



Peace Lutheran Church

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“The stone that the builders rejected
has become the cornerstone” Luke 20:17

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Have you ever been rejected? Maybe you thought that your loved one would eventually be your spouse and they told you no, you are only friends. Maybe you applied for a really good job after years of hard work only to be passed up because of someone else that could do the job cheaper. Maybe, you get rejected when everyone has an idea but no one listens to yours.

Jesus knows exactly how that feels. He was rejected by the chief priests and rulers of the people. They rejected Jesus because they were afraid for their own power and authority. The chief priests thought that Jesus was going to cause a commotion big enough to catch the attention of Rome. Rome would send in their soldiers and all of them would be cast out of their positions of authority and power on the whim of the Emperor.

Jesus was indeed rejected. His rejection led to Him being crucified upon the cross. The leaders rejected Jesus, but it was all in the plan of God. God used their rejection that He might not reject you forever. Jesus took upon Himself your rejection of God, and God's rejection of you, because of your many great and grievous sins. Upon Jesus was laid the full wrath of God against you. By the shedding of His blood, the price was paid for all your sins, that God would no longer reject you. Rather, He welcomes you into His family as His beloved child.

Jesus was rejected by men, but God raised Him from the dead. He has become the cornerstone for us. Everything that we proclaim is Christ and Him Crucified for the forgiveness of our sins. Without Christ as the cornerstone, every word of the Bible falls apart.

Thanks be to God that His Word stands forever. Christ has died, Christ has Risen, Christ will come again, all to forgive you of your sins, give you new life, and be with you in the life everlasting of the world to come.

Your Servant in Christ,
Rev. Joshua Reinke

J H A N K S TO

Everyone for cooking, setting up, cleaning, serving and attending the potluck meals during Lent.
Everyone who hosted a table for the Parade of Tables.
Everyone who donated to Echoz and participated in the Parade of Tables.
Everyone who helped or donated food for the funeral service for Ken Brandt.
Kaye Franczyk and Toni Nivens for organizing the kitchen and the reception for the service for Ken Brandt.
Val Martin, Gloria Creek and Tristin Reinke for playing the organ and piano during our Worship Services.
Toni Nivens for leading the voice choir.
Tristin Reinke for leading the bell choir.
The members of the voice choir and the bell choir for enhancing our worship services with these gifts.
Bob Fletcher for cleaning the church.
Everyone on the Prayer Chain for their time and prayers.
Everyone who has donated treats for our fellowship time.
All of the men who volunteer to usher.
Cheri Magnuson for cleaning the Communion linens.
Elsie Huss for changing the banners and paraments.

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

- ♥ **The LWML Convention will be held in Omaha, Nebraska June 26 through 29, 2025.** Theme is Growing in God's Grace based on the verse from 2 Peter 3:18, *But grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. To him be the glory both now and to the day of eternity. Amen.* Registration is now open and can be done at www.lwml.org.
- ♥ **Remember that Purple Pockets are due to Elsie Huss at the end of March.** This money goes to our missionary **Rev. Eric Stinnett** and the seminary there in Ethiopia. If you need a purple pocket, please see Elsie. Thanks for your continued support.
- ♥ **Our next meeting will be Monday, May 3 at 10:00 a.m. with a Bible study.** All ladies of Peace are invited and encouraged to come and join us! We will have the election of officers at the May meeting. Remember your Mite Boxes!

Cleaning Day set

The Board of Directors has chosen **April 12 at 9 AM** for the cleaning day at Peace. We will do the chores around the church that do not get done very often. Please come for as long as your schedule will allow.

Vacation Bible School

Vacation Bible School dates have been set for **June 16 through 20, 2025 from 8:30 AM to Noon.** Children through grade 6 are welcome to come and join us for crafts, study of God's Word, music, snacks, and play time! Children older than that are welcome to come and be helpers. If you are interested in helping in any way, please contact Linda Aguiar or Pastor Reinke.

Ladies Bible study schedule

A look around the yard tells you spring is well on its way. Crocuses have already bloomed. Daffodils are showing their buds with tulips to follow soon. How exciting to see these sleepy bulb plants display their various colors after a long winter. New life is awakening in the Little Belt and Highwood foothills the last week of April when Pasque flowers, yellow bells, and spring beauties will decorate the places that have never been plowed. Look for some of these native posies the week after Easter.

