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Tidings of Peace Newsletter

PEACE WORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES:

- 1. In-person at 8:00 & 10:30 a.m. on Sundays*
- 2. On Facebook (streamed live at 8:00 a.m. and then posted following the service)*
- 3. On Cable Channel 16 at 7:00 p.m. Tuesdays and 9:00 a.m. Wednesdays*
- 4. On YouTube anytime (search for Peace Lutheran Church Baldwin)*

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Join us Sunday mornings!
Worship at 8:00 & 10:30 a.m.
Sunday School & Bible Study at 9:15 a.m.
(September to April)

Lent, the Season of Restoration and Remembering.

As a young person, I had the impression that Lent was a time to recall all the faults and errors of my existence. I had to be certain that I hadn't forgotten anything in order that I might be restored as holy and right before God. I felt I had to do something, fulfill some obligations, cut calories, change my behavior for a mere 40 days, so that I might have some hope of achieving all the rights and privileges as one among God's "chosen." As a matter of fact, if I were able to conceive of some great penitential chore, might I earn even a higher ranking? This Lenten Competition is still a driving force for many Christians. This mindset causes such strife that the opportunity to experience God's mercy and grace is lost to not being good "enough."

Joel 2 ¹³ "Rend your hearts and not your clothing. Return to the Lord your God, for he is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, abounding in steadfast love, and relenting from punishment.

Lent IS a time of restoration. Lent IS a time of remembering. But turning Lent into some sort of competition to prove one's "religiousness" is not and must not be the end goal. This came to light when I spent some time reflecting on the text from Joel and then Luke...

Luke 18 ⁹ He also told this parable to some who trusted in themselves that they were righteous and regarded others with contempt: ¹⁰ "Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. ¹¹ The Pharisee, standing by himself, was praying thus, 'God, I thank you that I am not like other people: thieves, rogues, adulterers, or even like this tax collector. ¹² I fast twice a week; I give a tenth of all my income.' ¹³ But the tax collector, standing far off, would not even lift up his eyes to heaven but was beating his breast and saying, 'God, be merciful to me, a sinner!' ¹⁴ I tell you, this man went down to his home justified rather than the other, for all who exalt themselves will be humbled, but all who humble themselves will be exalted."

Yes, Lent is a time for "spring cleaning." It is not about pulling out the old yearbooks of our sinful existence. By the way, if we did pull out those yearbooks, the pages would be BLANK – because that is what forgiveness does! Note the hymn, "It is Well," especially its tag lines:

My sin, oh the bliss of this glorious thought, **(the thought)**
My sin, not in part, but the whole **(every bit, every bit, all of it)**
Is nailed to the cross, and I bear it no more. **(yes)**
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul!

Clean out the cobwebs of things left undone. Refuel the baptismal flame that we all carry into our interactions with others. Reconnect to the power of unconditional love and forgiveness.

Lent is an individual experience that is best done in a communal setting, not for comparison but for comradery. Lent is continued education for faithful living shared with our neighbor and children. Lent is a joyous recalling of a relationship with our God, who gave us His name and then calls us all by name. Lent is an expression of God's relentless love for us and a time for us to "return to the Lord," recalling that God hasn't and won't abandoned us.

JOIN US FOR OUR SEASON OF RESTORATION AND REMEMBERING. PR JOHN'S PEN

ANNUAL MEETING - February 5, 2023

Call to Order: Following the 10:30 service, Jim Hauschild Jr. called the meeting to order in the sanctuary with a quorum of 25 people.

Adopt Agenda: Moved by Gloria Rasmussen and seconded by Shirley Rode. Carried.

Secretary Report 2022: Moved by Brenda Cronk and seconded by Becky Anderson. Carried.

Call for Election: Nancy Rowe nominated Peder Parizek for President. Gail Possley volunteered for Board of Education and Weston Arndt volunteered for Board of Trustees. Rachel Hanson was nominated for Board of Deacons and Tashia Parizek was nominated for Usher Committee. One Usher Committee position remains open. Moved by Sharon Hauschild and seconded by Peder Parizek to accept board positions. Carried.

Recap of Reports: Pastor John, President Jim Hauschild Jr., Deacons, Director of Sunday School/Board of Education, Stewardship, Trustees, LOGOS, Youth on Fire, Director of Family Ministries, Child Care, His Arms Children's Project, Silent Auction/Visitation Ministry, Guatemala Mission Team, and Women of Peace.

Treasurer's Report: Moved by Peder Parizek and seconded by Julie Hanson. Carried.

Approval of Budget: Moved by Shirley Rode and seconded by Sharon Hauschild. Carried.

