



# Tidings Of Peace August 2011

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*“Peace Lutheran Church is a community of caring and forgiven people being nourished and strengthened in the Christian faith that others may know Christ’s love.”*

### Vacation Planning

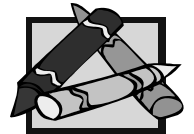
One of my favorite times growing up was the family vacation. We would plan all year. My parents wanted my brothers and me to experience as many historic and educational sites as we could fit into that short period of time. Over the years, we were able to visit a working colonial village in Kentucky, tour President Lincoln’s home in Illinois, and watch American Indian ceremonial dances on reservations in Oklahoma. All of this was quite impressive even though there were three of us kids and only two car windows. I suspect many of you have had similar experiences on summer vacations.

Yet I wonder how many of us spend the same amount of time planning and experiencing our spiritual journey? How much time have we spent deciding on our destination and route? What places of interest do we want to visit along the way? Are we willing to stop and ask directions if we become lost? Do we have a spiritual advisor to help guide us in our quest to be reunited with God? Some of us may mistakenly think that hanging around the church on Sunday mornings is enough to make us a Christian. That is as silly as thinking that hanging around a Ford dealership will make us a car! We must be actively involved in planning and implementing our journey toward our Creator. I challenge you to spend some time this week...thinking about your spiritual journey...and the really nice thing about a spiritual journey? We all have a window seat!

Marianne Gould, Council President

### Lutheran World Relief School Supply Kits

The Service Ministry Team will not be setting up the school bus this year for Lutheran World Relief school supplies, however, you may continue to donate supplies throughout the year. There will be a basket located in the Narthex for any of your donations. Below is a list of school supplies. **Please do not deviate from the list. Lutheran World Relief is very specific about what can be sent overseas.**



- 70–sheet notebooks of wide- or college-ruled paper approximately 8” X 10 1/2”, no loose-leaf paper
- 30-centimeter ruler, or a ruler with centimeters on one side and inches on the other
- Pencil sharpeners
- Blunt scissors (safety scissors with embedded steel blades work well)
- Unsharpened #2 pencils with erasers
- Ballpoint pens (no gel ink)
- Boxes of 16 or 24 crayons
- Eraser approximately 2 1/2” long

### Women’s Retreat

#### Reserve the Dates!

**October 8th and October 10th**



A Women’s Retreat will be held on **October 8th and 10th** at The Well. The programs will be identical for both dates. Seating will be limited to 30 participants per session. Watch your newsletters for more details. Mark your calendars!

Dear Friends in Christ,

As I write these words I am trying to catch up on two weeks of absence. Loy and I have just returned from a very enjoyable trip to Alaska which you as a congregation initiated last year with your very generous gift in honor of my 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary of ordination. It will be a trip we will remember fondly for the rest of our lives.



In talking with people, I will sometimes ask them to reflect upon their experiences in life by asking, "And, what did you learn from this?" It is my belief that God uses everyday events to teach us something. Unless we take the time to reflect, we can easily miss some important lessons. As we made our way home, I found myself reflecting upon things we saw, heard, and experienced. Here are a few of them:

