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May 2026 Peacepipe

Peaceful Ponderings...

Pastoral Ponderings

So much to think about this month. This is a bit of a hodgepodge!

Spring may actually be happening. It has seemed indecisive as well as soggy, but flowers are blossoming and everything is turning green. Spring and Easter are seasons of hope - of renewal and rebirth. Thanks be to God!

Our 50th Anniversary celebration is beginning! An extended celebration makes a lot of sense. We begin with the "pre-story" - remember how it is that this congregation came about. A group of faithful Christians, committed to the belief that leadership in a community of faith must be open to gifts of both men and women, felt called to develop a congregation where all were welcome to lead. From those beginnings, Peace grew. As others joined, the story expanded. Together these faithful people sought to love God, love each other, and love the community. Thanks be to God!

Anniversaries are times of remembering and looking back to the big picture - the larger narrative. From this perspective, we can remember both the good times and the difficult times. We can better see God's presence over the years: sometimes challenging us, sometimes healing, and always loving. Thanks be to God!

Mother's Day is another aspect of spring. Although not officially an anniversary, it is a time when we look back and remember. Looking back can be both celebratory and difficult. Perhaps it is important to go back to basics: give thanks to God for all those who have nurtured us and helped us grow, give thanks to God for the opportunity to nurture and help others grow, and look to the one whose love is deeper than anything to guide us. Thanks be to God!

All this - anniversaries and Mother's Day - is not just about the past. God continues to walk with us in this journey. May we never lose sight of God's grace, love, and compassion. May we always respond with joy to God's call to be grace, love and compassion in this time and place. Thanks be to God!

Peace,

Pastor Carol

May 2026 Peacepipe



Celebrating 50 Years of Ministry

This year marks a very special milestone—our 50th Anniversary! As we look back on five decades of faith, fellowship and community we are reaching out to the people whose presence and contributions over the years helped shape who we are today. If you have any contact information for past members, please forward their information to Janet McGinty so we can personally invite them to all our festivities.

We have planned a series of events to commemorate this milestone. At each, we will highlight the specific period in parenthesis.

Sunday, May 31, 9am Celebratory Worship Service (1975-1976)

Sunday, June 28, 9am Worship (1976-1986) and Ice Cream Social 10:30am-12pm. Please RSVP by June 7.

Sunday, May 31, 9am Kick Off Anniversary Worship Service – featuring 1975-1976

Sunday, June 28, 9am Celebratory Worship (1976-1986) and Ice Cream Social 10:30am-12pm. Please RSVP by June 7.

Sunday, July 26, 9am Worship, (1986-1996) and Picnic 10:30am-12pm, RSVP July 5.

Sunday, August 30, 9am Worship with Community Speakers (1996-2006)

Sunday, September 27, 9am Worship (2006-2016)

Monday, September 28 - Community Meal served **11:30-1pm and 4-5:30pm** at Peace.

Sunday, October 25, 9am Worship with Affirmation of Baptism (2016-2026) and Family Potluck 10:30am-12pm. Please RSVP by October 4.

Sunday, November 15, 9am Anniversary Celebration Worship and Reception

Giving...

TLC... For May we will be collecting cleaning supplies; bleach, detergent, etc.. In June, healthy snacks; pudding/jello cups, soup, mac & cheese, etc.

Life Choices... We will be collecting diapers of all sizes, but especially smaller sizes.

Hebrews 13:16 Don't forget to do good and to share what you have because God is pleased with these kinds of sacrifices.

Thursday Morning Bible Study...

This group will be meeting every other Thursday morning at 9:30 am in the narthex. May dates are 5/14, and 5/28. All are welcome to join in!



Pot-Luck Salad Supper ...

You are invited to the 23rd Annual Women of Peace Pot-Luck Salad Supper Thursday May 14th, 6 pm, in the Peace fellowship hall.

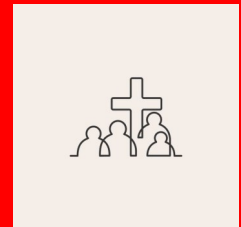
Our guest, David Ebley, the theme, music.

Bring a salad dish to pass, bring a friend, and enjoy an evening of good food and good fellowship.



Growing Relationships...

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



Pastor Carol's Office Hours...

Pastor Carol will be in the office from 9 am - noon every Wednesday in May except May 6.

Drop in and say "Hi" during those hours!

If you need to reach Pastor any other time feel free to call (262) 900-8212.





Financial Report

	Deposits	Expenses	Difference
March 2026	\$ 8,515.00	\$ 6,752.75	\$ 1,762.25
Year to Date	\$ 30,015.04	\$ 24,147.48	\$ 5,867.56

Thank you for your continued generosity!

Worship Assistants for May

Date	Council Person in Charge	Lector	Communion Assistant	Fellowship Snacks	Counter
May 3	Bev Stobber	Sharon Ryd	Janet McGinty	Elaine Sherry	Kent Zahn
May 10	Open	John Jeunnette	Elsie Goulding	Janet McGinty	Janet McGinty
May 17	Chris Monsen	Kent Zahn	Renee Knapton	Open	John Monsen
May 24	Sharon Ryd	Ken Christensen	Ken Christensen	Open	Sharon Ryd
May 31	Renee Knapton	Bev Stobber	Bev Stobber	Knaptons & Stobber	John Monsen

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May Birthdays

Renee Knapton—May 5

Linda Myers—May 26



Peace Lights and Peacepipe Deadline Dates...

