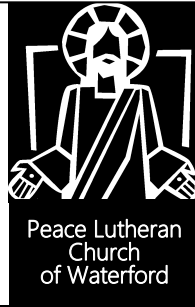


# PAX PEACE



## The Voice of Peace

### PEACE MISSION STATEMENT . . .

To witness and live as followers of Christ; serving one another in Christian love, so that God's Holy Spirit may save the lost and strengthen the saved.



"The LORD bless you and keep you; the LORD make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; the LORD lift up his countenance upon you and give you PEACE." Numbers 6:24-26

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### JANUARY 2020



A blessed New Year to all!

Wow! What a year it has been.

We began 2019 with the reality of a budget shortfall, but we ended with a budget surplus thanks be to God! Our hope and prayer were for the Lord to direct our giving and place our hope in Him to meet the needs of His people here at Peace. We were able to use additional funds through special gifts to remove the large oak trees that impeded the building, driveway, and steeple cross as well as purchase a new commercial refrigerator to replace the tired old one.

Our merger talks with our friends at St. Mark's didn't bring one congregation out of the two, but it did bring new friends and new hope for working together in harmony for God's purpose going forward. God, in a sense, has said, "I have more for Peace and St. Mark's to do where you currently are." We pray the Lord's blessing on His work through His people at both congregations.

The Lord has shown us this past year how he can meet all our needs as we place our trust in Him in mission and ministry to His people here at Peace and in our community.

While we look to this New Year, let us remember that He is the One who fulfills and completes all things in Christ. This includes our salvation and our sustenance in the days ahead.

*<sup>4</sup> "Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, rejoice. <sup>5</sup> Let your reasonableness be known to everyone. The Lord is at hand; <sup>6</sup> do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. <sup>7</sup> And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus" (Philippians 4:4-7.)*

In Christ,  
Pastor Tkac





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Pastor Tkac: Monday—Thursday  
Debbie Wittke: Monday—Thursday  
Hours: 9 a.m.—4:30 p.m.

**Worship and Class Schedule:**

**Saturday Divine Worship** ..... 6:30 p.m.

**Sunday Divine Worship** ..... 10:30 a.m.

**Note: Unless otherwise noted, no classes Memorial Day — Labor Day**

**Intergenerational Sunday School**  
in the Fellowship Hall at 9:30 a.m.

**Midweek Adult Bible Class**

Thursday ..... 2:00—3:00 p.m.

**Confirmed—High School Class  
"Life With God"**

Monday ..... 6:30—7:30 p.m.



**JANUARY 2020 ACOLYTE AND READER SCHEDULE**

		<b>SATURDAY 6:30 P.M.</b>	<b>SUNDAY 10:30 A.M.</b>
04/05	Acolyte: Reader:	Sam Powell Mark Bunarek	Jaystin Slavik Robin Gallmeyer
11/12	Acolyte: Reader:	Emma Carlson Pastor Merrell	_____
18/19	Acolyte: Reader:	Scott Dobson Ginny McDonald	_____
25/26	Acolyte: Reader:	Sam Powell Judy Harroun	_____

**JANUARY  
ELDERS:**

Bill Krueger                      Jay Squanda

**JANUARY  
ALTAR GUILD:**

Carol Brown & Connie Kiefiuk



**Celebrating a  
BIRTHDAY**

- 02 Robert Ehlert
- 10 Erna Gidcumb
- 18 Ryan Squanda
- 19 Steve Smithson
- 25 Judy Harroun
- 29 Erika Hoffmann
- 31 Matthew Tilley
- 31 Margaret Voss



Ladies Guild  
Portals of Prayer  
Youth



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**Bible Quiz**

According to Matthew, who was present at Jesus' baptism? (Choose as many as apply.)

- A. John the Baptist
- B. The Spirit of God
- C. Jesus' mother, Mary
- D. His first disciples



Answer: A and B (See Matthew 3:13-17)

# January 2020

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## Adult Bible Study Resumes

### BIBLE STUDY

We resume our regular Adult Bible Study on Thursday, **January 2, 2020, at 2:00 p.m.** Join us, you will not be disappointed, and the Lord will bless you richly.

## Men's Breakfast Bible Study



We invite all men to join us for our Men's Breakfast Bible Study here at Peace on **Saturday, January 4,** at 9:00 a.m. We will begin with breakfast prepared by Rick Heinz and follow with Bible study taught by Pastor Tkac. Come and be built up in the faith that leads to life eternal as the Holy Spirit works within you.

## Monthly Prayer Meeting

Our monthly Prayer Meeting is Tuesday, **January 7,** at 7:00 p.m. We will focus and reflect on **Psalm 111.** Join us and bring your requests, needs, and desires through prayer to the One who will answer in the time and way He knows best.



## Meetings for Council & Voters



Our January Council Meeting is Thursday, **January 16, at 7:00 p.m.** If you are on the Church Council, please plan to attend this important

meeting. Our Voters' Meeting will follow on **Sunday, January 19, following the worship service.** All confirmed members are encouraged to attend.

# The Bulletin Board

- ⇒ Youth Life with God for grades 6-12 will meet from 6:30—8 p.m. on **January 6, 13, 20, and 27.** We will begin with Bible class time, and we will follow with games. Join us for some learning and fun. Please feel free to bring a friend.
- ⇒ The Adult Bible Study class will meet on Thursday at 2:00 p.m. on **January 2, 9, 16, 23, and 30.** Join us and be built up in the faith.
- ⇒ The Pastors' Circuit Meeting will be held here at Peace on Tuesday, **January 14,** from 8:30 a.m. until 1:00 p.m.
- ⇒ The Ladies Parish Guild and the Elders meet for their respective meetings on Tuesday, **January 14,** at 7:00 p.m.
- ⇒ The LWML (Lutheran Women's Missionary League) "Mite Collection" is Saturday and Sunday, **January 25 and 26.** Mites are used for mission work both here in the States and across the world. Your contributions will help spread the Gospel to those who so desperately need to hear the Good News of salvation in Christ. Thank you!

## 655 Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word



1 Lord, keep us stead - fast in Your Word; Curb those who  
2 Lord Je - sus Christ, Your pow'r make known, For You are  
3 O Com - fort - er of price - less worth, Send peace and



by de - ceit or sword Would wrest the king - dom from Your  
Lord of lords a - lone; De - fend Your ho - ly Church that  
u - ni - ty on earth; Sup - port us in our fi - nal



Son And bring to naught all He has done.  
we May sing Your praise e - ter - nal - ly.  
strife And lead us out of death to life.

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