The Tidings of Peace

September

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Dorothy Lindholm and Bonnie Crary
| Sept. 6 –9:00 am | Ushers | Alan Puterbaugh family |
| Lay Reader | Sara Haase |
| Greeters | Bjorn Neumann family |
| Acolyte | Bryanna Raddatz |

| Sept. 13 8:30 am | Ushers | Dick Blattner/Dave Stephansen |
| Lay Readers | Melissa Hall |
| Greeters | Norma Lundgren |
| Acolyte | Kayla Rondeau |
| Sept. 13 10:45 am -Praise Band | Ushers | John & Pat Adam |
| Lay Readers | Michelle Ward |
| Greeters | Barb Hanson |
| Acolyte | Luke Roytek |

| Sept. 20 | Ushers | Steve & Karrie Swenson |
| Lay Readers | Mary Drinkwine |
| Greeters | Judy Dittrich/Betty Chryst |
| Acolyte | Dane Rutledge |

| Sept. 27 | Ushers | Bob & Denise Todd |
| Lay Readers | Bruce Swenson |
| Greeters | Don & Linda Meixner |
| Acolyte | Zach Solsrud |

**Communion Helper:** 8:30-Maria Gjovig  10:45-Pam Jensen

**Altar Guild:** 8:30-Marge Shores  10:45-Denise Sinclair Todd

**Altar Guild Organizational Meeting,** Tuesday, Sept. 15th, 6:30 pm.
New members welcome1
to the saints…

King David is an old man now; his hands have grown tired and his eyes dull. In fact, the very next story of David in the scriptures is of his death; although those around him continue to cover him with clothes, he cannot get warm and so soon he sleeps with his fathers. But for now, he is old and life has worn him smooth and his hands are tired.

Remember, God’s kindness of David and David’s sins have been the turning point of David’s life, David’s reign. David blurted to a story-telling-Nathan that the cruel man in the tale should surely die because “he showed no pity”, that he was not kind. And so, David, once convicted of his own unkindness, begs and bids God’s kindness be toward him finally; Psalm 51 beseeches God’s kindness with 3 terms that cover over 3 terms of David’s sin… see, a 1 to 1 covering of kindness for an unkindness that finally overflows to an everlasting, never-ending, always-surpassing love of God that turns David finally.

Now, David is old. He wants to build an altar to the Lord as his days come to an end. He goes to the man Araunah and tells him that he will buy the space of his threshing floor so that David can build the altar there. But Araunah, laying down before the king, stretched out flat with his face to the earth, he tells David that he will be more than honored to give the space to the king and his God; that he will, in fact, give oxen and wood in addition so that an offering should be made on the altar and that God should be kind. But David answers this way, “No, I will buy them from you for a price; I will not offer an offering to the Lord my God that cost me nothing.”

So the man allows David, the king, to pay him money to buy the threshing floor for his God. And in doing so, he does David a kindness!

Saints, see, because of you, us…. the story makes better sense to me; I have written of it before, but just saw the cost to the man David. But this is the final story in the life of David about the kindness of God. It is what moves, motivates and creates in him “a clean heart”. It is what we do in response to the kindness of God. We give something in return. Kindness begets thankful kindness.

Saints, as September arrives, Peace begins again with so many things. I ask all of us, each of you, mindful of God’s goodness and kindness, with thanksgiving, give of yourself anew to the ministry here. Share all that is you; faith, fellowship, fuller, fun. Come and take up your part of Peace!!! We are a holy people together better, fuller, when all are here, when we all take part… thankfully.

And thank you!

shalom,
Pastor Alan Buresh
Let Christ’s Light Shine!

In September our SHINE focus will be on the Backpack Program!

Each Friday during the school year the Osceola Food Shelf packs over 50 backpacks with food for children in financially struggling families to take home for the weekend. The food helps to offset the costs of their meals and ensure the children continue to get enough to eat over the weekend.

Peace Church is to donate cans or packages of **TUNA**. We need **300 packages** to cover 8 months of the Backpack Program. Please leave your donations in the basket by the grocery cart during the month of September.

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**FREE Clothing**

Help is needed setting up and sorting the clothing on Sunday, Sept. 13th, noon-2pm

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Peace Fall Free Clothing Event

Monday, September 14th, 2:00-6:00 pm

Fall & Winter clothing available for free. Donations are welcome beginning Sept. 6th. No household items please. If you have a household item to give away we will post a picture and your phone number. Children’s clothing is especially needed!
Parish Nurse Notes!

