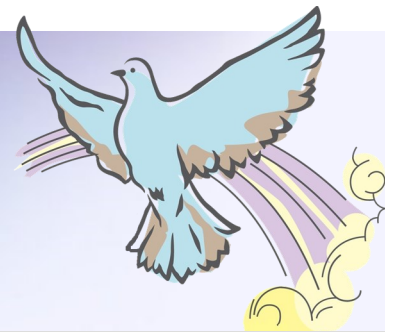


News of Peace



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Happening This Month!

Jan. 6	Worship (Epiphany)	9:00 am
	SS/Bible Study	10:30 am
Jan. 7	Elder's Mtg.	9:00 am
Jan. 8	Council Mtg	7:00 pm
Jan. 12	Take down decorations	9:00 am
Jan. 13	Worship	9:00 am
	SS/Bible Study	10:30 am
Jan. 15	Potluck	5:30 pm
	Voters Mtg	6:30 pm
Jan. 20	Worship	9:00 am
	SS/Bible Study	10:30 am
Jan. 21	Newsletter Deadline	9:00 am
Jan. 27	Worship	9:00 am
	SS/Bible Study	10:30 am

A Message from the Church President

Reflections of 2018

What a wonderful month. The Advent message, bringing us the “light”, the birth of the Messiah, our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, what a wonderful message. It is my hope each of you have a wonderful Christmas season. Enjoy the season with friends and family.

If you missed the Advent Services and the Christmas Eve Service, these were wonderful services with the greatest of messages, “the light”, the birth of Jesus.

We have been without a called Pastor for 197 days. We have had 24 Sunday worship services conducted by our Elders, and Pastors: Anderegg, Brandt, Hertwig, Lampe, and Freeman. We have had a Thanksgiving Service, three Advent Services and a Christmas Eve Service. During that 197 days we only lost one family that transferred. While not members of our congregation, we have gained new friends and mentors in Pastor Gary and his wife Jane Ann, Pastor Rick and his wife Sara. To my way of thinking, we are surviving and we have been blessed.

We pray that the number of new friends will increase greatly in 2019. At the same time, we grieve for Betsy and Everett, and we pray for each of them as they seek new direction in their lives. We are thankful we have not had a funeral service at Peace for the past year, and while we have aged as a congregation, we have been blessed.

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As we start into 2019, we will continue to have a great deal on our plate. We have a Congregation Survey that we have to study, peel back and understand. We need to find ways to improve our participation in the communities we serve. We need to find ways to find and recruit new members. We need to find ways to improve our participation and giving. We need to continue to find ways to deliver the good news of Jesus Christ our Savior, not just to our congregation, but to all people.

I want to give a special thanks to Jerry and Donna, who happily toil at the organ, to help us sing the wonderful hymns and liturgy; to Bob M., Dale and Earl who assist with the readings, communion and communication, to our Council: Dale, Susan, Rita, Vicki, Bob M., Chuck, Mark, Rodney, Bob B., Russell and Sheryl, Dawn; to Bob B. who miraculously runs the sound system and all our ushers (Robert, Paul, Jeff E., Mark, Earl,



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NewsLetter DEADLINE

The **deadline** for the **February 2019** newsletter is **Monday, January 21 at 9 am**. 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."

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David, Rodney, Dale Jeff Bob M., Russell) Diane and her Altar Guild crew (Susan, Shelia, Jaccy, Paula, Dawn, Vicki, Janet, Penny), to our LWML (Jaccy, Carol, Diane, Sheryl, Paula, Penny, Dawn, Susan, Vicki, Doris, Cathie, Vicki) for all they do for each of us. First, I hope I didn't miss anyone or any group I should have mentioned. If I did, please forgive me. In case you haven't noticed, I just virtually thanked the whole congregation.

Finally, thanks to all of you for helping Peace in this time of confusion and thank you as we seek clarity in our direction.

Happy New Year!!!!
God Bless you all,
Mic



Lee Benson, Jane Ann Brandt, Jolene Feeler, Greg and Mary Cordry, Chuck Kral, Norma Flenker, Jim Janssen, Marge Lankin, Rev. Ron Lehenbauer, Bob Mueller, Dale Murrell, Barb Powell, Don and Barb Schmidt, Dick & Barb Ollek, Russell Schulz, Shirley Truelove, Mark and Rita Riemann, 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.



- 2 Mark Riemann
- 4 David Bald
- 4 Penny Jost
- 15 Ed Bierbaum
- 22 Jaccy Heinlein
- 26 Earl Hartenstein
- 30 Jeff Emery



- 13 Dale & Gayle Montague

If your birthday or anniversary is incorrect or not listed, please contact the office so that we can correct the information in Shepherd's Staff. Thank you!!!

Hospitalized?

