

*Peace Lutheran Church
Linton, ND*

Message from Pastor Sean...

Recently, the preaching passage in our Narrative Lectionary was from Acts 10. In this passage, Peter is called to go to the family of Cornelius, a devout Gentile, and preach the good news of Jesus Christ.

I appreciate the simplicity of Peter's message. He doesn't go into a long diatribe explaining the Scriptures from Genesis to the present time. Nor does he come down hard on Cornelius and his family. He gives them the simple facts.

"God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power. He went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. And we are witnesses of all that he did both in the country of the Jews and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree, but God raised him on the third day and made him to appear, not to all the people but to us who had been chosen by God as witnesses, who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. And he commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one appointed by God to be judge of the living and the dead. To him all the prophets bear witness that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name." (Acts 10:38-43)

Notice the key points: God anointed Jesus; Jesus did good and healed all oppressed by the devil, He died on the cross (tree), was raised on the third day, and everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins. That is the core message of the Gospel.

At the end of Matthew's Gospel, we are all commanded by Christ to "go and make disciples of all nations." But sometimes that command can feel very daunting. What do we say? How do we make disciples?

Do as Peter did. Know the simple facts and give the simple facts. Jesus suffered, died, was buried, and raised to life for you for the forgiveness of sins. It really is as simple as that. It is the good news for you and good news for all.

In peace,
Pastor Sean

May 2023 Newsletter

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May 2023 Daily Lectionary Readings

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	May 1st Acts 15:36-41	Acts 16:1-10	Acts 16:11-15	Acts 16:16-24	Acts 16:25-34	Acts 16:35-40
May 7th Romans 1:1-17	Romans 1:18-25	Romans 2:1-4	Romans 3:21-26	Romans 3:27-31	Romans 4:1-5	Romans 4:13-17
May 14th Romans 5:1-11	Romans 5:12-14	Romans 5:15-17	Romans 5:18-19	Romans 5:20-21	Genesis 3:1-7	Genesis 3:8-13
May 21st Romans 6:1-14	Romans 6:15-19	Romans 6:20-23	Romans 7:1-6	Romans 7:7-12	Romans 7:13-20	Romans 7:21-25
May 28th Acts 2:1-4 Ro 8:14-39	Romans 12:1-8	Romans 12:9-13	Romans 12:14-21			

The Church Council, Meeting of April 12th

- Pastor's Report: May become an Alzheimer's Dementia Support Group facilitator for our area. Would be for caregivers of people with Alzheimer's/Dementia. 3 of 4 Students received First Communion on Maundy Thursday. Book Club should be done in 2 weeks. SCC Service on March 16. Chaperoned "Safe Night" on March 24th.
- Property: *Elevator - Service technician came for routine maintenance, thinks it is a computer problem but not much can be done. He will try to find a replacement part and give us a quote. We could possibly find a part on eBay but unsure if the company will warranty that. He gave a suggestion on an elevator company: AEL (based out of SD). He thinks they may have replacement elevators that would fit our shaft. Our current company does not deal with this size elevator anymore. *Mowing – will reach out to Justin to see if he would like to continue doing it. *Discussed the cemetery south of town. Will look at the issues when it is warmer out. *Discussed tarring the parking lot. *Tabled discussion on Spring Cleaning until next month. *Basement and Sanctuary floors need to be waxed, and a few tiles are missing. It will be checked into.
- Worship: Quilt dedication day is May 7th. Quilts will be placed on the pews to display from April 30 to May 7. Senior Sunday is May 14th.
- Education: Kids sang on Palm Sunday. Last day of SS is May 14. In early planning stages of VBS, set for May 30 through June 1, 5:30 – 7:30 with supper included.
- Evangelism: Still planning on women's study on Ruth, unsure of dates yet.
- New Business: Summer Worship @ 9:30 AM will begin on May 21st. We welcome Danlyn, Maddox, & Teagan Vander Wal into the membership of our congregation from Pollock Lutheran Church.

✝ If you have any questions or concerns, please contact a church council member.... Heather Rossow, Terry Serr, Lyle Wohl, Lori Bechtold, Stan Naumann, Elwin Nieuwsma, Tim Dockter, Kevin Hendrickson, and Erica Hoff-Wald.

