

Adult Ministry

9:00 Adult Forum Upcoming Schedule

- May 16th – Update from Church Council with Council President, Doug Berkland

Wednesday Evening Study for Adults – 6:30 PM in the Shalom Room

Jesus lived with the awareness that God is doing something, right here, right now, and anybody can be a part of it. He encouraged his listeners to search, to question, to wrestle with the implications of what he was saying and doing. He inspired, challenged, provoked, comforted, and invited people to be open to God's work in this world. Wherever he went, whatever he did, Jesus started discussions about what matters most, because for Jesus, God is always inviting us to open our eyes and join in. **NOOMA** is a series of short films that explore our world from a perspective of Jesus. **NOOMA** is an invitation to search, question, and join the discussion.

10:10 Adult Forum Family Focus

- May 16th - "Did I Just THINK That?! Glad no one can read your thoughts at times? Even more glad you don't have a cartoon bubble above your head expressing your every thought? Some thoughts are best left unspoken. Learn to pause and keep your cartoon 'thought bubbles' from popping out into words that might hurt those you love.

Youth Ministry

Contact Jaana Bankowski at 361-3683 ext. 37 or email jaana@peacelutheran.com.

Just for YOUth!

Come worship with other youth at Peace! If you are going to be an incoming freshmen or older high school student, join us for Youth Worship Sunday, May 16th, 6-8pm. We start at 6pm-6:30 with an opening gathering and open gym, and then worship begins at 6:30-7:30. Then stay for our closing gathering at 7:30-8pm.

The Pulse at Peace

Parish Nurse: Lara Pesce, RN, 361-3683 ext. 24 or email: lara@peacelutheran.com

A diagnosis of cancer can be devastating

not only for the patient, but for their family as well. If you or your family members have been touched by cancer and are interested in a support group please contact the Parish Nurse.

Continue filling those banks with beverage savings. All monies go to support ELCA world relief. Return full banks to welcome center. Thanks!

*There was an old lady who lived in a shoe
She had such a parking shortage she didn't
know what to do
She bought her neighbor's houses and cut
down some hedges
Then she told her friends she would match
them pledge for pledges
She brought in the bulldozers and poured
some cement
Then she exclaimed, "Oh my parking short-
age – I wonder where it went!"*



PEACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Associate in Ministry: Pat Eidsness

May 15 & 16, 2010 Seventh Sunday of Easter

WELCOME TO PEACE LUTHERAN. We're so glad you chose to worship with us today. We hope you feel welcome as we strive to serve and strengthen each other in faith toward God and in love toward all. Large print bulletins, order of worship bulletins, and hearing devices are available from the ushers.

Theme: It is possible to hear in Jesus' high priestly prayer, a prayer he offered shortly before his death, the petitions of the ascended Lord for his own throughout history—to our day—and beyond. Jesus prays for us. In holy baptism we become believers in God, have our robes washed in the flood of Christ's forgiveness, and receive the gift of life forever with all the saints. *Lessons for today are Acts 16:16-34, Psalm 97, Revelation 22:12-14, 16-17, 20-21, and John 17:20-26.*

Offering last week

General Fund last week: \$13,779.23
Amt. needed per week: \$21,786.34
Budget to date: \$413,940.46
General Fund given to date: \$367,156.39
General Fund expensed to date: \$354,064.03
Dollars needed to meet budget: \$46,784.07
Current Mortgage Fund last week: \$988.50
Current Mortgage Fund to date: \$57,667.28
Capital Campaign Gifts last week: \$2,935.00
Capital Campaign to Date: \$94,398.62
Capital Campaign Matching Funds: \$94,398.62
Giving Jar: \$91.34
Sunday Attendance: 1439
Church Loan Balance: \$1,890,428.83

THIS WEEK AT PEACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

Sunday, 12:45 pm, Youth Worship Rehearsal
6:00 pm, High School Youth Worship

Monday, 12:00 noon, Women's Bible Study
3:30 pm, Peace Meals
5:00 pm, Prayer Ministry

