

*Peace Lutheran Church
Linton, ND*

Message from Pastor Sean...

Beginning July 11th, we'll transition from the Psalms as the preaching text to Paul's letter to the Ephesians.

Ephesians 2:1-10 has long been one of my favorite passages in Scripture. It is a perfect summary of the God's Gospel of grace. In verses 1-3, Paul first speaks of where we came from and lays the foundation for why we so desperately need the Lord. "You were dead in the trespasses and sins in which you once walked." What were you? Dead. You are the walking dead. Apart from Christ you may look alive on the outside. You breathe, eat, laugh, cry, love, sleep and so on, but the hard cold reality is that you are dead. Dead because of your sin and trespasses. There is no getting around it. In Lutheran preaching, that is the Law of this passage.

In verse four we get the Gospel. In verse four Paul introduces what I like to call the biggest "but" in the Bible. "But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which he loved us, even when we were dead in our trespasses, **made us alive together with Christ.**"

That's the Gospel right there. You were dead, but God made you alive. For the next few verses, Paul simply double downs on what God has done for you. "By grace you have been saved!" In Christ you are "raised up" with him and then "seated with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus."

But just in case you think you had some skin in the game or some say in the matter, Paul then says "For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, not a result of works, so that no one may boast." You were dead, but by grace you have been made alive and **you had nothing to do with any of it.**

God, however, does have a purpose for your life and Paul ends this passage by making sure you know this. "For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus **for good works**, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them." You were created in Christ Jesus for good works. You were created in Christ Jesus to love and serve your neighbor, to be a good steward over creation, and to love God.

To sum it all up, apart from Christ you are dead. Through Christ you are made alive. In Christ you do what God has planned for you to do since the very beginning.

In Peace,
Pastor Sean

July 2021 Newsletter

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✠ Memorials ✠

During June, donations were given in memory of Rose Bailey to the Youth Group from Stan & Dorothy Naumann; in memory of Alice Naumann to the Youth Group from Stan & Dorothy Naumann; in memory of Helen Garnaas to Mission of the Month "Ministry on the Margins" from Terry & Shirlene Serr; in memory of Durant Schiermeister to Mission of the Month "Ministry on the Margins" from Terry & Shirlene Serr; in memory of Pastor Joel Sherer to Mission of the Month "Ministry on the Margins" from Terry & Shirlene Serr; in memory of Julia Kiefer to the Parsonage Fund from Linda Tschritter. ✠



Summer Worship 9:30 AM

*We were made for Worship!
Praise God with a thankful heart!*

✠ JULY WORSHIP SCHEDULE ✠

Each Sunday, 4, 11, 18, & 25

Worship Services 9:30 a.m.

Coffee and fellowship will follow worship.



- **Sunday, July 4th:** Traditional Worship w/ Holy Communion
- **Sunday, July 11th:** Praise! Worship
- **Sunday, July 18th:** Traditional Worship w/Holy Communion
- **Sunday, July 25th:** Praise! Worship

Ushers: Bruce & Justin Martin

Reader: Mark Heidrich

Acolyte(s): Need Volunteer(s)

Please sign up on the list near the white board in the narthex. Thanks!

🚗 **Need a Ride??**

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

Elwin Nieuwsma.....254-0167

Facebook Live

Camping? Fishing? Vacationing? Can't make it to worship? Join us live each Sunday via Facebook. If you can't tune in live, you can find past recordings on Facebook simply by scrolling through our page

<https://www.facebook.com/peacelutheranlinton/>. Or you can visit our website <http://ndpeacelutheran.com/> and find all the links you need there.

July Scripture Readings

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 Kings 8:27-30	1 Kings 8:54-61	1 Kings 8:62-66
July 4th Psalm 150	Acts 18:1-4, 18-23	Acts 19:1-10	Acts 19:11-20	Acts 19:21-41	Acts 20:16-24	Acts 20:25-35
July 11th Eph. 1:1-14	Eph. 1:15-19	Eph. 1:20-23	Acts 2:1-10	Col. 1:11-20	Col. 1:21-29	Col. 3:1-4, 12-17
July 18th Eph. 2:11-22	Eph. 3:1-6	Eph. 3:7-13	Eph. 4:17-24	Eph. 4:25-32	Col. 4:2-6	Eph. 3:14-21
July 25th Eph. 4:1-16	Eph. 5:1-2	Eph. 5:6-14	Eph. 5:15-20	Eph. 6:18-20	Eph. 6:21-24	Acts 20:36-38