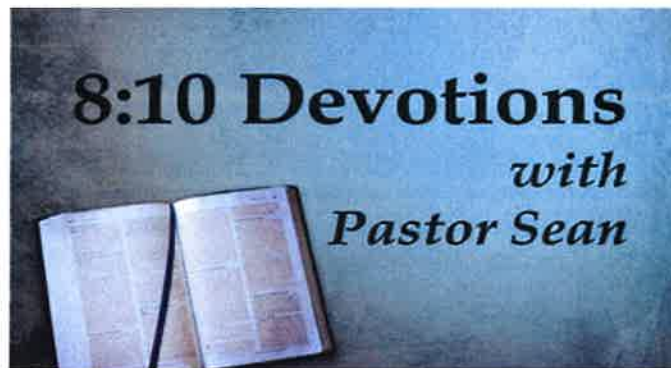


CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR GRADUATING SENIORS!

SHAYLEE BOSCH
AARON HOFF-WALD
TRACE KING
JUSTIN MARTIN
WYATT SCHWAB

MAY GOD BLESS YOUR STEPS AND WATCH OVER YOU!

“For I know the plans I have for you,” declares the LORD, “plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future.” Jeremiah 29:11



8:10 Devotions

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

Tile Refinishing Project

On Tuesday, April 18th, the Church Council had a special meeting to discuss taking care of the basement floors. It was decided that the best way forward was to accept a quote from Dakota One Coating to cover the tile in the entire basement with an epoxy fully chipped floor coating. Many use this type of covering to cover over and seal their cement in basement or garage floors. This would be a cost effective and safe way to cover tile in our church building that is dated, brittle, breaking, and in need of yearly care. At the time of this writing, discussion was still being had on covering the tile in the Sanctuary as well. Members are invited to give directly to this project as they see fit.



† **Memorials** †

No memorials were received during the month of April.



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 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: Janice Baer and Evelyn Petrick.†



Instagram

Check us out on Instagram!
@peace.lutheran



† **MAY WORSHIP SCHEDULE** †

Adult Bible Study 9:30 a.m., May 7 & 14
Sunday School 9:30 a.m., May 7 & 14

Sunday, May 7 – Traditional Worship/Holy Communion 10:45 AM

Quilt dedication Sunday

Sunday, May 14 – Celebrate Worship 10:45 AM

Sunday School kids will sing during worship

Senior Sunday

Sunday, May 21 – Traditional Worship/Holy Communion 9:30 AM

Sunday, May 28 – Praise! Worship 9:30 AM

Need a Ride??

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



Watch Via Facebook Live!
Can't make it to in-person worship? Join us live each

Sunday via Facebook from wherever you are. If you can't tune in live, you can find past recordings on Facebook simply by scrolling through our Facebook page, <https://www.facebook.com/peace.lutheran.linton/>. Or you can visit our website at <http://ndpeace.lutheran.com/> and find all the links you need there.

May:

- Ushers:
- Reader:
- Acolyte:

No one has signed up for May.

Please Volunteer

Please take a moment to check the white board set up in the narthex and see which Sunday works for you to be an Usher, Reader, Greeter, or Acolyte. You can sign up for a whole month or just a Sunday. 😊

1 Corinthians

Adult Bible Study

Join Pastor Sean and others on Sunday mornings at 9:30 AM for Adult Bible Study as we study Paul's letter to the Corinthians. Simply attend and listen in or engage in discussion, ask questions, and provide your own incite. All are welcome.

Adult Bible Study will end for the spring on May 14th and resume again in the fall



Quilters have done a wonderful job making the quilts again this year. 207 quilts were made! Blessing of the quilts will be May 7th.

Please note...

The summer worship schedule will begin May 21 at 9:30 AM, and continue through Labor Day Weekend.



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

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 (ndpeacelutheran.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 ("I forgot my checkbook!") or set your gift up to be recurring ("I never want to carry my checkbook again!") You can even designate which fund your gift will go to and leave a memo to indicate an honorarium or memorial.

Our church Bookkeeper encourages the use of Tithe.ly. When the offering is deposited in our account, an email message is received via the church's email. We have had no problems with these direct deposits.



Connecting faith & finances for good.®

We received \$1,173.00 from Thrivent Choice \$ in the month of April.

Thank you to those who direct their Thrivent Choice \$ to our congregation and who give special donations from their Thrivent accounts!

