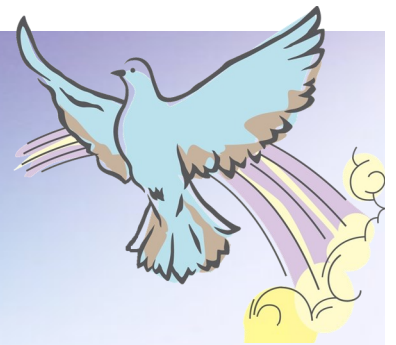


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Happening This Month!

July 2	Call Committee Mtg.	6:30 pm
July 7	Worship	9:00 am
	SS/Bible Study	10:30 am
July 8	Elders Mtg.	9 am
July 9	Council Mtg.	7 pm
July 10	LWML Mtg.	9:30 am
July 14	Worship	9:00 am
	SS/Bible Study	10:30 am
July 16	Voters Mtg.	
	Potluck/Mtg.	5:30/6:30 pm
July 18	Thrivent Dinner/Mtg	6:00 pm
July 20-25	Synodical Convention	
July 21	Worship	9:00 am
	SS/Bible Study	10:30 am
July 22	Newsletter Deadline	9:00 am
July 23	Call Committee Mtg.	6:30 pm
July 28	Worship	9:00 am
	SS/Bible Study	10:30 am

Message from the President

Your Call/Planning Committee has been working diligently for nine months. There were periods where there was little that could be done because we were waiting for information from Circuit, or District, or our own efforts to gather together historical information. During the past seventy-five days we have had twice monthly meetings as all of the information we had been gathering was finally coming together.

We have looked at the demographics of our “service area” and candidly been surprised to find what we have found. We have examined Peace from a historical perspective, and looked at our growth, decline and growth trends. We have learned a great deal about the area we live in and the prospects of that area in the future.

In the coming weeks you are going to receive a “draft” copy of the Call/Planning Committee’s Planning Report. It is our sincere hope that you will take the time to read this report. It is not a novel, it is hard reading. When you have read the report, take the time to make comments and suggestions of things that we missed, or that you think we should take into consideration. Fifty heads are better than five. We are diligently trying to look at our future and determine ways to make it better, and to reach more people with the good news of Our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

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To do that successfully, we have to be a congregation led by a called pastor, that has an understanding of where we are, our strengths, weaknesses, future opportunities and the continuing threats to the organization. Our goal in developing the planning report was to prepare an outline that the congregation could agree on, that would identify, the direction we want to head and what we have to do to be successful.



Please take the time to read the report, and to write down your comments and suggestions and drop them off at the church office. These notes can even be anonymous. We want your input.

The Call/Planning Committee will review and compile these comments and recommendations. Some will be incorporated into the report and the balance will be an attachment to the report.

We have a voters meeting scheduled for July 16th. There will be a potluck dinner before the meeting starting at 5:30 pm and the meeting will start at 6:30 pm. The primary business we hope to conduct at the meeting is a presentation of the final report.

We hope that the voters can accept and approve, or amend and

continued

in the initiatives section of the report at the Voters Meeting.

NewsLetter DEADLINE

The **deadline** for the **August** newsletter is **Mon., July 22** at **9 a.m.** If you have an article you want published, or information you want to get out to the whole congregation, prepare it and send it to plccamdenton@gmail.com. The newsletter is as good as you make it.



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Our Mission

"We the members of Peace Lutheran Church gather and grow together as God's children and rejoice in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, proclaim His word, and reach out with his love to: each other, our community, and the world."

approve the recommendations contained in the initiatives section of the report at the voters meeting.

Please plan to attend the meeting. Next to attending Sunday worship services, this is the most important meeting you will have to attend at Peace Lutheran. The Call/Planning Committee looks forward to seeing you on July 16th.

I would be remiss if I did not mention the passing of one of our Elders and a dear friend. Dale Murrell, child and Saint of God, was called home to glory on June 12, 2019.

In addition to being a good friend for the past twenty years, Dale has served this congregation faithfully. He served as treasurer for two years and as an Elder for thirteen years. Every young child who came to our church left with a toy wooden car or truck or something else Dale had created in his workshop. Most of us have played Pegs and Jokers with one of his boards. I am sure he is spinning one of his stories in heaven as I write this.

