

June 2017

News for the Youth at Peace Lutheran



Dear Peace Youth,

Hope you are having a safe and fun summer or will be soon! I wanted to tell you about an event coming up next month that I am very excited about. We will be having a day long event here at the church. It is called Wading in the Waters. This event will be on July 14th and will start at 10am and last till 10pm.

This will be very similar to Antioch but will be for one day and the theme for this event is baptism. During Antioch we talked a lot about communion, now we will have the chance to explore a different sacrament. Have you ever wondered why we baptize babies and other churches baptize adults? Have you ever wondered why we only sprinkle water and other churches dunk? Have you ever wondered where baptismal water comes from? This will be a time to explore all of those questions and more!

We will also have A LOT of fun! All of our games will be water themed and we will be having a pool party! Prepare to have fun remembering your own baptism while soaking those around you! Some games to look forward to are Drip, Drip, Drop, Tug of war (water style), and an epic game of capture the flag with water bombs.

We will have lunch and dinner together and the amazing ladies who prepared dinner for us at Antioch have offered to wow us again, this time with a cook out! We will also have snacks throughout the day including a watermelon seed spitting contest!

I hope that you can come and enjoy this amazing, wet, and wild day here at Peace and learn together about the awesome gift of baptism!

God's Peace,
Deacon Shari

P.S. - If you are attending Summer School – please join us when your school day is done!

Asset of the month:

YOUTH PROGRAMS & COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

You spend 3 or more hours per week in school, religious &/or community clubs, organization, youth groups or sports.

- Evaluate your time. What are your interests? Is there something you would like to do, but haven't tried? Get involved in youth & community programs - especially now that school is done for the summer.
- Find a club, extra curricular activity, team, organization or group that aligns with your interests and get involved.
- Get more involved here at church! If we don't have activities you are interested in let us know - bring us your ideas!

Quote:

"Life can be uncertain, work can be unpredictable. But by having good friends around you, support is guaranteed."

Kishan S. Chauhan

THE HOPE FUND!

If you would like to participate in a youth event but the cost involved is keeping you from joining us, we have a fund available to help you. The Hope Fund has been established to enable members of our congregation to participate in church activities that they might not otherwise be able to participate in due to the cost of the activity. Just let Deacon Shari or Pastor Dave know if you need to use this fund—and no one else will know.

Sharing Faith!

Be a good, friendly listener; and along with supporting people however you can, say "I will pray for you" when someone shares a personal concern or difficulty.

June's Everybody Read passage: Ephesians 2:14-22.

Each month Pastor will pick a passage for the whole church to read sometime during the month. You are invited to write a sentence or two (or more) on the sign-up slip in the bulletin to share what you got out of the passage. We will post responses in the bulletin.



ART FAIR is coming - July 22/23

Start creating now (& get your past works together) to put up on display! We would love to have members &

friends share their work in painting, drawing, carving, woodwork, pottery, poetry, quilting, jewelry, photography, writing and other creative talents. If you have displayed your work in past years you are encouraged to do so again for the benefit of newer members who have not had the privilege to see the deep pool of artistic talent in our congregation. Please contact the church office, use the sign-up slip in the bulletin or contact John and Amy Ambrose at (708) 478-6709 (email address: jlambrose@chubb.com) if you are interested in displaying your work.



Willing to Help at Worship?

Summer is a busy time & the office is frequently looking for substitutes for the many worship roles, such as:

- usher
- communion server
- nursery
- acolyte

Please let the office know if you would be willing to help (please let us know which worship time you most often attend, also) and we will contact you when a need arises.

To sign-up, ask ?s, or reach us: email, call the office, use the bulletin sign-up slip, or use the sign-up sheet in Confirmation or in your Sunday School classroom or use the board in the narthex.



Join us for Worship, or any of our events! We are always glad when you are here!



June 4- Pentecost: birth of the church year
The seventh Sunday after Easter, commemorating the descent of the Holy Spirit upon the disciples. (seven complete weeks, i.e., 49 days and this feast was held on the fiftieth-pente-day.)
We **wear red on Pentecost** because it symbolizes joy and the fire of the Holy Spirit.



Show & Shine Auto Display – June 11



Calling all car lovers! Come see treasured cars of others in the congregation on June 11 between 9:15a – 12:20p.



Outdoor Worship & Potluck Dinner

On Sunday, June 11, at 6:00 p.m., we will have an outdoor worship service (if it's raining or cold we'll be in Fellowship Hall.) It will be a shortened service but otherwise have all the regular pieces, including special music! Following the worship we will also have a time of fellowship with a potluck. We will provide sloppy joes. We will also be hosting our mission partners from Santa Cruz and First Lutheran Church in Joliet. Use the sign-up slip in the bulletin or call the church office if you are able to join us. (Peace 360 will follow the dinner!)

