

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

"Moving Forward in 2006"

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

Well, it's happened again—another year has come and gone. And, As I reflect back upon 2005, I realize that it was one of the best years of my life.

I finished my seminary training and received my first call into the Office of the Holy Ministry here from Peace. Receiving that call was very

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exciting for me. But, it was also a stressful time for me and my family as all of the obvious questions began flooding our minds: Where will we live? What will the new schools be like? What will the church and the members of Peace be like? No matter how much we may trust in the Lord, we sinful human beings cannot escape the stress and worries that accompany starting over in a new place. Our family was no exception to this. We were worried.

But, thanks be to God, our worries were in vain. The stress and anxiety we felt was unwarranted. We have been blessed beyond our wildest dreams here in Alma. We absolutely love our new home! We never thought it would be remotely possible to purchase a home this size, and this comfortable, as I began my ministry. But, here we are, and we are eternally grateful to the Lord and to Peace for assisting us in buying this house. We could not possibly be happier!

And, Lisa and I have been amazed at how well our children have adjusted to this new location. They, like us, love it here. Besides housing, one of the biggest worries we had was how our children would do in another new location. We never dreamed they would adjust so quickly and love it as much as they do. What a blessing!

As for the questions we had about Peace, they began to be answered even before we arrived here. Jon Greening served as the contact person as we began to make preparations for our move to Alma. He was always available and extremely helpful and, through the numerous conversations and meetings I had with him, any fears or worries I had about beginning my ministry here at Peace were put to rest. Peace would be hard pressed to find a more able and sincere representative than Jon. What a blessing he was, and continues to be, to me and my family, and to our church. Thank you, Jon, for all that you did to make our transition to Alma as smooth and painless as possible, and for all that you continue to do to serve this congregation!

All remaining questions we had about Peace have been answered as well. From the day of my ordination until now, over five months

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Happy New Year!





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: By Coaline Luplow

Lord of Life, Lord of Me by Bill Ameiss and Jane Graver is a Christian-based book that discusses sex and sexuality for ages 14 and above.

Have you ever asked yourself one of these questions?:

Am I normal?

How can I get to know him (her) better?

What is the secret of a happy marriage?

Where should I go for help?

These are normal questions. Lord of Life, Lord of Me uses Bible verses and the experiences of many young people to answer these and related questions. The book gives you insight for answering these and many

more questions by focusing on God's Word in a Christian manner.

If you are asking questions in your life, whether as an adult or a teen, read through this book for insight into God's Word for answers. A quote from the book goes like this, "Remember who we are as God's own people—and count on His forgiveness when we fail."

I would encourage parents of teenagers to read this informative book. Use it to find answers to give your child, or to decide whether you feel that this is a book that will help them find answers on their own.

(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 January 15 with your item. Also, call or email them anytime with your feedback and/or ideas!

JOIN US FOR TABLE TALK!



We have had two Table Talk sessions thus far. At our November Table Talk, there were three of us there; in December, there were four. At both, we all had a good time as we engaged in interesting and educational discussions. But, I'm hoping that more of you will begin attending these soon. To give you an idea of the things we discuss, last month we talked

about what it will be like in heaven (will we know what's going on down here on earth?; what will we do there? etc.), and we talked about the noticeable shift from conservative to liberal teachings at Alma College over the years, which led into an interesting discussion on Evolution vs. Creation. What is neat about *Table Talk* is that the group decides

what topics will be discussed and a fun, informal discussion ensues. We hope you will consider joining us this month on **January 12 at 8:00 pm.** This is a unique opportunity for you to engage in interesting and meaningful discussion with Pastor Messer and your brothers and sisters in Christ from Peace, and to have the questions you've always wanted to ask answered.

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CHRISTIAN EDUCATION AT PEACE

The star over Bethlehem shone brightly in the sky to mark the birth of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. The magi from the East were wise to follow that star, for they believed that the star signified the birth of a new king, and they wanted to find this infant king, bear witness to his birth, and pay him homage. They were wise because what they believed was, in fact, true. The star did signify the birth of a king - the King of kings and Lord of lords. By following that star, the wise magi were led to the Savior of the world!

We, too, have a sign from God that leads to the Savior. It is the Bible, God's Holy Word, and it has shone brightly throughout the centuries, leading men and women to the revela-

tion of the Savior. What a tremendous blessing it is for us to possess the very revelation of God in Holy Scripture. Unlike the magi, we do not have to travel a great distance over rough terrain to find the King. Instead, the King comes to us in His Word. He comes to us to give us His gifts in the Divine Service, and He comes to us to teach us that which He would have us learn as we study His Word. Let us be wise and take advantage of every opportunity the Lord gives us to learn from Him. Listed below are the opportunities we have at Peace to study God's Word.

