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April 2	Call Committee Mtg. 6:30 pm
	LWML Spring Rally 10:00 am
April 3	Lenten Service 6:00 pm
April 7	Worship 9:00 am
	SS/Bible Study 10:30 am
April 8	Elder's Meeting 9:00 am
April 9	Council Meeting 6:30 pm
April 10	LWML Meeting 9:30 am
	Lenten Service 6:00 pm
April 14	Palm Sunday Serv. 9:00 am
	SS/Bible Study 10:30 am
April 16	Potluck 5:30 pm
	Voters Meeting 6:30 pm
April 18	Maundy Thurs Serv. 6:00 pm
April 19	Good Friday Serv. 6:00 pm
April 21	Easter Sunday Serv. 9:00 am
	Easter Brunch
April 22	Newsletter deadline 9:00 am
April 25	Thrivent Mtg. 6:00 pm
April 28	Worship 9:00 am
	SS/Bible Study 10:30 am

A Message from Our Church President



Wow, if you missed the Lent Service last night (March 13th), you missed one of the best services and sermons I have ever set through. If the rest of the sermon series "Behold, The Man", that Pastor Anderegg is using for the Lenten season, are half as good, we are in for a real treat. April brings us two more Wednesday Lenten Services, Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, Palm Sunday and Easter services to be conducted by Pastors Anderegg and Brandt. Participate, attend and enjoy these important services for Lutherans and all Christians.

I guess that just about summarizes the last nearly nine months. We lost a pastor, but we gained three new friends and excellent Pastors to

guide and counsel us. Pastors Anderegg, Brandt and Hertwig, have done a whale of a job for our church during this interim period. They have been there for us...let me say that again, they have been there for us, for the past eight months and I am positive they will be there for us in the coming months. I haven't had to get on the telephone and call, and call, and call to find someone to come. These three men have stepped into the breach and offered their services to help us through this time we are without a called Pastor. In every prayer, I thank God for giving us these wonderful gentlemen to help us better understand His Son, and how He was sacrificed on the cross for our sins, and that through our baptism and believing in Jesus, we will be saved. That my friends is an awesome message.

The weather was not nice to us during January and February. We had eight Sunday Worship Services planned, and we had to cancel half of them because of bad weather. Let us hope the bad weather is coming to a close and we will not have to cancel any futher planned services.

Also on a positive note, your Call Committee is now meeting twice a month on Tuesday evenings as we continue to explore and understand; what our survey told us, attempt to develop long range plans and goals that will in some small part help Peace grow and to reach the final goal of obtaining a new Pastor. Remember we need to work toward increasing our membership and giving, to get our congregation in a position where we can afford to move forward.

In addition to what we do as a church family; worship services, LWML, and Thrivent, this month has seen our members participate in other activities as representatives of Peace. We had at least three members attend the Westside Chamber Business Expo event held on March 2nd. We have two members participating in an Evangelism workshop that started March 9th and will continue for six more weeks. We had ten members attend a fund raising event for Kings Academy, also on March 9th and we met lots of new people



The **deadline** for the **May** newsletter is **Mon.**, **April 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." continued from page 1

will continue for six more weeks. We had ten members attend a fund raising event for Kings Academy, also on March 9th and we met lots of new people and had a good time in the process. My thanks to all who took their time to participate.

Perhaps I need to add a few paragraphs to cover the Evangelism workshop, *"Every One His Witness"* that Russell Schulz and I are attending. We have had two sessions. An overview of the program is:

- Witnessing: What's it All About?
- You Are a Witness What Does This Mean?
- Vocation and Witnessing
- First Article Witnessing: LASSIE (Listen, Ask, Seek, Share, Invite, Encourage)
- Going, Planting, Watering, ... and Waiting Expectantly

Russell is less overwhelmed than I am, but this is a program we may want to give here at Peace if we could be assured of a dozen people attending. I think all of you would feel more comfortable with sharing and witnessing with this training. As we are wondering how we are going to increase our congregation, this is an important tool to have. Not the only tool but an important one.

