

*Peace Lutheran Church
Linton, ND*

Pastor's Article

Quoting from the prophet Joel, Paul writes in Romans 10:13, "Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved." It is a great promise specifically about faith in Jesus Christ. All who, in faith, call on the name of Jesus shall be saved. All who call on Jesus, in faith, will receive forgiveness. We

may yet suffer the disasters and calamities of life; we will one day certainly enter the grave, but calling on the name of Jesus we can lay hold to the promise of Psalm 16:10, "For you will not abandon my soul to Sheol, or let your holy one see corruption." In other words, for those who call on the name of Jesus, the grave is **not** their final destination.

But Paul goes on with an important series of questions leading up to a particular point, "But how are they to call on him in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in him of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone preaching?" (Romans 10:14). His point is simply this: a person comes to faith by **hearing** the preached Word of God. These few verses are a small part of a larger argument Paul is making, but he summarizes this section with Romans 10:17, "So faith comes from hearing, and hearing through the Word of Christ."

As Lutherans we understand the **preached** Word of God to be a vital means of grace; a delivery vehicle for God's grace to come to the listener. So important is the preaching of the Word that the reformers nearly classified it as a sacrament like Baptism and Holy Communion. In Baptism, many of us came to faith. Preaching has done the same for many others. In Holy Communion we are sustained and nourished in faith as we receive the forgiveness of sins. Hearing the preached Word of God nourishes us and sustains us as well. There we hear God's Law (the condemnation of our sin) and the Lord's Gospel (what Christ has done for you to redeem you and claim you as child of the Father.) Just as our mouths cannot get enough of the bread and wine, our ears cannot get enough of the preached Word.

People often engage in diets during the summer, trying to get that beach body. Sometimes that means consuming less. This is often a good thing for our bodies. But don't let the summer (or any season) be a time to diet from the preached Word of God. Grow fat on a steady diet of God's Word. Read books that proclaim Christ's goodness to you. Watch YouTube videos of faithful preachers. Listen to Podcasts and radio shows of godly men and women discussing God's Word. Attend worship in person when possible, online when not and fill your ears with all the best God offers. Faith comes and is strengthened by hearing.

July 2024 Newsletter

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In peace,
Pastor Sean

PS. Do you have difficult hearing during worship due to hearing loss? Did you know we have headsets that deliver everything said or sung into a microphone right into your ears? Ask an usher if you would like to try one of these headsets out.



Daily Scripture Readings For July

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	July 1st James 4:13-17	James 5:1-6	James 5:7-12	James 5:13-20	Hebrews 1:1-4	Hebrews 1:5-14
July 7th Hebrews 2:1-4	Hebrews 2:5-9	Hebrews 2:10-18	Hebrews 3:1-6	Hebrews 3:7-13	Hebrews 3:14-19	Hebrews 4:1-7
July 14th Hebrews 4:8-13	Hebrews 4:14-16	Hebrews 5:1-10	Hebrews 5:11-14	Hebrews 6:1-12	Hebrews 6:13-20	Hebrews 7:1-3
July 21st Hebrews 7:4-10	Hebrews 7:11-14	Hebrews 7:15-22	Hebrews 7:23-28	Hebrews 8:1-7	Hebrews 8:8-13	Hebrews 9:1-10
July 28th Hebrews 9:11-14	Hebrews 9:15-22	Hebrews 9:23-28	Hebrews 10:1-4			

A Summary of the Church Council Meeting of June 12, 2024:

The meeting was called to order by President Elwin Nieuwsma at 7:00 pm

Pastor provided devotions from Jeremiah 1.

In attendance was Lori Bechtold, Mark Heidrich, Erica Hoff-Wald, Stan Naumann, Elwin Nieuwsma, Kevin Hendrickson, and Pastor Sean Barnhart.

Absent from the meeting was Jennifer Vetter, Tim Dockter, and Gunnar Hanson

Mark H. moved to approved meeting minutes from May 8th and May 19th. Second by Kevin H. Motion carried.

Kevin H. moved to approve the treasurer's report. Erica HW seconded. Motion carried.

Pastor's Report:

- Caregiver's Connections May 9th
- Youth Group May 15 (15 kids?)
- Ministerial May 16th
- SCC Service May 16th
- Met with Aaron Stuckle on May 21st to update business and personal property ins.
- Vacation Bible School: 23-25 kids May 28-May 30
- Began meeting with Bobbi and Savanna Kramer concerning membership and baptism for Beau
- Played Taps for three services on Memorial Day
- Two Hospital Visits

Property Report:

- Asphalt company will come by to give a quote on our parking lot
- Bush stumps at the parsonage need to be removed
- Finished up the block edging around the church
- Planted and transplanted plants for Erin Schmidt Memorial Garden
- Downspouts were installed on the west side of the church

Stewardship Report:

Worship Report:

Education Report:

- Vacation Bible School was held May 28th-May 30th with about 24 kids attending.

Evangelism Report:

- Friday, July 5th Fundraiser for ECFP. A sign-up sheet is on the Narthex bulletin board for items to bring and for people to work.

Old Business:

- Insurance policy premium. The policy increased from \$4203.00 to \$5400.00. It is what it is.

New Business:

- Motion by Mark H. to give Abby Ketterling \$200.00 from the PLC Community help fund. Second by Kevin H. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:34 pm.