Say hi to Judy, Carol, Bob, Howard, Dale, Ray, Marion, Sally, Clifford, Joel, Tom, Ruth, Earlene, Lee, Russ, Jerry, Al, Bob, Don, Lanny, Owen, Zola and all the others that I cannot recall as I sit here. Goodbye good friend, until we see each other again.

Mic Carlson



Thrivent Military Project



Photo by Susan Kral

Pictured above. Back row: Chuck Kral and Mic Carlson are waiting for mailing labels from left Michelle Cooney and Paul Bartels. **Pictured left.** Susan Kral and Janet Bartels prepared boxes for the troops.

In May, Janet and Paul Bartels, Mic Carlson, Susan and Chuck Kral joined forces with Christ the King Thrivent members to put together boxes for our military men and women overseas. A total of 125 boxes were assembled and ready to mail.



Photo by Susan Kral

Bulletin Board



July 2 Hunter Bradford
July 6 Lee Benson
July 7 Mic Carlson
July 8 Donna Bierbaum
July 9 Jeff Hedberg
Wanda Johnston
July 15 Dawn Hedberg
July 16 Chuck Kral
July 18 Carol Murrell
July 20 Vicki Stauch
July 26 Sharon Gilliam
July 28 Tim Carlson

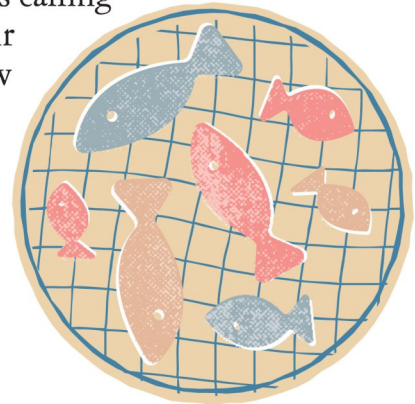


Paul & Janet Bartels (Paul's mother), Lee Benson, Ed Bierbaum, Janet Brandt, Greg & Mary Cordry, Norma Flenker, Sheila Hartenstein, Jeff & Dawn Hedberg (Jan Schneider, Jeff's sister; Janann Hedberg, Jeff's mother; Gene Shellabarger, Dawn's father), Jim Janssen, Chuck Kral, Marge Lankin, Bob Mueller, the family of Dale Murrell, Dick & Barb Ollek, Barb Powell, Mark & Rita Riemann, Russell Schulz, Jerry Schwab, Shirley Truelove, our visitors, those members who recently moved away, those celebrating anniversaries, birthdays, those in the nursing home and care facilities, the peacemakers and protectors and their families, those traveling, and all others who are troubled, lonely, ill or recovering from illness. We pray that our loving God will bless and comfort them.

Bible Quiz

In Luke's account of Jesus calling the first disciples from their work as fishermen to follow him and "fish for people" (NIV), which disciple is not named?

- A. James
- B. John
- C. Simon
- D. Andrew



Last month's Bible quiz answer is B, Acts 2:14ff



July 3 Ed & Donna Bierbaum
July 5 Tom & Carol Croft



The Synodical convention will be held July 20–25 at the Tampa Convention Center in Tampa, Florida.

June 12th Meeting

The meeting was called to order by President Jaccy Heinlein. She opened with a prayer. Susan Kral led a Bible study on "Encouragement".

Roll call was answered by eight members using a Bible verse containing the word encourage or encouragement. We had no visitors.

Jaccy read a letter we received from the Zone Christian Life Chairperson about an article in the Spring 2019 Lutheran Women's Quarterly. The article was "Caring for the Body of Christ". We have been asked to submit a list of "Loving Acts that can contribute to the unity of a congregation". Jaccy will get the list to her.

We are still making hats and afghans, although we have a new group that we will be delivering them to. All our committees are doing a good job turning in the items they are collecting.

Cathie Mueller has spoken to the person in charge of King's Academy on any projects we might be able to help with. Jaccy is going to go through the information and we will decide what to do at our next meeting.

Plans are moving forward on the Fall luncheon and "fashion show" that we are going to host August 22nd. We are still working on the menu.