Unfinished business: None at this time.

New Business: Moved by Joy Ulrich and seconded by Gloria Rasmussen to accept the Constitution By-law edits. Carried.

Adjourn: Moved by Nerissa Krosnoski and seconded by Shirley Rode. Carried.

Closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted, Brenda Cronk



Women of Peace

WOMEN of PEACE February 9, 2023

The Women of Peace met on Thursday, February 9, 2023, at 1:30 p.m. with five members present. The meeting was called to order by the president, Joanne Melander. The minutes of the January meeting were read. Motion to accept by Shirley Rode, seconded by Joanne. Motion passed.

There was no treasurer's report because Marie Ista was not present.

Bonnie Braymen made a motion that we give quilts to those we had decided on at the last meeting. Seconded by Verla. Motion passed.

Shirley offered to deliver quilts to the following: Doris Hansen, Frieda Erickson, Leona Knutson, Charley Gillis, Dorothy Larson, and to give one to Amy for her mother. Vi will take one to Donna Wilson, Sandy Anderson, and Chris Wangen. Bonnie will take one to Sharon Hauschild's mother.

Motion to adjourn by Shirley, seconded by Vi. Meeting adjourned at 2:00 p.m.

Bonnie led the Bible study on Bathsheba and King David. Pastor John joined us for the discussion and pastries served by Joanne.

Our meeting will be March 9 at 1:30 p.m. with Vi as hostess.

Respectfully submitted by Vi Roquette, Secretary



BOARD of STEWARDSHIP February 12, 2023

Pastor John.

Welcome to Kathy Pankratz who has joined our committee. Thank you, Kathy!! Scott read the monthly devotion. DeeDee agreed to read it the next month, which

Present: Cheri, DeeDee, Scott, Kathy,

will be March 19th. We decided to hold off on our change in executive roles due to two members who were not able to attend this meeting. Pastor John commented that we need to elect a new committee to be in charge of the Endowment Fund. We will discuss this further at our next meeting. We closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted, DeeDee Ashlin



BOARD of DEACONS

February 12, 2023

Present: Josh, Robert, Joy, Rachel
(new member), Wes Arndt, and Sharon.
Council Rep and Deacon Chairman

positions will be shared by Rachel, Nicole, and Sharon.
Pastor John noted to Deacons that on Palm Sunday (April 2nd), the Silent Messenger group will be presenting their program at Peace at both services. Communion will also be served following their program.

It was noted that more and more "young" children are very interested in being involved during communion by

holding the baskets for the empty communion cups. Deacons continue to support them being involved and really wanting to help out and be part of the church service in this way. This piece had previously been handled by confirmation students.

Wes Arndt noted that someone had approached him relative to whether the Deacons were involved at all with any visitation ministry at Comforts of Home in Baldwin? Sharon will discuss with Pastor John and report back at the next meeting.

Next meeting will be Sunday, March 12th at 9:15 a.m.
Meeting closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted, Sharon Hauschild, secretary



BOARD of EDUCATION

February 13, 2023

Members present: Missi, Laurie, Leah, Gail, & Stacy. We welcome Gail to our board and thank Amy Jurgens for her years of service to our board.
Meeting times: We will continue to plan our meetings on the second Monday of each month @ 6:30pm.

Officer Election: Missi will continue on as our President and Stacy will continue on as the Secretary.

Missions: We have joined Pauline and Family Ministries to have one theme per month. February is School Supplies.

Sunday School Bags: Angie was not able to be at the meeting, so we will table for next month.

Council meetings: Missi will attend for February and Laurie will take March.

Student/Parent Activities: Parents' Day at Sunday School – the parents that attended seemed to enjoy it, decided it's something we should do each year.

Valentine's Dance – 23 people attended; thank you to Missi for heading up this event, we had a lot of fun; thanks to Sam for his technical assistance.

Pancake breakfast: Well attended, we ran out of pancakes, made two loaves of French toast and still could have used more. We will keep notes so we know to make more next year. Thank you to Angela Mathison for heading up this event. Thank you to Verla Solberg, and Scott and Audrey Mathison who helped in the kitchen. Thank you to the Gessler family for donating syrup. We raised about \$500.

Lenten Supper: BOE is in charge of the 3/22 meal - We will table until next meeting and re-visit.

Bake Sale: Palm Sunday 4/2/2023. We will discuss more at the next meeting.

End of Year Event: Table until next month.

Next meeting: 3/13 @ 6:30pm.

Respectfully submitted, Stacy Shafer



BOARD of TRUSTEES

February 14, 2023

Call to order: 6:00 p.m. by Jim

Hauschild, Sr.

