



Peace Lutheran Church

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But the Lord answered her, “Martha, Martha, you are anxious and troubled about many things, but one thing is necessary. Mary has chosen the good portion, which will not be taken away from her.” Luke 10:41–42

My Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

“He was running around like a chicken without it’s head.” Have you ever felt that way? We often use this phrase to describe people that are very busy. This certainly describes Martha as she is busy running around getting everything ready as a hostess for Jesus’ visit. She is so busy that she complains that her sister is not helping her and is instead listening at Jesus’ feet. Jesus replies that Martha has lost sight of the best portion during her running around.

How often are we that busy, to the point that we lose sight of the good portion? There are many things that fight for our attention in the world. Our families, our hobbies, our careers, our likes and dislikes, our friends, there are countless things that we need to juggle and prioritize on a daily basis. Yet, there are only twenty-four hours in a day. We cannot do everything. We make sacrifices and sometimes our sinful nature gets in the way to the point that we sacrifice our time with our Lord and Savior. We give into temptations such as, “You do not have enough time to do your devotions at the moment, you can do them later.” “It is only one hour for worship but you were out late last night, just go next week.” Soon, we find ourselves missing more and more devotional and worship time to the point that our time with God is very short or non-existent. We run around, forgetting that our true goal and rest is found in the Lord. As St. Augustine wrote, “Our hearts are restless until they find their rest in Thee.”

Tis why I am glad that our Lord gives us this reminder to focus upon the good portion, His teachings and what He has done for us through His death and Resurrection. In Him, we find the peace in the midst of our busy lives. Through His perfect life, lived in our place, through His death and resurrection, Christ gives us the peace that our sins are forgiven, even all of the times that we have forgotten Him or gave into the temptation to misuse our time. He has given us life in Him which will never be taken away. May we always focus on the good portion in the midst of our busy lives.

Your Servant in Christ,

Rev. Joshua Reinke

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Everyone who helped or participated in anyway at VBS! It was so nice to be able to have VBS this year after the pandemic.

Everyone who have come and helped us care for the church property, the lawn and the flower beds at church each Wednesday.

All of the people who have offered to serve the Lord as officers for Peace Lutheran Church. **Tristin Reinke, Gloria Creek and Val Martin** for playing the organ and piano during our worship services.

Elsie Huss for changing the banners and paraments.

Everyone on the Prayer Chain for their time and prayers.

All of the men who volunteer to usher.

Angelika Fisher for cleaning the church.

Cheri Magnuson for cleaning the Communion linens.

This list is not inclusive. Please accept our apologies if we have missed giving you credit for serving the Lord in any fashion. We know that the Lord knows your service to Him.

LWML

- ♥ **During the month of July**, the ladies of LWML will be collecting items for the newly opened Toby's House, a much needed crisis nursery here in Great Falls. Their wish list includes **Laundry Soap, Dryer sheets, Bleach, Hand Soap, Dish Soap, Kitchen cleaner (Antibacterial or degreaser spray), Trifold paper towels (for our bathroom and diaper changing areas), Blue Nitrile Exam Gloves Size large (we use them to change diapers), Toilet Paper, Size 4, 5, and 6 diapers, and Baby Wipes.** Feel free to bring some of these items and place them in the box provided. We will be sure they get to Toby's House at the end of July. Thank you!
- ♥ **Our planning meeting will be Monday, July 19 at 6:30 p.m.** All ladies of Peace are invited and encouraged to come and participate in the planning of the coming year's activities and servant event projects. Many new and exciting ideas will be talked about and planned!

TO: Members of Peace Lutheran Church
FROM: PLC Scholarship Committee
DATE: June 14, 2021
ATTENTION: 2021 High School Graduates and current college students who will be enrolling in a full time college curriculum for 2021-2022.

As a Peace Lutheran Church member you are eligible to apply for a scholarship made possible by the Peace Lutheran Scholarship/Daniels Endowment Fund.

Students who wish to apply should contact the church secretary to have the application form emailed to them.

The deadline to submit the application is July 14, 2021.

To learn more about this scholarship program, please visit with Val Martin, Loretta Walker or Ken Meske.

Fuddruckers' Burgers for Benefits fundraiser for Wee Disciples is the **third Tuesday of each month** from 5 to 9 PM. (The next 2 fundraising evenings are on July 20 and August 17.) No coupon necessary! Just mention Wee Disciples and they will donate 20% of the total ticket to Wee Disciples. **You can use dine-in or takeout.** Thank you for supporting Wee Disciples!



