

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

The mid-April rains were sure refreshing, weren't they? One day, everything looks brown, dormant, and dead but then the rains came followed by the sun. All of a sudden, the world burst with green, trees looked alive again and there was a bit of freshness in the air again.

We all know the value of water and rain. We know that the land would suffer and become barren without the rains. We also know that without water we too would perish.

Scripture often speaks of God's grace and promises as a refreshing rain or springs of living (not stagnant) water.

From Psalm 23 we hear that the LORD is our shepherd and that, "He makes me lie down in green pastures. He leads me beside still waters."

From Revelation 7:17 we hear, "For the Lamb in the midst of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of living water, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

From Revelation 21:6b "To the thirsty I will give from the spring of the water of life without payment."

In each case, it is God who is the active agent. In the dry of March and April we longed for moisture, desired it and certainly prayed for it, but none of that brought it about. It was God who blessed us with the rains we so badly needed. Rain for the ground is an act of God's grace. It isn't something we deserve, yet the Lord gives it anyway. So it is with our salvation. We don't deserve it and there certainly isn't anything we can do about it, yet God graciously pours his salvation down and like dry soil we soak it up through faith.

Praise the Lord for the rains and give thanks for what he has done for you!

Pastor Sean Barnhart

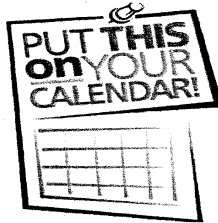
† **Memorials** †

During April donations were given in memory of Fran Feigitsch to the Celebrate Fund from Jim & Sylvia Weisser; in memory of Arne Garnaas to the Parsonage Fund from Bob & Linda Tschritter and Ron & Mary Meier, to the Endowment Fund from Pastor Sean Barnhart, to the Baptismal Box Fund from Duane & Janice Baer, to the Building Fund from Leona Gaukler, to the Celebrate Fund from Jim & Sylvia Weisser, and to the Music Fund from Lee & Marian Shattuck ; in memory of Debra Grenz and Herb and Ruth DeBoer to the Building Fund from John & Sandra DeBoer; in memory of Mrs. Irene (Oscar) Will to the Celebrate Fund from Jim & Sylvia Weisser, and to the Endowment Fund by Debra & Terry Hochhalter. †

## Summer Church Schedule

Church will begin at **9:00 a.m.**

**May 22<sup>nd</sup>**



† Levi Gartner – 2 year old son of Joe and Tiffany Gartner (Bismarck) and nephew of JoAnn and Keith Humann was diagnosed with Stage 4 Neuroblastoma cancer and is currently going through treatments at the Minnesota Children's Hospital. Levi's treatments may take 9-12 months. A **benefit** to help Levi and his family with expenses incurred during his treatment will be held **Thursday, May 5, 2016, 5:00 pm – 7:30 pm** at the Mandan Eagles Club, 1400 Collins Ave, Mandan, ND. All prayers and support is greatly appreciated by Levi and his family. Contact JoAnn Humann for additional information. Levi's Caring Bridge site is:

<https://www.caringbridge.org/visit/levigartner93> †

**PLEASE!!  
NOTE**

When giving a **Memorial donation**, please designate which fund you would like it to be applied to. We have received some that are not designated, so Pastor Sean and Brenda make the decision. It would be very helpful to note on your check which fund to designate it to...there are several to choose from. A list of the funds include: Endowment, Building, Parsonage, Flower, Celebrate, Music, Sunday School, Youth Group, and Baptismal Box; or any other project that the congregation is thinking about at the time. We have just started a "Refinishing Fund" for the refinishing of the woodwork in our building in the future from a member who designated it as such.

### ✿ *Honor Someone With Chancel Flowers!* ✿

The Flower Committee listed below along with 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. ☩



If you are on **Facebook**, become friends with Peace Lutheran Church! Find us on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/peacelutheranlinton/](http://www.facebook.com/peacelutheranlinton/). And did you know that we have an active website? Each Monday, the weekly calendar is updated and the previous Sunday's sermon is posted for download. Visit our website at [ndpeacelutheran.com](http://ndpeacelutheran.com). ☩

### ***The Church Council:***

- Saturday, May 14<sup>th</sup> is Spring Cleaning Day
- Sunday, May 22<sup>nd</sup> we begin our Summer Worship Schedule. It will be at **9:00 AM** (instead of 9:30 as it was in previous years).
- Pastor Sean made 12 visits in March, and officiated at Arne Garnaas's funeral on March 28<sup>th</sup>. Four of our young people received the first Holy Communion on Maunday Thursday after completing their instruction.
- C&L Roofing-Gutters-Siding have completed work on the outside of the church building.
- Discussed that the youngest of our Sunday School Children could use age appropriate Bibles.
- Pastor Sean's Ordination Service will be held on Sunday, May 15<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 p.m. A catered meal will follow. Jim and Sylvia Weisser are working with our Church Women to plan the meal in Pastor's honor.

