

Peace Lutheran Church Linton, ND

#### Message from Pastor Sean...

For the first half of this summer, I'm using the Psalms for the preaching passages on Sunday mornings. As I've been studying the Psalms, I'm struck by how often the theme of "waiting for the Lord" crops up. Take the following verses for example:

# July 2023 Newsletter

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"Lead me in your truth and teach me, for you are the God of my salvation; for you I **wait** all the day long." **Psalm 25:5** 

"Wait for the LORD; be strong, and let your heart take courage; wait for the LORD!"

Psalm 27:14

"Be strong, and let your heart take courage, all you who wait for the LORD!" Psalm 31:24

"I wait for the LORD, my soul waits, and in his word I hope; my soul waits for the Lord more than watchmen for the morning." Psalm 130:5-6

But what does it mean to "wait for the Lord"?

The psalms are such a valuable source for believers. In all moments of life, they give us words to address God with words of praise, thanks, and despair. Often when the Psalmists speak of waiting on the Lord, they do so because their current circumstances are difficult. They are going through the pains and struggles of life; they suffer the consequences of their sin, they are surrounded by enemies, adversaries speak falsehoods against them, and the world is crumbling around them.

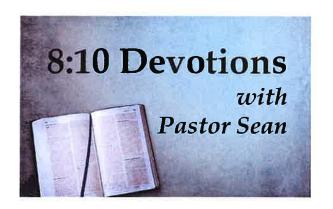
In those moments, the writers cry out to God pleading for him to step in to their situation. The writers call for God to deliver them from their enemies and redeem them from their sins. While they trust and believe that God will rescue them, at the moment they are stuck in the mire. But the Psalmists consistently proclaim their confidence and hope that the Lord will rescue. They eagerly expect that God will act for their benefit. *This* is what it means to wait on the Lord. To wait on the Lord is to expect the Lord to work for the favor of his beloved. It is confidence that the Lord, in his own perfect timing, will deliver the one who cries out to him.

Are you stuck in the mire? Are you crying out to God for help? Use the words of Psalms like 25, 27, 31, 130 which all invite the faithful to wait upon the Lord. The Lord is good. He is faithful to his Word and steadfast in love. Hope in him and trust that he will act – in his perfect timing.

In peace, Pastor Sean

#### 8:10 Devotions

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





#### July 2023 Daily Readings

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						July 1 <sup>st</sup> Psalm 29
July 2 <sup>nd</sup> Psalm 30	Psalm 31	Psalm 32	Psalm 33	Psalm 34	Psalm 35	Psalm 36
July 9 <sup>th</sup> Psalm 37	Psalm 38	Psalm 39	Psalm 40	Psalm 41	Psalm 42	Psalm 43
<b>July 16<sup>th</sup></b> Psalm 44	Psalm 45	Psalm 46	Psalm 47	Psalm 48	Psalm 49	Psalm 50
July 23 <sup>rd</sup> Psalm 51	Psalm 52	Psalm 53	Psalm 54	Psalm 55	Psalm 56	Psalm 57
<b>July 30<sup>th</sup></b> Psalm 58	Psalm 59					

## The Church Council: June 14th Meeting

- Pastor Sean reported: Led memorial SCC Service May 15; Delivered quilts to Bismarck May 17; ECMA Meeting May 18; May 24 Youth Group; May 29 played Taps for Memorial Day services; May 30 June 1, VBS; Did 3 visits, one with Holy Communion & one at the hospital; Donated \$200 to Jill Holzer from the PLC Community Help Fund; Pastor Dale Nabben will cover any emergencies while Pastor is gone (Sundays June 18 & July 2).
- Property: Stumps will be removed on East side of the church, Wangler's removed the trees for no charge. Will meet Monday, June 19 @ 6:00 PM to clean and work on putting the basement back together. Discussed having Wangler's remove lilac stumps at cemetery south of town. Noticed that there may be water seeping into basement along west wall. Will look at how that slopes and could possibly work on the landscaping. Will talk to Greg Humann about changing filters after construction is done and to clean the AC units outside as they have green tree residue on them.
- Worship: Funeral on Saturday, June 24; Baptism on Sunday, June 25
- Education: VBS went well and was well-attended. Thank you to everyone who helped in any way!
- Evangelism: Women's Bible Study on Ruth planning to begin on July 17, and will meet on Tuesday evenings. There will be a signup sheet on the bulletin board.
- Old Business: Need to make final payment to flooring contractor. Have had offer from Congregation member to donate money to flooring project. Will put a notice in the bulletin and the newsletter asking for any other monetary donations.
- New Business: Flooring contractor inquired about bid for upstairs. Will wait to see how everyone likes the basement flooring first.

