

News of Peace



Peace Lutheran Church, Camdenton, MO

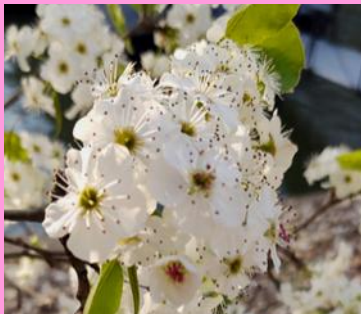
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Happening This Month



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| May 2 | Worship | 9 a.m. |
| | Mites Collection | |
| | Bible Class | 10:15 a.m. |
| May 3 | Elders Mtg. | 9:30 a.m. |
| May 9 | Worship | 9 a.m. |
| | Bible Class | 10:15 a.m. |
| May 10 | LWML Mtg. | 9:30 a.m. |
| May 11 | Pastors Conf. | 9 a.m. |
| | Council Mtg. | 6:30 p.m. |
| May 16 | Worship | 9 a.m. |
| | Bible Class | 10:15 a.m. |
| May 17 | Newsletter Deadline | 9 a.m. |
| May 24 | Worship | 9 a.m. |
| | Bible Class | 10:15 a.m. |
| May 30 | Worship | 9 a.m. |
| | Bible Class | 10:15 a.m. |

"He Is Not Here, for He Has Risen!"

"The Probably Empty Tomb"

A friend of mine shares this true story.

Three uniformed workers knocked on the door of his cousin Alline's farm home south of Orlando, Oklahoma. They represented a pipeline company. The two men and one woman ranged in age from early to mid-20's. They were seeking permission to survey along the creek south of her home. She granted their request.

But before leaving her porch she issued a motherly warning: "Now be careful of snakes down there. There could be copperheads or rattlesnakes, and there's a lot of brush drifted up from flooding." Then came the warning that went beyond motherly advice: "And don't be surprised when you come upon the old tomb that's down there!" That peaked their interest. "A tomb? A real tomb?" they asked. "Yes, it's been there for years, but it's probably empty. Sometimes a transient or a varmint hides there for a while."

As though they had been deaf to the snake and varmint warning, they asked again: "It's a real tomb?" "Yes, that's what it was built for," responded his cousin. As they walked away, she heard one say to the other two, "I'm not going there if there's a tomb!" Alline assumed they completed the survey, avoided snakes and saw the tomb that she believed was probably empty.

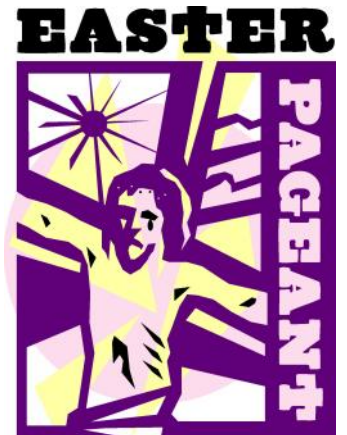
Interestingly, she did not tell them the rest of the story. Oh, it was a tomb alright, but a leftover from the Easter pageant staging of long ago. It had been constructed by a church member with stones taken from their old Lutheran Church. When the church closed a man tried to remodel it by tearing off several rows of the large sandstones which were offered to this fellow. It was the tomb where another member portrayed Jesus; and after the crucifixion was carried and buried.

The pageant grounds have washed away by years of flooding, but the tomb, set high on the creek bank, survived it. It is still there, but if you search for it watch out for snakes and it will probably be empty!

"The Absolutely Empty Tomb"

Joseph of Arimathea had his tomb carved into a rock ledge outside of Jerusalem. His sole intent was to fill it by his own burial. He was a realist in that he knew he was going to die someday. And he was a planner because he made preparations for when that day would come.

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Little did he suspect his newly hewn tomb, that cave-like sepulcher, would take on a divine dynamic. On that infamous Passover Friday, which we call Good, Joseph's heart was wrenched as he watched the bloody, brutal sacrifice of the Lamb of God. The Jewish leadership knew how to hate and the Roman soldiers knew how to crucify. The rough, rugged Roman cross atop that small hill called Golgotha or Calvary virtually cast its shadow on his own empty burial tomb.

