



Messenger of Peace

"Where the Love of Christ is Shared"

May 2017



**Peace Lutheran
Church**

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Office Hours
9:00 - 12:00
Mon & Thu @ Peace
Tues & Wed @ Bethlehem
Afternoons by Appointment

**Secretary
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9:00 - 1:00

Sunday Worship
9:00 AM

**Sunday Adult
Bible Class**
10:30 AM

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Dear Members and Friends,

May is a month of remembering and giving thanks. First of all we give thanks for our mothers. It is our mothers who have cared and nurtured us through our early years. But a mother is always a mother. Even when we move out of the house she still worries, and yearns for her children. That is perhaps more acute for those whose children have moved away to another state or even another country. Pictures become really important, videos, and facetime.

Even those of us who have lost our mothers remember and thank God for the gift that she was in our lives. How she taught us and prepared us for the things we would face in life. So if you can be sure to pay special attention to your mother while you still have the chance.

Another remembrance this month is Memorial Day. We take the time to perhaps go to the grave of a soldier, or participate in the local parade to remember those who have given their lives for the freedom we all enjoy. We live in a country with amazing freedoms but it came at a cost paid by a few good men and women, for that we give them thanks.

Finally, we remember that God is the source of all these gifts. He gave us our mothers and the men and women who fought and died for the freedoms we enjoy. He continues to give us (as Luther lists) our clothing and shoes, house and home, wife and children, fields, animals, and all my goods. For all this it is my duty to thank and praise serve and obey Him. This is most certainly true.

Pastor Griesse

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The grass is growing - it's time to start mowing!! The lawn mowing schedule is up on the bulletin board in the Fellowship Hall! If you would like to sign-up to mow the church lawn, just write your name on an open weekend.



The Saturday Women's Bible Study continues to meet through May. They meet 11:00-12:30 each Saturday morning (except the first Saturday of the month).



O.W.L.S.

The O.W.L.S. will meet for lunch at 11:30 a.m. **Friday, May 12th at Gold Creek.** You will need let Marcia Shotwell know if you plan to attend (697-4543.)

Baby Bottle Campaign

We received a receipt for the change donated to LifeChoices Baby Bottle Campaign. Peace donated just under \$500! Not bad for "loose change"!!



Pastor Griesse will be attending the Inland Empire Pastors' Conference May 8th-10th in Leavenworth. If you are in need of pastoral care during his absence please contact a Lay Minister. (Call Church Office for contact information.)

Men's Night Out

The next Men's Night Out will be **Monday, May 15th at 7:00 p.m. at Tailgaters.** All Peace men are invited to attend. Come "shoot the breeze" and have an enjoyable evening.



Pastor Griesse's Wednesday Bible Study classes have resumed. There is a class at Bethlehem at 11:00 a.m. and one at Peace at 6:30 p.m.

The Church Office will be closed on May 29th in observance of Memorial Day.



George Spalatin 1484 – 1545

George Spalatin was born January 17, 1484, as Georg Burckhardt in the town of Spalt, near Nuremburg. He was the illegitimate son of a tanner from Franconia. He received his early education in Nuremburg, and then went to Erfurt where he received his bachelor of arts in 1499. In Erfurt he was deeply influenced by a humanist named Nikolaus Marschalk, whom he followed to Wittenberg to resume studies in 1502.

One year after Luther was ordained, in 1508, George Spalatin was ordained a priest. In 1509 he was employed by Frederick to be a tutor for his grandson, John Frederick, and later, his nephews. In 1511 Spalatin traveled to Wittenberg to continue his tutorial duties. This is probably when he met Luther. Luther exercised a great power over him, and became his chief counselor in all moral and religious matters.

In 1512 Frederick made Spalatin his librarian. In 1516 he promoted him to court chaplain and secretary, taking charge of the Elector's private and public correspondence. Spalatin had the total trust of the Elector, serving as his secretary, father confessor, court chaplain, and preacher until Frederick's death in 1525.

There is scarcely a fact in the early history of the Reformation that is not somehow connected with Spalatin's name. He read Luther's writings to the Elector, and translated them from Latin into German for his benefit. It was through Spalatin that Frederick carried out his protection of Luther.

