

*Peace Lutheran Church
Linton, ND*

February 2024 Newsletter

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Pastor's Article

In the later half of Isaiah, we encounter what students of Scripture have long referred to as the "Servant Songs of Isaiah." Some interpreters, especially those who do not profess faith in Christ, have argued over who

the Servant in Isaiah is. Some argue the Servant is the prophet Isaiah himself, others say the Servant is God's people, Israel. As Christians, we believe Jesus the Messiah fulfills the prophet's words about the Servant.

During our Wednesday evening services Lent (which begins February 14th), we'll take a close look at the four Servant Songs of Isaiah. As we read and contemplate those passages together, we will see how, in Christ, the Lord promises justice for the broken and needy. We will also see how Christ fulfills God's desire for Israel; he is the Servant she should have been. We will see that Jesus is God's suffering and perfectly obedient Servant who will undergo the most severe oppression for the sake of sinners.

The four Servant Songs of Isaiah are beautifully written pieces of poetry and they point us firmly towards Jesus as we journey through Lent to the cross and witness the suffering of the Servant for ourselves. I hope you will take the time to slow down during Lent not only to attend worship on Wednesday evenings, but to eat together with your church family prior to our services.

In peace,
Pastor Sean



February's Daily Scripture Readings

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				Feb. 1 st Psalm 126	Mark 6:1-6	Mark 6:7-16
Feb. 4 th Mark 6:17-29	Mark 6:30-34	Mark 6:35-44	Mark 6:45-56	Psalm 89:5-11	Mark 8:22-26	Mark 8:27-38
Feb. 11 th Mark 9:1-8	Mark 9:9-13	Mark 9:14-29	Mark 9:30-37	Mark 9:38-50	Mark 10:1-12	Mark 10:13-16
Feb. 18 th Mark 10:17-22	Exodus 20:12-16	Mark 10:23-27	1 Timothy 6:6-10	Mark 10:28-31	Romans 8:18-25	Mark 10:32-34
Feb. 25 th Mark 10:35-45	Mark 10:46-52	Mark 11:12-19	Mark 11:20-25	Mark 11:27-33		

The Church Council: Meeting of January 10th, 2024

- Pastor Sean reported: Finished pre-marital counseling for one couple (wedding not scheduled), Christmas Caroling/Movie December 10, Perishable Food Distribution December 13, Caregiver's Connections December 14, 1 hospital visit & 1 Nursing Home visit, Coming up: Lent begins February 14, and contemplating taking youth to Des Moines for LCMC Youth Gathering (July 7 – 12)
- Property Report: *Concerns about the stairs blending into each other. Will check into different types of stripping for the edges of steps. * A congregation member took some pews, shortened them, and has donated the shortened pews back. One 48" and one 42", and two 30". Will decide what to do with them. *Loren Hendrickson stated he will take care of the flashing on the post outside. *Still have not heard anything from Tony Sorrels regarding the downspouts. Will look into other contractors if necessary closer to spring.
- Stewardship: None
- Worship: None
- Education: Sunday School resumed January 7
- Evangelism: Hot cocoa bar went really well with lots of positive feedback.
- Old Business: None
- New Business: *Discussed possible Church Council members for upcoming term. *An interview was had with an applicant for the Secretary/Bookkeeper position. A motion was made and seconded to offer the Secretary position to Terri Fieldsend. Unanimously approved, Motion carried. *Discussion was held on payment policies for weddings and funerals for members and nonmembers to help cover the extra costs of Janitorial work. Decided for now to mention to the families that a donation would be

appreciated to cover the extra costs. *Endowment Committee member Joyce Lemer's term is up this year. Per the Chairperson of the Endowment Committee, she is able to do another term. Will bring up at the annual meeting.

- 2024 Budget was completed. *A motion was made, approved, and carried to increase custodian wage to \$23/hour. *A motion was made, approved, and carried to increase Pastor's salary 1.5%. *Motion was made, approved, and carried to approve the 2024 Budget at \$154,639.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact a church council member...Lori Bechtold, Stan Naumann, Elwin Nieuwsma, Tim Dockter, Kevin Hendrickson, Erica Hoff-Wald, or one of the 3 elected on January 28th. ☩

Thank you to Heather Rossow, Terry Serr, and Lyle Wohl for serving on the church council the past three years!



