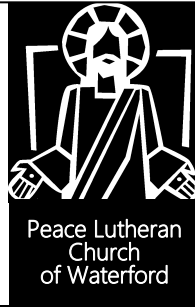


PAX PEACE



The Voice of Peace

PEACE MISSION STATEMENT...

To witness and live as followers of Christ; serving one another in Christian love, so that God's Holy Spirit may save the lost and strengthen the saved.

For Our Catechumens

Lord God, in Holy Baptism You began Your good work in our catechumens, and You have blessed their instruction and training in Your Word. Pour out Your Holy Spirit on their hearts and minds so that they will truly love and revere You, confess the faith with joy and boldness, endeavor to live according to Your commandments, and praise and glorify You as their faithful God and Lord, for the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.



"The LORD bless you and keep you; the LORD make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; the LORD lift up his countenance upon you and give you PEACE." Numbers 6:24-26

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MAY 2017



Dear Friends in Christ,

What a joy it was to celebrate Easter with so many this year!

Soon it will be the celebration of Confirmation and First Communion for four of our younger members – Lauren Robar and Logan Thompson (Confirmation) and Olivia Fisher and Brianna Squanda (First Communion).

As we celebrate Confirmation, let us not forget what it is – the confirming of what God has already done for these children in Holy Baptism. Baptism and the Lord's Supper are Sacraments in our church, and at Confirmation, those who are baptized and given faith in Christ through the water and the word are now instructed and confirm for themselves what was said on their behalf at their Baptism.



Though we have a tradition here at Peace of confirming at age 13, age is not the central issue or the main requirement for Confirmation. It is instruction in the Christian faith and being able to understand and confess that faith.

We will, as a church and with the Board of Elders, continue to look at how we can best insure that Confirmation both teaches and confirms those who attend here at Peace. One method we have adopted is to commune our children at an earlier age, as they are instructed and ready to receive Christ's blessed gift. In this way, the forgiveness of sins and strengthening of faith are given to those at a younger age. My hope is this will help them as they continue to move toward Confirmation, trusting Christ.

Ultimately, it is my hope, and the hope of those in leadership here at Peace, that we do all we can to give the blessings of Christ to those in our care. By God's grace and by the working of the Holy Spirit, may we continue to see faithful followers of Christ who actively worship here each week, as we enjoyed this Easter!

God bless,
Pastor Tkac

**Be faithful even to the point of death,
and I will give you the crown of life.
Revelation 2:10**



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In the Office

Pastor Tkac: Monday—Thursday
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Hours: 9 a.m.—4:30 p.m.

Worship and Class Schedule:

Saturday Divine Worship 6:30 p.m.
Sunday Divine Worship 10:30 a.m.

Intergenerational Sunday School
in the Fellowship Hall at 9:30 a.m.

Midweek Adult Bible Class

Thursday 2:30—3:30 p.m.

No Sunday School or Bible Class
Memorial Day — Labor Day

6th/7th Grade Confirmation Class

Monday 5:30—6:30 p.m.

8th Grade Confirmation Class

Monday 6:30—7:30 p.m.



MAY 2017 ACOLYTE AND READER SCHEDULE

SATURDAY 6:30 P.M.

06/07 Acolyte: Olivia Fisher
Reader: Mark Bunarek

13/14 Acolyte: _____
Reader: Pastor Merrell

20/21 Acolyte: Olivia Fisher
Reader: Ginny McDonald

27/28 Acolyte: _____
Reader: Judy Harroun

SUNDAY 10:30 A.M.