Joseph had pinned his Messianic hopes on Jesus of Nazareth as the One who would bring about the Kingdom of God! But now on this Friday, a few hours before the high holy Sabbath of Passover, Jesus was being put to death by crucifixion. The least, the very least Joseph could do was bury the corpse of Jesus. He would fill his own, newly hewn tomb with the body of his Lord. What devotion! He and Nicodemus wrapped the body in spice-laced linen and filled the tomb. Little did he know how temporary this effort would be.

You see, Jesus doesn't like filled tombs. He likes empty tombs! By early Sunday morning Joseph's tomb was not "probably empty" like the one near

Orlando; it was absolutely empty! The word of the Easter morning angel says it all: "Why do you seek the living among the dead? He is not here, but has risen. Remember how He told you, while He was still in Galilee, that the Son of Man must be delivered into the hands of sinful men and be crucified and on the third day rise" (Luke 24:5-7).

I venture to say that the

empty tomb of Jesus may have been filled again at the death of Joseph of Arimathea, who owned it and planned to fill it. But remember, Jesus likes empty tombs, so even Joseph's tomb will again be emptied on the great day of the resurrection of all flesh. Jesus sealed that promise to us when He emptied His own tomb. By His tomb-emptying resurrection work He emptied death of its power to bind us as well! Through Jesus' death and resurrection we are assured that our filled tombs will someday be emptied too!

Martin Luther once said that every day should be a little Easter! May all of us rejoice in our Lord and Savior's gift of salvation and eternal life. Live in peace no matter what the devil and the world throws at you!

Love in Christ,
Pastor Gary Brandt



The tomb where Jesus was laid outside of Jerusalem. Photo taken by Susan Kral from her visit to Israel.

Newsletter DEADLINE

The **deadline** for the **June** newsletter is **Mon., May 17 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.

MAY Birthdays & Anniversaries

- May 11 Russell Schulz
- May 12 Paul Bartels
- May 13 Makayla Parkhurst
- May 15 Fran Lashley
- May 23 Teresa Gifford
- May 24 Jeff & Dawn Hedberg
- May 28 Charles & Teresa Gifford
- May 29 Barbara Powell
- May 31 Paula Emery



Thank you for your **continued support** of the Pocket Change for Mites. We collected \$16.82 in April. Our next Mites collection will be Sun., June ?. You can bring your pocket change anytime during the month. The box is located in the back of the church.

LWML members



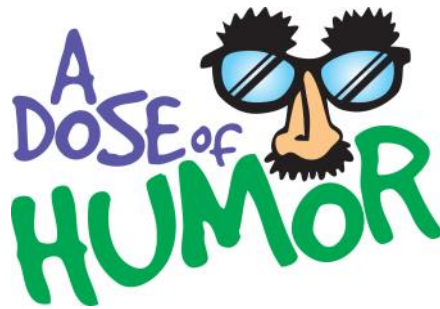
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Our Mission: "We the members of Peace Lutheran Church gather and grow together as God's children and rejoice in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, proclaim His word, and reach out with his love to: each other, our community, and the world."

Connect with us:

Hospitalized?

If you or a loved one is hospitalized, have experienced a death in the family, are home bound, or scheduled to go to the hospital, please call Pastor Brandt (580-421-8108). Please keep in mind that privacy laws also limit the information hospitals can share with us. Both Pastor Anderegg (573-528-4597) and Pastor Brandt are available for any emergency, or any issue you and your loved ones might be having. Remember, our two pastors are here to serve you. **Our Elders:** Charlie Gifford (816-565-1636), Jeff Hedberg (573-819-4446), Joe Stauch (573-410-5902) will also assist in getting one of the pastors to follow up on any issue, not just hospitalization for you, a loved one or a death in the family. To find out which Elder you are assigned to, please see the bulletin board in the Narthex.



A boy just passed his driving test and asked his Father when he could use the car. His Father said, "You bring your grades up, study your Bible, and get your hair cut, we'll talk about the car."

A few weeks later the Father said, "You've brought your grades up, you've been studying your Bible, but you haven't cut your hair." The boy said, "In the Bible Samson had long hair, John the Baptist had long hair, Moses had long hair—even Jesus had long hair." Father said, "Did you also notice they all walked everywhere they went?"

