

Share, Serve, Celebrate

Week of October 18, 2020

Greetings in Christ! It certainly been a busy week getting acclimated to the ebb and flow of life as the Pastor of Peace Lutheran Church. Over the past couple of weeks since we moved, I have been meeting some of you and getting to know names a little bit. Remembering everyone's name will, of course, take me some time, so I ask for your patience as I get to know you all.

Certainly, such is not the case with God. In Isaiah 45, God reminds us "I call you by your name, I name you, though you do not know me." God has always known our names, and does not forget them. He calls us by name in the water of Baptism and through the words of the Gospel. When we hear the words of forgiveness, God is speaking to us, calling each of us by our own name to say "Your sins are forgiven."

This week, may you cherish the forgiveness God has granted to you for the sake of His Son, Jesus Christ, who has taken all of your sins to the cross and grave. Your sins are forgiven in Jesus' name.

God's richest blessings to you.

~Pastor Kevin Mann

IN OUR CONGREGATION...

New Fieldworker: On Monday, September 28th it was announced that our new Fieldworker is Jordan DeBoer, a first-year seminary student from Crookston, Minnesota. After high school graduation, Justin spent several years working around his hometown including with his two uncles who farm about 4,000 acres. In 2017 he began undergraduate studies at the University of Minnesota Crookston, and upon graduation was accepted to Concordia Theological Seminary, Fort Wayne. He is currently part of the Fall Greek class (pray for him!) and, as a single man, is living on campus. With the change of pastors here at Peace, Jordan will be officially installed as our Fieldworker later this fall.

Attention all past, present and future Parish

Choir members! The Peace Parish Choir is getting ready to start up another choir year. We will have our first rehearsal on Thursday, Oct. 15th from 7:00 p.m. to 8:15 p.m. We will be preparing to sing for Reformation Sunday, Oct. 25th. We are asking that choir members wear masks and we will be practicing social distancing in the choir room. On Reformation Sunday, the choir will enter the balcony only to sing the anthems. We will be seated in the sanctuary for the rest of the service. Please consider this opportunity to serve the Lord while enhancing the worship service. Hope to see many of you there on Oct. 15th.

Write a Will Week: As part of their 175th anniversary celebration, the Fort Wayne Seminary is holding a "Write a Will Week" from October 19-22, 2020. This is an opportunity to meet with a local attorney (all of which happen to be Lutheran) to complete this very important document all of us will need some day. Advance registration is required and space is limited, so please contact the church office for information on how to take advantage of this opportunity.

Little Free Library: Peace will host a grand opening for our Little Free Library on October 24th from 10-11 am. The celebration will include family friendly activities, crafts and refreshments. Come and join the celebration and bring a book or two to share. Our Little Free Library doesn't belong to us, it belongs to the neighborhood. It's our hope that this Little Free Library will bring more joy, a little more connection and a whole lot more books to our community.

End of Season Garden Help Needed! God has given us an amazing harvest from our little garden and many members and neighbors have enjoyed the fresh veggies given out via the cafe. Now it's time to wrap

things up and get ready for the winter, and we need a little extra cleaning out the beds. If you can contribute an hour or two, please contact Brenda Gensic or Katrina Marcum to arrange a convenient time to work. We would greatly appreciate the help!

IN OUR CAFÉ...



Sharing Peace Café is currently open: Monday thru Thursday 9am-1pm.

Café Art Gallery – There are new beautiful art pieces displayed on the Art Wall in the Café. These works are the creations of Hannah Wenndt and Rachel Evans (both Café Sharistas). They are all available for purchase. They make great gifts too!

Trunk or Treat 2020 takes place on Saturday, October 31 from 4:00-5:30pm. Social Distancing will be key this year as we reach out to our neighborhood families for this exciting kid-friendly event. Everyone will be required to wear a mask, but that's just part of the fun anyway! Many friendly helpers are asked to sign-up to join in on the fun! Volunteer sign-up sheets are in the Narthex. There are a lot of ways to serve in this wonderful outreach event!

Be a Trunker (decorate your car & hand out candy/ trinkets); Door Prize Table; Host with the Most; Candy Runners; Set-Up; Clean-Up; and more!

Cards in the Café – Still on hold. Can't wait for the fun to begin again!

