

PEACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

Pastor Sean Barnhart

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LINTON, NORTH DAKOTA

September 2015

Just a few weeks ago, those attending Adult Bible Study on Sunday mornings finished studying Genesis. On September 13th we plan to continue on with the book of Exodus. Genesis offered us quite a bit. We learned about creation, original sin, God's promise and his dedication to that promise. We were introduced to the patriarchs Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob and enjoyed the narrative about Joseph.

In Exodus, we will continue to learn about God's promise to the people of God. In the second book of the Bible we will hear the story of Israel's rescue out of Egypt by the hand of God. This includes the rise of Moses, the 10 plagues, and the crossing of the Red Sea. We will also learn about Israel's wanderings through the wilderness on their way to the Promised Land, the giving of the Law (10 Commandments), and their trust (but mostly distrust) of the Lord and his provision. As we realized in our study of Genesis, the people of Exodus and how they relate to each other and to God will feel very familiar.

If you have any interest in attending this study on Sunday mornings at 9:30 AM, please do! Participation is easy. You may come, borrow one of the church's bibles and simply listen or you may dive into the conversation as much as you would like.

Also, there is usually coffee.

I hope to see you there,
Pastor Sean

† Memorials †

During August, a donation of \$150 from Peace Lutheran was given to the Building Fund of Redeemer Lutheran Church in Mandan, ND in memory of Raymond Mulske, Pastor Sean's grandfather. †

FALL WORSHIP SCHEDULE BEGINS SEPTEMBER 13TH

SUNDAY SCHOOL & ADULT BIBLE STUDY AT 9:30 A.M.

CHURCH STARTS AT 10:45 A.M.

CONFIRMATION CLASS ON WEDNESDAY AT 7 P.M.

The Church Council, August 12, 2015:

- Pastor's reported on the mission trip, VBS, Joyce Labender memorial, the service at Strasburg CC. In July, 7 visits were made.
- Motion/Second/Carry to give a memorial of \$150.00 to Redeemer Lutheran Church in Mandan for Pastor Sean's Grandfather.
- Elwin N. and Jim W. spent some time getting the sprinklers to work properly.
- Education has all their teachers in line for Sunday School. They still need a few substitutes.
- Motion/Second/Carry to approve a bylaw for the Congregational Meeting that stipulates the Church's convictions and policies on Christian marriage. The text of the bylaw is available in the Narthex, and following in this newsletter.
- Pastor will be on vacation August 17 and 18.

*If you have any questions or concerns please contact a church council member... Tad Larson, Duane Baer, Mark Fisher, Laura Hirvela, Bob Tschritter, Jon Ptacek, Elwin Nieuwsma, Edgar Ohlhauser, and Larry Umler Jr.. ☩

Proposed Bylaw on Christian Marriage

At the August 12th Church Council Meeting, the council approved the following addition to the bylaws to be presented to the congregation at the Congregational Assembly in January 2016. The proposed bylaw was formed in response to the Supreme Court's ruling on marriage on June 26th, 2015 with the aid of the LCMC. For information from the LCMC, visit <http://www.lcmc.net/decision-resources/665>.

"We affirm the LCMC's Pastoral Admonition which states,

"We affirm that God created us male and female, and that it is God's will and intention that human sexual expression and fulfillment take place only within the boundaries of marriage between one man and one woman (Genesis 2:24-25; Matthew 19:4-6; and Mark 10:2-9). And, we confess as individuals and as congregations that we have not fulfilled God's will in our decisions, modeling and teaching."

"This Congregation also affirms and holds as its own the faith statement on Marriage and Family as published by Lutheran Core which states;

"We believe and confess that the marriage of male and female is an institution created and blessed by God. From marriage, God forms families to serve as the building blocks of all human civilization and community. We teach and practice that sexual activity belongs exclusively within the biblical boundaries of a faithful marriage between one man and one woman."

"Consistent with the above stated convictions regarding a Scriptural view of marriage, this Congregation;

- A. Will only recognize, participate in, solemnize, and host weddings between one man and one woman.
- B. Prohibits the use of its facilities for all weddings, unions, blessings of sexual relationships, and for receptions or celebrations of weddings or other unions in which the Congregation's called pastor(s) is not primarily and directly involved. Any usage of the facility should be consistent with the Congregation's stated beliefs.
- C. Requires that it's called pastor(s) conform to the Congregation's convictions as stated above when undertaking pastoral acts outside of the congregation."



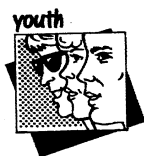
SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS

WELCOME BACK, KIDS!

We will start Sunday School on **Sunday, Sept. 13th at 9:30 a.m.** Watch your mail for a 'Welcome Back' letter about Sunday School and the plans for the year.