There is a Thrivent event coming up on March 29th that you should not miss, and that will raise funds for replacement of a microwave that bit the dust, in our church kitchen. This is one of those famous Lutheran potluck events. It will also feature some games afterward, a reflection of the previously successful fellowship nights that we used to hold monthly. Be sure to see the announcements and signup to attend. I apologize that I will not be there. I am taking a ten day vacation to be with two of my children and a son- in-law. It is our intent to play some golf, and soak up some sun in Florida.

The ladies of the church are also planning a modified Easter Sunday for any children in attendance, and an Easter Sunday Brunch, after the worship. Keep an eye out for announcements in the service bulletin.

God's Blessing on all of you.

Mic Carlson

P.S. Since this was written the Call Committee was contacted by Rev. Bill



Join us for an **Easter Brunch** on Easter Sunday, April 21 in the fellowship hall following the worship service. We will be serving egg casserole, cinnamon rolls, fruit, coffee, tea and orange juice.

There is a signup sheet on the credenza for food items and the number that will be in your party (include guests).

Easter goodie bags will be given to the children after the worship service on Easter Sunday.



Bulletin Board

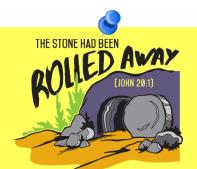


April 3 &10 at 6 p.m.



Maundy Thursday April 18 at 6 p.m.

Good Friday April 19 at 6 p.m.



Easter Sunday Serv. April 21 at 9 a.m.



There is still time to sign-up for an Easter lily. The sheet is located on the credenza in the narthex. The cost is \$8.00. Place your payment in an envelope and mark it Easter lily.

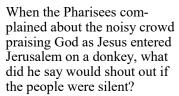


April 5Sam & Sharon GilliamApril 6Jeff & Paula Emery
Chuck & Susan KralApril 18Dale & Doris Lawson



Change of Meeting Date

Due to Maundy Thursday falling on our regular Thrivent meeting date, the meeting has been rescheduled to April 25 at 6 pm in the church fellowship hall. Watch for further information in the bulletins.



- A. The stones
- B. The trees
- C. The palm branches
- D. The donkey

Last month's Bible quiz answer is D; see Matthew 27:41-42



Paul & Janet Bartels (Paul's mother), Lee Benson, Janet Brandt, Greg & Mary Cordry, Jolene Feeler, 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, 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.

April 3 April 7 April 10 April 14 April 10 April 14 Audrey Atwood April 17 Irma Trego April 30 Rita Riemann



March 13 Meeting

The meeting was called to order by Jaccy Heinlein. She opened with a short praver. Vicki Stauch led a short Bible Study from 1 Corinthians 15.

Roll call was answered by eight members with Bible verses containing the word "neighbor". We had one visitor, Diana Lane.

Jaccy reported the Spring Zone Rally will be at Heit's Point, not in Cole Camp as stated in last month's news article. It will be on Tuesday, April 2nd. Deadline for reservations is March 20th. Cost for lunch is \$9.00.

We are still collecting pop tabs, Best Choice labels, Box Tops for Education, stamps, Portals of Prayer and card fronts. We are continuing to make baby caps and afghans (20"x 20" up to 24" x 24"). Ladies plan to stay after next months meeting to work on the afghans.

There will be a Thrivent "pot luck" dinner on Friday, March 29th, at 5:30 to raise funds for the kitchen microwave oven. The meat will be furnished by Thrivent. There will be a free will offering. For anyone wishing to stay afterwards, there will be cards, games, and more fellowship.

Anyone wishing to attend the National Convention in Mobile, AL. June 20-23, 2019, please contact Jaccy Heinlein for more details.

All ladies are welcome to join us. We closed with the Lord's Prayer. Secretary.

Vicki Lamb



April 10 - 9:30 a.m.

Bible Study: Carol Murrell

Roll Call: Bible verse with the word **death**

Hostess: Carol Murrell

Spring Rally

The Spring Zone Rally will be held on Tues., April 2 at Heit's Point. Registration begins at 9 a.m. followed by the meeting at 10 a.m. The theme is "Walking in His Marvelous *Light.* "Guest speakers are Chaplain Craig Muehler Capt., CHC, USN (ret) Dir., Ministry to the Armed Forces and Whitney Cromley from Cancer Perks. We will need to know how many ladies will be attending from Peace. The signup sheet is located in the narthex.