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

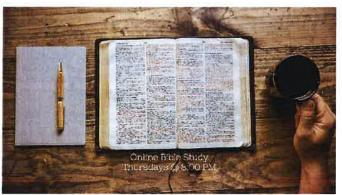


#### **SUMMER WORSHIP TIME 9:30 A.M.**

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

We will be having coffee and fellowship after worship throughout the summer. Sign up at the bulletin board to bring treats and goodies!





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# **Online Bible Study**

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.



#### Home of the Free Because of the Brave

Our flag does not fly because the wind moves it. It flies with the last breath of each soldier who died protecting it.

"Freedom prospers when religion is vibrant and the rule of law under God is acknowledged." – Ronald Reagan

The basement floor has been refinished. If you haven't seen it yet, please come in and take a look! The cost of the project was around \$17,000 and has been paid for. However, anyone who would like can sure give to the project because the Church Council has plenty of other needed projects in mind for the church and parsonage.

# Redo for the Prayer Chain



1 John 5:15 "And if we know that He hears us in whatever we ask, we know that we have the requests which we have asked from Him."

We will be redoing the prayer chain. This is a group of members who pray for the immediate needs of someone. Anyone can pray for others, men or women. If you feel you would like to be a prayer warrior, please sign up. It means only calling one other person usually. The first person on the chain gets a call and then passes it to the next person who in turn passes it on down to the next person in the chain. We could have an army sending prayers to heaven for those in need. Our chain has become diminished over the years, so there are very few of us left. Old or young can be members. You say a prayer each day for a week and then put it is God's hands. It is not a long commitment and each of us say prayers for people we love each day so we just add an extra person for a week or so. I will have a sign-up sheet in the narthex for all summer and we will begin the new prayer group in the fall. Please consider joining us in praying for others. James 5:6 says, "Therefore, confess your sins to one another, and pray for one another so that you may be healed. The effective prayer of a righteous man can accomplish much." You can call Marilyn Malmedal at 254-4580 or 400-2224 or Pastor Sean to sign up or just sign the sheet in the narthex. Please, we all need prayers at one time or other. Thank you.

#### There is never a day when we don't need to pray!

**Luke 18:1 – 42** The Parable of the Persistent Widow tells us we should always pray and never give up!

Romans 8:26 & 27 — "26 In the same way, the Spirit helps us in our weakness. We do not know what we ought to pray for, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us through wordless groans. 27 And he who searches our hearts knows the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for God's people in accordance with the will of God." When we don't know what to pray, The Holy Spirit pleads on our behalf.

Psalm 120:1 - "I call on the LORD in my distress, and He answers me."





## **⊕** Memorials

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During the month of June, memorials were received in memory of <u>Caroline Newton</u> to the Building Fund from Lianne Weninger; in memory of <u>Kevin Dockter</u> to the Endowment Fund from Keith & Evelyn Petrick, to the Celebrate Fund from Elwin & Heidi Nieuwsma; and in memory of <u>Carol Bear</u> to the Endowment Fund from Paul & Brenda Benedict.

Holy Baptism

Harper Leone Werlinger, daughter of Mike & Cassie Werlinger, was baptized on June 25<sup>th</sup>. Baptismal Sponsors are Jenny Lettenmaier and Georgia Lettenmaier. Congratulations and Blessings to her Mom & Dad, Grandpa's and Grandma's, and Great-Grandparents! Harper is about to start on an incredible spiritual journey, and we hope this day brought her and her family much love, joy, and peace. •

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Check us out on Instagram!