Cooper James Vander Wal, son of Jared and Danlyn Vander Wal, was baptized on June 13th. Congratulations and Blessings to his parents, grandpa's and grandma's! May Cooper be a faithful follower of Jesus throughout his life.✝



**HOME OF THE FREE
BECAUSE OF THE BRAVE**



As we celebrate Independence Day we should think of the many blessings God has showered on our country. Thank the Lord for those who have sacrificed to protect us and our freedom. Pray for peace in our world.
Taken from "60 Days of Prayer"

"The United States is the only country with a known birthday." — James G. Blaine

This nation will remain the land of the free only so long as it is the home of the brave." — Elmer Davis

"The cement of this union is the heart-blood of every American."

Thomas Jefferson





In June we did not receive donations of **Thrivent Choice \$**. Thank you to those who direct their Thrivent Choice \$ to our congregation!

If you're an eligible Thrivent Financial member and have Choice Dollars® available to direct, please keep Peace Lutheran Church in mind. For more info or to direct Choice Dollars, call **800-847-4836** and say "**Thrivent Choice**" or log on to <https://www.thrivent.com/making-a-difference/living-generously/thrivent-choice/>

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.✝



PLCW News

Women of Peace will not meet again until September.



The Church Council, Meeting of June 16, 2021:

- Pastor's Report: Had 4 hospital visits; Baptism on June 13th for Cooper James VanderWal; Great Plains distribution was June 16th; Continuing with Online Bible Study on Wednesdays, and 8:10 devotions.
- Property: The new projector is in and paid for; the carpets will be cleaned professionally; Lawn spraying will be done in the Fall; Jon Ptacek is working on the lawn sprinklers; Mark Heidrich will look into having weeds sprayed in the parking lot and in the rocks around the church building.
- Worship: Pastor will be on vacation June 27th and July 18th. Both Sunday's Pastor Erik Johnson will be here.
- Evangelism: Women's Bible Study will begin Monday, June 21st @ 8:00 PM.
- New Business: **The date for Harvest Festival is September 26th.**

*If you have any questions or concerns please contact a church council member....Wade Huber, Edgar Ohlhauser, Denise Martin, Lisa Hendrickson, Rachal Umber, Mark Heidrich, Heather Rossow, Lyle Wohl, and Terry Serr.✝



We have room for more names of people to send the newsletter to. If you have a relative or friend who would like to receive our monthly letter, please contact the church office
@ 254-5395 or email to peacelutheran@bektel.com.



VBS NEWS

We hope everyone is having a great summer! Thank you to all of you who helped the 19 VBS kids have a great time June 7 - 9! Thank you to Pastor Sean for leading the kids in learning about their identity in Christ. Thank you to Margie, Gianna and Rosie who helped with serving meals and attending to the kids. We had generous monetary and food donations from many of you- THANK YOU!! We couldn't have done all this without our church family helping us. - Heather, Jen, and Anne



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.✝

Give using Tithe.ly

Tithe.ly makes it easy to give either with their app or by clicking the green "Give" button on our church website (ndpeace.lutheran.com). You can give using your credit/debit card or you can give directly from your bank account. You can choose to give a onetime gift or set your gift up to be recurring. You can even designate which fund your gift will go to and leave a memo to indicate an honorarium or memorial.



Download the **Tithe.ly** app from the Apple or Google Play Stores or give online at ndpeace.lutheran.com



Our "May Mission of the Month" was **The GOD'S CHILD**

Project. We gave \$753 in offerings to them. Our June "Mission" was "**Ministry on the Margins,**" and as of June 20th donations of \$516.00 have been received.

Our July "Mission" is "**Guardian and Protective Services**".

July Mission of the Month

What is Guardian and Protective Services?

Guardian and Protective Services, Inc. (GaPS) is a non-profit corporation established to meet the needs of vulnerable adults who need a decision maker and don't have family members or capable friends living nearby. We also provide our services to those in need who do have family nearby but have greater needs than their families can meet day-in and day-out.

Protective services and guardianships (when necessary) are provided with the safety and well-being of the individual at the forefront. GaPS strives to keep individuals in their own homes, whenever possible, or in an environment allowing maximum independence.