Tuesday, 6:45 am, Men's Breakfast
3:00 pm, Women's Bible Study Leaders
6:30 pm, Prayer Shawl Ministry Team
7:30 pm, Making Sense of Scripture

Wednesday, 6:30 am, Women's Bible Study
12:00 noon, Guy's Group
6:30 pm, Confirmation Planning Team
7:00 pm, High School Youth
7:00 pm, Spirit of Peace
7:15 pm, Senior Choir

Thursday, 9:30 am, Sarah Bible Study
9:30 am, Miriam Bible Study
12:00 noon, Prayer Ministry
2:00 pm, Hannah Bible Study
7:00 pm, Endowment Team

Friday, 9:30 am, Library Cmt.
10:30 am, Friday Morning Bible Study
7:00 pm, VBS Decorating

Saturday, 5:30 pm, Saturday Worship

Sunday, 8:00 & 10:10 am, Traditional Worship
9:00 & 11:20 am, Contemporary Worship

Peace has matching funds to get our parking lot expansion going this year! But we need some help. Five families from Peace Lutheran have established a \$350,000 gift for the Parking Lot Expansion portion of our "Pass It On" campaign! These matching funds will double any donation to the parking lot fund in 2010. Make your "Pass It On" gift count double by giving it *this year*. Envelopes are provided in the bulletin for your use.

Flowers today are given by Gene & Dolores Tjarks in honor of their grandchildren Erik & Christine's birthdays. Flowers are also given by Matt & Jennifer Kuenzi in honor of the anniversary of their son, Noah's baptism.

Parent/Child Conflict WEBINAR. Decrease your frustrating moments by understanding yourself and your child. ParentNet, in cooperation with Sanford Children's, will offer a free webinar on May 18th from 8:30-9:30 pm. Stay home and connect with other parents via computer. For more information or to register, contact Sanford at 333-0698.

Blue Cloud Abbey Retreat June 4-6: Enjoy a relaxing weekend at the Blue Cloud Abbey near Milbank. Get to know other Peace Lutheran members. Share some good learning and discussion led by Pastor Rolf. Experience the simple beauty of worship in a Benedictine monastery. The retreat starts Friday at 5:00 pm and ends after lunch on Sunday. Cost for two nights and six meals is \$100 single or \$180 per couple. Contact Pastor Rolf to sign up. 361-3683 or rolf@peacelutheran.com.

Sarah Circle will again assemble Baby Layettes for Lutheran World Relief. We need good used (or new) baby items. One Baby Layette includes 2 undershirts or onesies, 2 gowns or sleepers, 1 sweater, 2 washcloths, 2 diaper pins, 4 cloth diapers, 2 receiving blankets (flannel squares 36" or 45"), 1 bar of ivory soap (in original wrapping), and \$\$\$ to purchase soap, diapers, etc. Baby items may be left in the "layette" bin located in the coat room area.

Sewing Kits are being assembled for Lutheran World Relief by Hannah Circle. You can help by donating 3 yards of cotton or cotton blend fabric; one package of sewing needles; one spool of matching thread; and one card of buttons (6 or more 1/2 to 5/8 inch). Place these in the drawer marked Sewing Kits in the coat room. Thanks so much.

Photographs: There are a number of photos at the receptionist desk of babies baptized and All Saints people that have never been picked up.

Come celebrate with Eric Hanson & Cate Ganrud on their engagement, on Saturday, May 29th. Open house from 1:00-4:00 pm at Peace Lutheran Church.

The Children's Ministry Team is inviting new members to join us as we dream about programming possibilities for 2010-2011. Come to the Shalom Room on Wednesday, June 2nd at 7:00 pm to be part of the planning process. Parents, teachers, and other interested folks are all invited.

XYZ Potluck: Mark your calendars for our monthly potluck scheduled for Monday, May 24, 2010 from 6:00 to 8:00 pm in the Gathering Place. It is a great opportunity to catch up with folks and enjoy some great food at the same time. Here is the alphabet breakdown for this month: A - M: Main Dish; N - S: Dessert; and T - Z: Salad. FEEL FREE TO BRING ANY DISH TO PASS OF YOUR CHOOSING. Hope to see you there!