Our next meeting will be July 10, 2019 at 9:30. The roll call word will be "family".

Our hostesses will be Vicki Lamb and Diana Lane.

All ladies are welcome to join us.

We closed with the Lord's Prayer and the common table prayer.

Vicki Lamb, *secretary*

What's Cooking?



Cranberry Tea

5 quarts water
12 whole cloves
1 quart cranberry juice cocktail
Whole cinnamon sticks (optional)

2 cups sugar
1/2 cup red hots
6 oz. frozen orange juice
6 oz. frozen lemonade

In saucepan, place 1 quart water, 2 cups sugar, 1/2 cup red hots, and 12 whole cloves. Cook until all is dissolved. Let set and strain. Add orange juice and lemonade. Add 4 quarts water and cranberry juice cocktail. Put in coffee maker and serve. Serves 24

Note: You can put cloves, sugar, red hots and cinnamon sticks in basket of coffee maker and all other ingredients in coffee maker and start coffee maker. Saves the boiling and straining step. Also can be made in large pan and then served in a pitcher.

submitted by Carol Murrell



Repairs are being made to the broken waterline. Photo by Mic Carlson



Meet our Church Family Members

Jim and Judy Janssen

— Joined October 18, 1992 —

It is particularly fun to interview church members, because most of us were raised during the 40's, 50's and perhaps into the 60's. The 40's and 50's were a wonderful time to grow up. The census bureau calls our generation (birth years 1925 to 1945) the "silent" generation. The "Boomer's" started in 1946. Excuse the meaningless trivia.

Our interview started off with my being three hours late, although I called and warned the Janssen's.

Jim was born Nov. 19, 1943, and Judy, Dec. 19, 1944. They were both brought up in St. Joseph, Missouri. They attended the same high school, but did not start dating until after they were out of high school. Jim was attending the University of Missouri, and they got married August 29, 1964, just before the beginning of Jim's sophomore year at Mizzou. They honeymooned at Lake Okoboji in Iowa, at Janssen's Resort.

When we were talking about high school I found out Jim was a top student, graduated in the "top six" (top three men and top three women) of his class. I asked him what he did in high school and I would summarize his answer as "studied and worked".

Jim was an accounting major at Mizzou. He flirted with the idea of attending law school and was taking pre-law courses. He said the dreaded 15 hours of foreign language finally got to him during his middle five hours or course work. He studied German and decided it was not his cup of tea, so on to accounting. After graduation he went to work for the IRS, and worked for them his entire working career. He did almost everything during his IRS career, agent, investigations, teaching, appeals and management, and he retired in 1995.

Judy stayed at home with the two children until they were in school, and then she went back to college and graduated with an accounting major at University of Missouri Kansas City in 1978. Judy worked for Variform, Inc., as their controller, until the company was bought out and eventually moved their accounting to New York. Jim said he was able to take numerous business trips with Judy and they got

was bought out and eventually moved their accounting to New York. Jim said he was able to take numerous business trips with Judy and they got to golf at some really nice courses around the country.

I asked them how they came to move to the Lake? They had a small place and were weekenders for several years. They became guest members of Peace in February 1990, when they were meeting at the community center. Our current church was being built and completed in 1992. Jim told me that he used to take vacation time and work for the Laborers for Christ here at Peace. Our congregation had to provide a certain number of hours to partially match the hours provided by Laborers for Christ. When they needed congregational hours he would take a week's vacation, and come down to the lake and work on the church. They became members of Peace, October 18, 1992. I believe Jim is one of perhaps two current members who worked with the Labors for Christ, building Peace.

Jim and Judy were part of the Peace camping group. This group included the Truelove's, Mueller's and Schmidt's (and others I cannot remember). Some of us would stay at a resort in Branson and join them when they were camping there.

They winter in Raymondville, Texas, which they enjoy immensely.

Jim and Judy were avid golfers, and used to belong to the Indian Rock Golf Club on O road. Jim has not been able to play since his stroke, but Judy still plays when she is in Texas. The Texas course is close by, and she can play nine holes and be home quickly.

