

#### Peace Lutheran Church

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An intelligent heart acquires knowledge, and the ear of the wise seeks knowledge. Proverbs 18:15

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

School is out! A time for children to be with family and friends, being kids and enjoying the time together in the warmer weather of summer days and nights. School may not be in session, but the learning never stops.

Kids, and adults, continually learn from a wide variety of sources. Teachers in schools, moms and dads at home. We learn while having fun outside when they say, "Hey do not touch that prickly plant." The obvious reply is "Well why not?" That is an opportunity to learn and grow in our knowledge that specific kinds of plants are not good to touch for a variety of reasons. Or maybe inside spending the days baking delicious cookies for dessert. There you are learning, or relearning, measurements, and fractions, a ½ cup of this, a 1/4<sup>th</sup> of that. They learn about science and molecules as they mix and knead the dough together.

Even as adults we are continually learning and relearning whether watching Television or browsing the internet. There are constantly news articles about important events or what is going on in the outside world. Even expanding our knowledge of specific hobbies or interests.

The same is even true of our faith and our knowledge of the Word of God. It seems so basic, that Jesus Christ suffered, bled, and died for the forgiveness of our sins. That He rose from the dead to give us newness of life forever. It seems so simple. Yet, no matter how many times we read, and reread, the Bible, there is always another connection to make. There is always another insight that jumps out that we may not have considered before to ponder. There is much that we can learn from Holy Scripture and apply to our daily lives. Every time we do so, as our Lord says, we bring out treasures both old and new to add together.

School is out! Yay! As we celebrate the summer months, continue to learn, continue to grow in knowledge, earthly, but especially in heavenly knowledge as we focus our faith on the things above until the Day when all things are made new again.

Your Servant in Christ, Rev. Joshua Reinke Dave Lamb for working so diligently on the piano and making it sound so amazing!! **Marge Johnsten** for opening her home for the ladies to have Bible study each Friday. 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 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.





June 5 – Bailey and Brenna Johnson June 15 -- Tyler and Natalie Gill

#### **Baptismal** Anniversaries

- June
- **Dennis Nivens** 1
- 3 Maverick Meierhoff
- 9 Joshua Baumer
- 11 Jennifer Lewis
- 12 Linda Aguiar
- 14 Angela Fletcher
- 16 Alicia Fletcher
- 18 Phyllis Schaaf
- 20 **Toni Nivens**
- 27 Marge Johnsten

# Vacation Bible School set

VBS will be June 5-9, 2023 from 8:30 AM to 12 noon. The theme is **River of Life** from Lutheran Heritage Foundation. Plans are coming together nicely and helpers are ready to go! There will be classes for kids of all ages as well as music, crafts, snacks and games!! Come and join us!! Registration ends on Sunday, May 28, 2023. If you have any questions, please contact Linda Aguiar at 406-402-9521.

# Wednesday Night work nights

Each Wednesday is a work night at the church. We take care of the things that needs to be done inside and outside the church. Feel free to come and help for as long as your schedule will allow.



#### **INCLUDE THESE PEOPLE IN YOUR PRAYERS:**

The following people are experiencing health problems:

**Ben Aagaard** – 9 year old with health problems **Deloris Brown,** shut-in Marylan Dallum, Fort Benton Jody Decker - Fort Benton Michael Drummond – Lupus **Rev. Mark Grunst** of Billings who has Lewy Body disease **Connie Juden Rev. Erich Kaelberer** – ALS Pam Schaaf, Ovarian cancer Becky Schlund, MS Steven Schlund, Parkinsons Richard Schottey, The Lodge **Ron Van Horn** – Fort Benton Van Oman family – Fort Benton

## **Ushers for June**

June 4	Arnie Gidlow
	Mitch Martin
	Darrell Greenwood
	Kevin Aguiar
June 18	Arnie Gidlow
	Tyler Denning
June 25	James and Lyle Onstad

## **Rummage Sale**

The day for the rummage sale is Saturday, June 24 beginning at 7 AM. If you have things to donate, you may bring them to the church and place them in the deaf office or the shed. If you would like help in anyway, please call Linda Aguiar at 406-402-9521.

# LWML

- We are waiting to hear back for the Veterans Grace Home as to whether or not they have a wish list that we could help them fill. If we don't hear back from them, we will choose another beneficiary. Please watch the bulletin for more details.
- ♥ Newly elected officers are Val Martin, President; Toni Nivens, Vice-president; Cheri Magnuson, Secretary; Linda Aguiar, Treasurer. Thank you, ladies, for offering to serve the Lord with Gladness in this capacity.
- Our planning meeting will be <u>Monday, July 17 at 6:30 p.m.</u> 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!

# Friday Ladies Bible study

It happened, the super bloom! All the extra moisture the past winter and spring resulted in far more flowers than usual. My own flowerbeds had tulips return that haven't bloomed in years. Try to catch the abundance of wildflowers in early June in the foothills and mountains. Look for some of these early summer beauties: wild roses, bear grass, geraniums, daisies, lupines, forget-me-nots, columbine, blue camas, and several varieties of orchids. You won't be disappointed in the Lord's flower display!

Friday Ladies Bible Class has dismissed for the summer, but Assisted Living Ministry with hymn singing and a devotion continues year-round. Please join them on Friday, June 2<sup>nd</sup> from 10-10:45am at The Lodge, 1801 9<sup>th</sup> Street South. The monthly no host lunch will gather at 11:45am on Friday, June 30 at Pizza Hut, 1518 10<sup>th</sup> Avenue South. Afterward many will go to Highgate Senior Living, 3000 11<sup>th</sup> Avenue South for more fellowship and singing. Remember, there are Trinity, Peace, and Christ Lutheran for the Deaf members living at The Lodge and Highgate, who are delighted to see you!

Will you be missing worship on some of the Sundays in the summer? Pastor Reinke now leads a monthly worship service at both The Lodge and Highgate. He is at The Lodge the second Wednesday at 2:30pm, which will be June 14th . His service at Highgate is the third Monday at 1:30pm, which will be June 19th. When Pastor Reinke is on vacation, Pastor Schultz has led the service. Stop in and enjoy worshiping with our church members who live there. These are outreach activities to the Great Falls community.

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Remember to bring your **baby bottles** from Echoz Pregnancy Center back to the church on or before **Sunday, June 18**, Father's Day. Thank you for your continued support of this wonderful program!

### **Summer Worship For Travelers**

Are you going to be traveling this summer and far from a church on a Sunday morning? We have prepared a brochure called *Summer Worship For Travelers* which you can take along with you on your trip. It has a brief order of worship from *Lutheran Service Book* and a listing of all the Bible Readings for the summer months. Take one with you for the times you can't be in church this summer. Copies are on the table outside the Christ Lutheran Church for the Deaf office.