DID YOU KNOW that Pentecost, the day of promises fulfilled, is next Sunday, May 23rd? We invite you to wear red to help us celebrate.

The motorcycle ministry at Rejoice! (Cross & Chrome) will begin monthly rides in May with a special memorial ride for Brian Bernhard. This ride is open to everyone whether you ride a motorcycle or drive a car! We will meet in the parking lot of Family Wellness at 11:45 on May 23 for a noon departure to the 2nd Street Diner in Madison, SD. If you would like to attend, please contact DeWayne Larson at dslarson@sio.midco.net so that we know how many to expect.

School Bags for Needy Children: In August WELCA will be assembling school bags again for needy children. Before this can be done, there are several jobs that need to be completed. The bags need to be cut and sewn, and the handles need to be sewn on. In the past years about 100 bags have been sewn, filled and sent out. If you would like to help in this mission, please contact Diane Feller, 335-7878; or Lynn Bethke, 521-9046. This project can be done in your own home in your time. Your help is greatly appreciated.

Worship & Music Ministry

Contact Jackie Bailey, 361-3683 ext. 21 or email jackie@peacelutheran.com.

Music Director positions open for the fall: We will be receiving resumes for the positions of Senior Choir Director & Youth Bells Director over the next few weeks. Job descriptions may be picked up at the Welcome Center or the Music Office. Resumes should be returned to Pastor Paul or Jackie Bailey. Both jobs are 9 month paid positions (September-May).

Men.....we are looking for some of you to help us with very small drama parts for our Summer series – Prophet Sharing. Please contact the music office if you are interested.

The Sioux Falls Choral Institute is a wonderful opportunity for middle school and high school singers this summer at First Lutheran. It runs from July 19th-July 24th and includes mixed choir rehearsals, boys and girls choirs, and 4 elective choices: handbells, team building, beginning piano and group voice lessons. For more information, pick up a brochure at the Welcome Center. You must act fast because the deadline for registration is **Monday, May 17th!**

Worship on Wednesday evenings will begin later this summer and continue on a regular basis year-long. We are excited to offer this opportunity for families who are conflicted by busy weekend schedules. The service will be contemporary in style, family oriented and will feature the same scriptures and sermon as our Sunday services. It will run from 7:05-7:55 (immediately following Sunday School and running in between the 2 Confirmation sessions).

We are looking for new Worship Leaders for Wednesday services. If you are in High School or older and either sing or play piano, drums, guitar or bass, please consider joining this new team. Rehearsal day and time will be decided on by the group. Please contact Jackie in the Music Office if you are interested.

Children's Ministries

Contact Renae Boehmer, 361-3683 ext. 16 or renae@peacelutheran.com

Sunday School Registrations are now being taken for Fall 2010. ALL children must register even if they have been part of the program in the past. Forms are available at the Children's Ministries Office or on the VBS registration table in the Gathering Place. Please note: Limited spaces are available on a first-come, first-serve basis for Wednesday evenings.

Today is the LAST day for a free CD!!! Early bird **VBS registrations** (May 16 and before) receive one free CD per family. Sign up in the Gathering Space or online at www.peacelutheran.com. **High Seas Expedition** is for children ages 6 months through 4th grade and will be held on June 21-24 (Daytime sessions available for infants through preschoolers. Evening sessions available for all ages).

VBS Decorating Extravaganza: If you like to trace, paint, or brainstorm sea adventure decorating ideas, please join us on Friday, May 21 from 7:00 – 10:00 pm in the Art and Preschool rooms. Questions? Contact Renae. See you there!

Plant Seeds of Faith in Family Sunday School TODAY: Join us at 9:00 or 10:10 a.m. in the fellowship hall on Sunday for a whole-family faith-building experience that includes a story, snack, and take-home activity.

Crew Leaders Needed: All hands on deck – and that means YOU! We're looking for a few more adults to share their time with children during VBS on June 21-24. No teaching required – just a warm heart and fun-loving spirit. Contact Sheila Martin at martinfive@sio.midco.net or 271-4917 for more information or to sign up now.