

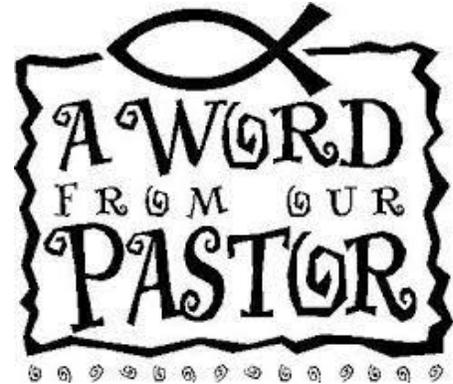


August 2019

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FROM
THE
PASTOR



Dear Members of Peace:

These summer days following Pentecost are not only known as the weeks after Pentecost, in the nomenclature of church-speak they're also referred to as Ordinary Time. And, Ordinary Time seems to go on forever. It actually encompasses half of our church calendar. It begins after Pentecost, fifty days after Easter, and goes all the way through to the last Sunday of the church year, either the last Sunday in November or the first Sunday in December, when we celebrate Christ the King.

So, here we are in the midst of Ordinary time. But, for us here at Peace, this time has been anything but ordinary. Peace has found herself in trying times. When a pastor leaves a church, there is always uncertainty and stress. Members can become apprehensive and fearful about what the future holds. And sometimes, those fears can paralyze folks and bring the church's ministry to a screeching halt. There is really no easy, or right, way to face this situation. Peace has done the best she could in difficult circumstances.

My first Sunday with you all was June 30th. And, I'm more than a little happy to report that I saw none of the fear or apprehension that some of you were probably feeling. I experienced a vibrant, lively congregation. A congregation eager, and able, to continue the ministry that they'd been called to do. A thriving garden. A lively VBS program. Three young woman headed to South Dakota for a mission trip. Talented musicians willing to share their gifts with the congregation during the choir's summer hiatus. Ambitious plans for the fall, and beyond.

Nothing ordinary about what's going on here at Peace. There have been obstacles and painful departures, but the work of the Lord continues here every day. The path we find ourselves on together is not one that we might have chosen. But, one thing that we can be sure of is that we walk it together. And more than that, we walk with our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, at our side. Our hopes and prayers for the future must always be, "Thy will be done." As we move toward the future, let that be our constant prayer. As your Bridge Pastor, I will be with you as long as the journey takes.

And so, the hazy, crazy, lazy days of summer march on and we find ourselves in August. It has been hot. And then it became hotter. We can only wonder what August will bring, but whatever it is, we can be certain that it will not be ordinary.

Serving Christ together,
Pastor Malloy

CHURCH COUNCIL



Hello my fellow members of Peace.

It is a warm and sunny day today, with the occasional shower to cool things down and it is hard to believe this message is for the August newsletter! The summer is running by and I have seen the first commercials about back to school over the weekend. 'Yeah!' for me, 'terrible' as my kids say.

Once again, I want to recognize all of the Peace volunteers that have been taking time out of their summer schedules to help and move furniture and clear space so our new floor could be installed. There are those that have negotiated a stellar rate for our electric and oil bills for the coming year and others who offered to chainsaw dead trees on our property or build props for VBS. We have very reliable members who set up communion each week and open our church for the rest of the congregation or work with plumbers and other trades to maintain our building and grounds. Thank you to our church staff, who work every week to make sure we have what we need - be it bulletins, flowers, lights on and grounds kept - that allow us to join together on Sundays and worship and share The Word of God. And thank you to everyone who has been tending our Peace Garden to bring fresh produce to our community, a very precious gift, the fruits of our love and labor for others ... so many people coming together to do great things for complete strangers.

It takes the work of many to keep our church running and we need to be sure to take time and look around at all the good works that surround us and appreciate them. Keep the good works going!

I look forward to seeing you all at Peace and sharing the positive messages and growth in faith. May God bless you, our community, and our church!

