

Peace Lutheran Church

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"For the LORD takes pleasure in his people; He adorns the humble with salvation." Ps 149:4

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

The first Sunday in November is the Observation of the Feast of All Saint's Day. It is the day set aside by the church at large, when we remember and give thanks for those who have gone before us to the nearer presence of our Lord. That day, we sing with that psalmist and gives thanks that the Lord takes pleasure in His people. The Lord loves us, His people. He loves us in spite of our many great and grievous sins. He loves us so much that He sent Jesus, His Son, to take our sins upon Himself, die in our place, and rises from the dead. By dying, Jesus conquers death in our place.

This is a true fact. Yet, it is not one that is always seen at the moment. We still suffer the ravages of our sinful nature. We still struggle with sin and death. We try to avoid talking about death in order to avoid the hurt and pain that comes with it. Just think of all of the different ways that we discuss death, 'They have gone to a better place. God had need of them. They are watching over us.' and I am sure you can think of many more.

The truth is that none of these ways of talking about death are true. They are not watching over us from heaven. Think about it, would you like to see all of the hate, pain, and suffering of your family members while in Paradise and everlasting bliss? That would be painful. While, yes, as Christians they have gone to a better place and are at rest with their Lord, they still await that glorious day when body and soul will be reunited forever and ever.

Death is the greatest enemy, the greatest equalizer of us all. It does not matter how much money, power, authority, or wealth we have; we cannot stave off death. All of us will die someday because of our sins. This is why we mourn over death, because we know that death is not natural. God did not make the world with death built in, that came as a result of humanity's fall into sin.

Thanks be to God that He has given us the victory through Jesus Christ. We do not have to be afraid of death, because by dying, Jesus has destroyed the power of death. We know that when we die, our souls will be with our Lord in His eternal rest, as we await that day when soul and body will be reunited and we will be with Him in the new creation forever and ever.

Your Servant in Christ,

Rev. Joshua Reinke

Wreath sale

Echoz Pregnancy Center is having their annual wreath sale. Information with prices and order forms are on the bulletin board in the hallway. Orders are due to them by **November 4**th. There is also information about how to order online and have them delivered. Thank you for supporting this awesome service!

Ladies Bible Study

Here come the holidays! Last year was so different. Remember when we were praying for a vaccine? The Lord heard our prayers! Now with the blessing of vaccines, we can gather for worship and the big turkey dinner more safely with family and friends to give thanks together.

Ladies, take time out from holiday preparations to enjoy studying the Book of Acts with the FRIDAY LADIES BIBLE CLASS! They will meet on November 5th and 12th from 1-3pm at the home of Marge Johnsten, 3000 8th Ave S.

On Friday, November 19th join the group for hymn singing at 1:30pm at Highgate House, 3000 11th Ave S. Preceding the song fest will be a Bring Your Own Sandwich to lunch at Marge's at noon. Since it's the holidays, do you suppose anyone will bring lutefisk rolled up in lefse...

Thanksgiving Day Worship Service at Peace

We will once again have a **Thanksgiving Day Worship Service at 10:30 a.m.** on November 25. It is the Order of Matins without Communion. During the service there will be a non-perishable food offering that will be taken to the Great Falls Rescue Mission. Following the service, we will also have a meal for families of Peace who want to come and join us. There is a sign-up sheet posted and a tentative menu. Please sign your name and the number of people in your family and indicate what you will be bringing to add to the meal. We all have sooo much for which to give thanks!

LWML

♥ Our next meeting and Bible study will be Saturday, November 13 at 10:00 a.m. NOTE THE DATE AND TIME CHANGE! Our guest speaker is Susie Zeak from Toby's House Crisis Nursery in Great Falls. We will have an ingathering of items for the house as well. Remember your Mite Box! 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

Baby Wipes

- **▼** On Saturday, December 4, at 10:00 AM, we will be decorating the church for the Christmas season. People young and old are asked to come and help for as long as their schedule will allow.
- ▼ Remember that the ladies of LWML will be sponsoring the first Advent Soup Supper on Wednesday,
 December 1. If you would like to help in anyway, please contact LWML President Val Martin.

F H A N K S

Val Martin for the getting the flowers for the altar for LWML Sunday.

Everyone who donated treats for our fellowship time for LWML Sunday.

Everyone who donated dishes or helped in any way for the service for David Wise.

All those who volunteer to teach Sunday school, Bible class, and midweek classes on Sundays and Wednesdays.

Tristin Reinke, Val Martin and Gloria Creek for playing the organ during our worship services.

Elsie Huss for changing the banners and paraments.

Angelika Fisher for cleaning the church.

Everyone on the Prayer Chain for their time and prayers.

Everyone who has donated treats for our fellowship time.

Everyone who cleans the kitchen after Bible study on Sundays and Wednesdays.

All of the men who volunteer to usher.

Everyone who counts the offering.

Cheri Magnuson for cleaning the Communion linens.

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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.



November Anniversaries

Nov. 1 Vic and Carol Scheuffele Nov. 6 Michael and Crystal Lewis

Raptismal Anniversaries

November

- 4 Val Martin
- 9 Brenna Johnson
- 11 Michael Lewis
- 15 Kaylee Lewis
- 22 Katherine Onstad
- 22 August Birkholz
- 22 Josie Ryster
- 24 Betsy Wirth
- 26 Alan Brown

November ushers:

7 – Darrell Greenwood and Kevin Aguiar

14 – Greg Franczyk and Arnie Gidlow

21- Eric Fletcher and Mitch Martin

28 - Lyle and James Onstad



INCLUDE THESE PEOPLE IN YOUR PRAYERS:

The following people are experiencing health problems:

Ben Aagaard – 8 year old with kidney cancer

Jody Decker – Fort Benton

Michael Drummond – Lupus

Rev. Mark Grunst of Billings who has Lewy

Body disease

Connie Juden

Rev. Erich Kaelberer – ALS

Jane Nicolaus – cancerous tumors

Rev. Dr. Mark Nicolaus – broken back

Ed and Sarah Ostlund, in assisted living in

Billings

Becky Schlund, MS

Steven Schlund, Parkinsons

Ron Van Horn – Fort Benton

Van Oman family – Fort Benton

Peace Youth Corner Update

Youth is selling calendars for \$7.00 and note pads for \$2.00 – While supplies last

Save the date for Higher Things – 2022 – July 19th -22nd 2022 at Montana State University, Bozeman, MT – See Pastor Reinke for more information

Upcoming Activities: (REMEMBER to bring a friend to share your faith and fun with)

- Saturday, November 13th
 - Geo Cashing
 - 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm at Brook's 256 Ulm Vaughn Road
 - For more information contact Brook
- December 4th
 - Decorate the Church and make an ornament
- December 19th
 - Christmas Caroling
- Christmas break
 - Ski trip if enough interest
- April 16th to 17th
 - Easter lock in and serving Easter Breakfast
- Upcoming Activity Suggestions
 - Sledding
 - Ice Skating
 - Game Night
 - Camping and or Floating
 - Movie Night
 - Roller Skating