There will be **no** Sunday School on **Sunday, Sept. 27th** because of Harvest Festival. If you have any questions, please contact Lisa Hendrickson (254-5855) or Lisa Ptacek (254-4179).

Lisa Hendrickson & Lisa Ptacek,
Co-Sunday School Superintendents



LYO News

Wow! Summer went by fast but I am excited to jump into another year with the Youth of Peace Lutheran. Thank you to all the participants that helped serve weddings as some of our fundraising this year. We have some excellent opportunities that I am hoping our youth will take part in. We will be meeting on the **FIRST** Wednesday of the month for the majority of the year at 7:45. This seems to work well with the confirmation students. Our first meeting will be on September 2 at the church. This meeting will be a kickoff to the youth group with pizza and games! Please RSVP to Lisa Ptacek @ 701-254-4179 so we have enough pizza.

Also I wanted to give you a little heads up.....Pastor Sean and myself have been making plans to attend the

2016 National Youth Gathering!

Save the date for our 2016 National Youth Gathering!

- **Theme:** Called 2 Serve
- **Purpose:** To strengthen the ministry of the local church
- **Location:** Grand View University, Des Moines, Iowa
- **Dates:** July 19-22, 2016
- **Participants:** Youth going into 9th grade through 12th.
- **Projected cost:** \$325 per person (includes meals, lodging, wi-fi, facilities and costs)—all you have to do is get there!
- **Registration:** Goal—811 participants

More information will be given as it is passed along to us. Again thank you to our church family for supporting your youth! Lisa Ptacek

2015-16 Sunday School Classes and Teachers

PRE-K (Heather Rossow)

Bailey Huber
Julia Barnhart
Parker Masset
Jameson Wald
Jay Vetter
Aubree Craigmile
Jacob Rossow
Ettalyn Stuckle
Corey Hoff Wald
Gracelyn Johnson

K-1 (Erin Huber and Acacia Stuckle)

Brandon Rossow
Skyler Hoff Wald
Connor Umber
Mia Caruso
Brody Ptacek
Jude Barnhart
Dylan Hendrickson
Sawyer Hendrickson
Henry Stuckle

2-3 Grade (Jennifer Vetter and Megan Wald)

Masen Bruekner
Larry Umber
Peyton Masset
McKenna Kiefer
Ben Huber
Ryan Hoff Wald
Gianna Caruso
Connor Jones

4-5 Grade (Heidi and Katie Nieuwsma)

Kraysten Bruekner
Noah Alderin
Mackenzie Hendrickson
Kaylyn Hendrickson
Payton Rossow
ShayLee Bosch
Trace King
Waytt Schwab
Aaron Hoff Wald

6-7 Grade (Anne Barnhart, Makyla Ptacek and Rachal Umber)

Noah Nieuwsma
Josi Schwab
Erica Umber
Ashlyn King
Jade Alderin
Laura Hoveland
Madi Ptacek

Music: Vicki Schwab

Subs: Lacie Bruekner, Erin Schmidt, Dez Kiefer

Bible Study



This September, **Parents of Peace** is returning! Young (and young-at-heart) couples are invited to attend for Bible study and fellowship. The plan is to have gatherings once a month. This fall, the study will be *Marriage by God's Design: What the Bible Teaches about Marriage* by Concordia Publishing House.

From the publisher, "Today, there are a lot of conflicting ideas about what marriage is and isn't. What does it all mean? Are there any concrete answers, or is it all just opinion? Thankfully, God has given us His Holy Word to help us navigate through the confusion. Through in-depth study of Bible texts, thought-provoking questions, and videos presenting real couples and singles, *Marriage by God's Design* will foster meaningful and fruitful discussions about the joys and challenges of married – and single – living."

The first session will be held on Sunday, September 20th in the evening. The time, location and further details have yet to be determined, but the hope is to have childcare available and a simple meal while we study together. If you are interested, please sign-up on the bulletin board at church or talk to Pastor Sean.

Ushers and Acolytes for Sept.

Chris Brueckner
Jon Ptacek

Kevin Ferderer
Melvin Wohl

Madison Ptacek & Makayla Ptacek

Sept. Greeter Schedule

Worship Service

Sept. 6	Jean Rudy & Kay Janecek
Sept. 13	Tad & Elise Larson
Sept. 20	The Barnhart Family
Sept. 27	Debbie Jahner
Oct. 4	The Ptacek Family

Sunday Scripture Reader's Schedule

Sept. 6 - Laura Hirvela
Sept. 13 - Julie Umber
Sept. 20 - Rachal Umber
Sept. 27 - Debbie Jahner
Oct. 4 - JoAnn Humann

! 🚗 Need a Ride??

If you need a ride to church.....please call:
Elwin Nieuwsma.....254-0167



For the month of September, offering designated "Missions" on your offering envelope goes to Tapawingo Farms in Sault Ste. Marie, MI. See elsewhere in this letter for more information on this organization that benefits children of that area.

† SEPTEMBER WORSHIP SCHEDULE †

Sunday School and Adult Bible Study 9:30 a.m. (beginning Sept. 13)

Confirmation Class on Wednesdays 7 p.m.

Sept. 6 - Worship with communion 9:30 a.m.

Sept. 13- Celebrate worship 10:45 a.m.

Installation of Sunday School Teachers

Sept. 20 - Worship with communion 10:45 a.m.

Presentation of Bibles to 2nd Graders

Sept. 27 - Celebrate worship 10:00 a.m.

Harvest Thanksgiving meal...noon - 1:30 p.m.

✿ *Honor Someone With Chancel Flowers!* ✿

The Flower Committee listed below along with the Linton Floral N' More has set up a system for members to provide flowers for Sunday worship services. For \$30, the Linton Floral N' More will provide 2 arrangements of flowers for the 2 vases behind the altar or a larger single arrangement for \$25 for the top of the piano. This includes tax.

If you would like to supply flowers for a certain Sunday:

1) make sure that Sunday is not taken. 2) give your money to one of the ladies on the Flower Committee. 3) tell her the date you want. 4) let her know if it is for a special occasion. The ladies will make sure the flowers are there and the information will be listed in the bulletin on that Sunday. **We do ask that you pay the appropriate amount when making your request even if it is several weeks or months in advance.**

Flower Committee members are: Leola Dietz and Janice Baer. †



CARILLON "SPECIAL" MUSIC



Would you like to honor or remember someone or some event with a song played on the carillons? If so, let the church office know the date and song (if available) you would like played. It will be played on that date at 9:30 a.m. or 12:30 p.m. or 6:30 p.m. (your choice) and it will be acknowledged in the bulletin. Cost is a donation. †

PLCW News

Highlights of the PLCW Board Meeting

☞ \$150.00 was donated to each of the following organizations: The Salvation Army, Great Plains Food Bank, Samaritan's Purse, Ruth Meier's Hospitality House, Dakota Boys and Girls Ranch, Lutheran World Relief Malaria Fund and the Strasburg Care Center.

☞ Plans for A Tour of Homes to be held in December will be discussed at the September meeting, any suggestions are welcome.

☞ Bibles will be distributed to second graders at the September 20th service.

☞ Plans for Harvest Festival are under way.

Women of Peace meet on the third Wednesday of each month at 7 p.m. for Bible Study.

All confirmed ladies of Peace Lutheran are more than welcome to attend!

The next meeting will be **Sept. 16th at 7 p.m.**



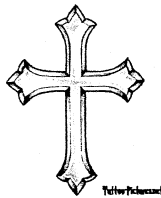
.....Needed for Harvest Thanksgiving.....

When you are harvesting your garden...would you be willing to share some of your produce for the decorating of the church for **Sept. 27th**? All items used for decorating should be at church by **Sept. 18** and will be returned. Thank you!

The work schedule will be handed out on Sept 13th. Please have all of your food donations in the church kitchen by Saturday September 19th.✝

HARVEST THANKSGIVING

The Harvest Thanksgiving meal will be served Sept. 27th starting at 12 p.m. and going until 1:30 p.m.
Please join in thanking God for his blessings!



September Baptismal Dates

Baptismal dates for **September** according to church records are:

3 – Makayla Ptacek	15 – John Ohlhauser	21 - Jesse Renschler
6 – Alexis Jasper	16 – Jordan Bingham	Ella Vetter
9 – Rachel Henkelmann	Elsie Ferderer	22 – Ashlee Bodvig
10 – Rylee Kelsch	18 – Michael Lee	25 – Cody Kurtz
Lois Van Beek	Arthur “Rick” Rudy	27 – Dennis Ferderer
12 – Parker Masset	20 – Travis Dockter	29 – Jade Alderin
14 – Jill Schmidt		30 – Magdalena Bender

If your baptismal date is missing and you know the date, please call the church office (254-5395) so it can be included.

These birthdates of our members are according to the church records. Some birthdates were not on record. If your birthdate is missed, or if there is a mistake, please inform the church office.



September birthdays are:

1 - Jade Alderin	11 - Heidi Nieuwsma	25 - Lucas Schrantz
Michael Hochhalter	Rachal Umber	Erica Umber
Ronald Maier	13 - Myra Renschler	26 - Anne Barnhart
Jean Ohlhauser	15 - Leland Will	Bailey Kelsch
2 - Elizabeth Berreth	16 - Marvin Winterberg	Alton Rau
3 - Denise Jasper-Martin	18 - Justin Grenz	27 - Kelsey Larson
Dustin Kurtz	19 - Edna Serr	Jennifer Pocta
4 - Kelani Larson	21 - Arne Garnaas	Levi Roemmich
8 - Colton Grossman	23 - Julie Umber	28 - Payton Rossow
Ben Huber	24 - Sawyer Hendrickson	30 - Rebecca Bosch
10 - Elsie Ferderer	Bryan Rudy	Marilyn Malmedal

May each of you have a very **Happy Birthday** and may we keep you in our prayers for the day of your birth, praying that you shall remain faithful followers of Jesus until He comes again!✝



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August 10, 2015

Thank You

Peace Lutheran Church
PO Box 686
Linton, ND 58552-0686

Dear Peace Lutheran Church,

Thank you for your recent gift of \$376.00 to Lutheran Disaster Response. Gifts like yours make it possible for our church to continue its effective and efficient response to disasters.

Your support helps families and communities get back on their feet again after they have been harmed. Your gifts also provide resources for preparedness and risk reduction programs.

To neighbors who can feel alone and in despair, your gift brings immediate help and hope for the future. We will partner for as long as it takes to rebuild, reclaim and recover.

As Lutheran Disaster Response, we support and pray for the well-being of people all over the world who are recovering from a disaster, and for our partners and volunteers who assist them in their journey to renewal. Thank you for providing help, hope and healing.

In Christ's service,

Daniel Rift

The Rev. Daniel Rift
Director, ELCA World Hunger and Disaster Appeal
Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

P.S. Please see the reverse side of this letter for your official receipt.



THE CAMPAIGN FOR THE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH IN AMERICA

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Peace Lutheran Church...September "Mission" Support

Mission of the Month: September Tapawingo Farms

"Tapawingo" is a Native American word that means "Place of Joy" or "Place of Peace". Founded in 2011, Tapawingo Farms is a 501c(3) non-profit corporation located in Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan, whose mission is to reach at-risk children in our community utilizing the quiet strength of horses and other animals. Whether they are hanging out with the animals, participating in our Work-to-Learn program, receiving services through our Recreation Therapy Program, or attending any of the summer learning experiences that we offer, all children are welcome at Tapawingo Farms, regardless of their age, personal struggles, or socioeconomic status.



At Tapawingo Farms, we believe that each child who visits our farm is a unique individual that needs to be treated in a unique and special way. Our team of dedicated therapists, professionals, and volunteers strive to provide each child a unique and focused time that is suited to facilitate their unique situation and their unique healing needs.

Tapawingo Farms would not exist without the support of individuals, churches, service organizations, and businesses who make this project possible. Tapawingo Farms is strictly a volunteer organization, so every dollar of your donation goes directly into programs benefiting the children we serve.

For more information, different ways to give directly to Tapawingo Farms, and Tapawingo's wish list visit <http://www.tapawingofarms.com/>.



Peace Lutheran Church Mission Statement

Welcome people in

Help them grow

Send them out to care

Welcome ~ Grow ~ Care



Harvest Festival

Peace Lutheran Church
Linton, ND

Sunday, September 27, 2015

Serving 12:00 pm - 1:30 pm

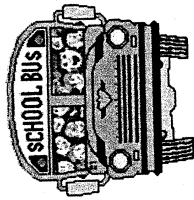
Shredded Beef
Scalloped Potatoes
Coleslaw
Green Beans
Whole Kernel Corn
Relishes
Buns
Pie

Everyone Welcome!!!



Cost:
Free Will Offering



September 2015



Ushers: Chris Brueckner, Kevin Ferdner,
Jon Ptacek, Melvin Wohl
Acolytes: Madison Ptacek & Makayla Ptacek

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 2	2 2:30 pm PLCW Board 6:00 pm Youth Group, pizza at the church	3	4	5
6 15th Sunday After Pentecost 9:30 a.m. Worship/Holy Communion	7 <i>Happy Labor Day!!</i> 	8	9 7 pm Church Council 7 pm Confirmation	10	11	12
13 16th Sunday after Pentecost 9:30 am Sunday School & Adult Bible Study 10:45 am Celebrate Worship, Installation of Sunday School Teachers 2:00 pm Service @ SCC	14 Holy Cross Day	15	16 7 pm Women of Peace— Irene Fisher 7 pm Confirmation	17	18	19
20 17th Sunday after Pentecost 9:30 am Sunday School & Adult Bible Study 10:45 Worship/Holy Communion Presentation of Bibles to 2nd Graders 6:00 pm Parents of Peace Bible Study	21 Matthew, Apostle & Evange- list	22	23 FALL Begins 7 pm Confirmation	24	25	26
27 18th Sunday after Pentecost NO Sunday School or Adult Bible Study, 10:00 a.m. Celebrate Worship with Harvest Festival Meal serving from noon to 1:30 	28	29 Michael and All Angels	30 7 pm Confirmation	31		