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 NEWS**

**Sunday School begins at 9:30 a.m.**

Welcome to Spring Sunday School families!

There are just a few weeks left in our Sunday School year and we have some reminders to share. First, the Sunday School kids will be singing one last time on Sunday, May 8th for **Mother's Day**. Then, on Wednesday, May 11 at 5:30 we will have our end of the year memory work celebration with pizza and games. Some of the kids are so very close to finishing their recitations and they need to be done by May 1 in order to get certificates and awards put together. Our last Sunday of Sunday School will be on May 15.

Lastly, Vacation Bible School dates have been set for June 6-7-8 . We will start at 5:30 and end at 7:30. There will be a short program on Wednesday evening the 8th. Watch your mail and the June newsletter for more details and sign up information!

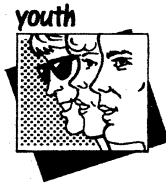
Hope to see you all soon!

Lisa H. and Lisa P.



\*Children's Bibles have been given to the Sunday School in memory of Vicki L Wagner. There is still a need for a few more. Anyone who would like to purchase a Bible for our classrooms should contact Lisa Hendrickson or Erin Huber. It has been decided that the version to be used is the **Spark Story Bible**. There will be a price increase in early May, so this is a good time to purchase them. †

† **Confirmation Class...** will meet Wednesdays, May 4<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, and 18<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m.  
The May 18<sup>th</sup> class will be the last until Fall.



### **Peace Lutheran Youth Group**

Hard to believe Spring is near.....and with that our year is coming to an end. The month of May we will be meeting on May 4<sup>th</sup> @ 6:00 for pizza at the church and from there we will be heading down to Herreid for roller skating from 7:00- 9:00. If you are wanting to join the fun you need to RSVP to Lisa Ptacek no later than May 2. Anyone from 7-12 grade is welcome to attend. Pastor Sean has agreed that if any confirmation students want to go they can but will have to make up their work!

I would like to take the time to say THANK YOU to all who have generously donated to our group. The youth enjoy getting together and having a fun time!

It's also a sad time for me as I have to say goodbye to three special seniors who have been leading as great examples for our younger kids. THANKS KYLE MASSET, KATIE NIEUWSMA, & RACHAL UMBER.

Lisa Ptacek

### † **MAY WORSHIP SCHEDULE** †

Sunday School, & Adult Bible Study **9:30 a.m.**

(Last day of Sunday School will be **May 15<sup>th</sup>**)

May 22<sup>nd</sup> No Adult Bible Study

May 29 – Adult Bible Study, To Be Determined

**May 1 – Worship with Holy Communion 10:45 a.m.**

**May 8 – Praise! Worship 10:45 a.m.**

Senior Quilt Sunday

**May 15 – Celebrate Worship with Holy Communion 10:45 a.m.**

**Pastor Sean's Ordination Service 4:00 p.m.**

**Please note the change in time for summer worship! It is ½ hour earlier this year.**

**May 22 – Celebrate Worship 9:00 a.m.**

**May 29 – Worship 9:00 a.m.**

## Ushers and Acolyte for May

Rachal Umber  
Katie Nieuwsma

Makayla Ptacek  
Heidi Nieuwsma

Erica Umber

## May Greeter Schedule

**10:45 a.m. / 9:30 a.m. Service**

May 1 – Tad & Elise Larson

May 8 -

May 15 – Bob & Linda Tschritter

May 22 – The Seniors

May 29 – Keith & Evelyn Petrick

June 5 -

## Sunday Scripture Reader's Schedule

**May 1** - Elise Larson

**May 8** - Mary Maier

**May 15** - Debbie Jahner

**May 22** - Linda Tschritter

**May 29** - Debbie Jahner

**June 5** - Laura Hirvela

## ***Need a Ride to Church??***

If you need a ride to church.....please call:

**Elwin Nieuwsma.....254-0167**



**Pastor Sean's Ordination** will be held Sunday, May 15<sup>th</sup> at 4 PM at Peace Lutheran Church. The service will be led by Pastor Bruce Vold of Hatton, ND and Pastor Luke Berntson of Ulen, MN. Following the ordination there will be a dinner at the church. All Peace Lutheran members are invited to attend. We do need a head count by May 1<sup>st</sup> for ordering supplies. We are limited to 130 people. There is a sign up sheet on the church bulletin board.



