



Peace Notes

PEACE LUTHERAN CHURCH OF PLYMOUTH, MINNESOTA

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Summer Camps - 2019

DAY CAMP

Enjoy the first days of summer at Peace's Day Camp, June 10 - 13. Campers will have fun with crafts and games while exploring their faith. Counselors from Camp WAPO will be there to guide them through the week. To register, go to www.peaceofplymouth.org and click on the surfing turtle! Invite your friends - bring your grandkids! There will be a Community Dinner during camp on Wednesday, June 12.

YOUTH CAMP

Going to camp can be a great way for youth to deepen their faith while having an adventure. Slots are filling up for WAPO Youth Camp! Register soon at www.campwapo.org. When registering please indicate that your child is from Peace Lutheran Church.



PEACE RETREAT

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2020 Dominican Republic Mission Information Meeting - Commit by May 19, 2019

Is God calling you to build? To support a community in need? To connect with our neighbors in Christ? Travel with a small group of MN locals to the Dominican Republic to build a new three-bedroom home for a family in a rural mountain community. No construction experience is necessary. For more information, contact Annie Bonow via phone 612-384-4515, or email anniebonow@gmail.com.

Local organizations involved: Peace Lutheran Church of Plymouth, Building without Borders, Servidores Munitales, Lord of Life Lutheran Church of Maple Grove.

Trip Dates: February 1 - February 8, 2020

Estimated Cost: \$700 covers all in-country expenses, \$850 approximate cost for airfare.

Deadline: \$200 deposit and early registration commitments accepted **now through May 19, 2019**. Final registration and all in-country cost payments due by September 15, 2019.

Welcome sabbatical support team!

While Pastor Kjell is on sabbatical, Peace has reached out to area pastors to fill in. Grace Pardun Alworth will be preaching and doing visitations, and she will be assisted by Pastor Lee Yarger and Pastor Jim Parks during communion. We are thankful for their gifts they are offering during the next three months. Read more about them below and welcome them to Peace!

Grace Pardun Alworth

Committed to making the world a more compassionate place, Grace is an empathetic pastoral counselor and guest speaker. She graduated from Luther Seminary in 2012 with a Masters of Arts in Congregation and Community Care. She is now working to complete a MDiv and the steps for ordination in Word & Sacrament in the ELCA.

Grace also thrives as the creative business owner at Studio 2 Ceramics. Daily, she combines her business acumen with artistic creativity and love for teaching through production, education, and outreach opportunities.

Grace lives with her husband, two dogs, two cats, and five chickens in artsy Northeast Minneapolis. She enjoys gardening and baking pies.



Pastor Lee Yarger

Lee is a retired pastor, living in Plymouth, and is a current member of Peace with his wife Jan. Their son Jon is an ordained pastor in Aitkin, MN and has two daughters. Their son Chris, a German and Industrial Tech teacher, was killed in a snowmobile accident on March 19, 2017.

Lee's first call was at Calvary Lutheran Church in Orr, MN. From there he served at Atonement Lutheran Church in Overland Park, KS, Calvary Lutheran Church in Grand Forks, ND, and First Lutheran Church in Minot, ND. He has enjoyed being alternately retired ten times since then.

He enjoys book collecting, the North Country Trail, genealogy, and being married to Jan (54 years!). They have created PowerPoint presentations together on The Life of Christ, The Psalms, and Christianity and Art.



Pastor Jim Parks

Jim is a retired pastor, lives in Plymouth, and is currently a member at St. Barnabas Lutheran on Old Rockford Road.

Since 1970, Jim was at Grace Lutheran in Luvurne, Bethlehem Lutheran in Mankato, and at Our Savior's Lutheran in Chokio. In 1984 he accepted a call to begin a new congregation, Light of Christ Lutheran in Delano. After 10 years at Light of Christ, Jim took special training in chaplaincy and served in senior living homes. Since 2004, he has failed at retirement at least four times. He served as interim pastor

twice at Our Savior's Lutheran in Outing, also at Zion and Holden Lutheran Churches at McGrath. In 2008 he taught English at a Christian high school in Kosice, Slovakia.

Jim and his wife Rose Ann have three children, seven grandchildren and one great-grandchild. They enjoy a cabin on Big Sandy Lake, north of McGregor, Minnesota. Swimming, boating, reading, and play fill their time at the lake. They travel out-of-state a couple times a year, especially going west to the mountains.

Congratulations 2019 High School Graduates!



Brenna Kylo

Brenna is going to the University of Minnesota-Twin Cities and plans for a career in education.



Alyssa Brolin

Alyssa will be attending the University of Missouri. She plans on studying nursing.



Brandon Brolin

Brandon plans on studying Mechanical Engineering at the University of Minnesota, Duluth.