Too Great to Grasp

For more than three decades, St. Augustine of Hippo toiled over the mind-boggling doctrine of the Trinity. According to legend, one day the church father was strolling along a shore, wrestling with this puzzle. He saw a boy running back and forth, using a seashell to pour water from the ocean into a hole he'd dug in the sand. When Augustine asked what he was doing, the boy proclaimed, "I'm going to pour the entire ocean into this hole!"

"That's impossible," replied Augustine. "The sea is so great, and the shell and the hole are so little."

"That's true," the boy said. "But it would be easier to draw all the water out of the sea and fit it into this hole than for you to fit the mystery of the Trinity and his divinity into your little intellect."

from Newsletter Newsletter

Indeed, only through faith can we

95th Birthday Celebration



On Saturday, April 17, Irma turned 95 years young. In celebrating her birthday, members of Peace gave Irma a card shower and provided refreshments after the worship service on Sunday, April 18. Happy Birthday Irma!! Photos taken by Diane Borgmann and Susan Kral



Stewardship

St. Paul teaches us: “Let the one who is taught the word share all good things with the one who teaches” (Gal. 6:6). And again, he says: “Do you not know that those who are employed in the temple service get their food from the temple, and those who serve at the altar share in the sacrificial offerings? In the same way, the Lord commanded that those who proclaim the gospel should get their living by the gospel” (1 Cor. 9:13-14).

In other words, ministers of the Gospel are supported by the offerings of those who are served by them.

And this is how the church lives even now. It is standard practice. But this deserves closer examination. For it instructs us not just *that* we are to give but also *what* we are to give. And it does so with four little words: “In the same way ...”

St. Paul is building his case for supporting the preachers of the Gospel with the sacrificial giving of individual members on the example of the Old Testament people who supported the Levites with their offerings and sacrifices. We’re to support the Gospel ministry “in the same way.” But how did the Old Testament people support the Levites?

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Moses records this: “You shall tithe all the yield of your seed that comes from the field year by year. And before the Lord your God, in the place that he will choose, to make his name dwell there, you shall eat the tithe of your grain, of your wine, and of your oil, and the firstborn of your herd and flock, that you may learn to fear the Lord your God always” (Deut. 14:22–23). The Levites were supported by the tithe, 10 percent of all the yearly yield of that which was harvested.

Does that seem like a lot? Does it surprise you that St. Paul instructs us that we are to support the New Testament Gospel ministry “in the same way?” If it does, ask yourself: Is the church’s job in the New Testament bigger or smaller than the Levites’ job in the Old Testament? Back then, there was

than the Levites’ job in the Old Testament? Back then, there was one Temple, and the ministry was almost exclusively located in one nation among the descendants of Abraham. In Matthew 28, Jesus calls us to teach and baptize all nations, and there are churches and ministries all around the world! How could we support this new Gospel ministry with anything less than the Israelites supported the Old Testament ministry?

Of course, we are free to give more, for we have received more than those in the Old Testament. We have received the fullness of God’s revelation, the fullness of His salvation, and the fulfillment of everything that God promised to do. For we have received Christ, God’s own Son, in the flesh, who took upon him-

self our sins and in exchange gave us his righteousness. The Father claimed us as his own in Holy Baptism.

He gathers us together in the place where his name dwells to feast on the first fruits of the resurrection, the risen and living body and blood of His Son – our Lord Jesus. He reminds us that we are His, that all things are ours because we belong to Him. He blesses us here in time with physical and spiritual gifts.

In the same way – and in response to His fatherly divine goodness and mercy – we gladly give to those who proclaim to us “the excellencies of him who called us out of darkness and into his marvelous light.” For once we were not a people, but now we are God’s people; once we had not received mercy, but now we have indeed (1 Peter 2:9–10).

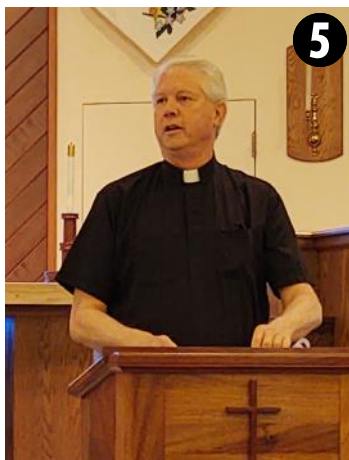


Remember your leaders, those who spoke to you the word of God. Consider the outcome of their way of life, and imitate their faith.

