

# THE PEACE POST

March, 2006

*And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus, unto life everlasting.*

## FROM THE DESK OF PASTOR MESSER

### “The Season of Lent: *Retreating Into the Wilderness with Jesus*”

Greetings in the Name of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ!

*“At once the Spirit sent him (Jesus) out into the desert, and he was in the desert forty days, being tempted by Satan. He was with the wild animals, and angels attended him.” (Mark 1:12-13)*

On Wednesday, March 1, we will begin the season of Lent. Lent is a forty day Christian festival beginning on Ash Wednesday and concluding on Holy Saturday, the day before Easter. We skip Sundays when we count the forty days, because Sundays commemorate the Resurrection of our Lord. Thus, Sundays are

in the season of Lent, but not of the season of Lent.

Lent is a season of soul-searching and repentance; a season for reflection and taking stock. Lent originated in the very earliest days of the Church as a preparatory time for Easter, when the faithful rededicated themselves and when converts were instructed in the faith and prepared for baptism. By observing the forty days of Lent, the individual Christian imitates Jesus’ withdrawal into the wilderness for forty days, where He fasted and was tempted by Satan.

Lent prepares us for the observance of our Lord’s suffering, death, and resurrection. It is a time for us to recognize our sinful condition and our need for a Savior. Ash Wednesday serves to initiate this recognition in us. In many churches, it is a custom to apply ashes to the forehead of Christians in the sign of the cross as a symbol of humility and repentance. We will observe this custom here at Peace. The ashes are a reminder that we are “dust and to dust we shall return” (Gen. 3:19). They remind us of our mortality, cursed as it is by sin, of our limits, of what we are, and how greatly we need God’s mercy in Christ.

For many Christians, Lent is viewed as a time to “give something up.” You will hear Christians say things like, “I’m giving up chocolate (coffee, meat, beer, etc.) for Lent.” While giving something up we love may be a worthy sacrifice to make during this season, such sacrifices do not really get at the heart of Lent. Lent should involve a deeper commitment than the giving up of a personal vice or habit. It is a time for self-examination in

light of the Ten Commandments; a time for the giving up of sinful behavior; a time for personal housecleaning. It is a time for commitment to the new life of Christ begun in baptism; a time for disciplined study of Scripture and a time for growing in faith. Thus, simply giving up something you love without the kind of self-examination and commitment just mentioned will not heighten your awareness of sin and your desperate need of the salvation won for you by Jesus Christ.

Dear friends in Christ, I pray that this Lenten season will be life-changing for you. I pray that you will use this season to retreat into the wilderness with Jesus. I pray that, through self-examination, you will be lead to a deeper recognition of your sinful condition and of your need for the salvation that comes through faith in Christ. I encourage you to take advantage of the opportunities the Lord gives you to come into His presence and to grow in the faith He has graciously given you. You can do so by joining us on Wednesday evenings throughout Lent for Service, by having daily devotions in your home, by daily prayer and Scripture reading, and by making the commitment to join us for Adult Bible Study on Sundays.

May this season of Lent prepare your hearts and minds for the blessed and salvific work of your Savior Jesus Christ, who willingly went to the cross for you on Good Friday and rose to new life for you on Easter morning.

Your Servant in Christ,

*Pastor Messer*

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# PEACE LUTHERAN LIBRARY



## New books in our library:

*No new books this month.*

We would like to encourage people to use our Church Library more often. We will be encouraging people to read books and share a book review with the congregation via the monthly newsletter. If you have read a book from our library that you enjoyed, or that inspired you, and you would like to share it, please contact Beth Brostrom or Coaline Luplow.

## THIS MONTH'S REVIEW:

### **“Here I Stand: A Life of Martin Luther” by Roland H. Bainton**

An intellectual look at the life of Martin Luther, this biography begins with Luther's choice to become a monk. Bainton explains his decision not to include Luther's entire life when he writes, "...this study may appropriately begin with [Luther's] first acute religious crisis in 1505 rather than with his birth in 1483."

From the onset, Bainton assumes his readers have previous knowledge not only of Luther but also of German culture, the history of the Catholic church, and the political concerns of the times. For that reason, I would not recommend this book as a first look into the life of

the leader of the Reformation. It is written at more of an intermediate level, and although Luther is recognized for his impact on religion, he is by no means idolized.