**COME JOIN IN ON CHURCH-WIDE EVENTS
GET TO KNOW OTHER KIDS AND THE
ADULTS, TOO!**

Special Congregational Meeting – June 18

A special meeting to approve the budget will be held June 18, at 9:35 a.m. While the meeting is usually brief, it is an opportunity to officially act on our 2017-2018 budget plan. (Confirmed members have a vote!)



Strawberries, Cake & Ice Cream – June 18

You'll want to come (or stay) on June 18, following the Special Congregation Meeting – so about 9:45a - for our eleventh annual, strawberries-cake-other toppings & ice cream social in Fellowship Hall. The previous 10 years have been delicious successes! (And it will be a fun way for us to honor Father's Day, too.) Let us know if you are coming!

**If you would like to help at VBS, just let
Pastor Dave know!
VBS will be July 25-28 this
Summer, from 9:30a - noon.
This year's theme is
"Come to Camp Peace."**



Come to Camp Peace



Ping Pong Club

Another new ministry in which the Fellowship Committee would like to find out the level of interest, is a Ping Pong Club (all-church). Would you like to have a chance to play some other people from church occasionally? We won't try to figure out how often or whether to play at church or in the homes of you with tables....once we get interested people, we'll let the group arrange all that. Please call the office.

Remember Those Serving:

Mail for those serving in the military can be sent to:
MA3 Connor Baker
PSC 1005 Box 60
FPO AE 09593 – 0001
Cpl Pafford, Devin
MCAS Yuma
PO Box 99160
Yuma AZ 85369

Daniel Treasure, EMFN, EE DIV
USS Rafael Peralta (DDG 115)
Unit 100415 Box 1505
FPO AP 96694
Jacob Treasure
3749 Radcliffe Rd.
Abilene, TX 79602

Our sponsored missionary is:

Shemiah Curry is the young adult we're helping to sponsor this year as a missionary in Rwanda. Her mailing address is:

Kate Warn
Att: Shemiah Curry
P.O. Box 5692
Kigali, Rwanda

A first class letter costs \$1.15 for first ounce, and \$.83 additional for each ounce up to 3.5 ounces.

You can also follow Shemiah via her blog:

<https://shemiahc.wordpress.com> or on Facebook:
<https://www.facebook.com/AdventuresofRwanda/>.



L.O.M.C. 2016 Activities Brochure

The Lutheran Outdoor Ministries Center's 2017 activities brochure can be found on the counter in the narthex. You can also find brochures for Camp Manitoqua in Frankfort and Lutherdale in Wisconsin on the counter. Or you can look, and register, online at www.LOMC.org and www.manitoqua.org and www.lutherdale.org.

**Do you like to work outside? Help others?
We have an opportunity for you!**



Gardeners for MorningStar

For those of you who like to garden, when your produce starts to come in, if you have any extras, bring them to church and we'll bring them to MorningStar mission.

FYI – One way our offerings make a difference:

Last fiscal year, July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016, Lutheran Social Services of Illinois (LSSI) helped 63,653 people in communities across Illinois (1 in every 201 people in Illinois). [Our church donates to LSSI.]



Stop by the Peace Library this Summer!

Have you looked at the books in our library recently? They are organized into different sections: Self Help, Fiction & Poetry, Prayers/Devotions, Bible, Christian Life; plus others. You are welcome to stay and relax and read!



7TH & 8TH GRADE INFO:

CONFIRMATION SUNDAY!

option 2: June 4 @ 11 a.m.

Confirmants: arrive at church no later than 10:30 a.m. (Meet in Fellowship Hall.)

7/8 & HIGH SCHOOL INFO:

CONGRATULATIONS Confirmants! Welcome to the High School Youth Group!



Confirmation Pictures

If anyone would like to view and/or order copies from Pastor Dave's Confirmation Sunday pictures, they are available in the narthex. Please place orders by June 25.



National Youth Gathering Interest Meeting –

June 11, 9:45a: We would like to get together with all who are or may be interested in attending the National Youth Gathering in Houston, TX in July of 2018. Students going into 8th grade through those going into 12th grade in the Fall are eligible. We will let you know all the exciting things you will be doing there, the cost of going and answer questions you may have. Please bring a parent with you so they can hear the information first hand and ask questions they may have, too.

LOOK FOR: **WADING IN THE WATERS!** (mini retreat - in July!)



Have you seen the box containing "Bible Background" in the bulletin? You can use it as a way to supplement your reading the Bible; or maybe it could be a way for you to start reading the Bible. Read the passage in the Bible and then the Bible Background, (or vis versa, if you prefer!)

From the May 28 bulletin:

Bible Background for Acts. 1:6-14

"Do you have your charger with you?" Anyone who has gone away from home and forgotten his or her charger knows the frustration of having all kinds of capability in the device being unusable. There it sits, useless. What's needed is power. This lesson assures the disciples and us that an amazing power comes to all of us from God. No charger is needed and the power is available anywhere and all the time. You can't beat that, even if you're forgetful.

HIGH SCHOOL INFO:

Peace 360: JOIN US!

