

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

February 2020

Baptisms

Cody Schwarz	January 12 th
Jacob Turner	January 19 th
Samantha Turner	January 19 th
Maximus Turner	January 26 th



Obituaries

It pleased the Lord to call to His heavenly home:

Ken Gronert January 22, 2020

Summary of the Congregational Meeting

The following were elected at the January 2020 Congregational Meeting. They assumed office the last Sunday of January and they will be installed on Sunday, March 1st during the 9:30 am service:

President	Clarence Lupo
Board of Elders	Jesse Hardy, John Shea
Board. of Stewardship	Mike Ackerson
Board of Property	Roland Falb
Board of Education	Melinda McHenry

Other business:

The 2020 budget was passed. \$317,241
Preschool budget was passed. \$27,078
Constitution/Bylaw changes passed.
Alcohol policy passed.
Synodical Constitution Amendment Ratified.



Annual

Sweetheart Banquet

Ladies, you are cordially invited to attend our annual Sweetheart Banquet, where the men will do the cooking, serving and clean up.

WHEN: February 16th (following Sunday School)

WHERE: Peace Lutheran Parish Hall

Let Me Call You Sweetheart!

Hey guys, it's that time of the year to honor our sweethearts. Yes, it's the Sweetheart Banquet to be held Sunday, Feb. 16th immediately following Sunday School.

Dust off those culinary skills and bring your favorite lady and a dish to share. Since this is their day, we gents will set up, and finish with cleanup.



February Coffee Hour

02)*Dawn Freeman/Dick Piesch/
Anita Gunlogson (c)

09)*Katie Foss/Marilyn Hepola/Linda Boetsch (c)

16)*Kathy Doench/Hannah Dwyer/
Lorelei Hood (c)

23)*Anna Lupo/Linda Follett/Sharon Kilbourn (c)



Lent & the “Gesima” Season

In the historic, one-year lectionary, the liturgical preparation for Easter takes place through three periods or steps:

Gessimatide or Pre-Lent:

The first is the “-gesimas” or Pre-Lent. These three Sundays before Lent constitute catechesis in the Grace of God in which that grace is examined from three perspectives:

Septuagesima (meaning “about 70 days”) (i.e. before Easter)—Grace is undeserved.

The Collect for this Sunday implores God graciously to hear us, who are justly punished for our sin, so that we may be delivered by God’s goodness. The goodness of God is emphasized in the parable (Matt 20:1-16), where all the laborers receive the reward because of the goodness of the landowner. So we too, receive the reward of eternal life, because God is good, and Another has borne the heat and burden of the day for us that we might have it.

Sexagesima (meaning “about 60 days”) (i.e. Before Easter)—Grace is passively received.

In the Collect, we pray to the God who sees that we put not our trust in anything we do, but mercifully defends us by His power. In the parable of the sower, the seed of God’s Word is passively received in good and noble hearts.

Quinquagesima (meaning “about 50 days”) (i.e. before Easter)—Grace is not easily understood.

In the Gospel, Jesus predicts His passion and the disciples “understood none of these things. This saying was hidden from them, and they did not grasp what was said.” (Luke 18:34).

The three “Gesima” Sundays begin the preparation for Easter. They take on the character of Lent, but only mildly. The color is still the green of ordinary time rather than the violet of Lent. The “Alleluias” are dropped, but the “Gloria in Excelsis” remains. And flowers may still adorn the chancel. In the Gesimas, this provides a gradual progression of liturgical removals as we approach Passiontide.

Lententide:

The second step or stage of preparation begins with the beginning of Lent proper on Ash Wednesday. This second stage ends when the week of Laetare (the 4th Sunday in Lent) is completed. In addition to the omissions and changes that began in the “Gesimas,” the color changes to violet, the “Gloria in Excelsis” is now omitted, and flowers no longer normally adorn the chancel. During these four Sundays, the focus is on temptation and faith, and the Christian’s struggle:



On **Invocavit Sunday** the Lord is tested in the Wilderness.

On **Reminiscere Sunday**, the faith of the Canaanite woman is tested.

On **Oculi Sunday**, the people tempt our Lord to show them a sign from heaven.

Laetare Sunday is “refreshment” Sunday.

Passiontide:

The final stage is Passiontide, which begins with **Judica Sunday** (Passion Sunday, the 5th Sunday in Lent), and extends through Holy Week and the Triduum (“three holy days”—which includes Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, Holy Saturday). Now the focus is expressly on our Lord’s passion. The liturgy is spoken on Judica Sunday in order to emphasize the intense passion which our Lord endured. In addition to all the previous liturgical omissions, now even the Gloria Patri is omitted. Crucifixes and other images of our Lord are veiled. The intensity builds through Passiontide until we finally arrive at the empty tomb.





