## The Good News Of Peace

To live as God's family gathering around His Word and promises to effectively share The Good News of God's love in Christ with our neighbors.

## Peace Lutheran Church and Preschool

Chehalis, Washington

# **Fragrance Sensitivities**

Did you know that as many as 30% of us suffer from some sort of sensitivity to the fragrances which abound in our society. From cleaning products to personal hygiene products to perfumes, fragrances are everywhere. For as many as 6% of the population, these sensitivities (which can cause allergy-like symptoms) are so severe, that it has a significant impact on daily life.

As the Body of Christ, we love our neighbors. In the Body of Christ, "If one member suffers, all suffer together; if one member is honored, all rejoice together" (1 Corinthians 12:26).

As we come together on Sunday to receive the gifts of our Savior from whom our love of neighbor flows, it is likely that there may be some of our neighbors for whom fragrance sensitivity causes significant symptoms. While a fragrance may be perfectly lovely, for some, it may cause health issues. As you prepare to gather to receive forgiveness, life, and salvation together, think of your neighbor. Out of your love for your neighbor, on Sunday, you may decide to decrease your use of fragranced products, or forego them altogether.

As a further help to our brothers and sisters who may suffer from fragrance sensitivities, consider making the right rearward section of the nave a sort of voluntary fragrance-free zone. If you wear fragrances, consider avoiding sitting in the last few rows on the right.

"Little children, let us not love in word or talk but in deed and in truth." (1 John 3:18)

# **Baptism**

Carter Benjamin Royer

Carter was baptized at Peace on

Sunday January 13th with Pastor Daniel Freeman officiating. Welcome to the family of God Carter!

# **Greetings From Rachel**

Blessings everybody! I am doing quite well in St. Louis.

Before coming to St. Louis, I attended the Higher Things gathering in Lawrence, Kansas. As always, I had a lot of fun delving deeper into the Lutheran faith. But it did seem as though the university is built on the only hill in Kansas.

Currently, I am working with an organization called Humanitri. This organization helps homeless families get back on their feet and back into stable housing arrangements. In 2018, Humanitri helped twelve families successfully reintegrate into society. Before I was working with Humanitri, I was stationed with two of the local churches here in St. Louis, but near the end of December everyone agreed there could be a better use of my talents elsewhere.

There are a lot of fun things for my housemates and I to do in St. Louis, we have gone to the Zoo, the Art Museum, and the Anheuser-Busch Brewery tour. It is a lot of fun here, but I can't wait to be home.

I will be driving back home in early June, and Hannah will join me for the cross-country road-trip.

Thank you all for your prayers and support while I have been gone!

-Rachel Freeman



March 2019





# **Preschool News**

**Preschool registration for 2019/2020:** We will begin to take registrations for the 2019/2020 preschool school year on April

2nd. This gives us the chance to review and give recommendations to parents of the current class. You may pick up a registration form in the church office after March 1st. We require a \$25.00 registration fee and completed form to hold a child's place in class. (Please note that we will not accept an incomplete form.)



# **Library News**

By Ashley Millam, Church Librarian.

Come browse our wonderful book collection! We have a variety of fiction and

nonfiction titles. If you need assistance locating a book, please let me know. I will be happy to assist you.

Come In, We Are Closed 265 Bramwell, Tyrel

Many evangelicals are unfamiliar with it, don't understand it, and are often offended when they encounter it, but when it comes to the Lord's Supper the Scriptures clearly teach that Holy Communion is not for anybody and everybody. In this short work of fiction, Rev. Tyrel Bramwell recalls the questions he had when he first encountered closed Communion as a young evangelical and the conversations he has had as a pastor, in order to dispel false assumptions and provide the Biblical answers to real misunderstandings.

The Christian Difference 200 Lane, Jason et al.

The Christian Difference: An Explanation & Comparison of World Religions is an easy-to-read comparative based on content from experts and from actual sacred texts of the various world religions and global cults/sects. Various writers describe the nonChristian religions respectfully and accurately while making the case that Christianity is uniquely blessed by the one true God and beneficial to humanity. The Christian Difference helps Christians understand other world religions so that Christians can defend their faith and reach out to others with the Gospel.

# Thank you!

Margaret Schwarzkopf would like to thank her friends for the love and caring shown after losing her daughter Connie Nichols (67 yrs).