Exercise Classes UPDATE! – Walk 15 has started up again on Wednesday night at 6pm and Saturday 8:30 am Contact Cheryl Erickson for information Other classes are still suspended but we're just waiting for the day we can meet to move and groove again! Watch for more information from our parish nurse, Cheryl

YOUTH NEWS

Youth Group: Senior High Youth will not meet for the next two weeks. We'll be meeting to give our youth group a fresh new look. Waiting patiently!

Young Adult Ministry – 3rd Sundays at 4pm on Zoom (Sunday, October 18) :Young men and women ages 18-25 (and out of high school) are meeting on Zoom to stay connected... discuss fears and joys of life in college or a new job; controversial hot topics of the day and finding God in all situations; protecting and nurturing our faith in a fallen world; the topics are endless! If you are a young adult and would like to be a part of these conversations, contact Rose at 260.402.1679.

IN OUR SCHOOLS...

Concordia High School

- Cadets in Cadence Dinner Auction December 5: This year's theme is "Aloha - Christmas in Paradise." Tickets are \$125. Discounted tickets available through November 9. Sponsor-ships available. Tickets are available at <u>http://</u> www.cadetsincadence.com/. Also, we are seeking donations of gifts for our auction. Visit our website to see our Amazon wish list for ideas.
- Come and see Concordia's next drama **production:** "How I Became A Pirate" will be shown on November 21 at 7:30 p.m. and November 22 at 2:00 p.m. Based on the book of the same title, you will sail off on a fantastic musical excursion when a band of comical pirates lands at North Beach looking for an expert digger to join their crew. Braid Beard and his mates enlist young Jeremy Jacob as they look for the perfect spot to bury their treasure. Jeremy finds that adventuring can be lots of fun, but also learns that love and home are treasures you can't find on any map! The whole family will love this delightful and swashbuckling musical adventure. Purchase tickets ahead of time by contacting <u>cmurphy@clhscadets.com</u>.
- **Discover Concordia Night November 18:** Come and check out Concordia Lutheran High School at 6:30 PM November 18! This is an opportunity to tour the high school and learn more about the admissions and financial aid process. We will have our teachers on hand, as well, so that you can learn more about our academic programs. All are welcome to Discover Concordia Night, but we do ask everyone to wear masks and adhere to social distancing protocols. Thank you for helping to make this a safe event for all! Register for the event at www.clhscadets.com/dcn/.

IN OTHER CONGREGATIONS...

The FWL seeks an editor for 2021: I (Donna Volmerding) have been the editor of The Fort Wayne Lutheran since July 1988, and I am thankful for the bountiful blessings that the Lord has given to this newspaper. This publication began in 1970, 50 years ago, and has been an active part of the Lutheran community before I became the editor. My last day will be December 31, 2020. The FWL is looking for an editor who can take the reins on January 1, 2021. Requirements for the new editor are in The Fort Wayne Lutheran newspaper, or go to myfwl.org.

Dan's Famous Fish and Tenderloin: Saturday, November 7, 4-7pm. St. Peter Immanuel Lutheran School in Decatur (corner of SR 101 and Adams County Rd 1100N) Fish and tenderloin, cheesy potatoes, coleslaw or applesauce, cookies and beverage. Adult meal \$10, child portion \$5, under 5 are free. Drive thru service only. Proceeds go to converting light fixtures in the school to energy-saving LED. Tickets available in advance 260-223-9897

The Altar Circle of Martini Annual Craft Bazaar: Lutheran Church,333 Moeller Road, New Haven, is sponsoring its annual Craft Bazaar from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm on Saturday, Nov. 14th.

A light breakfast and lunch will be available at a nominal cost. There will be a variety of crafts and products. This is a great opportunity to purchase Christmas gifts and ornaments.

If you or a friend are interested in having a booth, please contact Jennifer Frey (260-446-8918) martinibazaar@gmail.com or Florence Wietfeldt (260-403-1744) for a registration form and information letter. The cost of a booth is \$35.

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This Week at Peace 10/18/20 - 10/25/20		
Sun Oct 18	9:00am 10:30am	BP Screening 30 minutes before/after worship Worship Service Confirmation
Mon Oct 19	6:30pm	Board of Elders
Tues Oct 20		Bulletin Items Due
Wed Oct 21	6:30pm	Worship Service
Thurs Oct 22		PY Articles for November/December due
Fri Oct 23		NO Parish Nurse
Sat Oct 24		
Sun Oct 25	9:00am 10:30am	Worship Service with Communion Confirmation
Next Sunday Scripture Readings (Reformation Day)		
Revelation 1 Romans 3:19 John 8:31-30	9-28	

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