



Peace Presbyterian Church - Elkhorn, Nebraska

June 2019



From the Pastor's Pen-

A Future and A Hope: Moving toward our future together.

"See, I am doing a new thing! Now it springs up; do you not perceive it?" (Isaiah 43:19)

I have a poster on the wall in my study here at church with this scripture verse from Isaiah. It is a One Great Hour of Sharing poster that is nearly 20 years old. A very thin child is reaching up toward the heavens and the widespread wings of a dove. There is always something new, always hope, always a future for God's children through our faithfulness.

We were so blessed on May 12th to celebrate the graduation of six of our high school youth this year: Grant Fritsch, Cade Hopkins, Julia King, Nate King, Alexa Marshall, and Sarah Oran. As they shared their future plans with us, we all felt pride and hopefulness for them and for our world. Placing those quilts of love in their arms reminded us of the everlasting arms of Jesus' love that wraps around and will follow them wherever they journey next.

On Sunday, May 19th, we remembered our past and looked forward to our future as a church as we gave thanks for the 30th Anniversary of Peace Church (and what would have been the 140th of Waterloo Presbyterian Church). Many of our members have deep roots from Waterloo to Peace to what we hope will be Christ's Church here in this place for generations yet to come. It took an act of faithfulness by the congregation of the Waterloo Church to see the new thing that was springing forth when they closed Waterloo and moved to this location. Their commitment to fund and build this new church was a testimony to the listening and looking for God's new vision and call to them as a new church development.

Do you see the new thing that God is doing here at Peace today? The future is always in the Lord's site-line. We have the promise that new things will spring forth through us and our faith as his followers. We see new children being born and baptized and raised in this church. We see new members being added. We see new opportunities to serve our community and those in need.

The question is: Do you see yourself in their lives; serving them; being committed to Peace church and our ministry? How are you directly engaging the new children and their families; our new members; each other; our community and its needs? What are you doing directly to support the ministries of the church?

God is doing a new thing, always. Are you? Are you showing Jesus that you love him enough to follow where and how he calls you to serve in his Church? God promises to put new wine into new "skin." You are promised to be made new as you say "Yes" to his invitation. "See, I am doing a new thing! Now it springs up; do you not perceive it?" What do you see? What new things will you commit to doing or being for Jesus and his Church, Peace Church, now and into its future? Discipleship is always a journey into a future filled with new things. Join us!

In Christ' service,

Rev. Bonnie Wilkins



High School Graduates Honored at Peace

Graduates Grant Fritsch, Cade Hopkins, Nate King, Alexa Marshall, Julia King and Sara Oran were honored at the worship service on May 12. They were each presented with a quilt by the Peaceful Quilters and a devotional bible by the C.E. Department. They are pictured here with Pastor Bonnie Wilkins and Nancy Haack. Proud parents are Gordon & Jan Fritsch, Jyl & Tom Hopkins, Rob & Jane King, Matt & Jodi Marshall and Michelle Marshall, Curt & Ale Oran.

OUR FUTURE STARTS WITH YOU



UPCOMING EVENTS AND OPPORTUNITES TO HELP YOU SHARE THE VISION OF PEACE

THE MISSION COMMITTEE will serve dinner at Hope Lodge June 11 at 6:00pm Contact Dave Fulton to join the group for their outreach to cancer patients and their families.

THE ANNUAL PEACE GARAGE SALE is in set up mode for the sale June 6-8 . Contact Steve Brosz to lend a hand with set up or sale. All proceeds will go to support the many missions of Peace.

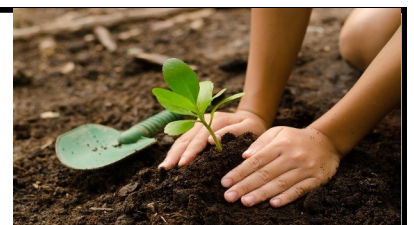
THE JUNE RETIREE POTLUCK LUNCH will be Wednesday June 12. Have you been meaning to come and share a meal with this group of your peers? This is a great month to start or return! Enjoy a good meal and connect with some great friends.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL will be June 24-26. Remember those days as a child when you just could not wait for this special time with your friends? The next generation is waiting to see who will answer God's call to build them up and help them create lasting memories. See Matt Marshall or Jane King or sign up in the foyer to volunteer.

Service, Fellowship, Outreach....all part of the Vision of



GARDEN PLOTS STILL AVAILABLE FOR ADOPTION!
Contact Michael Young (402-455-2202) or Bernie Baker (402-681-4155). Enjoy the outdoors and beautify the church property as well! Thanks in advance for all your good help!



GARAGE SALE

Thursday June 6 8am-7pm
 Friday June 7 12:00pm -7:00pm
 Saturday June 8 8:00am -11:00am

Drop off donations in Fellowship Hall
 Daily 8:30am-4:30pm
 after Memorial Day

Sign up now to help!
 Use the form in the narthex or contact
 Steve Brosz 402-340-0872
 stevebrosz@gmail.com

Vacation Bible School June 24-26 9am-12noon

Come join the fun
 as we blast off
To Mars and Beyond!
 Registration form attached to this
 newsletter and in the foyer!



Adults and youth 6th grade and
 older we need your help!
 Sign up in the foyer today!
 See Jane King or Matt Marshall for
 more information.

