PEACE LUTHERAN CHURCH PASTOR SEAN BARNHART OFFICE: 254-5395 LINTON, NORTH DAKOTA April 2016

In the musical *Les Mis*, a group of young college students are set to start a revolution against the king of France in 1832. They revolt because the king has allowed poverty and disease to run rampant and they will not tolerate his tyranny any longer. But one night, as they gather to prepare for their revolution, their leader sees that some of his fellows are not taking the cause or its risks very seriously. And so he rouses the men by singing...

It is time for us all to decide who we are... Do we fight for the right to a night at the opera now? Have you asked of yourselves, what's the price you might pay? Is it simply a game for rich young boys to play? The colors of the world are changing day by day...

Red - the blood of angry men! Black - the dark of ages past! Red - a world about to dawn! Black - the night that ends at last!

Unfortunately, the young men are almost entirely slaughtered in defeat soon after in what turns outs to be a very short-lived and failed revolution. Despite their efforts, poverty and sorrow remain, however the streets are now washed in blood.

Often, our best efforts fall far short of what we desire. This is most certainly true of the efforts we make towards our own righteousness. Despite our blood, sweat and tears, we can do nothing on our own to merit forgiveness from God, let alone life and salvation. Whatever revolution we fire up it will always fall short and end in poverty and sorrow. The blood of inspired and revolutionary men is for naught.

The blood of Christ, however, is a different story. It is his blood given on the cross that washes over the sins of angry men. It is his blood shed upon the tree that wipes away the dark guilt of our ages past. But the story does not end with his death. This is the season of Easter and the Empty Tomb. As Easter people we believe that the innocent, spotless Lamb of God was vindicated by the Father. On that Easter Morn, a new world dawned and the dark night of Satan's tyranny ended at last.

In Christ, the revolution was, is, and will be won.

In peace, Pastor Sean

During the latter part of February and March donations were given in memory of Janet Werner to the Sunday School from Lyle & Erma Wohl; in memory of Nina Petersen to the Parsonage Fund by Rebecca Bosch; in memory of Elizabeth Berreth to the Youth Group from Stanley & Dorothy Naumann; to the Parsonage Fund by Ron & Mary Maier and Rebecca Bosh; and to the Sunday School by Dennis & Rosie Ferderer, Violet Ohlhauser, Sam & Helen Renschler, Laura Hirvela, Melvin & Nyla Hoff, and Melvin & Lilli Wohl. &

🚨 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. ♣

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 <u>do</u> 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: Janice Baer& Leola Dietz. &

The Church Council:

- Pastor reported on Elizabeth Berreth's funeral, First Communion Education, Premarital Counseling (2 couples), Visits to Strasburg, and providing lunch to the high school students on Fridays during Lent.
- Property: *Reported on some light fixtures needing fixing, blinds for the nursery.
 *Discussion on resealing the parking lot.
- Education: Questions about Bibles for children. Maybe need five Bibles for each class (Preschool 1st).
- New Business: Installation on Sunday, March 13th.
- Cleaning Day on May 14th.

If you have any questions or concerns please contact a church council member....Tad Larson, Elwin Nieuwsma, Laura Hirvela, Mark Fisher, Edgar Ohlhauser, Jon Ptacek, Lyle Hanson, Erin Huber, and Julie Umber. &

Sunday School, & Adult Bible Study 9:30 a.m. Confirmation Instruction on Wednesday 7 p.m.

April 3 - Worship with Holy Communion 10:45 a.m.

Apr. 10 – Celebrate worship 10:45 a.m.

Apr. 17 - Praise! Hymnal Worship with Holy Communion 10:45 a.m.

April 24 - Celebrate worship 10:45 a.m.

¶ ■ Need a Ride to Church??

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

VOLUNTEER: JUBILEE CAMP JUNE 26-29

Park River Bible Camp has put out the call for volunteers for their Jubilee Camp; a camp for disabled individuals. We will sing, play and do crafts with campers. We will also serve them and the PRBC staff by helping to keep the facility clean and in order. The only cost will be travel. We will have an informational meeting after church on Sunday, April 24th for all those interested.

STEPHEN MINISTRY WORKSHOP SATURDAY, APRIL 30TH

Stephen Ministers are "after people." They are those who are ready to come alongside those who need comfort and support *after* a person receives difficult news or a challenging diagnosis. Trinity Lutheran Church in Bismarck will be hosting a Stephen Ministry seminar from 9 AM-1 PM covering three topics: Ministering to Those Experiencing Grief, An Introduction to Stephen Ministry, and How to Care in a Distinctly Christian Way. The cost for the seminar is \$15/person or \$50/congregation. Please let Pastor Sean know by April 15th, if you would like to attend. For more information see the poster on the bulletin board or visit www.stephenministry.org/workshop.