- We live in a world of such intense beauty. I continue to be awed at the great variety and majesty which God has created. Alaska is one of the most beautiful places I've ever seen. Part of what made it so striking was that it was all new to me. Snow-capped mountains, glaciers, seals, moose, and whales are not a part of my everyday scenery. To witness the rich variety God gives us was an awe-inspiring experience. I better understand now those who have called for us to be good stewards of those treasures by forming national parks and preserves so that others can have those same experiences. As I think about what we saw, I've also been reminded that what made my visit so enchanting was not just the beauty of these places, but also that my eyes were "opened" and attentive to that which I had not seen before. My guess is that each day can be like that, no matter where we live. Lord, help me to see each day in that way.
- No matter where one goes or what culture one is from, we as people share so much in common. We all share in the same aspirations, joys, sorrows, and needs as everyone else in this world. In addition to meeting people from all over the United States, we had the privilege of getting to hear the stories of people from India, Indonesia, Africa and the Caribbean. Even though we all had different stories and backgrounds to share, we are not as different as we'd sometimes like to think. We all live each day by the grace and goodness of God. Being able to find the common ground among us makes us less of a stranger to one another.
- It struck me as to how privileged I am. Life aboard a cruise ship makes one feel somewhat decadent and sinful. When I came to the table, my napkin was placed in my lap and I was waited on hand and foot. When we returned to our room, everything had been straightened and cleaned. While it is a very pleasant experience, I became aware of how fortunate I am. Not everyone has that experience. Sometimes I get a sense of entitlement and I so easily complain about things. I found myself asking God to give me a more balanced perspective of life and to help me be less of a complainer.
- We live in a world that is forever changing. That doesn't mean you have to forsake the past, but to survive one must constantly learn to adapt. Hearing the history of the Athabascan Indians who made their way from one continent to another across the Bering Strait reminded me that all of us are faced with the challenge of having to adapt to new things. I gained a new appreciation of how people have been able to make those changes and still remember their past. For Christians, what gets us through those tumultuous, uncertain times is the assurance of Christ, "I'm with you always..."
- Life is fragile. The last three days of the trip I started coming down with a cough and flu-like symptoms. By the time we got home, it developed into bronchial pneumonia and I had to be hospitalized for two days. That gave me a new perspective on the healthcare system and what people go through who must be hospitalized. I came to realize again how blessed we are to have available the latest in medicines which are not so available in many parts of the world. Thanks to the care I received from medical staff and the care of my wife, I'm on the mend again. Thank you, Lord, for those blessings.

Enough of my ramblings. I'll be happy to share other thoughts and observations with those who are interested. Thanks to each of you for giving me some time away and for the opportunity to learn some things from Alaska.

Peace in Him,  
Pastor Gary

## Where We Stand Financially, June 2011

FUND	BALANCE 05/31/2011	INCOME	EXPENSE	TRANSFERS	BALANCE 06/30/2011
General Fund	\$ 13,912.75	\$ 23,354.63	\$ 21,493.66		\$ 15,773.72
Pre-Endowment Fund	\$ 82,747.06	0.00	\$ 0.00		\$ 82,747.06
Deferred Maintenance Fund	\$ 29,635.66	\$ 14.62	\$ 225.00		\$ 29,650.28
Building Fund	\$ 32,846.74	\$ 7,745.37*	\$ 24,100.00**		\$ 16,492.11
Designated Funds	\$ 33,692.38	\$ 2,864.41	\$ 3,922.84		\$ 32,633.95
<b>Total Funds</b>	<b>\$ 192,834.59</b>	<b>\$ 33,979.03</b>	<b>\$ 49,516.50</b>		<b>\$177,297.12</b>

\*\$7,740.00 - Building Offerings; \$5.37 - Interest

\*\*\$4,100.00 - Building Note Payment; \$20,000.00 - Additional Principal Payment

<p>Giving Versus Budget As Of 07-10-2011</p> <p><b>General Fund</b> <b>-\$5,808.06</b></p> <p><b>Building Fund</b> <b>-\$11,725.92</b></p>
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<b>Attendance and Giving</b>			
<u>Week of</u>	<u>Attendance</u>	<u>Gen. Fund</u>	<u>Building</u>
06/19	173	\$ 3,213.00	\$ 1,546.00
06/26	154	\$ 4,327.72	\$ 1,597.00
07/03	115	\$ 4,498.00	\$ 1,669.00
07/10	164	\$ 4,604.00	\$ 2,153.00
<b>Weekly Avg.</b>	<b>152</b>	<b>\$ 4,160.68</b>	<b>\$ 1,741.25</b>

### Tips for Fishing

What are some of the tips we need to remember as we fish for disciples?

- Go where the fish are. Be with people on their own turf.
- Be real, be vulnerable, and be honest.
- Be creative. We don't have to do things the same old way.
- Be spiritual, but not "churchy".
- Be patient.
- Be ready for surprises!
- Be willing to step out of your comfort zone.
- Be on the lookout for where God is at work.
- Be praying.



**Ministry Team Minutes - July 6, 2011**

**EDUCATION/YOUTH MINISTRY TEAM:**

- Members Present: Amanda Henderson, Mary Ann Pfennig, Ceretta Daum and Kellie Stallings.
- Day Camp is ready.
- Vacation Bible School volunteers and supplies still needed.
- We will serve breakfast casseroles for First Sunday Breakfast in August.
- Rally Day: Need to kick off adult classes. Put an insert in the bulletin and newsletter.
- Items For Long Term Planning: Ministry Team Fair is October 9th during the Sunday School hour; Need a more prominent board for Sunday School classes.

**FELLOWSHIP MINISTRY TEAM:**

- Members Present: Walt Warren, Lillie Braune and Helen Bravenec.
- Discussed Game/Ice Cream Night on July 22nd.
- Will schedule cleaning day for August 6th at 9:00 am.

**OUTREACH MINISTRY TEAM:**

- Members Present: Barbara Lippe and Jean Pfluger.
- Continue work on member board.
- Finish Team Leader book.
- Continue t-shirt sales.
- Brainstormed about October 9th Ministry Team booth.

**PROPERTY MINISTRY TEAM:**

- Members Present: Fritz Friesenhahn and Richard Kawazoe.
- Replaced lighting in Fellowship Hall and classroom annex security light.
- Looked at soil erosion at foundation outside classroom annex. Need hose, dirt and watering.

**SERVICE MINISTRY TEAM:**

- August 21st is Rally Day. School bus goes up at the beginning of August.

**SUPPORT MINISTRY TEAM:**

- Members Present: Alvin Bravenec and Jon Kjoller.
- The team will meet in late July, after reviewing "Make it Simple" program materials online, to select an annual response method.

**WORSHIP MINISTRY TEAM:**

- Members Present: Jeannie Kawazoe, Janice Friesenhahn, Mike Stallings and Dianne Zincke.
- Supply pastors and youth have done a good job in Pastor Gary's absence. Paul Streng will be supply for July 10th.
- Council Action: Discussed placement of offering hymn during service. Either take up offering during sermon hymn or as it is in order of service.
- Items For Long Term Planning: Ministry Team Fair during stewardship; Centering platform.

**YOUTH ADVISORY BOARD:**

- Members Present: Laura Heller, Amanda Henderson, Josh Stallings, Mike Stallings, Chad Heller and Cathy Bolton.
- 08-14-2011: Pool Party at Paullus's home. Need to ask Missy if it would be better to grill burgers/dogs or get pizza.
- 09-11-2011: PYGlet event at bouncy castle place.
- 09-18-2011: PYG at Landa Park - cleaning, tubing and lunch.
- 10-01-2011: Youth will help with games at Oktoberfest.
- 10-16-2011: All age bowling. Lunch at church first.
- 11-23-2011: PYG deboning turkeys for Thanksgiving.
- 11-27-2011: PYGlets do a craft during Sunday School to deliver to Sterling House at 3:00 pm.
- 12-03-2011: PYG help with Christmas Tea.
- 12-11-2011: All age caroling.
- 12-18-2011: PYG Party.
- Event signup sheets will be on Sunday School room doors.
- Put master calendar of all events in the September newsletter.

**Council Minutes-June 26, 2011**

- Members present: Rick Thomas, Fritz Friesenhahn, Josh Stallings, Mike Stallings, Tim Clark, Becky Yeoman, Emmett Engelke, Emily Solis, and Marianne Gould.
- Marianne Gould called the meeting to order.
- Marianne Gould opened the meeting with prayer.
- Fritz Friesenhahn made a motion to approve the minutes. Becky Yeoman seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- Treasurer's Report: General Fund balance was in the black for the past month. An additional principal payment was made in May, per the usual plan. In June, a \$20,000 additional payment was made on the bank note. The land sale money from the City of New Braunfels was used in the June payment. We continue to move toward an early pay-off of the bank note. Rick Thomas moved acceptance of the Treasurer's Report. Fritz Friesenhahn seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**Staff Reports:**

**Pastor's Report - May 1-31**

**Visitation:**

Hospital/Sick: 14; Shut-in: 7; Home: 2; Funerals: 1 (D. Schubert); Weddings: 2 (Ritchie/Baimbridge; Voss/Stone); Hours: 208; Mileage: 864

**Items:**

June 11-18 at Sky Ranch Lutheran Camp  
June 26-July 11 Vacation Days

**Director of Youth & Parish Education Monthly Report**  
**May 1-31, 2011**

Worked 159 hours.