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. On November 27, we began a new study titled *The Truth About the End Times*, which will lead into a detailed study of the book of *Revelation*. See page 4 for more details on this exciting study!

Youth Confirmation Class

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

Adult Confirmation/Information Class

Our Adult Confirmation/Information Class which began in October will conclude January 7 and those who have completed this class and wish to join our fellowship will be confirmed during Service on January 15. A new class will begin when one becomes necessary.

Women in the Word

• Our *Women in the Word* Bible Study takes place every Tuesday morning 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

• Our first *Men's Bible Breakfast* will take place at Peace on **Saturday, January 28, 2006 at 9:30 a.m. (NOTE: The date has changed!).** All men of Peace are invited and encouraged to attend. For more details, see the article on page 7.

"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).

QUARTERLY VOTERS' ASSEMBLY

SUNDAY, JANUARY 22 11:00 A.M.

All members of Peace are strongly encouraged to attend this, and all, Voters' Assemblies!

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LADIES & ALTAR GUILD INFO

LADIES GUILD MEETING: The January meeting of the Guild will take place on **Monday, January 2** at **7:00 p.m**. Lois Ramsey 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. **COOKIE WALK AND CRAFT SALE:** Thank you to all who participated in our Cookie Walk/Craft Show this year. Your help was greatly appreciated!



- 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: January Lois Ramsey; February Tammy Oswald; March Carol Zeile
- 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:

JANUARY 1 - Marilyn Oswald

8 - Beth Brostrom

15 - Youth Group

22 - Andrea Elliott

29 - Marlene Wiltshire

FEBRUARY 5 - Cheryl Henry

12 - Sara Cummins

19 - Sharyn Greening

26 - Janice Langan

MARCH 5 - Lisa Messer

12 - Cheryl Kuehnlein

19 - Trina Palmer

26 - Carol Durst



EUCHRE NIGHT!

The next euchre night has been scheduled for Friday, January 20 at 7:30 pm. We had 8 people attend in December and a great time was had by all. Carol and Dave Zeile were the big winners and have won the opportunity to host in January. Everyone is welcome to come and have fun playing the great game of euchre. Please bring a dish to pass. See you there!

THE TRUTH ABOUT THE END TIMES

On **Sunday**, **November 27**, we began a new study during Adult Bible Class which is titled, "The Truth About the End Times." This study will focus on the Second Coming of Christ and the events surrounding that great and glorious event. We will analyze the various End Times views in light of what God's Word reveals to us to determine which view is Scriptural. This study will lead into a detailed study of the book of Revelation. In light of the plethora of errors surrounding us today regarding the End Times, it is paramount that we Christians know the truth. We need to know what the Bible teaches about the Rapture, the Tribulation, the Antichrist, and so on. If you have ever wondered about these things, and I know you have, you will not want to miss this study! Also, this study will provide you with an excellent opportunity to invite those among your family and friends who may be interested in the topic to attend church and Bible Class with you. So, come and learn the Truth about the End Times, and bring your family and friends with you!

In Christ,

Pastor Messer

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MISCELLANEOUS NEWS & NOTES

Peace Receives Generous Donations

New Hymnals

On Wednesday, December 14, Peace received a very generous donation of \$3,000 from an anonymous donor to go towards the purchase of new *Lutheran Service Book (LSB)* hymnals when they become available this fall. At our "Plans for Peace" discussions this past summer, we discussed ways in which we could raise the funds to purchase the new hymnals when they come out. But, thanks be to God, our fundraising efforts will not be needed—at least, not initially. With this generous donation, we can purchase either 150 new *LSB* hymnals or 100 new *LSB* hymnals and the various *LSB* accompaniments (Altar Book, Agenda, Lectionary, etc.). Either way, we now have the funds available to purchase and begin using *LSB* as soon as they become available, and we are extremely grateful to the individual who made this possible. Please join us in saying a prayer of thanks to God for moving this individual to make this generous donation!

New Folding Chairs

In December, twenty-four new folding chairs were purchased for Peace from a generous donation given in memory of J.C. Oswald to his family. We are extremely thankful for this donation from the Oswald family. The new chairs will be a blessing to our congregation and will serve us for years to come!

