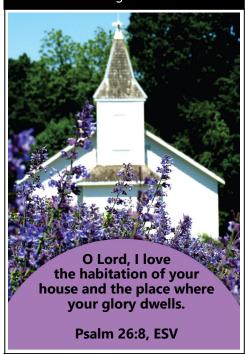




# The Voice of Peace

#### 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.



"The LORD bless you and keep you; the LORD make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; the LORD

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### SEPTEMBER 2017



Dear friends in Christ,

It is Rally Day time at Peace, but first let's look back at a wonderful summer.

The Chicken BBQ/Church Picnic/Fundraiser for the Fallen Heroes Memorial Foundation was fun and raised some money for an Oakland County memorial. We look to help make this a reality.

Vacation Bible School, with 42 children and 42 youth and adult helpers, was a great week of fun and teaching about Jesus. The Petting Zoo and Tee Shirts were big hits too.

What a joy it was to attend the July 2017 Institute on Liturgy, Preaching, and Church Music Conference with Katherine Nold. The worship, Bible studies, hymn festival, concerts, and workshops were well designed and helpful. A few classes that I especially enjoyed were Confident Liturgy by Dr. Arthur Just, My Kids Don't Come to Church – Asking the Hard Questions by Rev. Jason Braaten, and Dropping Dead in Jesus by Rev. William Cwirla (on pastoral care and compassion).

The Martin the Man DVD and Sermon Series in June, July, and August have been well received during our second weekend services. We have two more installments leading up to the 500<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Worship Service at the Breslin Center in Lansing on October 15.



Our Rally Day Picnic is Sunday, September 10, following the 10:30 a.m. worship service, which is our fourth installment of the Martin the Man DVD series.

Fifth/Sixth grade Confirmation is on Saturday evenings from 5:00—6:00. Parents meeting and students first class is September 9 at 5:00 p.m. It is our hope that this given time will allow children and parents to attend worship together and make acolyting more convenient.

Seventh/Eighth grade Confirmation for Brianna Squanda and Olivia Fisher, who will be confirmed in the spring of 2018, is on Monday evenings from 5:30—6:30. Parent's meeting and student's first class is Monday, September 11, at 5:30 p.m.

Monica Tkac and Elise Tilley are working to get our youth connected with a family event on September 30 from 3:30-6 p.m. This will be a fun event for youth and families alike. The Youth Group will meet the third Saturday of the month, attend church together, and have a fun time together following worship.

Midweek Adult Bible Study will again be on Thursday afternoons from 2:30 – 3:30. We will begin September 14 and will start with a study on

Much remains to do and to pray for in our church, country, and lives.

God bless,

Pastor Tkac



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

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

Note: Unless otherwise noted, no classes Memorial Day — Labor Day

#### **Intergenerational Sunday School**

in the Fellowship Hall at 9:30 a.m.

#### Midweek Adult Bible Class

Thursday ...... 2:30—3:30 p.m.

#### 5th/6th Confirmation Class

Saturday ...... 5:00—6:00 p.m.

#### 7th/8th Confirmation Class

Monday ...... 5:30—6:30 p.m.



#### **SEPTEMBER 2017 ACOLYTE AND READER SCHEDULE**

**SUNDAY** 

	SATURDA	NY 6:30 P.M.	SUNDAY 10:30 A.M.		
02/03		Olivia Fisher Pastor Merrell	Brianna Squanda Jon Parlette		
09/10	Acolyte: Reader:	Mark Bunarek	Lynette Bright		
16/17		Olivia Fisher Ginny McDonald	Brianna Squanda Joan Rich		
23/24	Acolyte: Reader	Judy Harroun	Robin Gallmeyer		

#### SATURDAY

SEPTEMBER ELDERS: Bill Krueger Bob Poe

SEPTEMBER ALTAR GUILD: Mary Heinz Terry Rimatzki



Funds & Missions

Special Needs St. Paul Mission



# Celebrating an ANNIVERSARY

		YEARS
01	Matthew & Patricia Rich	17
04	Robert & Kendra Klein	41
18	Gregory & Laura Grodzicki	25
18	Rev. Russell & Monica Tkac	35
19	Jerry & Vonnie Doucette	53
23	Scott & Susan Regentin	29
24	David II & Samantha Deckard	6
24	David & Tracy Lippincott	23
30	Joshua & Shannon Klein	11



# Celebrating a BIRTHDAY

- 02 Madelyn Deckard
- 05 Samantha Street Taylor Tiernan
- 06 Donna Burns, Olivia Fisher
- 07 Terry Rimatzki
- 10 Mallory Blum, Scotty Dobson
- 11 Madison Fisher
- 13 Gordon Light III
- 14 Kathy Thompson
- 15 David Deckard II, William Rappuhn
- 17 Ryan James
- 20 Georgene Bishop
- 23 Nancy Merrell
- 29 Susan Dobson
- 30 Gertrude Berousek

#### WE WELCOME NEW MEMBERS INTO OUR FELLOWSHIP

July 22, 2017 ~ Robert (Bob) & Donna Burns by affirmation of faith.

