

# Peace Notes

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# Celebrate the Reformation!





**At the top:** The Children's Music Ensemble performed with bells and voices, *The B-I-B-L-E*.

**At left:** The Adult Bells and Adult Choir lend their talents to the Reformation Sunday Service

At right: The start-line of the 5K was filled with excitement. Angela Wambua was the overall winner and received a bobble-head Martin Luther.





Professor Karen McKinney will be leading a special forum on November 26 after worship service. Professor McKinny is an associate professor at Bethel University, where her specialty is biblical studies. She focuses on youth ministries and biblical theology, and has a special interest in experimental education, antiracism, and diversity topics. Professor McKinney has also served in mission work in Mexico, Ecuador, Kenya, and Israel.

We look forward to welcoming Professor McKinney to Peace and listening to her forum on November 26!

#### Meet our new Organist- Ellen Hacker!

Hello, Peace! I want to start off by thanking everyone for welcoming me as the new organist & accompanist. I am thrilled to be playing for such a kind, thoughtful, and vibrant community (not to mention the newly refurbished organ is a dream to play!).

I grew up in Massachusetts and moved to Minnesota to attend St. Olaf College. After graduating with a Bachelor's of Music degree in Music Education, I taught middle school orchestra in Madison, WI. Upon relocating back to Minneapolis, I worked for a group travel company based in Monticello. As a Tour Coordinator, I organized the necessary arrangements to provide individualized performance tours for high school, college, and adult music ensembles.

After four years working in the travel industry, I decided to focus all my efforts back onto a musical career. For several years I have enjoyed a fruitful music career in the Twin Cities Metro area. I teach violin & viola in Plymouth and out of my home in South Minneapolis, I conduct three student orchestras in Northfield, and I perform in

local pit orchestras for theaters around the Twin Cities.

After subbing around as a church musician, I am extremely grateful to have found a home with Peace. In making worship music with others, I hear my clearest call to faith and fellowship with God. Thank you, again, for welcoming me into your community. I look forward to our Sundays together.



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### PARISH NURSE NEWS

# What Your Doctor Might Not Have realities of serious illness and aging. Learned in Medical School book is a personal meditation that ch

I hope many of you will attend the forums on Sundays, November 5, 12 and 19<sup>th</sup> after worship. We will have eye-opening discussions about health care, serious illness and the aging process. Atul Gawande, a surgeon and the author of the book, **Being Mortal: Medicine and What Matters in the End**, writes "I learned a lot of things in medical school, but mortality wasn't one of them." Gawande, a Harvard professor with numerous awards for his writing, acknowledges the many triumphs of medicine, but also reveals how medicine can cause suffering and reduced quality of life because of the reluctance to look at the

realities of serious illness and aging. His book is a personal meditation that challenges us to look at what we want for our lives and the lives of our loved ones when illness or frailty cannot be resolved. We'll begin each session with a short video clip from Frontline which featured the book in one of their episodes and then share our thoughts about Dr. Gawande's poignant book.

You don't have to read the book, but be sure to pick up a discussion guide in the gathering area at Peace. Hope to see you there!!

To your health! Sondra

# **Peace Notes** is a monthly newsletter. Deadline for submissions is the 20th of the month.

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Rev. Kjell Ferris Marta Johnson Sondra Weinzierl Chris Bacon Stefanie Fiser Kleven Ellen Hacker Brenna Kyllo & Olivia Akhigbe On Oct. 22, members of Peace and a few confirmation students enjoyed a YOUTF beautiful, Minnesota fall day on Bde Maka Ska, or Lake Calhoun canoeing in 10-person Voyager canoes with trained guides.

A gentle breeze created choppy waters in a few places, but otherwise the journey was smooth sailing. Wildlife including ducks, geese, a loon and muskrat were seen as well as a plethora of fall colors. Starting on Bde Maka Ska, the canoe train made their way from Thomas Beach, through the channel to Lake of the Isles then to the channel connecting to Cedar Lake. There, we made a flotilla and conducted science experiments to determine what the water quality was. Having collected sufficient samples, the flotilla separated and continued—by pod—to Cedar Lake (below right).

