Cindy & Zach Sherman
Darin & Jayme Swenson
Derek & Nicky Swenson
Al & Jennifer Trainer
Jessie Watson



For January

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. Office email is PeaceLutheran@Live.com

- 4 Christo Spartas
 Candice Donaldson
- 5 Matthew Clark
- 6 Chuck & Joyce Ludwig
- 7 Brooks Bolich
- 8 Dawson Davis
- 9 Larry & Diane Oddy Jodi Robbins
- 10 Kaiana Smith
- 13 Tim Pipinich Mathew Mitchell
- 14 Ashlyn Swenson
- 17 Michelle & DustinHampton
- 18 Audrey Vitarius Bentz Bolich Randy Geiger Josh Love
- 20 Eric Larson
- 25 Joy Richardson
- 26 John Gillis Jeff Bell Kris Bell
- 27 Shawna Smith
- 30 Pr. Bob Coughlin

JANUARY 24



Make plans now to volunteer at the Red Cross Blood Drawing to be held January 24 at the Belgrade Christian Church from 12 Noon to 6:00 p.m. Help with registration, snacks, or donate much needed blood. Watch for signup sheets in the coming weeks.



PEACE YOUTH NEWS!

Hi all,

I hope you all had a wonderful Christmas and New Years! Here are a few dates to notice...

Sunday, January 20th, 2019: Sunday School starts back up on January 20th. That day, we will join with the adult forum upstairs in the fellowship hall, to hear Martin Haas give a talk and slide show about his part in the ROC Wheelchair distribution done in Uganda last fall. This is a ministry that Peace partners with regularly! Both in benevolence giving, actual wheelchair builds, and mission and distribution trips. I want the youth to be seriously considering going on the ROC distribution to San Carlos, Mexico, in Spring, 2020. (Yes, not this spring, but NEXT spring). This is a great way to get introduced to ROC and what they do. Please plan to attend!

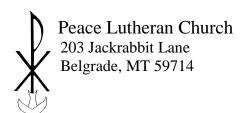
Sunday, January 27th, 2019: NO Sunday School this day. BUT, the Annual Meeting for the church is this day, right after worship. First, all youth are welcome and encouraged to attend. It's good to know some of the details of how the church works, and it is not a secret for adults!!

I am asking for a few (2-3) volunteers who would like to do activities with the little kids, DURING the Annual Meeting. This can be activities, games, crafts, watching a move, etc. If you are interested in this, will you let me know ASAP??

Last, we have talked about having a game night. How about February 1, or February 8th? These are Friday nights. We'll get some pizza, and dive right into some fun rounds of game playing. Friends are welcome!! Pastor Andrew is heading this up.... I hear he is a devoted and **maybe** competitive game player!!!

Please let me know which night is best for you. We'll pick the night when most can attend. (And, we'll have more, so don't worry too much if you miss.)

Blessings!! Val





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

Scriptures for January

January 6 – Feast of the Epiphany

Isaiah 60:1-6 Psalm 72:1-11 Ephesians 3:1-12 Matthew 2:1-12

January 13 – Baptism of our Lord

Isaiah 43:1-7 Psalm 29 Romans 6:1-11 Luke 3:15-22

January 20 – 2nd Sunday after Epiphany

Isaiah 62:1-5 Psalm 128 1 Corinthians 12:1-11 John 2:1-11

January 27 – 3rd Sunday after Epiphany

Nehemiah 8:1-3,5-6,9-10 Psalm 19 (1-6)7-14 1 Corinthians 12:12-31 Luke 4:16-30

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