A copy of the entire Director of Youth Report can be found on the bulletin board in the Narthex hallway.

**Ministry Team Reports:**

- Discussion centered on Worship Ministry Team talks about introducing the Sermon Hymn back into the service, meaning there would be a separate Sermon Hymn and a separate hymn with the offering. The Worship Ministry Team is still in discussion about this issue, and it could be brought back to Council at a later date. Until then, the current policy of not having an additional hymn after the sermon will stay in place.
- The Worship Ministry Team and the Council agreed to have the altar centered.
- Youth Advisory Board requested the building of a sand volleyball court. This issue will be addressed in New Business.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

- Land sale has been completed, and the money has been deposited into our account and used for the additional payment of the building principal.
- Background checks will be run on people working VBS and the day camp.
- Parents Day Out has met twice. Becky Voges did research on the legal perspective and the State licensing perspective. The committee sent out a questionnaire with regard to Parents Day Out in the June newsletter. The \$10,000 seed money is in the 2011 budget (under Children's Ministry Fund).
- S.O.S. Food Bank representative from our church was Joan Walker. She has resigned. The church needs to appoint a new representative. Meals For The Needy Task Force will help in identifying a person or persons.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- Request for the sand volleyball court from the Youth Advisory Board - Mike proposed that the Youth Advisory Board continue to discuss the project and come up with more specific uses/details with regard to the court. Is this something the congregation/youth really want? This issue was sent back to YAB for further consideration and more clarification.



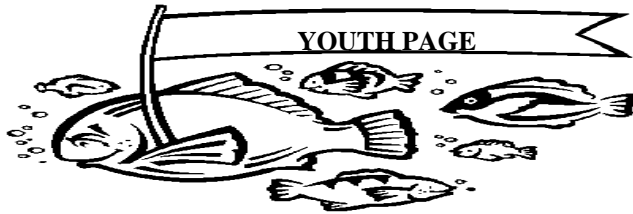
"The motion passes to form a committee, to select a task force, to see why we can never get anything done in our board meetings."

- New copier machine - Contract with company does not service the copier we currently have. Two proposals have been prepared, within the budget we already have, by the company for the leasing of a new copier. Pastor and Valerie Wood (church secretary) like the second proposal, with 8500 copies per month included in the new deal. Color copying capability will exist in the new copier. Permission (with a separate code for use) will be required to use the color capability, since it costs more (9 cents more per copy for color). Ministry team leaders may authorize the use of color from their respective budgets. The new contract is a five-year contract. Mike Stallings moved that the copier contract that Pastor Gary and Valerie Wood recommended be approved and that the 8500 copies per month in the contract be approved at a cost of \$251 per month. Rick Thomas seconded. Ricoh Aficio MPC3501 is the model and brand for the new copier. Motion carried.
- Mike Stallings made the motion to clean and re-paint the cross and for that cost to be paid from the deferred maintenance account. The price will be no more than \$1,000. Fritz seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- Five more people from Faith Lutheran Church in Seguin will have their membership held at Peace Lutheran as the process of officially establishing the new mission church in Seguin moves forward. Fritz Friesenhahn made the motion to hold these memberships at Peace Lutheran. Rick Thomas seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- An amount of \$2,000 will be given to Trey Daum for his continued studies at Luther Seminary. This money will be for the upcoming fall semester. Mike Stallings made the motion to approve the \$2,000 for Trey Daum with the money coming out of the budget (seminary support fund). Becky Yeoman seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- The youth and parents interested in the National Youth Gathering are planning fundraisers for attending the youth gathering. The dates and types of fundraisers have been identified. Rick Thomas moved that the fundraisers be approved. Emmett Engelke second the motion. Motion carried.
- With Pastor Gary being out of the office, Jeannie Kawazoe will open the church on Sundays. Rick Thomas will close the building on the July 10th. Emmett Engelke and Fritz Friesenhahn will close the building on July 3rd.
- Motion to adjourn given by Fritz Friesenhahn. Becky Yeoman seconded the motion. Motion approved.