September is National Cholesterol Education Month.
Ever wonder what all the alphabet soup means when getting your cholesterol test results? *LDL cholesterol* makes up the majority of the body’s cholesterol. LDL is known as “bad” cholesterol because having high levels can lead to plaque buildup in your arteries and result in heart disease and stroke. *HDL cholesterol* absorbs cholesterol and carries it back to the liver, which flushes it from the body. HDL is known as “good” cholesterol because having high levels can reduce the risk for heart disease and stroke. *Triglycerides* are a type of fat found in your blood that your body uses for energy. High levels of triglycerides compounded with high LDL and low HDL can increase your risk for heart attack or stroke even more.

As was the case during previous years, the fall seems to bring with it a lot of educational events available in our area. Here are two wonderful offerings:

**THE UNEXPECTED CAREGIVER** is a conference for caregivers held annually at WITC in New Richmond. This gathering a very inexpensive way to learn about caregiving services, as well as get energized and filled with new ideas. Kari Berit is the keynote speaker and has been giving her dynamic talks for more than 20 years. If you are caring for anyone in any capacity, you won’t want to miss this. I have gone twice before and plan to attend again, so talk to me if you have any questions. Mark your calendar for **Friday, Sept. 25th** from 8:00am – 3:30pm.

**FINAL AFFAIRS** is another excellent and no-cost event put on by the Aging and Disability Resource Center of NW Wisconsin. And the best part is this year the program will be held right here at Peace Lutheran Church! Attending this would be mandatory for anyone over 65 years old if it were up to me! Seriously, the local presenters are here to help individuals with everything one needs to know about advance directives, estate planning, and much more. You could pay a lot to get the guidance/advice you’ll get at this seminar. The date is **Thursday, October 8th at 8:30am to 3:30pm.** Registration is required as space is limited (and the folks need to plan for the complimentary lunch.) Call the Polk County Extension Office @ **715-485-8600** by 9/24 to register.

Have a wonderful month and take care of each other, Karen
"Give thanks to the Lord for He is Good!"
Psalm 107:1

At our staff retreat in June, we shared with Pastor Alan that in the last two years we have been on a journey of trusting and seeking God as our themes for the time of transition. We then asked him, "With that in mind, what direction should we go during this new year at Peace Lutheran—during this time when God is doing a new thing.” Without hesitation Pastor Alan said, “Give Thanks!”

So Let’s Begin...
Write down 5 things, people, circumstances you are thankful for....

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As we journey into this new thing God is doing through us, we GIVE THANKS.
As we journey into this new thing God is doing in us, we GIVE THANKS.
As we journey into this new thing God is doing with us, we GIVE THANKS.
And we GIVE THANKS because GOD is GOOD!
**Men in Mission -- Bible Study**
Thursdays, 6:00am, Our Place Café (SCF)
Call Bill Stevenson (262-853-5439)

**Rachael Circle -- Bible Study**
Wed, Sept 23rd, 1:30pm, Sr. Dining
Call Ramona Paulson (294-2665)

**Via de Cristo -- Singles, Couples**
Men: Oct 15-18 \ St. Stephens
Women: Oct 22-25 / West St Pual

**Beth Moore Simulcast—Sept 12th**
Alliance Church of the Valley, SCF
8:15am–3:30pm; Doors open at 7am
Tickets: $20, Single Moms $15
Lunch on your own

**Women’s Wednesday Study**
10:30—11:30am at Joyful Morning

"Relying on the Power of the Spirit”
By Elizabeth George

This fall we are going to study the book of ACTS, just like our Sunday School children! We will see what happened to those early believers after the coming of the Holy Spirit on Pentecost Sunday. This 8-week study will begin Sept 9th. Books are $8.

**Adult Education Opportunities**
Classes, Bible Studies, Conferences

**Adult Ed Class...with Pastor Alan**
Sundays & Tuesdays

As we hope you can tell, Pastor Alan loves faith, the scriptures, and all the saints! We will celebrate life-long learning at Peace and continue to make adult study and conversation central to who we are.

Beginning Sunday, September 20th between worship services, we will have 4 weeks of adult study about who we are as saints of Peace Lutheran; we will learn about each other and the faith that lives between us.

We will also have 4 Tuesdays (Sept. 15, 22, 29, Oct 6th) from 6:30-7:30pm to have the same conversations for those who cannot meet Sunday mornings.

Please plan to come and join in this important time! Any questions, please contact Pastor Buresh at pldresserpastor@gmail.com.

**HEARTS at HOME**
November 13-14, 2015
Rochester, MN
Mayo Civic Center
www.hearts-at-home.org
rALLy Sunday
September 13th

WORSHIP  8:30 & 10:45
BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS

BETWEEN SERVICES
SUNDAY SCHOOL REGISTRATION
CHURCH MINISTRY FAIR
SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE!
**TOT-TIME**
Preschoolers, Toddlers, Adults

A fun-filled hour of prayer, Bible Story, Music, Crafts and Snack

September 1st and 15th
**10:00–11:00am**
Education Wing

*Jesus loves the little children!*

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**CONFIRMANIA!**
7th & 8th Grade Confirmation

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Parents are invited to attend “Teaching” Nights.
9/16  9/23  9/30  (RSVP for supper)

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**CHILDREN’S SUNDAY**
October 4th—Both Services

All families are encouraged to join us for a special worship service, “Worship KidStyle”, geared to our children and involving our children. Children will be invited to greet, usher, read lessons, pray, provide special music, etc.