A Thank You from Pastor Messer

I want to extend a sincere, heart-felt thank you to all of you who gave towards the collection gathered for me this Christmas. I was overwhelmed when Elder Dave Zeile presented me with the card in the Fellowship Hall on Christmas morning. In fact, I was so overwhelmed that I couldn't hardly speak. But, now that I'm not facing all of you and am able to control my emotions, at least, somewhat, I want you all to know how very much I appreciate the gift. One of the neatest things about it was that the card was signed, "From your flock at Peace." I can't tell you how much it means to me to be called to shepherd our Lord's "flock" here at Peace. I have truly enjoyed serving here, especially during our first Christmas together, and I look forward to many years to come. I also want to thank all of you who sent our family Christmas cards and who presented me and my family with other Christmas gifts and goodies. Thanks again to all of you. It means more than you could possibly know!

Peace to Begin Using LSB Orders of Service

In order to become acquainted with the new *LSB* hymnal, which we will now be able to purchase thanks to the generous donation mentioned above, we will begin using the different Orders of Service that will be found in *LSB* this month. Our plan is to use one of the Orders of Service at least once a month. We will use our first *LSB* Order of Service on January 29. If you are interested in learning more about the new hymnal, there are brochures available on the table in the Fellowship Hall, or, you can view an animated presentation about *LSB* by going to http://lsb.cph.org/rep (please do not complete the survey as we have already done so for Peace).

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later, you have all made me and my family feel right at home. What an absolute privilege and blessing it has been for me to serve as your pastor. I have truly enjoyed every minute of my time here thus far. Oh yes, as I reflect back upon 2005, I realize that it was *definitely* one of the best years of my life!

But, as you all know, time flies. 2005 has come and gone. And, as wonderful as it is to reflect back upon years past, it is also necessary and beneficial for us to look forward. This is especially true for me as your pastor.

As I look forward to 2006 and beyond, I am very optimistic about our future. I believe there are great things in store for our congregation. I believe that we will soon become a bright, shining, beacon of light in our community. I believe we have a solid foundation here at Peace upon which to build. And, I believe that the Lord will truly bless us as we begin to build upon that foundation. In fact, even though we have not even really begun, the Lord has already blessed us. We have been averaging over 70 in our weekly Services over the past four months, which has caused many of you to make comments, like, "I know I better get to church a little earlier these days or I'll have to sit in the front pew." That is music to this pastor's ears, and it should be music to your ears as well. By the grace of God, we are already growing.

But, there is still so much work to do. As wonderful as it has been to serve as your pastor here these first five months, I realize that there is so much more we should be doing as a congregation. And, if we are going to actively work towards fulfilling our mission, we are going to have to make some changes around here—changes that will require us to step out in faith and trust in the Lord. The changes we need to make are going to require us to change our way of thinking from, "Let's wait and see" to "Let's do it and trust in the Lord." It is going to require each one of you as members of this congregation to change your way of thinking from, "See you next Sunday" to "How can I make myself available to be an active servant in this congregation?" It is going to require all of us to put more of our time,

talents, and treasures in service to the Lord. It is going to require all of us to stop thinking about Peace as the place we go once a week, but as the children of God gathered around Word and Sacrament to be strengthened and preserved in the true faith so that we can be used by the Lord as His instruments of reaching the lost with the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

I have yet to speak with any member here who has indicated that he/she is completely satisfied with Peace. On the contrary, I have heard from the members here time and time again that we need to get focused and do more. Great! I agree wholeheartedly! But, let us not continue to talk about it, let us begin to do it!

It is my "New Year's Resolution" to be the most productive and active servant I can be for the Lord here at Peace in 2006. I pray that you will make the same resolution. You can get a good start on fulfilling that resolution by attending our Voters' Assembly on Sunday, January 22 at 11:00 a.m. This will be an extremely important meeting for our congregation as we will discuss some of the things we have been discussing at our Elders' and Church Council meetings. These are things we strongly believe we need to do as a congregation if we are going to move forward towards fulfilling our mission. Please make every effort to join us for this important meeting.

I pray the Lord's richest blessings upon all of you as we enter this new year. May 2006 be a banner year for you. But, if it is not—if things do not go your way in 2006; if you fail to fulfill your resolutions; if tragedy strikes you or your family; if you suffer physically, emotionally, or financially—know this: God has made an eternal resolution you can count on by sending His Son, Jesus Christ, into the world to suffer and die on your behalf. No matter what comes your way in this life, you can always—ALWAYS—count on Christ! May you continue to bask in the enormous blessings of forgiveness, life, and salvation which are yours through faith in Him. In His Holy and Precious Name. Amen!

Your Servant in Christ,

Pastor Messer

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PYG NEWS

Members of the Peace Youth Group will be attending the "Youthquake" in Lansing January 6-8. The next **PYG MEETING** will take place on **Sunday, January 15 at Noon.** All PYG members are strongly encouraged to attend as we begin to make plans for the upcoming year!

