

Peace Offerings

The Newsletter of Peace Lutheran Church

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Our Mission: We are a family of Christians called, equipped and empowered by the Holy Spirit to proclaim the saving Gospel of Jesus Christ in word and deed through God's holy Word and Sacraments.



To my Peace family

What a wonderful Reformation celebration! Thank you to all who worked so hard to make the 500 Anniversary of the Reformation such a special day here at Peace.

As we celebrate the Reformation, we offer our thanks and praise as God continues to bless us. If you haven't welcomed our new family members, please do. We officially welcomed Trudy Kreuzer, Jerry & Janice Robertson, Ken and Bev West and Linda Riedel. It was also great to confirm Trina Ruttinger during our service.

It's not too late to join us on Sunday mornings as we continue to learn about Martin Luther and the Reformation. We have a new wonderful 55" television to watch the videos on. Thanks to all who gave to help purchase it. If you still want too, just put your donation in an envelope and mark it TV.

It's hard to believe that October is gone, and November and the holidays are upon us. We look forward to offering our thanks to God at our Thanksgiving Eve worship service on November 22nd. Our Mid-Week Advent services are December 6th, 13th, and 20th and our series this year is "Put on the Light." The services are at 7:00 p.m. and I hope that you will join us and let your light shine.

And of course, on November 26th, the last Sunday in the Church Year we have the annual voter's meeting to elect those who will be serving on the Church Council for the next two years. You will also be voting on the 2018 spending guide. All members as stewards of God's gifts should attend and offer your input as well as support for His Kingdom work here at Peace.

May God bless each of you!
Pastor

FROM THE PRESIDENT

Hello Peace Family,

Just a few things this month. First of all, I would like to welcome all the new members that joined our family at Peace today. I would also like to Congratulate Trina Ruttinger on her confirmation into Peace. We still need volunteers to fill the positions of Treasurer, Trustees and Elders. We currently have Linda Ryun to take Jan Barkers place as Secretary, and Jerry Robertson will join Doug O'Hara as an Elder. Thanks to those who have volunteered to be on the counting team and those who signed up to clean the church. Thanks also to those who have served on the Council for the last 2-3 years. As I come to the end of my first year as President, I hope I have made a positive difference at Peace Lutheran. I will continue to strive to do better. One more thing, thanks to those who made reformation Sunday special, we will never be able to celebrate 500 years again. What a special Blessing.

Garry Kurth,
Congregational President

**Peace Lutheran Church Council
Meeting
October 9th 2017**

Present: Garry Kurth, Hope Kurth, Jan Barker, Rebekah Williams, Steve Cassan, Rev. Terry McKee. Guest Sharon Cassan.

President Garry Kurth called the meeting to order and Pastor Terry opened the meeting with prayer.

Correspondence. None

The minutes from the Sept. meeting were accepted.

President`s Comments: Garry Kurth stated we still need more trustees. He said that the yard looks great.

Reports:

Financial Secretary: Becky Williams said that the total collected from the Oktoberfest Dinner was \$1,051 before expenses. The total profit was \$784.00. \$78.00 was credited to the mission`s fund. There has been \$129 collected for the Reformation Celebration. Becky Williams noted that a church member would like there to be two bouquets on the altar every Sunday. This member will cover the expense of the second bouquet when needed.

Treasurer: The treasurer`s report was accepted.

Trustees: Steve Cassan stated that the transmission in the lawn mower has broken. He will ask Gene Lutz to help fix it. Also, the water pump meter needs to be replaced. He has gotten an estimate from Smokey`s Well and Pump for \$899. Pastor Terry said that Sam McKee might be able to get a replacement at his place of employment for less money. Steve, Pastor and Sam will talk about this in the morning.

SCRIP: No report

Elders: No report.

Pastor`s Report: There is a 55 inch Television on sale at Walmart for \$398. The purchase of a television in the fellowship hall has been approved at a prior council meeting. The television will be purchased tonight by Garry Kurth, Doug O`Hara and Pastor Terry. Pastor will ask for donations from the congregation on Sunday to help defray the cost of the television. Pastor asked Sharon Cassan to change our Sunday School time to 8:45 in all our advertisements.

Old Business:

Reformation Sunday Celebration: Pastor Terry will remind the congregation to wear red. We will be taking in seven or eight new members. Trina Ruttering will be confirmed. Memento glasses have been ordered. All plans are coming together.

Spending Guide Committee: They will be meeting on October 17th 2017.

Nominating Committee: They are still looking for a Treasurer and Trustees. Linda Ryun will be nominated for the Secretary position.

New Business:

First Saturday. Becky Williams submitted a report. We will not be participating in "First Saturday" any longer. We will continue to hand out flyers when we have special events coming up. A "Hard Copy" of her report will be attached to the printed minutes. Sharon Cassan handed out information on purchasing an advertisement spot with the Blue Grass Festival. Discussion followed. The council decided against this.

The meeting adjourned with prayer and the singing of the Doxology. Respectfully Submitted,

Jan Barker,
Secretary

Scrip Cards

I am happy to report our Scrip order for October 1st was 3,002.28, with a profit to peace Lutheran Church of \$112.72. This is our largest order to date. Thank you for supporting this important Fund Raiser.