“For God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.”

John 3:16



Hello!

My name is Terri (Gunia) Fieldsend and I want to thank you for the opportunity to be your new Church Secretary/Bookkeeper. I look forward to reconnecting with old friends and making new friends as well. I enjoy doing accounting best and am the Bookkeeper/Accountant for my son's business J & M Service & Repair. When, not doing bookwork, I enjoy reading, card making, crafts and scrapbooking and especially spending time with my Grandkids.

I have realized when looking over my career, especially the time I spent as Church Secretary/Bookkeeper for House of Prayer Lutheran Church in Bismarck, that I have done and felt my best when serving people, so with that being said I thank you again for this opportunity and look forward to serving you and your Church.

Terri Fieldsend



February Baptismal Dates

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

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| 7 – Bryan Schatz | 15 – Iris Bosch | 21 – Lavonne Erickson |
| 8 – Darren Tveito | Jacob Janecek | 23 – Mia Caruso |
| 10 – Eliza Fisher | 16 – Melissa Knoepfler | 24 – Jill Huber |
| 13 – Keith Ohlhauser | Linda Tschritter | 26 – Twyla Schiermeister |
| 14 – Wade Huber | 18 – Jessica Beitelspacher | 27 – Bailey Huber |
| | Melvin Wohl | |

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



February Birthdays

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. †



February birthdays are:

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| 1 - Brody Rindelaub | 6 – Melissa Knoepfler | 16 – Janell Huber |
| Henry Stuckle | 7 – Elsie Barnhart | Ryan Hoff-Wald |
| 2 - Keith Ohlhauser | 8 – Albert Weber | 22 – Mia Caruso |
| 3 - Jaden Bosch | 10 – Shirlene Serr | Jessica Beitelspacher |
| Jamie Huber | 12 – Joyce Lemer | 23 – Elijah Barnhart |
| Emsley Randle | 13 – Julie Tveito | 24 – Melissa Fisher |
| 4 – Christopher Brueckner | 14 – Holden Nieuwsma | Kristi Slater |
| 5 – Julia Barnhart | Theo Peterson | 25 – Jayme Baker |
| Eric Grenz | 15 – Lilli Wohl | 26 – Lorraine Schatz |

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"



† Memorials †

Gifts were given in memory of Lyla Beitelspacher to the Quilting Fund from Herb & Arlene Grenz, to Sunday School from Linda Seidel; in memory of Duane Baer to the Endowment Fund from Keith & Evelyn Petrick, and Paul & Brenda Benedict; from Candis Wagner to the Current Fund; to Youth Group from The Ptacek Family.



🔔 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 \$40, the Linton Floral N' More will provide 2 arrangements of flowers for the 2 vases behind the altar or a larger single arrangement for \$30 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: Evelyn Petrick and Janice Baer.†



Instagram

Check us out on Instagram!
@peace.lutheran



† FEBRUARY WORSHIP SCHEDULE †

Adult Bible Study 9:30 a.m., Feb. 4, 11, 18, & 25
Sunday School 9:30 a.m., Feb. 4, 11, & 25

Feb. 4 – Traditional Worship with Holy Communion
10:45 a.m.

Feb. 11 – Celebrate Worship 10:45 a.m.

Feb. 14 – Ash Wednesday Worship 7:00 p.m.

Feb. 18 – Praise! Worship with Holy Communion
10:45 a.m.

Feb. 21 – Lent Worship 7:00 p.m.

Feb. 25 – Celebrate Worship 10:45 a.m.

Feb. 28 – Lent Worship 7:00 p.m

🚗 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.

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.



Volunteers are needed each Sunday.

