## 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

June 2023

# **Evangelism Committee Position Open**

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ, our church has a need that has gone unfulfilled since last January with no end in sight. You and I are still in need of a Chairperson for the Evangelism Committee. This position is a voting member of your Church Council. Without it, our Council is always person short of full representation. That means our operation decisions are always short one voice; your voice. For anyone thinking "someone more qualified will step up", I'm here to tell you that has not happened, so there's nobody more qualified to be a part of our Council than you. If you are even remotely interested, ask Pastor Freeman or President Falb what the position entails. Please give prayerful consideration to volunteering for this position of service.

Yours in Christ, Vice President Clarence C. Lupo.

# **Baby Bottle Boomerang Reminder**

Turn your baby bottles in by Father's Day, June 18<sup>th</sup> to benefit the Possibilities Center's Baby Bottle Boomerang. Money raised in this baby bottle campaign will help them meet the physical and spiritual needs of men and women who are facing unplanned pregnancies.

# **Vacation Bible School**

Vacation Bible school is open for preschool through 6th grade children. You don't need to be a member of our church to attend, so kids invite a friend to join you this year!

This year our Vacation Bible school will not be held in the month of June. Tentatively we are looking at either July 31<sup>st</sup>-August 4<sup>th</sup>, or August 7<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup>. We will be in need of helpers in all areas, so if you are able to help with teaching, snacks, crafts, activities contact information will be announced, or contact the church office Tues/Wed./Thurs. mornings.

## June Anniversaries

1.	Bruce & Mary McHenry	1968
2.	Clarence & Sandy Lupo	1984
19.	Mike & Sara Ackerson	1993
26.	Dick & Marti Piesch	1965
27.	Kevin & Melinda McHenry	2003
28.	Rev. Robert & Sharon Harris	2003
28.	Bill & Linda Wood	1969
29.	Lyle & Carol Heimbigner	1974
30.	Phillip & Becky Royer	2012

## June Coffee Hour

**04**)\*Katie Foss/Muriel Tosh/Jodie DeTray(c)

- 11)\*Michelle Schaefer/Shirlee Hall/ Sommer Engelbertson(c)
- 18)\*Karen Killian/Linda follett/Sandy Sund(c)
- 25)\*Marilyn Hepola/Sandy Lupo/Mary McHenry(c)



Congratulations and God's richest blessings to our young people getting ready to graduate from high school and college

## **High School Graduates**

- Abigail Freeman, daughter of Pastor and Dawn
- Breanna McHenry, daughter of Kevin and Melinda. Breanna plans to attend CC in the fall to finish her AA, then go on to get a teaching degree
- \* Rachel Torres, daughter of Jenna Crouse (also, granddaughter of Pete Ringen)

All three are graduating from WF West High School on June 10th.

Jonah Freeman, son of Pastor and Dawn will be graduating and receiving his high school diploma from the Visions program.

### **College Graduate**

Matthew Hardy, graduated from St.
 Martins University on Saturday, May 6<sup>th</sup>,
 2023 with his Bachelor of Arts in Literary
 Studies and a minor in history.

# Ahh—summer vacation...

Time to stop rushing the kids to get ready for school in the morning—time for some well-earned rest and relaxation—time to get away with the family for quality time together—time to tend the flower gardens—time to try to out fox the weather and see if you can't harvest a few vegetables.

Summer vacation is not, however, time to take a vacation from worship. Contrary to the title of the old play, "Death Takes a Holiday," Satan, the bringer of death—real death—spiritual death and damnation—never takes a holiday. He is always working to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus. His entire goal and mission is to destroy our faith so that we are forced to join him for eternity in hell.

And sometimes, we are Satan's best allies in his mission. When we take a vacation from worship—whether it be summer vacation or any other excuse we can come up with to avoid worship—we take a vacation from the very thing which God instituted to help us combat the wiles of Satan. In worship, God gives us His gifts of forgiveness and life and salvation.

As we hear His Word, as we receive Christ's body and blood, we are strengthened for the battle against unbelief and death. When we avoid those gifts of God, we put ourselves in grave danger of losing our faith and giving Satan a victory which does not belong to him

An old story about Pastor Martin Luther goes like this: Pastor Luther was out visiting a member of his congregation in Germany. This member had not been to mass in very many weeks. As Pastor Luther told the man of the value and blessings of regular worship attendance, it became apparent that all of Luther's words were going in one ear and out the other. The man was ignoring him. So, Dr. Luther went over to the man's fireplace. He took a pair of tongs and reached into the middle of the fire to withdraw a white-hot coal. He moved the coal to the hearth and then just stood and watched it. As Pastor Luther stared, the man found himself unable to resist looking in the same direction his pastor was. As the two stood and stared, the coal went from being white-hot to being red-hot to being cold and black. Then the man turned to Pastor Luther and said, "Ahh...I see, Pastor. I'll see you at mass on Sunday."

If we remove ourselves from the fire of constant worship, if we remove ourselves from Christ's means of grace, our faith will go from hot to cold. We will die. We will die in the worst possible way. We will die eternally in the torments of hell. But, if we stay in the fire in regular worship, if we make regular use of Christ's means of grace, God will, by those gifts, keep our faith burning white-hot.