What's Cooking?

Pouding chômeur (literally unemployed man pudding) is a dessert that was created by female factory workers early during the Great Depression in Quebec, Canada.

2 cups heavy cream

3/4 cup white sugar

1/2 teas fine salt

Pouding chômeur

Syrup

2 cups maple syrup

Batter

- 3/4 cup unsalted butter
- 1/4 teas vanilla extract

1 teas baking soda

1 3/4 cup all purpose flour

Preheat the oven to 425 degrees F (220 degrees C). Butter a deep baking dish and place it on a sheet pan.

Bring maple syrup and heavy cream to a boil in a deep saucepan over mediumhigh heat. Turn off heat once mixture starts to bubble, stir, and set aside.

Beat butter and sugar together in a bowl using a spatula or electric mixer until creamy and well combined. Whisk in vanilla extract and 1 egg until incorporated. Mix in the other egg. Sprinkle in baking powder, salt, and flour. Mix with a spatula until batter is just combined.

Transfer batter to the prepared dish and pour the maple-cream sauce on top, stopping between 1/2 to 1-inch from the top of the dish. Reserve any extra sauce.

Bake in the center of the preheated oven until pudding is golden brown and a toothpick inserted into the center comes out mostly clean, about 30 minutes. Let cool for 10 minutes; serve pudding with any extra maple-cream sauce.

Note: I would not recommend using a pie pan, too small. Make a little extra sauce. Can't have too much of that!

submitted by Paula Emery





Meet our Church Family Member Irma Trego — Joined Peace October 1988 —

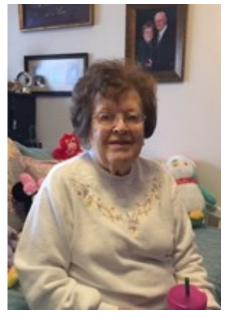
his is a new article that will hopefully be published each month in our Peace newsletter. We will be selecting members basically based on when they joined Peace, and not necessarily in sequence, but we will do this until we have covered the congregation.

First let me say what a joy it was to do this interview. Almost every Sunday one of the first people I see at church is Irma. Like you, she gives me a big hug and that starts my day off on a happy note.

Irma was born April 17th ninetytwo years ago, in Colorado Springs, Colorado. In case you did not catch that, she will be 93 this month. During World War II Irma's family moved to Rock Island, Illinois. It was in Rock Island that Irma met George Trego. Anything about Irma has to also be about George. George joined the Navy during the war and was stationed in Norman. Oklahoma. At the age of 18, Irma convinced her mother to let her go visit her sister in Kansas. After a week or so, Irma went to Norman by train to visit George. Both 18 at the time they got married on January 18, 1945, in Norman, Oklahoma. Irma got a place to stay and a job in a restaurant. Then George's duty station was moved to Key West. Irma traveled by train and bus to join George in Key West. While living there she got a job working in a Dime Store for \$18.00 a week, when you could purchase a bologna sandwich for dime.

The war ended in 1945, George was discharged and they moved back to the Rock Island area. George first worked as a typewriter repairman (hopefully most of you remember what a typewriter was), and Irma went to work as a Secretary at BF Goodrich. Then George got a job at a truck farm, and they lived on the farm, and Irma stopped working.

The small house on the truck farm



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The small house on the truck farm wasn't working for them, so they bought a house without plumbing. Irma said they worked constantly on the house, but that was not working either. So Irma got a job so they could save some money and build a new house. Irma ended up working as a transcriptionist in a hospital medical records department for a couple of years. They built their new house and eventually Irma went to work as a private secretary for Service Rubber. While at Service Rubber they occasionally used her as a leg model for their fashion boots. Later she became a Tupper Ware manager, and worked as a receptionist in a doctor's office.

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They sold their house and bought a "river cabin" in Conesville, Iowa. They remodeled the cabin and George loved it because he loved to fish. While living there, they joined an LCMS church in Wappello, Iowa.

