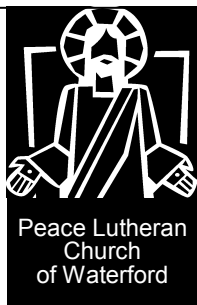


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“May the God of PEACE, who through the blood of the eternal covenant brought back from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great Shepherd of the sheep, equip you with everything good for doing his will, and may he work in us what is pleasing to him, through Jesus Christ, to who be glory for ever and ever. Amen.” John 14:27



“He is not here, for he has risen, as he said.” Matthew 28:6

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EASTER PLANTS —

Payment for all plants is due to Erika **no later than Wednesday, April 1**. Please make checks payable to Erika Hoffmann.



MAUNDY THURSDAY WORSHIP WITH HOLY COMMUNION —

Thursday, April 2 at 7:00 p.m.



GOOD FRIDAY BREAKFAST —

We'll meet for Good Friday Breakfast at **7:30 a.m. on Friday, April 3** at the Big Apple located on 4750 W. Walton Blvd. near Dixie Hwy. Please sign up on the sheet posted on the bulletin board so that we can let the restaurant know how many to expect.



GOOD FRIDAY WORSHIP —

Join us for Good Friday Worship on **Friday, April 3 at 7:00 p.m.**



HELP IS NEEDED FOR EASTER BREAKFAST —

Assistance is needed on **Saturday night, April 4 at 5 p.m.** to set up for Easter breakfast. We also need help on **Sunday, April 5** to cook, serve, and clean up after breakfast. A sign up sheet is posted on the bulletin board. Your help is greatly welcomed.

*Breakfast
Help needed*



WORSHIP WITH HOLY COMMUNION AND EASTER BREAKFAST



Holy Saturday, **April 4** at 6:30 p.m.
Easter Sunday, **April 5** at 10:30 a.m.



Join us for Easter Breakfast served between 9 and 9:45 a.m. A freewill donation will be accepted.





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Regular Worship/Class Schedule:

Saturday Divine Worship.....6:30pm

Sunday Divine Worship.....10:30am

Sunday School Classes

Age 3—grade 4...during 10:30 worship

Grades 5 and up.....9:15am

Adult Bible Class.....9:15am

8th Grade Confirmation Class

Monday Evenings.....6:30-7:30pm

Midweek Bible Class

Wednesday Bible class 3:30—4:30pm

Summer Schedule:

(Memorial Day — Labor Day)

Saturday Worship.....6:30pm

Sunday Worship.....9:30am

Sunday school for ages 3 — grade 4 during worship the fourth Sunday of June, July, and August.

All other Sunday classes and Wednesday Bible class resume after Labor Day



THE LUTHERAN CHURCH
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Bible study and breakfast for men



All men, young and old alike, are invited on **Saturday, April 4** at 9:00 a.m. for Bible study and breakfast. Why not join us for life-giving food for both body and soul? You will be blessed! *Please let the office know (248-681-9360) by **Wednesday, April 1** if you will be attending so that we have plenty of food. Thank you!*

News from the ladies guild



Thanks to all who helped with our annual Easter candy sale. Our next meeting is Tuesday, **April 14** at 7:00 p.m. We will be working on plans for our Mom 2 Mom Sale (see page 4). Please come and join us.

During May, we will be collecting for the Open Door Summer Lunch drive. A list of needed items will be in the May newsletter.

In June, we will have a short meeting and then have snacks and play Bunco.

Spring LWML Rally is at St. Paul, Pontiac

The Lutheran Women’s Missionary League Spring Rally will be held at St. Paul Community Lutheran Church in Pontiac on **Saturday, April 25** beginning at **9:30 a.m.** The Ingathering will be Health Kits on behalf of St. Paul church. Items needed are:

- Washcloths
- Toothbrushes
- Toothpaste
- Small combs
- Bar soap in Ziploc bags
- Trial size shampoo & conditioner
- Band-aids
- Dollar store type rain ponchos
- Portals of Prayers
- Pocket size Bibles



Please bring your items to church by Sunday, April 19. There will be a box in the Narthex for these items.

We will be collecting **“Mites”** the weekend of **April 18 and 19.** Know that your offerings go to help many different missions chosen by the LWML for the year 2015.



**Dear friends in the Risen Christ,
Christ is Risen!**

³⁶As they were talking about these things, Jesus himself stood among them, and said to them, "Peace to you!" Luke 24:36

The joy of Easter is upon us. Christ is risen and we, this Easter Sunday, celebrate the sinless life, death, and resurrection of our blessed Lord. By God's gift of Word and Sacrament, we too are brought to faith and marked as his children. We are redeemed by Christ the crucified and receive God's favor at Christ's expense. It is truly a time for rejoicing and remembering our baptisms when we were buried with Christ and raised to newness of life.

