

*Mission:
To love like Jesus so
that each person
experiences God's way.*

Peace Lutheran Church Newsletter June 2024

*Love God, Love People,
and Serve the World!*

Special Event in June



Father's Day Breakfast June 16, 8:30 – 8:45 a.m.

The men prepared a wonderful breakfast for the ladies on Mother's Day, now it is time for the ladies to cook breakfast. Come enjoy a full breakfast made with lots of love for the men who bless our lives.



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A Message from the Pastor

What Are You Reading?

Your word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path. Psalm 119:105

What are you reading?

A friend of mine asked me this question the other day.

It's a good measure to determine if you are still learning and growing. In fact, I find that the times I am "too busy" to read, my ideas begin to plateau.

There is a decline in reading in our society for a host of reasons: busyness, technology, entertainment, education,...

Ironically, our society is reading more, but it tends to be social media feeds. I'm not against this per se, but I do think it's important for our minds to wrestle with something deeper. Reading helps feed the mind with ideas and intellectual curiosity.

Currently, I am reading 2 books:

[The Pastor in the Secular Age](#) by Andrew Root and [How to Know Someone](#) by David Brooks.

The premise of [The Pastor in the Secular Age](#) is essentially as the world has become more and more disenchanted with wonder, the divine experience has been compartmentalized to a smaller and smaller portion of people's lives. Therefore, the role of the pastor has shifted.

This book has been helpful in exploring my own pastoral identity and resonates with many of the experiences I encounter. My hope is that it reorients and reaffirms my own calling in this particularly unique time in history as a minister of the gospel of Jesus Christ.

[How to Know Someone](#) is just an easy read when it comes to being better listeners. In our fast-paced world, we have not developed the critical skills of listening and being present in one another's lives. I highly recommend this book for anyone not only to develop your skills as a listener, but to spark curiosity through the recognition that everyone has their own incredible story, experience, and journey to be explored. Ultimately deep down inside we desire to be known.

On top of that, I've been striving to read the Bible in a year. This year, I'm listening to Father Mike Schmidt on the Bible in a Year Podcast. It takes me about 15-20 minutes a day. I've read on my own the scriptures, but it's different to hear the word read in another voice.

And truth be told, reading is sometimes onerous, so I can listen to someone's voice reading while I am brushing my teeth or making my coffee. Therefore, it doesn't really take anything away from my day if I'm feeling stretched thin.

However, it does add to my day because it frames every other moment. It helps me to experience each conversation, task, moment with a faith lens.

The words of Scripture speak deeply and help frame every moment that is to come so that I remember I'm connected to a larger story even in the midst of the countless stories I encounter.

What are you reading?

How are you growing?



Peace,
Pastor Jake

A Message from the Deacon



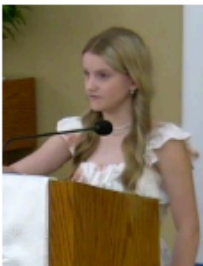
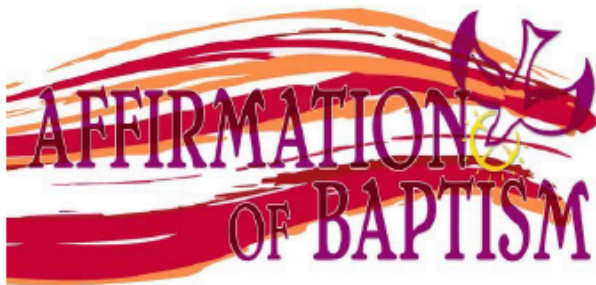
VBS Day Camp

Monday, June 24th—Friday, June 28th

8:30 am—3:30 pm each day

Cost: \$35 per camper

All children who have completed Kindergarten—5th grade are invited to join us at Peace Lutheran Church for a fun week of VBS adventures, led by camp staff from Camp Lutherhill. Friends are welcome, too! Contact the church for registration information. If you have any questions, please contact Deacon Andrew.

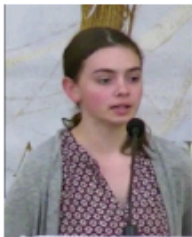


Emma Amescua

“Nature’s intricate details and beauty inspire gratitude and a sense of peace, strength, and admiration for God’s creation of boundless love and artistry.”

Claire Friedrich

“Faith is my guide through life’s imperfect moments and daily struggles.... faith is about placing trust in the LORD.”



Evelyn Healey

“My faith (teaches me) that if we help others, we are helping ourselves at the same time.”

Parker Kaufman

“My belief in Jesus allows me to show compassion, forgiveness, and understanding.”



Shelby Pampell

“This verse (1 John 4:11) tells us two things that so many people need to hear: God loves us and we are to love one another.”

A Message from the Deacon Continued

Important Upcoming Dates for Youth

June 10th 14th	GraceWorks Youth Servant Camp
June 24th – 28th	VBS Day Camp at Peace
July 15th – 20th	ELCA Youth Gathering in New Orleans
July 29th – Aug. 2nd	VBS Day Camp at St. Andrew

Pride Worship Service



All are Welcome

**Interfaith
Pride
Worship Service**

 **New Braunfels
Interfaith Association**
building a vibrant multi-faith community based on understanding, friendship, and love

Thursday, June 6th @ 7pm
at Faith Church (UCC)
970 TX-337 Loop
New Braunfels, TX

Celebrate our Diversity
www.nbinterfaith.org

Emanuel Nine Commemoration 2024



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Sunday, June 16 at 3:30 PM

Emmanuel AME Church

**1600 Semlinger Rd,
San Antonio, TX 78220**




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Snapology is Here for the Summer!

