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Peace LUTHERAN CHURCH

Where everybody is somebody and Jesus is Lord!

April 2025 Calendar of Events

01 Tuesday 02 Wednesday

B. John Kiedaisch 1:00p Mid-Week Lenten Worship

03 Thursday

9:30a Bible Study

04 Friday

B. Marty Schermetzler B. Hannah Lung

05 Saturday

06 Sunday

FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT Isaiah 43:16-21; Psalm 126; Philippians 3:(4b-7)8-14; Luke 20: 9-20 B. Marna Mayer 9:00a Worship (Holy Communion)

07 Monday

9:30a Elder's Meeting 1:00p Peace Lutheran Women's Group

08 Tuesday

09 Wednesday

1:00p Mid-Week Lenten Worship

10 Thursday

9:30a Bible Study 1:00p Coffee Klatch

11 Friday 12 Saturday



13 Sunday

PALM SUNDAY

Deuteronomy 32:36-39; Psalm 118:19-29; Philippians 2:5-11; John 12:12-19 B. Tom Krueger

B. Bill Wentland 9:00a Worship 10:15a Brunch

14 Monday 15 Tuesday

16 Wednesday

17 Thursday MAUNDY THURSDAY

W. Dennis & Donna Van Swol 11:00a Bible Study 1:00p Maundy Thursday Worship (Holy Communion)

18 Friday

GOOD FRIDAY 1:00p Good Friday Worship

19 Saturday 6:00p Easter Vigil (Holy Communion)

20 Sunday

EASTER SUNDAY Isaiah 65:17-25; Psalm 16; 1 Corinthians 15:19-26; Luke 24:1-12 9:00a Worship (Holy Communion)

21 Monday

22 Tuesday B. Nancy Karau

23 Wednesday B. Levi Olson

24 Thursday 9:30a Bible Study

25 Friday

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26 Saturday

27 Sunday

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER Acts 5:12-20(21-32); Psalm 148; Revelations 1:4-18; John 20: 19-31 9:00a Worship

28 Monday 29 Tuesday 30 Wednesday

31 Thursday

9:30a Bible Study

Lenten and Holy Week Schedule

APRIL 02: 1:00p Worship APRIL 06: 9:00a Worship APRIL 09: 1:00p Worship APRIL 13: PALM SUNDAY 9:00a Worship (Brunch) APRIL 17: MAUNDY THURSDAY 1:00p Worship (Holy Communion) APRIL 18: GOOD FRIDAY 1:00p Worship APRIL 19: EASTER VIGIL 6:00p Worship (Holy Communion) APRIL 20: EASTER

9:00a Worship (Holy Communion)

Monthly Mission & Ministry Faith Comes By Hearing

The Monthly Mission & Ministry offering for April is "Faith Comes by Hearing". In the past, our contributions went to purchasing Military BibleSticks. Peace donated 299 Bible sticks to date. Beginning in April, God's Word will be distributed by QR Code and can be downloaded on your phone for free. There are business cards with the QR code in the Narthex that you can take and hand out to family, friends, neighbors, etc.

More than half the world learns by listening. Audio is the only way many can access God's Word. By the year 2033 they have an ambitious goal to get every language of the Bible in the world recorded in Audio and make those recordings available for free! At Faith Comes By Hearing they have 2033 Scripture Recordings available for free, but there are over 7000 Languages spoken in the world! That is 1.5 Billion people that still need to Hear the Scriptures to understand and come to know Jesus.

All donations will be matched throughout the month of May and June by a donor. Any donations made in April will be held and sent to them next month to ensure our donations are matched. Please prayerfully consider making a contribution to this important ministry.

Palm Sunday Brunch Sunday, April 13th; 10:15am

We hope you can join us for a light continental breakfast following our worship service on Palm Sunday. If you would like to provide coffee cake, sweet rolls, fruit, juice, etc. for the breakfast, a sign-up sheet is in the Narthex. If you are bringing hot food, please take care of baking/heating it yourself.

Easter Vigil Saturday, April 19; 6:00pm at Peace

With the approval of the Board of Elders, Peace Lutheran will host an Easter Vigil Service this year. It will be held on Saturday, April 19th, at 6:00 p.m. Holy Communion will be celebrated at this service. Our sister congregation, Rock of Ages Lutheran, has hosted this service over the past several years. Pastor Rathjen has assisted Pastor Liermann and various members of the Peace congregation have attended those services.

The Altar Book of The Lutheran Service Book (our hymnal) has the following background about the Easter Vigil. "The Vigil of Easter connects the days of Holy Week, especially Holy Thursday and Good Friday, with the culminating celebration the resurrection of Christ from the dead....Vigil, which means "keep watch." From the time of the Early Church, a vigil in expectation of Christ's return at Easter became a common feature of the celebration of His crucifixion and resurrection.... As the Church gathered in vigil, she waited in hopeful expectation for the appearance of the resurrected Christ in those most recently born in Him, the newly baptized. (See Romans 6:1-11.) During the vigil, those who had prepared throughout Lent to be joined to Christ were baptized. At the dawn of the new day at Easter sunrise, the newly baptized joined the entire Church in the chorus of alleluias at Christ's resurrection from the dead." Because of the tradition of this service at Rock of Ages, there will likely be brothers and sisters in Christ from that congregation here for the Easter Vigil. Pastor and the Board of Elders pray that more Peace members will join us for this service as well as together we celebrate Jesus' resurrection in this unique service!

TREASURER'S REPORT— January, 202	25				
		Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget
		<u>Jan 2024</u>	<u>Jan 2024</u>	YTD	YTD
INCOME					
General Contributions	\$	12,662	\$ 22,000	\$ 152,715	\$ 154,000
Less November misdirected					
contribution refund	\$	(8,000)		\$ (8,000)	
Other income		383	270	2,679	3,740
Total income		5,045	22,270	147,394	157,740
EXPENSES					
Building and grounds		2,886	1,455	15,887	14,505
Education		-	325	803	875
Other expenses		3,626	5,837	47,471	51,847
Pastoral expenses		9,916	10,738	78,492	79,046
Worship expenses		1,260	1, 135	6,024	5,210
Total expenses		17,688	19,490	148,677	151,483
Net ordinary income	\$	(12,643)	<u>\$ 2,780</u>	(1,283)	\$ <u>6,257</u>
Restricted Income		3,328		39,243	
Restricted Expenses		<u>(703)</u>		<u>(34,668)</u>	
Net Income	\$	(10,018)		<u>\$ 3,292</u>	

Offerings for Sunday August 11 included a special contribution of \$25,000 to the Labor of Love Campaign of the North Wisconsin District—LCMS (a church worker debt relief fund.)

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