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#### **Church Schedule**

**Worship** every Sunday @ 9 am every Thursday @ 7 pm

Sunday School every Sunday @ 10:15 am

Bible Study Sundays @ 8 am Tuesdays @ 9 am Thursdays @ 8 pm

Catechism Wednesdays @ 6 pm

Pioneers every last Sunday @ 11:30 am



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

Purpose: Messenger of Peace serves
the Peace 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 3rd Sunday of each month.
Email it to:

Email it to:

peacelutheranwautoma@gmail.com.



Scripture Alone
Grace Alone
Faith Alone

Indeed, it is by grace you have been saved, through faith—and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God.

Ephesians 2:8



# Messenger of Peace

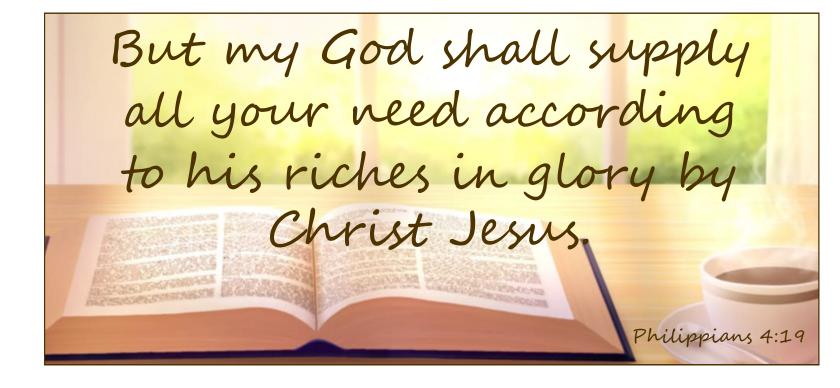
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## From our Pastor







Help us, Lord, to cling to Christ as our Savior and never our own works.

## Reformation

# SALVATION BY GRACE THROUGH FAITH For we maintain that a man is justified by faith apart from observing the law.

Romans 8:28

#### THE FOUNDATION OF THE REFORMATION

"We need to talk." That's what Martin Luther was thinking as he walked to the Castle Church in Wittenberg, Germany, with 95 thesis in his hand in 1517. He posted those propositions on the church door – the community bulletin board – with the hope that he could open a dialogue with the religious leaders of the day. The established church was teaching that a person could make up for any sins he committed and earn his way into heaven by doing any number of good things.

As Luther read the Bible, though, he noticed again and again that forgiveness and eternal life depended on God and not on us. If someone wanted to earn his way into heaven by being good, then he needed to be perfect. Jesus said, "Be perfect, therefore, as your heavenly Father is perfect" (Matthew 5:48). The problem is that no one is or can be as perfect as God. The only way that we can be perfect is for someone to give us perfection. That someone is Jesus Christ. Without Jesus' blood and righteousness we are lost. This is the truth that the Holy Spirit revealed to Martin Luther through his study of the Scriptures. This is the truth that Luther wanted to discuss with the religious leaders.

Those 95 statements that Luther posted on the church door became the spark that ignited the Lutheran Reformation. When the religious leaders of the day refused to listen to God's Word which Luther shared, Luther finally broke from them. The foundation of Luther's faith was the central truth of salvation by grace through faith. We are not justified (declared holy in God's sight) by keeping any laws. We are only justified by faith in Jesus Christ. That's where Luther stood.

"We need to talk." is what God says to us. "There's something serious we need to discuss." The Bible clearly explains that every human being is sinful and deserves eternal death. The Bible also clearly explains that, in love, God saved us from our sins through the perfect life, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. All who believe in Jesus as their Savior can look forward to eternal life in heaven. That is the one thing needful – salvation by grace through faith.

Lord of the Church, we thank you for using Martin Luther to reveal the saving truth of your Word. Help us, like him, to cling to Christ alone as our Savior and never our own works. Amen.



## **Outreach Corner**

## Be Part of C<sub>19</sub>

This is the goal: to share the gospel with one million souls prior to and on Christmas Eve.

That goal is part of WELS Congregational Services' C19 program. The only way to achieve that goal is for all to embrace the privilege and responsibility of sharing Christ with friends, relatives, and neighbors. A simple way to do that—invite them to come with your family to a Christmas Eve worship service. A recent survey found that 80% of unchurched adults would seriously consider accepting an invitation, extended by a friend, to attend a Christmas Eve service. C19 seeks to encourage every member of our WELS family to do just that.

For more information, go to welscongregationalservices.net/c19.





## **WELS Organizations**

Each month, we'll explore an organization affiliated with the WELS. Pray for these organizations, donate to them as your heart so moves you, and encourage those who lead them.