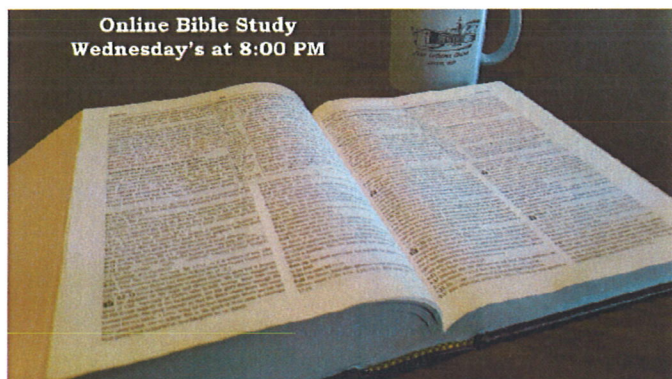
Community Benefits

- Keeping individuals in their home longer saves dollars. Home care or basic care rather than nursing home care can save thousands of dollars each month.
- Alternatives to Guardianship, such as Power-of-Attorney or Social Security appointments are significantly less costly than court appointments.
- Assisting with financial affairs prevents exploitation of needed assets, legal difficulties, and unnecessary shutoff actions from utility companies.
- Improved mental and physical capabilities resulting from proper nutrition and medical services helps keep individuals in their homes longer.
- Identification and sale of assets to purchase needed services saves tax dollars.
- Accessing family members to assist with costs of medical, social, and legal services saves tax dollars.
- Improved living conditions and home repair and maintenance prevents rodent and insect infestation, fire danger and helps maintain value.
- Avoidance of unnecessary medical procedures results in financial savings.



Online Bible Study

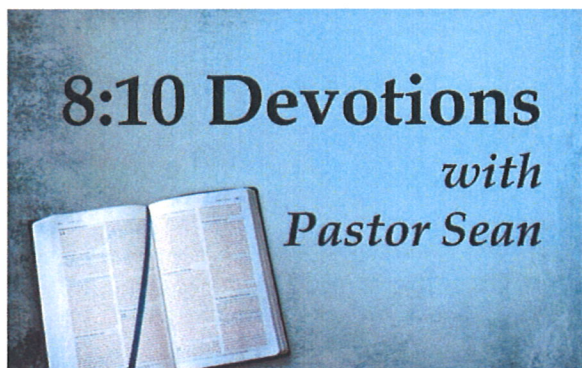
Each Wednesday night at 8:00 PM, join Pastor Sean on Facebook Live for a “deep dive” Bible Study on the preaching passage for the upcoming Sunday.



<https://www.facebook.com/peacelutheranlinton>

8:10 Devotions

Join Pastor Sean each morning at 8:10 Monday through Friday for a five-minute devotion to start your day!



Our **Fall Harvest Festival** is scheduled for Sunday, September 26th, the fourth Sunday. Mark your calendars and begin to plan how you will help out.

♥ To love God with all your heart, your soul, your strength, your mind,
Enables you to love someone who's hurtful and unkind. ♥

Parent's Day is July 25th

Parents' Day is observed in South Korea and in the United States. The South Korean designation was established in 1973, replacing the Mother's Day previously marked on May 8, and includes public and private celebrations. The United States day was created in 1994 under President Bill Clinton. June 1 has also been proclaimed as "Global Day of Parents" by the United Nations as a mark of appreciation for the commitment of parents towards their children. In the Philippines, while it is not strictly observed or celebrated, the first Monday of December each year is proclaimed as Parents' Day.

Parents' Day is a national observance but it is not a public holiday in the United States.

Parents' Day promotes the message that the role of the parent is important in human development, which requires investment, focus, and commitment. In 1994 President Bill Clinton signed into law a resolution adopted by the US Congress to establish the fourth Sunday of every July as Parents' Day. This day is similar to Mother's Day and Father's Day. According to the Congressional Resolution, Parents' Day is established for "recognizing, uplifting, and supporting the role of parents in the rearing of children"

(cited in the National Parents' Day Council website).