Church Council President

Doug Erney





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SUNDAY	MON	TUE	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT
				<p>1 9-12 Office Hours</p> <p>9-1 pm – Volunteers to move furniture back to Fellowship Hall & Kitchen: <i>Thank You!</i></p> <p>7 pm – Property Committee Mtg.</p>	<p>2 9-12 Office Hours</p>	<p>3 8-10 am - Overeaters Anonymous Mtg.</p> 
<p>4 8th Sunday After Pentecost 9 am – Worship, Communion (Single Summer Service w/Pastor Dayle Malloy)</p> <p>10:15 am – Finance Committee Mtg. – All are Welcome!</p> <p>6 pm - Narcotics Anonymous</p>	<p>5 9-12 Office Hours</p>	<p>6</p> 	<p>7 9-12 Office hours</p> <p><u>NO Lunch Bunch</u></p>	<p>8 9-12 Office Hours</p>	<p>9 9-12 Office Hours</p> <p>Memorial Service for Lola Stever 10-11 – Visitation 11 am – Church Service with Reception to Follow</p>	<p>10 8 am - Men's Bible Study Group</p> <p>8-10 am - Overeaters Anonymous Mtg.</p>
<p>11 9th Sunday After Pentecost 9 am – Worship, Communion (Single Summer Service w/Pastor Dayle Malloy)</p> <p>10:15 am – Faith & Fellowship Committee Mtg. – All Welcome!</p> <p>6:00 pm Narcotics Anonymous</p>	<p>12 9-12 Office hours</p>	<p>13 <u>NO Worship Committee Mtg.</u></p> 	<p>14 9-12 Office hours</p>	<p>15 9-12 Office Hours</p> <p>7 pm – Exec. Council Mtg.</p> <p>7 pm – CROP Walk Planning Mtg. at St. Andrew's</p> <p>7:30 pm – Thirsty Thursday at Becker's Corner</p>	<p>16 9-12 Office Hours</p> <p>1:30 pm – To Live Again Support Grp.</p>	<p>17 8-10 am Overeaters Anonymous Mtg.</p> 
<p>18 10th Sunday After Pentecost 9 am – Worship, Communion (Single Summer Service w/Pastor Dayle Malloy)</p> <p>10:30 am – Outreach Committee Mtg. – All are Welcome!</p> <p>6:00 pm Narcotics Anonymous</p>	<p>19 9-12 Office Hours</p> <p><u>NO WELCA Mtg.</u></p>	<p>20 7 pm – Church Council Mtg.</p>	<p>21 9-12 Office Hours</p> 	<p>22 9-12 Office hours</p>	<p>23 9-12 Office Hours</p>  <p>Picnic</p>	<p>24 8-10 am Overeaters Anonymous Mtg.</p>
<p>25 11th Sunday After Pentecost 9 am – Worship, Communion (Single Summer Service w/Pastor Paul Beck)</p> <p>Blood Pressure Readings with Church Nurse</p> <p>6:00 pm Narcotics Anonymous</p>	<p>26 9-12 Office hours</p>	<p>27 7:30 pm – Pub Theology at Free Will Brewery</p>	<p>28 9-12 Office Hours</p> <p>7:30 pm – New Spirit Rehearsal</p> <p>Peace NEWSLETTER DEADLINE</p>	<p>29 9-12 Office Hours</p> 	<p>30 9-12 Office Hours</p>	<p>31 8-10 am Overeaters Anonymous Mtg.</p>

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

- 3 – Evan Hughes
 - Barbara May
- 4 – Addelyn Link
- 7 – Robert Hilinski
 - Cathleen Miller
 - Nadine Scholl
 - Phillip Stassi
- 8 – Elaine Keckeissen
- 9 – Brandon Sipes
- 11 – Georgia Renner
 - Austin Shanley
- 13 – Tamara Hawthorne
 - Jackson Flodin
- 14 – Richard Miller
- 15 – Sarah Grim
 - Jayne Kramer
- 16 – Marian Engelmann
- 17 – Madison Wilfong
- 19 – Robert Strouse, Jr.
- 21 – Seth Kerrigan
- 22 – Evan Woods
- 23 – Nancy Frank
- 27 – Andrew Shanley
 - Makenzie Wilfong
- 28 – Laura Hartman
- 29 – Michael Cygan
 - Tom Hamilton
 - Christopher Stranick
- 30 – Richard Burkett
- 31 – Herta Altner
 - Luther Stever



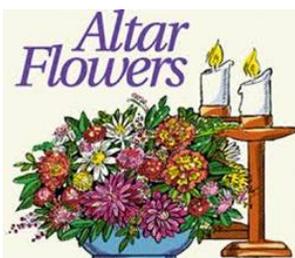
AUGUST ANNIVERSARIES

- 1st – Gary & Randi Schaeffer
- 6th – Ronald & Deborah Bagg
- 9th – Dwight & Sherry Dulsky
- 10th – Richard & Joyce Burkett
- 20th – Phillip & Kathleen Deck
- 21st – David & Melissa Yates
 - Christopher & Ruth Stranick
- 26th – Michael & Peni Bottorf
 - 27th – George & Sandra Hawthorne
- 29th – Michael & Linda Gonet

Floral & Bulletin Sponsors Needed in Sept. & Oct.

If you are interested in sponsoring altar flowers and church bulletins in honor of a loved one or special celebration date, please sign up on the flower chart near the coat room.

The cost is \$37 for flowers & \$15 for bulletins or \$52 for both. Checks can be made out to Peace Lutheran Church & dropped in the offertory plates during worship services.



AUGUST Bulletin & Floral Sponsors:

- 4th - Judy & Gary Schott
- 11th - Kathy Mitman
- 18th - Jayne Kramer
- 25th - Dottie & Woody Ritter

Our Home Bound Members:

Anna Bishop
Rockhill Mennonite Community
Personal Care -
3250 State Road, Room 105
Sellersville, PA 18960



Brookdale Dublin
c/o Alice Brad
160 Elephant Road
Dublin, PA 18917

Mary Dunlap
Cedarbrook Nursing Home
350 S Cedarbrook Rd.
Rm #614A
Allentown, PA 18104

Marion Engelmann
Meadow Glen at Phoebe
108 S. Main St., Apt. 130
Richlandtown, PA 18955

Helen Poust
200 S 9th Street
Cottage #7
Perkasie, PA 18944
Winter: 4596 CR#305
Lake Panasoffkee, FL 33538

Jean Scholl
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Perkasie, PA 18944

Gloria Shannon
Rm 57, 108 S. Main St.
Richlandtown, PA 18955

Marlene Shilling
The Birches
691 Main Street, Room 28
Harleysville, PA 19438

Shirley Slozer
Hidden Meadows on the Ridge
The Laurels Room D1A
340 Farmers Lane
Sellersville, PA 18960

Meadow Glen at Phoebe
Richland
c/o Luther Stever
108 S. Main St. Apt. #122
Richlandtown, PA 18955

