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 every Thursday @ 7 pm
Sunday School every Sunday @ 10:15 am
Bible Study Sundays @ 8 am
 Tuesdays @ 9 am
 Thursdays @ 9 am & 8 pm
Confirmation Level 1 Wednesdays @ 6 pm
 Level 2 Sundays @ 10:15 am
Pioneers every second & last Sunday 1 pm
Mornings with Mommy
 every 1st & 3rd Monday at 10 am



Messenger of Peace is a publication of: Peace Evangelical Lutheran Church, Wautoma, WI.

Purpose
Messenger of Peace serves the Peace Ev. Lutheran Church family with information about people and events that are part of the Peace ministry and with articles that encourage Christian living.

Articles
 Please forward information and articles to Christine in the office by the third Sunday of each month. Put in the office or email it to: peacelutheranwautoma@gmail.com.



Here I stand;
 I can do no other.
 God help me.
 Amen.
 -Martin Luther



We Have a New Email Address!
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Church Office Hours

Monday—Friday
 8 am—2 pm

10th Annual Peace Lutheran Pioneers

Chili Dinner & Silent Auction

Saturday, October 24, 2015 5-7 PM

Come & enjoy all-u-can-eat home-made chili & cornbread, sandwiches and desserts and try your luck at ever-popular Silent Auction!

Suggested donation for dinner: \$5.00 per person

CAN YOU HELP?

If you are able to donate to the Chili Dinner, please see the sign up sheet on the back table. Please see Christine (787-3856) with any questions.

If you wish to donate items to the silent auction, please see Kevin Bohn (920-765-2146)

All proceeds go to the Peace Lutheran Boy & Girl Pioneers.



Circle of Peace
 Sat, October 10 9 am
 Curious what we do?
 Interested in women's ministries? Want to serve but don't know where? Join us at Circle of Peace! All the ladies of Peace are invited to join us!



God is light;
 In Him there is no darkness at all.
 1 John 1:5b

“Tricked ... or Treat?”

It won't be long until the streets of town - and your porch - are raided by little urchins, chorusing their selfish plea for sweet hand-outs. They visit you incognito, hiding their faces under innocent-looking costumes of pumpkins and princesses. Some of them will come to your door dressed to kill, masked as pirates and witches, ghouls and goblins, and other tortured souls. Their request was traditionally veiled under the threat: "You will be tricked if you don't give me a treat."

A number of years ago a truly tortured soul fell prey to the greatest of tricks. Although he lived in a monastery and dedicated his life to the study of religion, he was racked by grief and haunted by the devil's most effective temptation: doubt. "Will God REALLY forgive all of your sins? What good can you do to balance out all the bad things you have done in your life? How can you gain the attention of the Most High in order to secure your place in eternal peace?"

It was not until Martin Luther was allowed to study the Bible that he was relieved of the destructive half-truths and bold-faced lies of the church in his day, and freed from the guilt and shame that ravaged his troubled soul. No matter how hard sinners try, it is impossible to earn heaven. No amount of money can buy God's love. Jesus - and Jesus alone - provides the path to peace, as He Himself says in John 14:6, **"I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me"** (NIV).

Luther would be tricked no longer once he came to know and believe the Gospel message. What a treat to learn of Christ's forgiveness! **"Therefore, there is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus"** (Romans 8:1 - NIV). What a treat to know that salvation was purchased by the blood of Christ for everyone, as John 3:16 dearly proclaims: **"God so loved the world that He gave His one and only Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish but have eternal life"** (NIV). What a treat to have the Bible, the building materials for an unshakable faith! Jesus says, **"Everyone who hears these words of Mine and puts them into practice is like a wise man who built his house on the rock. The rain came down, the streams rose, and the winds blew and beat against that house; yet it did not fall, because it had its foundation on the rock"** (Matthew 7:24-25 - NIV).

While the world is busy stock-piling their soul-decaying sweets and the devil is frantically brain-storming his latest schemes, we can rejoice in the truth which brought everlasting comfort to the Reformer: **"God is our refuge and strength, an ever-present help in trouble"** (Psalm 46:1 - NIV).

Resting in the words and promises of the living God, we will not be tricked. Instead, feasting on the Gospel's life-giving message in Christ Jesus, we are treated to the richest of fare: forgiveness of sins, life, and salvation. Thank God for such heavenly treats!

