



Messenger of Peace

"Where the Love of Christ is Shared"

January 2016

**Peace Lutheran
Church**

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**Pastor
Mark Griesse**

Office Hours
9:00 - 12:00

Tues - Wed. - Bethlehem
Mon. & Thu. - Peace
Afternoons by Appointment

**Secretary
Tammy Peterson**
9:00 - 1:00

Sunday Worship
9:00 AM

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

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Members and Friends,



I hope you and your family had a wonderful Christmas celebrating the gift God has given to us in his only begotten Son.

Steve Sinclair and I were discussing the fact that we have covered Mormonism and Islam during our Bible Classes this past year, perhaps it is time to look at our own history as Lutherans. With that in mind we will be offering the following.

Steve Sinclair will be leading a Bible study on Sunday mornings on Martin Luther. This is a video-based study from Lutheran Hour Ministries and goes over the life of Martin Luther. It should be a good historic look into the man who started the Reformation and was instrumental in its development.

I will be leading a Wednesday Bible Study on the Augsburg Confession at 11 am (Bethlehem) and at 6:30 pm (Peace). The presentation of the Augsburg Confession on Jun 25, 1530, was a decisive moment, one long in coming. Leading up to the Imperial Meeting at Augsburg Nine years earlier on April 21, 1521 at the Imperial Meeting in Worms, Emperor Charles V had listened as Martin Luther refused to recant his teachings saying, "I cannot and will not recant. I cannot do otherwise. Here I stand. God help me. Amen."

Now at Augsburg Charles was watching as the most important rulers in his German territories confessed their faith openly and courageously in spite of the threats to their lives from both the government and the Church.

The Augsburg Confession is one of the foundational documents of the Lutheran Church along with the large and small Catechisms. Come and learn more about the church that you are a part of, and fellowship with others as we confess who we are and what we believe.

- - Pastor Griesse

Wednesday Bible Study



Pastor Griesse will begin a new Wednesday Bible Study on January 6th. The topic of the class will be the Augsburg Confession. Class will begin at

6:30 p.m. at Peace and 11:00 a.m. at Bethlehem.

Mission Jar



The Fellowship Board is starting a new mission to a local charity (charity to be determined later). If you enjoy the coffee & goodies offered each Sunday morning, they're asking that you leave a penny, a nickel, a dime, or a

quarter in the "Mission Jar". At the end of the year the change will be counted and given to a local charity.

Thank You !



**** Thank you to everyone who donated food and/or gifts to our needy families. They appreciated everything they were given.**

**** Thank you to all who provided poinsettias for the sanctuary for Christmas. They were lovely.**



**** Pastor Griesse and Tammy Peterson would like to thank the congregation of Peace for their generous Christmas gifts. We appreciate each and every one of you.**

**** "I want to thank my brothers and sisters in Christ for the Christmas gift that was given to me. I appreciate your generosity".**

*God Bless,
John Skogen*

Sunday Morning Class

Steve Sinclair will lead a video-based class on Sunday mornings about Martin Luther. Discussions will follow the videos. The class will start at approximately 10:30 a.m.



O.W.L.S. January Lunch

The O.W.L.S. will meet for lunch at:
**Kyoto's Japanese Restaurant ,
2405 Washington Avenue,
Ste 150, Yakima,
Friday, January 8th at 11:30 a.m.**



Please contact Marcia Shotwell if you plan to attend or have any questions.

Potluck/Game Night at Peace



Potluck

On Tuesday, January 29th, we will have a potluck/game night at Peace. We will begin at 5:30 p.m. Everyone planning to attend can bring a dish to share and following dinner those who wish can play a game!

Baptism

On December 13th we welcomed a new member into God's family when Jared & Justine (Sinclair) Yoakum's daughter, **Olivia Maeve** was Baptized. She is the granddaughter of Steve & Judy Sinclair and great-granddaughter of Jean Sinclair. Welcome, Olivia!