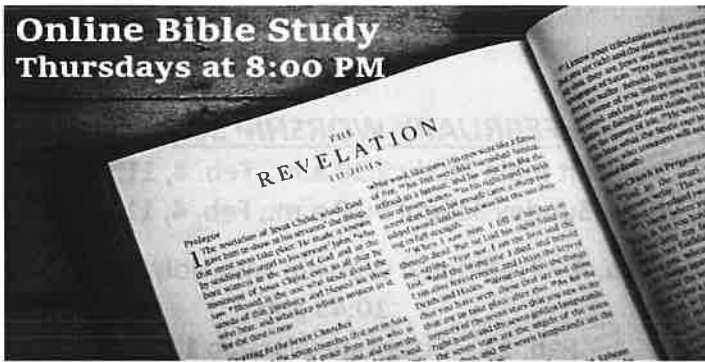


~PLCW News~



No news this month.

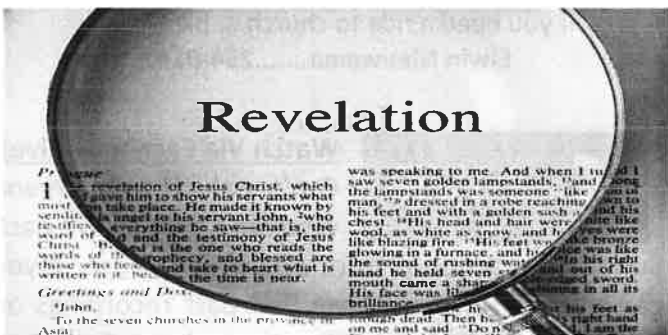
Online Bible Study Thursdays at 8:00 PM



<https://www.youtube.com/@peacelutheran1357>

Online Bible Study

Join Pastor Sean each Thursday evening at 8:00 pm for an online Bible Study recapping the previous Sunday's in-person Bible Study on Revelation. You can find Online Bible Study through our YouTube Channel.



Adult Bible Study

Each Sunday morning, Pastor Sean leads an adult Bible study on the book of Revelation at 9:30 AM. Everyone is welcome to join the discussion or to simply listen in. If you can't make it, or miss a session, get the weekly recap via Online Bible Study on YouTube!



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Give using Tithely

Tithely 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.



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Thrivent Choice Dollars

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/>.



**Quilting will continue in
February, and will meet Mondays and
Tuesdays from
9 AM – 4 PM**



Contribution Statements

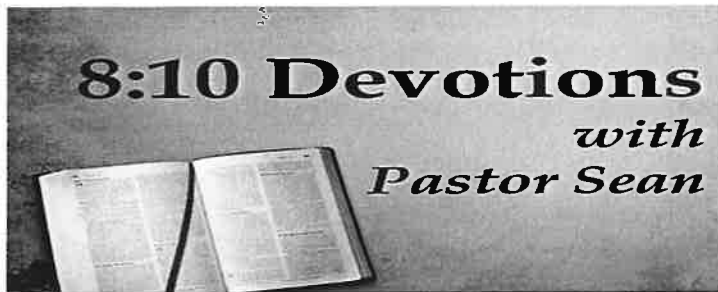
2023 Contribution Statements can be picked up, and are located in the Church narthex. There are also **2024** offering envelopes remaining to be picked up. Please pick these up ASAP. Thank you!✝



If you or anyone you know would like a weekly church bulletin or a monthly newsletter mailed to them, please let the church office know.

Deadline for the newsletter is the 20th of the month! Please get your news and upcoming information to the church office by that date!

Thank you!



8:10 Devotions

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



SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS

There will be no Sunday School on February 18th.

Wed., Feb. 21st: First Communion Ed @ 3:45 PM

Wed., Feb. 28th: First Communion Ed @ 3:45 PM



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Confirmation and Youth Group Schedule

Wednesday, Feb. 7 – Confirmation Class @ 7:00 PM



As of January, we have collected \$366 for **“Hope Manor”**, our February “Mission of the Month” is the **Salvation Army**.