In Attendance: Jim Hauschild Sr., Dick Ulrich, Jeanette Dahl, Chris Iverson, Weston Arndt, John Hanson, Cristy Peavy. Absent: Cole Tobin

Secretary's Report: As written in the February 2023 newsletter. Motion by Dick, second by Jeanette. Carried.

Treasurer's Report: Cristy reviewed monthly finances. Accounts were reviewed in detail with new trustees. Childcare grants were discussed. Motion by Jeanette, second by Dick. Carried.

Old Business: Discussed the process to create separate entity for Peace Childcare. Expected to be a 9-12 month process. Receiving legal advice. Gutter Guy scheduled visit for 2/15 to look at drain spouts. Rich Carlson and Peder Parizek acquiring materials for security cameras. Sam and Robert have audio/visual equipment on order. Carpet installation has been completed. Discussed roof maintenance needs.

New Business: Wes volunteered to be secretary and Jim Sr. volunteered to be chairperson. Next month meeting is Sunday, March 19th, 9:15 am. The Trustees' responsibility of performing routine books review and random sampling of checks was discussed. Two trustees will be assigned each month to review. The Trustees will schedule a rotation for council representative. (cont.)

Next meeting date: Sunday, March 19th, 9:15 am. Next council representative: Jeanette. Next month's review of books: Weston and Chris.
Motion to adjourn at 7:00 pm by Jeanette, second by Dick.

Closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully Submitted, Weston Arndt



CHURCH COUNCIL February 21, 2023

Call to order: Peder Parizek at 7:00 PM.

Attendance: Leann Huston, Pastor John Hanson, Weston Arndt, Scott Brushaber, Brenda Cronk, Amy Hutchins, Nicole McKone, and Rachel Hanson. Missi Blegen, Nerissa Krosnoski, Becky Anderson, Cole Tobin, and Pauline Wangen joined us via Zoom. Shelley Wynveen and Amy Larson attended as guests.

Adoption of the Agenda: Moved by Leann Huston and seconded by Rachel Hanson. Carried.

Next Meeting - March 21st, 7:00, Leann Huston/Devotions.

Secretary's Report: As printed in the newsletter. Moved by Rachel Hanson and seconded by Leann Huston. Carried.

Treasurer's Report: Submitted with agenda. Moved by Weston Arndt and seconded by Leann Huston to approve Treasurer's report. Moved by Leann Huston and seconded by Weston Arndt to split January benevolence between Nicole McKone and Rachel Hanson to do Polar Plunge for Special Olympics and Shelley Wynveen for a child with Muscular Dystrophy to go to camp. Carried.

Reports: Pastor John Hanson - March 19 and April 16 Pastor John will be gone and there is a need for coverage of services. Ash Wednesday, February 22nd, will be a virtual service with no meal due to weather concerns. Silent Messengers will be presenting their service on Palm Sunday. **Board of Trustees** - Discussed child care

becoming a separate entity. Gutters and roof are a work in progress and looking at next steps forward. Security cameras will be put up in warmer weather. Carpet installation went well. **Board of Stewardship** - Talked about Endowment Fund. **Board of Deacons** - Younger children want to participate in communion and it is encouraged. **Director of Family Ministries/Child Care** - Potluck and games in March and field trip in April for Over 55 group. New bible study starting in March. Child care is working with new Board of Directors. Child care is full for summer and waiting list for fall. They are heading up the spring garage sale. **LOGOS** - Spring program is March 5th. **Board of Education/Director of Sunday School** - Successful Parents Day for Sunday School and Valentine's Dance which they will make annual events. On Palm Sunday, there will be a bake sale. Looking at getting an app set up to communicate with parents and congregation. **Women of Peace** - Passed out a lot of quilts. **Youth on Fire** - Completed 30-hour famine with a lock-in and students presented the service the next day. March 25th is making cinnamon rolls for sale on March 26th. Working on random acts of kindness and have a concert coming up. **Ushers** - No representative. **Old Business:** Endowment Fund has funds to disburse. Transition Committee is putting together a timeline and trying to form a Call Committee in the next three months. **New Business:** Moved by Leann Huston and seconded by Peder Parizek to accept new member Myrt LaCosse. **Adjourn:** 8:00 PM. Moved by Nicole McKone and seconded by Rachel Hanson. Carried.