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

- Peace Lights information for the bulletin emailed by Tuesdays at 5:00 pm
- Peacepipe articles for June are due on Saturday, May 16.



2025-2026 Church Council Members

President --- Marilyn Hart

Secretary --- Sharon Ryd

Vice-President --- Ken Christensen

Treasurer --- Sean McGinty

Nurturing the Faith (Worship) --- Bev Stobber

Nurturing the Faith (Education) --- Chris Monsen

Growing Relationships --- Renee Knapton

Inviting People In --- Carol Chaffee

Caring for the Community --- Carol Chaffee

Property --- open

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.

<https://peacelutheranburlington.org/>



PEACE LUTHERAN CHURCH
Church Council Meeting, March 8, 2026

Council Members Present: Carol Chaffee, Ken Christensen, Marilyn Hart, Pastor Carol Jeunnette, Renee Knapton, Sean McGinty, Chris Monsen, Sharon Ryd, Bev Stobber.

The meeting was called to order at 10:19 a.m. by President M. Hart

Opening Prayer: Led by C. Monsen

Additions to Agenda : New Business: Sending delegates to Synod May 29-30

Approval of agenda : Motion by B. Stobber, seconded R. Knapton to approve the agenda as amended. Motion carried.

Pastor's Report:

- Pastoral Care - this group hasn't been used in a while so could use a refresher, but Pastor also noted that we tend to naturally care for our congregation.
- Would like a small group of people that could go along to participate in communion with Rich.
- "The Screwtape Letters" didn't work for Lent, but perhaps can be used as a book study.

Secretary's Report (Sharon Ryd): Motion by C. Chaffee, seconded by S. McGinty, to accept the minutes of the February 8th council meeting. Motion carried.

- Sharon will be on vacation May 13-20 and needs coverage for church secretary responsibilities. Renee will monitor emails, Marilyn will check voice mails, and Bev will handle incoming regular mail.
- Sharon will begin preparing the Annual Congregational meeting on June 7. Will need to get reports from council members by 5/20 to have the report ready to email to the congregation by May 31.

Treasurer's Report (Sean McGinty): Deposits for the month of February were \$7253.00. Expenses were \$8591.20 (which included the \$1780 correction for payroll taxes. The net balance for the month is a negative \$1338.20. It was brought up that it might be better to give to the Synod quarterly, rather than all at the end of the year. Motion by R. Knapton seconded by S. Ryd, to accept the February treasurer's report as presented. Motion carried.

Nurturing the Faith – Worship (Bev Stobber):

- Lenten soup lunches & devotional times have begun.
- Easter flower chart has been posted.
- Palms have been ordered.
- Readers for Passion narrative for Palm Sunday have been selected.

Faith Nurturing – Education (Chris Monsen): None

- Christian Nationalism class has begun & will continue until Easter.
- Ideas for later-Death & Dying (SOULL), C.S. Lewis' "Screwtape Letters".

Growing Relationships (Renee Knapton):

- Renee has been working to get information regarding immigration/ICE issues in our area.
- Changed out banners as needed & keep candles charged.
- Working with others on 50th Anniversary plans.

PEACE LUTHERAN CHURCH
Church Council Meeting, March 8, 2026, continued

Caring for the Community – (Carol Chaffee):

- Delivered 2 more packs to the library. There is a very large need.
- Senior center sincerely appreciated items delivered.
- Currently collecting newspapers for Salvation Army.
- May - cleaning supplies for TLC, June - healthy snacks.
- Pine Brook would love Easter cards for residents that never receive mail. Carol will deliver April 1.
- In July we will have a diaper drive for Life Choices.

Inviting Folks In – (Carol Chaffee):

- Birthday & thanks for visiting with us cards were sent.

Property Report – Open :

- Working with pest control to eliminate mice problem in kitchen.
- Monitored snow removal and heat in the building.

Vice-President’s Report (Ken Christensen):

- Working on candidates to fill new council positions.

President’s Report (Marilyn Hart):

- Prep work done for council meeting.

Unfinished Business:

- Plans continue for 50th Anniversary events. Discussed online picture directory & printed contact list.

New Business:

- Carol presented a detailed outline of how we can evaluate our ministry together next month. We should also look at notes from our Council retreat last fall to add more areas of discussion. Pastor also had some ideas to discuss and will send everyone a copy of her outline, and also ideas were discussed at the council retreat last fall, including the fact that our church will not be around forever.
- June 14 coverage for Pastor - Sharon will lead worship, Marilyn will preach. Supply pastor is set for June 21.
- Bev will cover the mid-day devotional on March 18.
- Pastor will still be able to cover worship the Sundays before and after her continuing education week (3/16-3/20).
- Synod Assembly-think about if anyone is interested in attending. We can have 2 delegates.

The next meeting is scheduled for April 12, 2026

Motion to adjourn made by B. Stobber, seconded by R. Knapton. Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:38 am.

The meeting closed with the Lord’s Prayer

Respectfully submitted,
Sharon Ryd Council secretary