Annika Peterson

This summer Annika will be a nanny for Lindell's. In the fall, she plans on attending Grace Tauring's alma mater, Pacific Lutheran University in Parkland, WA. She plans on studying Musical Theatre and Environmental Studies, singing in the choir, and exploring the Northwest.



Olivia Akhigbe

Olivia will be attending the University of Iowa in the fall. She will be exploring her interests to figure out a major, possibly something in Social Sciences and Humanities.



Madison Stoffel

This summer, Madison will be working as a nanny during the week, and continuing to coach soccer on weekends at Lil Kickers. This fall, Madison will be attending Loyola University in Chicago where she will be pursuing a degree in nursing.

CAPITAL APPEAL UPDATE

Our long awaited new parking lot is scheduled to be completed toward the end of June barring any weather disruptions. We are in the process of acquiring quotes for a new sign on Hwy 101 and are working toward a completion time of Fall - before the snow flies again!

Stay tuned to both the newsletters and bulletins for more information and updates as these projects progress.

Property Committee and Staff



FAITH COMMUNITY NURSE NEWS



Faith Community Nurse Update

By Lisa Novak, Health Ministry Committee

It seems like only yesterday when Peace decided to start a Health Ministry and hired Sondra Weinzierl as our first faith community nurse. Since that fall of 2013 with your wonderful support, we have established a vibrant health ministry program and our nurse has become an integral part of our church family. And now, we must plan for the next chapter. As most of you know, Sondra has decided that the time has come to decrease her hours and have more freedom to travel so she will be leaving her position at Peace. In her words:

"It has been such a great privilege to serve as your Parish Nurse. Over the past five and a half years, I have gone through many changes with you at Peace. I've had the honor of being with many of you during times of illness and grief and have also celebrated many good times with you. You have welcomed both Charlie and I into Peace's family and we will miss you all.

I also know that you will embrace a new Faith Community Nurse with the same support and love you have shown me.

I have accepted a part-time position coordinating the education program for new Faith Community Nurses. This is a wonderful opportunity for me to share my experience to help prepare RNs from across the country to become FCNs and serve many congregations. My new job will allow Charlie and I to travel more as well.

My deepest gratitude to my Peace family!"

Sondra

We are so grateful to Sondra for all she has done for our congregation and we will miss her. It is exciting to know that new faith community nurses will learn from her wealth of experience! Sondra will also help orient our new nurse to the role so while we don't have a specific "last day" identified just yet, when the time comes we will plan a gathering to celebrate the blessing that Sondra has been to us. In the meantime, the gears are in motion to hire a new faith community nurse and the position is being advertised with local faith community nurse groups and on the Peace website. If you know someone who might be interested in this position please have them send their resume to careers@peaceofplymouth.org.

PEACE GARDEN UPDATES

There are big plans for the Peace Garden. Mike Onan is planning on putting in nine more raised beds, which will cover approximately two-thirds of the garden. The other third of the space will be used for composting, and probably a few perennials. Much of the work done last year and this year will not have to be redone. The beds and paths and fence are permanent. The soil looks great this year, and any future soil we may need will come from our own composting.

Peace is also partnering with IOCP for the garden - an IOCP client will be planting and maintaining three or four raised beds and will be able to use the harvest from their beds. Mike will work on the other beds throughout May and the Day Camp campers will help out in early June.

Let's pray for good gardening weather this summer! Stay tuned for more updates.

Peace Notes is a monthly newsletter.

Deadline for submissions is the 20th of the month.

Pastor — Rev. Kjell Ferris

Communication Specialist — Marta Johnson

Faith Community Nurse — Sondra Weinzierl

Office Manager — Chris Bacon

Minister of Music — Stefanie Fiser Kleven

Organist — Anne Phillips

Childcare Specialists — Brenna Kylo & Olivia Akhigbe

MAY

KIDS MUSIC
INFORMANCE

MAY 12
FORUM

After worship
in Fellowship Hall

A circular graphic with musical notes and a treble clef. The notes are arranged in a circular pattern around a central treble clef. The background is a light blue gradient.

Spring
Music Festival

Sunday, May 19
9am



Register for Day Camp! June 10-13

Go to www.peaceofplymouth.org and click on the surfing turtle to see more information and to register.

SPRING
CLEANING

Celebrate Spring with Peace by helping
demo the shed and clean up the yard!

May 5, 2019 after worship

A photograph of a bison standing in a field of tall yellow grass. The bison is facing away from the camera, looking towards the left. The background is a soft-focus landscape with trees and a clear sky.