Youth Group News

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At the Youth Group Meeting on January 12th, we discussed the Lock-In we have been invited to at Redeemer Lutheran Church in Gresham, OR on March 27th and 28th, the need to turn in the Higher Things registration forms, the need to raise money for air fare to Higher Things, and Easter breakfast.

EASTER BREAKFAST

Easter is coming up on the 12th of April. We are looking forward to providing breakfast again this year. However, we do not have enough youth available to help with all the breakfast duties. We have the man power for the cooking, we think, but we will need help with the clean-up.

We will be offering eggs, ham, hash brown patties, French toast, fruit, orange juice, and coffee.

FUND RAISERS

Thanksgiving Pie Auction

Thank you to everyone who supported the youth at the Thanksgiving Pie Auction. Through generous purchases of pies and donations we brought in \$318.

Christmas Wreaths

Thank you to everyone who purchased a wreath. Thank you also to everyone's patience, it took us longer to complete the wreaths than we thought it would. We will be better prepared next year, if we choose to make Christmas Wreaths. We brought in \$730, minus expenses.

The next Youth Group meeting will be February 9, 2020 at 12:45. At this meeting, we will continue making plans for the coming year: activities, fund raisers, etc.

From the Church Office

Please be aware of the following deadlines:

Sunday Bulletin:	All information needs to be in by 11:30am the Wednesday before.
Newsletter:	Articles to be included need to be in by the 3 rd Sunday of each month.

Thrivent Choice Dollars

For those of you who are Thrivent members, Thrivent allots you Choice Dollars on a regular basis but you must direct them to an organization of your choice **or they are lost**.

So please remember to do that and if you should want them to go to Peace Lutheran, be sure to select Peace Lutheran Church, Chehalis as there are numerous churches with the same name. These funds are available for and by organizations within Peace.

Donations are way behind, so please direct those dollars today! Even if you have once directed your dollars, you **MUST** do it again each time you have a premium due.

If you have any questions or need assistance, please speak with Katie Foss, our Thrivent coordinator. Here's Thrivent's phone number and you can call them to ask if you have any Choice Dollars available: 800-847-4836 Monday-Friday 7:00am-6:00pm (central time).

Please call them today!!!

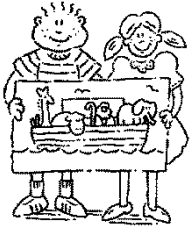


Lutheran Women's Missionary League

LWML will meet on Tuesday, February 11, at 1:00pm. Please come and join in with the fun and entertainment, as we share Bible study, coloring, a presentation by Rachel, and Valentine décor. Marlene and Barb Jolly will be our hostesses.

Mites update: On January 9, 2020, our Mission Grant #4, LWML gave \$100,000 to God's Grace for This Generation. This is part of the Lutheran Association of Missionary Pilots (LAMP). This grant will help LAMP's cross-cultural ministry share Christ with God's people in remote areas of Canada by expanding their staff of full-time missionary pilots to four or five.

It is exciting to watch our Mites add up to be used for His work.



Preschool News

We will begin taking registrations for the 2020/2021 school year on April 1st. This gives us the chance to assess and give recommendations to parents of the current class.

You may pick up registration forms in the church office after April 1st. We require a \$25.00 registration fee and completed form to hold a child's place in class.

Valentines Day is coming soon and the students may exchange Valentines if they like. The list of student names is on the monthly calendar, under their sharing days. We currently have 20 students in our class. If you bring Valentines, it would be a huge help to us if you could help your child place them in each students Valentine Pocket that will be on their hooks when they come to class. Thank you!

School closures happen quickly in our area, whether they are due to power outage, snow, ice, or flooding. Our main goal is to make sure that your child is safe and that may mean that we close preschool until conditions improve.

Peace Lutheran Preschool parallels, as much as possible, the Chehalis School District calendar year. When Chehalis Schools close or have late arrival, Peace Lutheran Preschool will be closed.

When severe weather conditions are present please use the resources below.

The following radio stations have local school closure information;

KITI 1420am
KELA 1470am
KACS 90.5fm
Live95 95fm

Seattle morning news channels also have closures;

Komo 4
King 5
Kiro 7
Fox 13

Here is a webpage online that will have information;

<http://www.flashalertseattle.net/>

I will also post on our Facebook page as soon as I find out if class will be cancelled. If for some reason class is cancelled and the information is not available through radio, tv, or online, you may call the church office if you have any questions: 360-748-4108

If preschool is open and you ever feel that the drive into preschool will be dangerous, please stay home and stay safe. We will see you when the weather conditions are better. Your safety is what is most important.