Have a wonderful summer vacation. But do yourself a favor. Don't take a vacation from worship. As the writer to the Hebrews put it: "19 Therefore, brothers, since we have confidence to enter the holy places by the blood of Jesus, <sup>20</sup> by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain, that is, through his flesh, <sup>21</sup> and since we have a great priest over the house of God, <sup>22</sup> let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. <sup>23</sup> Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who promised is faithful. <sup>24</sup> And let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works, <sup>25</sup> not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day drawing near" (Hebrews 10:19-25).

One last note: If you'll be out of town on a weekend but don't know where to worship, come see me in the office before your trip. I can find LC-MS churches all over the country for you. God bless.

Your servant in Christ, Pastor Freeman

June Elder: Tom Howsden

June Ushers: Not available at time of printing

Acolyte: 04) Jonah Freeman 11) Landon Engelbertson

18) Weston Engelbertson 25) Jack Millam

Counters: 04) Poppe &Falb 11) Dries 18) Bryant

25) Doench

Flowers: **04**) *OPEN* **11**) Hood **18**) *OPEN* **25**) Lupo

#### **Altar Guild:**

- 04) Chris Pfaff & Jodie DeTray
- 11) Teri Bryant & Cheri Hill
- 18) Rita Nay & Abigail Freeman
- 25) Mary McHenry

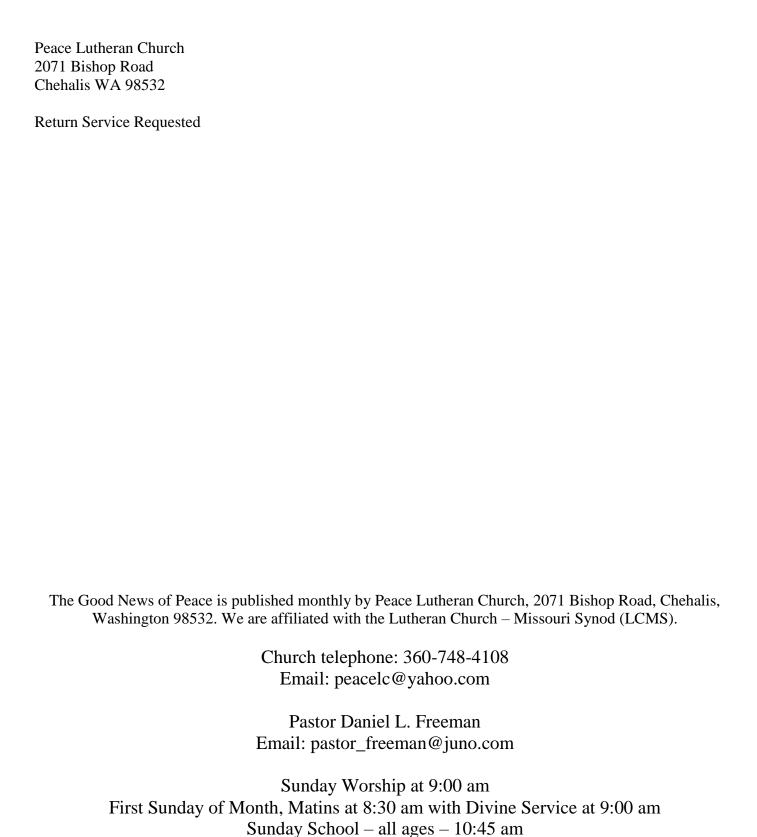
#### **Coffee Hour:**

- **04**)\*Katie Foss/Muriel Tosh/Jodie DeTray(c)
- 11)\*Michelle Schaefer/Shirlee Hall/ Sommer Engelbertson(c)
- 18)\*Karen Kilian/Linda Follett/Sandy Sund(c)
- **25**)\*Marilyn Hepola/Sandy Lupo/Mary McHenry(c)

June 2023							12.
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	13.
				1	2	3	16. 18.
\$:30 Matins	5	6	7	8	9	10	19. 23.
:00am Divine ervice		10:00am Quilters	10:00am Bible Study	6:30pm Church Council		6:00pm Didache Divine Service for Catechesis	23.
0:45am Sunday School Adult Bible Study							24. 25. 26.
9:00am Divine Service 0:45am Sunday School Adult Bible Study	6:00pm Jr. Catechesis	13 10:00am Quilters 6:30pm Lutheran Confession Study @ Olympia	14 10:00am Bible Study	15	16	6:00pm Didache Divine Service for Catechesis	27.
8:00am Divine ervice 0:45am Sunday chool Adult Bible Study	19	20 10:00am Quilters 1:00pm LWML	21	22	23	24	29. 30.
25 0:00am Divine Service 0:45am Sunday School Adult Bible Study	26	27 10:00am Quilters 6:30pm Lutheran Confession Study @ Peace	28	29	30		

### June Birthdays

- 2. Joe Hidalgo
- 5. Colby Dwyer Sharon Kilbourn
- 6. Mike Ackerson
- 7. Mark Fritz
  Bob Landsidel
  Brenton Liseth
- 10. Jonah Freeman
- 2. John Sauter Collin Torres
- 13. Kailyn Sipp
- 16. Linda Follett
- 18. Crystal Sipp Lily Torres
- 9. Abigail Freeman
- 23. Katie Foss Ben Hughes Alfred Mitzel
- 24. Kim Ervin
- 25. Ashley Millam
  - 5. Frank DeVaul
    Judy DeVaul
    Katy Hughes
    7. Paisley
- McAllister
  Wyatt
  McAllister
- 29. Anna Lupo Delos Larsen
- 30. Dick Reuther Linda Wood



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