## *~News from the PLCW~*

✠ The PLCW Board Meeting was held April 6, 2016.

A check for \$1,019.00 was given to the youth group for their mission trip, proceeds were from the Lenten soup and sandwich donations and the pie auction.

Mother/Daughter/Friend Tea will be Sunday, May 1<sup>st</sup> at 2:00, there is no charge, but tickets are needed so that we have a count of how many to prepare for. Tickets can be obtained from any PLCW Board member.

The blessing of the quilts will take place during the service on Sunday, April 24<sup>th</sup>

Packing of the quilts and the items collected for the Baskets of Promise will be Tuesday, April 26<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 A.M., Pastor Sean will deliver them to Bismarck.

Senior quilts will be given out during the service on Sunday, May 8<sup>th</sup>. ✠

**"PLCW  
No Bake Bake Sale"**

The PLCW board would like to extend a sincere thank you to all who helped make the "No Bake Bake Sale" such a success. As of April 22, 2015 a total of \$1,286 has been donated.✚

**..QUILT SUNDAY..**

Quilt Sunday, the day the PLCW will be giving the graduating high school seniors their quilts, will be **May 8<sup>th</sup> at the 10:45 a.m.** worship service. Thank you to all the makers of this year's quilts!✚



The Council has chosen Saturday, May 14th--9:00 am for church clean-up day. Please note this day on your calendars!

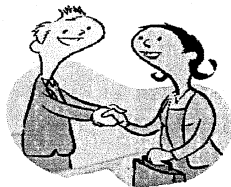


**Mother/Daughter/Friend Tea will be May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2016**



**at 2:00 p.m.** Teacher and author Judy Buchholz Frueh will be speaking. There is no charge, but a ticket is required. For tickets, contact Janice Baer.

Thank you...Kevin, Paul, & Elsie Ferderer and Mike & Lil Kunz for their help in sorting and stuffing envelopes to get the newsletter out on time! It is very much appreciated!



\*The Usher and Acolyte lists have been completed. You will find these lists on the bulletin board in the back of the sanctuary and on the bulletin board in the narthex, as well as in this newsletter. Please remember that you are responsible to find a replacement if you are unable to comply.

**There are still many open dates on the greeter list, which you will find on the table in the narthex.✚**

## ACOLYTE LIST FOR THE REMAINDER OF 2016 & JANUARY 2017

### MAY 2016

Erica Umber 336-7390

### JUNE 2016

Josie Schwab 254-4882

Wyatt Schwab 254-4882

### JULY 2016

Aaron Hoff-Wald 254-4788

Erica Hoff-Wald 254-4788

### AUGUST 2016

Jade Alderin 527-4133

### SEPTEMBER 2016

Madison Ptacek 254-4179

### OCTOBER 2016

Laura Hovland 212-2858

### NOVEMBER 2016

Noah Nieuwsma 254-0167

(Please arrange to have at least one at Thanksgiving service)

### DECEMBER 2016

Kelani Larson 254-4290

(Please arrange to have at least one for Christmas Day service)

### JANUARY 2017

Erica Umber 336-7390

PLEASE: If you are unable to acolyte for the month you are assigned, please switch with someone and let Julie Umber (336-7390) or Laura Hirvela (254-4407) know that you are switching. Thank you!

## USHER LIST FOR THE REMAINDER OF 2016 & JANUARY 2017

### MAY

|                |          |
|----------------|----------|
| Rachal Umber   | 336-7390 |
| Makayla Ptacek | 254-4179 |
| Katie Nieuwsma | 254-0167 |
| Heidi Nieuwsma | 254-0167 |

### OCTOBER

|                   |          |
|-------------------|----------|
| Terry Serr        | 782-4279 |
| Mike Schwab       | 254-4882 |
| Loren Hendrickson | 782-1596 |
| Aaron Stuckle     | 254-5788 |

### JUNE

|                |          |
|----------------|----------|
| Bob Tschritter | 254-4917 |
| Mark Fisher    | 254-4372 |
| Lyle Hanson    | 782-4366 |
| Henry Serr     | 782.6879 |

### NOVEMBER

|                   |          |
|-------------------|----------|
| Dennis Ferderer   | 254-5331 |
| Jason Rossow      | 254-4268 |
| Marvin Winterberg | 254-5364 |
| Elwin Nieuwsma    | 254-0167 |

