

**PEACE
LUTHERAN
CHURCH**

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9:00-12:00

Tue & Wed @
Bethlehem

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9:00-1:00
Mon-Fri

Sunday Worship
9:00 a.m.

**Sunday Adult
Bible Class**
10:30 a.m.

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Messenger of Peace

Dear Members and Friends,

As I write this Transfiguration Sunday has just passed. It is the Sunday when we focus on when Jesus' appearance was changed in front of Peter, James and John. After witnessing such a fantastic event the disciples wanted to stay and bask in the glory of the presence of God, but Jesus bids them return down the mountain and back into mix of events that would put him on the cross.

I am not sure that there is a better metaphor for life than this. If we had our way we would bounce through life across the mountaintop experiences without ever having to face the valley, the depths, the cross. Yet as we all know, life is full of events that are less than the stellar, exciting, mountaintop experiences we crave.

Perhaps we need an adjustment to our vision. God in his grace and mercy gives us mountaintop experiences. Those wonderful times we have with family when we feel loved, cared for and important in their eyes; the feeling of God's presence wrapped around us. Yet these times are given, so that we might be prepared and ready to face the times of grief, loneliness, separation, and suffering. God is with us in those times as well. Note that Jesus led the disciples back down the mountain. He didn't stay up there and tell the others to go by themselves. And so he leads us back into the world, back into the conflict that is caused because we are Christians and refuse to follow the ways of the world.

We pray that God would strengthen us so that we might be faithful disciples, following Jesus wherever he leads, proclaiming him to be Lord and King. I close with the words of Henry Lyte in that great hymn of the church "Abide with Me."

I need thy presence ev'ry passing hour, what but thy grace can foil the tempters pow'r

Who like thyself my guide and stay can be, through cloud and sunshine oh abide with me

Hold thou thy cross before my closing eyes shine through the gloom, and point me to the skies;

Heav'n's mourning breaks and earth's vain shadows flee In life, in death, O Lord, abide with me.

~~~Pastor Griesse

## Season of Lent...

Lent Season has begun. Each Wednesday we have Soup and Sandwich Suppers at 6:00 p.m. with Devotions following at 6:45. The suppers and devotions will continue through March 21st. There is a food sign-up sheet for the suppers on the bulletin board in the Fellowship Hall.

## Thank You...

*"Thank you to our Peace Family for all your prayers and support. It is so much appreciated." ~~ Jared & Justine Yoakum, Steve & Judy Sinclair*

## Life Choices

Life Choices of Yakima's **Baby Bottle Campaign for 2018** has reached its end. **All baby bottles need to be returned to the Church as soon as possible.** Thank you to those who participated in this fundraiser!



The next **Men's Night Out** is scheduled for February 19th. All Peace Lutheran men are invited to meet at Tailgaters in Selah at 7:00 p.m. for an evening of relaxing and just shooting the breeze.

## Member Info

New Address: Phyllis Fletcher  
903 N. 34th Ave. #17  
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# Bible Study Classes...

"Let's

study

God's

Word"

**Sunday Adult Bible Study Class** - Steve Sinclair leads the class. Grab a cup of coffee and join us in the adult classroom.

**Wednesday Bible Study Class** - Pastor Griesse teaches a Wednesday evening Bible Class at Peace at 6:30 p.m. (He also has a Wednesday morning class at Bethlehem Lutheran at 11:00 a.m.)

**Women's Saturday Bible Study** - This class meets each Saturday (except the first Saturday of the month) from 11:00 to 12:30.

## March O.W.L.S. Lunch

O.W.L.S. will meet for lunch at 11:30 a.m. on Friday, March 9th, at Norm's of Yakima, 5 E. Yakima Ave. Please let Marcia Shotwell know if you plan to attend (697-4543 or [shotwell@elltel.net](mailto:shotwell@elltel.net)).



Some  
St. Patty's  
Day  
humor!  
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Q: What is out on the lawn all summer and is Irish?

A: Paddy O'Furniture

Q: What do you call a fake stone in Ireland?

A: A sham rock.

Q: Why do people wear shamrocks on St. Patrick's Day?

A: Regular rocks are too heavy.

Q: Why can't you borrow money from a leprechaun?

A: Because they're always a little short.

Q: How did the Irish Jig get started?

A: Too much to drink and not enough restrooms!

Q: Why do leprechauns have pots o'gold?

A: They like to "go" first class!

# Holy Week Schedule



**Maundy Thursday Service**  
Bethlehem Lutheran Church  
March 29th @ 7:00 p.m.

**Good Friday Service**  
Peace Lutheran Church  
March 30th @ 7:00 p.m.

**Easter Sunday Services**  
April 1st  
Sonrise Service @ 7:00 a.m.  
Easter Breakfast @ 8:15 a.m.  
Service II @ 9:30 a.m.