SUMMER MISSION
TRIP FORUM

Learn more about the
summer mission trip at the
Pine Ridge reservation on
May 19 after worship

Events & Notices

May 5 - Shed Demo & Yard Clean-up

Celebrate spring with a demo & clean-up day! Help demo the shed and clean-up the yard after worship on May 5. Bring your garden clothes and tools! After the demo and clean-up, go to Fire Station 3 in Plymouth (3300 Dunkirk Ln.) for their waffle breakfast! Cost is \$8 at door, \$4 for children under 10 years old. The breakfast is from 8am to 12:30pm.

May 11 - Women of Song Concert

On Saturday, May 11, at 7pm at Peace. Women of Song's concert "Memories of Love" will celebrate mothers and their special place in our hearts.

May 12 - Music Informance

Learn about the importance of music for children by attending a music informance led by the Sunday School children! Join us in the Fellowship Hall to enjoy Second Sunday treats and watch what happens in music class.

May 12 - Pine Ridge Mission Forum

Wayne and Lori Fredrickson will speak about the adult and family mission trip to Pine Ridge Reservation after worship on May 12. There will be some spots open for adults to go on the mission trip. Information on how to apply or how to donate will be provided at the forum.

Activities

>ROMEO BREAKFAST

Monday, May 6 @ 8a; Perkins

>BREWING FAITH

Monday, May 13 @ 4:45p
Rock Elm Tavern

>QUILTING

Thursday, May 9 & 23 @ 9a

>WOMEN'S BREAKFAST

Wednesday, May 15 @ 8a; Panera

>KNITTING & NEEDLEPOINT

Thursday, May 16 @ 7p; Panera

>BUNDLES OF LOVE

Thursday, May 23 @ 3p

>YOGADEVOTION

Mondays @ 5:30p

May 19 - Spring Music Festival

Worship will be filled with music during the Spring Music Festival. Enjoy the gifts of our Beginning Bells, Peace Kids, Adult Bells, and Adult Choir.

May 19 - Power of Play Forum

Stay after worship for a forum led by Melissa Weinhandl on the power of play and use of positive coping skills. All are welcome!

June 2 - Women of Song in worship

Women of Song will share their musical gifts in worship on Sunday, June 2. Come listen and enjoy!

Summer Events & Commitment Dates

Day Camp

Register for Day Camp! Camp details can be found on our website at www.peaceofplymouth.org. Invite your friends - bring your grandkids! There will be a Community Dinner during camp on Wednesday, June 12.

Youth Mission Summer Trip

Peace youth will be going to the Black Hills and Pine Ridge reservation this summer for service, fellowship, and a learning focus. The cost will be approximately \$700 per youth - there will be fundraising opportunities. **Deposit \$150 by May 12 in the church office.**

Intergenerational Mission Summer Trip

Members and families of Peace are encouraged to sign up for the summer mission trip to Pine Ridge reservation in South Dakota. Questions? Come to the forum on May 12 or contact Melissa Weinhandl.

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MAY 2019

Wednesday, May 1
5:30p PeaceFull Nights

Thursday, May 2

Friday, May 3

Saturday, May 4

Sunday, May 5
9a Worship with
Holy Communion
10a Shed Demo &
Yard Clean-up

Monday, May 6
8a ROMEOs
5:30p YogaDevotion

Tuesday, May 7
7p Committee Night

Wednesday, May 8
5:30p PeaceFull Nights

Thursday, May 9
9a Quilting

Friday, May 10

Saturday, May 11

Sunday, May 12
9a Worship with
Holy Communion
10a Music Informance &
Forum

Monday, May 13
4:45p Brewing Faith
5:30p YogaDevotion

Tuesday, May 14
10a Faithfully Fit
12:30p Faith & Hope Circles
7p Council Meeting

Wednesday, May 15
8a Women's Breakfast
5:30p PeaceFull Nights
Last for spring

Thursday, May 16
7p Knitting & Needlework

Friday, May 17

Saturday, May 18

Sunday, May 19
9a Worship with
Holy Communion
10a Forum

Monday, May 20
5:30p YogaDevotion
Newsletter Deadline

Tuesday, May 21
10a Faithfully Fit

Wednesday, May 22

Thursday, May 23
9a Quilting
3p Bundles of Love

Friday, May 24

Saturday, May 25

Sunday, May 26
9a Worship

Monday, May 27
Memorial Day

Tuesday, May 28
10a Faithfully Fit

Wednesday, May 29
9a Newsletter Help

Thursday, May 30

Friday, May 31



MAY 2019						
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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 & Adult Bells
- Serving, Community Garden & Peace Retreat

Children & Youth:

- Sunday School & Nursery
- Confirmation & Youth Group
- Children's Music Ensemble & Youth Handbells
- Summer Youth Trip & Children's Day Camp

SUNDAY MORNING

9:00-10:00am—Worship

10:00-11:00am—Fellowship & Education for All Ages



Peace is social!

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

Welcome. Worship. Service.