

PEACE PASSAGES

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MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of the people at Peace is to be disciples of Our Lord who grow in grace and use the Word and sacraments to obey His command to make disciples of all nations.

Jesus said: "Because I live, you too shall live!" John 14:19

Dear friends and members of Peace,

Since the corona virus pandemic hit, there have been many events in our lives that have either been canceled, postponed or repurposed some other way. In many of our everyday lives these events include such things as worship services, birthday celebrations, anniversaries, graduations, sporting events, confirmations, graduations, weddings, and even funerals all because of the stay at home orders.

While all these events are important to us many are just a one-time occurrence with no continual impact on our lives. Our young people e.g. graduate from high school or college and then it is over. Families may gather together for a reunion but then it's over. Last year my wife and I spent several months saving and planning for our 6-week winter trip in our camper and it was great; but when we returned at the end of January, it was over.

Most of those things listed above we took for granted as things we would always be able to do or attend. But no more. As I look back, we were not even able to finish out worshipping together during Lent, Holy week and above all Easter; we still have not even worshiped together and communion, while available has been brief.

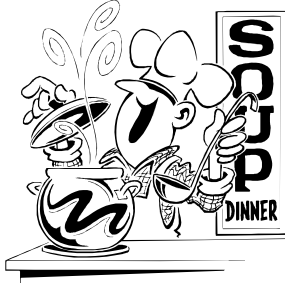
Yet life moves on and we thank the Lord that the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead was one event that continues to have a powerful impact on our life now and when we die. In his letter to the Romans St Paul wrote: "Just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father we too may walk in the newness of life." In spite of the corona virus pandemic we as God's people have the privilege of living new lives because of the resurrection of Jesus Christ. To the Philippians Paul wrote, "That I may know Him (Jesus) and the power of the resurrection."

We can live our life confidently now and, in the days, ahead. As Easter people we are certain of our own victory over death and the grave because of Christ's victory over death. To the Corinthians St Paul wrote, "But thanks be to God Who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ." We can be victorious over sin, death and the power of the devil who only wants to sow the seeds of doubt and fear in our hearts.

Yes, the celebration of Easter has come and gone but we can still shout, "Christ is risen, He is risen indeed. As we move back to having regular worship together and our lives returning to some semblance of normalcy let us never forget the joy of the resurrection. What a Savior! What hope!

God love you all,

Pastor Dan



The “Feeding of the 500 Club” will meet again in September. Have a great summer!

The office hours for June through August are Wednesday and Thursday 8 a.m. – noon.

NEWSLETTER” DEADLINE

Items for the July/August “Newsletter” are due in the church office by noon on Monday, June 15, 2020

June Readers

Pastor will do all the readings for the month of June.

If you would like to be a reader in the future, please notify the office.

If you are a reader and do not feel comfortable at this time, please notify the office as well. Thank you for all your efforts.



Peace Guild

Altar Committee for June

6/1-6/30 Shirley Weckwerth and Karen Neubarth

Kitchen Committee for June

Shirley Weckwerth and Ginny Wisch

USHER/ACOLYTE SCHEDULE FOR JUNE

Elder
Joey Winter

Acolyte

June 7, 2020	The Elders
June 14, 2020	The Elders
June 21, 2020	Leyton Dose
June 28, 2020	Hayden Westphalen

USHERS

June 7, 2020
The Elders

June 14, 2020
The Elders

June 21, 2020
*Dale Wisch Neal Wisch
Chelsea Wisch Hannah Wisch

June 28, 2020
*Pauline Wiemann Mike Westphalen

If you are an usher and do not feel comfortable at this time, please notify the office and we will be sure to take you off the list.

An invitation to rest

Summer calls to mind a slower pace, time off from school and work. But many still face daily demands this time of year: farmers work long hours; teachers may take seasonal work to make ends meet; parents with kids now home all day may catch up on work late at night. Still, may the longer days and warmer weather beckon you into a bit of free time this season. Listen:

“When you take time to replenish your spirit, it allows you to serve others from the overflow. You cannot serve from an empty vessel.” —Eleanor Brownn (public speaker and educator)

“Sometimes it's important to work for that pot of gold. But other times it's essential ... to make sure that your most important decision in the day [is] which color to slide down on the rainbow.” —Douglas Pagels (author)

“Rest time is not waste time; it is economy to gather fresh strength. ... In the long run, we shall do more by sometimes doing less.” —Charles Spurgeon

