



# 77he Voice of Peace

"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



Join us on our Lenten Journey

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### FEBRUARY 2016



Dear friends in Christ,

As I begin my 4<sup>th</sup> year in ministry here at Peace, it seems hard to believe that the time has gone by this fast. But, we all know how that feels ... don't we? Both our mission and ministry at Peace have certainly continued, but some of the faces have changed as is to be expected. We Baptized four, Confirmed



three, and saw seven fellow redeemed pass to their eternal rest. A few transferred out, a few transferred in, and a few moved. That has made the shut in visits fluid over the last year.

Additional changes I'm sure will continue. My daughter Amy Tkac has finished her time here as organist this month. We as a congregation thank her for her many years of service both for her part time as well as

full time service. She will remain available as a fill in if needed, but we are also blessed and fortunate to have Katherine Nold. Katherine has been our Saturday evening organist since May of last year and agrees to take over our Sunday worship times. We will still have one Sunday with the CD per month, but it is my hope that we can once again have an organist to lead our worship as has been enjoyed so much in the past.



I must say that having an organist is so very important to the worship life of a congregation, and finding a competent musician is not easy. If we



ever hope to have a Choir or Bell Choir at Peace again, it is important to have an organist / worship leader committed to our church as well as one with Katherine's many skills. Katherine has an interest in getting the Bell Choir ready for Easter. If you have played in the past or would like to play, please let her know, and we can once again hear a joyful noise ring clear.

We pray that our evangelism and outreach efforts bear fruit as we reach out to our community at large. The efforts at Houghton school have been well received. It is my prayer that we further serve them, the students, and our greater community as a whole.

In Christ, Pastor Tkac





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### **Office Hours**

Pastor Tkac: Monday — Thursday Debbie Wittke: Tuesday — Thursday

### **Worship and Class Schedule:**

Saturday Divine Worship 6:30pm				
Sunday Divine Worship 10:30am				
Sunday School and Adult Bible Class				
Age 3—grade 4 During 10:30 worship				
Grades 5—7 9:15am				
Adult Bible Class 9:15am				
Midweek Bible Class				

Thursday...... 2:30—3:30pm

No Sunday school or Bible classes Memorial Day — Labor Day

8th Grade Confirmation Class Monday..... 6:30pm



### ~ FEBRUARY 2016 ~ ACOLYTE & READER SCHEDULE

		Saturday 6:30 p.m.	Sunday 10:30 a.m.
06/07	Acolyte Reader	Alex Powell Mark Bunarek	Lauren Robar Jon Parlette
09/10	Acolyte Reader	Pastor Merrell	Logan Thompson Lynette Bright
16/17	Acolyte Reader	Alex Powell Ginny McDonald	Brianna Squanda Robin Gallmeyer
23/24	Acolyte Reader	Judy Harroun	Cassidy Thompson Bob Poe

### ASH WEDNESDAY AND LENTEN ACOLYTE SCHEDULE

Feb. 10	Ash Wednesday	7:00 p.m.	Cassidy Thompson
Feb. 17	Midweek Lent II	7:00 p.m.	Lauren Robar
Feb. 24	Midweek Lent III	7:00 p.m.	Brianna Squanda

Bob Poe FEBRUARY ELDERS: Bill Krueger Connie Kiefiuk FEBRUARY ALTAR GUILD: Nancy Merrell



## BIRTHDAY

- David Zangara, Jr.
- Matthew Hammarlund 7
- 8 Nancy Aronson, Melanie Slavik
- Mallorie Zangara
- 10 Jerry Curlee
- 11 Tyler Blum
- 12 Kimberly Gray
- 13 David Zangara
- 15 Rebecca Tilley
- 16 Marie Zangara 19 Andy Winiecke
- 21 Tom Drumm
- 23 Christopher Arnold
- 24 Lowell Slater
- 26 Lindsey Evans



### Celebrating an ANNIVERSARY

YEARS 30

14 David & Lisa Zangara



Fund Building Carpet Flower Special Needs St. Paul Mission

Entered Life: October 21, 1920

**Transferred to the Church Triumphant:** 

Entered Eternal Rest: January 1, 2016

### **Address Changes:**

Mark Bunarek 2886 Marietta Waterford, MI 48329

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Port Richie, FL 3466

### rayer Needs

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For prayer needs, call Judy Harroun or Nancy Merrell. Each will call the next person on their list. Write down details to pass on and contact the next person on the list. If that person is unavailable, call the next person, and so on.

Judy Harroun	248-682-6426	Nancy Merrell	248-623-0717
Theresa Gray	248-666-1408	Joan Kitzman	248-363-1470
Sue Vogt	248-698-2072	Hilda Klein	248-682-2497
Florence Adkins	248-623-0159		