Despite the collective of "my arms were so sore!" everyone had a great time and enjoyed the trip. As was said in the water-side worship before the canoes launched—"What a great and wonderful way to give thanks to God for the beauty of nature and fellowship."



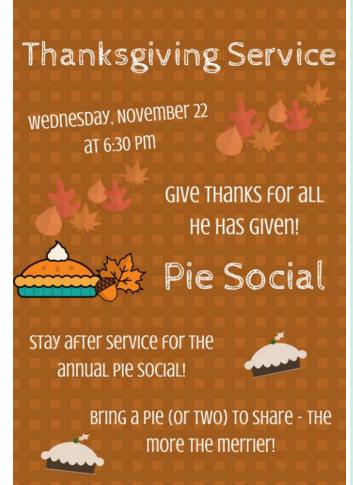


Go Tell It On the Mountain! is the theme for the Peace Women's Christmas Tea on Saturday, December 2 from 3-5 p.m. We are so excited to present "Road to Joy Ministries," a professional duo of singers, speakers and actors for our program this year. Registration is required (deadline is November 26<sup>th</sup>) so be sure to sign up in the gathering space. Invite your friends and family. Bring an item for the Crisis Nursery (you can get a list of items needed when you sign up). There will be delicious tea and goodies and time to relax, visit and be inspired.

Table hosts needed for the Christmas Tea. Would you help us out this year and decorate a table for the tea? You can go "solo" or work with a friend or two. We'd appreciate any help with this and, as you know, it's been great fun to see the creativity of tables. What a perfect time to use those holiday dishes you rarely take out of the cupboard! We'll love whatever you do and be so grateful! Contact Lisa Novak or sign up at the Christmas Tea display for instructions.

# **HOT NEWS**

# November







With special guest, Road to Joy Ministries

Go Tell it on the Mountain

To register for the Women's Tea, sign up in the gathering space



# Professor Karen McKinney Nov. 26

On November 26, Prof. McKinny will assist with worship and present a special forum after service

An associate professor at Bethel University, Professor McKinney will be presenting on topics surrounding diversity, youth ministries and biblical theology.



### AVOIDING SCAMS, FRAUD + CRIME

Thursday, Nov. 16 from 11a-1p Peace Lutheran Church

Register by Nov. 12 by giving a \$5 check to Sondra

# **Events**

# Scams, Fraud and Crime: How to Protect Yourself and Loved Ones

The Plymouth Police will be at Peace on Thursday, November 16 from 11 a.m. -1 p.m. to discuss this critical topic. Did you know that an AARP study found that one in five Americans over the age of 65 has been the victim of a financial scam or fraud? And don't assume it won't happen to you. The scams keep changing; the fraudulent callers keep getting more creative and it's easy to be taken in! Register for this session by picking up a registration form in the gathering space. The cost is \$5/person which includes a light lunch. Make check to Peace and give to Sondra by Sunday, November 12<sup>th</sup>. Invite friends and neighbors!

# Activities

>ROMEO BREAKFAST Monday, Nov. 6; @ 8a; Perkins

>BREWING FAITH Monday, Nov. 6 @ 4:45p Rock Elm Tavern

>QUILTING Thursdays, Nov. 9 & 23 @ 9a

>WOMEN'S BREAKFAST Wednesday, Nov. 15 @ 8a; Panera

>KNITTING & NEEDLEPOINT Thursday, Nov. 16 @ 7p; Panera

>YOGADEVOTION Mondays @ 5:30p Saturdays @ 9a

>PEACEFULL NIGHTS Wednesdays @ 5:30p

>THANKSGIVING EVE SERVICE November 22 @ 6:30p Pie social following

#### **Christmas Pageant Rehearsals**

It's that time of year again—the Christmas Pageant isn't too far away! An intergenerational affair, there is something for everyone. Stay tuned to the bulletin and weekly emails for information regarding parts, rehearsals and more.