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...be filled with the Spirit, speaking to one another with psalms, hymns and spiritual songs. Sing and make music in your heart to the Lord. Ephesians 5:18-19





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**Sunday, July 2** – Traditional Worship/Holy Communion **9:30 AM** 

Sunday, July 9 – Praise! Worship 9:30 AM
Sunday, July 16 – Traditional Worship/Holy
Communion 9:30 AM

Sunday, July 23 – Praise! Worship 9:30 AM Sunday, July 30 – 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/peacelutheranlinton/. Or you can visit our website at <a href="http://ndpeacelutheran.com/">http://ndpeacelutheran.com/</a> and find all the links

July: We need 2 Ushers each Sunday.

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Reader: July 2 -

July 9 –

July 16 –

July 23 -

July 30 -

Acolyte:

#### 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.

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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.

\*During the summer, our weekly giving is often inconsistent. Using Tithe.ly to give automatically is a great way to keep supporting your church\*

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 did not receive any donations from Thrivent Choice \$ in the month of June.

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/livinggenerously/thrivent-choice/



# Confirmation and Youth Group Schedule Have a great summer!



#### SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS

Enjoy your summer!





#### ~PLCW News~

Women of Peace will meet every Wednesday at 1:30 pm for Bible Study at Violet's. We are studying "Women of the New Testament".





We sent \$530 in offerings to our May "Mission of the Month" "St. Jude
Children's Research Hospital". We have taken in \$494 in offerings for our June "Mission of the Month" "Saint Gianna and Pietro Molla Maternity Home."

Peace Lutheran Church "Mission of the Month" for July 2023 is <u>Farm Rescue</u>.



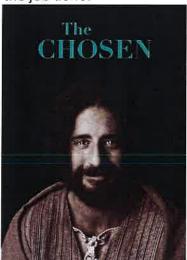




The mission of Farm Rescue is to help family farms and ranches bridge crises so they have an opportunity to continue viable operations. Farm Rescue provides planting, haying, harvesting, commodity hauling and livestock feeding assistance to farm and ranch families that have experienced a major injury, illness or natural disaster. We have assisted more than 1,000 farm and ranch families since our inception in 2005!

We see that one of the biggest financial drains on a family is an unexpected medical injury or illness and, of course, a natural disaster. It is even more pronounced on a farm where a family's livelihood depends on the ability to plant, harvest or provide for their herd.

Farm Rescue gives families a chance to continue their livelihood by providing the necessary equipment and manpower (free of charge) to get the job done.



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."

We'll be gathering each Monday evening

at **7:00 pm** 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.

#### **⊜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. ♣

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

Scripture of the Month ~

"**W**e love Him because He first loved us."

1 John 4:19 KJV

# 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. ↔



# "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!



Have a Safe and Happy 4<sup>th</sup> of July!





## **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.





- 1 Kyle Masset Edgar Ohlhauser Sylvia Weisser 3 – Arlene Grenz Cynthia Kurtz
- 5 Lyle Hanson 7 – Ashlee Bodvig Cassie Werlinger
- 9 Elwin Nieuwsma
- 14 Lisa Hendrickson



- 15 Parker MassetSydney Ferderer21 Donavin GrenzPhoebe Savage
- 22 Amanda Grossman Fran Heidrich
- 24 Lillian Kunz
- 26 Dylan Hendrickson



- 27 Dennis Morris 28 – Paul A Ferderer
  - Vickie Toavs
- 29 Angela Sayler
- 30 Magdalena Bender Heather Rossow Howard Garnaas
- 31 JoAnn Humann Jesse Renschler 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





# Happy Summer!





2023

Monday Tuesday
Movie Night: The Chosen @ 7:00 PM
10 Movie Night: The Chosen @ 7:00 PM
Novie Night: The Chosen @ 7:00 PM
24 Movie Night: The Chosen @ 7:00 PM
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Mission of the Month ~ "Farm Rescue"

Monday Movie Nights ~'The Chosen' 7:00 PM Coming Up:



