



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.

BLESSED ARE THOSE WHO HUNGER AND THIRST FOR RIGHTEOUSNESS, FOR THEY SHALL BE SATISFIED."

MATTHEW 5:6, ESV



"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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Dear friends in Christ,

God in His mercy has given us His Son, who came in the person and work of Jesus Christ to redeem fallen mankind from sin and to restore the relationship between God and man. Christ restores original righteousness lost in the Fall and makes it known to you and me through the proclamation of the Gospel and working of the Holy Spirit. By this gift of God's grace through faith, we believe and have God's favor because of Christ. The Law condemns, and the Gospel gives life! No works and no doubt remain! Eternal life is yours! Rest in Jesus, and this blessed good news! A Mighty Fortress is our God!

That is the message of the Reformation, and these eternal truths give us daily comfort through the trials of life that are real and continue to torment us. The forgiveness of sins in Christ brings peace and assurance that, no matter the trial, God holds you in the palm of His hands and will never leave you nor forsake you.

The Reformation restored the Gospel hidden and covered by a works righteous teaching giving peace where doubt and uncertainty existed.

The good news is truly good news! The Gospel is always forgiveness! Cast your cares on Christ and receive through Word and Sacrament this blessed gift given and shed for you!

"Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ" (Romans 5:1).

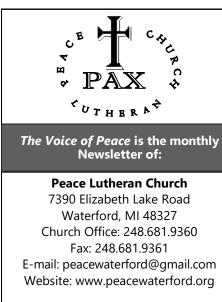
I also wish to thank all members who do so much to sustain the mission and ministry of Peace through your giving and service. We are in a trying year in many respects, but God has also done wonderful things in our midst.

I have one personal note for our members. If you are homebound and you need a visit, please call me. I will be happy to set us a time to come and bring the Lord's Supper to you. If you can get out but are not yet comfortable with in-person worship, I would be happy to set up a time when you can come to the church to receive Holy Communion privately. Reach out to me whatever your concerns may be, or call just to say hi!

God bless, and a blessed Reformation to you all.

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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

No Sunday School until further notice.

in the Fellowship Hall at 9:30 a.m.

No Adult Bible Class until further notice.

Thursday 2:00-3:00 p.m.

Confirmed—High School Class "Life With God" Suspended

Monday 6:30-7:30 p.m.





- 01 Brianna Poe 02 Joan Kaczander
- 05 Tammy Light
- 06 Elise Tilley, Marilynn Wendt 07 Robert Burns
- James Klein, Colleen Squanda 80
- Susanne Berlinger, Robert 09 Poe III
- 13 Elizabeth Light
- 14 Rachelle Junis
- Amy Tkac 15
- 16 Heather Penner
- 17 Vonnie Doucette, 19 Owen Greig, Melissa
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- 22 Arlene Benson
- 24 Eleanor Brown, Gordon Light, Lauren Robar
- 26 Daniel Adkins
- 31 Brianna Squanda

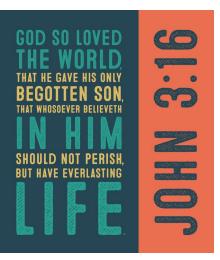


Kroger Rewards Ladies Guild Portals of Prayer

The Best Medicine

Near the end of his life, 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!"

BIBLE QUIZ

In Jesus' parable about people who hear and live by God's words, on what did the wise man build his house?

- A. rock
- B. sand
- C. grassland
- D. soil that was free of rocks



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4 18th Sunday after Pentecost	5	6	7	8	9	10
10:30 am Worship / Holy Communion		7:00 pm Prayer Meeting ~ Psalm 80:7-19		2:00 pm Adult Bible Study		6:30 pm / Worship Holy Communion
11 19th Sunday after Pentecost	12 Columbus Day	13	14	15	16	17
10:30 am Worship / Holy Communion		7:00 p.m. Elders Meet		2:00 pm Adult Bible Study		6:30 pm / Worship Holy Communion
18 20th Sunday after Pentecost	19	20	21	22	23	24
10:30 am Worship / Holy Communion				2:00 pm Adult Bible Study		6:30 pm / Worship Holy Communion
25 Reformation Day Observed	26	27	28	29	30	31 Reformation Day
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Thank you Pastor Tkac!

October is Clergy Appreciation

Month. It is the time of year when we here at Peace are privileged to recognize our under-shepherd for all that he does to bring us God's gifts of forgiveness, life, and salvation in Christ.

Thank you, Pastor Tkac, for your faithfulness in bringing Word and Sacrament ministry to us, for they deliver us from sin, death, and the devil, granting us eternal salvation and unite us with all the faithful now, those who have gone before us, and those to come.

As the Lord says, "My sheep hear My voice, and I know them, and they follow me" (John 10:27). You are the mouthpiece by which the Lord sends His Word and the hands that deliver His Holy Sacraments for our faith, the strengthening of our faith, and our spiritual well-being. We are happy and ever-blessed that the Lord has placed you into our midst as His servant of Christ for us.

We are grateful for you, Pastor Tkac! May our Lord continue to bless us as you serve us with His gifts, and may we be a blessing to you and others as we together seek to grow His kingdom of believers here in this place, our neighborhoods, our country, and the world. Amen.

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John 10:27

The Reformation: Questions and Answers

By Dr. Norman Nagel, professor emeritus, Concordia Seminary, St. Louis



Jesus' death and resurrection for the forgiveness of our sins, life, and salvation — His gifts for all who believe on His name.

1. Why is the Reformation important for us today?

A Christian cannot live a single day without the forgiveness of sins.

2. Is there reason still to be Lutheran?

The Lutheran tradition points only to Christ for our salvation, free and complete.

3. What hallmarks should we keep in mind when celebrating the Lutheran Reformation?

We are nothing but given to, that is, by grace and by faith. Grace alone, Faith alone, Scripture alone — all mean by Christ alone. There is no other Christ than the one Scripture gives us, which is the instrument of the Holy Spirit for bestowing the gifts of life and salvation. Jesus said, "The words that I have spoken to you are Spirit and they are life" (John 6:63 ESV). That centers everything in Jesus, in and from Jesus. At the heart of our celebration is extolling Jesus — proclaiming and praising Him, for which our tradition supplies us with bountiful resources in liturgy and hymns. "One generation shall commend Your works to another, and shall declare Your mighty acts" (Psalm 145:4 ESV).

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Plow

This farming implement is mentioned frequently in the Bible, often in verses about the harvest. Plowing symbolizes preparing the heart to receive God's truth, or the "seed" of God's word. The plow also represents commitment;

Jesus says, "No one who puts a hand to the plow and looks back is fit for service in the kingdom of God" (Luke 9:62, NIV). The prophet Elisha burns his plow to show his commitment to answer God's call (see 1 Kings 19:21).