August 3, 2017 ~ William (Scott) & Susan (Sue) Regentin by transfer from St. Stephen, Waterford.

May the Holy Spirit grant that Bob, Donna, Scott, and Sue grow in grace and faith and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life now and forever.

# September 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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3 Thirteenth Sun. after Pentecost	4	5	6	7	8	9 9:00 am Men's Breakfast Bible Study
10:30 am Worship / Holy Communion	LABOR DAY					5:00 pm 5th/6th Confirmation Parent / Student Meeting 6:30 pm Worship Martin: The Man Video #4 7:30-8:15 pm Youth Group Registration St. Paul Mission
Labor Day Weekend  10 Fourteenth Sun.	Labor Day	12	13	14	15	Collection 48
after Pentecost  Church Picnic Following Worship 10:30 am Worship / Martin: The Man Video #4 St. Paul Mission Collection  Grandparent's Day	5:30 pm 7th/8th Confirmation Parent / Student Meeting	6:30 pm Ladies Guild Pot Luck Dinner / Meeting 7:00 pm Elders Meet				6:30 pm Worship / Holy Communion
17 Fifteenth Sun. after Pentecost  9:30 am Sunday School Resumes  10:30 am Worship / Holy Communion	18	19	20	21	First Day of Autumn  Autumn Begins	6:30 pm Worship
24 Sixteenth Sun. after Pentecost	25	26	27	28	29	30 6:30 pm Worship /
10:30 am Worship						Holy Communion

## Men's Breakfast Bible Study



Join us for Bible study and breakfast on Saturday, September 9, (second Saturday). 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!

#### Join us for our Fall Festival

"S'more Fun with Jesus" is our theme. We will gather on Saturday, **September 30, 2017**, from 3:30 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. and wrap up in time to head off for worship. As a mission outreach, we will collect canned food donations for Open Door. This is a free family event, so bring the entire family—young and old alike! For safety reasons, please make sure children are attended by an adult. If you can help out, please let Monica Tkac know by calling or texting her at 248-892-1159 as soon as possible.

Come, join us for the following:

Cake Walk Hot Dogs **Duck Pond** Popcorn Sucker Pull Drinks Relay Races Desserts Face Tattoos Corn Hole



## Youth Group is rekindled



Sign up and registration is Saturday, September 9, from 7:30—8:15 p.m. We will greet time with

a light snack. Please bring your mailed registration form and any school calendar of events to this meeting.

Meetings are September — May on the third Saturday of every month from 6:30 — 9:00 p.m. Our first meeting is Saturday, September 16. We will start each get together with worship and follow up with our meeting /

Youth Group is open to grades 5— 12; young adults are also welcome.

Join us! We are excited to get started!



Rally Day begins our fall schedule and the 2017-2018 Sunday school year. Worship services remain at 6:30 p.m. on Saturdays and 10:30 a.m. on Sundays. **Sunday school** for all ages is at 9:30 a.m. in the fellowship hall and begins September 17. Confirmation Class for 5th/6th grade will meet on Saturday evenings from 5:00 — 6:00. Worship follows at 6:30, which will make attending church as a family and serving as acolyte easier. Confirmation Class for 7th/8th grade will meet on Monday evenings from 5:30—6:30. Parents meeting and students first class is Saturday, September 9, at 5:00 p.m. for 5th/6th grade students and Monday, September 11, at 5:30 p.m. for 7th/8th grade students.

Rally Day Picnic will take place outside following worship on September 10, weather permitting. Sign up sheets are on the table in the narthex. Sign up to attend, bring a dish to share, and if you can help with set up, take down, or clean up. There's a lot of work to be done! Many hands make the work light.



#### Next blood drive



The need for blood is always high, so if you can give it will be especially helpful. Our next blood drive is Thursday, **September 14**, from 2-8 p.m. Please let Beth Schreiner know if you can help in any way at (248-904-3332). You may sign up at redcrossblood.org and enter sponsor code "peacelutheran".

# **Ladies Parish Service Guild update**

Our next meeting is our annual Potluck Dinner, which is Tuesday, **September 12,** at **6:30 p.m.** All ladies of the congregation are invited to attend. Please bring a dish to share. The Guild will provide paper products and beverages. We will appoint a Nominating



Committee for 2018 officers and plan for Oktoberfest and Advent-By-Candlelight. We would love to have you join us!

# Houghton Elementary clothing needed



With colder weather not far away, we will again collect clothing for our mission school, *Houghton Elementary*. A box for items is located on the back wall of the narthex along with a list of desirable items and sizes.

# Thank you for your support

A sincere thank you to everyone who donated back-to-school supplies for those students in need at Houghton Elementary. Your generosity will go a long way to provide the students with what they need for a successful school year.



Jesus said, "The King will reply, 'I tell you the truth, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did for me." — Matthew 25:40