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# February 2025 Peacepipe

## Peaceful Ponderings...

### 10 Fun Facts about Pastor Sheila Rawn in no particular order:

- 1) I have two kids - Eren is a sophomore at Hamline in St Paul, MN and Jacob is a junior at Harborside Academy in Kenosha
- 2) I'm allergic to cats and dogs so our pets are reptiles - a leopard gecko named Tappy (short for Tapioca) and a yellow ball python named Lemondrop (who is also at Hamline)
- 3) I served St Michael's, Hustisford, WI (2008-2012) and St Mary's, Kenosha (2012-2020) and have been doing short term and interim work ever since including: All Saints, Fox Lake, IL; St Matthew's, Wauwatosa, WI; St Luke's, Greendale, WI; MPLC, aka the Space-ship Church, Mt Pleasant, WI
- 4) The coolest pulpit supply job I ever got was at an Episcopalian church-St Columba's Pa'aulo, HI. For a month my kids and I stayed in the 3 bedroom oceanview parsonage and drove the church's car in exchange for preaching and presiding on Sundays. It was a highlight of my "Self Funded Sabbatical Summer" (intentional unemployment).
- 5) I am from Libertyville, IL and my parents still live in my childhood home. My sister and her family just moved from Chicago to Vernon Hills, IL so I get down there often.
- 6) In 2023 I graduated from 22nd Grade with a MA in Clinical Mental Health Counseling and work as an LPC-IT at ACS (<https://advanceclinicalservices.com/>) I am working to collect the 3,000 hours needed for my LPC and only have about 1620 more hours to go! I am pleased to report we don't have a waiting list and get people in quickly but you should know people who have known me as Pastor Sheila can't be my clients, even after I leave. But I have wonderful colleagues and you can recommend me to friends.
- 7) I will be Mrs. Peacock in the Lakeside Player's rendition of Clue! at the Rhode Theater in Kenosha. One of my lines is "I go to church every Sunday!" After years of wanting to try out but not being able fit it into my schedule, I auditioned and was cast as Mrs Mayor in Seussical the Musical and talked my Jacob into doing the next one together-Greek Mythology Olympiaganza. I had never been on stage before and I love it!

8) One of the best places for me to “write” my sermons is in the lap swim pool at the Kenosha YMCA. I like to read the text just before getting in the pool and try to swim until I have a good idea of where the sermon will go. Some sermons require multiple days of swimming. It’s an indoor pool but it has been far too cold for me to want to swim lately but I hope to get back to it when it gets a bit warmer.

9) I love to sing. One of my joys in interim ministry is having the time to join the church choir! I have sung in the soprano section at my last 3 churches and have already talked to Kerry about joining the soprano section the next time you sing.

10) I love to play boardgames and I am always blue. During the pandemic my kids and I made sure to play a game together every single day - sometimes it was something short like Uno but we also played a lot of long games. Currently we are playing a lot of Catan.

## Mid-Day Women’s Gathering

The Mid-Day Women’s Gathering will meet on Wednesday February 12<sup>th</sup> at 11:30a.m. in the Peace Fellowship hall. Bring your own lunch and beverage, dessert will be provided. Sue Koch will host.

## Salt Shaker Meal

Bev Stobber will host a Salt Shaker gathering Sunday February 16<sup>th</sup> at 12:30 pm at her home—547 Rose Ann Drive, Burlington. Watch for a sign-up sheet in the Church narthex for menu and other info.

## Bible Study

The Thursday morning Bible Study Group will meet at 9 am on February 13 & 27. Contact Jean Weichmann 262-763-3329 or Bev Stobber 262-210-9249 with questions.

## TLC Giving Baskets

The requested items for the TLC Giving Baskets are: Cereal, instant mashed potatoes, cake/brownie mix, frosting and rice/pasta. Canned items: fruit, vegetables, soup, spaghetti, and tuna. Peanut butter, jelly, mac & cheese, snacks, crackers, pudding and Jello cups.





## Financial Report

	Deposits	Expenses	Difference
<b>December 2024</b>	\$11,616.00	\$4,589.41	\$7,026.59
<b>Year to Date</b>	\$95,170.08	\$84,294.58	\$10,875.50

Thank you for your continued generosity!

## Worship Assistants for February

Date	Council Person in Charge	Lector	Communion Assistant	Fellowship Snacks	Counter
<b>Feb 2</b>	Bev Stobber	Bev Stobber	Bev Stobber		Sharon Ryd
<b>Feb 9</b>	Elaine Sherry	Janet McGinty	Janet McGinty		Janet McGinty
<b>Feb 16</b>	John Monsen	Renee Knapton	Renee Knapton		John Monsen
<b>Feb 23</b>	Sean McGinty	Sharon Ryd	Elsie Goulding		Sharon Ryd

## February Birthdays

February 21—Rich Mueller



## 2024-2025 Church Council Members

President --- Marilyn Hart  
Vice-President --- John Monsen

Secretary --- Bev Stobber  
Treasurer --- Sean McGinty

Nurturing the Faith (Worship) --- Elaine Sherry  
Nurturing the Faith (Education) --- Chris Monsen  
Growing Relationships --- Renee Knapton  
Inviting People In --- Elsie Goulding  
Caring for the Community --- Elsie Goulding  
Property --- open

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## Peace Lights and Peacepipe Deadline Dates

Please have all information and/or articles emailed to [peacelca@gmail.com](mailto:peacelca@gmail.com) by the following dates and times:

- Peace Lights information for the bulletin emailed by Tuesdays at 5:00 pm
- Peacepipe articles by the 3rd Saturday of the month

**\*\*Peacepipe articles for March are due Saturday, February 15.**



## Growing Relationships

Contact Renee Knapton by phone at 262-492-0718 or by e-mail at [reneeknapton@gmail.com](mailto:reneeknapton@gmail.com) with any joys, sorrows, prayer requests, etc. that you wish shared with fellow members.