Hebrews 13:7

LCMS Stewardship website

Highlights of the Spring Rally held April 13 hosted by Peace, Camdenton and Faith, Warsaw



Forty-eight ladies gathered for the Spring Rally at Faith, Warsaw. A total of 581 items were gathered for the St. Louis Sem Food Bank. Pictured: **1.** Zone President Leticia Harms opens the meeting. **2.** Faith's LWML President Roberta Schnakenberg gives the welcome. **3.** Pastor Wendorf leads us in Bible study. **4.** Karen Kulmann Averitt is our guest speaker. **5.** Pastor Anderegg gives the closing devotion. **6.** Sara Anderegg and Susan Kral take count of the ingathering items. **7.** Jaccy is assisting Karen Kulmann Averitt at the author table. **8 & 9.** Attendees at the rally. **10.** Sara Anderegg won a door prize.

Members in ACTION

PREPARING FOR *Easter*



On April 3, several members gathered together to decorate the church for Easter Sunday service. Thanks to the members who ordered lilies. They created a beautiful cross for the Easter service.





side to the story: Jesus is good news of great joy. He has changed everything for the better. Our young people need to hear that from us, and they need to know if we really believe it, and why we believe it.

Prayer: Dear Lord, every day has plenty of evil without us borrowing from tomorrow. May our witness to the young reflect the joy we have in Jesus, who has given His life so we might have an abundant life (see John 10:10). In His Name. Amen.

From LHM daily devotion by Pr. Ken Klaus. July 9, 2009

Therefore do not be anxious about tomorrow, for tomorrow will be anxious for itself. Sufficient for the day is its own trouble. Matthew 6:34

Do you remember that Buck Owens-Roy Clark song: “Gloom, despair, and agony on me. Deep, dark depression, excessive misery. If it weren’t for bad luck, I’d have no luck at all. Gloom, despair, and agony on me.” According to Dr. Iris Borowsky from the University of Minnesota, those words have found acceptance among a fairly high percentage of young people. Based on a survey of 20,000 kids, almost 15 percent thought they had a good chance of dying young. The big problem is this: those dark thoughts are being transformed into a self-fulfilling prophecy. The logic goes this way: these teens think they’re not going to live very long. Since they’re not going to live long, they’ve got nothing to lose. Since they’ve got nothing to lose, they might as well do what they want. All of this leads to taking chances and doing some risky stuff. How risky? Well, other statistics say that when compared to someone with a brighter outlook, a pessimistic teen has a higher chance of getting AIDS, of attempting suicide, and getting in a fight that will cause a serious injury. How much higher a chance? Seven times higher. And that’s a lot. So, what do we do about these young folks who are sure every day is filled to overflowing with trouble? First, we can pray for them. When Jesus talked about being the light of the world, He meant He can bring the brightness of God’s grace into hearts, which are darkened by discouragement

meant He can bring the brightness of God’s grace into hearts, which are darkened by discouragement and depression. Second, we can watch what we say around these future adults. While we can’t sugar coat the dark side of life, we don’t have to continuously dwell on sin’s repercussions. There is another

1st Article Apologetics

Argument #3—The Anthropic Principle

(The design of life) King David in Psalm 19:1 states that “the heavens declare the glory of God and proclaims His handiwork”.

The fact that the universe has a grand design means that there is a designer behind it. This argument observes that many of the features of the cosmos as well as life are so complex and unique that they must be the work of an intelligent and creative mind and not a product of gradual processes and mere chance. One feature of this argument is called “irreducible complexity” as postulated by the prominent biochemist Michael Behe. He states that the basic features of living creatures would’ve had to have been created in full form for them to function, such as the flagellum of microscopic organisms to propel themselves and feathers on birds. Partially formed by chance they would’ve had no val-

Partially formed by chance they would’ve had no value whatsoever. Also consider the sense organs we use for sight, hearing, smell, taste and touch. They are so complex that they could never



have sprung up by coincidence and chance. The lack of missing links in the fossil record bear this out. They do not provide the transitional fossilized

creatures to prove that these features evolved haphazardly.