Filled with meticulous detail, this biography is illustrated with more than 100 woodcuts and engravings. It also contains excerpts from many of Luther's writings and letters allowing the reader to catch glimpses into his personal world. I found his letters announcing the birth of his children particularly enjoyable. I also enjoyed his insights. "Faith," Luther wrote, "is a living, restless thing. It cannot be inoperative. We are not saved by works; but if there be no works, there must be something amiss with faith."

Bainton clearly researched this study, and I am pleased to come away from it with additional knowledge about Luther. It is a well-written resource that provided clear answers to some of my questions about the Reformation.

Sincerely,

Sarah Cummins

(Next month a review from another member of our church)

*Want something included in “The Peace Post” next month? Email Beth or Pastor Messer (addresses on back page) by March 15 with your item. Also, call or email them anytime with your feedback and/or ideas!*

## THRIVENT INFORMATION

The Thrivent Financial for Lutherans Congregational Coordinators at Peace are Beth Brostrom, Sharyn Greening, and Carol Zeile. Funds are available from Thrivent (\$1,300 for the year) for fundraisers or hands-on service activities within our congregation. Last year, this money was used to help defray the cost for Pastor Messer’s Ordination/Installation Service and to purchase new tables for the fellowship hall. If

your group would like to request funds, the forms that need to be filled out are available in the church office. Please note that **at least six Thrivent members must be involved in your project.** Funds need to be requested at least two weeks prior to the activity to allow the paperwork to be processed. If you have any questions, please see Beth, Sharyn, or Carol.

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# Summary of 2/13/06 Church Council Minutes

## Pastor's Report:

1. Official acts: 5 new members accepted through adult confirmation, one as baptized member.
2. 1<sup>st</sup> year confirmation still on schedule
3. Next Men's Bible Breakfast Feb. 25, 2006
4. Pastor is pleased with office.
5. Evangelism Committee had first meeting on Feb. 1, 2006. Came up with the name S.A.L.T.

## Elders Report:

1. Elders are making contacts with visitors and with the members of their districts.
2. New members have been placed in elder districts.
3. Lists of elders districts will be posted and photos of each elder could be added.

## Trustees Report:

1. Furnaces are in and are working.
2. We need to be sure to turn down the thermostats when we leave.
3. Bill wants to try to put in one row of fluorescent lights in the sanctuary to see how they work and if we like them.
4. Trustees are making a list of projects that need to be done around the church.
5. Exit signs now have lights in them.

## Treasurer's Report:

1. All IRS paperwork is complete.
2. All bills paid up-to-date.
3. \$2050 per week is what we need to make the budget.

## Old Business:

1. Pastor will work with Mike Harrison to find prices for photocopy machines.
2. Verizon DSL has been hooked up and is working well. Laptop is working well.
3. Stained glass windows. Beth reported that the cost would be \$790 per window and \$100 per window for installation.
4. Administrative Assistant position:  
Pastor suggested that we hire an Administrative Assistant in order to move the congregation into a full time mode and make the congregation a full time congregation. On an interim basis, Beth is willing to work a regular schedule daily, perhaps from 11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. Vern Jakolat made a motion that we set Beth's hours from 11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. M-F and set her pay at \$8.00 per hour beginning today. Burt Henry seconded. Motion carried. A group of Council members will get together with Pastor and talk about a permanent solution to the Administrative Assistant position.

## New Business:

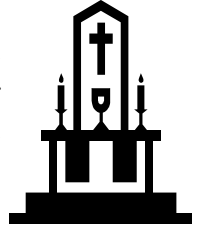
1. Jon Greening was contacted by the hospital. This spring they will start their addition. They are looking for space for contractors equipment, etc. Also they are looking for spaces for meetings of support groups because their meeting space will not be available once construction starts. The hospital is willing to pay for meeting space and for the use of our property. They may also need some space for parking for employees. Burt Henry suggested that we ask for a written proposal from the hospital before we proceed.
2. We need to review the Constitution and Bylaws to make sure that they are up-to-date and study them so that we know what they say. We also need to have written policies and procedures so that we can follow them consistently.
3. Burt Henry moved that we accept S.A.L.T as the Evangelism Committee. Bill Brostrom seconded. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted by Carol Zeile, Secretary

*Note: The above is just a summary. The complete version of the minutes is available to any member of Peace in the Church Office at any time.*