Paul Stever
12 Lutheran Home Drive
Room 411
Telford, PA 1896

THIS MONTH AT-A-GLANCE

DATES	GREETERS	ACOLYTES	CRUCIFERS	LECTORS	ASSISTING MINISTERS
8/4/19	Kari Beck	Summer Time Volunteers & Attendees If you're interested, let Pastor or Carole Brackman know & the honor is yours that week. And thank you, thank you very much!		Teresa Kramer	Cheryl Saint-Pol
8/11/19	Judy Hamilton			Bill Markland	Jan Abate
8/18/19	Charlene Fisher			Julia Erney	Nancy Cygan
8/25/19	Dottie Ritter			Julia Erney	Melissa Yates

AUGUST HEAD USHER			Mike Cygan		
AUGUST ALTAR GUILD			Cheryl Saint-Pol & Mary Snyder		
PARISH NURSE/Blood Pressure Screenings				Linda Gonet & Dianne Steiner	

If you are interested in ...	Contact ...	
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Being an Usher	Mike Cygan	vicepresident@peace-tohickon.org
Serving on Altar Guild	Elva Groff	pennridge45@yahoo.com
Serving as an Acolyte or Crucifer	Carole Brackman	carolebrackman62@comcast.net
Serving as a Lector or Assisting Minister	Nancy Cygan	ncygan13@gmail.com
Joining Youth or Bell Choir	Jen Bara	edjenbara@yahoo.com
Joining our New Spirit Ensemble	Jen Bara	edjenbara@yahoo.com
Joining our Senior Choir	Linda Beck	librarylady975@gmail.com
Joining WELCA	Nancy Grace	ngrace25@comcast.net
Joining the Adult Bible Study Group	Randi Schaeffer	ranschaef@verizon.net
Joining the Men's Bible Study Group	Bruce Bachman	bbbachman235@comcast.net
Joining the Peace Youth Group (PYG) – 6 th Grade through Highschool	Heidi Gerth	hmgerth106@gmail.com
Joining the Jr. Peace Youth Group (PUPs) – 1 st through 5 th Grades	Julia Erney	adminassistant@peace-tohickon.org
Joining the Senior Lunch Bunch	Grace Lloyd	gracelloyd@yahoo.com
Promoting Peace Out in the Community	Cheryl Saint-Pol	ccsaint3@verizon.net
Helping with Vacation Bible School	Yvonne Thomas	ythomas215@gmail.com
Teaching/Helping with Sunday School	Dottie Ritter	financialsecretary@peace-tohickon.org
Joining/Starting a Committee	Julia Erney	adminassistant@peace-tohickon.org
Meals on Wheels	Cheryl Saint-Pol	ccsaint3@verizon.net
Joining the Worship Committee	Chip Kramer	moparchip@verizon.net
Joining the Finance Committee	Garry Engelman	gce@fortunefinancialservices.com
Joining the Property Committee	Mike Cygan	michaeltcygan13@gmail.com
Joining the Faith & Fellowship Committee	Dottie Ritter	financialsecretary@peace-tohickon.org
Helping with the Peace Garden	Dottie Ritter	financialsecretary@peace-tohickon.org
If You Have Something to add here	Julia Erney	adminassistant@peace-tohickon.org

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New Spirit, Bells, Youth Choir	Jen Bara	267-307-4061	edjenbara@yahoo.com
Sexton	Chip Kramer	215-872-8257	moparchip@verizon.net
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Nursery	Elaine Miller	215-536-9271	
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Council Member	Donna Donelon	908-627-1952	donelons@ptd.net
Council Member	Heidi Gerth	267-424-4893	hmgerth106@gmail.com
Council Member	Bill Groff	215-453-9005	pennridge45@yahoo.com
Council Member	Gary Schaeffer	484-894-3030	grschaef@verizon.net
Council Member - Youth Representative	Courtney Steiner		
Council Member	Dianne Steiner	215-453-7917	dsteiner605@gmail.com
Council Member	Available		

Thank You For Your Willingness to Serve!

Our Mission @ Peace:

**Trusting in God's love, we grow in faith, celebrate His Word,
care for His gifts, and serve others.**

What's Happening at Peace?

Church Picnic on Kickoff Sunday !

The Sunday after Labor Day, on what is traditionally known as 'Rally Day' to us, we will be hosting our annual church picnic. It will be **held on September 8th at Peace, beginning at 11:30 am**. *Come one, come all!* The church will provide hotdogs, hamburgers, and beverages. **Congregation members are asked to contribute appetizers, salads, & desserts.**



Picnic

The Fellowship Committee needs your help in planning this festive event! Ideas on games & activities for all ages are needed, as well as volunteers to help set up, carry out, & clean up that day.

We will have a planning meeting on August 11, after the worship service. Please come out & help plan a great kick off to our upcoming church year of growing our faith, worshipping our Lord, & serving & caring for others & our world!

A Smile Goes A Long Way ...

PEACE is in need of **Greeters** for worship services. If you have a friendly smile & enjoy giving warm welcomes, please contact **Judy Hamilton** at jhamilton5988@gmail.com .



On Kick-off Sunday, September 8, 2019 we will resume our regular worship schedule of two services, one at 8:15 am and the second at 10:15 am. During these services, Pastor Malloy will be blessing backpacks, work satchels, briefcases, etc. to keep our journeys safe and our work driven by God's guidance and good graces. She will also be handing out luggage tags to the youngsters that bring their backpacks that day.