Presbyterian Women
 continue to collect
 full size (preferred)
 and travel size soap,
 shampoo, lotion,
 deodorant, lip balm,
 razors, toothbrushes



and tooth paste. Please consider picking up any
 of these items up when shopping or leftover from
 travel and leave in the box on the lower shelf of
 the foyer grocery cart. These will be used to fill
 Blessing Bags that are donated to the Open Door
 Mission. This is a service project that PW has
 done for many years. Without your support it
 would not be possible to touch the many lives
 that are affected by homelessness. - Liz Baker

HAPPY
 SUMMER



DEACON



MINISTRY

“Did you ever wonder who was responsible for getting the sanctuary ready for worship or preparing everything for Cookie Sunday, or checking on those in our congregation affected by the recent flooding? Or who made sure those needing a bit of encouragement received a visit, card, meal or phone call to see how they are? That would be the compassionate caregivers of the church also know as the Deacons. There are only 7 of us, and we rely on many other helpful caring hands in the church to accomplish our duties. The first Deacon was established in the New Testament to make sure food was distributed to the widows and others in need (see Acts 6:1-6). Stephen was the first Deacon and John Calvin believed the primary task of the Deacon was to care for the poor and distribute alms. We are faithful

prayer warriors for all those in need. If you ever have the honor of being asked to become a Deacon or choose to volunteer, I can assure you that your life will be enriched by this service to Christ and the church in this special role.” - Liz Baker, Deacon Board Moderator

JUNE CALENDAR HIGHLIGHTS

DATE	TIME	EVENT/LOCATION	CONTACT
June 2	9:00am	Worship; Communion; Everyone; Sanctuary	Rev. Wilkins
June 6	6:00am	Men's Bible Study; all men; HyVee 180/Pacific	Dave Fulton
	8am-7pm	Garage Sale	Steve Brosz
June 7	12-7pm	Garage Sale	Steve Brosz
June 8	8-11am	Garage Sale	Steve Brosz
June 9	9:00am	Worship; Everyone; Sanctuary	Rev. Wilkins
	10:00am	Cookie Sunday sponsored by the Fritsch Family	Fritsch Family
	10:30am	Garage Sale pack up	Steve Brosz
	5:00pm	Youth Group - Grades 6-12	Jane King, Mary McArdle, Mary Vance, Rev. Wilkins
June 11	6:00pm	Hope Lodge Meal - All invited to help	Dave Fulton
June 12	12:00pm	Retiree Lunch - All Retirees; Library	Church Office
June 13	6:00am	Men's Bible Study - HyVee 180 & Pacific; all men	Dave Fulton
June 16	9:00am	Worship Service	Rev. Wilkins
June 17	6:30pm	Session Meeting	Rev. Wilkins
June 20	6:00am	Men's Bible Study - HyVee 180 & Pacific; all men	Dave Fulton
Jun 20-22		PW Gathering in Iowa	Rev. Wilkins, Linda Hurt, Marilyn Schreiner
June 22	1:00pm	Peaceful Quilters-Quilters Room	Nancy Haack
June 23	9:00am	Worship Service; Sanctuary; Everyone	Rev. Wilkins
	2:00pm	Triennium Sponsor/Student Meeting @ New Life	Jane King
June 24	9am-12pm	Vacation Bible School	Jane King, Matt Marshall
June 25	9am-12pm	Vacation Bible School	Jane King, Matt Marshall
June 26	9am-12pm	Vacation Bible School	Jane King, Matt Marshall
June 27	6:00am	Men's Bible Study - HyVee 180 & Pacific; all men	Dave Fulton
June 30	9:00am	Worship Service - Sanctuary; Everyone	Rev. Wilkins

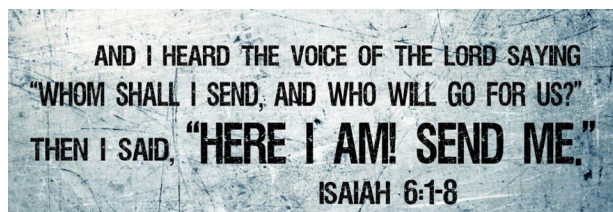


Starting May 26 and running through September 1 Sunday Worship has been moved to 9:00am. Sunday School will be in recess until fall.

BEST WISHES ON YOUR SPECIAL DAY!

ANNIVERSARIES: June 1 Dean & LaRue Marshall; 10 Jim & Cheri Koel; 12 Jamie & Elisa Bowcott; Ken & Kim Bunnell; 16 Rick & Teresa King; 22 Andrew & Nicole Abrahams; 24 Tom & Kathy Wheeler; 25 Bill & Donna Dermeyer; Rob & Jane King; 26 Scot & Leann Thompson; 28 Jim & Marilyn Schreiner; 30 Don & Anne Davidson

BIRTHDAYS: June 1 Zachary Bowcott; 3 Harper Bohaboj, Amanda Wamsat; 4 Justin King; 5 Nancy Patton; 7 Jim Patton; 8 Shaelee Connolly, Kelly Whisinnand; 12 Olivia Tartaglia; 15 Kurt Ohlrich; 18 Brett Vance; Le Ora Wells; 20 Beth Badalucco, Jerry Shepherd; 22 Kellen Koel; 25 John Sander, Tom Sladek; 27 Masyn Bunnell; 28 Alexa Marshall



Peace Mission Statement

We seek to deepen our commitment to God through Jesus Christ with meaningful worship experiences, education, mission, and to welcome all who want to know and learn about God and the Church.