## *LADIES & ALTAR GUILD INFO*

- **LADIES GUILD MEETING:** The March meeting of the Guild will take place on **Monday, March 6 at 7:00 p.m.** Joyce Kohler will serve as hostess. All ladies of the congregation are invited to attend our guild meetings; if you are a female member of Peace, you can be a member of the guild. We would sincerely encourage you to participate and be an active member of the guild.
- **LADIES GUILD PRAYER CHAIN:** The Ladies Guild has a prayer chain in place. If you wish to be included in the prayer chain as a caller, see Marlene Wiltshire. If you wish to add yourself or someone else to the prayers, the chain starts with either Georgia Spindler (466-4352) or Marlene Wiltshire (463-4101).
- **ALTAR GUILD DUTY:** March - Carol Zeile; April - Carol Durst/Cheryl Henry; May—Beth Brostrom
- **ALTAR FLOWERS:** There is a flower calendar for 2006 posted on the fellowship bulletin board. If you wish to place flowers on the altar some time during the year, fill in your name and/or contact Marilyn Oswald. A bouquet usually lasts about one (1) month and the cost is about \$25.



### UPCOMING COFFEE HOSTESSES:

<p>MARCH 5 - Lisa Messer 12 - Cheryl Kuehnlein 19 - Trina Palmer 26 - Carol Durst</p>	<p>APRIL 2 - Vivian Strom/Bonnie Mier 9 - Jo Wendt 16 - EASTER (no coffee) 23 - Carol Zeile 30 - Coaline Luplow</p>	<p>May 7 - Tammy Oswald 14 - Darlene Palmer 21 - Youth Group 28 - Maxine Isaksson</p>
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### **EUCHRE NIGHT!**

The next euchre night has been scheduled for **Saturday, March 11 at 7:00 pm.** **PLEASE NOTE: THIS IS A CHANGE FROM THE PAST FEW MONTHS.**

Everyone is welcome to come and have fun playing the great game of euchre. Please bring a dish to pass. See you there!

### *JOIN US FOR TABLE TALK!*

Our next *Table Talk* will take place on **Thursday, March 9 at 8:00 p.m.** *Table Talk* is an opportunity for you to meet with Pastor Messer and some of your brothers and sisters in Christ for an informal discussion on topics that are decided by the group present. We have had many interesting and informative discussions thus far and those who have attended

have enjoyed the opportunity to get together in this setting. However, we would love to have more of you join us. So, set the VCR to record your Thursday night shows and come on out and join us. Hope to see you there!



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# INTRODUCING S.A.L.T.

On Wednesday, February 1, a new Evangelism Committee at Peace was formed. That evening, the members of the Committee adopted the name S.A.L.T., which is an acronym for *Sharing with All the Love and Truth of Christ* and fits well with our Savior's teaching in the Sermon on the Mount that we Christians are "the salt of the earth" (Matt. 5:13). On February 13, the Church Council voted to accept S.A.L.T. as the official Evangelism Committee of Peace. We are extremely excited about the formation of S.A.L.T. and believe that this Committee will be a tremendous blessing to our congregation and will play an integral role in paving the way for Peace to be actively engaged in fulfilling her mission. Some of the things S.A.L.T. is already working on are listed below. But, first, meet the members of S.A.L.T.:

Larry Elliott }  
Andrea Elliott } Co-Chairpersons  
Mary Jakolat  
Vern Jakolat  
Lisa Messer - Treasurer  
Pastor Messer

Lois Miller - Guests Coordinator  
Lois Ramsey  
Don Reithel  
Jo Wendt  
Marlene Wiltshire

**NOTE:** *If you would like to join S.A.L.T. or if you have suggestions and/or ideas for S.A.L.T., please contact any of the members listed above. You are more than welcome to come to any of our meetings to join in on the discussion and planning. Our meetings in March will take place on Wednesday, March 1 and Wednesday, March 22 following our Lenten Services.*