Friday Ladies Bible Class is in recess during April but will resume in May with a new study of the Book of Ecclesiastes.

Assisted Living Ministry will bring hymn singing and a devotion to Highgate Senior Living, 3000 11th Avenue South, on Friday, April 25th at 1:30pm. The no host lunch will gather earlier that day at 11:30am at MacKenzie River Pizza, 500 River Drive. Pastor Reinke will hold a worship service at The Lodge, 1801 9th Street South, on Monday, April 21st at 1:30pm. On Monday, April 14th at 1:30pm he will have Worship at Highgate. Come and enjoy fellowship with the residents of The Lodge and Highgate, where some of our church members live. Your presence will bring them joy!



April Anniversaries

April 12 Jeff and Vonnie Blomgren
April 30 – Jared and Ganetta Askeland

Baptismal Anniversaries

April	1	Brian Mittelstedter
	2	Karen Birkholz
	5	Trisha Hasselstrom
	8	Carol Thurston
	10	Blair Johnson
	12	Gary Creek
	17	Atley Johnson
	17	Bailey Johnson
	17	Kole Johnson
	17	Taylor Martin
	26	Darrell Greenwood
	26	Hunter Denning

Wee Disciples Fund Raiser

Every third Tuesday of the month, you can help raise funds for Wee Disciples by eating at Fuddruckers! No coupon necessary! Just mention Wee Disciples and they will donate 20% of your meal proceeds to them! Easy! Go between **5 and 9 PM on April 15!**

Ushers for April

April 6 -----	Mitch and Taylor Martin
April 13-----	Dennis Nivens
-----	Arnie Gidlow
April 20-----	Tyler Denning
-----	Pat Lewis
April 27-----	Dennis Nivens
-----	Greg Franczyk

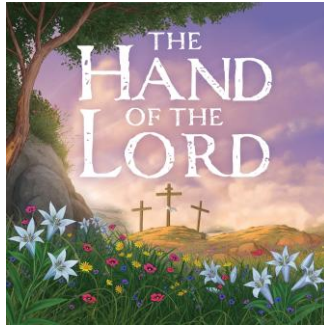


INCLUDE THESE PEOPLE IN YOUR PRAYERS:

The following people are experiencing health problems:

Ben Aagaard – 12 year old with liver cancer
Marylan Dallum – health issues - Fort Benton
Jody Decker – health issues - Fort Benton
Michael Drummond – Lupus
Rev. Mark Grunst of Billings who has Lewy Body disease
Marge Johnsten - cancer
Connie Juden - health issues
Rev. Erich Kaelberer – ALS
Bruce Kempf – health issues
Eloise Morehead – health issues
Becky Schlund - MS
Steven Schlund - Parkinsons

The family of **Ken Brandt** who died on March 24.



Holy Week Schedule

Sunday April 13 – Palm Sunday

Palm Processional during Worship at 10 AM

Thursday April 17 – Maundy Thursday

Worship with Communion at 7 PM

Friday April 18 – Good Friday

Service of Darkness at 7 PM

Easter Sunday – April 20

Sunrise Worship at 6:30 AM

Youth host breakfast from 7:30 – 9:30 AM

Divine Worship with Communion at 10 AM

You are invited to attend the LWML Central Zone Spring Rally

Saturday, April 26, 2025

Zion Lutheran church

Power, Montana

300 Teton Avenue

9:30 AM is registration (\$6) and continental breakfast

An In-gathering offering will be taken for Rev. Gerald and Heidi Paul who are serving the Lord in the Cayman Islands.

They will be in the United States for Home Service travels this summer.

Please contact Carla Pfeifle at 406-836-1860 with any questions.

61st Annual Banquet for Great Falls Rescue Mission

Thursday, April 24, 2025

6:00 PM

Mansfield Convention Center

Guest Speaker is Steve Weatherford

Walk in the Way of Love

Ephesians 5:2

Join us for great fellowship, music, testimonies, and excellent food.

\$50 per seat or sponsor a table for \$500

Register by April 18 at noon or until sold out