

# 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

December 2021

### From Our Church President

Greetings Brothers and Sisters of Peace Lutheran Church.

In 2021 we have enjoyed another year of faithful preaching and teaching of God's word, and the use of God's many means of grace. We continue to have faithful celebration of the Lord's Supper through our Pastor and rejoice in his continued serving as our shepherd, but I have to be honest, this last year and especially October has really stung.

COVID-19 continues to plague our church lives by cutting into our attendance, and our once full pews are looking painfully empty. Our plans for reopening our school rooms also have been put on hold leaving them empty of children until next year, pending, of course, the latest guidelines on how to conduct our congregational business.

Between the disease and the politics that go with it, it's safe to say we're all getting a little tired and burnt out; I get that, but there's something more on my mind today.

Unfortunately, there's also another byproduct of COVID-19 that's been eating away at our corner of God's Kingdom; apathy. I'm concerned that we're all getting too used to the word "Not". Not attending church, Not attending bible study, Not pitching in around the congregation, and Not being there for one another. Now, don't get me wrong. There are certainly valid reasons to miss a service here or there. I'm not asking you to cough on us, miss helping a neighbor in need, or miss work. I'm just asking you to take an honest look at what reasons you're telling yourself it's ok not to attend and really give that some prayerful thought.

I hope I'm wrong, but I get the feeling we're getting used to the idea that if I don't do it,

someone else is just waiting to jump in. Brothers and Sisters in Christ, that's not the case. We have a lot of positions in need of filling from getting ready to get the kids back in our classrooms to congregational officers. I'm not in need of more volunteers, but your church is.

What I'm hoping each of us (yes, me too) will do is step up and ask Randy Short, Rolland Falb, or Pastor just what your church is in need of. It's up to each of us to do something, not everything, just something to help keep our congregation alive and thriving. Many hands make the work lighter, and we are in need of many more hands.

Thank you for your prayerful consideration,  
Clarence C. Lupo

### Open Office Positions

Just a brief message about open office positions for early 2022. Presently, these need to be filled at the annual congregational meeting:

- Congregational Chairman
- Coordinator, Board of Properties
- Coordinator, Board of Stewardship
- Coordinator, Board of Education

Whether first time applicant or experienced layperson, please prayerfully consider giving your time and talents to Christ's church here at Peace. We give thanks for those who serve in the present, those past and future.

If you are interested in or desire more information about these positions, please contact Randy Short in person, or cell @ (425) 210-2804.

# Advent Midweek Services (and Soup suppers)

During the penitential, preparatory seasons of Advent (preparing for Christmas) and Lent (preparing for Easter), it is the custom of the Church to spend a bit more time in reflection and devotion. To that end, our congregation adds midweek services to our regular schedule.

Join us for a noon midweek Service, or a light supper of soup and bread at 6:00 p.m. followed by Evening Prayer at 7:00 p.m..



# Flower Chart and New Flower Fund

The flower chart for 2022 has been posted on the bulletin board in the hallway near the restrooms. Beat the rush and sign up for the days you would like to provide flowers for the altar.

In case you don't want to be responsible for a Sunday all by yourself, but still want to help provide flowers, there is a way to do that, too. A fund has been established to use to purchase flowers for the altar on the Sundays when no one has signed up. If you would like to contribute to that fund, please mark your offering envelope and your check "Flower Fund".

If you have any questions about altar flowers, please call the church office.

### Flowers in December:

(During the penitential season of Advent, arrangements of greens are more appropriate than flowers)

Dec. 05) The Dries

Dec. 12) R. Falb

Dec. 19) The Eriksens

Dec. 26) The Sunds

\*Dec. 24/25 ) Altar Guild provides Poinsettias



## December Schedule of Activities

December 1st	Noon & 7:00pm	Advent Service (6:00pm soup supper)
December 8th	Noon & 7:00pm	Advent Service (6:00pm soup supper)
December 15th	Noon & 7:00pm	Advent Service (6:00pm soup supper)
December 22nd	Noon & 7:00pm	Advent Service (6:00pm soup supper)
December 24th	7:00pm	Christmas Eve Candlelight Service
December 25th	9:30am	Matins
	10:00am	Christmas Day Divine Service
December 26 <sup>th</sup>	5:00pm	Christmas Party



<p><b>December Elder:</b> Peter Lahmann</p> <p><b>December Ushers:</b></p> <p><b>Acolyte:</b> Jonah Freeman</p>	<p><b>Altar Guild:</b>  <b>01/05)</b> Sandy Lupo &amp; Chris Pfaff  <b>08/12)</b> Rachel Freeman &amp; Abigail Freeman  <b>15/19)</b> Cherie Hill &amp; Rita Nay  <b>24)</b> Mary McHenry &amp; Chris Pfaff  <b>25)</b> Cherie Hill &amp; Abigail  <b>26)</b> Marlene Farrell &amp; Sandy Lupo</p> <p><b>Counters: 05) Bryant 12) Doench 19) Falb &amp; Farrell 26) Dries</b></p> <p><b>Flowers: 05) Dries 12) Falb 19) Eriksen 26) Sund</b></p>	<p><b>December Birthdays</b></p> <p>3. Peter Lahmann Sue Lykken</p> <p>4. Nessa Shea</p> <p>7. Sandy Sund</p> <p>9. Gitti Burger</p> <p>13. Samuel Howsden Pamela McConkey Aveline Crouse</p> <p>14. Stephen Eriksen Randy Short Joshua Souliere</p> <p>16. Betty Schmitt</p> <p>21. Rev. Daniel Freeman</p> <p>24. Alyssa Ackerson (nee Huezo)</p> <p>26. Sherrie Reuther</p> <p>28. Lilah Nay Jim Sund</p> <p>29. Carol Heimbigner</p> <p>30. Miguel Dwyer</p> <p>31. Jamie Barrett</p>
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### December 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			<b>1</b> 10:00am Bible Study 12:00pm Advent Service 6:00pm Soup Supper 7:00pm Advent Service	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>5</b> 8:30am Matins 9:00am Divine Service 10:45am Sunday School Adult Bible Study 3:00pm Divine Service	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b> 10:00am Bible Study 12:00pm Advent Service 6:00pm Soup Supper 7:00pm Advent Service	<b>9</b> 7:00pm Church Council	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>
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<b>26</b> 9:00am Divine Service 10:45am Sunday School Adult Bible Study 3:00pm Divine Service 5:00pm Christmas Party	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b> 6:30 pm Lutheran Confession Study @ Peace	<b>29</b> 10:00 Bible Study 6:00 Adult Catechesis	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>	

- December Anniversaries**
2. Alfred & Jeanette  
Mitzel  
1955
9. Jim & Rita Nay  
1995
12. Bill & Jennie Dries  
1954
16. Sebastian & Lauren  
Dumoulin  
2017
23. Jim & Sandy Sund  
1977

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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.