KATRINA RELIEF

Continue to keep Trinity Lutheran Church of Meridian, MS, Bethel Lutheran Church of Point Clear, AL, and Trinity Lutheran School of Mobile, AL in your thoughts and prayers. These are the congregations and school that have been assigned to our Region in the Michigan District for our support. Elder Bill Hendrick is our Congregational Liaison and has been in contact with these congregations through our Regional Director. He is aware of their needs and has already sent some initial support to them. If you would like to participate in the support effort, please see Bill and he will let you know what they need. Thank you!

MEN'S BIBLE BREAKFAST

We will have our first Men's Bible Breakfast on Saturday, January 28, 2006 at 9:30 am (NOTE: This date has changed since announced last month!). All the men of Peace are invited and encouraged to attend if at all possible. You are more than welcome to bring any male guests as well. We will have our first Bible Breakfast at Peace and we'll discuss future locations, dates, and frequency of meetings at that time. Breakfast will be served at 9:30 and our Bible study will begin at 10:00. Pastor Messer will be leading us in a detailed study of the Gospel of John. Come and satisfy your physical appetites with a good, hearty breakfast, and your spiritual appetites through the study of God's Holy Word.

DINNERS FOR 6-7-8

Dinners for 6-7-8 are casual get-togethers for 6-8 people so that we can become better acquainted. They are potluck as planned by the host or hostess (usually host or hostess provides the meat dish and guests provide side dishes and dessert). We began these at Peace last year and they were a big hit for those who participated. They're just fun-filled evenings with good eats and fun games. If you are interested in participating in these dinners, or hosting one, please join us for a short informational/organizational meeting on **January 8** after church during fellowship time. Even if you have not signed up, you can meet with us to learn more about these events. Hope to see you there! If you have any questions, please see Jo Wendt.



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!

PAROCHIAL REPORT

(As of December 23)

Membership at Peace

Baptized - 171

Confirmed - 127

No Official Acts

Membership gains: 5

Gary & Marlene Miller, Charlotte Dargie - transfer from Immanuel, Wheeler Dick & Dorothy Wiser - reaffirmation of faith

Membership losses: 0

Financial Report

YTD Receipts (1/1/05 - 12/29/05): \$94,049.37 Budgeted YTD (1/1/05 - 12/29/05): \$89,148.00

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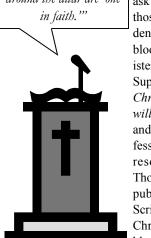
ASK THE PASTOR

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!

Q: If I believe that Christ's true body and blood are given in, with, and under the bread and wine in the Lord's Supper, then shouldn't it be okay for me to attend communion at churches that don't believe that? I mean, just because they don't believe Christ's true body and blood are present doesn't mean that Christ is absent, does it? If I believe, don't I receive His body and blood even in those churches that don't believe?

A: While it is true that the benefits and power of the Lord's Supper do not depend upon the faith of the pastor or of the congregation, but on the power of God's Word and promises, which are present whenever and wherever the Lord's Supper is administered

"It is called 'Communion' because those gathered around the altar are 'one in faith.""



according to Christ's Word and will, the question we need to ask ourselves is. "Are those churches that deny the body and blood of Christ administering the Lord's Supper according to Christ's Word and will?" Holy Scripture and our Lutheran Confessions answer with a "No!" resounding, Those churches that publicly deny the Scriptural teaching that Christ's true body and blood are present in

the sacrament are clearly not administering the Lord's Supper according to Christ's

Word and will. By denying the true nature of the sacrament, they really have no sacrament. The Lord's Supper for them is something completely different than the Lord's Supper Christ instituted. For them, it is nothing more than a "memorial meal" which is celebrated so that they can remember what Jesus did for them on the cross. They don't believe Jesus is really present to strengthen and preserve faith through His very body and blood. On the contrary, for them, Jesus is decidedly absent, seated in heaven on His throne, and through their version of the Lord's Supper, Christians are supposed to somehow rise to heaven through faith in order to feast on His "spiritual body and blood." For them, the Lord's Supper is not Christ's act towards us, but our act towards Him. Through their denial of Christ's real presence in the sacrament, they are actually celebrating something completely foreign and thus have no sacrament at all. And, even though they may say the same Words of Institution over the elements that we say, they mean by them something completely different. When they repeat Christ's Words, "This is My body . . . This is My blood," they really mean, "This symbolizes (or, represents) My body and blood." By changing the meaning of Christ's Words, they are not administering the Lord's Supper according to His true Word and will.