If you are 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/>



**Piano Recital
Peace Lutheran Church
Sunday May 7th
2:00 PM**



Online Bible Study:



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

Join Pastor Sean on Facebook each Thursday evening at 8:00 pm for a “deep dive” Bible Study on the preaching passage for the upcoming Sunday. Find Online Bible Study by going to our Facebook page and clicking the “events” tab.



✝ SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS

It's hard to believe, but we are making our end of the SS year and even VBS plans already!

The last day of Sunday School will be May 14th. The kids will be singing in church on that day. **The families (parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles, siblings) of our Sunday School students are invited to come and share a brunch on Sunday morning during the SS hour.**

VBS will be held May 30-June 1, 5:30 to 7:30 each night. Look for sign-up sheets in the Narthex if you want to help out- we will be looking for volunteers to help with supper-providing food, setting up, serving, or clean-up. We would like to have 2-3 volunteers available to help with our younger kids, crafts, or games as well. Contact Anne, Jen, or the church office if you would like to help out or know of someone who would like to attend. Thank you!



Confirmation and Youth Group Schedule

- ✝ **Confirmation Class will meet Wednesday, May 3rd, and Wednesday, May 10th @ 7:00 pm.**
- ✝ **Youth Group/Confirmation Class will meet Wednesday, May 17th at 6:30 PM.**
- ✝ **Senior Sunday will be May 14th.**

Anyone who is interested in attending Bible Camp, please contact Lisa Ptacek. The PLCW offers camp scholarships.



~PLCW News~

- ✝ **Women's Bible Study Group will meet on Wednesdays, 1:30 PM, at Violet Ohlhauser's.**
- ✝ **The Blessing of the quilts will be May 7th.**
- ✝ **On Monday, May 8th the ladies will be packing the quilts to send to LWR to be shipped out the 17 & 18. They would appreciate help on that day.**

You may reserve a quilt before May 7th by pinning your name to it. The cost is \$25 each. Purchased quilts may be picked up after worship on Sunday the 7th.



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In April, we have taken in \$538 at this writing for our "Mission of the Month" "The God's Child Project."

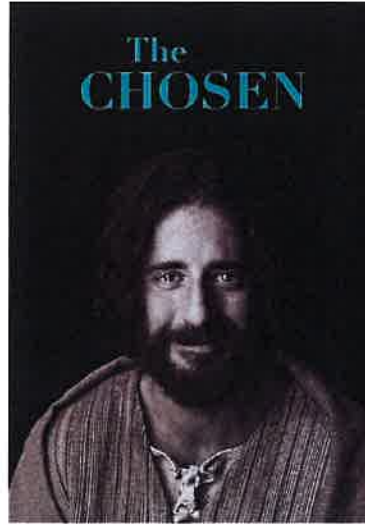
Peace Lutheran Church "Mission of the Month" for May 2023 is St. Jude Children's Research Hospital.



St. Jude Children's Research Hospital

The mission of St. Jude Children's Research Hospital is to advance cures, and means of prevention, for pediatric catastrophic diseases through research and treatment. Consistent with the vision of our founder Danny Thomas, no child is denied treatment based on race, religion or a family's ability to pay.

- Treatments invented at St. Jude have helped push the overall childhood cancer survival rate from 20% to more than 80%.
- St. Jude freely shares the discoveries it makes, and every child saved at St. Jude means doctors and scientists worldwide can use that knowledge to save thousands more children.
- It will cost approximately \$1 billion to operate St. Jude this year. Because more than 75% comes from generous donors, St. Jude has the freedom to focus on what matters most — saving kids regardless of their financial situation.
- Families never receive a bill from St. Jude for treatment, travel, housing or food — because all a family should worry about is helping their child live.



Returning this Summer: *The Chosen: Season 2*
This summer, gather with your friends each week to watch an episode of *The Chosen*; "the first ever multi-season show about the life of Christ."

The plan is to enjoy watching *The Chosen* together on Monday evenings at **7:00 pm** beginning on **June 5th** using the projector and sound system in our sanctuary. Each episode varies in length from 30 to 60 minutes. We'll follow up each viewing with a short discussion on what we just witnessed.



The Gospel Alphabet – Study and Memorize God's Word!



Scripture of the Month ~

"**U**nto thee, O my strength, will I sing: for God is my defense and the God of my mercy."

Psalms 59:17 KJV

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

VBS 2023 will be held Tuesday, May 30 through Thursday, June 1. They will meet from 5:30 – 7:30 PM. Volunteers are needed. Please contact Anne, Jen, or the church office to volunteer, or if you know someone who would like to attend. More details in the Sunday School News.