And don't forget to bring a side, salad or dessert to share, since our church picnic begins after the late service!



Women of the **ELCA**

Ladies of Peace, please check your calendars! **September 16, 2019 at 6:30 PM is our next WELCA meeting.** Becoming a member of WELCA is a wonderful way to serve God by helping spread His Word and His Love in the community!

If you decide to join the group for the September meeting, **please bring either a salad or an appetizer with you to share** with friends.

It will be a great evening, with lots of delicious food, fun & fellowship! All women are always welcome to join us, even if you can't attend on a regular basis.

Questions? Please **contact Nancy Grace** at 215-257-4213 or via e-mail ngrace25@comcast.net .

****Please note: We do NOT meet in August.**

CALL COMMITTEE UPDATE



The Call Committee has interviewed two candidates recently. Please continue to pray for the congregation of Peace, for the available candidates & for the call committee. We appreciate your patience & your prayers.



NEEDED: Peace Representative for THE PENNRIDGE CROP WALK

The **36th annual Pennridge CROP Walk** for the Hungry will be held **Sunday, October 13**. The event is always held on the second Sunday in October, close to World Food Day. Our Congregation is in need of a person who will serve as our congregation's recruiter/contact person for the walk.

A congregational recruiter meeting is set for Thursday, August 15, at 7:00 pm at St. Andrew's Lutheran Church, 20 Dill Ave., Perkasio, PA. We are in need of someone from Peace to attend this informational meeting and share the details from the meeting with our congregation.

If you are interested in serving in this capacity as our liaison, please **contact Julia Erney** in the church office at **215-257-3294** or **Pastor Malloy** at **215-932-9533**. We need to find someone willing to embrace this role decisively, as the August 15th meeting is coming up quickly.

Any Questions? Please **contact Mary Long**, Pennridge Walk Coordinator at **maryflong@hotmail.com**. And thanks for supporting those who are food insecure both locally and globally. Melissa Yates can tell you more about this role also, as she has served as our liaison for the past three years.

Peace Youth Group (PYG) Fall Kick-off Planning Picnic

Summer is rapidly winding to a close and it's that time of year to plan our fall kick-off activities with some games, event planning, election of officers and a picnic at Mama G's on **September 22nd from 3-6 PM**. The PYG is open to all youth going into 6th grade, up through senior year in high school. If you've joined us before, we hope to see you back! If you haven't yet, it's the perfect time to join.

The PYG is all about fun, service, fellowship and faith and we try to do things together every year in each of those areas. This past year we participated in Sleep Out for the Homeless on one of the coldest nights in November to raise awareness of the homeless crisis in our hometowns; we did many fundraisers, including a spring hoagie sale; we had kids go to South Dakota on a mission trip this past month; we hosted a great group of Peace youth and friends at our annual Bear Creek weekend to learn about our Identity as children of God and much, much more. Oh, and did I mention our annual cookie baking event? Fun Times!

Your advisors are Mr. C, Mama G and Chippers - the perfect balance of fun, planning, caring and laughter. We're also blessed to have parents, family and other church staff involved. At PYG we welcome everyone and our kids routinely bring friends with them to our events.



Please RSVP no later than 9/15 - let me know how many!

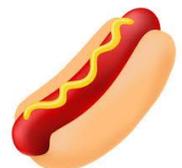
Who's invited: PYG, friends and families

What: Games, planning meeting and dinner

What to bring: side, salad or desert to share. Hamburgers and hotdogs will be provided by Mama G

What to wear: Comfy clothes to play in

We hope to see you there! If you have questions, want to know more or would like a better idea of what the PYG is all about, please feel free to reach out to any of our advisors: **Curt Gerth: curtgerth@yahoo.com**, **Heidi Gerth: hmgerth106@gmail.com** or **Chip Kramer: moparchip@verizon.net**.





Dear Peace Lutheran Members,

Thank you very much for the generous scholarship towards my tuition at the University of Pittsburgh. I will be graduating in the spring with an ACS certified degree in chemistry and concentration in material science, a minor in physics, a certificate in nanoengineering, and related areas in math and music.

I will be a squad leader in marching band, a part of the herald trumpets, several of the pep bands, and lead trumpet for the jazz ensemble. The support you have given me is above and beyond, and I still can't thank you enough for everything.

Sincerely,

James Dages

Dear Peace Lutheran Members,

Thank you so much for the scholarship. I'm so excited to begin my journey at West Chester University and I feel even more excited to have your support through this new adventure.

I will be pursuing a double degree of special education and early childhood education (Prek-4). I am also ecstatic to tell you that I will be in the West Chester Incomparable Golden Rams Marching Band.

With your generous gift, I can continue my education and will graduate to become a teacher and help to teach children. I believe God will help guide me on my path and show me the way throughout college. Thank you again for everything.

Sincerely,

Jillian Dages

James & Jillian Dages, each were awarded a \$500 scholarship from Peace-Tohickon Lutheran Church's Scholarship Fund to further their studies in higher education this fall.

Best of luck to you both!

We're proud of all of your accomplishments thus far. Keep up the good work.



Lola Stever

Founding Peace Family Member
Fellow Sister in Faith
Oct. 28, 1920 ~ July 31, 2019

Lola Stever, one of our founding church family members passed on to be with our Lord this past Wednesday, July 31, 2019. Pastor Malloy and Barbara Bachman were by her side when she passed.