With all of that said, it should be clear to us why we do not attend communion at those churches that deny Christ's body and blood. Even though we believe that Christ gives us His very body and blood, we will not be receiving it in those churches, since what they celebrate is not the Lord's Supper.

But, there is another important reason why we must refrain from participating in communion in those churches. You see, participation in the Lord's Supper entails doctrinal agreement. It is called "Communion" because those gathered around the altar are "one in faith." By communing at the same altar, Christians are making a public confession that they are in doctrinal agreement with the other Christians at that altar. Clearly, we cannot commune at the altar of churches in which we disagree doctrinally, not only about the Lord's Supper, but about many other articles of faith. To do so, would be to declare publicly that we are in agreement with them and, more importantly, that we do not believe our disagreements are serious enough to divide us. In other words, by communing at their altar, we are condoning their false beliefs, which is something that Scripture tells us that we must never do.

There is much more to be said on this subject; I have just barely scratched the surface here. But, hopefully, there is enough here to answer the questions posed. If you are interested in learning more about this subject, I recommend reading the CTCR document, *Theology and Practice of the Lord's Supper*, which you can find at our Synod's website, www.lems.org, by clicking on "Ministry Areas" and then, "Theology and Church Relations."

Your Servant in Christ,

Pastor Messer

JANUARY BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

Happy Birthday to:

3 - Ashleigh Strand 24 - David Meyers

11 - Mary Jakolat 25 - Joan Burch

16 - Kristina Strong 30 - Pamela Hyde

20 - Don Reithel 30 - Evelyn Cummins

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January 2006

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| February 4 | February 3 | February 2 5:00 pm—WW 6:00 pm—Youth Confirmation Class | February 1 9:00 am—WW | 31 9:30 am—Women in the Word | 30 | 29 Epiphany 4 9:30—Divine Service 10:45—Fellowship 11:00—SS/BC |
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| 28 9:30 am—Men's Bible Breakfast | 27 | 26 5:00 pm—WW 6:00 pm—Youth Confirmation Class | 25 9:00 am—WW | 24 9:30 am—Women in the Word | 23 | Epiphany 3 9:30—Divine Service 10:45—Fellowship 11:00—QUARTERLY VOTERS ASSEMBLY |
| 21 | 20 | 5:00 pm—WW 6:00 pm—Youth Confirmation Class | 18 9:00 am—WW | 17 9:30 am—Women in the Word | 16 | Epiphany 2 8:00—Elders Mtg. 9:30—Divine Service (Adult Confirmation) 10:45—Fell./ SS/BC 12:00—PYG mtg. |
| 14 | 13 | 5:00 pm—WW 6:00 pm—Youth Confirmation Class 8:00 pm—Table Talk w/ Pastor Messer (everyone invited!) | 11 9:00 am—WW | 10 9:30 am—Women in the Word | 9 6:45 pm—Council Meeting | 8 Epiphany I 9:30—Divine Service (New Officers installed) 10:45—Fellowship Dinners for 6-7-8 mtg. 11:00—SS/BC |
| 7:00 pm—Adult Confirmation/Info. Class | 6 | 5:00 pm—WW 6:00 pm—Youth Confirmation Class | 4 9:00 am—WW | 3 NO Women in the Word (Pastor at monthly Winkel at St. John's in Midland) | 2 7:00 pm—Ladies Guild Hostess: Lois Ramsey | 1 New Year's Day 9:30—Divine Service 10:45—Fellowship No SS/BC |

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SERVING IN JANUARY

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|-----------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------|---------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| JANUARY 1—9:30 am | CJ Oswald Lauren Penzien | Mary Jakolat | Curt Oswald | Richard Palmer Jon Penzien | Bill & Beth Brostrom |
| 8—9:30 am | Jordan Henry Tyrel Harwager | Beth Brostrom | Terry Luplow | James Sager Don Reithel | Bob & Jo Wendt |
| 15—9:30 am | Jared Kuehnlein Kim Penzien | Beth Brostrom | Dave Zeile | Bill Brostrom Jon Greening | Jeannette Bigelow/Lois Miller |
| 22—9:30 am | Kelsey Gensler Melanie Penzien | Mary Jakolat | Bill Hendrick | Vern Jakolat Miguel Ortiz | Ryan & Sara Cummins |
| 29—9:30 am | Alex Henry Samantha Messer | Mary Jakolat | Larry Elliott | Leland Oswald Curt Oswald | Jon & Sharyn Greening |
| FEBRUARY 5—9:30 am | Jessica Oswald Sarah Messer | Beth Brostrom | Terry Luplow | Burt Henry Richard Palmer | Jon Penzien & family |

"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.