“Direct Your Labels” for the Emmons County Ministerial Association



The Emmons County Ministerial Association is participating in the Our Family® Direct Your Labels™ program. Every time you shop at any local store carrying Our Family® brand products, clip and save your UPC barcodes. Every time we collect 500 UPC barcodes, we can turn them into a \$25 check for the Emmons County Ministerial. Bring those labels to the church to support the ECMA!



Happy Mother's Day, and many blessings to all of our wonderful Moms and Grandmas!

- Motherhood is tough. Moms are tougher. —Keion Jackson
- Smiles and hugs, joy and love... that's what great moms are made of. — Paige DeRuyscher

A mother's love is the sun for growing, the moon for dreaming, the stars for guiding the way. —Barbara Loots

Every good gift comes from above, but moms do a lot of the delivery work. — Keely Chace

You did it, Mom! I'm a nice person.
—Bill Bridgeman

Sign you're a mom: You know there's no greater sign of trouble than silence. — Melissa Woo

You don't have to earn it or try to impress her... she loves you just 'cause she's your mama, God bless her! —Diana Manning

“Grandma always made you feel she had been waiting to see just you all day and now the day was complete.” – Marcy DeMaree

Grandmas never run out of hugs or cookies.” – Unknown





May Baptismal Dates

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

2 – Ashton Rudy	14 – Larry Humann	22 – Ethen Roemmich
3 – Kaitlyn Nieuwsma	Michael A Kunz	James Streyle
4 – Elsie Barnhart	15 – Chad Dockter	Carson Hoff-Wald
6 – Roberta Wagner	Mary Maier	23 – Tobie Wald
7 – Rosalette Ferderer	Alexandria Staigle	25 – Florence Pleinis
Keith Humann	Amber Weber	29 – Candis Wagner
8 – Paityn Bodvig	17 – June Alderin	30 – Corey Grenz
9 – Ryan Hoff-Wald	Annika Ketterling	Jackson Tveito
Skylar Hoff-Wald	19 – Kevin Higdon	31 – Hailey Swanson
10 – Helen Renschler		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:

2 – Cooper VanderWal	14 – Matthew Jasper	20 – Trish Baumann
3 – Bowdy Roemmich	15 – Debra Hochhalter	26 – Jesse Haas
9 – Linda Tschritter	Makayla Ptacek	27 – Ernest Wohl
11 – Troy Roemmich	Shelley Serr	Jarell Ketterling
Kevin Higdon	16 – Gregory Humann	29 – Donna Forderer
Stanley Naumann	Jordan Bingham	Jeanette Winterberg
Kaylyn Hendrickson	17 – Karen Welk	30 – Ben Krogstad
12 – Violet Ohlhauser	18 – Jackson Tveito	31 – Acacia Stuckle
13 – Michael Werlinger		

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



Memorial Day ~ Remember and Honor



May 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
May 7 - Blessing of the Quilts	1	2	3 Women's Bible Study 1:30 PM @ Violet's Confirmation 7:00 PM	4 Interagency Meeting 1:30 PM Online Bible Study 8:00 PM	5	6
Sunday School & Adult Bible Study 9:30 AM Traditional worship with Holy Communion 10:45	8	9	10 Women's Bible Study 1:30 PM @ Violet's Confirmation 7:00 PM Church Council 7 PM	11 Online Bible Study 8:00 PM	12	13
Senior Sunday 14 Sunday School & Adult Bible Study 9:30 AM Celebrate worship 10:45 AM	15	16	17 Women's Bible Study 1:30 PM @ Violet's Youth Group/Confirmation Class 6:30 PM	18 ECMA 10:30 AM SCC Service 2:00 PM Online Bible Study 8:00 PM	19	20
21 Traditional Worship with Holy Communion 9:30 AM	22	23	24 Women's Bible Study 1:30 PM @ Violet's	25 Online Bible Study 8:00 PM	26	27
28 Praise! Worship 9:30 AM	29 Memorial Day 	30 Vac Bible School May 30 - June 1 5:30 O 7:30 PM	31 Women's Bible Study 1:30 PM @ Violet's			

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May Mission of the Month ~
St. Jude Children's Research Hospital



Coming Up:
Blessing of the Quilts ~ May 7
Kids sing during worship ~ May 14
Senior Sunday ~ May 14
Linton Graduation ~ May 21