A memorial service will be held at Peace-Tohickon Lutheran Church on **Friday, August 9, 2019 at 11 am.** Family and friends may call from 10-11 am at Peace. A reception to celebrate Lola's life will follow the church service and also will be held at Peace-Tohickon Lutheran Church.

We ask that you keep Paul Stever, Lola's husband, and Linda Fox, Lola's sister, in your prayers at this time. If you would like to send flowers, share a memory or reach out to Lola's family, you may visit Suess Funeral Home's website at www.suessfuneralhome.net.

And if there is anyone you believe should be notified about Lola's death, please reach out to those members, neighbors and friends, as you deem appropriate. Thank you.



Clair Gabel

Lifetime Peace Member &
Fellow Brother in Faith
October 6, 1933 ~ July 13, 2019

Clair will be greatly missed by his Peace family. May he rest in Peace with our Savior.

Many of us will remember Clair as a storyteller, always smiling and bringing out the best in us. Others will remember him as a Philadelphia Phillies and Eagles fan, cheering on his teams to victory. Clair was many things to many people: a devoted husband, proud father, grandfather and uncle, U.S. Army veteran, long time employee at U.S. Gauge in Sellersville, fellow Call Committee member at Peace and a woodworker who liked to share his talent by giving gifts to others he cared about.

But mostly, Clair was a good man and a faithful follower of Jesus's teachings, loved by us all and his legacy lives in our hearts and memories of him and with him will live in our minds now and always.

We would ask that you please keep Clair and his wife Betty, as well as their son, Nathan, and other family members in your thoughts and prayers, as they journey through this difficult time.

SUNDAY SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT DIRECTOR NEEDED

The Faith & Fellowship Committee is looking for one or two people to *share* in the leadership of the morning Sunday school classes, order classroom materials, organize the popular Peace Meals and find & direct special activities for youth fellowship.

This role also leads learning & service opportunities for Earth Day, Christmas and other Sunday school celebrations. Please prayerfully consider volunteering to help the children of Peace "grow in faith". For more info, **contact Dottie Ritter** at **(215) 257-4587**.



Even when you are on vacation,
our ministry continues. Please remember
to send your offering before you go.
May God bless you with
safe travels & fun times to look back on.



VOLUNTEERS WANTED !!

The Outreach Committee needs your help to spread the word about Peace Lutheran Church to your friends & neighbors! **Join our team** & have fun participating in events like the Easter Egg Hunt, Trunk or Treat, Perkasia Fall Fest, the annual Christmas Tree Lighting & *more!* We could really use your help! **Contact Cheryl Saint-Pol** at **ccsaint@verizon.net** for more details.

Peace Garden Helping Penridge FISH

Our Peace Garden is continuing to thrive! So far, **we have supplied 77.2 lb. of food and flowers to Penridge FISH**, our local food pantry (since the end of June). Yellow & green beans, bell peppers, banana peppers, hot peppers, tomatoes, both cherry & regular size, zucchini, cucumbers, cabbage, parsley, and bouquets of zinnias have been delivered and gratefully received.

We have some new residents of the garden too. Come and see the swallowtail butterfly caterpillars that are growing and forming their chrysalis. Soon the butterflies will be emerging, and together with the many bees, will be pollinating and beautifying the garden! Our garden is truly a place of joy, beauty, and hope to our church and community!

Thank you to everyone who gave their
time and talents to help make this
new mission a success!!



Contact Dottie Ritter if you have any
questions or for more information.

Sunday School Leaders Wanted

Our Sunday School classes need your help! We are in need of teachers & assistants to teach once or twice a month for our 1st/2nd grade class, 3rd - 5th grade class, & for the high school class.

The material is provided, & this would be a great way to get to know our children & to help them grow in their faith! We are also looking for a Superintendent to help lead & organize our program.

See Dottie Ritter with questions
or offers of help!



Are We Ever Going To Have Lunch Again?

Yes! But Not Until September ...

Good news! We have 23 people signed up to go on the bus trip on **September 11** to The Rainbow Comedy Theater in Lancaster, PA to see "Funny Money".

Thank you all for signing up!

September 11th Itinerary:

9:30 am – bus to depart Peace Lutheran church parking lot

11:00 am – 3:00 pm – buffet meal & show

5:00 pm – approximate return to Peace

Questions? **Contact Grace Lloyd** at
610-972-3172 or e-mail **gracelloyd@yahoo.com**.

The Lunch Bunch meets on **the first Wednesday**
of the Month at noon, September through June.

Anyone 55 and over is welcome!

****Please Note: The Lunch Bunch will NOT meet in August.**

A Note From Altar Guild:

Many Thanks to all who sponsor our weekly altar flowers and bulletins.

The flowers beautify our church services. There are still dates available for sponsorship through the end of the year, including

9/1, 9/15, 9/22,

10/13, 10/27,

11/3, 11/10, 11/17,

12/8, 12/15, 12/24, 12/29

Please sign the flower chart outside the coat room if you would like to sponsor flowers and bulletins in honor of or in memory of a loved one. You can drop the \$52 in the offertory plate during worship services.

And thank you for helping to beautify our church.



Please Sign The Birthday Cards in the Narthex ...

For our members celebrating a milestone birthday over the age of 80 years old ...