“Come to me, all you that are weary ... and I will give you rest. ... For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.” —Jesus (Matthew 11:28-30)

A surprising solution

The only solution for being broken is ... brokenness. By brokenness, I mean the acknowledgment of it, the full and unflinching acceptance that we are bankrupt, poor in spirit and have nothing to offer. In our culture, that's a hard sell. ... Brokenness is not trending on Twitter. It's not written on anyone's résumé, and it's no business strategy at all. It is, however, the one hope Jesus holds out for us, the inside-out, upside-down way that is somehow the only path that ultimately is right side up. Embrace the paradox: brokenness is the way to wholeness.

—Kyle Idleman, *The End of Me*



He prayeth best who loveth best
All things, both great and small;
For the dear God who loveth us,
He made and loveth all.

—Samuel Taylor Coleridge

BE IN THE WORD

As part of our continuing Bible emphasis, we encourage you to memorize one Bible passage per week. Listed below are the passages for the month.

June

Matthew 20:28 - The Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.

Proverbs 3:5 - Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding.

Matthew 18:20 - For where two or three come together in my name, there am I with them.

Philippians 1:6 - He who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus

THE LUTHERAN HOUR "The Lutheran Hour" can be heard each Sunday at 6:05 a.m. from WCCO, 830 AM, on your radio and at 12:30 p.m. from KDUZ, 1260 AM, on your radio. Listed below are the topics that will be aired on that date.

June 2020

June 7

"An Undeserved Salute" Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler New Series Sermon on the Mount (Matthew 5:1-16)

June 14

"What You're Getting Into" Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler New Series Sermon on the Mount (Matthew 5)

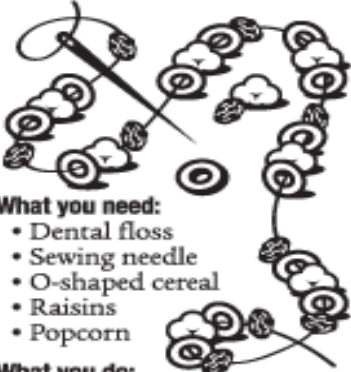
June 21 "TBD" Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler New Series Sermon on the Mount (Matthew 5)

June 28 "TBD" Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler New Series Sermon on the Mount (Matthew 5)

Snack Idea

ROAD TRIP TREAT

Make this snack necklace to enjoy during summer travels.



What you need:

- Dental floss
- Sewing needle
- O-shaped cereal
- Raisins
- Popcorn

What you do:

1. Carefully thread a yard of floss through the needle.
2. String a pattern of cereal, raisins and popcorn on the floss until only 4 inches remain on either end. Tie the two ends together.
3. Repeat to make necklaces for your whole family.
4. When you're ready to eat, simply bite off each "bead." Experiment with other non-perishable foods.

PUZZLE

Wherever we go

No matter where we journey, God always protects us.

Directions: Use the map and compass to answer the clues. Then write the boxed letters in order in the spaces below to complete Psalm 121:8, NIV.

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Start at the SHIP.
Move 1 space N, 3 spaces E, and 2 spaces N _ _ _

Start at the WORLD.
Move 1 space W, 1 space S, and 1 space SE _ _

Start at the SUITCASE.
Move 1 space NE, 2 spaces S, and 1 space E _ _

Start at the PLANE.
Move 2 spaces SW, 1 space S, and 1 space W _ _

Start at the CAR.
Move 1 space E, 1 space N, and 1 space NW _ _ _

Start at the SIGN.
Move 1 space SE, 1 space W, and 2 spaces NW _ _ _ _

The _ ORD will watch ove_ your comi_g and go_ng
both no_ and for_ vermore. Psalm 121:8, NIV

Answers: plane, car, sign, ship, world, suitcase. The LORD will watch over your coming and going both now and forevermore. Psalm 121:8, NIV

June Highlights

Note: The activities and highlights are TBD to follow the guidelines of the government recommendations. Please use caution before attending and if you are unsure if the activity is still being held, please be sure to call first.

June

7	9:00 a.m.	Worship Service
14	9:00 a.m.	Worship Service with Holy Communion-Special Project Offering
21	9:00 a.m.	Worship Service with Holy Communion
28	9:00 a.m.	CONFIRMATION SUNDAY Worship Service with Holy Communion