#### **Central Africa Medical Mission (CAMM)**

Christ-centered healthcare supporting the Gospel Ministry Central Africa Medical Mission 2846 Dry Gulch Dr., Jackson, WI 53037-9745



WELS established CAMM in 1957. It financially supports two health care programs in Malawi & Zambia, Africa, that have treated and provided Gospel exposure to more than two million people.

Donations fund this program.

For more information, visit <a href="http://www.camm.us/">http://www.camm.us/</a>



**Location:** Sheraton Grand, Chicago, Ill.

**Date:** January 21 – 23, 2019

**Registration:** Early registration is \$249 per person. Early registration runs through October 31. Starting November 1, registration

is \$289 per person.

Register at

<u>lutheranleadership.com/registration/</u>

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## **News About Our Church Family**



## **Sunday School Corner**

Sunday School is every Sunday, Sept-May, 10:15-11:30 am

Our Sunday School staff this year: Preschool/K: Miss Becca Bohn 1/2/3/4 grades: Mrs. Christine Bohn 5/6/7/8 grades: Mrs. Jan Schroeder Superintendent: Mrs. Karin Hetcher

For Preschool-4th grade:

Date	Topic
October 6	God Calls Abram
October 20	God Answers Abraham's Prayer
October 27	Isaac & Rebekah
: November 3	Jacob Deceives Isaac

For the 5/6/7/8 grade class:

Date	Topic
October 6	I may have to suffer for God
I <u>October 20</u>	I stand firm in faith
I <u>October 27</u>	I grow spiritually
I <u>November 3</u>	God hates false teaching



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 Sunday School our congregation and urge each of you to take an active role in the

Christian education of the children in your lives. Visit I classrooms, encourage teachers, and be as involved as I possible.

I Please speak with me, any Sunday School teacher, or I Pastor for more information about Sunday School, to I volunteer, or to donate to the Sunday School program. | Karin Hetcher (920-240-6201)

| Sunday School Superintendent







#### Judy Benz Trent Nelson

Linda Welty

10/23 Evelyn O'Brien Larry Anderson

10/30 Tom Fendler

## Anniversaries

Nate & Jennie Sigourney (14)

Joe & Siegel (33)

Bob & Doreen Boelke (50)



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.





## **Peace Pantry Update**

Items go quickly in our pantry, so please keep donating! Please put donations on the table next to the fridge in the fellowship hall. Please place anything that needs to be frozen in the

freezer in the fellowship hall. **THANK YOU** FOR SUPPORTING THE PEACE PANTRY!

#### We need canned goods & non-perishables such as:

Peanut Butter/Jelly Condiments Dried herbs Spices Salt & Pepper Pickles Dried Fruit ! Canned fruit Snacks Nuts/Trail mix Granola bars Oatmeal Cereal Baking mixes Cake mixes Frosting Coffee & tea Drink mixes Pasta sauce Canned veggies Oil Non-stick cooking spray Canned/boxed broth Soups Shelf-stable summer sausage Gravy mixes Canned tuna Canned chicken ! Rice-a-roni Pasta & rice sides Noodles & pasta Microwave popcorn Canned veggies Oil ¡Hamburger Helper Tuna Helper Mac & cheese Small pkgs of treats Shelf-stable juices/drinks Crackers Instant potatoes Canned beans

Frozen food such as: butter or margarine, 1# packages of hamburger or other easy-to-use meats, veggies, fruits

**Personal care items such as:** feminine hygiene products, toilet paper, baby wipes & diapers, baby ! care items (like baby shampoo and lotion), body wash, shampoo

Cleaning supplies such as: dish soap, laundry detergent, fabric softener, paper towels

Please no bar soap and no expired foods.

## **THANK YOU!!**





## WELCOME HOME SUNDAY, OCTOBER 27. WHOM WILL YOU REACH?

It happens for a variety of reasons. Christians stop going to church. Do you know one of the reasons people cite for not coming back to church? Fear. They are afraid they are going to be judged or someone is going to make a joke about their being gone.

Welcome Home Sunday is intended to be a celebration of the blessing of Christian community our God gives to us. He intends his church to be just like a home: a safe place where we can live without fear. He intends believers to love and treat one another as kin.

Our goal is to have 100% of our members in attendance on that Sunday. Thus, it is the perfect Sunday for someone who has been away from church for a while to come back.

Do you know someone like that? Maybe it's a sister or a son or a friend. They used to come, but for whatever reason, stopped. Reach out to them. Offer to pick them on that day. If they are afraid, assure them that is unnecessary. We are all sinners. We are all redeemed. And we are all family.

On that day, everyone receives a warm "Welcome home!"

See Pastor Tews with any questions.





#### **Why Lutheran Dioneers?**

The Peace Pioneers strive to be a group that not only has tons of fun (which we do!), but instills a love for our Savior and teaches our youth how to show that love in every aspect of their lives.