In 1518 it was Spalatin who convinced Frederick to line up an interview for Luther with Cardinal Cajetan rather than appear before the Diet of Augsburg.

Spalatin also corresponded with the philosopher Erasmus, attempting to convince the influential thinker to accept Luther's position and come to Wittenberg to meet Frederick. Erasmus is the next member of the Reformation Twelve.



We are in need of Ushers/Acolytes for our Sunday Services. If you would be interested in serving in this ministry please talk to Tammy Peterson.

There is a Church Council Meeting scheduled for Tuesday, May 16th, at 7:00 p.m. All Board Chairpersons or a representative are asked to attend.



A Sermon Series on 1 Peter

Most Commentators agree that St. Peter wrote this letter to Christians who were undergoing severe persecution because of their Christian faith. The purpose of the letter was to encourage those who were undergoing persecution so that their faith might remain strong. But also to encourage them to live out the faith they had received by the Holy Spirit.

Many in the early centuries of Christianity were drawn to the faith by observing the lives of Christians in the face of great opposition. Perhaps we do not face the same violence that the early Christians faced, but more and more it is harder to live as Christians in a society that does not share our values.

For the remainder of the Easter seasons the Epistle readings are from 1 Peter. Each week we will look at these in a sermon series on 1 Peter.

Living in the Hope of Our Inheritance

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| April 23 | Living Our Unchangeable Inheritance (1 Peter 1:3–9) |
| April 30 | Living in Reverent Fear (1 Peter 1:17–21) |
| May 7 | Living through Unjust Suffering (1 Peter 2:19–25) |
| May 14 | Living as Holy Priests (1 Peter 2:4–10) |
| May 21 | Living to Witness to the Hope (1 Peter 3:15–22) |
| May 28 | Living through Trials and Temptations (1 Peter 4:12–17; 5:6–11) |

Read Through the Bible in a Year!

May			
1	Acts 14	Joshua 22	Job 31
2	Acts 15:1-21	Joshua 23-24	Job 32
3	Acts 15:22-41	Judges 1	Job 33
4	Acts 16:1-15	Judges 2-3	Job 34
5	Acts 16:16-40	Judges 4-5	Job 35
6	Acts 17:1-15	Judges 6	Job 36
7	Acts 17:16-34	Judges 7-8	Job 37
8	Acts 18	Judges 9	Job 38
9	Acts 19:1-20	Judges 10:1-11:33	Job 39
10	Acts 19:21-41	Judges 11:34-12:15	Job 40
11	Acts 20:1-16	Judges 13	Job 41
12	Acts 20:17-38	Judges 14-15	Job 42
13	Acts 21:1-36	Judges 16	Psalms 42
14	Acts 21:37-22:29	Judges 17-18	Psalms 43
15	Acts 22:30-23:22	Judges 19	Psalms 44
16	Acts 23:23-24:9	Judges 20	Psalms 45
17	Acts 24:10-27	Judges 21	Psalms 46
18	Acts 25	Ruth 1-2	Psalms 47
19	Acts 26:1-18	Ruth 3-4	Psalms 48
20	Acts 26:19-32	1 Samuel 1:1-2:10	Psalms 49
21	Acts 27:1-12	1 Samuel 2:11-36	Psalms 50
22	Acts 27:13-44	1 Samuel 3	Psalms 51
23	Acts 28:1-16	1 Samuel 4-5	Psalms 52
24	Acts 28:17-31	1 Samuel 6-7	Psalms 53
25	Romans 1:1-15	1 Samuel 8	Psalms 54
26	Romans 1:16-32	1 Samuel 9:1-10:16	Psalms 55
27	Romans 2:1-3:8	1 Samuel 10:17-11:15	Psalms 56
28	Romans 3:9-31	1 Samuel 12	Psalms 57
29	Romans 4	1 Samuel 13	Psalms 58
30	Romans 5	1 Samuel 14	Psalms 59
31	Romans 6	1 Samuel 15	Psalms 60