## S.A.L.T. NEWS & ACTIVITIES

- On Wednesday, February 22, S.A.L.T. held a Soup & Salad fundraising dinner and raised over \$300.00. The Committee would like to thank all who attended and gave!
- Cookie Connection: The purpose of this new ministry begun by S.A.L.T. is to provide a warm welcome to all first-time guests at our Services. Cookies will be baked and delivered to the homes of first-time guests. If you are interested in serving as a Cookie Baker or Cookie Taker, please see Mary Jakolat, Lisa Messer, or Jo Wendt.
- Peace Lutheran Apparel: S.A.L.T. decided it would be a good idea to get the name of our church out there in our community by having our members purchase and wear custom-designed Peace Lutheran shirts (T-Shirts, Sweatshirts, and Polos). Order forms will be made available after Church the next few Sundays. Please order yours soon!
- S.A.L.T. has purchased ads to be used in the "Big Brothers Big Sisters Bowl for Kids' Sake" program this year. Our Church name will appear on the t-shirts that all the kids will be wearing and will appear on one of the lanes at the Bowling Alley throughout the year. Thank you to Don & Sue Reithel for donating over half of the expense for this venture.
- Outreach Events in Planning: Purchasing church road signs to direct people to our church; Easter egg hunt for our community; Summer Church Picnic (for congregation and/or for community); Care Package ministry for soldiers and college students; and more.

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# **“The Seven Words of Christ”**

## **Lenten Sermon Series**

*Jesus died on the cross to pay the ultimate sacrifice for the sin of the world. He took upon Himself every sin that ever has been committed by anyone at anytime and won forgiveness for all sin by His sacrificial death. The season of Lent is an appropriate time for us to contemplate and recognize our own sinfulness and to focus on the sacrifice Christ made on our behalf. For this reason, we will visit the cross during our Wednesday Lenten Services and listen to the last seven expressions of Jesus on the cross, which are known as His Seven Words.*

**ASH WEDNESDAY ~ March 1, 2006**

**THE FIRST WORD:**

*“Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do” (Luke 23:34)*

**THE SECOND WEDNESDAY IN LENT ~ March 8, 2006**

**THE SECOND WORD:**

*“I tell you the truth, today you will be with Me in Paradise” (Luke 23:43)*

**THE THIRD WEDNESDAY IN LENT ~ March 15, 2006**

**THE THIRD WORD:**

*“Woman, behold your son . . . (John) behold your mother” (John 19:26-27)*

**THE FOURTH WEDNESDAY IN LENT ~ March 22, 2006**

**THE FOURTH WORD:**

*“My God, My God, why have You forsaken Me?” (Matthew 27:46)*

**THE FIFTH WEDNESDAY IN LENT ~ March 29, 2006**

**THE FIFTH WORD:**

*“I thirst” (John 19:28)*

**THE SIXTH WEDNESDAY IN LENT ~ April 5, 2006**

**THE SIXTH AND SEVENTH WORDS:**

*“It is finished!” (John 19:30)*

*“Father, into Your hands I commit My spirit” (Luke 23:46)*

# CHRISTIAN EDUCATION AT PEACE

## Sunday School and Adult Bible Class

- Sunday School is offered every Sunday at 11:00 a.m. for all children from Kindergarten through 12th Grade.
- Adult Bible Class is offered every Sunday at 11:00 a.m. for adults. Our current study is titled *The Truth About the End Times*, which will lead into a detailed study of the book of *Revelation*.

## Youth Confirmation Class

- Youth Confirmation Class is taught every Thursday from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

## Adult Confirmation/Information Class

- A new class will begin when one becomes necessary.

## Women in the Word

- Our *Women in the Word* Bible Study takes place **Tuesday mornings at 9:30 a.m.** All women of Peace who are available at that time are encouraged to join us. Female guests are always welcome, too. We are currently engaged in a detailed study of the **Gospel of John**. Please plan on joining us soon.

## Men's Bible Breakfast

- The date and location of our next *Men's Bible Breakfast* is scheduled for **Saturday, March 25 at 9:30 a.m.** . If the date changes, it will be posted at the church and included in the bulletin. Like the women, we are studying the **Gospel of John**. Plan on joining us for breakfast and learning.

*"Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light for my path" (Psalm 119:105).*

*"Now the Bereans were of more noble character than the Thessalonians, for they received the message with great eagerness and examined the Scriptures every day to see if what Paul said was true" (Acts 17:11).*

## DINNERS FOR 6-7-8

Another round of *Dinners for 6-7-8* is planned for the weekend of March 25. These dinners are casual potlucks for 6, 7, or 8 people. They are fun evenings and a great way to become better acquainted with your fellow members of Peace. All who have attended them in the past have thoroughly enjoyed them! We will meet during fellowship time after church on March 5 to arrange for this next round of dinners. Please sign up and join us! For info, see Jo Wendt.