Pastor Roger Riedel



A Short Story

Our 2015 "A Short Story" series will offer a collection of articles that provide scriptural answers to questions that people often ask or wonder about Christianity, such as "What happens when we die?" and "God doesn't always answer my prayers-why?"

These articles are designed to help you reach out to people with God's Word- to give you the knowledge to answer some of life's biggest questions. We hope you enjoy this year's series: "Fair Questions - Honest Answers."



Why is the Bible called the Holy Bible?

Prophecy never had its origin in the will of man, but men spoke from God as they were carried along by the Holy Spirit.

2 Peter 1:21

"One more book, Dad! Please!" my two-year-old daughter tells me as she looks at me with her baby blue eyes and holds up her favorite book. It's amazing how many books we read in a sitting, everything from: *Pete the Cat* to the *Biscuit* series, to *Pinkalicious* to *Dr. Seuss*. These books contain short stories that hold the attention of the listener (and the reader) while providing some entertainment or education along the way.

We read for many reasons. And we know that most of the things we read whether online, in the newspaper, or in a book must be read with a discerning eye. The problem is that we sometimes struggle to know which parts of them are real and true.

This can be a challenge. But what about when it comes to the Bible, the Holy Bible? Well, that is another story! Why? Throughout Scripture we are told that God's Word is different. What makes it different? The author is God. Yes, men wrote the Bible but God is the main author. It is His holy, perfect Word.

God tells us some remarkable truths about his Word such as: God's Word cannot be broken (everything it says is reliable). His Word is truth (why would God lie to us?). His Word is sharp (it can pierce through the hardest of hearts). His Word is alive (it is active). His Word is powerful. His Word always achieves God's purpose. His Word will never pass away.

While these truths are important to note, it is the message of God's Word that can't be overlooked. For God says that the purpose of the Bible, the Holy Bible, is for us to know that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing we may have life in His name.

The Bible is holy. But you have to open and use it to get anything out of it. If you want to change a heart or be comforted by God's grace, you have to "blow off the dust" and share or listen to the holy words of our God. These are the words that He authored through men, for you, to tell you about His great love and saving activity in Jesus, so that through the encouragement of the Scriptures you might have hope.

For more Questions & Answers, go to www.WhatAboutJesus.com, then *Questioning God*.



ATTENTION:**High School Juniors & Seniors**

You're invited to the *Bethany Lutheran College*

FALL GETAWAY WEEKEND

Thursday, Oct. 29– Saturday, Oct. 31

Bethany College invites juniors and seniors to dig deeper and spend a **FREE** weekend on our campus! Learn more about the Bethany experience by attending chapel, visiting with faculty, and touring the campus. Whatever activities you choose, you will be sure to feel like a college student. The best part is that Bethany will pay for the entire cost of lodging, food and events while on campus! Pre-registration is **REQUIRED** by October 21! To register, visit blc.edu/getaway For more information, contact the admissions office at 1-800-944-3066.

Bethany Lutheran College, Makato, MN

A.S.A.P.

Usually we think A.S.A.P. adds more hurry and stress to our lives. Maybe thinking of it differently will help us deal with the rough days.

There's work to do, deadlines to meet;

You've no time to spare.

But as you hurry and scurry-

Always Say A Prayer.

In the midst of family chaos,

"Quality time" is rare.

Do your best; let God do the rest-

Always Say A Prayer.

It may seem like your worries

Are more than you can bear.

Slow down. Take a breather-

Always Say A Prayer.

God knows how stressful life is;

He wants to ease our cares;

And He'll respond to all your needs—

Always Say A Prayer.

-submitted by Marilyn Snyder



Save the date for our

2016 Women's Ministry Conference!

Lead. Serve. Inspired.

The Women's Ministry Conference team is making final arrangements for speakers, breakout groups, and panel discussions for the **2016 Women's Ministry Conference** taking place **July 21-23, 2016 at Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary, Mequon, Wisconsin.**

Please join us in praying that our highest priority be to design a Christ-centered, Biblically-based conference for women. Pray that the Holy Spirit work through the Word to encourage, nurture, and equip each woman in attendance to use their time and talents in service to God.

We will keep you informed of details in the months ahead!

WELS Women's Ministry
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LWMS

Just a reminder that the Wolf River Circuit LWMS Fall Rally is coming up October 17, 2015.