Eventually they came to the lake area to help their daughter and her husband with their resort Porters Mill Spring Resort. They first attended Kent Memorial in Sunrise Beach. Then they heard about the new LCMS church that people were starting in Sunrise Beach. At one of the early meetings of this small group of people, Lorene Gibson and Dorothy Zelle asked her if she would become the treasurer. Irma and George were charter members of Peace. Irma is the only living charter member who still attends Peace. They held their 70th wedding anniversary celebration here at Peace. George and Irma were married for 71 years.

Irma and George had five children.

- Son Steve and his wife Libby. Their two children Allison (two children Elliot and Lucy) and Anna (two children Seamus and Liam).
- Daughter Cheryl and her husband Barry. Their children Jayneen and James (deceased).
- Son Martin (deceased).
- Daughter Carol Jean and husband Steve. Their children Paul and Alissa (two children Carson and Sydney).
- Son Lawrence (deceased). Irma is currently living at the Knolls in Laurie, but you will find her here most Sunday mornings.

Call Committee Meeting Information

The meeting was opened with a prayer.

It was noted that:

- 1. Peace continues to be well served by Pastors Anderegg and Brandt, with an occasional assistance from Pastor Hertwig. These gentleman are doing a really good job. We have only lost the Pepper family memberships since June 2018.
- 2. We have not yet been contacted with a coach, or begun the Plus One Initiative.

We discussed Peace's "2018 Congregational Statistics" recently filed with LCMS, March 5, 2019. The demographics *(see at the right)* are based on the baptized and communicate membership. Our communicate membership is 68, total baptized 77.

We then handed out the newsletter with the President's report prepared for the May 2018 newsletter. This was an article written in May of last year, when Pastor Pepper was still here, about what our "target market is" based on current practices and falls right in line with this planning process.

We also passed out a "Summary of Congregational Survey Results" for the committee members to have (also posted on the bulletin board).

Finally we reviewed historic (those we could remember) and current initiatives Peace Lutheran has held or participated in, that were, or that could be outreach to the community at large.

We discussed *current initiatives* that were occurring this past year and this year.

- Trunk and treat
- Christmas Light Festival
- Becoming more active in Chamber of Commerce activities
- Planned advertising at Main Street Opera

Demographics	Number	Percentage
Under age 15	9	11
15-18	1	1
19-34	3	4
35-49	7	9
50-64	15	20
Over age 65	42	55
Total	77	100

Average weekly attendance: 45 Est. average visitor attendance (included): 5

2018 Financial:

Regular income:\$93,532Other income:\$423Operating Expenses:\$78,325(Remember we were without a Pastor for six
months, or this would have been significantly higher.)

- Improved website. Sheryl Bald and Russell Schulz took the initiative and we now have an operational website. Go to the site to see what has been created (http:// plccamdenton.org)
- Facebook page. Most of you probably did not even know we had a Facebook page. If you are on Facebook all you need to do is "like" the Facebook page and you will be able to view everything Russell Schulz has been doing in our name on Facebook.
- These two modern communication systems, our website and Facebook, may be the single most valuable tools we have to recruit new and younger members to Peace Lutheran. The "Millenniums" (our children) and their children, the "Me Too's," only utilize one source for information, the internet!
- Attendance at and support of LCMS church functions gives us greater involvement in our community and in our church. We had a table of ten attending a King's Academy (CTK) fundraiser on March 9. We have at

least one participant in a seven week "Everyone His Witness" Evangelism Workshop, being conducted at Hope Chapel starting this week. Hopefully our attendees will be able to bring the information back to Peace.

Everyone seemed to be in agreement we need to continue these initiatives and look at other ways we can encourage people to visit and perhaps even become members of Peace. It is important we continue to support, and get even more participation, in these initiatives.

Listed below are some of the discussion topics and action items that came out of this meeting.

