



Peace Lutheran Church

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When the LORD stretches out his hand, the helper will stumble, and he who is helped will fall, and they will all perish together. Isaiah 31:3b

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Trust. It is something that all of us seek as social creatures. It is the cornerstone of any relationship. If someone's trust is broken by an affair, gossip, lying, or anything else, it takes many years, if not lifetimes, to regain. If I tell you something in confidence. You then go and tell someone else, I am not going to share something with you again. The breaking of trust has multiple implications. As human beings, we place our trust in many things. We trust our spouses and friends to take our side or support us in times of trouble. We trust those in authority over us to keep us safe, defend us, help us in times of trouble (just look at the millions of dollars spent on the Boston bridge, or already promised to help those dealing with flooding in Minnesota, Iowa, and South Dakota). When they fail, we look for others to trust. The ancient world was no different. During Isaiah's day, Israel was seeking help from Egypt against the might of the world power of its day, Assyria. They thought that Egypt would help them and defeat Assyria for them.

Yet, the Lord promises that they will come to an end. They have decided to return to slavery in Egypt rather than trusting in the Lord. Not much has changed. We too are deserving of coming to an end because we trust in many things rather than trusting in the Lord. We trust in the government, ourselves, our own power and authority, our wealth, our reputation, and much more. Anything, rather than trusting in the Lord. We are deserving of destruction.

The Lord though, promises salvation at the end of this chapter. He is rich in grace and mercy. He promises that He will protect, defend, and pass over Jerusalem for its salvation and deliverance. Passing over reminds us of the first Passover when the Lord passed over the blood-stained houses to redeem His people from Egyptian slavery. It also points to the deliverance that you and I have because of Jesus Christ. His blood was shed to give us the forgiveness of our sins and the salvation of our souls.

As we go through our earthly lives, let us always trust, not in worldly things, but in the power, grace, and mercy of our God.

Your Servant in Christ,
Rev. Joshua Reinke

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Everyone who helped or participated in any way at VBS! It was a huge success with close to 20 kids most days!

Everyone who has come and helped us care for the church property, the lawn and the flower beds at church each Wednesday, or any day of the week.

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.

Bob Fletcher 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.

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- ♥ **Our planning meeting will be Saturday, July 27 at 11:30 a.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! There will also be a light potluck lunch. Please plan to come and join us!

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 16 and August 20.) 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!

Ladies Bible study

What a blessing to have the summer with all its joys abounding. Bounty from the vegetable garden or the Farmer's Market. Guests who come to experience Montana's beauty. Rodeos and fairs. Fishing, hiking, and camping. Enjoy these seasonal opportunities!

Friday Ladies Bible Class is in recess. Plan to join them when school bells ring in September as they begin a new study of the book of Philippians.

Assisted Living Ministry continues throughout the summer with hymn singing and a devotion at the following locations. On July 5th and August 2nd from 10:00-10:45am they will be at The Lodge, 1801 9th Street South. On July 26th and August 23rd, they will be at Highgate Senior Living, 3000 11th Avenue South from 1:30-2:30pm. Prior to the Highgate visits the no host lunches will be gathering at 11:45am on July 26th at The Loft, 4810 2nd Avenue North, and the August 23rd lunch meeting at Jaker's, 1500 10th Avenue South. Don't miss the fellowship and fun!

Pastor Reinke will hold worship services in August on the following dates. On August 14th at 2:30pm he will be at The Lodge. He will be at Highgate Senior Living on August 19th at 1:30pm. July services for these assisted living homes are canceled, as Pastor will be out of town.



July Anniversaries

July 1	Tyler and Hunter Denning
July 5	Pat and Helen Lewis
July 11	Mike and Patrice MacDonald
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
	10	Natasha Meierhoff
	11	Helen Lewis
	15	Aquilla Reinke
	17	Donna Hasbrouck
	19	Eric Fletcher
	19	Jan Neiffer
	20	Elizabeth Allen
	20	Pat Lewis
	27	Peter Richlen



August Anniversaries

August 5	- Michel and Nancy Wayman
August 6	- Collin and Molly Whitesitt
August 10	- Pastor Joshua and Tristin Reinke
August 11	- Steve and Peggy Gannon
August 11	- Jared and Lark Dudden
August 16	- Shannon and Tara Birkholz
August 17	- Kevin and Linda Aguiar
August 20	- Jacob and Natasha Meierhoff
August 26	- Roland and Ruth Lass

Baptismal Anniversaries

August	6	Ernest Keitzman
	11	Kevin Jacobsen
	16	Ken Brandt
	17	Zachary Greenwood
	18	Paxton Meierhoff
	25	Loretta Walker
	25	Val Schnackenberg
	29	Brook Gerard

Office Hours for Holiday

The church office will be OPEN Monday through Wednesday, July 1, 2 and 3 from 9 AM to 1 PM and CLOSED on Thursday, July 4.



INCLUDE THESE PEOPLE IN YOUR PRAYERS:

The following people are experiencing health problems:

Ben Aagaard – 10 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
Mary Ann Haugen – health issues
Connie Juden
Rev. Erich Kaelberer – ALS
Bruce Kempf – health issues
Rachel Manley – cancer
Eloise Morehead – health issues
Becky Schlund - MS
Steven Schlund - Parkinsons

Pastor on Vacation

Pastor Reinke and family will be leaving on vacation July 10 and they will be gone until August 2. If you have need of pastoral care during this time, please call one of our elders or Pastor Schultz from Trinity Lutheran, 406-452-2121.

Reception Organizer needed

We need someone to be the contact person when there will be a funeral at Peace Lutheran. The person would be responsible for organizing the reception following the service by contacting people to bring salads or desserts and making sure the tables and chairs are arranged to seat as many as the family has told us would be coming. If you would like to be this person, please contact Ruth Denning or Pastor Reinke. Thank you!



Camp Dates - Members of Peace are hosting Camp this year! The dates for camp are **August 15-18, 2024** and will be at Trinity Camp in Bigfork as it has been for many years in the past. The theme is A Christian life in 2 Kingdoms. The individual cost has yet to be determined. Please plan now to come and join us!

The church office has new email addresses! To send an email to Pastor, please use pastor@PeaceLutheranGreatFalls.org and to send an email to the church secretary use secretary@PeaceLutheranGreatFalls.org. Thank you

Wednesday evening clean up

On Wednesday evenings around 6 PM people are invited to come and do jobs around the church property. Many things need to be done and many hands make light work. We no longer mow our own lawn but there is weeding that can be done as well as pinecone pick up and window washing etc. Feel free to come for as long as your schedule will allow.

Now Hiring!

Wee Disciples Child Care is looking for new employees to join our team for summer and/or fall employment. Qualifications required for this position are preferred experience in the field; willingness to learn, with a strong work ethic; willingness to clean and have flexibility in duties; optimistic outlook; enjoy working with children. Applicants must be 18 years or older and must be able to pass a background check. We are hiring for 20-40 hours/week. Hourly income depends on experience and training. If this interests you, please contact Wee Disciples by phone or email. phone: (406) 799-5881 email: wee.disciples@gmail.com Applications are available at <https://trinity-mt.org/wee-disciples>