July Baptismal Dates

1	Isabell Rudy	9	Bowdy Roemmich	20	Trish Bauman
2	Tyler Humann	12	Shelby Kelsch	22	Lyle Wohl
3	Ernest Wohl		Laura Hovland	28	Jarod Conroy
	Paisley Grossman	15	Sydney Blum		Jace Ferderer
4	Ryan Ohlhauser		Janell Ness		Debra Hochhalter
5	Laura Hirvela	16	Shelley Serr		Jennifer LeFrancois
	Stanley Naumann	19	Jesse Haas		James Lauinger
	Jarell Ketterling		Edgar Ohlhauser	30	Lisa Ptacek
7	Jason Rossow		Westin Grossman	31	Arlene Grenz



July Birthdays

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

On your **Birth**day, be filled with GOD'S UNCHANGING love and the GOOD PLANS HE HAS FOR YOU!

Linton 125th Grill-Out Fundraiser
11:30 AM | Friday, July 5th
PLC Parking Lot – See Facebook for details



On **Friday, July 5th** beginning at **11:30 AM**, We will be serving hotdogs, brats, sloppy joes, with baked beans, noodle salad, chips, drinks, and bars in the church parking lot.

The meal is served for a freewill donation. All proceeds will go to the **Emmons County Food Pantry**. Please see the sign-up sheet on the bulletin board in the Narthex to see how you can help!

Mission of the Month – Emmons County Food Pantry

To go along with our July 5th fundraiser, our mission for July is the Emmons County Food Pantry.

The Emmons County Food Pantry is open to all Emmons County residents providing much needed and basic foods and toiletries. The pantry is open on the 2nd and 4th Mondays of the month from 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm and each Wednesday from 11 am -1 pm. It is located at 118 S. Broadway, Linton, ND and receives oversight from the Emmons County Ministerial Association.



Join your friends on Sunday, July 7th for a Sunday School reunion and fellowship in the church basement. Join us for an Egg bake and muffin breakfast following the 9:30 AM worship. Friends and family from far and near are invited for this very special occasion. Peace Lutheran Church holds a very special place in the hearts of many generations. Let's celebrate the difference that PLC Sunday School has made in the lives of so many.

If interested in volunteering to provide egg bakes, muffins or juice, please call the church or Violet Ohlhauser at 701-254-5462.



New Block Edging

In early May, we applied for a grant through the “Liven Up Linton” program and were accepted. The grant was to help pay for new block edging around the entire church, replacing the old black plastic edging. Thank you to all those who worked hard to get the block in the ground! The picture to the left highlights daylilies that continue to thrive alongside the new block edging on the east side of the church.

Erin Schmidt Memorial Garden

Last summer, work began on the south side of the church for a perennial flower garden to be planted in memory of Erin Schmidt. This spring, Bee Balms, Blazing Stars (white and purple), Giant Garden Phlox, irises, an hydrangea, and a Bleeding Heart have all been planted on the ground level portion. On the higher level, Karl Foerster Grass and Flame Grass were planted.

On the east side of the church (not pictured) hostas were planted with Electric Plum coral bells interspersed. As the garden becomes established, you’ll notice purple (Erin’s favorite color) as the dominate color. More is yet to be added depending on the success and size of what has already been put in the ground.

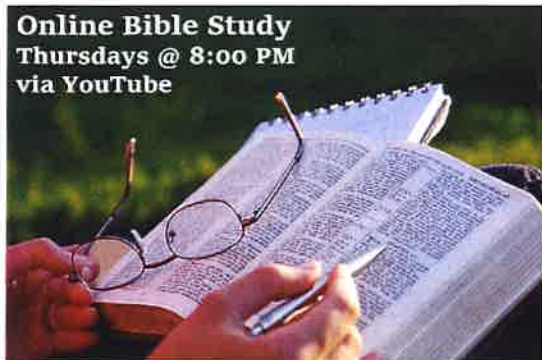
Erin Schmidt was a treasured member of our church and community whose faith shone in her home life and in her vocation as an educator at Linton Public School. May this garden be a lasting memorial to her joyful spirit.



The Chosen: Season 3

Join us on Monday evenings at 7:00 PM for season 3 of *The Chosen*. Snacks are welcome as we watch on the big screen in the sanctuary. We’ll watch episode 1 on Monday, June 24th.

Online Bible Study
Thursdays @ 8:00 PM
via YouTube



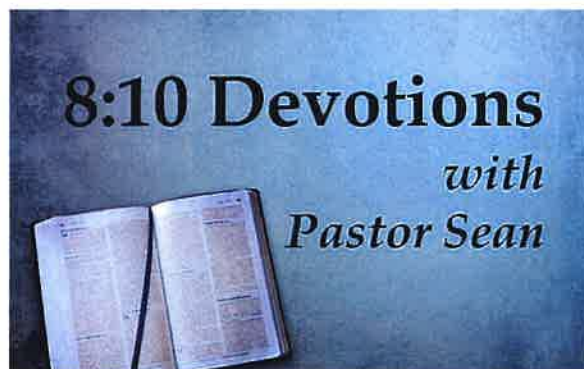
Online Bible Study

Join Pastor Sean each Thursday evening at 8:00 pm for an online Bible Study that looks ahead to the preaching passage for the coming Sunday. **You can find Online Bible Study through our YouTube Channel.**

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

8:10 Devotions

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



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/>.

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Next Meeting July 11th

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




Peace Lutheran Church Mission Statement

Welcome people in
Help them grow
Send them out to care
Welcome ~ Grow ~ Care"



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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 The Chosen 7PM	2	3	4 Online Bible Study 8 PM 	5 125 th Grill-Out – 11:30 AM 	6
7	8	9	10 Council Meeting 7 PM	11 Caregivers Connections 2 PM Online Bible Study 8 PM	12	13
Traditional Worship With Holy Communion 9:30 AM	The Chosen 7PM					
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