July Anniversaries

July 1	Tyler and Hunter Denning
July 5	Pat and Helen Lewis
July 15	Arnie and Betsy Wirth
July 19	Ben and Shirley Coe
July 23	Lyle and Tara Onstad
July 25	Joshua and Kate Baumer
July 30	Dennis and Toni Nivens

Baptismal Anniversaries

July	1	Andrew Onstad
	2	Shirley Coe
	7	Richard Schottery
	10	Natasha Meierhoff
	11	Helen Lewis
	15	Aquilla Reinke
	19	Eric Fletcher
	19	Jan Neiffer
	20	Elizabeth Allen
	20	Pat Lewis



August Anniversaries

August 4	– Carl and Kyrie Scott
August 5	- Michel and Nancy Wayman
August 16	- Shannon and Tara Birkholz
August 17	- Kevin and Linda Aguiar
August 20	– Jake and Natasha Meierhoff
August 30	- Carl and Carol Kangas

Baptismal Anniversaries

August	11	Kevin Jacobsen
	12	Ed Ostlund
	16	Ken Brandt
	17	Zachary Greenwood
	18	Paxton Meierhoff
	25	Loretta Walker
	29	Charlene Schottery
	29	Brook Gerard

Offering Counters for 2021

- July** – Belinda Aguiar and Peter Doscher
- August** – Tara and Katherine Onstad
- September** – Greg Franczyk and James Onstad
- October** – OPEN – If you want to volunteer to count this month, please see Darrell Greenwood. Training is available.
- November** - Belinda and Linda Aguiar
- December** – Jeff and Vonnie Blomgren



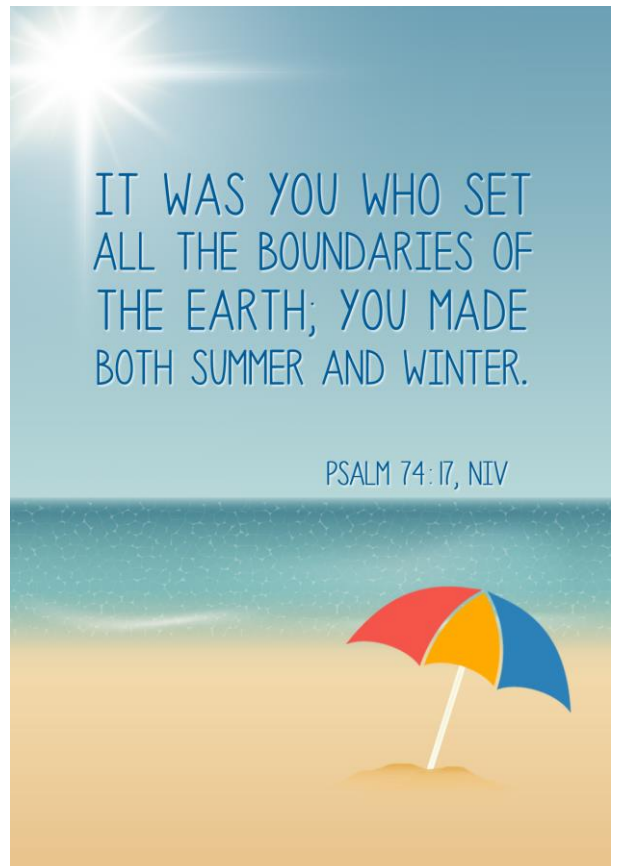
INCLUDE THESE PEOPLE IN YOUR PRAYERS:

The following people are experiencing health problems:

- Ben Aagaard** – 8 year old with kidney cancer
- Michael Drummond** – Lupus
- Rev. Mark Grunst** of Billings who has Lewy Body disease
- Connie Juden**
- Rev. Erich Kaelberer** – ALS
- Ed and Sarah Ostlund**, in assisted living in Billings
- Becky Schlund**, MS
- Steven Schlund**, Parkinsons

The members of First Lutheran in Fort Benton that we pray for are

- Jody Decker**
- Henry Schnackenberg**
- Ron Van Horn**
- Roger Casteel**
- Van Oman family**



IT WAS YOU WHO SET ALL THE BOUNDARIES OF THE EARTH; YOU MADE BOTH SUMMER AND WINTER.

PSALM 74:17, NIV