She had fought Multiple Sclerosis for many years. Connie had played the organ at Our Saviors in Ephrata, WA and at Peace. Connie graduated from Concordia Portland and Seward, NE. She had loved teaching in a one-room school at Winton, Leavenworth, WA. She and her husband, John, had no children.

# It's Back! Easter Egg Hunt

We are bringing back the Annual Easter Egg Hunt and it will be held on Saturday, April 13<sup>th</sup> at 2:00pm, right here on the church grounds.

If you would like to volunteer to help or have ideas, speak with Melinda McHenry or Katie Foss.

We will be placing Easter baskets in the Narthex very soon for those wishing to help out with donations of candy or cash.

Watch for more information as we get our plans worked out!

# **March Coffee Hour**

- 03)\*Katie Foss/Rita Nay/Sara Ackerson
- 10)\*Kathy Doench/Peter Lahmann/Karla Herren
- 17)\*Sandy Sund/Jennie Dries/Lorelei Hood
- 24)\*Anna Lupo/Linda Follett/Linda Boetsch
- 31)\*Dawn Freeman/Laurie Smith/ Sharon Kilbourn/



## Serving the Lord with

gladness!

"But a poor widow came and put in two very small copper coins, [mites] worth only a fraction of a penny." (Mark 12:42)

We are asking members to donate \$2.19 to the mite box in the Narthex under the LWML bulletin board. Our 2017-2019 National Mission goal of \$1,769,563.19 is under budget of \$86,458.33. We are posting these monthly missions on our board. We want you to see what you contributions are doing. In February your mites will be helping Restoration Programs for Native Hawaiians.

### March LWML meeting is:

March 12, 2019, 1PM

## **March Mission Project:**

Painting rocks with scripture on them for Safe Family Ministries Prayer Garden. After the meeting we would love it if you would like to stay and work on rocks. We will be accepting these designed rocks for the whole month of March. A example will be on LWML table in the Narthex. Please, please, please attend!!

March is PURPLE BUCKET MONTH. There will be a purple bucket in the Narthex for your donations, Sunday March 31<sup>st</sup>.

# LWML WA-AK District Convention At Great Wolf Lodge

### September 2020

Our society, the other societies in our zone, and two neighboring zones have been asked to put this convention together. We had our first kick off meeting in January. Linda Huyck volunteered to be chairman for Property Management and Debbie Olson volunteered as chairman for Decoration/Entertainment/Banquet. WE NEED VOLUNTEERS!!

Our next meeting is March 23rd at Beautiful Savior in Milton. If we get enough volunteers, we could use the church van and make it a field trip. Now I hear members saying. "I have no talents." Helping setting up tables, using artist minds, arranging table centerpieces, etc. The power given by God to each believer to fulfill various ministries in the church:

#### Romans 12:6-8

"We have different gifts, according to the grace given us.

If a man's gift is prophesying, let him use it in proportion to his faith.

If it is serving, let him serve;

if it is teaching, let him teach;

if it is encouraging, let him encourage;

if it is contributing to the needs of others,

let him give generously;

if it is leadership, let him govern diligently; if it is showing mercy, let him do it cheerfully."

## LWML Spring Rally "Planting Seeds"

March 30th, 2019 Immanual Lutheran Church 720 W Main, Puyallup, WA 98372 LET'S FILL THE CHURCH VAN! Will have a sign up sheet on the LWML table.

I planted the seed, Apollos watered it, but God has been making it grow. So neither the one who plants nor the one who waters is anything, but only God, who makes things grow. 1 Corinthians 3:6-7 (NIV)

February was a wonderful mission for our congregation. We collected baby items for Possibilities Women's Center, previously known as Possibilities Pregnancy Center. If you didn't have a chance to attend our February LWML meeting, you missed our speaker, Amber who is the director of this center. She explained Possibilities' vision: a world in which every life is valued, every life. Most women who come into their offices are scared to death because they are pregnant and they did not plan for this pregnancy. The entire weight of the world has come crashing down on their shoulders. The baby they carry has value and so do they. This moment in their life can be one of opportunity for the center to come alongside them, give them facts about their situation, and love them as our Lord loves each of us. This center provided over 1700 individual clients visits. They saw 351 clients. They provided 200 pregnancy tests and 79% of those women were statistically abortion vulnerable. We had 15 attendees at the meeting and I feel comfortable to say they enjoyed Amber's speech very much!!