The next council meeting will be Sunday, July 17th after the late service.

Respectfully submitted,

Tim Clark  
Secretary



### Children's Church

Children's Church is a meaningful worship experience for children ages 4-9 during 20 to 25 minutes of the service. The curriculum is *Seasons of the Spirit* which follows the church year. Thank you to those who have volunteered to lead children's church during the 10:30 am service. The schedule for August is as follows:



**August 07 - Loy Lange**  
**August 14 - Becky Krogness**  
**August 21 - Janice Lambert**  
**August 28 - Laura Heller**

### "Facing the Giants" Finale Celebration Sunday, August 7th

PYGS (Jr. & Sr. High) youth are invited to celebrate the end of the "Facing the Giants" bible study with the movie screening and lunch at the home of Chad and Laura Heller (523 Wilderness Way) on **Sunday, August 7th after church**. Come see the whole movie and have some wonderful fellowship! A sign up sheet will be on the Sr. High door.

### Back to Sunday School Pool Party!!!! Sunday, August 14th

Welcome back to Sunday School! Get to know your teachers and classmates at our Back to School Pool Party at the home of Brent and Missy Paullus (219 Arendes Pass) on **Sunday, August 14th after church**.



Lunch will be provided! Bring your towels, suits, sun-screen, and a great attitude so we can all have a blast!!! Sign up sheets will be posted on Sunday School room doors!

### August 21st is Rally Day!

Come kick off the new Sunday School year by learning about the work of the Women of the ELCA, who put together quilts, health kits, layettes, and school kits for under-privileged people around the world. Then become hands-on in helping put together school kits! Be sure to look at what is being sent and see if you could last a year with it!



### Blessing of the Backpacks August 21st

Another fall is approaching. It is a time for students to return to the classroom and for other fall schedules to resume. Peace will be having a Blessing of the Backpacks Milestone Celebration on **Sunday, August 21st at 8:00 am and 10:30 services**. We are asking that all students come with their backpacks or another kind of student bag. The Blessing of the Backpacks will include students, parents, and other caregivers to be present for recognition and for prayers. Every parent wants his/her



child to have all the advantages possible for a good education. This year, that includes a blessing. Not only do we want to acknowledge, support, and pray for our students, we also want to acknowledge, support, and pray for all efforts to learn, grow, and gain divine wisdom. Therefore, we are asking all people to bring for a blessing something that they use on a regular basis. Perhaps it is a briefcase, computer bag, tool belt, kitchen apron, gardening tools, calculator, or work gloves. Whatever it is, bring it to worship on **Sunday, August 21st** for a blessing for everyone else who learns, grows, and gains divine wisdom.

### New at Peace!

School of Practical Christianity  
 ...the kingdom of God is within you.  
 Luke 17:21

Check out our Fall Classes:  
[www.plcnb.org/spc/](http://www.plcnb.org/spc/)

### Youth Sunday School is Back! Beginning August 28th

\*The **Pre-School Through Elementary** youth will start "One Room Sunday School," where all children can experience God's Word and share their growing faith.

\*The **Junior High** youth will continue their lessons called "Re:form." Re:form is a totally new approach to youth ministry that trusts youth to wrestle with the historic Christian faith and theology.

\*After 2 years of discussing life lessons, **Senior High** youth will begin a new curriculum titled "Re:form Ancestors." The youth will explore the ancestors of our faith by exposing the real, unpolished, and unexpected personalities of Old Testament Bible characters. They will also discover similarities between themselves and the many unlikely people selected by God to do extraordinary things.

