

# Words of Peace

May 2025

## Peace Lutheran Church

A congregation of Lutheran Congregations in Mission for Christ

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## **CONGRATULATIONS**

TO OUR

**GRADUATING SENIORS** 

Join us May 4 to Celebrate!

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Dear Peace Lutheran Family,

Christ is risen indeed!

Thank you for joining us in this journey of Christ's resurrection that meets us where we are and gives us His everlasting gift of faith!

We are so grateful that Sue and Martin Haas's son, Allan, shared the Word with us about what God's calling him to do in Uganda. God bless Allan and the "Cleats of Faith" ministry that the Lord is using to lead others to His eternal kingdom. I was encouraged when Allan said, "Don't let the gospel stop with you. Share it with someone else." Such profound words!

Wherever God calls you, Jesus forgives and fills us with His faith to simply share the gospel with someone else. This weekend (May 1-3) we will take part in the LCMC NW District Pastor's gathering at Yellowstone Alliance Adventures.

The theme for this year's gathering is, "What's the Story?" from Romans 5:8, "God demonstrates His own love for us, in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us." Filled with the Holy Spirit who gives you ever spiritual blessing in Christ, I encourage you to simply tell others what Jesus did for you.

On Sunday, May 4<sup>th</sup>, we will be blessed to have Pr. Edward Skutshek from Grace Lutheran Church in Kelowna, BC to share the word with us. Additionally, we will have other LCMC NW District pastors partake in the service—reading Scripture, helping serve communion, etc. I encourage you to meet these ministers and to learn about God's story of love through Christ in the communities they serve in.

Thank you, Peace Lutheran, for your faithfulness to Christ and to His kingdom that has no end.

In Christ,

Pastor Andrew Young



'I am the resurrection and the life. Whoever believes in me, though he die, yet shall he live.' - John 11:25

When all felt hopeless and shattered Jesus performed the greatest miracle this world has ever experienced. And we can live this in our lives daily by remembering what Jesus sacrificed for us. He is our hope and life, turn to him daily for strength in this world.

## **Christian Education**

All classes are from 10:45am to 11:45am

- Sunday School (Pre-K to 7th grade): May 4th is our last day of class.
   Thank you to all my Sunday School teachers! I couldn't do this program without you. I appreciate you all so much.
- I want to give a big thank you to Lynn, Nick, Jinx and Shannon for leading our Children's choir this year. You all have done such a wonderful job with this ministry.
- Confirmation (8th to 10th): Lessons will continue into June. Pr. Andrew will send email updates.
- Adult Forum: The study is: *The Fruit of the Spirit in the Life of Our Savior*. Join them in the prayer room on Sunday.

## A Place for Grace

• May 9th is our last meeting for A Place for Grace. This is open to all women, please join us and bring a friend. Please join us for food, fellowship and a testimony at 9am in the fellowship hall.

## **Palm Sunday and Easter**

• Thank you to everyone that helped with the Holy Week Stations on Palm Sunday and the Easter Egg Hunt and Coffee Bar on Easter. It was such a wonderful 2 weeks of fellowship as we prepared our hearts for the greatest story ever told. He IS Risen!!

## **Camp Scholarships**

• Scholarships are still available for Christian Summer Camps. If your child is attending a Christian camp and you need financial assistance, please reach out to April Johnson or the church office for scholarship details. We want camp to be an opportunity to all children and youth in our congregation.

#### **Vacation Bible School**

- VBS will be July 21st to 24th. Our theme this year is: Live if Out-Discover How To Love Like Jesus.
- Registration is on the website. Ages 4 to 6th grade can attend the program. Teens are welcome to be volunteers. If you have any questions please reach out to me.
- We need lots of volunteers to make this happen so please let me know if you are able to help!

Blessings,

April Johnson - Director of Christian Education



I have told you this so that my joy may be in you and that your joy may be complete.

John 15:11

May has arrived with sunshine *and* rain which makes the spring colors so very vibrant, one of my favorite times of the year! And with the end of school nearing, so is our youth group season. Especially as everyone's schedules begin to change. We have a remarkable group of teens that make up our youth group and they continue to be awesome.