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During the conversation Jim mentioned he had a stamp collection. I asked to see his stamp collection and they took me back to Jim's office/ stamp collection-business area. Jim buys and sells stamps mainly to stamp retailers. He has plastic storage containers neatly labeled of stamps to sell (yes I said container's). He had three walls of shelving containing his collections. He has US stamps and Canadian stamps. Now I want you to know he has been collecting stamps since he was 18. We spent 10 or 15 minutes looking at and talking about stamps, but I could have spent hours, particularly with Jim explaining the stamps and why this one or that one is unique or of interest.

Jim and Judy have two children.

- Julie and her husband Jeff live in Overland Park, KS. They have five children; David, Kim, Sean, Megan and Kelly.
- Jeff and his wife Casey live in St. Joseph, MO. They have three children; Dayton, Brett and Jax.

Jim and Judy continue to live at 615 Point Charles Rd., Sunrise Beach. You will see them here at Peace most Sunday mornings from May through November.



Servants of God for July

Elder: Bob Mueller

Altar Guild: Janet Bartels

July 7

Organist: Jerry Schwab

Greeters/Coffee Servers: Paula Emery & Rita Riemann

Ushers: Bob Hansen, Paul Bartels, Jeff Emery, Mark Riemann

Counters: Bob Mueller

Flowers: Bob & Penny Jost Hansen in honor of Hunter Bradford's birthday

July 14

Organist: Jerry Schwab

Greeters/Coffee Servers: Jeff & Dawn Hedberg

Ushers: Earl Hartenstein, David Bald, Rodney Schulz

Counters: Bob & Diane Borgmann

Flowers:

July 21

Organist: Jerry Schwab

Greeters/Coffee Servers: Shelia Hartenstein

Ushers: Bob Borgmann, Mic Carlson

Counters: Mic Carlson

Flowers:

July 28

Organist: Jerry Schwab

Greeters/Coffee Servers:

Ushers: Jeff Hedberg, Bob Mueller, Russell Schulz

Counters: Ed & Jaccy Heinlein

Flowers:

July Worship Schedule

July 7 - Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

Liturgy and Creed: Divine Service III, Apostles' Creed

Hymns: 649 (1-3), 803, 650, 649 (4-5)

July 14 - Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

Liturgy and Creed: Divine Service I, Apostles' Creed

Hymns: 537 (1-2), 545, 621, 537 (3-4)

July 21 - Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

Liturgy and Creed: Divine Service I, Apostles' Creed

Hymns: 761 (1-2), 347, 802, 761 (3-4)

July 28 - Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

Liturgy and Creed: Divine Service III, Apostles' Creed

Hymns: 649 (1-2), 464, 878, 649 (3-4)



Everyone His Witness: **LASSIE — “L”** stands for Listen

Last month we briefly mentioned the three ways that people connect and communicate: head, heart, or hands.

“**Head**” people focus on truth, ideas, evaluating, debating points. They are not as concerned about feelings, or practical applications. “**Heart**” people, however, are concerned with feelings, emotion, and focus on hope. “**Hands**” people tend to look at things from a practical standpoint. They focus more on purpose, actions, and doing. When engaging a person it is important to understand how people connect. With this in mind, the starting point in engaging people is by “listening”. That can be difficult as we tend to want to speak instead of listening. But listening shows that we care about them and our desire to form a good, friendly relationship and not out to show how smart we are, or just to make a conquest. And that will put everyone at ease and help facilitate the conversation. Listening will provide insights into that person's worldview and concerns and will reveal if they are a head, heart, or hands person and helps us to get to know them better. Only then can we effectively speak of how Jesus has provided their needs. Listening helps obtain information, understanding, opens us up for learning, and provides enjoyment. Interesting and informative viewpoints, experiences, life lessons, etc. are gained by listening. Without listening we often form inaccurate assumptions that will hinder our witness. So how can one tell if a person is speaking from the head, heart or hands? Ask yourself these questions: Is the person focusing on knowledge and truth or struggling with a concept or idea? Do they need to be intellectually convinced? That would be a “head” person. Is the person sharing feelings about life, faith, God, etc, or expressing a hurt or sense of emptiness? That's speaking from the “heart”. Are they concerned about the need to have a practical positive impact on people, dealing with things like hunger, the homeless, poverty and so forth? That's someone who is a “hands” person. There is much more to say on the subject of listening and will continue next month with guidelines for being an effective listener. Be quick to listen. James 1:18-20.