Remember, if you place orders on November 5th and December 3rd, your Scrip cards can be mailed to your loved ones in time for Christmas.

Barbara Miesen'
Scrip Coordinator



**Best wishes on your Special Day
To:**

Birthdays

11.04	Thelma Grams
11.12	Carole Tobin
11.18	Carol Hummel

Anniversaries

11.14.1974 Lew & Sharon Zavertnik

First Saturday

As the old saying goes, "All good things must come to an end"., It looks like it is time for our First Saturday Event to do just that. Becky and I thank everyone who helped with this great outreach program. It has been wonderful meeting and greeting our Dunnellon neighbors for the past ten years, however, for the last few months there has been a lack of interest in the event by both the vendors and public.

We will continue to distribute flyers on the occasion of fundraisers, such as our annual Pancake Supper, Spaghetti Supper, and Oktoberfest.

This was not an easy decision to make. Many of our hand out materials have been put in the library. If you know of anyone who would benefit from them, please talk to Becky Williams. We have English and Spanish New Testaments and a great selection of Christian materials for children.

Again, THANK YOU to everyone who helped in any way to keep this outreach program going for ten years!

Jackie Hucker



The Ladies of Peace LWML

November 2017 2017

PEACE LWML NEWS

DORCAS CIRCLE (LWML)

Hello, all ladies of Peace!

It's time to get ready for our "season" already! All Peace ladies are invited and welcome! We will meet on our usual "1st Monday", which this time is November 6th at 10am. Due to Irma cancelling our September meeting, and missing officers at our October meeting, we are a little behind, but ready to go! We will begin our new Bible study led by Becky Williams from "Sip, Savor and Drink Deeply". The books cost \$8 each, and we've ordered enough so ladies who can't come to our meetings but who want to follow along with our studies can do so. If interested, please speak to Thelma or Becky.

Our Agenda will include firming up "who's doing what" for our upcoming LWML Sunday, November 12. Everyone (men, too) should wear purple that day.

We'll also talk about our December cookie and goodie plates, so we can get ready to BAKE!

One of the attendees to the Zone Rally at Trinity Lutheran Summerfield will let us know how it went and what's going on in our Zone.

Tentative lunch plans include Becky's famous Reuben sandwiches- can't wait!!

God's Blessings to all and see you then!

Sheryl Lutz,
Secretary

TURN TRASH INTO CASH!

LWML is still recycling to raise funds for our 2019 National Convention! We are collecting *empty inkjet printer cartridges, empty laser printer cartridges, used cell phones, laptops, digital cameras, e-Readers, tablets, GPS systems, and Scientific Calculators (include power cords for everything you donate if you can, please)*. We'll turn them into a company – for cash- that will safely recycle them. If you are still working, ask the office where the printers are if you can take the empty cartridges for your church recycling program. Also, if you hint to Santa for a new laptop (and get one!) and want to recycle the old one, you

can remove the hard drive first. If you're not sure how to do that, bring your computer to me, and I will remove the drive and return it to you. Place your contributions in the inkjet recycling box on the "recycle/info table" in the Fellowship Hall, and we'll take care of them.

Thank you to all who are helping with this project! See me if you have any questions.

Sheryl Lutz,
Society Facilitator



Each year the Toys for Tots Program collects new, unwrapped toys to distribute as Christmas gifts to less fortunate children in the community. The primary goal is to deliver, through a new toy at Christmas, a message of hope to less fortunate children that will assist them in growing up to be responsible, productive, citizens.

The members of Peace Lutheran Church have always enthusiastically supported the Toys 4 Tots program and I hope this Christmas will be no exception.

Bob Sullivan

Those Serving in November 2017

Sunday, November 5, 2017

Ushers: Gene Lutz & Dennis Witzgall
Communion assistant: Jeremy McKee
Greeters: Sharon Zavertnik
Lay reader: Sheryl Lutz
Counting team: Sheryl Lutz & Jean Methlie

LWML Sunday, November 12, 2017

Ushers: Sharon Zavertnik & Virginia Sullivan
Communion assistant: James Spiegelberg
Greeters: Linda Ryun & Hope Kurth
Lay reader: Pat Doan
Counting team: Steve & Sharon Cassan

Sunday, November 19, 2017

Ushers: Bill Langstaff & Ken Buschman
Communion assistant: Samuel McKee
Greeters: Doug O'Hara & Carla Ruttinger
Lay reader: Jackie Hucker
Counting team: Jackie Hucker & Linda Ryun

Thanksgiving Eve, November 22, 2017

Ushers: Ron & Rita Cowan
Greeters: Eugene O'Connell
Lay reader: Bob Sullivan
Counting team: Becky Williams & Jackie Hucker

Sunday, November 26, 2017

Ushers: Bob & Virginia Sullivan
Communion assistant: Doug O'Hara
Greeters: Rita & Ron Cowan
Lay reader: Jean Methlie
Counting team: Bill Langstaff & Rosemary Sheahan

Altar Guild November 2017

Rita & Ron Cowan