Have you ever wished that there was a place that you could hang with your friends (from church and elsewhere)? A place that is fun, interesting, and (sometimes) crazy? We have that place for you... Peace 360! We truly hope that you will mark off this time for us - and for you! Whenever you can be here you'll be a welcome addition! Our Summer schedule will likely be the 2nd & 4th Sundays of the month, meeting at 6:00p. Starting with : **June 11** – First Summer meeting! We will assist with the Outdoor Worship and join the potluck dinner. Please arrive before 6:00p if you are specifically scheduled to help during the worship service. *After dinner there will be a special meeting just for you about the 2018 National Youth Gathering.

June 25 – Pool Party! Meet at the Klock's house at 3:00p. Please bring a towel and a snack to share.

Watch the newsletters, the bulletin, emails and texts for more information about the Summer activities!



Recognizing Graduates

On the weekend of **June 3/4** during the worship services, we would like to recognize all those who are graduating from high school (& beyond).



Congratulations High School Grads! The World is Yours to Conquer!

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Undergrads: Thinking about college. And yourself.

What do you most enjoy about high school?

When you think about a career, what kinds of work interests you? We're not asking what job title sounds best – but what elements of work sound most enjoyable.

Do you like interacting with lots of people? Solving technical problems? Working in a laboratory? Teaching other people? These are the important first questions to ask yourself in your college search. The benefits of an [ELCA college](#) are numerous, but here are some of the ways in which we help our students in their journeys to their careers.

Our colleges are focused on individual student experiences.

We want to help you figure out what is important to you, and how you can shape a career and a life around those ideals. Keep in mind that your major is not necessarily directly linked to your future career. For example, we have many graduates who majored in history and went on to law school, or who majored in economics and then went on to careers in business.

(<http://www.whygolutheran.org/students/thinking-about-college/>)

Don't forget:



Special Music: If you would ever like to provide special music (vocal or instrumental) during the worship services, please contact Kelly Muehlnickel at (815) 463-8836 or email her at bluestonebay@comcast.net.

"Repeats" of important information:



Don't Forget to Check your Email for Reminders for Upcoming Worship Volunteers

Instead of phone calls, we are going to send emails to remind people if they are on the schedule to help during worship services (usher, greeter, refreshments, lay liturgist, lesson reader, etc.). If you would prefer to be reminded with a phone call, please let us know.

Opiate Recovery Group

An Opiate Recovery Group meets here at Peace each Tuesday night from 7:00 – 8:30p. For more information please contact Tom Moore at 815-354-3195.

FEMA Emergency Check Lists

FEMA has a website where you can view and order informational materials and home emergency disaster supply kits. You can also download basic emergency preparedness check lists and also lists for pet owners & seniors. Please visit: <http://www.fema.gov/media-library/resources-documents/collections/344?page=1>

Yellow Ribbon Suicide Prevention Cards – Suicide is not about wanting to die, but about a powerful need for pain to end. You can help someone today by reaching out, listening, and letting them know you care. Give them the suicide prevention hotline.

Yellow Ribbon Suicide Prevention Cards are always located in the entrance area. Let's remember to keep in mind to spread the word that no one is alone in a time of need. Suicide destroys everyone who cares! Help someone today who is reaching out for help by picking up the cards and being attentive to what people are saying about their lives. Crisis Line – (815) 469-6166, text line – 741741, and online – www.suicidepreventionlifeline.org.



Year-round Sharefest Volunteer Opportunities

Many year-round activities that help our community in various ways have grown from the original Sharefest event that occurs in the fall. Volunteers are needed and always welcome. To find out more and/or to volunteer, please visit one of the following sites:

www.ShareFestNewLenox.com
www.ShareFestWillCounty.com
www.sharefestwillcounty.org



Nice weather is here! Don't forget we have a **bike rack** behind Fellowship Hall.



June 2017 Youth Calendar:

See you in church!



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TUES.	Opiate Recovery Group 7:00p
3 / 4	Pentecost begins (wear red) Recognizing Graduates (HS & beyond) Option 2 Confirmation Sunday Be here at 10:30 a.m.!
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6	Committee Meeting 7:30p
11	National Youth Gathering Interest Mtg 9:45a Show & Shine Car Show 9:15a-12:30p Outdoor Worship & Potluck 6:00p Peace 360 to follow the Potluck
15-16	Synod Youth Assembly
17	Blood Drive 9a-1p
18	Father's Day! Special Congregational Meeting 9:35a Strawberries, Cake & Ice Cream 9:45a
25	Confirmation Picture orders due Peace 360 Pool Party 3:00-6:00p (at the Klock's home)
27	Church Council 7:30p
July	8 – Special Prayers for Healing 5p 14 - Wading in the Waters (mini retreat) 10a-10p 22/23 – <i>Peace Church Art Fair</i> (Start now to put new (and past) works together! We would like to see them!)

Share a sermon with a friend!

Find Pastor Dave's & Deacon Shari's sermons (audio only) on our website: peacenewlenox.org



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