On the web: Now days everyone needs a good laugh once in a while and Lutheran Satire will fit the bill. Pastor Hans Fiene shows his skill at making his cartoon characters come to life as they discuss (argue) the “Lutheran difference” as opposed to other beliefs and worldviews. A great teaching tool with lots of funny stuff and it's on YouTube. Go to YouTube.com and type 'Lutheran Satire' in the search bar and choose from the list and prepare to laugh while you learn.



FAITHFUL STEWARDS

Whenever the topic of stewardship and giving comes up, the conversation inevitably turns to the question: “How much should I give?” Answers will vary because the motive behind such questions also vary.

Sometimes the motive behind asking this question is for self-justification. Even though, as Lutherans, we know we are not saved by our works but by grace through faith because of Jesus’ substitutionary atonement, the natural religion of fallen man is to earn God’s favor by what we do.

Take, for example, the response of our Lord to the rich young ruler who asked, “What must I do to inherit eternal life?” Jesus first tells him to keep the commandments. The rich young ruler responds by indicating that all this he has kept from his youth. But Jesus tells him that he lacks one thing: He must sell all he has and give it to the poor and then follow Him.

This rich young ruler went away sad because he was quite wealthy and could not part with his possessions. Here we see that those who seek to justify themselves by their giving will hear a response that intensifies the duty that God places upon them. Indeed, they will hear a response that makes it impossible to win God’s favor by their works.

But to those who genuinely desire to know their duty as Christians in the arena of giving, we look to the Bible for our answer. We believe the Bible is the Word of God. And we know that the Word of God has been “breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, that the man of God may be complete, equipped for every good work” (2 Tim. 3:16–17).

So, we begin to answer the question, “What should I give?” with the question, “What does the Bible say about how much we should give and to whom?”

The Old Testament is explicit. The expectation is that the people of God would give a tithe – 10 percent – of the first fruits of their labor to support the full-time ministry of the Levites. This is what the Lord gave Moses to teach the people:

“You shall tithe all the yield of your seed that comes from the field year by year. And before the Lord your God, in the place that he will choose, to make his name dwell there, you shall eat the tithe of your grain, of your wine, and of your oil, and the firstborn of your herd and flock, that you may learn to fear the Lord your God always.

“And if the way is too long for you, so that you are not able to carry the tithe, when the Lord your God blesses you, because the place is too far from you, which the Lord your God chooses, to set his name there, then you shall turn it into money and bind up the money in your hand and go to the place that the Lord your God chooses and spend the money for whatever you desire – oxen or sheep or wine or strong drink, whatever your appetite craves.

“And you shall eat there before the Lord your God and rejoice, you and your household. And you shall not neglect the Levite who is within your towns, for he has no portion or inheritance with you.

“At the end of every three years you shall bring out all the tithe of your produce in the same year and lay it up within your towns. And the Levite, because he has no portion or inheritance with you, and the sojourner, the fatherless, and the widow, who are within your towns, shall come and eat and be filled, that the Lord your God may bless you in all the work of your hands that you do.” (Deut. 14:22–29)

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We are to give to the church regularly (1 Cor. 16:1–2), proportionally (1 Cor. 16:1–2; 2 Cor. 8:12), and generously (2 Cor. 8:20) of our first fruits (1 Cor. 16:1–2; Gen. 4:4; Prov. 3:9; Lev. 27:30) with a spirit of eagerness (2 Cor. 9:2), earnestness (2 Cor. 8:7), cheerfulness (2 Cor. 9:7), and love (2 Cor. 8:23). And all of this is because the “Lord has ordained that those who preach the Gospel should make their living by the Gospel” (1 Cor. 9:14), just as the Levites did.

This is our New Testament standard. Since Christ became poor for us in order to make us rich in Him – blessing us with the riches of heaven – so we have also been so blessed to follow the example of our Lord and Savior and give of ourselves and the work of our hands to bless others with the same.

If we have been lax in this, let us, like our Lord, who for the joy set before Him endured the cross and scorned its shame, likewise begin to work toward this goal of regular giving of a generous proportion of the first fruits of God’s giving to us.