Next month will bring a discussion on DNA and the reasons why it could not have evolved. Russell Schulz, Evangelism Chair



You Are His Witness, What Does This Mean?

In Acts 1:8, Jesus calls His disciples to be His witnesses. “You will be My witnesses” is a statement of fact, not a request. Just as His disciples, we who are His disciples today are also called to be His witnesses. Just as the nation of Israel was set apart to be “a light for the nations” in testimony of God, so are we called to be witnesses to those who do not know Him. This brings some questions. What is a witness? What kind of witness am I?



How do I witness? To whom should I witness? Where should I witness? The common definition of witness is someone who has knowledge of something and gives personal testimony to it. When Jesus calls us to be witnesses He is calling us who know Him personally by the faith He works in us by His Word, to share that knowledge with others. As simple as to what it means to be a witness, how to be a witness raises a lot of questions. We may feel inadequate or intimidated to give witness to others. We may wonder where or how to speak of Jesus. We should remember that Jesus’ disciples were just like us. They were not trained in theology or public speaking. They came from ordinary walks of life, but had experienced the extra ordinary while walking with Jesus. Like them, we may not have the worldly credentials, but we have experienced the extraordinary by being buried and raised with Jesus in Holy Baptism, and are, therefore, qualified to be witnesses by Him who has called, enlightened, sanctified, and kept in the true faith. Every one of Jesus’ disciples is His witness. By grace, this includes you. Russell Schulz, *Evangelism Chair*

“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.” Act 1:8

A Shared Experience

What comes to mind when you hear the word *Pentecost*? Many people think of a mighty wind, tongues of fire and multiple languages. But Acts 2 begins with another detail that’s just as key: Jesus’ disciples “were all together in one place.” Because they were together physically and spiritually, the early believers didn’t miss the life-changing, world-changing birth of the Church.

The pandemic, while changing our definition of gathering, also highlighted our need for interaction. If Jesus’ first followers hadn’t been assembled on Pentecost, they would’ve missed the outpouring of God’s power and the indescribable joy God had for them. Think about what believers today might miss if we neglect to worship with other friends of Christ. Who would want to miss God’s blessings, promises and joy?

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Your Vote Counts!



On April 6, citizens of Missouri went to the polls to vote on several issues. You might not know our church is a voting site for all elections. I am not sure how long we have done this, but we have been a voting site for many years, back to at least 2010. Jeff Hedberg started as an Election Official in 2013 when former member Arlene Leonard and her husband Leonard moved back to the St. Louis area.

Jeff and Helen Gunn work every election as Election Officials, based on their seniority, and there are others that also assist for anticipated busier election days. Jeff and Helen serve as supervisors for their respective party affiliations. The two major parties have to have an equal number of workers at each polling place.

The Election Officials day starts around 5 am when they begin getting everything set up. Polling begins at 6 am and closes at 7 pm. By the time they get everything together, do their count, take the ballots to the court house, it is at least 8 pm.

It is one of the initiatives the church participates in by providing space for election polling. It gives us some exposure to people from around the area. You might also be interested in the fact the church receives \$100 which takes care of the extra utilities and cleaning.

We should also recognize Jeff for his participation. He does not do this as a church member, but as an interested citizen. Thanks to Jeff for a job well done.

Servants of God for May

Elder: Joe Stauch **Altar Guild:** Susan Kral

May 2, 2021

Organist: Diana Schwab

Ushers: Bob Hansen, Penny Hansen, Paul Bartels,
Mark Riemann

Counters: Joe & Vicki Stauch

May 9, 2021

Organist: Diana Schwab

Ushers: Earl Hartenstein, Shelia Hartenstein,
Jeff Emery, Paula Emery

Counters: Bob & Diane Borgmann

May 16, 2021

Organist: Diana Schwab

Ushers: Bob Borgmann, Sheryl Bald, Diane Borgmann,
Mic Carlson, Rodney Schulz

Counters: Mic Carlson

May 23, 2021

Organist: Gary Brandt

Ushers: Jeff Hedberg, Dawn Hedberg, Bob Mueller,
Russell Schulz

Counters: Ed & Jacey Heinlein

Flowers: Bob & Penny Hansen celebrating Penny's
daughters Krista & Kayla's birthdays.