### Youth Gathering Carwash Sunday, August 28th

The 2012 Youth Gathering is coming up fast, and we have about 12 youth interested in going. AWESOME! Budgeting the cost to be close to \$1200/youth, we're needing nearly \$15,000!

So, bring on the fund-raisers! The youth will have a carwash on **Sunday, August 28th, from 1:00 pm -**

**4:00 pm at Wash Werks**

**(1864 S. Walnut-next to Dollar**

**General).** We will be asking for a free will offering to wash your car, truck, SUV, or bike. Please share the opportunity with your friends and family!



### **Confirmation Meeting** **Tuesday, August 30th, 7:00 pm**

All 7th & 8th grade youth and their parents, are invited to an informational meeting on **Tuesday, August 30th at 7:00 pm.** We will discuss the calendar, curriculum, Summer camp, and fund-raisers. Please mark your calendars to attend this meeting!



### How Can You Know?

Each of us has moved through transitions in life – some major like marriage, divorce, career choice, relocation, catastrophe, etc. and many, many others of less dramatic impact – almost all preceded by a measure of anxiety and uncertainty. In each case we somehow crossed the threshold ... we were pushed, or drifted, or closed our eyes and jumped (leap of faith?). In some cases, we were called.

Becoming a Stephen Minister is a transition for most who accept that calling. It involves a commitment to care and a commitment of time ... and a kind of activity that's right for some but not for others. How can you know whether it's right for you?

One of the first clues may be the thought, however fleeting, that you'd like to be able to help someone get through a tough situation. That feeling doesn't necessarily mean that Stephen Ministry is the place for you at this time in your life ... but maybe it is. And you can check it out fairly easily!

The internet provides information in general ([www.stephenministries.org](http://www.stephenministries.org)) and Stephen Ministry here at Peace in particular ([www.plcnb.org](http://www.plcnb.org) and click on Outreach, then Stephen Ministry). You can ask any Stephen Minister (they wear the blue nametags on Sunday) how they came to this activity, what's involved and how they feel about it. And you can ask Pastor Gary how Stephen Ministry helps him with the overall ministry of Peace Lutheran Church.

You can also look at a Stephen Minister application form. The questions it asks will focus your thinking. Then, if you fill it out and get it to Pastor or one of our Stephen Leaders, you'll have an opportunity to explore in depth your fit (or not) with PLC's Stephen Ministry. If you and they agree that it's right for you at this time, you'll be invited to formal training over the next several months.

If you've had the thought, fleeting or otherwise, that Stephen Ministry may be something you should check out, ask Pastor Gary, Larry Crowell, Becky Krogness, Carolyn Smith or Bruce Thatcher for an application. It'll help you check it out, and there's no obligation.



### Men's Monthly Breakfast and Devotion

Men of the congregation are invited to a monthly breakfast held the first Wednesday of each month. Mark your calendars for **August 3rd** at 7:00 am. **The breakfast will be held at the church.** Come join them for a delicious breakfast and a thought-provoking devotion.

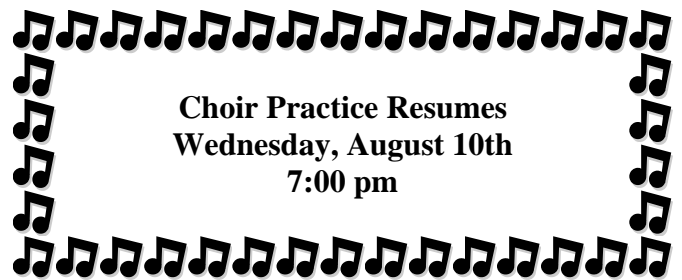


### Newsletter Deadline

The September newsletter deadline is **August 8th**. Please submit articles on or before that date. E-mailing articles is preferred.

### Ministry Team Night

Ministry Team Night will be held on Wednesday, **August 3rd**. Team leaders meet at 6:30 pm and all team members meet at 7:00 pm. If you signed up to serve on a ministry team, on your Time and Talent sheet, please join us. It is important that all team members and their council liaisons attend these meetings.