#### Girl Scout Bazaar

On November 18, from 10am to 2pm, the Wayzata Girl Scouts will be holding their annual Holiday Bazaar at Peace in the Fellowship Hall. This event is open to Peace and the community at large.

#### Being Mortal: November Forum

On November 5, 12, and 19, the forums will be a discussion on the book *Being Mortal: Medicine and What Matters in the End*. Pick up a copy of the discussion guide and summary at the Info Desk. For more information, contact Sondra at sondra@peaceofplymouth.org.

#### **Professor Karen McKinney Forum**

On November 26, Professor McKinney will be leading a forum discussion around the topics of diversity, youth ministries, and biblical theology.

#### Women's Christmas Tea

The Women's Christmas Tea will be held on December 2; registration ends on November 26th. Enjoy an afternoon of tea and goodies as well as entertainment from *Road to Joy Ministries*!

#### Women of Song

The Women of Song concert, *In the Bleak Midwinter*, will be on Sunday, December 10 at Peace Lutheran Church at 3 pm.

# NOVEMBER 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 All Saints Day 5:30p PeaceFull Nights	2 9a Luther Bible Study	3	4 9a Yogadevotion
5 All Saints Sunday 9a Worship w/ Communion 10a Being Mortal Daylight Savings	6 8a ROMEO's 4:45p Brewing Faith 5:30p Yogadevotion	7 10a Faithfully Fit 12p Staff Meeting 7p Committee Night	8 5:30p PeaceFull Nights	9 9a Quilting 9a Luther Bible Study	10	11 Veterans Day 9a Yogadevotion
9a Worship 10a <i>Being Mortal</i> 10a Second Sunday	13	14 10a Faithfully Fit 12p Staff Meeting 7p Council Meeting	8a Women's Breakfast 5:30p PeaceFull Nights	16 11a Lunch & Learn 7p Knitting & Needlework	17	18 9a Yogadevotion 10a—2p Girl Scouts Bazaar
19 9a Worship w/ Communion 10a <i>Being Mortal</i>	20 Newsletter Due	21 10a Faithfully Fit 12p Staff Meeting	6:30p Thanksgiving Eve Worship/ Pie Social	23 Thanksgiving Office Closed	24	25
26 9a Worship	27 5:30p Yogadevotion	28 12p Staff Meeting	29 9a Newsletter Help 5:30p Peacefull	30		
November	Psalm-a-	day Readings	Nights			

1	Psalm 53	11	Psalm 63	21	PSALM 73
2	PSALM 54	12	PSALM 64	22	PSALM 74
3	PSALM 55	13	PSALM 65	23	PSALM 75
4	PSALM 56	14	PSALM 66	24	PSALM 76
5	PSALM 57	15	PSALM 67	25	PSALM 77
6	PSALM 58	16	Psalm 68	26	PSALM 78
7	PSALM 59	17	PSALM 69	27	PSALM 79

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8 PSALM 60 18 PSALM 70 28 PSALM 80
9 PSALM 61 19 PSALM 71 29 PSALM 81
10 PSALM 62 20 PSALM 72 30 PSALM 82





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# Welcome!

At Peace, people of all ages — children, teens and adults—are a very important part of the faith community. You'll see children in worship, teens serving and families exploring their faith together in Jesus Christ.

Ministries for all ages help people grow in faith, connect in the community and share their strengths by serving others.

#### At Peace, there is a place for you!



#### Adults:

- Men's & Women's Breakfast groups, Brewing Faith, Hope Circle
- YogaDevotion, Faithfully Fit & Health Forums
- Knitting, Quilting, Bundles of Love and Needlepoint groups
- Adult Choir, Celebration Singers & Adult Bells
- Serving, Community Garden & Peace Retreat

#### **Children & Youth:**

- · Sunday School & Nursery
- Confirmation & Youth Group
- Children's Musical Ensemble & Youth Handbells
- Summer Youth Trip & Children's Day Camp
- Intergenerational Bible Buddies

# SUNDAY MORNING

9:00-10:00am—Worship 10:00-11:00am—Fellowship for All Ages



Peace is social!

Find us on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram to stay connected.

Small for our members, big for our community.