May 30, 2021

Ushers: Bob Borgmann, Jeff Hedberg, Bob Hansen,
Earl Hartenstein

Counters: Joe & Vicki Stauch

Flowers: Penny Hansen, Memorial Day

May Worship Schedule

May 2—Fifth Sunday of Easter

Presiding Pastor: Pastor Gary Brandt

Liturgy and Creed: Divine Service I, Apostles' Creed

Hymns: 480, 611, 637, 761

May 9—Sixth Sunday of Easter

Presiding Pastor: Pastor Richard Anderegg

Liturgy and Creed: Divine Service I, Apostles' Creed

Hymns: 469, 566, (1-4, 10), 483, 649

May 16—Seventh Sunday of Easter

Presiding Pastor: Pastor Gary Brandt

Liturgy and Creed: Divine Service I, Nicene Creed

Hymns: 492, 644, 642, 701

May 23—Day of Pentecost

Presiding Pastor: Pastor Richard Anderegg

Liturgy and Creed: Divine Service I, Nicene Creed

Hymns: 497, 503, 493, 940 (1-3, 7)

May 30—Holy Trinity

Presiding Pastor: Pastor Gary Brandt

Liturgy and Creed: Divine Service I, Apostles' Creed

Hymns: 506, 507, 650, 965

Sign Up Today!

There is a simple, convenient way for you to get preventive health screenings and learn your risk for stroke, heart disease and other chronic conditions.



These painless screenings go beyond your regular checkup to identify dangerous plaque buildup or blockage, a major risk factor for stroke and heart disease. The screenings are accurate, affordable and will give you valuable information about your health that you can share with your doctor.

We are pleased to host Lifeline Screening, who will be on site

on Tuesday, June 15, 2021 at Peace Lutheran Church to conduct these valuable screenings.

These five vital screenings are offered for only \$149 and take 60-90 minutes to complete. If you register today, you will receive a \$10 discount.

Register by calling toll free 1-888-653-6441 or text the word "circle" to 797979.

April 13 Council Minutes

Vice President Bob Hansen called the meeting to order at 6:30 P.M. Pastor Anderegg opened with prayer.

The following board members were present: **Pastors** Pastor Anderegg, **Pres.** Jeff Emery, **Vice Pres.** Bob Hansen, **Sec.** Susan Kral, **Treas.** Rita Riemann, **Financial Sec.** Vicki Stauch, **Board of Elders** Jeff Hedberg, **Board of Trustees** Chuck Kral, **Board of Education** Sara Anderegg, **Cemetery** Diane Borgmann, **Stewardship** Dawn Hedberg, **Ushers** Bob Borgmann, **Evangelism** Russell Schulz, and **Member at large** Peg Callahan. **Absent:** Pastor Brandt. The minutes from the March 2021 meeting were approved as printed.

Financial Secretary: Vicki presented her report. The report was accepted and approved.

Treasurer: Rita presented her report. Offerings slightly exceeded expenses in March. Her report was accepted and approved.

Elders: Jeff Hedberg reported the following:

- The Elders met on April 5, 2021. Discussion regarding the return to "normalcy" pre Covid include the following:
- Celebrating communion at the altar
- Opening the church to other activities
- The next voters' meeting will be held on Tuesday April 20 at 6:00 P.M. rather than following a Sunday service.
- The report was accepted and approved.

Ushers: Bob Borgmann ex-

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- The report was accepted and approved.

Ushers: Bob Borgmann expressed concern regarding seating when attendance increases. The board decided that changes to the way pews are taped off will be made.

He wants to return to having an usher open and close the door to the sanctuary so that conversation in the narthex will not disturb those inside. Approval was given.

His report was accepted and approved.

Member at Large: Peg Callahan was welcomed to board membership.

Trustees: Chuck Kral reported the following:

- He repaired the mail box stand and painted the box blue to match the trash enclosure.
- He met with Above and Beyond Roofing. They submitted a bid for \$31,000.00 to replace the roof on the church and the garage.
- He obtained a bid from JCH Roofing of \$22,000.00 to do the same. (Thank you to Pat Callahan for setting up the appointment.) Voters will be asked to approve the JCH bid.
- A bid to resurface the parking lot will be presented to voters.
- Rita Riemann obtained a bid for \$780.00 from Reinhold Electric to repair one parking lot light. The board requested that she ask for a bid to redo all the parking lot lights. Voters will be asked for approval.
- Chuck got a water sample to be tested by the state.