Jayne Kramer – 85 years young! (August 15th)

Marian Engelmänn – 96 years young! (August 16th)

Herta Altner – 90 years young! (August 31st) &

Luke Stever – 89 years young! (August 31st)



Betty and Nate Gabel would like to thank all of the members of Peace who visited Clair, sent cards or flowers, called during his time of illness or passing or provided baked goods at Clair's memorial service. She finds peace knowing that Clair was loved so dearly by his church family & said he appreciated our efforts greatly.

*Thank
you*

Memorial Gifts in Honor/Memory of Clair Gabel

The following people made donations to Peace-Tohickon Lutheran Church in loving memory of Clair:

Betty Kramer
Grace Lloyd
Dr. & Mrs. W.A. Lyons
The Erney Family
Clair's Walking Group/Club



Peace PUPS (Peace's Ultimate Pals)

The Jr. Youth Group is looking for chaperones. The PUPS meet once a month with activities for the children of Peace and their friends in **grades 1 through 5**. Movies, game nights, and picnics were some of activities that the kids enjoyed in the past. **Contact Julia Erney or Dottie Ritter** with any questions or to volunteer to help lead this group.



▲ Message From The Finance Committee

The 2020 budget proposals from the various committees & chairpersons will be due to the finance committee before October 15th. We wish to review your budgets before they to council for final approval, so please be prompt; *the earlier the better!*

Also, the finance committee is in need of one more member to assist us. No financial background is needed. . If you're not sure what the Finance Committee is all about, join us **Sunday, August 4th** for our next meeting at 10:15 am.

Thank you, in advance for your attention to these matters.
Questions? **Contact Garry Engelmann at 267-918-5384.**



We Now Have a New Floor!

The floor in the kitchen & fellowship hall has been successfully removed & replaced!

Thank you to everyone that has helped ready the space or move items back into place; you made quick work of the tasks that needed to get done. We appreciate your patience during this renovation and look forward to being able to use these areas of Peace once again!

Any Questions? Contact **Mike Cygan: 215 872-4490.**

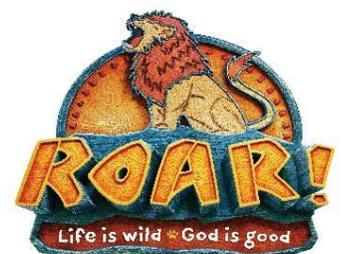


ROAR MISSION PROJECT

If you want to make any donations to the VBS ROAR Mission Project, you can place money or checks in an envelope in the offertory plate, labeled as such. We will continue to collect donations through Sunday, August 11th.

\$10 purchases one mosquito net to prevent malaria; **\$75 will stock a health clinic for an entire week**. Medicines and medical supplies are in high demand in Africa & can save lives. Thank you, in advance for your donations!

Questions? **Contact Yvonne Thomas at ythomas215@gmail.com**
or **Nicole Wilfong at nicoleywilfong@hotmail.com** .





CALLING ALL MUSICIANS!

Please sign up to **sing or play a solo (or duet) during the summer** here at Peace. **There are still two slots open – August 11 & Sept. 1.**

There's a sign-up chart in the narthex. If you need suggestions, please see me -- or if you have an appropriate piece you've been working on, that's great!

While our choirs and bells have the summer off from rehearsals, we still can enjoy special music throughout the summer -- if all musicians take part. **Call 215 692 3101** or see me with questions. Thanks! --Linda Beck



Call the Church Office When ...

- A member becomes hospitalized or shut-in,
- A member needs prayer, is having a baby, getting married or moving.
- You have spiritual questions to explore.
- You are curious about God's call to you.

Peace Church Office: 215-257-3294

What Talents Can You Share?

New committees have formed, including a Stewardship committee, an IT Committee, & a Gardening Club. Our Outreach Committee, Altar Guild, & Finance Committee are looking for new members.

Call the church office at 215-257-3294 to learn how to get involved at Peace.

Keeping Our Prayer List Up-to-Date ...

Thank you all for being so diligent in calling the church office to add friends and family to our prayer list. We can all use as many prayers as we can get some days, but please also remember to let the church administrative assistant know if there are names that no longer need to be on the list.

Life gets busy and it's easy to forget, but our list does get long at times. We want to be able to offer room to those that truly need to be in our prayers. Names will automatically be removed **after 30 days** unless otherwise notified. Thank you.

Save The Date!

Harvest Home is September 22.

It's never too early to start collecting non-perishables for Penridge FISH. You may place any donations in the grocery cart in the coat room. Thank you!

Items in demand are always listed on the Penridge FISH web site, but canned goods, pasta, laundry items, paper products and baby diapers and wipes are always welcome.



Note to Members: A neighbor of Peace Lutheran Church has asked to use our parking lot for guests that will be attending her wedding at her home, located down the street from our church on **Sunday, September 1st, 2019 from approximately 2 pm to 8 pm.** Don't be alarmed if you see some extra cars here during that time or a wagon transporting people back and forth.

It's a casual, country-themed wedding with hay ride valet service!



Our Prayer List - Please Pray for ...