Ms. Libby

Annual Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper February 25th, 5:30p.m.

“Shrove Tuesday? What’s that?” Shrove Tuesday is the English name for the Tuesday before Ash Wednesday. The French call it “Mardi Gras,” or “Fat Tuesday.” “Shrove” is said to be derived from the now-unused English word “shrive” which referred to the practice of confession and absolution, which was a common preparation for Lent.

“What’s a pancake got to do with it?” With the fast of Lent coming on, households needed a way to get rid of foods that would not be permitted during the Lenten fast. Pancakes are an easy way to use up all the fat and milk and eggs in the house without using up much else (except a little flour).

“Why are we having a Shrove Tuesday pancake supper?” It is another opportunity for our church family to come together for good fun and good food.

The menu will consist of German Potato Pancakes, German Sausages, and regular pancakes for those who don’t want German pancakes.

If you would like to help, (by providing ingredients, sausages, griddles, your warm body to help prepare the food, etc.) contact Pastor Freeman.

**See you at 5:30p.m.
on Tuesday, February 25th**

February Elder: Peter Lahmann
February Ushers:
02) John Shea & Joe Hidalgo 8:30 Matins
9:00 Divine Service
09) Brian Hill & Kevin Engelbertson 9:00 Divine Service
16) Tom Howsden & Sam Howsden 9:00 Divine Service
23) Rod Fenstermaker & Roland Falb 9:00 Divine Service
26) TBD Ash Wednesday Divine Services
Acolytes:
02) Jonah Freeman **09)** Sam Howsden **16)** Colby Dwyer
23) Landon Engelbertson **26)** Jonah Freeman

Altar Guild:
02) Sandy Lupo & Rachel Freeman **09)** Sandy Lupo & Abigail Freeman
16) Jodie DeTray & Sophia DeTray **23)** Rachel Freeman & Cherie Hill
26) Sandy Lupo & Marlene Farrell
Coffee Hour:
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Counters: **02)** Klapel **09)** Stocker **16)** Doench **23)** Bryant
Flowers: **02)** OPEN **09)** OPEN **16)** OPEN **23)** OPEN

- February Birthdays**
1. Linda Huyck
 2. Susan Bergman
 3. Karla Herren
 5. Edie Schroeder
 7. Margaret Howsden
 8. Nelly Morast
John Foss
John Shea
 9. Jacob Nay
 11. Raegan McAllister
 14. Slade Heinricher
Mathew Filer
 15. Carlyn Jensen
 17. Linda Boetsch
 18. Bill Wood
 19. Ervin Brueckner
 25. Jeanette Mitzel

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 9:00-10:00 Individual C & A
2 9:00 Matins 9:30 Divine Service 11:15 Sunday School Bible Study	3 7:00 Choir	4 10:00 Women's Bible Study	5 10:00 Bible Study 6:00-7:00 Individual C & A	6 1:30-2:30 Individual C & A 7:00pm Church Council	7	8 8:45-3:00 Pastor Lange's Workshop Witnessing to Jehovah's Witnesses
9 9:30 Divine Service 11:15 Sunday School Bible Study 12:45 Youth Group	10 7:00 Choir	11 1:00pm LWML 6:30 Lutheran Confessions Study @ Olympia	12 10:00 Bible Study 6:00-7:00 Individual C & A	13 1:30-2:30 Individual C & A	14	15
16 9:30 Divine Service 11:15 Sunday School Bible Study 12:15 Sweetheart Banquet	17 7:00 Choir	18 10:00 Women's Bible Study	19 10:00 Bible Study 12:00 Worship Committee 6:00-7:00 Individual C & A	20 1:30-2:30 Individual C & A 7:00 Board of Property	21	22 9:00-10:00 Individual C & A
23 9:30 Divine Service 11:15 Sunday School Bible Study	24 7:00 Choir	25 10:00 Women's Bible Study 5:30 Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper 6:30 Lutheran Confessions Study	26 10:00 Bible Study 12:00pm & 7:00pm Ash Wednesday Divine Service	27 1:30-2:30 Individual C & A 7:00 Board of Elders	28	29 9:00-10:00 Individual C & A

- February Anniversaries**
10. Patrick & Pamela
McConkey
1979
 22. Ken & Donna
Lyon
1973
 28. Frank & Judy
DeVaul
1987

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Sunday Worship at 9:00 am
First Sunday of Month, Matins at 8:30 am with Divine Service at 9:00 am
Sunday School – all ages – 10:45 am

We are located four miles south of Chehalis on the corner of Jackson Highway and Bishop Road.