Respectfully submitted, Brenda Cronk



MARCH & APRIL SCRIP ORDERS

The **March** deadline for ordering Scrip is **Sunday, March 5th**, and the **April** deadline will be **April 2nd**. Orders will be ready for pick up the following **Sundays, March 12th and April 9th**. **Debit/credit cards may be used to pay for scrip orders.** Use the card terminal in the narthex of church (directions are located next to the unit). To place an order, simply complete your order form (blank forms are at the Scrip station in the narthex and on the website) and place it in an envelope along with your **cash, check, or debit/credit card slip**. Place your envelope in either of the church drop boxes. If you have any questions regarding the Scrip program and how easy it is to use, please contact Sharon Hauschild 715-307-2531 (cell). Thank you!



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*Leann Huston is the Youth Director at Peace (lhuston13@yahoo.com or 715-556-2129). ALL youth grades 8 – 12 are invited!!*

*THANK YOU for your help in raising money for World Vision which provides food to the hungry! We were able to raise over \$1500 through your fundraising and the donations received after leading worship.*

**March 25-26: Cinnamon Roll Fundraiser**

\*Saturday – 6pm – 10pm – we will prep rolls and get things ready for Sunday morning

\*Sunday – we will bake and serve the rolls

We will need the help of parents both Saturday night and Sunday.

**April 2: Random Acts of Kindness – time to be determined**

Join us in helping spread joy to others!

**April 21: Elevation Worship is coming to the Target Center! We have tickets and want you to join us! It will be a night of music and fun!**

\*Youth on Fire will cover cost of tickets

\*We will take the bus to the concert

\*Please sign up with Leann as there is a limited number of tickets

**Mission Trip:** I know many of you have asked the dates of our 2023 mission trip. These are tentative but hoping for the week of June 25 – July 1.

*Therefore do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will worry about itself. Each day has enough trouble of its own. Matthew 6:34*

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Pauline Wangen is the Director of Family Ministries
(pauline.wangen@gmail.com or 651-210-5106).

FAMILY
ministry

Blood Pressure Checks – Sunday, March 5

Blood Pressure checks will be offered one Sunday of the month between church services. The next one is **February 5**. Look for signs in the Fellowship Hall.

Monday Night Bible Study - March 6 - April 10, 6:30 pm at church or on Zoom

He Chose the Nails - Max Lucado observes that the last moments leading up to Jesus' death were not left up to chance. God chose the path; he selected the nails. Our Lord planted the trio of crosses and painted the sign. God was never more sovereign than in the details of the death of his Son. And in those details are gifts Christ provided for us. The cross. The thorns. The nails. His seamless robe. The empty tomb.

Over 55 – Tuesday, March 14, 10:00am - 1:00pm

Join us for card games, potluck lunch, and fellowship. Bring a dish to pass.

ONGOING Weekly Ministries at Peace

Rise & (Son)Shine – Thursdays from 7-8:30 a.m. at church. Bible study and exercise. Contact Cheri Rott for more information (cherigary@gmail.com).

Morning Coffee Hour – Thursdays, 9-11 am. Join us on Zoom for coffee, snacks, games, and conversation. Contact Pauline for more information.

TOPS Club (Take Off Pounds Sensibly). Meetings are weekly on Thursdays from 5:15-6:00 pm in the fellowship hall. Anyone that is interested in invited. For more information check out www.tops.org or contact Pauline Wangen.

Adult Bible Study – Saturdays at 9:00 am. In-person or by Zoom. Contact Pauline for log-in information.

CANS and CARTRIDGES - We collect aluminum cans and inkjet and deskjet toner cartridges as fundraisers for the Building Fund. We cannot take laserjet cartridges. Cans can be thrown in the trailer at the north end of the farthest parking lot (**PLEASE THROW THEM IN LOOSE – NO BAGS**) and cartridges can be left in the box in the entry by the office.



Please remember the **Food Pantry**. The “Lord’s Cupboard” is at the north end of the Fellowship Hall. Food may be dropped off anytime the church is open.

Gifts and Memorials

Gifts have been received in memory of Eileen Hutchins, Curt Wilson, Paul & Violet Lamb, Frances Nelson, Paul Jurgens, and Reid Berger.

PASTORAL ACTS

February 25 – Wedding service for Anthony VanSomerén and Sadie LaGessee
February 26 – Baptism for Jax Eldon Helgeson, son of Dillon and Macy Helgeson
February 28 – Funeral service for Daniel Hildebrandt (off-site, non-member)