- Could we add pictures of children to our Facebook page, i.e. from the trunk or treat initiative, or from one of our previous Easter egg hunts?
- Initiate a discussion at our next voters meeting about the possibility of participating in the area wide garage sale (we did this for years, are we up to it?) *continued on page 7*

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- Having another ice cream social or old fashion cook out, have blow up play house for the young-sters located where it would be seen.
- Make more use of the portable sign advertising our special worship services, "sayings or quotes"
- Again consider the possibility of a church sponsored day care perhaps preceded by Mom's Day Out. These are not money makers, but they are young people gatherings. Look at the success Christ the King has had starting with a "Mom's Day Out," adding a church sponsored day care which as grown into King's Academy with 50 plus attending day care and 70 plus K through 8th grade. We could not help but notice Our Savior's Lutheran (ELCA) is starting a church sponsored day care program in Camdenton.



Servants of God for April

Elder: Bob Mueller Altar Guild: Sheryl Bald

April 7

Greeters/Coffee Servers: Paula Emery & Rita Riemann Ushers: Robert Hansen, Paul Bartels, Jeff Emery, Mark Reimann

Counters: Bob Mueller Flowers:

April 14

Greeters/Coffee Servers: Jeff & Dawn Hedberg Ushers: Earl Hartenstein, David Bald, Rodney Schulz Counters: Bob & Diane Borgmann Flowers: Penny Jost

April 21

Greeters/Coffee Servers:

Ushers: Bob Borgmann, Mic Carlson, Dale Murrell **Counters:** Mic Carlson **Flowers:** Easter Lilies

April 28

Greeters/Coffee Servers:

Ushers: Jeff Hedberg, Bob Mueller, Russell Schulz **Counters:** Ed & Jaccy Heinlein **Flowers:** Easter Lilies

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- Since we have such good facilities, encourage organizations to utilize our facilities. Once again I cannot help but notice Our Savior's Lutheran has Boy Scouts, Alcoholics Anonymous (AA), Narcotics Anonymous (NA) and The American Legion who meet regularly at their church. None of these are money makers, but they involve the church in their community.

We talked briefly about the ultimate calling a pastor, and that we need to continue to strive to improve our giving so we have adequate resources to afford a pastor when we are prepared to make a call, be it full time or part time.

The next meeting is scheduled for March 19th at 6:30 pm.

April Worship Schedule

April 3 – Lenten Service—6 pm

April 7 – Fifth Sunday in Lent **Liturgy and Creed:** Divine Service I, Nicene Creed **Hymns:** 442 (1-2), 575, 623, 442 (3-4)

April 10 – Lenten Service—6 pm

April 14 – Palm Sunday Liturgy and Creed: Divine Serv. III, Apostles' Creed Hymns: 441 (1-2), 443, 837, 441 (3-5)

April 18 – Maundy Thursday—6 pm

April 19 – Good Friday—6 pm

April 21 - The Resurrection of Our Lord Liturgy & Creed: Divine Service I, Nicene Creed Hymns: 461 (1-4), 457, 464, 461 (5-8)

April 28 - Second Sunday after Easter Liturgy & Creed: Divine Service I, Apostles' Creed Hymns: 475 (1-2), 490, 618, 475 (3-4)



• On the web:

Issues Etc.

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On Facebook:

- Spiritual Trojan horses
- LCMS President Harrison signs abortion statement
- Why moral truth points to the existence of God and other apologetics articles
- LCMS events and posts
- local events from the Chambers, etc. go to <u>www.plccamdenton.org</u>, click on f. Like, comment, share.

From Everyone His Witness

In Acts 1:8, Jesus makes it clear that His disciples are also witnesses. "You will be my witnesses" is a statement of fact, not a request. Just as His original disciples were called to be witnesses of Jesus, we who are His disciples today are called to be witnesses. As His witnesses, we stand in a long line of God's people who have given witness to God's work.

In the Old Testament, the nation of Israel was set apart as a nation in testimony of God. "A light for the nations." [Jesus said] "But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth." We should take heart that the first disciples to hear these words were just like us. They came from ordinary walks of life, but had experienced the extraordinary while walking with Jesus. Like them we may not have the worldly credentials to be entrusted with the high calling of being witnesses of Jesus, but we have experienced the extraordinary by being buried and raised with Jesus in Holy Baptism, and we have been qualified by Him who has called, enlightened, sanctified, and kept us in the true faith. Every one of Jesus' disciples is his witness. By grace, this includes you.