Our Members

John Schoch
Shirley Slozer
Lois Hafler

Betty & Nate Gabel
Charlene Fisher
Tim Heverly

Tom Smith
Grace Nicolino
Anna Heverly

Paul & Lola Stever
Wanda Renshaw
Family of Ann Goodman

Diane Stump
Sherry Dulsky

Our Military

Brian Hilinski
Eric French

Kyle Likens
Flint Engelmann

Our Friends

Tony Wede – *Brother of Ellen Shelly*
Linda Fox – *Sister of Lola Stever*
Christopher Malloy – *Son of Pastor Malloy*
Caitlyn – *Daughter of Elaine Keckiessen*
Michael & Angel Miller – *Grandson & Daughter of Sue Keen*
Gloria Anderson – *Mother of Peni Bottorf*
Meaghan Bowden – *Pam Bowden's Daughter*
Doris Bohanak – *Shelley DePinto's Mother*
Winnie Klopper – *Friend of Pete Moyer*
Geraldine Schuster – *Friend of Grace Grim*
Jamie Kruse – *Sister-in-Law of Dawn Lutz*
Carl & Ann Garrison – *Friends of Jayne Kramer*
Sally Churchman – *Friend of Kathy Mitman*
Neil Rapawy – *Friends of Randi & Gary Schaeffer*
Barbara Sacks – *Sister of Robert Beck*
Landon D'Aprile – *Roxane & Gary's Grandson*
Lynette Richardson – *Cousin of Corinne Penn*
Susanne Wright – *Relative of Pete and Cheryl Moyer*
Claire & Robert Thomas – *Dave Thomas' Parents*
Dorothy/Don Armstrong – *Sister/Brother-in-Law of Nancy Grace*
Stephanie Salewski – *Julia Erney's Mother*
Suzanne Murawski – *Julia Erney's Aunt*
Edith Payton – *Janice Propsner's Mother*
Kathy McCarron – *Tom Smith's Mother*
Fred Heitzenroder – *Friend of the Groffs*
Mike Maurer, Wife & Daughter – *Friends of Larry Schenk*
Nancy Steiner – *Mother-in-Law of Dianne Steiner*
Oliver McLaughlin – *Grandson of Roxane and Gary D'Aprile*
Maureen Gildea – *Friend of Jayne Kramer & Beth Kramer Maloney*
William Umstead – *Friend of John & Ellen Shelly*
Dolores Propsner – *Bob Propsner's Mother*
Edward Brous – *Friend & Arbours Community Neighbor*
Stacy Block – *Brother-in-Law of Peter & Cheryl Moyer*
Brandon Case – *Tom Smith's Nephew*
Ken Swift – *Friend of the Groffs*
Jean Gruen – *Friend of the Groffs*
Marsha Guskey – *Friend of Tom Smith*



THE WELCOME CHURCH

A group from Peace helped to host the Welcome Church in Philadelphia on June 30th. The Welcome Church is an outreach organization through the ELCA that ministers to the homeless, offering an outdoor worship service in the park, followed by a coffee hour and the distribution of food and donations for the homeless. Thank you to all of our members who helped the cause that day by making sandwiches and baked goods, donating t-shirts and socks, or handing out items.



At Vacation Bible School, we had a Rip ROARING Good Time!

Throughout the week, the children learned how *God's* love is shown in even the worst of times... when life is unfair, scary, changes, sad, and good ... **God is Good!**



Gary Schaeffer's Ark of the Covenant

There were skits to watch & songs to sing!



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Minutes of the Congregation Council

June 18, 2019

2020 Term	2021 Term	2022 Term
Barbara Bachman (2 nd)	Doug Erney (1 st)	vacant
Bill Groff (1 st)*	Donna Donelon (1 st)*	Mike Cygan (1 st)*
Melissa Yates (1 st)*	Gary Schaeffer (1 st)	Dianne Steiner (1 st)*
vacant	Courtney Steiner (1 st)*	Heidi Gerth (1 st)*

Dottie Ritter, financial secretary, also in attendance. Excused: Barbara Bachman, Doug Erney, Gary Schaeffer. Bill Groff arrived at 7:30.

- I. The meeting was called to order at 7 pm by Mike Cygan. Donna Donelon led us in devotions.

Old Business.

- II. Pastor Malloy will join us on June 30th.
- III. We are still seeking a treasurer. Judy Schott has declined the position due to personal commitments. Perhaps a committee or pair of people could fill the position.
- IV. Secretary's Report. **Motion to approve the Secretary's report was made by Heidi Gerth and seconded by Dianne Steiner.**
- V. Faith and Fellowship. We received many positive comments about Youth Sunday. The Youth Group will be on hiatus until September. Courtney and Makenzie leave for Camp Rosebud on July 12. **Motion to accept Faith and Fellowship's report was made by Dianne Steiner and seconded by Bill Groff.**
- VI. Financial Secretary's Report. **Motion to accept the Financial Secretary's report was made by Dianne Steiner and seconded by Courtney Steiner.**
- VII. Treasurer's Report. The unapproved Treasurer's report was presented. There was discussion of the amount of time allotted to the Church Secretary to complete the assigned tasks. 15 hours may be an unrealistic expectation. With the current number of hours, we must work from two ends. One requires us to remind the secretary that hours must be watched. The second requires us to provide better tools for the job. IT needs to meet to decide on this. With one service instead of two, and increased learning on the part of the secretary, we expect that the number of hours used will improve. We will revisit this at the end of the summer and report to the congregation.

VIII Property Report. Fuel. The budget allows seven thousand dollars for the purchase of fuel oil. We are down 4,000 gallons and have been quoted a price of 2.549 per gallon. We have about 1500 gallons. It is important to encourage the congregation to donate toward this cost. We must talk up the next HELP and FUEL envelopes and ask for donations.

Motion to accept the preceding reports was made by Dianne Steiner and seconded by Donna Donelon.

IX Membership. Bill, Dianne and Courtney will miss the July meeting. We received a communication from Bev Azzalina resigning from her position on council.

