



Words of Peace

March 2022 Peace Lutheran Church

*A congregation of Lutheran
Congregations in Mission for Christ*

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Lent Begins
Ash Wednesday

March 2

7:00 p.m. Worship
With Communion

*Soup & Bread Suppers
6:15 p.m. beginning March 9
Continuing through April 6*

2022/23 Council

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Pastor Andrew Young

Dear Peace Family,

The grace and faith of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ be with you all.

As we prepare for this coming Lenten season, I'm reminded of one of the most thought-provoking stories that Jesus ever told. [A couple things to keep in mind as Jesus told this story.] First, Jesus was dining with "sinners", and the "holier than thou" religious leaders thumbed their noses at him. They couldn't believe he would dine with such "spiritually unclean" people. Second, when Jesus told this amazing story, he was traveling to Jerusalem to fulfill what Scripture said about the Lord being the, "**Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world** (John 1:29)."

In response to the religious leaders' arrogant attitudes towards Jesus and those who were "spiritually unclean" Dr. Luke records the story that Jesus told about a father's forgiveness for not one but two "lost" sons. Starting with the youngest son (a.k.a., "the rebel") the father says to the eldest son (a.k.a., "the perfectionist") "**My son, the father said, 'you are always with me, and everything I have is yours. But we had to celebrate and be glad, because this brother of yours was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found** (Luke 15:31-32)."

The Dutch artist Rembrandt captured this amazing story in an incredible painting with the youngest son looking ragged and falling into the merciful arms of his father. Meanwhile, standing closely behind, the oldest brother has a look of disgust and bitterness on his face. He can't believe that his father would show such unmerited favor towards his little brother who was wasteful with his father's wealth. With that background, it seems fitting to ask, how would you respond as the father in this story? What about the eldest son? How about the youngest?

Again, I want to repeat what Jesus said to the religious leaders that accomplishes what the eldest and youngest sons needed the most: "**My son, the father said, 'you are always with me, and everything I have is yours. But we had to celebrate and be glad, because this brother of yours was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found** (Luke 15:31-32)."

Everything that King Jesus has--everything that he accomplished for you and me on the cross is ours through Him. His resurrection that guarantees new and abundant life in his heavenly kingdom dwells with us--now and forever. But here's the important thing. If we want to live the new and abundant life that we have in Christ, we need to start by coming humbly and honestly to the merciful and faithful arms of our Heavenly Father like the youngest son did.

Folks, that's what the season of Lent is all about. It reminds us that though we don't deserve the Heavenly Father's abundant wealth (His everlasting kingdom of love, faith, truth, etc.) He came to us through King Jesus to seek and to save the lost, and whether you are a "rebel" or a "perfectionist" the "need" is still the same--God's unmerited favor for you and me.

God bless you this Lenten season.

Pr. Andrew Young



As we enter the season of Lent let's set aside time to remember the love of God that is poured out through Christ Jesus on the cross. Christ's death and resurrection that brings Eternal Life to you.

Ash Wednesday is March 2nd with service at 7pm. March 9th through April 6th we will have soup supper and Lenten Vespers worship. Please join us.

Lenten devotionals are on the table in the Narthex for all ages. As we get closer to holy week I will have countdown activities for the children.

Due to Spring Break we will NOT meet on March 13th or March 20th for Sunday School, Confirmation, Adult Forum or Youth Group.

Sunday School, Confirmation and Adult Forum will have lessons on March 6th and 27th

Youth Group will meet on March 6th from 7-9pm at Peace Lutheran with Pastor Andrew. March 27th from 7-9pm at Peace Lutheran we will put together care packages.

A Place of Grace will meet on Friday March 11th at 9am. This is interdenominational and open to all women. We would love to have you join us and invite your friends. We will have food, fellowship and a testimony of faith. Childcare is provided.

New Member Sunday is March 27th. We are excited to celebrate the new people in our congregation and get to know them better.

I love that our church is growing and offering fellowship and education opportunities. If you have any ideas or God has put a group on your heart that you would like to see started please let me know. I love connecting with all of you.

God Bless,
April Johnson



Worship Schedule



March 6	<i>Sojourners & Pilgrims</i>
Piano	<i>Lorrie Hansen</i>
Greeters	<i>Larry & Char Somers</i>
Refreshments	
Acolyte	<i>Raegan/Ryder Swenson</i>
March 13	<i>Traditional Lenten Worship</i>
Piano	<i>Jinx Sorensen</i>
Greeters	<i>Heather Geiger</i>
Refreshments	<i>Karlene Swenson Sandy Speerstra</i>
Acolyte	
March 20	<i>Special Service</i>
Piano	<i>Jackie Currey</i>
Greeters/Refreshments	<i>Bruce & Jinx Sorensen</i>
March 27	<i>Sojourners & Pilgrims</i>
Piano	<i>Joe Sutton</i>
Greeters	<i>Fawn Wyman</i>
Refreshments	
Acolyte	<i>Tyce Wyman</i>
Council for March	
Altar Guild for March	<i>Jinx Sorensen Rick Moler</i>