## UPCOMING EVENT

A *Progressive Dinner* is being planned for a weekend sometime after Easter. We had a couple of these dinners years ago when Pastor Richert was serving here and they were great fun! We would love to get them going again. Before we get too far into the planning of this event, we would like to get an estimate as to how many members of Peace would be interested in participating. So, please look for info regarding these dinners at the church and sign up to let us know if you are interested.

## PAROCHIAL REPORT

(As of February 24)

### Membership at Peace

Baptized - 177

Confirmed - 137

Official Acts: 0

Membership gains: 0

Membership losses: 0

### Financial Report

YTD Receipts (1/1/06 - 2/24/06): \$14,733.10

Budgeted YTD (1/1/06 - 2/24/06): \$16,400.00



Have you checked out our website lately? Be sure to visit often—many exciting additions are on the way! One addition that has recently been made is that *The Peace Post* can now be viewed online. Check it out!

# ASK THE PASTOR

Each month, this space will be used to answer a question I was asked by one or more of our members. If you have a question you would like answered in a future newsletter, please contact me and let me know. No names will ever be mentioned, so feel free to ask away!

I did not have any specific questions asked of me for this section of the newsletter this month. So, I thought it would be beneficial to include one of the FAQ's found on our Synod's website ([www.lcms.org](http://www.lcms.org)), especially since the subject matter of this FAQ is something that we have talked about numerous times in Adult Bible Study.

**Q. The protestant denominations I've been in have stressed the importance of coming to the decision to "accept Jesus Christ as your personal Savior." This involves praying the "Sinner's Prayer" to Jesus and acknowledging that he is the Son of God, that he died for your sins, and accepting him as your Personal Savior. The scriptures to back this up include, "Behold I stand at the door and knock, if any man hears my voice, I will come in . . ." (Rev. 3:20), and "For unless a man deny himself, take up his cross and follow me. . ." (Matthew 16:24). I've heard that Lutherans don't believe there is any decision to be made. Can you please explain this?**

A. Lutherans believe that all people, since the fall, are dead in trespasses and sins (Eph. 2:1-3). Just as a dead person cannot do or even "decide" to do anything, so a spiritually dead person cannot "decide" to become a Christian by the power of

his or her own will. As Jesus says in John 15:16: "You did not choose me; but I chose you...." Conversion is solely the work of the Holy Spirit: "No one can say that Jesus is Lord except by the Holy Spirit" (1 Cor. 12:3). What may appear to be a "decision" from a human perspective is actually the result of the work of the Holy Spirit through the power of the Gospel. For more information, please read the section on "Of Conversion" in the "Brief Statement" of the LCMS.

**Here is a portion from "Of Conversion":**

10. We teach that conversion consists in this, that a man, having learned from the Law of God that he is a lost and condemned sinner, is brought to faith in the Gospel, which offers him forgiveness of sins and eternal salvation for the sake of Christ's vicarious satisfaction, Acts 11:21; Luke 24:46, 47; Acts 26:18.

11. All men, since the Fall, are dead in sins, Eph. 2:1-3, and inclined only to evil, Gen. 6:5; 8:21; Rom. 8:7. For this reason, and particularly because men regard the Gospel of Christ, crucified for the sins of the world, as foolishness, 1 Cor. 2:14, faith in the Gospel, or conversion to God, is neither wholly nor in the least part the work of man, but the work of God's grace and almighty power alone, Phil. 1:29; Eph. 2:8; 1:19; -- Jer. 31:18. Hence Scripture calls the faith of

men, or his conversion, a raising from the dead, Eph. 1:20; Col. 2:12, a being born of God, John 1:12, 13, a new birth by the Gospel, 1 Pet, 1:23-25, a work of God like the creation of light at the creation of the world, 2 Cor. 4:6.

12. On the basis of these clear statements of the Holy Scriptures we reject every kind of synergism, that is, the doctrine that conversion is wrought not by the grace and power of God alone, but in part also by the co-operation of man himself, by man's right conduct, his right attitude, his right self-determination, his lesser guilt or less evil conduct as compared with others, his refraining from willful resistance, or anything else whereby man's conversion and salvation is taken out of the gracious hands of God and made to depend on what man does or leaves undone. For this refraining from willful resistance or from any kind of resistance is also solely a work of grace, which "changes unwilling into willing men," Ezek. 36:26; Phil. 2:13. We reject also the doctrine that man is able to decide for conversion through "powers imparted by grace," since this doctrine presupposes that before conversion man still possesses spiritual powers by which he can make the right use of such "powers imparted by grace."