Daily, the challenges of this life and the work of the devil try to take this joy away. Even for fear of the Jews, the first disciples gathered in a locked room where Christ stood among them:

³⁸And he said to them, "Why are you troubled, and why do doubts arise in your hearts? ³⁹See my hands and my feet, that it is I myself. Touch me, and see. For a spirit does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have." ⁴⁰And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. Luke 24:38-40

Because of Christ's suffering and death, we have that blessed peace with God once again – restored because of Christ! No matter the work of the evil one, Christ through the gift of the comforter, the blessed Holy Spirit, will continue to point you to the finished work of Christ. The old evil foe is defeated, and we have victory because of Jesus.

⁴⁵Then he opened their minds to understand the Scriptures, ⁴⁶and said to them, "Thus it is written, that the Christ should suffer and on the third day rise from the dead, ⁴⁷and that repentance and forgiveness of sins should be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. ⁴⁸You are witnesses of these things. ⁴⁹And behold, I am sending the promise of my Father upon you. But stay in the city until you are clothed with power from on high." Luke 24:45-49



The promised Holy Spirit has been given to you. You are kept in the faith by his work when you hear the word and have your faith strengthened by his blessed body and blood in the sacrament of the altar. Remember that Christ is here – for you! Receive his gifts by the means that they are given, for your benefit, and rejoice in the peace of God restored by Christ for you!

God bless, Pastor Tkac

In thankfulness



Thanks to all who expressed their sympathy to my family at the loss of my son, Kevin. Your thoughts and prayers for us were very much appreciated.

— Judy Harroun and family

Another opportunity to save lives



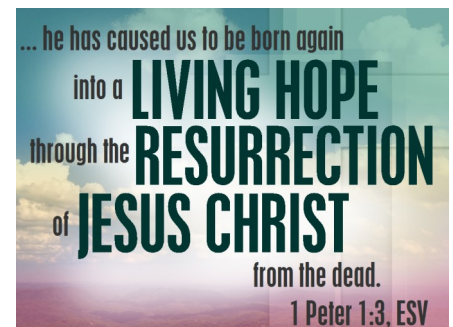
You will once again be given the chance to help those in need of blood.

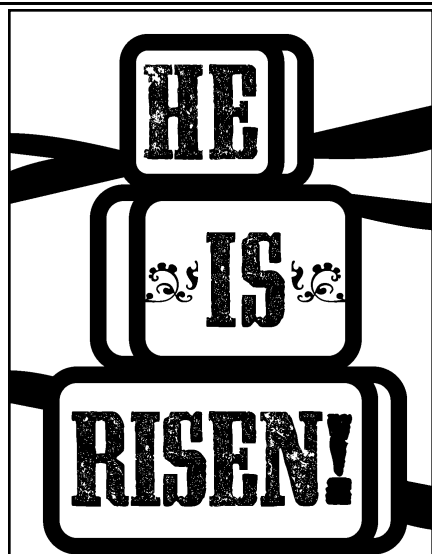
Our next blood drive is set for Thursday, **May 14, 2015** from 2:00 p.m. — 7:45 p.m.

If you are unable to give blood, you can still help with registration, set-up, and take-down. Providing desserts for those who donate are welcome as well.

You can speak to Beth Schreiner at church or call her at 248-904-3332 to let her know if you can help with the drive. We highly appreciate any assistance you can provide!

Watch your bulletin for the date registration begins.





Create a simple yet powerful Easter display.

What you need:

- 3 wood blocks (small, medium, large)
- Acrylic paint (three pastel colors and white)
- Paintbrush
- Water
- Paper towels
- Letter stencils and tape (optional)

What you do:

1. Paint each block of wood a different pastel color. (You can paint the whole block or just one side.)
2. When paint is dry, use white paint to write (or stencil) “He” on the smallest block, “is” on the medium block and “risen!” on the large block.
3. When blocks are dry, stack them from largest to smallest to proclaim “He is risen!”

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A Pampering Tea Party...

Open Door’s Mary Seifert is hosting a Pampering Tea Party. Stacie Zotkovich, Mrs. Michigan, United States, 2014, will give the keynote address.



SPEAKERS:

Heather Burrows, Personal Trainer; Val Kemp, Fit4U; Amanda Placenia, Essential Oils; and Rachel DeMaggio, Hair Stylist & Skin Care Consultant.

TABLES BY:

LaDeDa	Young Living Essential Oils	Open Door Resale
Fit4U	Commerce Chiropractic	Salon Trees

Guests will be pampered with chair massages provided by Commerce Chiropractic.

Date: Monday, May 4

Time: 12:30 p.m.

Place: Roma Rose Garden
7124 Cooley Lake Road
Waterford, MI 48327

Cost: \$25 (price includes lunch and a fun-filled afternoon).
Seating is limited!