Our friends at Snapology will be back at Peace from May 27 to August 16, 9am - 4pm, Monday - Friday.

The Fellowship Hall will be unavailable for rental or events during that time. If you will be in and out of the church this summer, please respect their time and space.



Abundant Blessings

June Birthdays

Beverly Giacoletti 6/1
 Shannon Johnson 6/1
 Chase Martin 6/2
 Shauna Bradstreet 6/3
 Addison Armstrong 6/4
 Susan Heise 6/6
 Bly Martin 6/6
 Phillip Garcia 6/7
 Jacob Paullus 6/8
 Miranda Johnson 6/9
 Marilyn Ruttan 6/10
 Gene Hada 6/10
 Corrine Valnes 6/14
 Martin Franz 6/14
 Brenner Kriley 6/16
 Dee Rossi 6/22
 Jeremy Davenport 6/24
 Judi Miller 6/25
 James Johnson 6/29
 Greg Butrico 6/29
 Evelyn Guerin 6/30

Prayers

Lavern Kistner
 Martin Franz
 Carol Franz
 Bob Johnson
 Jim Miller
 Riley Martinez
 Rick Smith
 John Claycomb
 Arlene Wold
 Helen Probst

Peace Prayer Ministry

Peace Lutheran Church has an active Prayer Ministry. We have an Email Prayer Chain, we have a Zoom "Sweet Hour of Prayer" Group that meets every Monday morning at 9:00 a.m., and we have a Prayer loom that is included in our Sunday morning prayers. All are welcome to join our email Prayer Chain and our Monday morning Prayer Group.



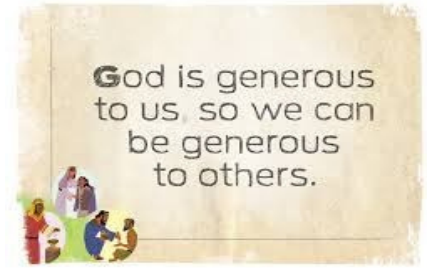
We have experienced some amazing, answered prayers this year and we have given comfort to many of our members in their times of distress. Please consider being a part of our Prayer Ministry in this new year. You can email me at beckyvoges@yahoo.com for info.

June Anniversaries

Heidi & (Marc) Stone
 6/4 - 13 years
 Leslie & (Kellene) Valentine
 6/4 - 3 years
 Gary & Maxine Goodson
 6/4 - 47 years
 Martin & Carol Franz
 6/5 - 60 years
 Richard & Jeannie Kawazoe
 6/6 - 54 years
 Bruce & Carol Thatcher
 6/7 - 66 years
 Jack & Vicki Ralph
 6/8 - 39 years
 David & Linda Lange
 6/12 - 60 years
 Arthur & Eleanor Woytek
 6/14 - 21 years
 Richard & Brandie Luce
 6/15 - 22 years
 Jane & (Roy) Moeller
 6/15 - 55 years
 Eric Dickman & Lyndsey Wilkie
 6/16 - 23 years
 J. T. & Carol Ann Miller
 6/17 - 35 years
 Jeremy & Michelle Davenport
 6/18 - 19 years
 Brett & Michele Kriley
 6/18 - 32 years
 Jake & Melissa Fain
 6/19 - 20 years
 James & Judi Miller
 6/25 - 56 years
 Tommy & Becky Perkins
 6/29 - 56 years
 David & Brenda Martin
 6/30 - 34 years

Giving at Peace

There are several giving options at Peace: Bank Drafts; Online Giving (Website); Offering Envelopes. If you would like more information on any of the options listed above, please give our Finance Administrator, Theresa, a call at 830-620-0618.



Finances April 2024

FUND	BEGINNING BALANCE	INCOME	EXPENSE	TRANSFERS	ENDING BALANCE
General Fund	\$ 16,713.11	\$22,719.12	\$27,255.88		\$ 12,176.35
Building Fund	\$ 14,284.16	\$ 225.68	\$ 265.00		\$ 14,244.84
Endowment Fund	\$ 8,311.95	\$ 52.82	\$ 600.00		\$ 7,764.77
Endowment Investment Fund	\$136,188.01	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00		\$136,188.01
Deferred Maintenance Fund	\$ 1,331.90	\$ 1.34	\$ 10.00		\$ 1,323.24
Designated Funds	\$ 38,706.49	\$ 4,781.29	\$ 0.00		\$ 43,487.78
Total Funds	\$215,535.62	\$27,780.25	\$28,130.88		\$215,184.99

Peaceful Yoga in June

JOIN US FOR PEACEFUL YOGA IN 2024!

YOGA

Tuesdays @ 5:30pm,
Peace Lutheran Fellowship Hall

CHAIR YOGA

Thursdays @ 11am,
Peace Lutheran Fellowship Hall



RSVP at least 30 minutes before
class. Scan the QR code with
your phone camera to RSVP.

Classes begin the first week of 2024!
Donation based - \$10 per class recommended.

Members, non-members, beginners, and
experienced yogis are all welcome!
email office@peacenb.org for more info.



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OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Wednesday

9:00 am - 4:00 pm

Thursday

9:00 am - 2:00 pm

Friday

Office Closed, Phones Open

9:00 am - 2:00 pm

Sunday

10:00 am - Worship
Livestream @ peacenb.org/live