### JULY

|                 |          |
|-----------------|----------|
| Howard Garnaas  | 782-6870 |
| Dave Erickson   | 254-5483 |
| Tim Dockter     | 254-4272 |
| Edgar Ohlhauser | 254-5460 |

### DECEMBER

|                |          |
|----------------|----------|
| Jackson Tveito | 254-0185 |
| Darren Tveito  | 254-0185 |
| Jason Rossow   | 254-4268 |

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### AUGUST

|                 |          |
|-----------------|----------|
| Albert Weber    | 254-4919 |
| Dennis Ferderer | 254-5331 |
| Andy Wald       | 254-4171 |
| Terry Schaffer  | 254-4922 |

### JANUARY 2017

|             |          |
|-------------|----------|
| Larry Umber | 336-7390 |
| Mike A Kunz | 321-0206 |
| Lyle Wohl   | 782-4318 |

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### SEPTEMBER

|                 |          |
|-----------------|----------|
| Melvin Wohl     | 782-4275 |
| Rico Caruso     | 851-0575 |
| Chris Brueckner | 254-5777 |
| Alex Jones      | 254-5777 |

PLEASE: If you can't make it, try to find a replacement or call Jon Ptacek (254-4179), Laura Hirvela (254-4407), or Julie Umber (336-7390). If you would like a different month, let Laura or Julie know so that it can be changed on the next list. THANK YOU for helping!





In April, our "Mission" was **"Our Daily Bread Ministries"**. A check for \$ 355.00 was sent to them.

Our May "Mission" is **"LCMC National Gathering Service Project: Lutheran World Relief"**. At the end of this newsletter please see information on this project.



Happy Mother's Day!



Truth, which is important to a scholar, has got to be concrete. And there is nothing more concrete than dealing with babies, burps and bottles, frogs and mud. *Jeanne J Kirkpatrick*

Women make us poets, children make us philosophers. *Malcolm De Chazal*

Who ran to help me when I fell,  
And would some pretty story tell,  
Or kiss the place to make it well?

My Mother.  
*Jane Taylor*

Any mother could perform the jobs of several air-traffic controllers with ease.  
*Lisa Alther*

### **Why God Created Mothers**

When God created Mothers, He made two loving arms  
To cradle us and shelter us from the worldly harm.  
When God created Mothers, He made a pair of hands  
To care for us and guide us through our choices and our plans.  
When God created Mothers, He made the warmest heart  
To understand and give our lives a happy, loving start.  
When God created Mothers, is not a mystery...  
He meant to share His love with us and did it perfectly.

*Anonymous*...submitted by Marilyn Malmedal



## May Baptismal Dates

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

|                        |                    |                       |
|------------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|
| 1 – Alton Rau          | 9 - Ryan Hoff-Wald | 17 – June Alderin     |
| 2 – Raylene Henkelmann | Skyler Hoff-Wald   | 19 – Mariam Carter    |
| Scott McCulley         | 10 – Eileen Morris | Kevin Higdon          |
| Ashton Rudy            | Helen Renschler    | 22 – Ethen Roemmich   |
| 3 – Kaitlyn Nieuwsma   | 12 - Megan Wald    | James Streyle         |
| 4 – Elsie Barnhart     | 14 - Larry Humann  | 23 – Tobie Wald       |
| 6 – Freda Allensworth  | Michael A. Kunz    | 25 – Florence Plienis |
| Roberta Wagner         | 15 – Chad Dockter  | 29 – Candis Wagner    |
| 7 - Rosalette Ferderer | Mary Maier         | 30 – Corey Grenz      |
| Keith Humann           | Alexandria Umber   | Jackson Tveito        |
| 8 – Paitynn Bodvig     | Amber Umber        | 31 – Hailey Dockter   |
|                        | Kristi Slater      | Robin Silbernagel     |

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.



### May birthdays are:

|                       |                       |                     |
|-----------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|
| 3 - Bowdy Roemmich    | 15 - Debra Hochhalter | 26 - Jesse Haas     |
| 9 - Linda Tschritter  | Makayla Ptacek        | 27 - Ernest Wohl    |
| 11 - Troy Roemmich    | 16 - Gregory Humann   | 29 - Donna Forderer |
| Kevin Higdon          | Jordan Bingham        | Jeanette Winterberg |
| Stanley Naumann       | 17 - Karen Welk       | 30 – Ben Krogstad   |
| Kaylyn Hendrickson    | 18 – Jackson Tveito   | 31 – Acacia Stuckle |
| 12 - Violet Ohlhauser | 22 – Shirley Schatz   |                     |
| 14 - Matthew Jasper   | Eva Hanson            |                     |

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

Welcome people in

Help them grow

Send them out to care

Welcome ~ Grow ~ Care

## Peace Lutheran Church...May "Mission" of the Month

### LCMC Annual Gathering Service Project

For the past two LCMC Annual Gatherings, a service project has been added to the agenda. In Des Moines 2014, almost 300,000 meals were packaged for "Meals from the Heartland" and over \$90,000 was raised to do so. Last year, just over 160 pints of blood were donated to a local blood bank in Dallas, Texas.