When Pioneers began, I'm pretty sure that the majority of this congregation believed that the Pioneers wouldn't last. Maybe I even believed that (but just a little!). But then, after the first meeting, and the second, something was happening. These kids wanted to come to Pioneers. It was no longer their parents encouraging them to come, it was them.

Now I see friendships that may not be as strong (or at all), if not for Pioneers. I see older Pioneers taking a genuine interest in younger Pioneers. I see adult leaders hugging Pioneers that they may not have gotten the chance to know. I see Pioneers talking easily about Christ to each other and to their non-Pioneer friends. I see love for each other. I feel love. And that is exactly what I had hoped for when we started this ministry. I wanted children and families to feel like they belong here- 'cause they do!

Ask any Pioneer why they come back every year. Ask leaders why they work hard all year. It's all about love Jesus' love for each of us and our response to that. Please consider registering your child, aged Kindergarten-high school. We have children of all ages! The Pioneers is an open ministry which means we encourage our Pioneers to invite their unchurched friends. If you know anyone who isn't a member of Peace, but would benefit from the Pioneers, please see Christine. Pioneers reaches families easily because of our "fun," and then keeps them because the kids make friends, the parents trust the leaders, and everyone hungers for the same truth- the truth that is expressed at EVERY Pioneers meeting and outing- the truth of Iesus. All Sunday school students families, ages 5K and up, will be receiving a letter along with a registration form soon! If you don't receive one, or need extras for friends, let any Pioneers leader know.

We will be meeting once a month on the last Sunday. We will have lunch together at 11:30 am; our meeting will follow. We will be done at 2:30 pm.

## Our first meeting will be on Sunday, September 29 11:30 am– 2:30 pm.

For more information about the Pioneers ministry, please contact any Pioneers leader:
Kevin & Christine Bohn 920-765-2146; 920-765-2147
Ahnsharee Klusmeyer 920-539-3560
Rebecca Bohn 920-765-2144

## Advent By Candlelight Sunday, December 8 1 pm

Dear Ladies of Peace,

The Peace Lutheran Girl Pioneers will once again be hosting a ladies-only Advent by Candlelight event this year, but we need your help! We are looking for: a pianist, table hostesses, and Bible readers.

The readers and the pianist will meet with the Girl Pioneers to rehearse on Sunday, November 24 at 1 pm (mandatory). The table hostesses would decorate and set a table for five guests, plus yourself (you don't need to fill your table).

If you are interested in any of these positions, please call Christine at 920-765-2147 as soon as possible.

Even if you don't host a table, be sure to save the date to attend!



## **Knitters & Crocheters**

The Peace Knitters and Crocheters will meet on September 14 & 28 at 2 pm. Please see Linda Welty (715-927-2455) for more information.

# Who Would You Like Me to Visit?

Do you have a friend, family member, or neighbor who is in the hospital, is home-bound, has no church home, or doesn't attend their church? Please let Pastor Tews or Christine in the office know names and phone numbers of anyone who would benefit from a visit from Pastor.





## Recipe Corner Sheet Pan Sausage Dinner



If you've never made a sheetpan dinner, you are missing out! Prep your meat and veg, put it on a sheet pan, roast and -boom!- dinner's done!

Make 6-8 servings

#### **Ingredients:**



1 pound trimmed whole Brussels sprouts

3 parsnips, cut into 1/4-inch slices

3 sweet potatoes, cut into wedges

2 red onions, cut into quarters

3 tablespoons olive oil

1/2 teaspoon dried sage Sprinkle of kosher salt

Sprinkle of freshly ground black pepper

12 Italian sausages

#### **Directions:**

1. Preheat the oven to 375 degrees F.

2. Add the Brussels sprouts, parsnips, sweet potatoes and onions to a baking sheet. Add the olive oil, sage, salt and pepper and toss. Put the sausages in and around the vegetables.

3. Bake until the sausages are cooked through and the vegetables are tender, 40 to 45 minutes. Serve.

## **Ideas and Tips:**

Sub out carrots for the parsnips and red potatoes for the sweet potatoes. Don't like sage? Use 1 tsp dried basil. Like heat? Add a sprinkle of red pepper flakes before baking and use spicy Italian sausages.

www.foodnetwork.com/recipes/ree-drummond/sheetpan-sausage-supper-3220416

## **Rules for Your Garden**

<u>Plant three rows of SQUASH</u>

Squash gossip

Squash criticism

Sauash indifference

Plant three rows of PEAS

Purity

Patience

Perseverance

<u>Plant six rows of LETTUCE</u>

Lettuce...

...Be unselfish and loyal

...Be faithful to duty

...Search the Scriptures

...Not be weary

...Be obedient

...Love each other

No garden is complete without TURNIPS

Turnip for church, meetings, Bible study

Turnip with a smile



Let your light shine so people everywhere may see your good actions and praise God in heaven because of it.

Matthew 5:16