Our Easter coffee bar was a huge success thanks to these kids and all of you who needed coffee and Italian sodas (check out all the new photos on the bulletin board by the elevator). The youth group served 80+ Italian sodas and 40+ lattes! They raised \$503.00 for our youth group. Thank you all for your support for these teenagers. Your support and encouragement continuously motivates our teens to do their best.

This past week our youth group wrote letters to Katie Sorensen and shipped a care package to her while she is serving in Kuwait. We are so thankful for her service and sacrifice for our freedom (God knows freedom isn't free) and because of her willingness to protect our country, our youth are able to learn the Word of God and openly share it with as many others as they can. Katie is a true hero! THANK YOU Katie, from the bottom of our hearts.

We will meet one more time and finish our season with an evening of fun. These kids deserve a celebration because of all of the wonderful things they have done and all the hard work they have put in throughout this season all while continually growing in their faith.

Just as the scripture says above, "I have told you this so that my joy may be in you and that your joy may be complete." (John 15:11) As we enter into the month of May, let us live by God's commands each and every day and experience His true joy.

Respectfully yours,
Joni Sando
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# Worship Schedule



May 4	Rhythm & Blues		
3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Easter			
Piano	Jackie Currey		
Greeters	Vern & Carol Albertson		
Refreshments	Karlene Swenson		
	Joni Sando		
Reader	Joni Sando		
May 11	Melville		
4th Sunday of Easter	Service		
Piano	Jinx Sorensen		
Greeters	Stan & Doreen Olean		
Refreshments	Debby Young		
Reader	Jinx Sorensen		
May 18 5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter	Sola Scriptura		
Piano	Joe Sutton		
Greeters	Zach Rogers-Sherman + One		
Refreshments	Byrd Family		
	Rick Moler		
Reader	Rick Moler		
May 25 6 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter	Service of the Word		
Piano	Connie Holton		
Greeters	Kelsey Stevens		
	+ One		
Refreshments	????		
Reader	Wynne Gillis		
	Joe Sutton/Jinx Sorensen		
Council for May	Nick Sorensen/Fred Haas		
-	Marcia Zankowski		
Altar Guild for May	Char Somers/Nancy Norberg		
•	Michelle Clark		

#### **NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER**



#### **COMMUNITY PRAYER GATHERING**

### **THURSDAY MAY 1, 2025**

**City Hall in Belgrade**, you are welcome for a time of prayer. The event is from noon to 1 PM on the grass in front of the city offices, located at 91 E. Central Ave, Belgrade. What a tremendous opportunity for us to come together in prayer as the Lord's servant James wrote, "*Confess your sins to each other and pray for each* 

other so that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous person is powerful and effective (James 5:16)."

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## **HELP WANTED AT PEACE......**

#### LAWNCARE HELP WANTED

THE SIGN-UP SHEET FOR LAWN MOWING IS ON KARLENE'S OFFICE DOOR.

PLEASE HELP KEEP OUR LAWN GROOMED AND LOOKING GOOD ALL SUMMER.

#### RIDING MOWER PROVIDED!



## PEACE GARDEN WEED WARRIORS

We all love our Peace Gardens, and more help is needed to keep them beautiful.

Come to the gardens
Monday, May 5 at 10 a.m. to
starting raking & cleaning.
(weather permitting)





Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2	<b>3</b> 9:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m 7 <sup>th</sup> Day Adventist
				LCMC District Gathering —		<del>                                     </del>
4 3rd Sunday of Easter	5	6	7	8	9	10
9:00 a.m. Worship – Rhythm & Blues 10:15 a.m. – Coffee & Fellowship 10:30 a.m. – Christian Education Classes			6:30 a.m. Men's Breakfast 10 a.m. Re-Piecers		9 a.m A Place for Grace	9:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m 7 <sup>th</sup> Day Adventist
5:00 p.m. – AA 6:30 p.m. – Youth Group						LWR Truck 2 PN
11 4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter	12	13	14	15	16	17
9:00 a.m. Worship – Melville Service 10:15 a.m.– Coffee & Fellowship 5:00 p.m. – AA	12 Noon – Worship Committee Mtg.		6:30 a.m. Men's Breakfast 10 a.m. Re-Piecers			9:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.r 7 <sup>th</sup> Day Adventist
Happy Mother's Day!			6:30 p.m. – Private Piano Recital			
18 5th Sunday of Easter 9:00 a.m Worship – Sola Scriptura 10:15 a.m. – Coffee & Fellowship 10:30 a.m Altar Guild Meeting 5:00 p.m AA	19	20	21	22	23	24
		<b>6:30 a.m. Men's Breakfast</b> 10 a.m. Re-Piecers			<b>9:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.n</b> 7 <sup>th</sup> Day Adventist	
25 6th Sunday of Easter	26	27	28	29	30	31
9:00 a.m. Worship – Service of the Word 10:15 a.m. – Coffee & Fellowship 5:00 p.m AA	Church office closed  Memorial Day Researcher Those Who		<b>6:30 a.m. Men's Breakfast</b> 10 a.m. Re-Piecers			



## **Birthdays and Anniversaries for May**

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6	Jeanette Hughes
7	Nancy Schievelbein
	Dave & Jeanette Hughes
8	Carol Albertson
9	Tina Beckman
11	Jayme Swenson
12	Fred Haas
	Donna Mellinger
14	Matt Streich
	Colter Handsaker

- Colter Handsaker
  Charleigh Byrd
  Dan Madison
  Anthony Madisor
- Anthony Madison 18 Lori Lanzendorf
- Stan Bolin
  21 Nancy Norberg
  Glyn & Val Ross
  - Glyn & Val Ross All & Jennifer Trainer
- Natilee Johnson
- 27 Lorrie Hansen
- 28 Ken & Kenzie Meyer
- 30 Olivia Lavinder





Zach At Special Olympics



## **EASTER SUNDAY FUN!**







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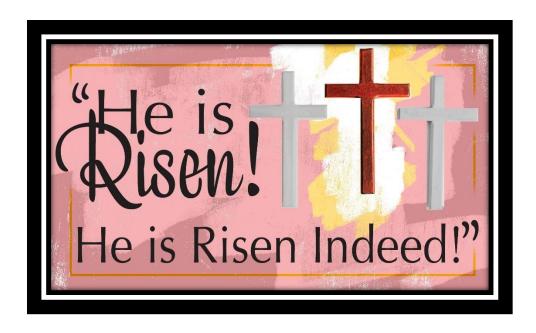
## Our teen baristas working the Peace Lutheran Coffee Bar! What a great day!







Great Job Joni & our Youth!





Nice job Peace Re-Piecers!

100+ Quilts \* 50 School Kits \* 5 Layettes \* Personal Care Kits



Lent & Easter Musicians and Choir Thanks to Lori Lanzendorf for making sure we always have beautiful flowers on the altar. Peace Youth for a wonderful Easter Coffee Bar

Everyone who helped with Holy Week Stations



July 21 - 24

Volunteers Needed.
See
April Johnson.



Christian Education
Teachers- Thank you for
your help this year in
teaching our children,
youth and adults the Word
of God.

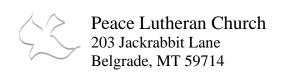
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Jen H
Shannon M
Nick S
Katie S
Lynn L
Amy Y
Megan P
Lindsey F
Bruce S

Tracey B Michelle M Fawn W Devyn S

> Jinx S Jessie W

Rick M

Pr. Andrew



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## **GUEST COPY**

## Scriptures for May

May 4 - Third Sunday of Easter

Acts 9:1-22 Psalm 30 Revelation 5:8-14 John 21:1-14

May 11 – Fourth Sunday of Easter

Acts 20:17-35 Psalm 23 Revelation 7:9-17 John 10:22-30

May 18 – Fifth Sunday of Easter

Acts 11:1-18 Psalm 150 Revelation 21:1-7 John 16:12-22

May 25 – Sixth Sunday of Easter

Acts 16:9-15 Psalm 67 Revelation 21:9-14, 21-27 John 16:23-33 Peace Lutheran Church 203 Jackrabbit Lane Belgrade, MT 59714

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