This year, the LCMC is working with **Lutheran World Relief (LWR)**, one of the most efficient and effective relief agencies in the world, to help assemble personal care kits for people around the world whose lives have been affected by natural disasters.

The goal for 2016 is to have the participants at this year's Annual Gathering in Denver, CO assemble **10,000 personal care kits**. In order to make this happen, about **\$50,000** in special offerings from the congregations of LCMC will need to be raised.

**All donations received will go towards purchasing supplies for these kits!**

### Mission of the Month Meets LCMC National Gathering Service Project

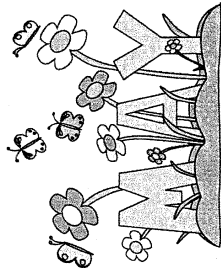
#### Mission of the Month: Lutheran World Relief

Lutheran World Relief, an international nonprofit organization, works to end poverty and injustice by empowering some of the world's most impoverished communities to help themselves.

With partners in 35 countries, LWR seeks to promote sustainable development with justice and dignity by

- Helping communities bring about change for healthy, safe and secure lives;
- Engage in Fair Trade; promote peace and reconciliation; and
- Respond to emergencies.


LWR is headquartered in Baltimore, Md. and has worked in international development and relief since 1945. Lutheran World Relief is a ministry of U.S. Lutherans, serving communities living in poverty overseas.



# May 2016

USHERS: Rachal Umber, Makayla Ptacek, Katie Nieuwsma, & Heidi Nieuwsma

ACOLYTE: Erica Umber

| Sunday  | Monday  | Tuesday                              | Wednesday  | Thursday   | Friday    | Saturday  |
|---|---|--------------------------------------|--|--|-----------|---|
| <b>1</b> 6th Sunday of Easter<br>9:30 am Sunday School & Adult Bible Study<br>10:45 Worship/Holy Communion<br>Mother's Day Tea 2 pm                                     | <b>2</b> Philip and James, Apostles   | <b>3</b>                             | <b>4</b><br>2:30 p.m. PLCW Board<br>6:00 p.m. Youth Group<br>Pizza & Skating<br>7:00 p.m. Confirmation Instruction                   | <b>5</b> Ascension of Our Lord<br><br>National Day of Prayer | <b>6</b>  | <b>7</b>  |
| <b>8</b> 7th Sunday of Easter<br>9:30 a.m. Sunday School & Adult Bible Study<br>10:45 am. Praise Service<br>Happy Mother's Day!   | <b>9</b><br>2 p.m. Memorial Service for Ruth Ryckman  | <b>10</b>                            | <b>11</b><br>7:00 pm Church Council<br>7:00 pm Confirmation Instruction  | <b>12</b>  | <b>13</b> | <b>14</b> Matthias, Apostle or Vigil of Pentecost<br>9 am Church Clean-up Day |
| <b>15</b> Day of Pentecost<br>9:30 a.m. Sunday School & Adult Bible Study<br>10:45 a.m. Celebrate Svc with Holy Communion<br>4:00 p.m. Pastor Sean's Ordination Service | <b>16</b>   | <b>17</b>                            | <b>18</b><br>7:00 p.m. Women of Peace<br>Violet Ohlhauser, Hostess<br>Janice Baer, Bible Study<br>7:00 p.m. Confirmation Instruction | <b>19</b>  | <b>20</b> | <b>21</b>   |
| <b>22</b> The Holy Trinity/1st Sunday after Pentecost<br>9:00 a.m. Celebrate Worship<br>NO Adult Bible Study  | <b>23</b>   | <b>24</b>                            | <b>25</b>  | <b>26</b>  | <b>27</b> | <b>28</b>   |
| <b>29</b> 2nd Sunday after Pentecost<br>9:00 a.m. Worship<br>Adult Bible Study-TBD  | <b>30</b><br> MEMORIAL DAY | <b>31</b> Visit of Mary to Elizabeth |  |  |           |   |