Peace Lutheran Church “Mission of the Month” for February is **Salvation Army Northern Division**



The Salvation Army, an international movement, is an evangelical part of the universal Christian Church. Its message is based on the Bible. Its ministry is motivated by the love of God. Its mission is to preach the gospel of Jesus Christ and to meet human needs in His name without discrimination.

Some of the needs met by the Salvation Army include helping disaster survivors, empowering youth, sharing God’s love, overcoming poverty, combating addiction, curing hunger, and providing housing.

The Salvation Army Northern Division covers Minnesota and North Dakota and is a major donor to the Emmons County Ministerial Association’s Thanksgiving Basket project each year.

Happy Valentine’s Day!



“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!



Notice: Pop-up perishables will be on Thursday, February 15 at the St Anthony’s parking lot. Anyone who is in need is welcome.



A Prayer for February

Love divine, all loves excelling,
 Joy of heaven, to earth come down;
 Fix in us Thy humble dwelling,
 All Thy faithful mercies crown.

- Charles Wesley



Scripture of the Month ~
 “Repent, then, and turn to God, so that your sins may be wiped out, that times of refreshing may come from the Lord.”

– Acts 3:19



Beginning Wednesday, February 14th

Wednesday Evening Lent Worship | 7:00 PM
 Soup Suppers | 5:30 PM – 6:30 PM



Mornings At Peace Returns!

On Wednesday, March 6th, Linton students are invited to PLC for breakfast and VBS style fun and Bible lessons during the late-start school morning from 8:00 AM to 10:00 AM. All students are welcome and will be walked to the school in time for classes!

Thank You!

Dear Friends,

It is difficult for me to give up my position here at Peace Lutheran, but it is time for me to retire. I want to thank you all for the blessings I have received from you for the last nine years. I have enjoyed working with you, and I thank you for all the ways you helped me complete my tasks from answering questions, folding and sealing newsletters for mailing, and more. You always made me feel very welcome, which made my time here so happy! I enjoyed going to work! Being here gave me new friends and made friendships stronger with those of you that I already knew. You are a wonderful congregation who is truly a blessing to our community! May God richly bless you!

With Love and Prayers, Brenda Benedict



NEXT MEETING FEBRUARY 8TH

Caregivers Connections

Presented by the Alzheimer's Association

Minnesota-North Dakota Chapter

Second Thursday of each month from

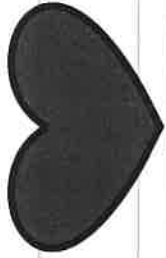
2:00 - 3:00 pm, Linton City Hall

All caregivers of those living with Alzheimer's or other dementia related diseases are invited.

This caregiver group, conducted by trained facilitators, is a safe place for caregivers, family and friends who care for individuals with Alzheimer's or other dementia related diseases. Join us to:

Connect with other caregivers | Discuss caregiving challenges and possible solutions | Identify ways of coping | Share needs and concerns | Learn about community resources





Happy Valentine's Day!

February

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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Sunday School & Adult Bible Study 9:30 AM Traditional Worship/Holy Communion 10:45 AM	5 Quilting 9 AM - 4 PM	6 Quilting 9 AM - 4 PM	7 Confirmation 7:00 PM	8 Caregiver's Connections 2 PM Online Bible Study 8:00 PM	9	10
11 Sunday School & Adult Bible Study 9:30 AM Celebrate Worship 10:45 AM	12 Quilting 9 AM - 4 PM	13 Quilting 9 AM - 4 PM	14 Valentine's Day Lent Supper 5:30 PM Ash Wednesday Worship 7 PM Church Council After Worship	15 Pop-up Perishables 1PM SCC Chapel 2 PM Online Bible Study 8:00 PM	16	17
18 Adult Bible Study 9:30 AM Praise! Worship/Holy Communion 10:45 AM	19 Presidents' Day Quilting 9 AM - 4 PM	20 Quilting 9 AM - 4 PM	21 First Communion Ed 3:45 PM Lent Supper 5:30 PM Lent Worship 7:00 PM	22 Online Bible Study 8:00 PM	23	24
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February Mission of the Month:
Salvation Army Northern Division