CONSIDER THIS YOUR ORDINATION INVITATION

The process is now complete. Up until now, I (Pastor Sean) have been considered by the church and the LCMC as a Contract Pastor. But my final work is done, and now I am officially certified as a pastor within the LCMC. So it is time to celebrate and have the ordination. My ordination will take place on Sunday, May 15th at 4 PM here at Peace Lutheran. All are invited to attend. The service will be led by Pastor Bruce Vold of Hatton, ND and Pastor Luke Berntson of Ulem, MN.



Thank You to All who donated Lilies to beautify our Sanctuary this Easter!



We are happy for these students who made the decision to participate in their first Holy Communion: Wyatt Michael Schwab, Aaron Hoff-Wald, Trace Jordan King, and ShayLee Rae Bosch. We pray for their very special relationship with Jesus to continue to grow stronger throughout their lives!



SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS

Sunday School begins at 9:30 a.m. and will meet every Sunday in April.

Ushers and Acolytes for April

Elwin Nieuwsma

Wade Huber

Kevin Hendrickson

Laura Hovland & Noah Nieuwsma

April Greeter Schedule

10:45 a.m. Service

Jean Rudy & Kay Janecek Apr. 3

Apr. 10 Duane & Janice Baer

Apr. 17 The Ptacek Family

Apr. 24

May 1 Tad & Elise Larson

Sunday Scripture Reader's Schedule

Apr. 3 - Janice Baer

Apr. 10 - Sylvia Weisser

Apr. 17 - Debbie Jahner

Apr. 24 – Evelyn Petrick

May 1 - Elise Larson



The "No-Bake Bake Sale" will be held on April 10th. We encourage everyone to return their envelope. ©



Youth Group Meeting....Wednesday, April 6th

We have been kept busy with Lent Services and want to thank each of you for supporting our soup/sandwich nights. It's always fun to get together and enjoy each other's company. We will meet on April 6, but check out our Facebook page for what we will be doing.

Hope you all had a wonderful EASTER!

God Bless.

Lisa Ptacek

Youth Group Leader

XXQUILTING IS COMPLETED XX

The last day for quilting was March 15th, and 138 quilts were completed by the ladies this year. Thank you to Linda Tschritter and Eva Heyne for co-chairing this project! If you were unable to help with the quilting perhaps you would be willing to help pack the quilts, blankets and kits for shipping. The Lutheran World Relief Drive will be picking up the quilts and kits in **May** in Bismarck (date will be announced later). Quilt Sunday for the Seniors will be in May. If you are interested in buying a quilt, please contact Marilyn Malmedal or Linda Tschritter. A huge THANK YOU to all the ladies that gave of their time to help with this very worthwhile project. Some very beautiful quilts were made! Φ

Another \$10 was designated to our February "Mission", Park River Bible Camp, which was sent to them.

Our April "Mission" is "Our Daily Bread Ministries". At the end of this newsletter please see information on this project.



... News from the PLCW...

Meeting of March 2, 2016

- ➤ Pastor reported four students will be making their first Holy Communion on Maunday Thursday. He presided at the funeral for Lizzie Berreth, and is conducting pre-marital counseling for two couples who will be married here this summer.
- ➤ Mother/Daughter Tea changed to Mother/Daughter/Friend Tea. The event is being planned.
- > Packing for the Baskets of Promise will be scheduled at the April meeting.
- ➤ Help is needed to make the "Egg Bake" casseroles on Saturday, March 26th for the Easter morning "Shared Breakfast".
- > The "No-Bake Bake Sale" was postponed to April 10th.
- ➤ A co-chairman is needed to help organize and carry out projects.

Women of Peace meet Wednesday, April 20th at 7 p.m.

Hostess: Rosie Ferderer, Bible Study: Sylvia Weisser



!!HELP!!

Our Mother/Daughter/Friend Tea will be May 1st, 2016. We need help planning, organizing, and working in three areas: Advertising, Entertainment, and Lunch. Thank you to Kaitlyn Nieuwsma, Violet Ohlhauser, Janice Baer, and Laura Hirvela who have already signed up. There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board in the narthex. This will be a fun event!





The Council has chosen Saturday, May 14th--9:00 am for church clean-up day.

Please note this day on your calendars!

... LAWN CARE BIDS ...

Bids for mowing the church and 2 cemetery lawns need to be in the church office by **April 15th**. The time for mowing is May 1st through Oct. 15th. The church lawn is to be mowed and bagged each week. The 2 cemeteries (Bethlehem and Peace) are to be mowed for Memorial Day, June, July 4th, and Labor Day. The bidder uses his/her own equipment. †

"I asked the Lord for help, and He saved me from all my fears. I was a nobody, but I prayed, and the Lord saved me from all my troubles." Psalm 34:4, 6 Contemporary English Version

<u>F</u>alse <u>E</u>xpectations <u>A</u>ppearing Real

April Mission of the Month:

Our Daily Bread Ministries (Formerly RBC Ministries)

(When Pastor Sean selected the mission he mistakenly read "RBC Ministries" to mean Red Willow Bible Camp. Upon further research he found that RBC Ministries is the former name of Our Daily Bread.)

In 1938, the ministry [formerly known as RBC Ministries] started with a radio program called Detroit Bible Class. Since then, their audience has grown from a small group of dedicated radio listeners to millions of people around the world who use our Bible-based resources.

Over the years their name has changed to better reflect the variety of resources we offer. Today, they realize that most people recognize who they are by the well-loved devotional *Our Daily Bread*. So they changed their name to Our Daily Bread Ministries to more clearly communicate who they are. Although their name has changed, their focus remains the same: reaching out to people all around the world with the message of God's love.

Our Daily Bread is a non-denominational, non-profit organization with staff and volunteers in over 35 offices working together to distribute more than 60 million resources in 150 countries. Regardless of whether it's a radio or television broadcast, DVD, podcast, book, mobile app, or website, they provide materials to help people grow in their relationship with God.

The mission of Our Daily Bread is to make the life-changing wisdom of the Bible understandable and accessible to all.

Their vision is to see people of all nations experiencing a personal relationship with Christ, growing to be more like Him, and serving in a local body of His family.



April Baptismal Dates

Baptismal dates for April according to church records are:

2 – Darcy Rindelaub	Mitchell Forderer	22 – Jay Vetter
3 – Annie Masset	10 – Janell Huber	26 – Holly Renschler
Magdalena Masset	Laurie Humann	Sydney Giese
5 – Robert Tschritter	13 – Kevin Ferderer	Kaisley Masset
Rory Humann	14 – Melissa Seaton	28 – Daniel Weber
7 – Steven Fiergola	16 – Debbie Jahner	29 – Gavin Ohlhauser
8 – Carson Lawler	18 – Arron Rudy	30 – Michael Schatz
9 – Jack Knoepfler	20 – Noah Nieuwsma	
Matthew Nieuwsma		

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

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 contact the church office.



April birthdays are:

1 - Rylee Kelsch	8 – Lyle Wohl	23 – Candis Wagner
Eileen Morris	14 – Freda Allensworth	Wyatt Schwab
Helen Renschler	Ethen Roemmich	24 – Eva Heyne
Tobie Wald	15 – Donna Tveito	Florence Plienis
2 – Delyghte Haid	16 – Laura Hovland	Megan Wald
3 – Tana Grenz	McKenna Kiefer	27 – Hailey Dockter
Melissa Seaton	17 – Vanessa Fisher	Rosalette Ferderer
Tyler Humann	18 – Paitynn Bodvig	29 – Cody Kurtz
6 – Elise Larson	21 – Tina Arnts-Masset	30 – Mark Fisher
Donna Schwab	22 – Jaci Conroy	Madisyn Ohlhauser
	Delores Ohlhauser	

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!



Peace Lutheran Church Mission Statement

<u>Welcome people in</u>

<u>Help them grow</u>

<u>Send them out to care</u>

<u>Welcome ~ Grow ~ Care</u>

April 2016 Ushers: Kevin Hendrickson, Elwin Nieuwsma, and Wade Huber

Acolytes: Laura Hovland and Noah Nieuwsma

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Tuesday		വ	12		19		26
Monday		4	11		18		25 Mark, Evangelist
Sunday		3 2nd Sunday of Easter 9:30a.m. Sunday School & Adult Bible Study 10:45a.m. Worship/Holy Communion	10 3rd Sunday of Easter	9:30a.m. Sunday School & Adult Bible Study 10:45a.m. Celebrate Wor- ship NO-Bake Bake Sale	17 4th Sunday of Easter	9:30a.m. Sunday School. & Adult Bible Study 10:45a.m. Praisel Wor- ship/Holy Communion	24 5th Sunday of Easter er 9:30a.m. Sunday School & Adult Bible Study 10:45 a.m. Celebrate Worship—Jubilee Camp meeting to follow