# February 2016

1:30 pm New Member Class 2:30 pm Adult Bible Class

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Ash Wednesday Worship February 10, 2016 7:00 p.m.	6:30pm 8th Grade Confirmation Class	2	3	1:30pm Membership Class 2:30pm Adult Bible Class	5	9:00am Men's Breakfast Bible Study 6:30pm Worship / Holy Communion
7 The Transfiguration of Our Lord  10:30am Worship / Holy Communion  Classes listed above  Super Bowl	8 6:30pm 8th Grade Confirmation Class	9 8:30-1:30pm Pastors' Circuit Conference ~ St. Paul, Pontiac 7:00pm Parish Guild 7:00pm Elders Meet	6-7pm Lenten Light Dinner 7:00pm Ash Wednesday Worship with Holy Communion and the Imposition of Ashes	1:30pm Membership Class 2:30pm Adult Bible Class	12	13 6:30pm Worship  St. Paul Mission Collection
14 First Sunday in Lent 10:30am Praise Worship Classes listed above St. Paul Mission Collection Valentine's Day	6:30pm 8th Grade Confirmation Class	16	17 6-7pm Lenten Light Dinner 7:00pm Midweek Lent II Worship	18 1:30pm Membership Class 2:30pm Adult Bible Class BLUDDIVE 2-8pm Blood Drive	19	6:30pm Worship / Holy Communion
21 Second Sunday in Lent  10:30am Worship / Holy Communion  Classes listed above	6:30pm 8th Grade Confirmation Class	23	24 6-7pm Lenten Light Dinner 7:00pm Midweek Lent III Worship	25 1:30pm Membership Class 2:30pm Adult Bible Class	26	27 6:30pm Worship
28 Third Sunday in Lent  10:30am Worship  Classes listed above	6:30pm 8th Grade Confirmation Class		January 2016 S M T W T F S 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31	20 21 22 23 24 25 26	through re	our hearts epentance, d fasting.



- **8th grade confirmation** ~ Mondays February 1, 8, 15, 22, and 29 at 6:30 p.m.
- ⊕ **Adult membership class** meets on Thursdays February 4, 11, 18, & 25 at 1:30 p.m.
- ₱ Midweek Bible class on Thursdays at 2:30 p.m. February 4, 11, 18, & 25.
- † Pastor at St. Paul, Pontiac on Tuesday 2/9/16 for Pastors' Circuit Conference from 8:30—1:30 p.m.
- ₱ Elders and Ladies Guild both meet on Tuesday, 2/9/16 at 7:00 p.m.
- ₱ Blood Drive on Thursday, 2/18/16, in honor of Sue Vogt, from 2-8 p.m. We are looking to establish a "blood drive committee" to increase the number of donors and pints of blood. Let's keep saving lives! Contact Beth Schreiner at 248-904-3332 to lead or sign up for this critically important committee. Please invite neighbors, friends, relatives, etc.! We need donors!



At a time of deep struggle in Elijah's life, God made his presence known to him. How?

- 1. In a strong and destructive wind
- 2. In an earthquake
- 3 Through fire
- 4. Through a gentle whisper



Answer: 4 (See 1 Kings 19:9-12, UIV.)



**MEN'S BREAKFAST BIBLE STUDY** is **February 6 at 9:00 a.m.** We come together to feast not just on food for the body but food for the soul. Your faith will be strengthened as the Holy Spirit works through His Word.



**THE SEASON OF LENT** begins Ash Wednesday. Worship with Holy Communion is **February 10 at 7:00 p.m.** Lent is a time to prayerfully consider Jesus and His sacrifice for the world on the cross and then beyond to Easter when Jesus rose triumphantly from the grave for our salvation. Please be sure to make attendance at Wednesday Midweek services and Holy Week a priority this year. What a wonderful opportunity to worship the Savior who went to the cross and rose from the dead that we might have life eternal! Service time and dates for Lent and Holy Week ~

### Alidweek Lent

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Ash Wednesday (Holy Communion)	7:00 p.m.	2/10/16
Wednesday Midweek II	7:00 p.m.	2/17/16
Wednesday Midweek III	7:00 p.m.	2/24/16
Wednesday Midweek IV	7:00 p.m.	3/02/16
Wednesday Midweek V	7:00 p.m.	3/09/16
Wednesday Midweek VI	7:00 p.m.	3/16/16



Have a hard time getting dinner in before worship? A light dinner is served from 6-7 p.m. prior to midweek services.

### Holy Week

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Palm Sunday Weekend	Saturday	6:30 p.m.	3/19/16
_	Sunday	10:30 a.m.	3/20/16
Maundy Thursday (Holy Communion)		7:00 p.m.	3/24/16
Good Friday		7:00 p.m.	3/25/16
Holy Saturday (Holy Cor		6:30 p.m.	3/26/16
Easter Sunday (Holy Cor	nmunion)	10:30 a.m.	3/27/16

### WHAT IS "LENT"?

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Lent is a season of the church lasting six weeks in early spring. Lent begins on Ash Wednesday and ends the day

before Easter Sunday. During these six weeks, we look forward to Good Friday, the

day our Lord Jesus died on the cross to pay for our sins, and to Easter Sunday, the day that He rose from the dead to prove it!

The Resurrection of Our Lord

How can I remember to think about Jesus during Lent? You can try giving up something you like during Lent. You might see your parents give up their coffee in the morning. Maybe your brother or sister has decided not to eat candy during Lent. Every time you think about doing what you gave up for Lent, it will remind you of what Jesus gave up for

### FOR PARENTS

Consider helping your child decide on something to "give up" during Lent to remind him/her of Jesus' sacrifice. Be sure to give up something too. Being their example and companion on this journey will make a big difference!

you — His life! Blessings to you as you experience the wonderful journey of Lent.