**Choir Practice Resumes**  
Wednesday, August 10th  
7:00 pm

### Crochet/Knit Group

The morning Crochet/Knit Group will meet on Thursday, **August 4th** and **August 18th**, at 9:00 am.



### Lunch Bunch

Lunch Bunch will meet on Thursday, **August 11th**, at 11:30 am. Come join the group as they enjoy a delicious potluck meal, games and fellowship. Bring your favorite dish and games. All ages are welcome.



### First Sunday Breakfast

First Sunday Breakfast will be held on **August 7th**, from 9:00 am - 10:00 am. This month the Education Ministry Team will serve breakfast casseroles, fruit, coffee and juice.



First Sunday Breakfast requires 4 or 5 volunteers to set up, plan the menu, prepare the breakfast and clean up. **Volunteers are asked to contact Lillie Braune at 629-3861 with the menu. She will purchase the food items.**

### Peace HOGS

*Helping! Outreach! Giving! Service!*



Peace HOGS will have their regular meeting on Thursday, **August 11th** at 7:00 pm.

**Band Practice**  
Saturday,  
August 13th and August 27th  
10:00 am



**Women's Bible Study  
Tuesday, August 16<sup>th</sup>  
Day Study @ Noon  
In the Fellowship Hall**

Come join us as we open scripture and join in conversation. Ellie Koester will lead the Bible study from the July/August issue of the *Lutheran Woman Today* magazine. It is titled, "Renew, Respond, and Rejoice!" with the emphasis on "REJOICE". The key Bible verse is Philippians 4:4, "Rejoice in the Lord always; again, I will say, Rejoice." Bring your lunch and enjoy the fellowship and the conversation. Invite a sister in Christ.



**Weed Patrol**

Thanks so much to all who take the time to come to the church and help pull weeds or trim trees and bushes. Please make sure you either put the clippings in the church trash cans or bring a recycle bag to put them in and take them home if possible. Thanks again for any and all help with our grounds.



**Blood Drive Results**

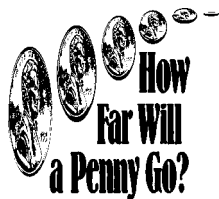


The South Texas Blood and Tissue Center would like to extend a big thank you to all the church members that gave so generously of their time to help others, during the recent Blood Drive. They drew 13 units of whole blood and 2 units of dual red cells; total draw was 17 units. Thanks again for your continued support.

**Council Meeting  
Sunday, August 21st  
11:30 am  
Conference Room**

**Noisy Offering!!**

Start saving your loose change to share as we collect a noisy offering the last Sunday of each month for Peace Mission Trips. Drop your coins in the offering plate on Sunday, **August 28th! Let's make some noise!!!!!!** In June, we collected \$49.42.



"Hey, Pop! Your overhead projector makes a great suntanning machine."



Please join us for our monthly Nursing Home Worship Service.

**Sterling House  
Sunday, August 28th at 3:00 pm**

Volunteers are needed to sing and relate to the residents in a worship environment.

**Sheets Wanted**

The Peaceful Piecers Quilt Group is in need of "gently used" material, such as sheets, to continue making quilts. Last year they made 560...and they would like to match or exceed that number, but they need your help. Thank you for all your donations.

**August Birthdays**

03	Rita Hudson
03	Caleb Smith
06	Dick O'Shea
07	Jackie Sparkman
07	Forrest Willis
08	Lyndsey Wilkie
09	Christian Schmidt
10	Virginia Barber
10	Genevieve Butrico
11	Dick Parker
14	Ken Witten
14	Eric Ralph
15	Liam Lambert
16	Judith Johnson
17	Becky Yeoman
19	Chuck Sebbert
21	Lupe Travis
23	Nora Miller
23	Don Brucks
24	Albert Aarlie
24	Shirley Smith
24	Barbara Lippe
24	Tina Butrico
24	Logan Lippert
24	George Will
25	Daryl Hausmann
25	Russel Krueger
25	Victor Edwin
27	Betty Rust
29	Linda McClintock
30	Alison Hock
30	Tyler Smith
31	Earl Blaschke

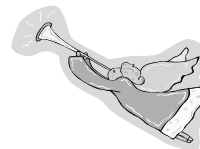
**Congratulations!**

Congratulations to Tommy and Ceretta Daum at the birth of their new granddaughter, Lily Katharine Daum. Lily was born on June 22nd and adopted by her parents Kurt and Susan Daum of Dallas, on June 24th. Blessings to Lily and her new family.