Please visit www.opendooroutreachcenter.com or telephone 248-360-2930 to reserve your spot! **All proceeds benefit Open Door Outreach Center.**

The Parish Guild is again sponsoring a



Our MOM 2 MOM sale this year will be held on **Saturday, May 30** from 9 a.m.—1 p.m. (\$1 admission) with an Early Bird time of 8-9 a.m. (\$2 admission). We will have 30 tables available to rent – 6 ft. at \$20 and 8 ft. at \$25 – and \$3 for rack space (renters provide their own rack). Please contact Terry Rimatzki at 248-462-2788 or trimatzki@comcast.net if you are interested in renting a table. We are listed on the MOM 2 MOM website at mom2momlist.com. Scroll down to 5/30 for our listing.

If you are interested in helping with the sale – set-up, clean-up, concessions, helping vendors load and unload, or shoppers taking items to their cars – contact Judy Harroun at 248-682-6426.

Sunday School Ages 3—grade 4 ~ during the 10:30am worship service
Grade 5 and up ~ 9:15 a.m.

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Sunday Adult Bible Class ~ 9:15 a.m.

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Celebrating a BIRTHDAY

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- 1 Jedidiah Slavik, Michael Stasiuk
- 4 Bryce Hoffmaster
- 9 Mark Bunarek
- 10 Susan Papcun, Donald Pilot
- 14 Austin Grodzicki
- 15 Christopher Klein
- 16 Ian Tilley, Debbie Trosin, Cheryl VandeWege
- 18 Dawn Tiernan, Russell Tkac
- 23 Janine Daugherty
- 24 Joan Rich
- 27 Rowan Bright
- 28 Gloria Rappuhn, Ava VanderVelde, Daniel Zangara,
- 29 Austin Tiernan



Celebrating an ANNIVERSARY

APRIL

YEARS

- 28 William & Marilyn Rappuhn 53



* CORRECTION!

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Hartland, MI *48353

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Jacksonville Beach, FL 32250



Our Gifts At WORK

Donations have been made to the following funds / needs during February / March here at Peace.

*Wish List / Fund / Congregational Needs

- Memorial
- Portals of Prayer
- Special Needs
- St. Paul, Pontiac Mission



He was raised on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures.

1 Corinthians 15:4, ESV



If you have a prayer need, call Judy Harroun at 682-6426 or Nancy Merrell at 623-0717. Either Judy or Nancy will call the first person on the list. Please write down details to pass on. Contact the next person on the list. If that person is unavailable, please call the next person, and so on.

JUDY HARROUN 682-6426
Theresa Gray 666-1408
Sue Vogt 698-2072
Florence Adkins 623-0159

NANCY MERRELL 623-0717
Joan Kitzman 363-1470
Hilda Klein 682-2497

✘ CHRISTIAN SYMBOLS ✘

LADDER

A ladder is sometimes pictured with a sponge at the end of a long stick, reminiscent of the soldier offering Jesus vinegar to drink on the cross (Matthew 27:48). Thus, a ladder may symbolize Christ's Passion. In the Old Testament, Jacob dreamed of angels ascending and descending a ladder (or staircase, depending on the Bible version) set up between earth and heaven (Genesis 28:12). Both accounts show that through Jesus, our Savior, we have ready access to God, now and for eternity!



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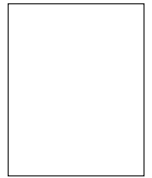
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As Jacob used a rock for a pillow — later to become a pillar honoring God — which of the following did he experience in a dream?

- A. Angels going up and down on a ladder between earth and heaven.
- B. The Lord promising that Jacob's family would be a blessing to all nations.
- C. God's assurance: "Know that I am with you and will keep you wherever you go."
- D. All of the above.



Answer: D (See Genesis 28:10-19.)

If all Jesus had to do was die, then why is Easter such a big deal?

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Easter is a very important day. Easter is the day that we celebrate Jesus' resurrection from the dead.

After Jesus was crucified, His disciples were very sad. Everything seemed lost. It seemed like their God and Friend had been defeated and killed. They had even forgotten that Jesus told them He would rise from the dead. They must have had come to her at the tomb where He was buried. But her story was true! Jesus was alive! He had really risen from the dead!

Later, Jesus appeared to His disciples many times to prove He was alive. And by His resurrection, He proved to the whole world that He was victorious over death and paid for our sins completely. Now, the first words you hear in church on Easter Sunday are: "The Lord is risen. He is risen indeed! ALLELUIA!"

FOR PARENTS

Help your children to recognize the different places in our worship where we speak of Jesus' resurrection. (The Creed is a good example.) Point out some of the symbols in the sanctuary that might aid in their understanding of the resurrection. Remind them that we join in His resurrection through our Baptism!