## Burlington Senior Center

Burlington Senior Activity Center is open for active Seniors. Hours of operation are Monday through Friday from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm. There is BINGO on Tuesdays at 10:30 am and Strength and Flex on Thursdays at 1:30 pm.

BSAC provides a variety of activities, services, and opportunities for Western Racine, Western Kenosha, Eastern Walworth County, and other visiting Seniors. Come to the Burlington Senior Activity Center (BSAC) to meet old friends and make new friends. Some friends play card games like Bridge, Euchre, Hand & Foot, Pinochle, and Sheepshead. Others play Bunco and Mexican Train Dominoes. Throughout the year, there are opportunities to join 50+ Sports to play Bowling, Pickle Ball, Softball, or Volley Ball. BSAC offers a Jam Session, an in-house Library, Meals on Wheels, and more. For information, call 262-716-0329.

## Church Council Meeting

The next Council Meeting will be Sunday, February 9 at 10:00 a.m.

## PEACE LUTHERAN CHURCH Church Council Meeting, December 8, 2024

Council Members Present: Elsie Goulding, Marilyn Hart, Sean McGinty, R. Knapton, Chris Monsen, John Monsen, Elaine Sherry, Bev Stobber.

The meeting was called to order at 10:14 a.m. by President M. Hart

**Opening Prayer:** Led by C. Monsen

**Additions to Agenda:** Council member in charge under Vice-president report.

**Approval of agenda:** Motion by B. Stobber, seconded by J. Monsen to approve the agenda as amended. Motion carried.

**Pastor's Report:** None

**Secretary's Report (Bev Stobber)** Motion by C. Monsen, seconded by J. Monsen to accept the November council meeting minutes as presented. Motion carried. Motion by J. Monsen, seconded by R. Knapton to accept the Congregational Budget meeting minutes as presented. Motion carried.

**Treasurer's Report (Sean McGinty)** Deposits for the month of November were \$8432.62. Expenses were \$4622.90. The net balance for the month is \$3045.10. Motion by R. Knapton, seconded by E., to accept the treasurer's report as presented. Motion carried. It was noted that the Synod benevolence budgeted for 2024 had not been paid. This will be done.

**Nurturing the Faith – Worship (Elaine Sherry):** The poinsettias have been ordered. Christmas undecorating at church will be done January 5<sup>th</sup> after service. A worship committee meeting will be scheduled for January 25<sup>th</sup> or February 1<sup>st</sup>.

**Nurturing the Faith – Education (C. Monsen):** New books were added to the children's activity bags. Viewing of the Chosen will continue into January.

**Growing Relationships (Renee Knapton):** The sign-up sheets have been posted for the after service social hour and for possible monthly get-togethers.

**Caring for the Community (Elsie Goulding):** The TLC Christmas gifts were delivered. Our sponsor support of "Santa's Chalet" has been posted.

**Property Report – Open.** Contacted Batzer and made arrangements to get rodent poison for the 2 sheds. Will monitor. Tractor and building winterization have been done. I am still waiting for Granite Ridge to send an adjusted proposal for snow removal and proof of insurance. Will reach out again.

**Vice-President's Report (John Monsen):** A sign-up sheet for the Council member in charge was circulated and will be posted.

**President's Report (Marilyn Hart):** Prepared agenda for council meeting. Kept council members informed through email regarding current issues. Submitted Peaceful Ponderings for the PeacePipe. Communicated with Pastor Carol with a few last-minute thoughts. Forwarded email from Christina Rowntree to Pastor Carol regarding her wedding.

**New Business:** Discussed options for replacing the old copier. Motion by S. McGinty, seconded by C. Monsen to accept proposal to trade old copier with credit to new comparable copier with a 5 year lease to own at a cost of \$121.58 /month. Motion carried.

Nicole Farmer has expressed the desire to become a member of Peace Lutheran. Motion by C. Monsen, seconded by R. Knapton to accept her into membership. Motion carried.

The next meeting is scheduled for January 19, 2025

**Motion to adjourn made by R. Knapton, seconded by E. Goulding.** Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:06 a.m. **The meeting closed with the Lord's Prayer**

Respectfully submitted,

Beverly Stobber, Council Secretary

## Fun Days to Celebrate in February!

February 1—National Dark Chocolate Day

February 2—Groundhog Day

February 3—National Golden Retriever Day

February 4—USO Day

February 5—World Nutella Day

February 6—Pay a Compliment Day

February 7—National Bubble Gum Day

February 8—National Kite Flying Day

February 9—World Marriage Day

February 10—National Umbrella Day

February 11—National Inventors' Day

February 12—Abraham Lincoln's Birthday

February 13—World Radio Day

February 14—*Valentine's Day*

February 15—Susan B. Anthony Day

February 16—Do a Grouch a Favor Day

February 17—Presidents' Day

February 18—National Drink Wine Day

February 19—National Chocolate Mint Day

February 20—National Love Your Pet Day

February 21—National Caregivers Day

February 22—World Thinking Day

February 23—National Banana Bread Day

February 24—National Tortilla Chip Day

February 25—National Clam Chowder Day

February 26—Tell a Fairy Tale Day

February 27—International Polar Bear Day

February 28—National Public Sleeping Day

## Sunday Worship Live Stream

If you are unable to join us Sunday mornings at 9:00, join our live stream worship here:

**<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81030134191>.**

For listening to the service over your phone, dial (312) 626-6799,  
Meeting ID #810 3013 4191 and wait to be let into the meeting.

We also upload our Worship Service to our website for a later viewing option.

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