40 days to spiritual health

Lent is the 40 day period between Ash Wednesday and Easter. Traditionally, it has been a time when Christians reexamine their spiritual life and try to discern the quality of their relationship with God.

There are many individual approaches to strengthening the spiritual life, including: choosing to fast, praying more often, reading the Bible and devotional literature, engaging more often in public worship, serving God more intensely in the world.

We miss the mark if we focus only on our desires. Lent ought to be a time of deeper dedication to God and seeking ways in which we can help to further God's kingdom on Earth. *from The Newsletter Newsletter*



"Blessed shall you be in the city, and blessed shall you be in the field. Blessed shall be the fruit of your womb and the fruit of your ground and the fruit of your cattle, the increase of your herds and the young of your flock. Blessed shall be your basket and your kneading bowl. Blessed shall you be when you come in, and blessed shall you be when you go out" (Deut. 28:3-6).

This is God's promise to the Israelites as they stood beyond the Jordan outside of the Promised Land. He promises blessing to His people. He will make them prosper, whether they are in the city or the field. He will make their fruit of their work to prosper, whether from the ground or their wombs, their flocks or their herds. He will make them to prosper in all things, whether upon their coming in or their going out.

But there's a catch. He would do this for Israel only "*if you obey the voice of the Lord your God*" Deut. 28: 2b). If they did that, He would cause that "*all these blessings shall come upon you and overtake you*" (Deut. 28:2a).

If they didn't obey the voice of the Lord, if they didn't keep the commandments of the Lord and walk in His ways (Deut 28:9), they would be met with curse and woe. The blessings would be replaced with curses. Everything that the Lord promised to prosper and bless would be cursed and fail.

Thanks be to God that our Lord Jesus Christ has come into our flesh, fulfilled the law for us - in our place and for our benefit; died for us - in our place and for our benefit; and is risen from the dead for us - in our place and for our benefit.

By this we have justification before God. We are forgiven, clean,

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holy, and righteous. The blessing of God is promised to us in Christ Jesus. It depends upon His work and not ours.

All this is ours in Holy Baptism. For in Holy Baptism, God claims us as His own, makes us His children, His heirs, His holy people. And so it is that the work of our hands and its fruit is holy because we are holy in Christ. It is pressed into His service, and thereby it becomes a blessing to us and to our neighbor.

For this great gift, our reception of the blessings of God because of Christ Jesus our Lord, it is our duty to thank and praise, serve and obey to thank and praise, serve and obey Him. This is not in order to receive blessings but because in Christ we already have.

It is with this in mind that we sit down on the first day of the week and set aside as He has prospered us to give to His church for His work of blessing in our midst (1 Cor. 16:2).

from LCMS website







Volunteers are a vital part to any organization. Our **trustees** work many hours to keep Peace looking good not only on the inside but also on the outside. With summer fast approaching, we will be looking for volunteers to help mow the church lawn and cemetery. If you are available to help mow, let Chuck know.





Chuck is repairing the toilet in the upstairs ladies restroom.

Photos by Susan Kral





Mark repairs the light in the upstairs utility closet.

Dispelling the **Darkness**

On Good Friday, many churches hold a Tenebrae worship service. Tenebrae (Latin for "darkness" or "shadows") is an ancient Christian tradition that re-creates the emotions of Jesus' passion and death. The sanctuary gradually grows darker. A strepitus (Latin for "loud noise") may signify the closing of Jesus' tomb. As the service concludes, a Christ candle stands alone on the altar, reminding worshipers that victory is coming on Easter morning.

When Scottish missionary Peter Milne died in 1924, the thankful people he'd served in the South Pacific inscribed this message on his headstone: "When he came, there was no light; when he died, there was no darkness."



Death's darkness couldn't conquer Jesus, the light of the world, so it does not conquer us. "The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it" (John 1:5, ESV)

from The Newsletter Newsletter

Do you want to go to heaven?