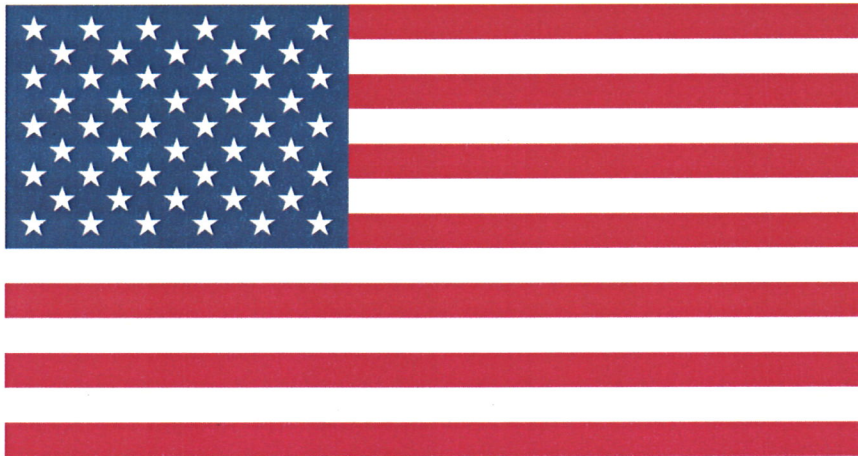


The Gospel Alphabet – Keep Studying God's Word

Scripture of the Month

"You are not on your own...For you were bought at a price."

1 Corinthians 6:19b – 20a



"And so, my fellow Americans: ask not what your country can do for you - ask what you can do for your country. My fellow citizens of the world: ask not what America will do for you, but what together we can do for the freedom of man. **John F. Kennedy**

Abraham Lincoln, The Gettysburg Address, 1863: "Four score and seven years ago our fathers brought forth on this continent a new nation, conceived in liberty, and dedicated to the proposition that all men are created equal."

John F. Kennedy: "Let every nation know, whether it wishes us well or ill, we shall pay any price, bear any burden, meet any hardship, support any friend, oppose any foe, to assure the survival and success of liberty."



July Baptismal Dates

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

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| 1 – Isabell Rudy | 9 – Bowdy Roemmich | 22 – Lyle Wohl |
| 2 – Tyler Humann | 12 – Shelby Kelsch | 28 – Jarod Conroy |
| 3 – Ernest Wohl | Laura Hovland | Jace Ferderer |
| Paisley Grossman | 15 – Sydney Blum | Debra Hochhalter |
| 4 – Ryan Ohlhauser | Janell Ness | Jennifer LeFrancois |
| 6 – Laura Hirvela | 16 – Shelley Serr | James Lauinger |
| Stanley Naumann | 19 – Jesse Haas | 31 – Arlene Grenz |
| Jarell Ketterling | Edgar Ohlhauser | Jamie Huber |
| 7 – Jason Rossow | Westin Grossman | |
| 8 – Tina Masset | 20 – Trish Bauman | |

If your baptism 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.



July birthdays are:

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| 1 – Kyle Masset | 15 – Parker Masset | 27 – Dennis Morris |
| Edgar Ohlhauser | Sydney Ferderer | 28 – Paul A Ferderer |
| Sylvia Weisser | 18 – Kenneth Schatz | Vickie Toavs |
| 3 – Arlene Grenz | 21 – Donavin Grenz | 29 – Angela Sayler |
| Cynthia Kurtz | Phoebe Savage | 30 – Magdalena Bender |
| 5 – Lyle Hanson | 22 – Amanda Grossman | Heather Rossow |
| 7 – Ashlee Bodvig | Fran Heidrich | Howard Garnaas |
| Cassie Werlinger | 24 – Lillian Kunz | 31 – JoAnn Humann |
| 9 – Elwin Nieuwsma | 26 – Dylan Hendrickson | Jesse Renschler |
| 14 – Lisa Hendrickson | | Ashton Rudy |

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

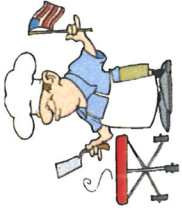
Welcome ~ Grow ~ Care






July 2021

Ushers: Bruce & Justin Martin
 Reader: Mark Heidrich
 Acolyte(s): need volunteers



<u>Sunday</u>	<u>Monday</u>	<u>Tuesday</u>	<u>Wednesday</u>	<u>Thursday</u>	<u>Friday</u>	<u>Saturday</u>
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4 6th Sunday after Pentecost Worship/Holy Communion 9:30 AM	5	6	7 Online Bible Study 8:00 PM	8	9	10
11 7th Sunday after Pentecost. Praise! Worship 9:30 AM	12	13	14 Church Council 7:00 PM Online Bible Study 8:00 PM	15	16	17
18 8th Sunday after Pentecost Worship/Holy Communion 9:30 AM	19	20	21 Online Bible Study 8:00 PM	22	23	24
25 9th Sunday after Pentecost Praise! Worship 9:30 AM Parent's Day	26	27	28 Online Bible Study 8:00 PM	29	30	31