"Give Thanks!"
Psalm 107:1
Peace Lutheran Youth Ministry
Mission Statement:
To be an instrument used by the Holy Spirit to bring youth to faith in Jesus Christ. The strategies by which we accomplish this purpose are: Worship, Service, Learning and Fellowship.
Youth Ministry Team: Angie Gehrman, Robin Ekstrom, Alan Puterbaugh, Jason & Sonya Swanson, Brett Carlson, Shari Steele

Youth Page!

Come listen to Pastor Buresh’s message at both services on September 13th; then, join us for a redesigned 7th/8th grade youth group.

Sundays 9:35-10:35 a.m.
Youth Room

leadership opportunities - foosball tournament - Bible devotions - service learning - friendship

Bring a friend & receive a dilly bar!
The following Pre-K students will receive a “Spark Story Bible” on Sunday, Sept. 20th during our worship service (8:30 or 10:45 am)

Mason Carlson  Magdalen Peer
Levi Gregory  Macklin Prokop
Vince Hahn  Grayson Skinner
Beverly Hanson  Josilyn Walstead
Preston Keopple  Addison Warner
Eli Malm

The following 3rd grade students will receive a “Hands on Bible” on Sunday, Sept. 20th during our worship services.

Nicole Annunziata  Madeline Keopple
Jenna Bents  Stacia Kneath
Danielle Chouinard  Lauren Kromrey
Mia DeGrotte  Camden Paquin
Peyton Everson  Zoey Thompson
Emilie Glenna  Josiah Walstead

The Bibles are purchased by the Education Ministry. If your child is not listed above and should be or received a Bible last year, please let the office know so our records may be updated.
The Mission of the Stewardship Ministry of Peace Lutheran Church is to educate all Peace Members about God’s scriptural teachings regarding stewardship; namely, that our lives and our property belong to God, and that our grateful response should include generously, intentionally, proportionately, and joyfully sharing our time, talent, and treasure for use in His service.

Last month we pondered the permanence of our possessions, or perhaps more accurately, the lack thereof. This month we’ll look into God’s providence of what we need to survive and thrive. Paul, in an effort to create some enthusiasm about making commitments to an offering to the early church, writes in chapter 9 of his second letter to the Corinthians, “...he who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and he who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. Each one must do as he has made up his mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able to provide you with every blessing in abundance, so that you may always have enough of everything and may provide in abundance for every good work.”

Just as we’ve heard in recent Sundays, God’s provision to His people, whether to the Israelites in Sinai or the five thousand on the shores of Galilee, is never meager, but always abundant. And, as Paul says, we are to follow God’s example and “sow bountifully.”

Malcolm Forbes, a wealthy financial publisher and one of the first to be known as a jet-setter, put it quite succinctly: “Give naught, get same; give much, get same.”

See you next month!
Celebrating September Birthdays!

01  Jennifer Bristow  19  Bennet Kneath
01  Megan Hall       19  Hannah Salami
01  Rowan Prokop     20  Tom Moore
02  Mark Johnson-Trice 21  Otto Ferris
03  Madeline Smith  21  Randall Mortel
04  Charles Johansen  21  Jessica Sercey
04  Addison Warner   21  Paul Wondra
05  Barb Kloetzke    22  Gloria Hutton
05  Benjamin Peterson 22  Kevin McNutt
06  Sunday Olson     22  Ray D. Nelson
07  Alyssa Chapman   23  Mike Fennern
07  Magdalene Peer   23  Susan Mayer
08  Morgan Gjovig    24  Christine Fennern
08  Kara Herr        24  Erek Gorski
09  Natalie Corres   24  Jeff Hall
09  Madeline Keopple 24  Martin Tangen
09  Michael Lamirande 25  Danielle Bliese
09  Meredith Nelson  25  Mason Campbell
10  Clayton Hanson   25  Keith Herr
11  Roy Basham       25  Alex Malm
12  Dons Johns       27  Chelsea Benitz
12  Trevor Lamirande 27  Bryce Byl
12  Linda Rademacher 27  Mary Drinkwine
12  Karrie Swenson   27  Sara Gotschol
15  Sara Haase       28  Nicole Annunziata
15  Ross Lechman     28  Keri Campbell
15  Denise Sinclair-Todd 28  Cathy Ellefson
15  Yvonne Swenson   28  Brittanie Fehlen
15  Patty Willeman   29  Dev Johnson
16  Kelley Harrison  28  Nancy McElfresh
16  Megan Kerkow     29  Craig Nelson
16  Cindy Lamirande  29  Stephanie Whittaker
17  Darlene Blair    30  Chris Stickel
17  Trinity Greenquist
17  Ramona Paulson
18  Craig Brunclik
SERENITY SHELTER MEALS

On the 4th Monday of each month a meal is provided by Peace. The meal should feed 22 persons and include the main entrée, veg., bread and milk. Dessert is optional. The sign up sheet is located at the Welcome Center.