MARCH Birthdays

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| 1 - Gloria Bonte/Grace Leque | 13 - Leann Huston/Robert Rust/Callie Johnson |
| 2 - Sandy Veenendaal/Brittany Porembo/Taylor Gedatus | 14 - Ronda Helgeson/Nathan Borowicz/Jena Kaiser/Chase Brown |
| 3 - Gracie Kusilek | 15 - Shirley Alwin/Missi Blegen/Alayna Lindus |
| 4 - Caden Vrieze/Hannelore Blegen | 16 - Krista Quinlan/Giada DiBona |
| 5 - Linda Potter/Jane Erickson/Lisa Weiske/Dane Adams/Layne Gedatus | 17 - Katelyn Gustafson/Isaac Meyer/Franki Engler |
| 6 - Lynda Affolter/Katelyn Hanson | 18 - Maci Joslin/Rhett Newton |
| 7 - Laurie Mueller/Brecken Carroll | 19 - Bailey Benson |
| 8 - Lance Jensen/Jaden Werner/Silas Van Damme | 20 - Jamie Haugen |
| 9 - Bill Hanson/Diane Timm/Doreen Russell/Lilly Paulson | 21 - Judy Jensen/Julie Solberg/Ryerson Lindquist |
| 10 - Tom Greenfield/Steven Goossens | 22 - Greg Adams/Danielle Vadnais/Brayden Shafer/Braxton Schoenke |
| 11 - Cloe Shaleen | 23 - Devon Letter/Sophia Serier/Mikael Bergseng |
| 12 - Roza Emmert/Carson Thomason/Nola Miller | 24 - Ray Johnson/Aly Grodevant/Bransen Carroll |
| | 25 - Kandy Meyer/Joseph Wangen |
| | 26 - Abbey Arndt/Hallie Dorwin |
| | 29 - Cheri Rott/Ethan Nigbor |
| | 30 - Don Schumacher/Lillyana Chevrier |
| | 31 - Braeden Paulson |

*** * * BULLETIN BOARD * * ***

THANK YOU - Barb and Paul Ramberg would like to thank the many members of Peace who have given them many good well wishes through cards and in person. They are also thankful that they have been able to attend many services again by receiving rides from Eldon & Jeanette Dahl, Chuck and Joan Ford, and Vi Roquette.

THANK YOU – Leona Knutson would like to say thank you for the beautiful quilt she received from the Women of Peace! She would also like to thank everyone for all the nice cards and calls!

TUESDAY COMMUNITY SUPPER - First Reformed will be serving the TCS from 5 – 6pm on Tuesday, **March 7, in the Fellowship Hall** at Gethsemane. Come and enjoy the company of your friends and neighbors! The TCS is served the first Tuesday of the month at Gethsemane Lutheran Church, 1350 Florence St., Baldwin. This is a free meal open to all in the community that area. Area churches, businesses, and organizations prepare and serve.

LENT SUPPERS and WORSHIP – *Lent started with Ash Wednesday on February 22 and continues through Wednesday, March 29. Each Wednesday during Lent we will be serving simple suppers starting at 5:45 p.m. with worship following at 6:30 p.m. Please join us!*
(Worship takes the place of Wednesday night Confirmation class during Lent).

~~~~~**MIRACLE GROW FOR THE SOUL**~~~~~

*If not me, WHO?  
If not now, WHEN?  
If not here, WHERE?*

*Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, “Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?”  
And I said, “Here am I; send me!” - - - Isaiah 6:8*

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*There are three ways
to ultimate success.*

*The first way
is to be kind.
The second way
is to be kind.
The third way
is to be kind.*

*MISTER
ROGERS'
NEIGHBORHOOD*

*Be kind to one another,
tenderhearted,
forgiving one another,
as God in Christ
has forgiven you.
- - - Ephesians 4:32*

Do you want to fast this Lent?

In the words of Pope Francis...

Fast from:

Hurting words - *and say kind words*

Sadness - *and be filled with gratitude*

Anger - *and be filled with patience*

Pessimism - *and be filled with hope*

Worries - *and have trust in God*

Complaints - *and contemplate simplicity*

Pressure - *and be prayerful*

Bitterness - *and fill your hearts with joy*

Selfishness - *and be compassionate to others*

Grudges - *and be reconciled*

Words - *and be silent so you can listen*

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
March 2023						
			1 LOGOS 5:30 Celebration Singers 5:45 Lenten Supper 6:30 Lenten Worship	2 7:30 Rise/Shine 9:00 Zoom Coffee Hour 5:15 TOPS	3 Confirmation Retreat → 6:00 Craft Night	4 9:00 Bible Study
5 8 & 10:30 Worship 9:15 SS/Bible Study <i>Blood Pressure Cks Scrip orders due</i>	6 6:30 Bible Study	7	8 LOGOS 5:30 Celebration Singers 5:45 Lenten Supper 6:30 Lenten Worship	9 7:30 Rise/Shine 9:00 Zoom Coffee Hour 1:30 WOP/Joy Circle 5:15 TOPS	10	11 9:00 Bible Study
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