Sunday school teacher: "How many of you children want to go to heaven?" Everyone raised a hand except one little boy.

Teacher to the boy: "Johnny, don't you want to go to heaven?" Johnny: "I can't. Mother told me to come home right after Sunday school."

from The Newsletter Newsletter

Council Meeting Mar. 12, 2019

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

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

The minutes from the February 12, 2019 meeting were reviewed and approved as amended. Dawn Hedberg attended the February 12, 2019 Council meeting.

President: Mic Carlson reported that Peace Lutheran had a full table in attendance at the King's Academy fund raiser. It was an impressive event.

The call committee is now meeting every two weeks. The committee is working on current and long range planning. The issue with our calling a pastor is our inability to pay his salary. Our gifts to God are behind last year's giving and our budget. Weather has caused us to miss four of the eight Sundays in January and February. We need to be giving 110 percent of our budget or gain new members to generate adequate income to afford a part time pastor. The report was accepted and approved.

Financial Secretary: Vicki Stauch presented her report. She stated that giving is down \$428.55 from February 2018. The report was accepted and approved.

Treasurer: Rita presented her report. The report was accepted and approved.

Elders: Bob Mueller reported that the elders met on March 11. The call committee procedures were discussed. He stated that the process is slower than anticipated.

Bob expressed appreciation for the many hours President Mic Carlson spends attending to church business. His report was accepted and approved.

Ushers: Bob Borgmann reported that he will not be in attendance on March 31 and April 7. Someone else will need to run the organ music CDs and the microphones. He added that it is not difficult to do. Bob's report was accepted and approved.

Member at Large: No report

Trustees: Chuck Kral reported the following:

- He repaired the stool in the upstairs ladies room.
- Mark Riemann replaced the light in the upstairs utility closet.
- Chuck ordered propane. 400 gallons was delivered.
- Rita Riemann gave Chuck a name of a person who can do snow removal. The council discussed when and in what areas snow needs to be removed.
- Chuck stated that several pieces of lawn equipment need repair.
- He needs help with leaf removal before mowing can begin.

The report was accepted and approved.

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- He has posted articles on Facebook and has put articles in our monthly newsletter.
- He made a video for display at Main Street Opry. (Council agreed that it is very well done!)
- Russell received a gift certificate from the Lake Sun for free advertising.
- He and Mic Carlson are attending an evangelism workshop at Hope Lutheran. The class meets on Saturday mornings. It is a six week session.

The report was approved and accepted.

Stewardship: Dawn Hedberg stated that she has read an LCMS magazine that discussed stewardship. Her report was accepted and approved.

Cemetery: Diane Borgmann reported that the cemetery checking account balance is \$2458.74. She stated that Rodney Schultz will do some tree and bush trimming when weather permits. The report was accepted and approved.

Pastor: Vacant.

Old Business:

- McGuire Heating says that the HVAC unit will be installed on March 15. Mic will be there to let them in.
- Our excess cash has not yet been put into a CD or into LCEF. Mic will endeavor to get that done next week.
- The Cemetery Perpetuity Application is not completed. Diane Borgmann will assist in doing the paperwork.

New Business:

- Mic will be out of town beginning March 29. He will be available by phone. The bulletins for March 31, April 3, and April 7 will be printed.
- Mic requests that everyone who talks with visitors ask them to complete a visitor card. The information will be used to send them a "thank you for visiting letter." Pastors Anderegg and Brandt have agreed to call on visitors if they would like to speak with a pastor.
- On March 29, there will be a Thrivent sponsored pot luck dinner fundraiser for the purchase of a new microwave. Meat will be paid for with Thrivent funds.
- A committee will be formed to provide an Easter celebration brunch.
- Bob Borgmann stated that we need to find organists. After discussion, Mic agreed to contact area schools asking if there are students who could play our organ, piano, or a keyboard.
- Susan Kral and Dawn Hedberg will prepare "goodie bags" to give to children after the Easter Sunday service.

The meeting was adjourned and The Lord's Prayer was recited.

Respectfully submitted, Susan Kral, *Secretary*