



Messenger of Peace

"Where the Love of Christ is Shared"

March 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
Mon. - Fri.

Sunday Worship
9:00 AM

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

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Dear Friends in Christ,

In a society that continually wants you to buy more and more goods. Lent is a season that says you can get by with much less. In fact, denying yourself some of the pleasures that this world offers can actually be a good thing. It helps us to focus on God, as the giver of all that we are and have.

In the season of Lent, especially, we focus on the gift of God's Son Jesus and his passion, suffering and death. While this focus is certainly politically incorrect, this theology of the cross brings salvation to all who put their faith and trust in Jesus. Those who follow the Lenten practices of fasting, special devotions, extra worship services, reap the benefit of a more joyous Easter.

If we recognize our sin, and rebellion against God and his ways, then we can see the tremendous gift that salvation through Christ really is. Without this gift of God's gracious forgiveness in Christ, we would be eternally condemned because of our sin. Yet God in his mercy and grace threw his anger upon his Son Jesus, giving to us forgiveness and life, instead of judgment and punishment.

This year we are looking at some of the customs of Lent and how they help us in our devotional walk through the passion of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

-- Pastor Griesse



LifeGate

For those of you who are curious as to where some of the items we get from LifeGate go, here is where the last items picked up went:

- Shoe Boxes (soap, toys)
- Life Choices of Yakima (box of baby hats, box of baby blankets)
- Needy family (blankets, sheet set, coffee)
- Church office (copy paper)
- Church properties Kleenex)
- Church kitchen (towels)
- Selah Shares (shoes, shirts)

If you have any questions regarding the LifeGate items, talk with Sandy or Mike Phelps.

LifeChoices Baby Bottles

Thank you to all who participated in LifeChoices of Yakima Baby Bottle Campaign (if you haven't already done so, all baby bottles need to be returned to the church).



O.W.L.S. March Lunch

The O.W.L.S. will meet for lunch at 11:30 on **Friday, March 11th**. They will have lunch at:

Eddy's Bistro
5906 Summitview Ave.
Yakima

If you plan to attend please let Marcia Shotwell know, 697-4543 or shotwell@elltel.net



Time Change



Don't forget to set your clocks forward March 12th. Daylight Savings Time begins **Sunday, March 13th!**

Church Council Meeting

There is a Church Council Meeting scheduled for Tuesday, March 8th at 7:00 p.m. All Board Chairpersons (or a representative) are asked to attend.

WEDNESDAY EVENING SOUP SUPPERS AND DEVOTIONS

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| March 2, 9 16 | 12:10 pm Lenten Devotional Service @ Bethlehem
6:00 pm Soup Supper and Fellowship @ Peace *
6:45 pm Lenten Devotional Service @ Peace |
| March 24 7:00 pm | Maundy Thursday Service @ Peace |
| March 25 7:00 pm | Good Friday Tennebrae Service @ Bethlehem |
| March 27 | 7:00 am Easter Celebration Service @ Peace
8:00 am Easter Breakfast @ Peace
9:30 am Easter Celebration Service @ Peace |



* Please note that there is a sign-up sheet for the Soup Suppers on the bulletin board in the Fellowship Hall.

Butter Braid Pastry Fundraiser



The youth at Bethlehem are selling Butter Braid pastries to raise money to go to the National Youth Convention. Each Butter Bread pastry costs \$12.00. Please make checks payable to "B.L.C." and give payment to Tammy Peterson.

Orders must be placed by March 6th. (Butter Braids will be delivered March 16th). If you are interested in participating in the fundraiser, the order sheet is on the table in the Fellowship Hall.

These pastries would be great for Easter!

Prayer Chain Update

It's once again time to update the Prayer Chain. Maridee Pearson and JoAnn Adams are stepping down as Coordinators, and Shirley Davis has volunteered to take over that position. A big Thank You to Maridee & JoAnn for their service to this ministry at Peace.

If anyone is interested in joining or dropping the Prayer Chain, please let Shirley know so we can make a new member list.

Prayer Chain



Trip to Germany

On Monday, March 7th at 6:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall, Hilde Hibdon will be having an informational meeting/presentation regarding the trip to Germany. If you are interested in going and/or want more information please plan to attend.

JELLY BEAN PRAYER

RED is for the blood He gave

GREEN is for the plants God made

YELLOW is for His sun so bright

ORANGE is for the edge of night

BLACK is for the sins we do

WHITE is for the grace He offers you

PURPLE is for His hour of sorrow

PINK is for a new tomorrow

An egg full of jelly beans colorful and sweet

A prayer, a promise, and a small Easter Treat