# Join Us This Lent As We Explore "Behold the Man"

"Behold the man!" proclaimed the unwitting preacher Pontius Pilate in one of the shortest yet most profound sermons ever recorded. This will be our endeavor this Lententide and Easter Sunday. Behold the man, God in human flesh, Jesus. His incarnation will provide the basis for our meditation and proclamation on His Passion. And His real bodily suffering and death will provide the basis for our full-throated proclamation on Easter morning of a bodily resurrection, not just of Jesus but also for His saints. Real bodies which have suffered, wept, bled, prayed, eaten, hoped, and more will be those raised incorruptible from their graves on the day of Jesus' return.

We will fix our eyes and our preaching on the man Jesus, contemplating the inescapable fact—indeed the most important fact in the course of human history—that God became man. The Second Person of the eternal triune God, whom we confess in the Nicene Creed as "God of God, Light of light, very God of very God . . . of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made," became a living, breathing, flesh-and-blood human being, a man.

In some ways, you can understand that the first heresy with which the Christian Church had to contend was that of Gnosticism, the hyperspiritual religion which held that because no man could be God, the Christ could not be God. Gnosticism is alluring because it tidies everything up, gives Christianity a more attractive spiritual veneer, and pulls its adherents out of the mire of this world and gives them something otherworldly for which to strive.

But considered correctly, it becomes pretty hard to spiritualize Christianity—a religion which bases its existence on the enfleshment, the incarnation, of God into the mess of disembodied, matter-rejecting, hyperspiritual Gnosticism. When God has flesh and blood, skin and teeth, cells and nuclei, DNA and RNA, it's difficult to contend for the disembodied spiritual against the material. If God has a body, bodies must matter.

In case you aren't convinced of the pervasiveness of the second-century heresy of Gnosticism, even in our twenty-first-century context, attend a funeral. If you hear talk only of heaven with nary a word of a bodily resurrection, you've witnessed firsthand modern-day Gnosticism. If the preacher doesn't deal with the body in the casket as the real person whose death has assembled the mass of grieving relatives and friends, if he talks only about the bodyless soul in heaven, he hasn't really preached a genuinely Christian funeral. In other words, if he gives preference to the spiritual over the material, he succumbs to the Gnostic heresy which the earliest generations of the Church sought to guard against by preaching the incarnation and resurrection of Jesus.

This Lent, we will consider what it means that God became man. In preparation for the celebration of a real, bodily, flesh-and-blood, bone-and-sinew resurrection, the resurrection without which our faith and our preaching are all in vain, consider the body of Jesus that exists in order to be nailed to a cross. The spiritual, bodyless Son of God became the embodied, enfleshed, incarnate Son of Mary. In Jesus, God has human flesh, a body, just like you. What could be more profound?

Each week, we'll consider a different aspect of the body of Jesus Christ. What does it mean that, in Jesus, God has hands, feet, lungs, lips, eyes, and ears?

#### Join us:

- Ash Wednesday (March 6) "A God Who Hungers" Noon and 7:00 p.m.
- Midweek of Lent 1 (March 13): "A God Who Prays" Noon and 7:00 p.m. (soup at 6)
- Midweek of Lent 2 (March 20): "A God Beaten" Noon and 7:00 p.m. (soup at 6)
- Midweek of Lent 3 (March 27): "A God Exposed" Noon and 7:00 p.m. (soup at 6)
- Midweek of Lent 4 (April 3): "A God with a Mother" Noon and 7:00 p.m. (soup at 6)
- Midweek of Lent 5 (April 10): "A God Who Thirsts" Noon and 7:00 p.m. (soup at 6)
- Holy Monday (April 15): 7:00 p.m.
- Holy Tuesday (April 16): 7:00 p.m.
- Holy Wednesday (April 17):
  - 7:00 p.m.
- Holy Thursday (April 18): "A God Who Loves" 7:00 p.m.
- Good Friday (April 19): "A God Who Bleeds, a God Who Dies"
  - 7:00 p.m.
- Easter Vigil (April 20): "God Buried" 8:00 p.m.
- Easter (April 21): "A God Who Rises" 8:00 &10:45 a.m. (breakfast at 9 a.m.)

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