2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 7:00 p.m. – Onsies Mtg.	2 6:30 a.m. Men's Breakfast 10:00 a.m. Peace Re-Piecers 7:00 p.m. Ash Wednesday Worship With Communion 6:30 p.m. 7 th Day Prayer	3 7:00 p.m. Church Expansion Mtg.	4 Pastors day off	5 9:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. 7 th Day Adventist
6 1st Sunday in Lent 8:15 a.m. Prayer Warriors 9:00 a.m. Worship – Sojourners & Pilgrims 10:15 a.m. – Coffee & Fellowship 10:30 a.m. – Christian Education Classes 5:30 p.m. – AA 7:00 p.m. – Choir	7 7:00 p.m. Scouts	8	9 6:30 a.m. Men's Breakfast 10:00 a.m. Peace Re-Piecers 6:15 p.m. – Soup & Bread Supper 7:00 p.m. Lenten Vespers 6:30 p.m. 7 th Day Prayer	10 7:00 p.m. Council	11 Pastors day off A Place for Grace 9:00 -11:00 a.m.	12 SPRING AHEAD BEFORE BED DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME BEGINS 9:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. 7 th Day Adventist
13 2nd Sunday in Lent 8:15 a.m. Prayer Warriors 9:00 a.m. Worship – Traditional 10:15 a.m. – Coffee & Fellowship 5:30 p.m. – AA 7:00 p.m. Choir	14 7:00 p.m. Scouts SPRING BREAK	15 9:30 a.m. Worship Comm.	16 6:30 a.m. Men's Breakfast 10:00 a.m. Peace Re-Piecers 6:15 p.m. – Soup & Bread Supper 7:00 p.m. Lenten Vespers 6:30 p.m. 7 th Day Prayer	17 	18 Pastors day off	19 9:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. 7 th Day Adventist
20 3rd Sunday in Lent 8:15 a.m. Prayer Warriors 9:00 a.m. Worship – Special Service 10:15 a.m. – Coffee & Fellowship 5:30 p.m. – AA 7:00 p.m. – Choir	21 7:00 p.m. Scouts	22	23 6:30 a.m. Men's Breakfast 10:00 a.m. Peace Re-Piecers 6:15 p.m. – Soup & Bread Supper 7:00 p.m. Lenten Vespers 6:30 p.m. 7 th Day Prayer	24	25 Pastors day off	26 9:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. 7 th Day Adventist
27 4th Sunday in Lent 8:15 a.m. Prayer Warriors 9:00 a.m. Worship – Sojourners & Pilgrims 10:15 a.m. Prayer Warriors 10:30 a.m. – Christian Educ. Classes 5:30 p.m. – AA 7:00 p.m. Choir Youth Group	28 7:00 p.m. Scouts	29	30 6:30 a.m. Men's Breakfast 10:00 a.m. Peace Re-Piecers 6:15 p.m. – Soup & Bread Supper 7:00 p.m. – Lenten Vespers 6:30 p.m. 7 th Day Prayer	31	Apr. 1 Pastors day off	2



If you would like to show your thanks for something in the next newsletter, please let the office know.

- ✚ *Joe Sutton for serving as council president*
- ✚ *To the new officers who have volunteered to serve our congregation*
- ✚ *The entire church council for their willingness to serve*
- ✚ *Thank you to Pr. John Bent, Debby Young and Jackie Currey for their leadership for the Young Families Bible Study.*

MARCH BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

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

- 2 Peggy Hall
- 3 Dennis Rowe
- 7 Julie Mattson
- 10 Jennifer Handsaker
- 15 Megan Paulson
- 19 Dalton Koosman
- 20 Claudia Leake
- Becky Erickson
- Blaise Bolich
- 23 Zach Sherman
- Thane & Kimberly Adams
- 24 Phillip Winchester
- Amanda Hook
- Stacey Larson
- 25 Kameron Sando
- 26 Kristen Steadman
- 27 Jennifer Trainer
- 29 Udo Akukwe
- 30 Trish Baker
- 31 Valerie Ross



THRIVENT CHOICE DOLLARS
Members who have an account with Thrivent Financial have the option to direct money to Peace Lutheran Church. The deadline is the end of March to do so.

Call 800-847-4836.
Press 1 to direct Choice Dollars.

Ladybug Preschool will be starting early registration for the 2022-23 preschool year very soon. This early registration is open exclusively to Peace Lutheran Church members and current Ladybug Preschool families until April, when open registration for the community begins. Registration forms will be available starting mid-March in the Ladybug Preschool mailbox, located in the entryway across from the elevator and next to the coat rack. Registration is on a first come, first served basis. For more information, please contact Shari Watson at 388-0505, Tina Beckman at 599-3416, or Leslie Bartle at 539-4683.





God's Vision, God's Mission

LCMC NW Gathering and IMPACT Youth Gathering 2022

May 13-14, 2022 ~ Faith Lutheran Church, Great Falls, MT

**Speakers, Missions, Serving Community, Fellowship and Fun!!
\$55/person. Please register with April Johnson by April 11th.**



"Live" Clue Game





EASTER SUNDAY FLOWERS

Please Print and place an X in the appropriate ()'s below:

Name of Donor: _____

() In Memory of _____

Relationship:_____

() In Honor of the Risen Christ

Choice of flower:

\$20 each

() Potted Easter Lily

() Potted Cyclamen

() Potted Begonia

() Potted Daisy Mum

() Will purchase own plant & bring for Easter Service

(Please bring before Saturday.)

Orders are due by April 3. Make checks payable to
PEACE LUTHERAN ALTAR GUILD.

Place this form and money in the box in the narthex.

Please take flowers home after Easter Services.

Call the church at 388-1358 with any questions.

Memorials will be acknowledged in the Easter bulletin.

Thank you



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Scriptures for March

March 6 – 1st Sunday in Lent

Deuteronomy 26:1-11	Psalm 91:1-13
Romans 10:8-13	Luke 4:1-13

March 13 – 2nd Sunday in Lent

Jeremiah 26:8-15	Psalm 4
Philippians 3:17-4:1	Luke 13:31-35

March 20 – 3rd Sunday in Lent

Ezekiel 33:7-20	Psalm 85
1 Corinth. 10:1-13	Luke 13:1-9

March 27 – 4th Sunday in Lent

Isaiah 12:1-6	Psalm 32
2 Corinth. 5:16-21	Luke 15:1-3,11-32

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