If you or a loved one is hospitalized, has a birth announcement or have experienced a death in the family, please call one of our Elders Bob Mueller, Earl Hartenstein or Dale Murrell, so we are aware of the information, as privacy laws limit the information hospitals can share with us. If we know you are in the hospital, our Elders will contact one of the lake area pastors for a visit.





Dale presented Pastor Brandt, Jerry and Pastor Anderegg with a Christmas gift. Thank you to Pastor Brant and Pastor Anderegg for conducting services during our vacancy and to Jerry and Donna for providing beautiful music every Sunday morning.



Thanks to the following families who provided poinsettias to beautify our sanctuary for the Advent and Christmas season.

- Ed & Jaccy Heinlein
- Joe & Vicki Stauch
- Dale & Carol Murrell
- Bob & Diane Borgmann
- Earl & Shelia Hartenstein
- Mic Carlson
- Bob Hansen & Penny Jost
- Darlene Jost
- Chuck & Susan Kral
- Jeff & Dawn Hedberg
- Karen Klasener
- Vicki Lamb
- Bob Mueller
- Paul & Janet Bartels



Lessons in wise faith

“The Magi teach us true faith,” said Martin Luther. Given the obstacles they encountered, we would understand if they had given up altogether!

First, the travelers were “off the mark,” coming to Jerusalem to seek a newborn king in a “royal palace.” Then, directed to Bethlehem, the wise men found a sight “so utterly out of keeping with a king” — a poor young woman and child, in a “poor hut” — that one might expect them to head straight home. “But,” declares Luther, “with a great, strong and full faith they ... follow the word of the prophet and the witness of the star in all purity of heart,” bowing to worship and honor the Savior.

—Based on Luther’s sermon for the Festival of the Epiphany (1522), *Luther’s Works*

? ? Bible Quiz ?

Only one of the four gospels has the story of King Herod being fearful when he learned from the wise men that a special baby had been born. The wise men asked, “Where is the child who has been born king of the Jews? For we observed his star at its rising, and have come to pay him homage.” Shocked and threatened by their query, Herod pretended to want to pay his respects to the newborn himself. He asked the wise men to return and tell him where the child was. Then he ordered his soldiers to kill every male child age two and under. That ancient holocaust is often called the Slaughter of the Innocents, or the Massacre of the Infants. Which gospel contains the shocking story?

- A. Matthew
- B. Mark
- C. Luke
- D. John



Last month’s Bible quiz answer is B; Luke 1:39-41

What's Cooking?



Hot Chicken Salad

3 cups cooked, cut-up chicken
1 cup celery, chopped fine
1 cup cooked rice
3/4 cup mayonnaise (real)
1 tsp. chopped onion
1 tsp lemon juice
1 tsp salt
1 cup water chestnuts, sliced thin
1 can cream of chicken soup
3 hard-boiled eggs, cut up
1/2 cup chopped mushrooms, (optional)
Mix together and put into greased casserole. Melt
1 stick oleo, mix in 1 cup slightly crushed corn
flakes and 1/2 cup slivered almonds. Pour over top.
Bake at 350 degrees for 35 minutes (Can be frozen
and baked later.) Ample for 8 people

submitted by Carol Murrell

Heavenly Humor

On a thundering rainy day, Mom went to pick up her six year old son from school thinking that he will fear lightning. But she found him smiling at the sky for every lightning. She asks, "Why are you smiling?"

Son: God is taking my pictures and I need to look good."

Life is simple. We complicate it.

from Casual Christian Comedy2

Members Serving in January

Elder: Bob Mueller

Altar Guild: Susan Kral

January 6

Organist: Jerry Schwab

Greeters/Coffee Servers:

Ushers; Robert Hansen, Paul Bartels, Jeff Emery, Mark Reimann

Counters: Bob Mueller

Flowers: Penny Jost

January 13

Organist: Jerry Schwab

Greeters/Coffee Servers:

Ushers: Earl Hartenstein, David Bald, Rodney Schulz

Counters: Bob & Diane Borgmann

Flowers:

January 20

Organist: Jerry Schwab

Greeters/Coffee Servers:

Ushers: Bob Borgmann, Mic Carlson, Dale Murrell

Counters: Mic Carlson

Flowers:

January 27

Organist: Jerry Schwab

Greeters/Coffee Servers:

Ushers: Jeff Hedberg, Bob Mueller, Russell Schulz

Counters: Ed & Jaccy Heinlein

Flowers:

January Worship Schedule

January 6 – Epiphany

Pastor: Anderegg

Liturgy and Creed: Divine Service I, Apostles' Creed

Hymns: 397 (1-3), 370, 628, 397 (4-6)

January 13 – Baptism of Our Lord

Pastor: Brandt

Liturgy and Creed: Divine Service I, Nicene Creed

Hymns: 405 (1-3), 537, 637, 405 (4-6)

January 20 - Second Sunday after Epiphany

Pastor: Anderegg

Liturgy & Creed: Divine Service 1, Apostles' Creed

Hymns: 412 (1-3), 649, 802, 412 (4-6)