The Rally will be held at Divine Savior Lutheran Church in Shawano beginning at 8:30 AM. There is a sign-up sheet on the back table in the fellowship hall. We will car pool from church at 7:15 AM. The speaker for the Rally will be Pastor Gary Lupe from the Apache Mission in Arizona. Please consider supporting this Rally as Pastor Lupe has traveled a long distance to make an interesting presentation for us.

Thank you to all members of Peace for your envelope contributions. It is such a blessing to our mission endeavors in WELS. For those who wish to contribute with a Mission Box offering, we will take that offering on Sunday, Oct. 4. before and after church. We will put the white LWMS Mission box out on the table in the fellowship hall for those who wish to contribute at the Thursday night service on October 1.

In His Service,

Marilynn Chesbrough, Reporter

Circle of Peace Ladies' Fall Luncheon

The Circle of Peace held its annual Ladies' Luncheon on Saturday, September 12 at the home of Jim and Jan Schroeder. After a delicious salad potluck luncheon, the guests were able to take a pontoon boat ride around Silver Lake, courtesy of Jim Schroeder.

Thanks to the Schroeder's for opening their home to us and thanks to all who came.

The Circle of Peace is the ladies group here at Peace. We meet the second Saturday of each month at 9 am. All ladies, all ages, are invited to join us. Please see Ahnsharee Klusmeyer, Circle of Peace President, (920-539-3560) for more information.



Linda Timmermann, Jean Bartel, Linda Welty & Joyce Wilcox enjoying fellowship.

Table Hostesses Needed for Advent by Candlelight

The Lutheran Girl Pioneers will once again this year host Advent by Candlelight on Sunday, November 29 at 1 pm. Advent by Candlelight is a ladies-only event held the first Sunday in Advent. It's purpose to remind us of the reason for the season!

We are in need of table hostesses!

The table hostesses decorate a table, make (or buy) a yummy dessert and serve their table of six. You can work with a friend. Being a table hostess is an easy way to show off some of your Christmas décor and your best dessert. It also reserves your spot at Advent by Candlelight! It requires only a few hours of your time.

We only have ten tables, so reserve your spot as table hostess soon!

For more information, or to say YES!, see any Girl Pioneers leader or call Christine in the office at 787-3856.



Barb Bartel, RaeAnn Bower, Keri Fredin, Jan Schroeder, & Darlene Travers on a boat ride.

Spotlight On:

Lutheran Boy & Girl Pioneers

The Peace Lutheran Boy & Girl Pioneers are celebrating their 10th year here at Peace! We invite everyone to join us at meetings and outings, as we have planned some pretty great stuff this year! See any Pioneers leader for more information.

We have five Pioneers leaders: Pastor Riedel serves as our Chaplain— leading all the devotions; he also helps with Boy Pioneers. Kevin Bohn is our Boy Pioneers Trainmaster— he has boys K-8th grade. Beth Riedel is our Sunbeam leader— Sunbeams are girls K-2nd grade. Ahnsharee Klusmeyer mainly works with the older girls, but will go where ever she is needed! Christine Bohn is the Caravan Counselor; she leads the 3rd grade and up girls.

If you would like to help with Pioneers in any way, such as teaching a skill or craft, assisting at meetings, sharing ideas for outings, or anything else, please see any Pioneers leader.

We are so grateful for the support of this very important ministry at Peace! You each play a role in the success of the Pioneers and for that we thank you. Thank you for signing up your children to participate in Pioneers. Thank you for your monetary donations. Thank you for your great ideas you share. Thank you for knowing that Pioneers is more than just camping and learning to cook. It's about creating Christian friendships that connect the children. It's about letting our youth take on leadership roles. It's about our children knowing that they are important to this congregation. Most importantly, it's about watching our youth grow in their faith of Jesus, showing and sharing that love and peace where ever they go. Thank you.

It's not too late to join Pioneers! Our meetings in October are on October 11 & 25 at 1 pm. Join us! We always welcome visitors at meetings, so join us! We also welcome comments, questions and concerns! So, be sure to bring those to any leader!

Kevin & Christine Bohn
Pastor & Beth Riedel
Ahnsharee Klusmeyer

WELS-Church Librarians' Organization Fall Conference



Peace librarian Emily Bohn, along with Susan Riedel, attended the Fall Conference of the WELS-Church Librarians' Organization (WELS-CLO) at Good Shepherd, Wisconsin Rapids.