Chuck's report was accepted and approved.

Education: Sara requested that Peace Lutheran members fill out the survey regarding additional Bible study options and interest in having game nights. The report was approved and accepted.

Evangelism: Russell reported the following:

- Lifeline Screening is scheduled to be at Peace Lutheran on June 15.
- He corrected the church phone number in local magazines.
- Flyers regarding Easter services were put up in several businesses.
- He contacted Main Street Opry regarding the ad we have with them. They have not yet decided when they will open.
- Outreach Direct Mail has requested more information regarding our status as a nonprofit. Russell will provide the information. The contract with that company will run from April 30, 2021 –September 30, 2021

Russell's report was approved and accepted. The council appreciates all the work that Russell does.

Stewardship: Dawn asked if a check that the board authorized for the Pregnancy Crisis Center in Camdenton had been sent. Rita will take care of it.

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She requested that members continue to bring cans for recycling and thanked Bob and Penny Hansen for delivering them. The report was approved and accepted.

Cemetery: Diane reported the following:

- She got a \$250.00 from Thrivent to help meet cemetery expenses.
- She replaced the soaker hoses to be used in flower beds.
- Rodney Schulz has applied fertilizer and grub control in the cemetery.
- Chuck said that using the Thrivent to purchase mowing fuel would be cumbersome. He will buy it and submit a bill.
- She will set a cemetery work day to get the soaker hoses properly placed.
- Mic continues to try contacting people who have left the area but own cemetery plots.
- She contacted Mary Beittie regarding her plot. Mary signed papers relinquishing the plot.
- Diane's report was accepted and approved.

Pastor's Reports:

Pastor Anderegg reported the following:

- He has donated a color printer to our office. He will provide ink as needed.
- He attended the Pastors' Circuit Meeting and the LWML Rally in Warsaw on April 13, 2021.

His report was accepted and approved.

President's report:

Jeff's report is covered in New Business.

Old Business: Due to the lengthy power point presentation covered in new business, old business was tabled.

New Business:

- A Lutheran family in Wellington, Mo is taking the Kimball piano. They will make a contribution to Peace Lutheran.
- Results of the 2018, 2019, and 2020 surveys were reviewed in detail. The presentation will be repeated at the April 2021 Voters Meeting.

Jeff's reports were accepted and approved.

The meeting was adjourned. Pastor Anderegg led the board in a closing prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Kral, Secretary



April 20 Voters Meeting

President Jeff Emery called the meeting to order at 6:30 P.M. There were 23 members present. Thank you to the ladies and gentleman who provided desserts. Pastor Brandt opened with prayer. The minutes of the January 17, 2021 Voters Meeting were approved as printed.

Reports:

Treasurer's Report: The 2020 report was distributed. The report was accepted and approved. Thank you to Rita Riemann for her time and efforts.

Financial Secretary's Report: The Financial Report was distributed. The report was accepted and approved. Thank you to Vicki Stauch for your time and work in redoing the format of the report.

Auxiliary Organization reports:

LWML: Sheryl Bald did not present a report.

Thrivent: Jaccy Heinlein stated that there are several Thrivent debit cards out to be used for various projects.

Pastors' Reports:

Pastor Brandt reported that he has played the organ at least once a month and has preached at least twice a month. He has submitted an article for the newsletter. He made a hospital visit last week.

Pastor Anderegg stated that he and Pastor Brandt are flexible regarding their division of responsibilities. He mentioned that he is available for pastoral care and counseling.

President's Report: Jeff's report consisted of reviewing the power point presentation of survey results from the Finance and Planning Committee.

- Voters approved the initiatives listed in the **Education Report**.
- **Evangelism Initiatives:** Voters authorized the church council to spend up to \$10,000.00 to invest in a new church sign to be built over the top of the present sign. Jeff Emery will appoint a committee to investigate signage options.

It was noted that due to efforts of Sheryl Bald and Russell Schulz, the Peace Lutheran newsletters and Facebook page are vastly improved.