**August Anniversaries**  
**David and Alyscia Needham**  
 August 1, 2010  
**Rusty and M'Liss Brockman**  
 August 2, 1975  
**Eric and Kim Edwin**  
 August 3, 1985  
**Bob and JoAnn Schlabach**  
 August 10, 1963  
**Julius and Elisabeth Holm**  
 August 19, 1941  
**Gene and Deanie Chollett**  
 August 27, 1955  
**Marvin and Betty Fey**  
 August 28, 1960  
**Nathan and Stacy Pfeil**  
 August 28, 1993  
**Tommy and Ceretta Daum**  
 August 29, 1970

**In Sympathy**



Our thoughts and prayers go out to the following members and their families.

- Nora Miller at the death of her brother-in-law, James Koanui.
- Tim Philippi at the death of his brother, Peter Philippi.

**Holy Baptism**

Landon Joseph Garcia was reborn a child of God and an inheritor of eternal life, through baptism, on June 19, 2011. Landon is the son of Phillip and Maureen Garcia. His sponsors are Matthew Jones and Jennifer Heilman.



We welcome Landon into the Lord's family. We receive him as a fellow member of the body of Christ, a child of the same heavenly Father, and a worker with us in the kingdom of God.

**SOS Food Bank**  
*(Spirit of Sharing)*

SOS, known for its Food Bank program for 24 years has added the “Parent and Child” program to its ministries. This program provides diapers, wipes and baby body wash to those parents who have chosen life through the ecumenical Gabriel Project. Should you desire to support this ministry with donations of the above, or financially, SOS graciously accepts them 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm Monday through Friday or by mail to SOS, Inc. Parent and Child Program, 248 West Merriweather Street, P.O. Box 311032, New Braunfels, Texas 78131.

Peace members donated 54.7 pounds of food from mid-June to mid-July. The food bank is currently in need of baby food and baby cereal. Donations can be dropped off in the grocery cart located in the Narthex.

Dear Pastor Gary,  
Thank you so much for the beautiful wedding service, all of your guidance, and all of your patience. We are grateful that it was you who united us that day. Sincerely, Patrick and Sarah Baimbridge



*Thank you to the members of Peace for praying for my brother-in-law, James Koanui, who passed away.*  
Nora Miller

Dear Peace Lutheran Church,  
Thank you for your gift of \$100.00 to ELCA Domestic Disaster Response. Your gift means the church can continue to respond efficiently and effectively to disasters that have already occurred and can stand ready for those that may come in the future. To neighbors around the corner and around the country, your gift brings both help and hope. The Rev. Daniel Rift, Director  
ELCA World Hunger and Disaster Appeal

*Dear PLC Congregation,  
Thank you for hosting our Day Camp this week. You’ve got some awesome kiddos here and we enjoyed every second. We are so grateful for your support of our ministry and we hope to come back in the coming years and to possibly see some of you out at Chrysalis or Ebert. May God bless your church family and the work you do.* Cross Trails Staff

**Members Remembered In Prayer**

Myrtle Bartels	Carol Thatcher
Rev. L.G. Wehman	Lee Schmidt
Brandon Parrock	Mary Weaver
Betty Armstrong	Linda Hook
Darlene Coleman	Chuck Travis
Ed Coleman	Karon Haas
Sharon Schott	Evedee Davis
Jackie Sparkman	Billy Deiker
Claire Friedrich	Colton Fox
Tommy Daum	



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Sundays  
8:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.  
Sunday School 9:15 a.m.