The months of Sept.—Dec. are still open for Peace members to sign up for. (There is meat/chicken available for YOU to cook— for more info contact Pat Carlson, 715-294-2911.

RUBY'S PANTRY
NEW RICHMOND

Food distribution on the 3rd Thur. of every month (Sept. 17th) at the N. Richmond National Guard Armory. Doors open at 5:00 pm and distribution is 5:30-7:00pm.

$20 donation to cover labor, trucks, gas and other expenses. 10% remains with First Lutheran Church for local ministry. Bring 2 large boxes or laundry baskets for the food.

Can you sew? Peace Quilter’s are looking for people to sew pieces of material together to make the quilt tops. The pieces are already cut and sorted and ready to sew. Check out the table in the Narthex for the “quilt kits”. Thanks for your help!

p.s. Quilting begins on Tues., Sept. 8 at 9:00 am—join us!

Dear PLC Scholarship Committee,
I would truly like to thank you for honoring me with one of the Peace Lutheran Church scholarships. I’m blessed to have this opportunity to continue my education with your help. More importantly though I’m excited to continue growing in my faith at my college, so thank you!
With love, Kara Herr

Dear Peace Lutheran Church,
Thank you for your support in helping me attend Luther Point (Bible Camp) this summer. I had an amazing time and can’t wait for next year!
Love, Bekah Robinson

Dear Peace Lutheran Church,
I would like to thank you for awarding me the John Larson Scholarship. Not only did I receive money from you, but my college, St. Olaf, matched the church scholarship at 1 1/2 times! So I am very grateful and honored. Thank you!
Sincerely, Evan Gorres
LAY SCHOOL OF MINISTRY GRADUATES!
Make sure to sign up for Continuing Education this year! You will have the privilege of studying with 11 top scholars and will bring back to your congregation their digital text book "Reformation Roots." This comes with a complete study guide as well!

Following is a link to the LSM website with information about this course: http://layschoolofministry.org/15-16_ContinuingEd.html

The invitation is open for any member of our congregation to join the 23rd group to begin Lay School this September. Our goal is to have 100% of our congregations participate in our Lay School. Registration forms and information about Lay School can be found at: http://layschoolofministry.org/index.html

PEACE LUTHERAN HARVEST (HAM) DINNER
Saturday, October 3rd, 4:30-6:30 pm

Serving: Baked Ham, Baked Potatoes, Squash, Green Beans, Rolls, Coleslaw, Relishes and Dessert

$10 Adults, $5 Children 5-12, 4 and under free

Please consider helping at the ham dinner—there are many “opportunities” to make this a great fellowship and community event!

Needed:

7 people to help Friday, Oct. 2nd, 6:30 pm, wrapping potatoes and silverware and setting the tables; 4 men to cut ham during the dinner; 2 workers to keep the serving table refilled. There will be other duties listed on a PST (Peace Service Team) form in upcoming bulletins and the Hospitality Group Leaders will also be calling for workers and food donations.

Thank you,
Barb Hanson & Pat Adam, Ham Dinner Coordinators
PASTORAL DUTIES

Aug. 9th: Baptism of Masen Todd, son of Todd Johnson and April Angrimson

Attendance  

**August:**  
2nd: 140  
9th: 189  
16th: 150  
23rd: 131

Financial Report

Needed to date $ 280,103.28  
Received to date $ 248,317.71  
Ahead or **Behind** $ - (31,785.57)

Council Minutes are posted on the large bulletin board in the hallway.

MUSIC NOTES!

Do you love to sing?  
Can you play an instrument?  
Or both?  
Peace is looking for musical talent to join our:  
* Choir or  
* Praise Band or  
* Offer Special Music during Worship

For more information, please talk to Pete Peterson (715-294-3242) or Steve Swenson (715-483-9797) about Choir; Rich Bachman (651-257-9380) about Praise Band & Ronda Haley (715-755-2515) about special music.

**Please consider sharing your musical gifts with us!**
Things to do!

**Christian Women’s Event**
Monday, Sept. 21, 11:30 am
Oak Forest Center
2824 130th St., Frederic
Guest speaker and music!
Cost is $10, rsvp to Carrie at 715-554-2330

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Sunday School Registration

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(New study begins Sept. 9)

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Peace Lutheran Church....

Called to Prayer, Called to Care, Called to Share.