X Scholarship Requests.

Two scholarship request were submitted to Council for approval. The two candidates are James Dages and Jillian Dages.

Motion to approve these two candidates was made by Melissa Yates and seconded by Donna Donelon. A motion to award \$500.00 to each candidate was made by Mike Cygan and seconded by Courtney Steiner.

New Business

XI With numbers in the IT committee currently diminished, the Council decided to take action on the purchase of Microsoft Office for the Administrative Assistant. **A motion to purchase Microsoft Office Suite with Publisher for the administrative assistant at a cost not to exceed \$1000.00 was made by Courtney Steiner and seconded by Donna Donelon.**

XII Charts of Areas of Ministry. We will hold the results and share them with the bridge pastor.

XIII Bill Groff reported on his attendance at the meeting of the Lutheran Community board. They want to build more units. Grace ministries wants 50 apartments in Sellersville.

XIV CPR Training Dianne Steiner advocated for a CPR training class for those interested, and especially for ushers and Sunday school teachers. The cost per person would be \$65.00.

XV A motion to adjourn at 8:45 p.m. was made by Heidi Gerth and seconded by Courtney Steiner.

Reminders.

Next Meeting: July 16

Devotions: Melissa Yates

Counter 1: Donna Donelon

Counter 2: Heidi Gerth

Respectfully submitted,
Melissa Yates

Motions.

Motion to approve the Secretary's report was made by Heidi Gerth and seconded by Dianne Steiner.. Motion to accept Faith and Fellowship's report was made by Dianne Steiner and seconded by Bill Groff.

Motion to accept the Financial Secretary's report was made by Dianne Steiner and seconded by Courtney Steiner.

Motion to accept the Treasurer's and Finance reports was made by Dianne Steiner and seconded by Donna Donelon.

Motion to approve James Dages and Jillian Dages as candidates for scholarships was made by Melissa Yates and seconded by Donna Donelon.

A motion to award \$500.00 to each scholarship candidate was made by Mike Cygan and seconded by Courtney Steiner.

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PEACE LUTHERAN CHURCH
SUMMARY TREASURER'S REPORT
1/01/19 through 6/30/19

Operating Budget			
	Budget	Year To Date Actual	Budget Less Actual
Revenue			
Current Expense	\$110,392	\$61,257	\$49,135
Building Maintenance	\$12,486	\$5,132	\$7,354
Benevolence	\$17,184	\$7,433	\$9,751
Flowers & Bulletins	\$3,340	\$1,751	\$1,589
Special Envelopes	\$6,706	\$2,826	\$3,880
Plate Offering	\$3,431	\$1,019	\$2,412
Nase Funds	\$74,000	\$18,631	\$55,369
All other	\$990	\$1,415	-\$425
Total Revenue	\$228,529	\$99,463	\$129,066
Less: Total Expenses	-\$285,050	-\$114,936	-\$170,114
Revenue (Under)/Over Expense:	-\$56,521	-\$15,473	-\$41,048

Designated Benevolence-YTD 06/30/19	
Advent Quarter Card	\$10
Ash Wednesday	\$290
Diakon Tipton Ministries	\$111
Farewell Gifts	\$971
FISH	\$98
Garden Fund	\$433
Good Friday	\$293
Harvest Home	\$0
KenCrest	\$103
Lenten Quarter Card	\$142
Liberty Lutheran	\$5
Lutheran Charity Appeal	\$3
Lutheran Disaster Response	\$453
Lutheran Settlement House	\$10
Maundy Thursday	\$170
Mid-Week Lent	\$415
Missionary	\$142
Sunday School Missionary	\$10
Thankoffering	\$20
Thanksgiving	\$20
Telford Home	\$172
Total Designated Benevolence	<u>\$3,871</u>

Fund Balances-YTD 06/30/19	
Bear Creek Summer Camp	\$475
Buck Estate*	\$97,639
Maintenance Investment*	\$43,782
Concert Series	\$1,982
Discretionary Fund	\$865
Education Fund*	\$92,834
Endowment Fund*	\$241,885
Financial Statement Entries	\$69,529
Future Building Fund*	\$943,305
Garden Fund	\$44
General Fund	\$90,842
Lewis Memorial Fund*	\$167,595
Memorial Fund*	\$37,487
Music Fund	\$2,560
Music Investment Fund*	\$57,047
New Ministries	\$14,905
Youth Group Fund	\$5,965
Youth - Mission Trips	\$2,342
Youth - PUPS	\$10
WELCA	\$611
Total Fund Balances	<u>\$1,871,701</u>
*Figures subject to change due to transition of investments from Thrivent to Haverford Trust	

YOU ARE INVITED 

Inter-Church Bowling League is
looking for additional **CHURCH TEAMS**
or **Individual Bowlers** to join in.

We bowl each Tuesday evening at Earl Bowl
Lanes, Allentown Road, Earlington 6:30 PM
(Season runs August 27th - April 28th
(Cost \$13.00/bowler/week)

You don't need to be a great bowler as we use a **90%**
handicap. Great Fellowship, Year End
Banquet with Awards & Prizes.

If interested or have any questions, reach out to Bill Bennett
(Secretary/Treasurer) at 215-669-8856 or
billbennett11@comcast.net

We'll be holding a Captains meeting Tuesday August 6th 6:30 PM at
Earlbowl and we would like to have our Teams set by then...think
about it and join in for lots of FUN!