## MARCH BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

### Happy Birthday to:

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| 1—Zane Luplow    | 8—Mike Luplow    | 28—Donna Bebow        |
| 1—Tyrel Harwager | 11—Leland Oswald | 29—Jessica Oswald     |
| 2—James Elenbaas | 11—Bob Wendt     | 31—Cheryl Henry       |
| 2—Mary Rosalez   | 15—Valerie Warne | 31—Debra Penzien      |
| 3—Cailin Mikik   | 20—Barb Komar    | 31—Christine Figueroa |
| 5—Tina Schafer   | 22—Ken Hill      |                       |

### Happy Anniversary to:

- 19—Mike & Sue Ortiz



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Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

February 26	February 27	February 28	1 ASH WEDNESDAY (The Season of Lent begins)	2	3	4
<i>Transfiguration</i> 9:30—Divine Service 10:45—Fellowship 11:00—SS/BC		9:30 am—Women in the Word	9:00 am— <i>WW</i> 6:00 pm—Dinner (PYG fundraiser) 7:00 pm—Service 8:00 pm—SALT Mtg.	5:00 pm— <i>WW</i> 6:00 pm—Youth Confirmation Class		
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12 Second Sunday in Lent 8:00—Elders Mtg. 9:30—Divine Service 10:45—Fell / SS/BC 12:00—PYG mtg.	13 6:45 pm—Council Meeting	14 9:30 am—Women in the Word	15 3rd Wednesday in Lent 9:00 am— <i>WW</i> 6:00 pm—Potluck Dinner 7:00 pm—Service	16 5:00 pm— <i>WW</i> 6:00 pm—Youth Confirmation Class	17	18
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## SERVING IN MARCH

	<u>ACOLYTES</u>	<u>ORGANIST</u>	<u>ELDER</u>	<u>USHERS</u>	<u>GREETERS</u>
1—7:00 pm (Ash Wednesday)	Alex Henry Kelsey Gensler	Beth Brostrom	Larry Elliott	Jon Greening Curt Oswald	NA
5—9:30 am	Kim Penzien Sarah Messer	Mary Jakolat	Terry Luplow	Miguel Ortiz Leland Oswald	Larry & Andrea Elliott
8—7:00 pm (2nd Wed. in Lent)	Samantha Messer Jordan Henry	Mary Jakolat	Terry Luplow	Miguel Ortiz Leland Oswald	NA
12—9:30 am	Jared Kuehnlein Jessica Oswald	Beth Brostrom	Dave Zeile	Bill Brostrom Burt Henry	James & Janice Sager
15—7:00 pm (3rd Wed. in Lent)	CJ Oswald Kelsey Gensler	Beth Brostrom	Dave Zeile	Bill Brostrom Burt Henry	NA
19—9:30 am	Lauren Penzien Tyrel Harwager	Mary Jakolat	Bill Hendrick	Vern Jakolat Jon Penzien	Vivian Strom/Bonnie Mier
22—7:00 pm (4th Wed. in Lent)	Samantha Messer Alex Henry	Mary Jakolat	Bill Hendrick	Vern Jakolat Jon Penzien	NA
26—9:30 am	Melanie Penzien Kim Penzien	Beth Brostrom	Larry Elliott	Don Reithel Ryan Cummins	Marlene Miller/Charlotte Dargie
29—7:00 pm (5th Wed. in Lent)	Sarah Messer Jordan Henry	Beth Brostrom	Larry Elliott	Don Reithel Ryan Cummins	NA
<b>APRIL</b>					
2—9:30 am	Jared Kuehnlein Lauren Penzien	Mary Jakolat	Terry Luplow	James Sager Curt Oswald	Marlene Wiltshire

***“Serve wholeheartedly, as if you were serving the Lord, not men” (Eph. 6:7)***

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*The mission of Peace Lutheran Church is to welcome all people into the fellowship of God's love by proclaiming the forgiveness of sins through Jesus Christ and to nurture our members with God's Holy Word and Sacraments.*