



## 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.



#### 1 Thessalonians 5:18

"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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### August 2021



Dear friends in Christ,

Summer is already slipping away. Though we are in the midst of it, my mind tells me it won't be long until the fall is here. But there is still much to do.

August 22 will be an opportunity to worship with fellow brothers and sisters in Christ out at Christ Lutheran Church, 620 General Motors Rd, Milford, MI 48381. The circuit will hold a joint worship service with all our Circuit congregations. The date is Sunday, August 22, at 4:00 pm in the afternoon.

I hope many of you will make an effort to attend to thank the Lord for His guidance and protection during the pandemic. There will be refreshments following the service, which we plan to hold outside, weather permitting.

Because of a new Grant from Church Extension Fund, Peace will apply to upgrade our WIFI throughout the building. This unified WIFI should help us move through the building without losing signal from one place to the other, and the new Comcast server has provided us a faster connection.

As we come to a close of summer, it is my hope and prayer that it is a time of blessing and peace. I look forward to the fall and the joy of celebrating the Liturgy and Lord's Supper in both a familiar and blessed way that grants forgiveness unto eternity in His house of worship here at Peace.

I hope that you will be motivated to come and receive the Lord's gift of forgiveness in His house of worship here at Peace, where the Lord's Word and gifts are for you to receive for your benefit unto eternity!

God Bless,

Pastor Tkac



<sup>16</sup> Rejoice always, <sup>17</sup> pray without ceasing, <sup>18</sup> give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you. Thessalonians 5:16-18



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	• Painter's tape 🧨 🔪
Celebrating an ANNIVERSARY 08 David & Susan Youngquist 40 14 Steve & Lori Smithson 42 19 William & Margaret Voss 43 21 Gordon & Tammy Light 39	<ul> <li>What you do: Players line up behind the Leader, who moves around in various ways. Followers must copy the Leader's movements faithfully. Try these variations:</li> <li>1. Players must balance a bean bag on their head as they follow the Leader.</li> <li>2. Set up an obstacle course, and follow the Leader by</li> </ul>
Our Gifts	<ul> <li>and follow the Leader by crawling under tables and chairs, hopping over pillows and so on.</li> <li>With tape, make zigzags and curves on the floor. Then follow the Leader as</li> </ul>
Great is Thy faithfulness	<ul> <li>if walking on a tightrope.</li> <li>4. The Leader designates types of terrain to imagine, such as mud, snow, ice and a mountain.</li> <li>5. Also try animal movements, mirrored movements and dancing movements.</li> </ul>
BIBLE C	
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Answer: C (See Esther 1:12.)



# **Sugust:** 2021



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
10:30 am Worship / Holy Communion		7:00 pm Prayer Meeting / Psalm 33		Adult Bible Study will resume in September		6:30 pm Worship / Holy Communion
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22 10:30 am Worship / Holy Communion 4:00 p.m. Joint Service at Christ, Milford with a reception to follow (see Pastor's article and bulletin board)	23	24	25	26	27	28 6:30 pm Worship / Holy Communion
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#### **Monthly Prayer Meeting**



Our monthly Prayer Meeting is Tuesday, **August 3**, at 7:00 p.m. We will focus on Psalm 33. Join us and bring your prayer

requests, needs, and desires to the One who will answer in the time and way He knows best.

#### We will take a summer break

We will take a break from Adult Bible Study for the summer. We will resume again in September with our study on Romans.



#### A return to regular worship

On September 4, we will begin the last phase of returning to our regular worship practices since Covid began, as we return to the communion rail to receive the Lord's Supper. We will also pass the offering plates through the pews.

We praise God for all His benefits to those who recovered from Covid 19 and to the following members who now rest from their labors and are at eternal rest with Jesus:

- + Karen Bond
- + Pastor Merrell

We pray that the Lord would continue to be our comfort, refuge, fortress, safety, and deliverer in the days ahead as we continue to move forward in trust and peace and joy; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

We will continue to Livestream our Sunday services for those who cannot attend in person.

"<sup>1</sup> He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High will abide in the shadow of the Almighty.<sup>2</sup> I will say to the LORD, "My refuge and my fortress, my God, in whom I trust." 3 For he will deliver you from the snare of the fowler and from the deadly pestilence. — Psalm 91:1-3

#### **Dear Heavenly Father**



Open my eyes, Creator of the universe, that I may see your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars that you have established; open my ears, that I may hear what the heavens are telling me about your glory, which transcends all material bounds and yet deigns to reside with human beings.

May I ever marvel at your tender care for us, and give you thanks and praise forevermore. Amen.

Prayer based upon Psalms 8 and 19

#### The best medicine



Near the end of his life, Lutheran reformer Martin Luther suffered debilitating headaches. When told about a costly medicine that might offer some relief, Luther smiled and said, "My best prescription for head and heart is that 'God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life."

That Bible verse became a refrain for Luther on his deathbed. "What Spartan saying can be

compared with this wonderful brevity," he said of John 3:16. "It is the Bible itself!" After repeating the words of that Gospel-in-a-nutshell verse three times in Latin, Luther exclaimed, "They are the best prescription for headaches and heartaches!"

## THE LOVE OF GOD

It would be spectacular and amazing ... if some king's son were to appear in a beggar's home to nurse him in his illness, wash off his filth and do everything else the beggar would have to do. Would this not be a profound humility? Any spectator or any beneficiary of this honor would feel impelled to admit that he had seen or experienced something unusual and extraordinary, something magnificent.

And yet the love of the Son of God for us is of such magnitude that the greater the filth and stench of our sins, the more he befriends us, the more he cleanses us, relieving us of all our misery and of the burden of all our sins and placing them upon his own back.

Whenever the devil declares: "You are a sinner!" Christ interposes: "I will reverse the order; I will be a sinner, and you are to go scotfree." Who can thank our God enough for this mercy?

-Martin Luther, Luther's Works 22, 166-167

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