- **Stewardship Initiatives:** Bob Hansen made a motion that the congregation donates five percent of the offering plate collections from October 1, 2020 – September 30, 2021 to organizations to be determined by a committee. Mic Carlson seconded the motion. It passed unanimously. (Donating to LWML Missions and to King's Academy was mentioned.)
- **Trustee Initiatives:** The following repairs and replacements need to be addressed:

Parking lot resurfacing: A bid of \$17,000.00 to properly resurface the parking lot has been received.

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Replacement of three HVAC Units: It was suggested that one unit be replaced in 2021, another be replaced in 2022, and the third be replaced in 2023. The estimated cost of the three replacements is \$ 23,000.00.

Replacement of parking lot lights: Our parking lot lights are not working properly. Mark Riemann received a bid for them to be upgraded.

Voters unanimously approved the expenditures for parking lot repair, updating the parking lot lights, and roof replacements. There was discussion concerning the HVAC units. It was suggested that it would be best to replace all three units together. A committee will be established to discuss that matter with heating/cooling experts.

Voters unanimously approved the placing of \$70,000.00 in the Depreciation Replacement Fund so that repairs and replacements can proceed.

Old Business:

- Documents for the perpetuity registry of the Peace Lutheran Cemetery are not completed.
- The development of internal capabilities for streaming worship services is being addressed.

New Business:

- Voters approved the appointment of Peggy Callahan to the position of member at large.
- Sara Anderegg will proceed with the organizing of Vacation Bible School.
- The Elders were asked to discuss the possibility of having ushers return to passing the collection plates rather than placing the plates at the back of the church.

Closing:

Pastor Anderegg presented a short devotion using the parable of the talents. He closed with prayer.

Respectfully submitted,
Susan Kral, *secretary*





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| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| | | | | | | 1  |
| 2 Worship 9 am Bible Study 10:15 a.m. | 3 Elders Meeting 9:30 a.m. | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 |
| 9 Worship 9 am Bible Study 10:15 a.m.  | 10 LWML Mtg. 9:30 a.m. | 11 Pastor's Conf. 9 a.m. Council Mtg. 6:30 p.m. Russell Schulz | 12 Paul Bartels | 13 The Ascension of Our Lord Makayla Parkhurst | 14 | 15  Fran Lashley |
| 16 Worship 9 am Bible Study 10:15 a.m. | 17 Newsletter Deadline 9 a.m. | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 |
| 23 Pentecost 9 am Bible Study 10:15 a.m. Teresa Gifford | 24 Jeff & Dawn Hedberg | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 Charles & Teresa Gifford | 29 Barb Powell |
| 30 Trinity Sunday 9 am Bible Study 10:15 a.m. | 31  observed Paula Emery | | | | | |





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Worship Schedules

Sunday Worship* 9:00 am
 Bible Class/Sun. School 10:30 am

Wednesday Evening Services:

- Ash Wednesday 6:00 pm
- During Lent 6:00 pm
- During Advent 6:00 pm

Holy Week

- Maundy Thursday* 6:00 pm
- Good Friday Service 6:00 pm

Easter Sunday* 9:00 am

Thanksgiving Eve Service

Wednesday Evening 6:00 pm

Christmas

Evening Service 6:00 pm

**Holy Communion*

The Lord's Servants at Peace

- **Elders—Monday before Council Meeting** 9:30 am
 Jeff Hedberg—*Chairman*; Charlie Gifford, Joe Stauch
- **Council—2nd Tuesday** 6:30 pm
 Jeff Emery—*President*; Bob Hansen—*Vice President*
 Susan Kral—*Secretary*; Vicki Stauch—*Financial Secretary*
 Rita Riemann—*Treasurer*
- **Stewardship** As announced
 Dawn Hedberg—*Chairman*
- **Evangelism** As announced
 Russell Schulz—*Chairman*
- **Education**
 Sara Andereg
- **Trustees** As announced
 Chuck Kral, Rodney Schulz, Mark Riemann, Pat Callahan
- **LWML—2nd Monday of each month** 9:30 am
 Sheryl Bald—*President*
- **Altar Guild** As announced
 Diane Borgmann
- Bible Studies** As announced
 - *Elected Offices*