Lauren Robar
Jon Parlette

Logan Thompson
Lynette Bright

Brianna Squanda
Robin Gallmeyer

Lauren Robar
Beth Schreiner

SATURDAY

MAY ELDERS: Mark Bunarek

MAY ALTAR GUILD: Arlene Benson / Donna Grantz

SUNDAY

Bob Poe



Funds & Missions

Carpet Fund
Memorial
Special Needs
St. Paul Mission



Celebrating a BIRTHDAY

- 02 Janette Dekeyser, Doris Mausling
- 04 Danielle Adkins, Lucille Richley
- 05 Scott Dobson, Tracy Lippincott
- 06 Emily Tilley
- 08 Kendra Klein
- 15 Alex Powell
- 16 Cassidy Thompson, Monica Tkac
- 17 Courtney Penner
- 18 Melanie Lintz, Janette Wendland
- 19 Susan Switzer
- 20 Robert Poe IV
- 21 Samantha Deckard
- 23 Theresa Gray
- 25 Jeremy Klein
- 28 Ron Gray, Sarah VandeWege
- 30 Ryan Gray, John Stade



Celebrating an ANNIVERSARY

	YEARS
17 Jonathan & Samantha Street	04
20 Matthew & Elise Tilley	28
28 Richard & Gloria Rappuhn	29
30 Robert & Carrie Robar	19
30 James & Amy Thompson	19

✠ CHRISTIAN SYMBOL ✠
AGNUS DEI

The Agnus Dei — Latin for "Lamb of God" — seated on a book (perhaps the Lamb's Book of Life, Revelation 13:8), symbolizes the final judgment. The seven seals shown in the image align with the seven attributes that Christ is worthy to receive, according to praises around the heavenly throne: "Worthy is the Lamb, who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and strength and honor and glory and praise!" (Revelation 5:12, NIV).



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Men's Breakfast Bible Study

Join us for Bible study and breakfast on Saturday, **May 6**. Come and feed both soul and body. We



will gather at 9:00 a.m. for breakfast and finish with Bible study taught by Pastor Tkac. You will surely be built up in the faith that leads to life eternal as the Holy Spirit works within you!

Blood drive



Our next blood drive is Thursday, **May 18**, from 2-8 p.m. Sign up now at redcrossblood.org and enter code "peacelutheran". Please call Beth

Schreiner at 248-904-3332 if you can help with the drive. Help save lives; give blood and life!



Acts 17 describes Paul speaking about God to the people of Athens in front of — incredibly! — a site that still exists. What is that site?

- A. The Panathenaic Stadium
- B. The Areopagus
- C. The Acropolis and the Parthenon
- D. The Temple of Hephaestus



Answer: B (See Acts 17:22.)

Open Door Lunch Program 2017

During the month of May, the Peace Parish Service Guild will again collect food for the Open Door Summer Lunch Program. Items needed are listed below. You can find a list on the back hallway table.

Peanut butter and jelly
Fruit, pudding, Jell-O cups
Canned pasta or meat
Cereal, juice and soup



Our next meeting is Tuesday, May 9 at 7:00 p.m. In June, we will have our annual Bunco Party.

LWML Multi-Lakes Zone Spring Rally



The LWML Spring Rally is Saturday, **May 27**, from 8:30 a.m. — 2:00 p.m. at Trinity Lutheran Church, 1025 Main Street, Fenton.

The theme for the day is "Jesus Christ above All," which is based on Philippians 2:9 — "Therefore God has highly exalted Him and bestowed on Him the name that is above every name."

The agenda is as follows:

- 8:30 a.m. Registration and Coffee
- 9:00 a.m. Opening Devotion with Holy Communion
- 10:00 a.m. Short Business Meeting
- 10:30 a.m. Brunch
- 11:30 a.m. Party Time

This is LWML's 75th Anniversary Celebration with games and prizes. Bring lots of change to play LWML Bingo, dress up, and wear purple. Call Carol Swenson at 810-714-0405 to **RSVP no later than Sunday, May 21**.

500th Anniversary Reformation Worship Service

The Michigan District has planned a special Reformation Worship Service at the Breslin Center at Michigan State University on Sunday, **October 15**, to celebrate the 500th Anniversary of the Lutheran Reformation. Reserve your ticket(s) **now** by signing up on the sheet located on the table in the narthex. You will also find additional information with times and other activities. Family members and friends are welcome. The Michigan District will assign each congregation a section. If you sign up at the door, you will not be guaranteed a seat in the Peace Section! **We would like to have everyone signed up by the end of May.**