January 27 - Third Sunday a. Epiphany

Pastor: Anderegg

Liturgy & Creed: Divine Service 3, Nicene Creed

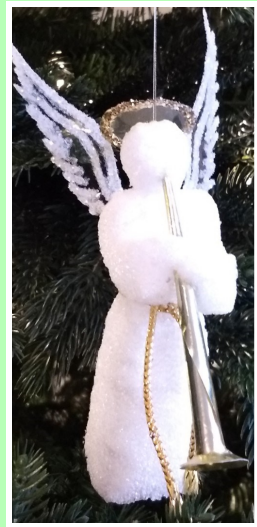
Hymns: 644 (1-2), 398, 618, 644 (3-4)



The LWML women held their annual Christmas party on Dec. 13 with 18 people in attendance. Cathie read "A Baby's Hug" and various games were played. We closed the afternoon with the first verse of Silent Night and the Lord's Prayer. Thanks to Carol and Paula for all of their hard work. Everyone had a great time.

Decorating the Church



Church Christmas Party

Everyone had a wonderful time of fellowship and food at the annual Christmas party held December 6. The door prize winner was Pastor Brandt, guessing jar winner was Larry and the winner of Family Feud was the men's team. Bingo game winners were Gayle, Chuck and Sheryl. We finished the evening with caroling and closed with the Lord's Prayer. Thanks to Jaccy and Vicki S. for all of their hard work planning and decorating.





Mark your calendar to attend the quarterly voter's meeting to be held on January 15 at 6:30 PM. The evening will begin with a potluck at 5:30 PM. A packet of information

will be distributed, after worship, to each family on Sunday, January 13. See you there!

Council Meeting December 11, 2018

President Mic Carlson called the meeting to order at 6:30 P.M. and opened with prayer.

The following board members were present: Mic Carlson, Rita Riemann, Vicki Stauch, Diane Borgmann, Bob Borgmann, Russell Schultz, and Bob Mueller. Absent: Dale Lawson, Susan Kral, Chuck Kral, Dawn Hedberg. A quorum was present.

The minutes from the November 13, 2018 meeting were reviewed and approved as printed.

President: Mic Carlson reported the following:

- Thanks to the challenging member and all the members of the congregation for their donations to the HVAC challenge. We received \$4,000 from the challenger and \$3,943 from the congregation.
- Motion was made, seconded and passed to authorize the treasurer to establish an account at Lutheran Extension Fund for the Peace Lutheran Church Depreciation Fund. Signatories: Treasurer (Rita Riemann), Elder Chairman (Bob Mueller), President (Mic Carlson).
- Motion made, seconded and passed to have the following signatories on our Lutheran Extension Fund Account: Treasurer (Rita Riemann), Elder Chairman (Bob Mueller), President (Mic Carlson).
- Recommendation that we only keep \$5,000 end of month balance in our operating fund account at Bank of Versailles, and the treasurer deposit any excess funds into the Lutheran Extension Fund account, after we have paid the balance of the cost of the new HVAC unit.
- The Constitution and By-Laws call for the President to nominate a Member at Large at the beginning of the year. Will make that nomination at the Jan. 15, 2018 Voters Meeting.
- We received a check from Southwest Electric Cooperative in the amount of \$214.01 for a refund to members who purchased services in 1996.

Financial Secretary: Vicki Stauch presented the November and year to date report. The report was accepted and approved.

Treasurer: Rita Riemann presented the Treasurer Report. Rita's report was accepted and approved.

Elders: Bob Mueller no report.

Ushers: No report

Member at Large: No report

Trustees: Chuck Kral reported the following (via email):

- Thanks to Mark Riemann for getting the outdoor lights' timer set properly.
 - Chuck changed the security lights in the front of the church.
 - Mark Riemann and Chuck set up the front yard manger scene.
 - Lakewood Alarm and Security is working to correct problems with the alarm system. They still have to replace the smoke detectors in the Chapel area. There is now only one code for people utilizing their keys to get in the church.
 - Propane was added to the propane tank.
- The report was approved and accepted.

Education: Vacant

Evangelism: Russell Schultz discussed continuing progress being made with the Chambers with our Face Book page and with the website. We discussed other avenues to get greater exposure for Peace. The report was accepted and approved.

Stewardship: No report

Cemetery: Diane Borgmann reported the following the current cemetery checking account balance. The report was accepted and approved.

Pastor: Vacant.

Mic Carlson reported that we continue to be served by a really good group of ministers. We have coverage for the Advent services from Pastor Anderegg and for Christmas Eve by Pastor Brandt.

Old Business:

Call Committee was receiving the results of the Congregational Survey this evening. It is the Call Committee's intention to review these results with the congregation some time during January.

New Business:

There was no new business.

The meeting was adjourned, the council closed with the Doxology.

Respectfully submitted,
Mic Carlson