And let us do so not begrudgingly, but for the joy set before us – with a spirit of eagerness, cheerfulness, and love – to share the blessings of God with those placed into our care.

from the lcms.org website



June 11 Council Meeting

Vice President Jeff Emery called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM. Russell Schultz opened with prayer.

The following board members were present: Mic Carlson, Jeff Emery, Susan Kral, Rita Riemann, Vicki Stauch, Russell Schultz, Bob Mueller, Diane Borgmann, Dawn Hedberg, and Bob Borgmann. Absent: Penny Jost and Chuck Kral.

The minutes from the May 14, 2019 meeting were approved.

Financial Secretary: Vicki Stauch presented her report. She stated that giving is down about \$2,700.00 from this time last year. The report was accepted and approved.

Treasurer: Rita presented her report. Deposits for May totaled \$5,798.60. The report was accepted and approved.

Elders: Bob Mueller reported that the elders will meet tomorrow. (June 12) His report was accepted and approved.

Ushers: Bob Borgmann reported that the carillon bells were struck by lightning and are not playing on a regular schedule. Mic will contact the church's insurance company. Bob's report was accepted and approved.

Member at Large: No report

Trustees: Chuck Kral submitted a written report.

- Jeff Emery has assisted with mowing. He mowed on May 14, May 25, and June 8.
- Chuck met with Jess's Well Service on June 15. Chuck mowed, sprayed weeds on both sides of the cemetery fence, and used the weed eater where needed.
- **May 22:** Jess's Well Service repaired the water line from the well to the church. He added chemical and graded dirt. The cemetery water line was checked.
- **May 29:** Chuck mowed the back half of the cemetery and in front of the church to the highway.
- **May 30:** Jess's Well Service replaced the water filter on the holding tank and installed a shutoff valve on the tank. He took a water sample for testing.
- **May 30:** Chuck sprayed weeds around the cemetery headstones and in other places.
- **June 3:** A notice was received from McDuffey Labs that the well water analysis is satisfactory.
- **June 10:** Chuck called Gas Co Propane. They will charge \$1.239 per gallon. Last year's cost was \$1.30.
- **June 11:** Chuck mowed, trimmed branches and did weed eating in the front of the church.
- The smoker was sold for \$50.00. His report was accepted and approved.

Education: Vacant

Evangelism: Russell Schultz reported that he completed the evangelism class. He received a certificate for ad placement in the "Lake Sun." He plans to use it for the

Evangelism: Russell Schultz reported that he completed the evangelism class. He received a certificate for ad placement in the "Lake Sun." He plans to use it for the July 4th weekend. He passed around a sample of a tray favor that we could consider making for hospital trays. Russell's report was accepted and approved.

Stewardship: Diane Borgmann has begun work on updating church directories. The report was accepted and approved.

Cemetery: Diane Borgmann reported that she and Chuck will place the tool shed near the cemetery when time permits. The report was accepted and approved.

Pastor: Vacant.

Old Business:

- Our excess cash has not yet been put into a CD or into LCEF. Mic will endeavor to get that done.
- The Cemetery Perpetuity Application is not completed. Diane Borgmann will assist in doing the paperwork. It will be done when time is available.
- Five Peace members attended the Thrivent work session at Christ the King. 125 care packages for deployed American military were put together. A pizza party followed.
- The call committee continues to meet twice monthly. Progress is being made.

New Business:

- A copy of a **draft** of the Peace Lutheran Church planning report will be distributed to the congregation on Sunday, June 23. Comments and suggested changes need to be in the church office by July 7. Committee members will review congregation input and will distribute those after the July 14th service. Two members of the Call/Planning Committee will attend a seminar on large and small church cooperative efforts on August 16 and 17 in Springfield, MO.
- The committee continues working on the Plus One Initiative with Pastor Klaustermeier.
- Pastoral coverage is assigned through September.
- The upswing in attendance was short lived. Our recent average is about 45.
- Mic extended a thank you to all who are working to keep Peace Lutheran functioning properly.

The meeting was adjourned and Russell closed with prayer.

Respectfully submitted,
Susan Kral, *Secretary*