The keynote speaker was Bruce Becker of the Time of Grace ministry. He spoke of the history and future of the publishing industry. After a the business meeting, a yummy lunch, and some window shopping of the Northwestern Publishing House displays, we enjoyed a presentation by Kathleen Lee, a volunteer for Kingdom Workers. She spent three weeks in Malawi teaching Sunday School teacher workshops, and assisting with two different Easter for Kids programs.

The WELS-CLO spring 2016 conference will be on April 30 at Zion in Columbus, WI.

Have You Seen the New Stoves?

Have you seen the new stoves in the church kitchen? They are installed and ready to use! Thanks to Bob Lang for organizing and finding the right stoves to make our kitchen complete! Thank you to Terry Proctor for installing the gas.

If you would like to donate towards the cost of the stoves, please write "Kitchen Stoves" on the memo line of your check or on the outside of the envelope and put it into the collection plate at church. Please see Bob Lang if you have any questions about the new stoves.

Financial Offerings

Fall is here and the leaves are falling; so are our financial offerings. May the Lord guide us in the last three months of this year to help us meet our budget goals.

DuWayne Bartel, Financial Secretary



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Recipe Corner Tomato Minestone Soup with Garlic Croutons



Looking for an easy, comforting meal? Try this soup! Need meat? Add a few mini-meatballs when you add the stock. Perfect for a night in.

Ingredients

- 2 T olive oil
- 1# zucchini, seeded and diced
- 2 ribs celery, finely chopped
- 1 small carrot, finely chopped
- 1 onion, finely chopped
- 1 bay leaf
- 3 cloves garlic, finely chopped
- Salt & Pepper to taste
- 4 cups chicken or veggie stock
- 1 15oz cannellini beans
- 1 15 oz can crushed tomatoes
- 1/4# whole wheat penne (or any other short-cut pasta)
- Handful of fresh basil, torn into pieces
- 2 T butter
- 4 thick slices of Italian bread
- 1/2 cup parmesan, grated
- Finely chopped parsley, for garnish

Directions

1. In a soup pot, heat the oil over medium-high heat. Add the zucchini, celery, carrot, onion, bay leaf and 2 cloves garlic; season with salt and pepper. Cook until the vegetables are tender, 7 to 8 minutes.
2. Heat the broiler and position a rack in the middle of the oven. Stir the chicken stock, beans and tomatoes into the soup and bring to a boil. Add the pasta and cook until al dente. Stir in the basil and lower the heat to low.
3. Meanwhile, in a small saucepan, melt the butter over low heat. Add in the remaining 1 clove garlic and swirl for a minute or so; remove from the heat.
4. Broil the bread on both sides until lightly toasted. Brush the bread with the garlic butter and sprinkle with the cheese and parsley. Broil to melt the cheese. Serve the soup topped with a crouton.

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Birthdays

- 10/1 Linda Welty
Joel Hansen
- 10/5 Corey Roebke
- 10/12 Judy Benz
- 10/21 Trent Nelson
- 10/23 Evelyn O'Brien
Larry Anderson
- 10/30 Tom Fendler

Anniversaries

- 10/1 Nate & Jennie Sigourney (10)
- 10/4 Joe & Sue Siegel (29)



If we missed your birthday or anniversary, that means the church does not have it. Please drop off dates at the church office, call 787.3856 or email peacelutheranwautoma@gmail.com.

Sunday School Corner

Sunday School runs from September– May, with a few Sundays off for Christmas break and Easter. Classes run from 10:15 am until 11:30 am. Teachers prepare lessons and activities using the ChristLight Sunday School curriculum. The students also have time each Sunday of learning hymns and fun Christian songs.

In October, our lessons will include "David and Goliath," "David's Sins," "Solomon's Wisdom" and "Jonah." Be sure to talk to your child about what they are learning in Sunday School!

Don't forget that your child can bring an offering to Sunday School— that money is being used to replace the old wooden playset outside. Also, remind them to save their pennies in the mite boxes that were sent home. When their boxes are filled, have them bring them in! That money is going to help support the Africa Medical Mission's Infant and Orphan Program.

Sunday School is an extension of the family. We are here to assist families in their job of teaching and preparing young Christians for life. We consider it a privilege to serve the families of our congregation and urge each of you to take an active role in the Christian education of the children in your lives. Visit classrooms, encourage teachers, and be as involved as possible.